

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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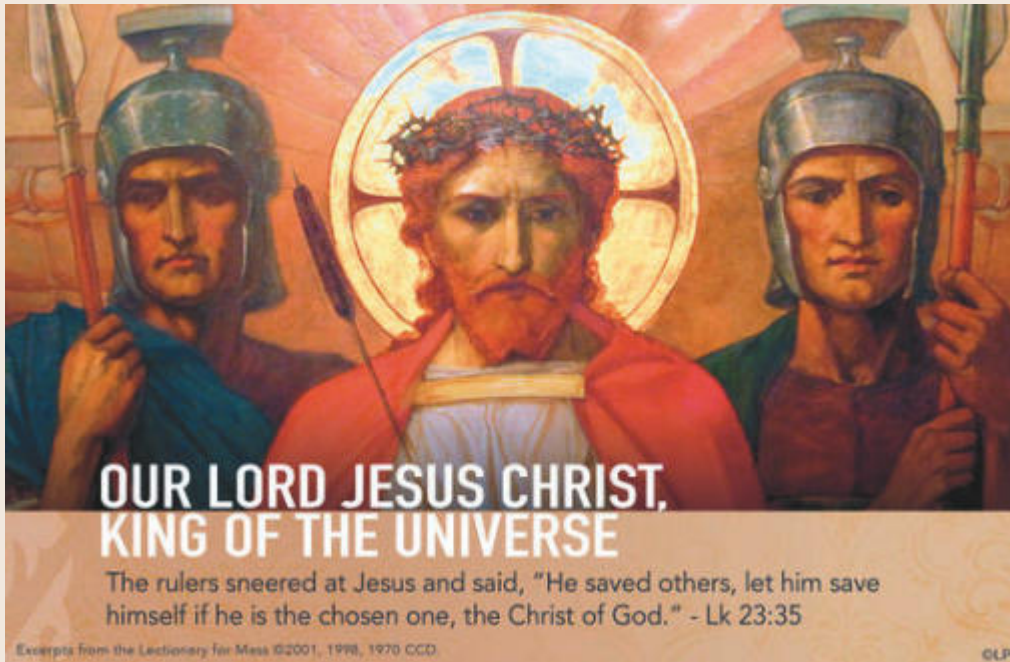
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Individual: Any Time and also by appointment.

Baptism: Contact the parish office to set up an appointment.

Confessions: 3rd Saturday in church, 3:15-3:45pm and by appointment

Communal Penance: Seasonal as announced.

Funerals: Please 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.

Ministry to the Sick

When a parishioner or family member is hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home, please call the parish office to have someone bring them Communion or visit.

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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.

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

SATURDAY, 11/23 - VIGIL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

† Robert & Terry Leack

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 11/24 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

9:00am † Gerald & Elaine Ballering

Rosary at 8:15am

MONDAY, 11/25 - ST CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk 21:1-4 s

Parishioners

TUESDAY, 11/26 - WEEKDAY—NO CHAPEL MASS

Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11

10:30am † Funeral Mass Dolores Kulasiewicz

Wednesday, 11/27 - VIGIL OF THANKSGIVING

Zeph.3:14-15, 1 Cor.1:3-9, Matt.7-11

6:30pm † James Engel



THURSDAY, 11/28 - NO SCHOOL MASS, HAPPY THANKSGIVING

SATURDAY, 11/30 - VIGIL OF 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

4:00pm † Peter Rosa

Rosary at 3:15

Anointing of the sick in the Chapel after Mass

SUNDAY, 12/1 - 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

9:00am † Jane Swanson

Rosary at 8:15am

Dear Parishioners,

The Solemnity of Christ the King:

This Sunday is the Solemnity of Christ the King, a celebration of Jesus' messianic leadership. The celebration is a great way to end the liturgical year and welcome a new liturgical season that begins with the first Sunday of Advent. Pope Pius XI instituted this Solemnity in 1925, in an encyclical entitled *Quas Primas*. In the encyclical, the Pope attributed the denial of the Kingship of Christ to the rise of secularism.

The rise of dictatorship in Europe influenced the institution of the solemnity, coupled with numerous challenges to the Church's power and influence. Originally, the Church celebrated this feast on the last Sunday in October, but later moved it to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time in the revised liturgical calendar of 1969.

Many people in our society see kingship as archaic, undemocratic and suspect due to the ever-present danger of tyranny. The absence of the kind of checks and balances inherent in a democratic system makes the concept of kingship uncomfortable. When power is concentrated on one individual, there is the danger of dictatorship. Those concerned about the dangers of human kingship should realize that the reign of God is different.

Unlike human royalty, spiced with honor, prestige, extravagance and pomposity, the kingship of Christ is rooted in simplicity and humility. It is ironic that Jesus was crowned king by the very people who rejected him as king (Matthew 27:29). In the prelude to his crucifixion, Jesus received a crown not made of gold, diamond and ruby, but of thorns. Likewise, a staff not made of precious metals and stones, but of reed. As king, Jesus is the champion of our fight against evil, and the model of Christian leadership. His earthly reign is the reign of love, justice and peace. The fullness of his reign lies beyond human experience as portrayed in Scripture passages, especially the apocalyptic writings.

Thanksgiving:

This Thursday is the annual celebration of Thanksgiving in the United States. Its origin has been a subject of boosterism with often conflicting claims. Part of the confusion is the mixing of Thanksgiving as a secular holiday with Thanksgiving as a religious service. Majority opinion traces Thanksgiving to the Puritan practice of giving thanks for a good harvest. Thanksgiving was not celebrated by all thirteen colonies did on the same day until 1777.

George Washington was the first president to declare Thanksgiving Day a national holiday in 1789. Abraham Lincoln, in a quest to unite the colonies declared in 1863 that the last Thursday in November be a day of Thanksgiving. Franklin D. Roosevelt, in an effort to extend the Christmas shopping season, changed it in 1939 to the third Thursday in November. This became controversial, but through the timely intervention of Congress in 1941, it was moved back to the fourth Thursday in November where it has remained.

Thanksgiving gives us a special opportunity to express gratitude to God for his many blessings. We thank God for the gift of life, health, family, friends, and resources. In any society where hard work is appreciated and rewarded, there is the tendency for one to take credit for one's accomplishments. The fact remains that God is the force behind our accomplishments. We express our spirit of gratitude in the sharing of our blessings with the less fortunate. For this reason, our parish Thanksgiving Mass collection will go to the St. Vincent de Paul society to support their on-going outreach to the poor and less privileged.

Wishing you a Happy Thanksgiving!

Fr. Romanus



We currently have the following Mass Intention days open for the month of December: Tuesday, December 12 9am, Saturday, December 14, 4:00pm, Saturday, December 28, 4:00pm—Mass is offered with gratitude as a way of giving thanks for a person's life and the impact that life had on you. Mass stipend is \$10. Please contact the parish office at 414-464-5033



THIS WEEKEND WE CELEBRATE OUR FEAST DAY AT BLESSED SAVIOR, THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE AT BOTH THE 4PM AND 9AM MASSES.

FOLLOWING MASS THERE WILL BE HOSPITALITY IN THE CHURCH HALL. COME JOIN IN ON THIS CELEBRATION.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed Thursday, November 28 & Friday, November 29. If you have an emergency please call the parish office @ 414-464-5033 & leave a message. Someone will get back to you. Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving from Fr. Romanus, Eileen, John, Penny, Christy, Chuck & Andrew.





Stewardship Pledge
Growing Our Faith Through Generosity
 Please don't forget to return your stewardship pledge card by mail or in the offertory collection next weekend.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE PLEASE NOTE



Liturgical Publications, our bulletin provider, has adjusted their printing deadlines for November and December. Therefore, articles for the December 8 bulletin for the due by noon on Wednesday, November 27 and articles for the December 15 bulletin are due by Noon on Friday, December 6. *Thank you for understanding.*



LOOKING AHEAD!! — THANKSGIVING EVE MASS, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 MASS @ 6:30PM IN THE CHURCH. The offertory collection that evening will go to the SVDP Society Food Pantry



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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Are we looking for Christ to be our earthly king or our eternal one? We often go back and forth with God on this question. What we find in the content of our prayer usually reveals the answer. Because life can be difficult, we may desire that God cushion our earthly experience a bit, make it more tolerable, remove the crosses, and do the miraculous. Preserving our earthly lives can take too much precedence and be of too much concern. Christ the eternal king offers a different promise and hope. The eternal king offers us a way through suffering and hardship to the greater glory to be revealed when our journey is completed in heaven. The eternal king is not the king of earthly comfort but the king who advocates for the poor, vulnerable, lost, broken, marginalized, and hurting. We are asked to become like the eternal king, Jesus Christ, both in this life and in the life to come.

Liturgical Publications

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:

Jackie Ballering, Stanley Bruskiwicz, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Mary Ann Janke, Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Karla Klaybor, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Carol Runningen, Anton Schleiss, Rusty Tym, Mary Frances Williams

Lord Jesus, You 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.

If you wish to add someone to the prayer list with their permission, please call the parish office @ 414-464-5033.

The name will remain on the list for 4 weeks and then to the Prayer Circle. If you wish to have it on longer please call the parish office.

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



Thanksgiving and the Eucharist

The word Thanksgiving conjures up images of turkey and cranberry sauce, parades and football games. These are traditions that have come to characterize and annual holiday to remember and celebrate the blessings of our American life.

Jesus himself offers us a model of gratitude to God for all the gifts that God has bestowed on us. He models an attitude of thankfulness and praise both in His prayers and in His actions by accepting whatever comes from God—even suffering—trusting that God has given it out of loving care and not anger.

It is with this sense of thanksgiving that we should also come to every Eucharist. Indeed, if we have participated fully in the Eucharist and understood the grace it offers us, then the attitude of thanksgiving will permeate our whole lives. We will find ourselves becoming ever more aware and ever more grateful for the good things God gives us every day, thereby allowing our whole lives to become symphony of praise and thanksgiving to our God.

Let us come before God with a song of praise, joyfully sing out our psalms. For the LORD is the great God, the great king over all gods.—Psalm 95:2-3



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