

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2020

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"The stone that the
builders rejected has
become the cornerstone."
- Mt 21:42ab

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Sacraments: Preparation for all sacraments are made through the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick:

Communal - Suspended for now.

Individual - Call the parish office.

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

Confessions: Call the Parish Office.

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.

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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, 10/3 - Vigil of the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/

Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

4:00pm † Margaret & Eldred Harry

Rosary at 3:15pm

Sunday, 10/4 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Respect Life Sunday

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/

Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

9:00am † Tom Schimmels & Steven Lehman

Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 10/5 - Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/Lk 10:25-37

9:00am † Robert Schmidt, Sr.

Wednesday, 10/7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

9:00am In Thanksgiving

(Serge & Sabine Memiaghe)

Saturday, 10/10 - Vigil of the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/

Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

4:00pm † Norbert & Dolores Kulasiewicz

Rosary at 3:15pm

Sunday, 10/11 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/

Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

9:00am † Joseph Augustine

Rosary at 8:15am

New Video Series: See You At Mass!

"See You at Mass" is an invitation from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee to return to Mass in person.



"In just one hour every Sunday for Mass, amazing things happen, and it can really transform the rest of your week." Fr. John Baumgardner (Old St. Mary, Milwaukee) 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."

"Jesus said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you'..." Luke 22:15

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

This Sunday's gospel parable is an indictment of those who put Jesus to death and those responsible for the death of the prophets before him. There is a striking contrast between the generosity of the landowner and the greed of the tenant workers.

The landowner did everything to ensure that the vineyard was productive and looked forward to reaping the fruits of his investments in vintage time. The workers, on the other hand, were greedy and discontent with their pay. They wanted the entire vineyard to themselves. Their greed had murderous consequences as they killed all the messengers from the landowner who were seeking to obtain his produce. To top it off, the workers killed the landowner's son, presuming they would inherit the vineyard. It is hard to understand their logic and how they intended to get away with murder.

Jesus got the crowd to admit that the landowner would put the wicked workers to a wretched end and lease out his vineyard to responsible tenants. He also made sure the audience understood that the parable was about them. This is typical of juridical parables whereby the parable invites the hearers to pass judgment on themselves. We are all workers in God's vineyard in our various roles in the Church, at home and at the workplace. To avoid suffering the same judgment before God as these parable workers, we need to jettison greed in all its forms and strive for contentment and gratitude for the privilege of work.

Feast of St. Francis – blessing of pets:

This Sunday is also the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, but it was suppressed because it fell on a Sunday. St. Francis was known for his love for animals, birds, and all of God's creation. In accordance with our past celebrations of this feast, there will be the blessing of pets at 6pm.

Here are some thoughts about the life of St. Francis. He was born in Assisi in about 1181 and was baptized in his father's absence with the name Giovanni. However, upon returning from a business trip to France, his father changed his name to Francis. Francis received rudimentary education and fought in the battle of Collestrada against Perugia in 1202.

Francis identified his encounter with a leper as the turning point in his life. Abandoning his family wealth and patrimony, he made his home among lepers and the marginalized. In them he found Christ, the suffering and crucified Lord. In 1205, he found a new direction for his life following the voice of the Lord from the cross asking him to rebuild his Church. Soon, he attracted a following and established a brotherhood that came to be known as the Franciscans.

The Franciscan movement grew rapidly, and soon Clare of Assisi became part of the movement and directed the development of the Poor Ladies of St. Francis. Seeking martyrdom, Francis traveled to Syria during preparations for the fifth Crusade against the Muslims. Unable to stop the attack, he became a witness to a failed Crusade in which thousands were killed. Francis traveled to the Muslim camp and attempted to convert Sultan Melek-el-Kamel.

Upon returning to Italy, Francis helped to put together the Rule of the Friars Minor. The final text of the Rule was approved by Pope Honorius III in the papal bull *Solet annuere*, in 1223. Francis celebrated Christmas by re-enacting the Nativity Scene with live animals and real people. He received the stigmata in 1224, and later composed the *Canticle of Brother Sun*, in which he invited all of creation to join in praising God. He died in 1226, and was canonized by Pope Gregory IX two years later, in 1228.

Have a great week!

Fr. Romanus

The Combined Collections: Catholic Global Ministries will be held next week, October 10-11, 2020, supporting five causes important to Catholics throughout the country:

- **Catholic Relief Services** supports charitable organizations that provide international relief and promote solidarity efforts.
- **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** supports missions in Appalachia and the Deep South, the Southwest, the mountain west, along with dioceses of the Caribbean and the Pacific.
- **Peter's Pence** assists Pope Francis in maintaining the administration of 700 million Catholics and the special needs in Third World countries.
- **World Mission Sunday** funds missionary groups and activity around the world, including initiatives in our own archdiocese.
- **The Church in Central and Eastern Europe** collection funds the restoration and renewal of the Church in areas suffering from persecution, religious discrimination, or extreme poverty.

This collection offers a wonderful opportunity to support hands-on efforts to help people in need. Please give generously ... your gift does make a difference!

If you received an envelope in the mail, please return it or bring it to Mass next weekend. Or, you can donate online at www.archmil.org/combinedcollections.



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

Ervin Lotter, husband of Maxine Lotter

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



Blessed Savior Parish extends a warm welcome to

Dominic and Paulina Boyi and their children Henry, Daniella, Dorothy and Deborah

We care about you and your family and we're here to help in any way we can.

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Matt. 25:35)



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,
Stanley Bruskiwicz, Dennis Claas,
Anna Emmerich, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry,
Mike Hubbard, Mary Ann Janke,
Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Karla Klaybor,
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, please 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, 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.

Adult Formation

Have you been worshipping with us and are thinking about becoming Catholic or are you in need of completing your sacraments? If so, please call the parish office at 414-464-5033 and register for our upcoming adult formation with Simon Biagui. Thank you.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Food Drive

For the weekend of October 10 & 11, we could use your help filling our shelves with Knorr Rice or Noodle Mixes.



The pantry is open during the pandemic and we continue to help families with appliances, beds or furniture. This help is possible because of your donations. As always, thank you for your generosity.

Gratitude Changes Everything

We come into this world with nothing and we leave with nothing. It is what we do in between those times that is important. Stewards know there is more to life than collecting possessions. There is building the Kingdom of God and ignoring the kingdom of stuff.



Tomorrow I've got to quit procrastinating!

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