

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8, 2020

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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 Penance: Seasonal as announced.

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

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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass (2001, 1988, 1970) OCE

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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, 11/7 - Vigil of the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

4:00pm † Charles, Dorothy and Kathren Henry
 † Adeline Henry

Rosary at 3:15pm

Sunday, 11/8 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

9:00am † Michael and Anna Lasecki and Family
 Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 11/9 - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

9:00am † Connie Clemente

Wednesday, 11/11 - St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 [1]/Lk 17:11-19

9:00am † Milton Hohensee

Saturday, 11/14 - Vigil of 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/ 1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

4:00pm † Matthew M. Stano

Rosary at 3:15pm

Sunday, 11/15 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/ 1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

9:00am † Faustino G. Piana and Eliza V. Piana

Rosary at 8:15am

"We receive the Real Presence of Christ so that we can become the Real Presence of Christ for others." Fr. Ricardo Martín (Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Racine) shares with us his personal testimony on the joys and necessities of attending Mass.



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 Pope's Prayer Intention for November

Artificial Intelligence: We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Dear Parishioners,

Sunday Reflection:

The parable of the ten virgins in this Sunday's gospel is one of the most enigmatic and intriguing in the scripture and is only found in Matthew's gospel. The five virgins who were prepared were rewarded, while the five unprepared virgins were locked out of the wedding banquet. It is an eschatological parable because it deals with the end of time.

It is important to note that all ten virgins were running low on oil and their lamps were sputtering and burning out. The big difference between the wise virgins and the foolish ones was that the wise ones brought along extra oil, while the foolish did not. It is no wonder that the first reading personifies wisdom. Wisdom is inevitable in making good judgment in life, especially about our final destiny.

The refusal of the wise virgins to share their remaining oil tends to go against Christian charity, but they did not want to run the risk of being locked out. The extra oil each brought along would be enough for one person. Their failure to share was not intended to be selfish or uncharitable because the kind of oil needed for the light of salvation is not exchangeable. We have a lifetime to procure enough oil to last. Unfortunately, some people are too busy to care.

Have you ever run out of gas on the freeway? Besides dead batteries, flat tires, and misplaced keys, running out of gas ranks high on the reason most people call for roadside assistance. This is the case despite gas meters on vehicles, low gas warning lights, signs and messages on the dashboard of most modern vehicles. Reasons for running out of gas include: malfunctioning gas meters or electronics, procrastination, miscalculation, distraction and inattentiveness. Many people have gas cans in their trunk just in case they run out of gas. When people run out of gas, we rarely find other drivers sharing their gas. Those wishing to help might offer a ride to a gas station or lend a gas can. Such charity to the unwise may not apply at the end of time.

Those who have rejected the faith and turned their back on God and the Church should not be expected to enter heaven based on the right choices that others made. Now is the time to make the right choices and preparations for life with God while there is still time. When it is all said and done, each person would be accountable for his/her own choices.

In this parable of the ten virgins, the darkness outside depicts the world as unsafe and treacherous. To survive, one needs the light of the Holy Spirit. The Church is where one procures the oil/gas that keeps the light of the Holy Spirit burning. Some Catholics do not bother going to Church or living their faith. Sooner or later, their oil/gas would run out, and it might be too late to get a refill. By the same token, being physically present in Church will not be enough if one does not fill up at the gas stations on the journey of life. Apart from physical presence, one also needs to be spiritually present and actively participating. One also needs to live in accordance with the Christian faith. It would be foolish to be low on gas, pull into a gas station, and then drive off without filling up.

We ought to be always prepared because we do not know when the Son of Man will come. At some time in the future, we would hear the midnight call that the bridegroom has arrived. Those prepared would trim their lamps and enter the banquet, and the unprepared would be locked out. It is important to note that the ten virgins were not criticized for slumbering, since they all feel asleep. The main difference is that the foolish ones paid a big price for their lack of wisdom. In the journey of life, we may find ourselves dosing off now and then. However, we should exercise wisdom by ensuring that we are prepared for that last breath.

Have a great week!

Fr. Romanus





*All Souls Call of Names
October 31 and November 1, 2020*



If you wish to have a Mass offered for a loved one during 2021, call Eileen at the Parish Office (414-464-5033, ext. 11). The stipend for Mass remains at \$10.



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

Frances "Fran" Jaszczenski, parishioner

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

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Food Drive

During the month of November, we could use your help filling our shelves with any of the following Thanksgiving food items:

- ◆ Stovetop Stuffing (box)
- ◆ instant mashed potatoes
- ◆ canned yams, cranberry sauce
- ◆ canned soup, canned fruit



Thank you for your continued generosity!



11/11/2020
We remember our Veterans who faithfully served our nation.

Please Note

Announcements for the 11/22 bulletin are due by noon on 11/13.
Announcements for the 11/29 bulletin are due by noon on 11/18.

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:

- Chad, 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.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

You have mail. New schedules will be in your mailbox on November 14.



Attention Lectors

Your new lector workbooks are available for you to pick up. They are in the Vesting Room.

Thank You from our Human Concerns Commission

We are so grateful to our amazing parish family. Even with everything that is going with the pandemic, we collected 120 back-to-school items and 600 caps, mittens and scarves. These were given to our 3 school campuses as well as our St. Vincent de Paul Pantry. And if that's not amazing enough, 70 cards were filled out by our parishioners and were delivered to the VA Hospital to be distributed on Veterans Day. Thank you all for your caring, kindness and sharing your blessings.



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A word of advice - don't give it!

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