

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

November 22, 2020

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe



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Anointing of the Sick:

Communal - Suspended for now.

Individual - Call the parish office.

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

Confessions: Call the parish office.

Communal: Seasonal as announced.

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

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

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." - Mt 25:34

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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, 11/21 - VIGIL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

*Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 [1]/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/
Mt 25:31-46*

4:00pm † Carol Runningen
Rosary at 3:15pm

**SUNDAY, 11/22 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

*Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 [1]/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/
Mt 25:31-46*

9:00am † Lillian Schmidt
Rosary at 8:15am

**WEDNESDAY, 11/25 - VIGIL OF
THANKSGIVING**

*Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5
[Rev 19:9a]/Lk 21:20-28*

6:00pm † Suzanne Ngingone



SATURDAY, 11/28 - VIGIL OF 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]
1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-3*

4:00pm † Francis & Helen Brunner
Rosary at 3:15am

SUNDAY, 11/29 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor
1:3-9/Mk 13:33-3*

9:00am † James Engel
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 in 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 scepter not 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 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 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

There will be NO morning Chapel Mass on Wednesday, November 25. We will have a Thanksgiving Eve Mass at 6:00pm.

Our collection will be given to our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry to support their on-going outreach to the poor and less privileged



**WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASSES ARE
SUSPENDED FOR NOW.**

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed Thursday, November 26 & Friday, November 27. If you have an emergency, please call the parish office @ 414-464-5033 & leave a message. Someone will get back to you.



*Happy
Thanksgiving from
Fr. Romanus,
Eileen, John,
Penny, Christy,
Chuck & Andrew.*



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.



Stewardship Pledge – Growing Our Faith Through Generosity

We are very grateful for everything that our parishioners do to build our faith community. The true message of stewardship, however, is not about counting volunteer hours, documenting service or establishing giving

requirements. It's not about how much any church expects of its members. It is about the expectations of our God, and our answer to his final question, "What have you done with all that I have given to you?"

Our Stewardship Pledge starts this weekend. Please return your pledge card by mail or in the offertory collection by December 15.



Dear Friends,

"We become one family, sons and daughters of the same God, when we share one bread — and hopefully soon, one cup." Fr. Javier Bustos (Our Lady Queen of Peace, Milwaukee) shares with us his personal testimony on the joys and necessities of attending Mass. "See You at Mass" is an invitation from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee to return to Mass. Please share this with your Catholic community.

The video link is posted on our website (www.blessedsaviorparish.org) and on the Archdiocesan website (www.archmil.org). Click on "See You At Mass."



The Human Concerns Giving Tree is in the back of church. Won't you take a tag and make someone's Christmas a little merrier!

Obey the Covid Guidelines.

Human Concerns Committee members will be available if you have questions.

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:

- Amber Anderson, Jackie Ballering, Bernetta, Stanley Bruskiwicz, Dennis Claas, Anna Emmerich, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Mike Hubbard, Mary Ann Janke, Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Karla Klaybor, Marie Mirenda, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Anton Schleiss, Sharon 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 Sick List with their permission, call the parish office at 414-464-5033.

Names remain on the Sick List for 4 weeks and then are given to the Prayer Circle. For names to be removed sooner, call the parish office.

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



Advent starts next weekend. Check out the round table in the Villard hallway for free inspirational booklets, prayers and activity booklets for your children.

Remember, obey Covid guidelines by using hand sanitizer and social distancing at the table.



Living Our Call as SSNDs: Responding to Racism

Hear the personal stories of School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND) as they explore the topic of racism from the perspective of SSND charism, life and mission. Seeking to witness to unity in our divided world, SSND engage fully in the lifelong process of conversion of heart and return to love. This online event will take place December 1, 2020, 7-8 p.m. CST. Women ages 18-45 are invited to learn more and register by November 30 at ssnd.org/events/.



A message from your bulletin editor: God gives us all the ingredients for living. It's what we make of them that counts. *Happy Thanksgiving.*



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