

# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

November 29, 2020

## 1st Sunday in Advent

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Mass Times: SATURDAY 4PM, SUNDAY 9AM

Weekdays Masses are suspended for now.

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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.

**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 loved one.

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

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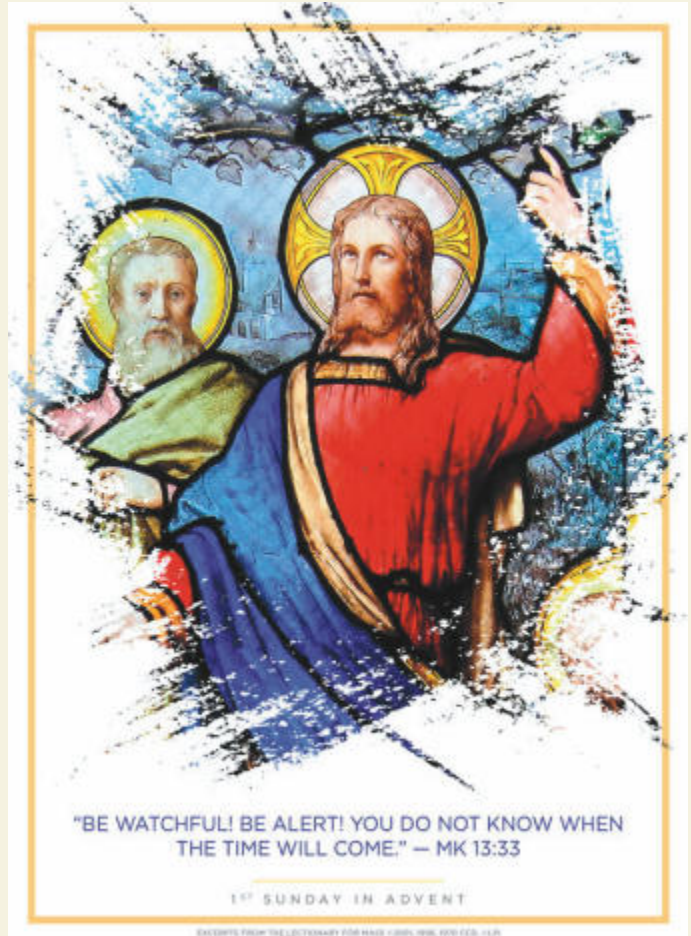
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### Mission Statement

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, 11/28 - 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 13:33-37

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



**SUNDAY, 11/29 - 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 13:33-37

**9:00am † James Engel**  
**Rosary at 8:15am**

**SATURDAY, 12/5 - VIGIL OF 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

**4:00pm † Pierre Dasylya**  
**† Monique Diatta**  
**Rosary at 3:15am**



**SUNDAY, 12/6 - 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

**9:00am † Frances & Edward Kupkowski**  
**Rosary at 8:15am**



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



**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, IS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH. THERE WILL BE A 6PM MASS ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 7 AND AT 9AM ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, IN THE CHURCH.**

**Publication dates for our bulletin change with the holidays.**

Announcements for the 12/6 bulletin are due by noon on 11/30.

Announcements for the 12/13 bulletin are due by noon on 12/7.

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Announcements for the 12/20 bulletin are due by noon on 12/9.

Announcements for the 12/27 bulletin are due by noon on 12/14.

Announcements for the 1/3/20 bulletin are due by noon on 12/23.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

You are at the eye doctor and it's time for the peripheral vision test. You know the one. It's where you put your head up to a contraption and have to click a switch every time you see a squiggly line. If you don't concentrate and maintain optimal focus, you will miss them and skew the outcome of the test. You can easily find yourself with a diagnosis that really isn't accurate! Concentration and focus are key to succeeding with this evaluation. They are also key to developing a healthy, vibrant spiritual life. If we do not bring our full consciousness to the task, concentrate with all our might, be watchful and vigilant, we are not going to see God's loving presence flashing before our eyes!

That's why we need Advent. Let's face it. We can easily get distracted, focus on nonessential and superficial things and lose touch with what really matters. Our attentions wander. We daydream and even become a bit overwhelmed and tired. All of the stresses and demands of life consume us and we find ourselves constantly trying to play catch up rather than relishing the moment of the now. "Now" moments are so fleeting. They flash before us like those squiggly lines on a screen. Present moments go as quickly as they come but it is important to discover them and rest in them as often as we can. Though gone in a flash, these now moments of encounter with God teach powerful lessons and offer a grounding in truth that can be found nowhere else. It's the grace of Advent to become watchful and attentive because we are never sure when God will surprise us.

God loves surprises and love thrives on them! God's now moments of surprises come as tender instants of intimate connection where I find profound peace, experience joy, and rest in love. These are Advent times reflective of the now moments when Christ first was born, when God surprises us during every time we care to watch and when the great surprise of Christ's second coming dawns upon us all. But, to discover the grandeur and experience the awe of these now times, we have to be ready. We have to want to be there. We have to believe. And, we have to have the desire to soak in as much as we can in the time we have before us.

*Liturgical Publications*

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP** "What could happen next?" How many times have you asked yourself that question in the past year? Though we most often use that expression when things don't seem to be going our way, this year it has been an expression of the constant changes to our world which the COVID-19 pandemic has wrought. But we might use the same expression to explain our feelings of being overwhelmed by blessings and good things, when the stars seem to align just right.

No matter what, we can say with certainty that tomorrow will not go exactly as we envisioned. Our lives are influenced by so many factors and the world around us is increasingly complex. Rather than be surprised by the unexpected, maybe we should expect the unexpected.

Living in this manner causes us to cherish more deeply the gifts we have been given. It helps us to live in the present and become mindful of those around us. Our relationships deepen. Our sense of responsibility builds. Our stewardship way of life finds new meaning and purpose.

This Advent will not be the same experience as last Advent. It remains to be seen what the coming days and weeks have in store for each of us. However, no matter what happens, Jesus Christ is there to welcome us to the unexpected. He will celebrate with us in joy and he will even feel our pain. You can count on the unexpected, but you can also count on Him to be there with you. He is now and forever, Emmanuel, "God with us." He is the expected in all things unexpected. *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*



**Stewardship Pledge**

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**Life is a gift. Every day. Every minute. Every Breath.**  
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We will follow this up with a phone call. Hope you decide to become a member of our parish! We welcome the chance to get to know you. If it is easier, you can call the parish office @ 414-464-5033 or email us at [blessedsavior@archmil.org](mailto:blessedsavior@archmil.org).



A message from your bulletin editor  
You don't realize how old you are until you sit on the floor and then try to get back up.

**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, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Marie Miranda, Barb Moroder, 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.

For names to be removed call the parish office.

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



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

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

**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 for purchase after Mass. See an Usher for help. They are also available at the Parish Office.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** - In your monthly envelope pack for December, there is a special Christmas flower envelope. Extra envelopes are also on a table in the back of church.



**DON'T FORGET OUR ADVENT GIVING TREE. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 IS THE LAST WEEKEND TO BRING IN YOUR GIFT.**

The tree will be up and waiting for your gifts **now through December 6th**. All we ask is for you to give a **new gift**, wrap it up pretty and tape the tag onto the outside.

*Human Concerns*

**Bernadette Parish curbside dinners schedule**—Saint Bernadette Parish (8200 West Denver Avenue, Milwaukee) is offering a curbside pick-up dinner through the end of the year. **All dinners are from 4:00 to 7:30PM and we ask that you preorder. Go to [www.stbweb.com](http://www.stbweb.com) for the link to pre-order. The link becomes active two weeks prior to the dinner. You can also call the parish office to pre-order, 414-358-4600.**

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