

# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

## 1st Sunday of Advent

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site  
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November 27, 2022

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**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.

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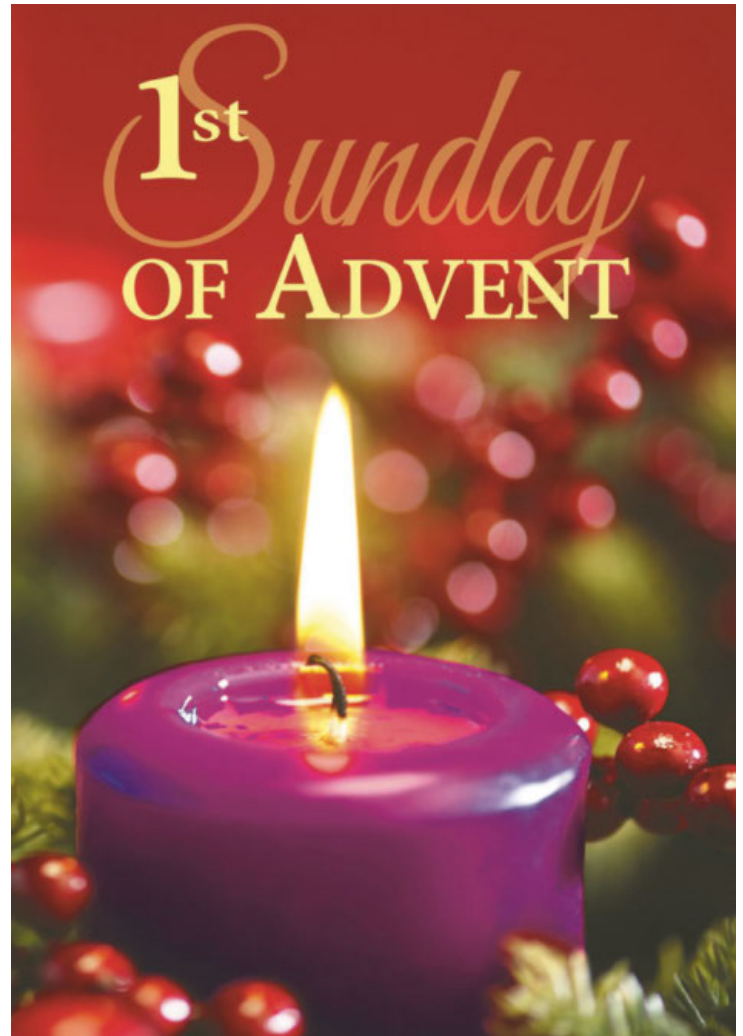
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### East Campus

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Erin O'Donnell, Principal



### 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, 11/26 - Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Advent**

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

**4:00pm** † John and Lucy Arends

**Sunday, 11/27 - 1st Sunday of Advent**

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

**9:00am** † Rosemary Baranek

**Rosary at 8:15am**

**Monday, 11/28 - Advent Weekday**

*Is 4:2-6 / Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9 / Mt 8:5-11*

**9:00am** Parishioners, both living and deceased

**Tuesday, 11/29 - Advent Weekday**

*Is 11:1-10 / Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 / Lk 10:21-24*

**9:00am** East Campus Mass  
Intention of the Priest

**Wednesday, 11/30 - St. Andrew, Apostle**

*Rom 10:9-18 / Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 / Mt 4:18-22*

**9:00am** † Andreas Wesslerle

**Saturday, 12/3 - Vigil of the 2nd Sunday of Advent**

*Is 11:1-10 / Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 / Rom 15:4-9 / Mt 3:1-12*

**4:00pm** † Vi Ciernik

**Sunday, 12/4 - 2nd Sunday of Advent**

*Is 11:1-10 / Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 / Rom 15:4-9 / Mt 3:1-12*

**9:00am** Parishioners

**Rosary at 8:15am**

This week's School Mass is Tuesday,  
November 29, 9:00am at the East Campus.  
Enter through the front center door of the  
church.



Fr. Romanus, staff and Blessed Savior  
parishioners express our sympathy to the  
family of

**Barbara Bleul**, mother of Edward Bleul

*May she find peace and happiness with our Lord Jesus in  
heaven. May God comfort those who mourn her and all  
who suffer the loss of a loved one. May her soul and the  
souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of  
God rest in peace. Amen.*

**Catholic Trivia**

*Which Gospel has the most information about the  
Blessed Virgin Mary?*

(Answer on page 3)

**Gospel Meditation**

We can embrace and relish each moment of our lives as a sacred sacrament or nonchalantly and robotically attend to what life presents. We have our feet in two worlds. One is holy and sacred, and the other is profane and secular. Which one has the greater claim on us? To what do we devote most of our energy? We can easily be consumed with the particular demands and essentials of daily life: family, work, obligations, and the like, that we don't really notice anything more than what is right before us. We become masters at "doing" and neglect our need to "savor." Jesus reminds his friends that "as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away."

While certain things require our daily attention, we cannot become so consumed with them that we fail to see the larger picture of what is coming. For the Christian, Advent is the time to pause, reflect, and savor. It is a time to see life as a sacrament of the moment and not just an investment in secular interests, pleasures, and personal obligations. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can quickly wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. Whatever we can do this Advent season to be more attentive, focused, alert, and watchful will serve us well. It will make us eager and well-prepared to meet our Lord when he comes. It is for certain that he will come.

Who made me? What is my purpose? What will happen to me when I die? These are pivotal questions that, in life's busyness, we hardly find time to ask and answer. They define who we are, and the answers we provide serve as guideposts and anchors in the seas of our lives. Advent is the perfect time to make friends with our souls. It is a time to perk ourselves up, open our eyes, ears, and hearts and seek God's presence in the simple moments of our lives. God is with us. Ask God to grant you a deeper appreciation for His presence and the gift of attentiveness.

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**THANK YOU** to all the parish members who donated school supplies to our school. You have helped us get off to a great start this school year! We truly appreciate all the donations.



**THANK YOU** also for the hats, mittens, and scarves that were donated to each campus. These will keep us warm during the winter months!

Sincerely, the Students and Staff at Blessed Savior Catholic School - South, East, and West Campuses

**Attention All Altar Servers**

Please remember to sign up for weekend Masses. The sign-up sheet is in the vesting room. Servers are needed especially during Advent and Christmas.

**Are you interested in becoming an altar server?**

We sure could use a few more - adults, teens or school age appropriate. Contact Bruce Mayer at 414-462-3305.

**Advent Giving Tree**

*This is the last weekend to take a gift tag from the Advent Giving Tree, which is located in the back of church. Bring your wrapped, new gift (with the tag taped to the outside) to church by December 4 and place it under the tree. Many thanks!*

**Oplatki**

This year we are once again selling Christmas Oplatki Wafers. The cost is \$2.25 for a packet of 4 wafers. They are available after Mass. See an usher for your purchase. They are also available at the parish office.

**Christmas Flowers**

In your monthly envelope pack for December, there is a special Christmas flower offering envelope to help us with decoration costs for our church environment during the Christmas season. Extra envelopes are on the side table in back of church. All donations are appreciated.

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Empty Shelf for Late Fall and Holidays**

For the weekend of 12/3 & 12/4, the pantry could use your help filling the shelves with cranberries and instant potatoes. Your generosity is appreciated.



Also, many thanks to Blessed Savior parishioners for the lovely hats, mittens and scarves you donated for our pantry clients. May God bless you.

**Looking Ahead...**

- Announcements for the 12/11 bulletin are due by noon on Friday, 12/2
- Announcements for the 12/18 bulletin are due by noon on Thursday, 12/8
- December 7 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 6pm Vigil Mass
- December 8 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 9am Mass
- December 14 - Advent Reconciliation, 6pm
- Mass on Christmas Eve, 12/24, will be at 4pm only
- Mass on Christmas Day, 12/25, will be at 9am

*Catholic Trivia Answer - Luke*

**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, Ellen Malloy, Barb Moroder, Bob Oettinger, Jr., Joe Ratke, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Judith Scheible, Thomas Schmid, Sharon Tym, Eleonore Ulik, Mary Frances Williams

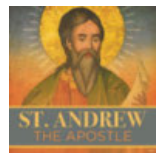
*Lord Jesus, You went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience with pain.*

If you wish to add someone to the Sick List with their permission, call the parish office at 414-464-5033.

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

**Saint Andrew - Feast Day November 30**

Saint Andrew was a fisherman in Galilee, along with his brother, Peter, when they were called by Jesus to leave their boat and become fishers of men. John's Gospel also places him as a follower of John the Baptist before he came to be one of Jesus' twelve Disciples. Beyond the scant references in the Gospels, not much is known of Saint Andrew's life.



According to Christian tradition Saint Andrew, like many of his fellow Disciples, went out into Greece and Turkey to preach the Good News. A 4th century account of the saint's life tells of his martyrdom by crucifixion in Patras. Medieval accounts describe the cross used as X-shaped because Andrew said he was not worthy to die on the same style of cross as Jesus.

Famously, Saint Andrew is the patron Saint of Scotland, the country's flag bearing the X-shaped cross associated with him. Legends claim that the saint either traveled to Scotland to spread the Gospel or that his relics were brought there by St. Regulus who had a vision telling him to take the bones to the end of the earth. Regulus set out and was shipwrecked on the coast of Scotland. Today relics of St. Andrew which had been held by the Vatican are now at a shrine in Patras.



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