

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 13, 2020

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Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."
- Mt 18:21-22

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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.

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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.

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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, 9/12 - Vigil of the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
*Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/
 Mt 18:21-35*

4:00pm † Melvin G. Tenhaken
 Rosary at 3:15pm

Sunday, 9/13 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
*Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/
 Mt 18:21-35*

9:00am † Margaret & Edward Harry
 Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 9/14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
*Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/
 Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17*

9:00am † Robert & Terry Leack

Wednesday, 9/16 - Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,
 Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 & 22 [12]/Lk 7:31-35
 9:00am † Deceased Members of the Parish

Saturday, 9/19 - Vigil of the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
*Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/
 Mt 20:1-16a*

4:00pm † Joseph Augustine
 Rosary at 3:15pm

Sunday, 9/20 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Catechetical Sunday

*Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/
 Mt 20:1-16a*

9:00am † Joseph Minh Ly
 Rosary at 8:15am



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

Georgina Gasperetti, parishioner
Gerald Schertz, parishioner

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



A grandparent is a little bit parent, a little bit teacher, and a little bit best friend.

May God bless all our grandparents!

GOSPEL MEDITATION

What right do we have to limit the amount and degree of forgiveness we show to others when we are so desperately in need of it ourselves? In not wanting someone who hurt us to downplay or forget the gravity of their wrong, we cling to anger, resentment, and wrath as a way of maintaining control. It is a way to acknowledge and express our deep hurt. We fail to realize that in doing so we hold ourselves hostage to these destructive feelings and actually become mired in the bondage of sin. All we gain is further alienation from ourselves, others, and especially God. We are no longer free but tethered to all of this unresolved negativity. Don't we really want to let it go? The fact is that we need to.

A good self-reflective posture will quickly show us that when the shoe is on the other foot and we are the ones in need of forgiveness, we desire it above anything else. This is especially true with our relationship with God. It is hypocritical to want one thing for ourselves and something else for another. Yet, many act in precisely this way.

Perhaps we think that in offering forgiveness, even for the most grievous of wrongs, somehow excuses the person of their wrong and makes it almost acceptable. This is what makes revenge, retaliation, and punishment so attractive. We see forgiveness as being an eraser that easily wipes away the offense without consequence. Or, we may believe that in offering forgiveness I must somehow forget the wrong and open myself as a victim of even greater possible hurts in the future. In fact, forgiving my sister or brother of their wrongful actions or attitudes involves none of this. It does not erase anything or position me vulnerably as a doormat to be walked on.

Forgiveness is an act of freedom that restores honest dialogue, shares true, and heartfelt feelings and acknowledges the consequences of an action. It admits that the wrong has caused a hurt that must be healed and squarely positions responsibility on the offender. The act of forgiveness recognizes our sinfulness and brokenness. It also admits that the most saintly among us is capable of doing very grave and deep harm to another person. It sees that we all can be victims of our passions and works in progress that deserve unlimited chances to get it right. With forgiveness, I release myself from the bonds of negativity and pursue a path of restoration, wholeness, and healing. I do not forget the wrong nor do I dismiss it. Sometimes, we have to stay far away from the one who hurt us. But we can still heal internally and be free.

For the one who wants to be forgiven and the one who needs to offer forgiveness, the journey can be an adventure in learning what brought us to this place and what is needed to move forward. This is exactly how God treats us. Why would we not want to do the same for others?

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Joint Christian Formation 2020-2021 Registration

Registration for the 2020/21 Christian Formation program is open. We encourage parents and guardians of children currently in our catechetical program and of those wishing to join the program to complete the registration form. We want to see our high school children continue their Confirmation journey as well.

Please register your children ASAP. We have on-line registration available, so it's quick and easy. Go online to <http://www.stagnesparish.org/formation/cfregistration.cfm>.

If you are still unsure about in-person formation for your children, we can provide materials for you to do at-home formation. Our materials are easy to use and you might even learn a few things yourself! How great is that!

Adults who have not been baptized or received the sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation, as well as children above the age of seven who have not been baptized, are welcome to join our preparation program for the sacraments of initiation (RCIA). We hope that after their preparation, they will be ready to receive these sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Please call the Blessed Savior parish office at 414-464-5033.

Hugs, Grace and Blessings

Yolanda Coly

Yolanda Coly
Interim Christian Formation Coordinator

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,
Kathleen Brunner, Stanley Bruskiwicz,
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.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Food Drive

For the weekend of September 19 & 20, we could your help filling our shelves with SOUP.



If you are unable to get to the store, please consider a donation in the SVDP poor boxes located at each entrance of the church. We'll do the shopping for you!

As always, thank you for your generosity.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY



A special blessing will be given to all catechists and teachers at the 4pm Mass on September 19 and the 9am Mass on September 20.

A Friendly Reminder

For those of you with an allergy to wheat hosts, we have gluten-free hosts available. Please note that a Communion minister will be stationed in the center aisle in front of the altar between the two "bread ministers" with gluten-free hosts only.



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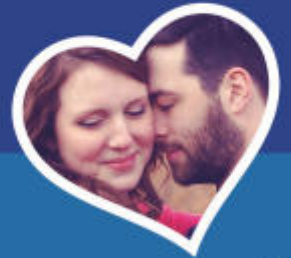
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