Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

Pentecost Sunday

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Sacraments: Preparation for all sacraments are made through the parish office.

Ministry to the Sick: When a parishioner or family member is hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home, please call the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick:

Communal - Suspended for now. **Individual** - Call the parish office.

Baptisms: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

Confessions: Call the parish office.

Communal Penance: Scheduled in Lent and Advent.

Funerals: Call the parish office in the event of the death of a loved one.

Weddings: Arrangements are to be made at least one year in advance by calling the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St. 414-464-3817. Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 8-10am

Pastoral Council Officers: Parish Trustees:

Paul Bina, Chair Steve Alioto, Vice-Chair Mahalia Malone, Secretary Curt Kandel, Treasurer Christian Nwonye, Secretary

Rev. Romanus N. Nwaru, Pastor Email: frromanus@gmail.com Mass Times: Saturday, 4pm and Sunday, 9am Morning Mass: Monday and Wednesday, 9am in the Chapel

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East Campus

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Mission Statement Blessed Savior Catholic Parish, a welcoming open community of diverse disciples of Christ, affirms a way of life through prayer, service, and sharing.

Mass Schedule

Saturday, 5/27 - Vigil of Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11 / Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (30) / 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23 4:00pm † Deceased Members of the Francis and Helen Brunner Family

Sunday, 5/28 - Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11 / Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (30) / 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23 9:00am † Joseph and Joan Trinkl Rosary at 8:15am

Wednesday, 5/31 - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Zep 3:14-18a OR Rom 12:9-16 / Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 / Lk 1:39-56 9:00am Parishioners

Friday, 6/2 11am Funeral Mass for Val Fernando

Saturday, 6/3 - Vigil of The Most Holy Trinity Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 / Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b) / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

4:00pm † Gontran Gueye Eucharistic Adoration with Rosary at 3:00pm

Sunday, 6/4 - The Most Holy Trinity Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 / Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b) / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

9:00am † Bob and Terry Leack Eucharistic Adoration with Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, May 29, the Parish Office will be closed. Have a safe and Happy Memorial Day! There will be NO 9am morning Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration with Rosary

We will have Eucharistic Adoration, with rosary, before Mass next weekend - Saturday, June 3 at 3pm and Sunday, June 4 at 8:15am in the church. This is in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please join us. We sit in the front pews.



Learn About Becoming a Deacon

The Diaconate Formation Program of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will be holding information and discernment sessions about the vocation of a deacon, and what it can mean for your family, community and the Church.



For details about registration, please contact our office at 414-758-2202 or visit Diaconateformation@archmil.org.

Dear Parishioners,

Sunday Reflection:

Pentecost is recognized and celebrated as the birthday of the Church. It was remarkable that the Holy Spirit transformed a bunch of petrified disciples into courageous and determined evangelists, ready to die for their faith. The sending of the Holy Spirit was the fulfillment of Jesus' promise not to abandon his Church. The Holy Spirit has sustained the Church's mission through the centuries, enabling her to navigate treacherous waters of uncertainty.

The Hebrew word for "spirit" is "*ruah*," which can also mean wind, breath or life force. People with asthma understand the importance of breath, something we often take for granted. A simple experiment like holding our breath helps us appreciate the need for air. In the second creation account, God's breath gave life to the first human.

The celebration of Pentecost, fifty days after the resurrection, goes back to the early fourth century. There was connection between the celebration of Pentecost and the celebration of the Jewish festival of "First Fruits," also known as the "Feast of Weeks," fifty days after the Passover. The separate celebration of Pentecost took place about the same time Ascension became a separate liturgical celebration forty days after the resurrection. This was in accordance with biblical presentations in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 1-2).

Speaking in tongues was one clear evident of the infusion of the Holy Spirit. The inspired and intelligible utterances of the transformed apostles could be contrasted with the unintelligible babble associated with the Tower of Babel in Genesis 11:1-9. Notwithstanding the fact that people spoke different languages, they understood the apostles' message inspired by the Holy Spirit. This was a major improvement to the glossolalia or ecstatic and unintelligible pronouncements of Old Testament prophets. The Holy Spirit enables the breaking down of barriers to human unity and solidarity.

We can hardly speak of Pentecost without mentioning the traditional gifts of the Holy Spirit based on Isaiah 11:2. These celebrated gifts or fruits of the Holy Spirit are: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, piety, and the fear of the Lord. We need them to overcome any environment of fear.

The respected theologian, Hans Kung, once stated that before the Holy Spirit can truly take hold of our lives all contrary spirits must be exorcised (*Why I Am Still A Christian*). As we celebrate Pentecost, we pray that all contrary spirits in our lives and in our community will take flight, so that God's Spirit may dwell secure.

Happy birthday, Church!

Fr. Romanus



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Five-Year Pledges Campaign Update

Thank you to our volunteers and generous families who have

participated in the Love One Another Campaign thus far. With our team efforts, we are getting closer to achieving our goal!

Help us reach our goal and beyond!

- Our parishes will receive an added benefit if we exceed our goal!
- Every dollar raised to our goal is split 60% to the parish 40% to the Shared Ministries.
- Every dollar raised from 101-125% of goal is split 80% to the parish and 20% to the Shared Ministries.
- Every dollar beyond 125% of goal comes back 100% to the parish!
- Thank you for discerning your pledge and praying for the success of the campaign!

Updated on 5/22/23 Parish Goal: \$429,905 Challenge Goal: \$537,381 (125%) Total Pledged: \$360,210 Percent Goal Pledged: 84% Number Pledges: 45 Participation Rate: 12%

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors You have mail. New schedules will be in your mailbox on June 3.



SVDP Summer Food Drive

Children will be home from school during the summer. The pantry could use your help filling the shelves with instant mashed potatoes / mac & cheese. Thank you for your support. May God bless you.





Saturday, June 10, 2023

Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center 3501 S. Lake Dr. St. Francis, WI

The Eucharistic Congress is an extraordinary opportunity to (re)ignite faith and move forward into ordinary life with renewed love for the Eucharist. A fun and inspirational event for Catholics. \$10 per person or \$25 per family. Register today! https://archmil.regfox.com/ archdiocesan-eucharistic-congress



A message from your bulletin editor: A good laugh and a long sleep are the two best cures for anything!

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please pray for the following parishioners and others with health problems and for all those in nursing homes and those with continuing health concerns:

Judy Adrian, Jackie Ballering, Rhey Clemente, Catherine Felber, Katie Flynn, Robin Flynn, Gayle Hanus, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Rita Hohensee, Mike Hubbard, Mary Anne Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Edward Richard John Kurhajetz, Barb Moroder, Bob Oettinger Jr., Joe Ratke, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Jeanne Rossner, Judith Scheible, Thomas Schmid, Sharon Tym, Eleonore Ulik, Mary Frances Williams

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience with pain.

Remember to pray for all the intentions in the book of "Joys and Concerns" and all those who wrote them.

GRADUATION

Blessed Savior School 8th Grade Graduation - June 1, 2023 May success follow you in everything you do!

Aniya	Aniyah	LeighLa	Alizah
Riklya	Jadien	Cameisha	Jaelin
Raelan	Jeremiah	Dewayne	Zion
Zyasia	Jeniah	Ke'Onate	Makihel
Nathan	Caliyah	Zachary	London
Shaliah	Jamani	Naira	Shaniya
Caleb	Azaria	Sidney	Ke'Orra
Megan	Jaden	Willie	Latrell
Mianna	Guiliania	Frank	Kameron
Gabrielle	Zacori	Pamela	Alayla
Naimah	Isaiah	Israel	Le'Ann

CONGRATULATIONS

Over the past 2 years, the East Campus 7th and 8th graders have partnered with the Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE) in the area of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). Our students have been working on Robotics as well as a Fabmakers workshop



where students get to design and produce a 3D prototype. This year MSOE asked us to be a part of the NFPA Fluid Power Challenge. The students work in teams to design and build a fluid power mechanism and compete against other teams in a timed competition. We competed against 40 other teams and did extremely well. Mr. McKinnon, our 7th/8th grade Math teacher, led both teams and we are grateful for his hard work and dedication to this event and our students. Please check out the videos on the Blessed Savior Facebook page.



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