

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 20, 2020

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site: 8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225

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Mass Times: Saturday, 4pm, Sunday, 9am

Weekday Masses: Monday and Wednesday, 9am in the Chapel

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25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Are you envious because I
am generous?’ Thus, the
last will be first, and
the first will be last.”
- Mt 20:15-16

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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.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St.

414-464-3817. Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 8-10am

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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, 9/19 - 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

Monday, 9/21 - St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

9:00am † All Souls

Wednesday, 9/23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6

9:00am † John and Patricia Balon

Saturday, 9/26 - Vigil of the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/
 Mt 21:28-32*

4:00pm † Walter and Aurelia Mejaki

Rosary at 3:15pm

Sunday, 9/27 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/
 Mt 21:28-32*

9:00am † Kurt Hohensee

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. This video compilation is the first of 11 personal testimonies and interviews 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."

It is a joyful obligation to return to Mass once more, but also to invite our parishioners, family members and friends to return as well.

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



GOSPEL MEDITATION

If I work for five hours, I expect to get paid for five hours. If I work for two, I expect to get paid for two. What if we worked for a company that paid everyone the same amount regardless of how long they worked? How would we feel going home with the same pay for working eight hours as my co-worker did for working only two hours? Secular wisdom would have a huge problem with this and a visit to the Labor Board would quickly pursue. But this is God's wisdom and God's ways.

We sometimes think that if we pray more, better, or more fervently and go over and above with the practice of our faith, God will somehow reward us and present us with some kind of merit badge. We are so wrong. Spiritual practices have only one true purpose: to deepen our love for God. In deepening our love for God, we also increase our ability to see God's presence around us, living life more purposefully and contemplatively. What if God chooses to treat someone who has come on the scene of faith later in life the same as someone who has devoted their whole lives to it? Does it really matter? If we have the merit badge notion of faith, we can find ourselves feeling a little arrogant and even jealous of folks who have not followed the same path that we have. We can even see ourselves as the privileged few who have a corner on the faith and fully possess it.

That thinking doesn't square with God. God is all about mercy in abundance and is ready to take anyone to himself regardless of when they come. He is only happy that they have come home and delights in their return. After all, if you really and truly love someone, does it matter what they will give you in return or what you receive as a benefit? If relationships were assessed based upon productivity, they would lack authentic love. We invest too much self interest in our prayer and neglect to see it as an opportunity to pursue our Lover and deepen the intimate bond we have with God.

When we breathe our last, all that is of consequence is union with God. If my love for God is real, I am going to want to live the Gospel, abide by the commandments, practice my faith, forgive and love my neighbor, and care for the environment, regardless of how much time it takes or benefits me. We want God to think and behave as we do, and in doing so, we set ourselves up for disappointment. God has a totally different agenda and that's okay.

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Blessed Savior and Saint Agnes Parishes Joint Program.
YES, registration for the 2020/21 Christian Formation
program is strong. Classes start soon - September 27.
We need to know if you are interested NOW.

We encourage parents and guardians of children currently in our catechetical program and of those wishing to join the program from all levels, to please contact the Parish Office.

Parents, call the Parish Office or simply go to <http://www.stagnesparish.org/formation/cfregistration.cfm>. Fill out the registration form and let them know you are from Blessed Savior Parish. If you prefer that your child not attend in-person sessions, we, in conjunction with St. Agnes, will provide materials for at-home formation at your request.

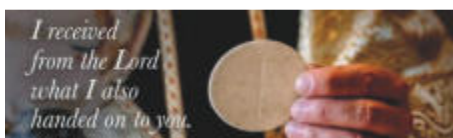
Adults who have not been baptized or received the sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation, as well as children above the age of seven who have not been baptized, are welcome to join our preparation program for the sacraments of initiation (RCIA). Please call the Blessed Savior Parish Office.

Lastly, we invite those who would like to be catechists (teachers), to please give us a call at the Blessed Savior Parish Office 414-464-5033. Let us know of your interest in being a catechist and which grade level you are interested in teaching.

Excited to see and work with you all.

Yolanda Coly

Yolanda Coly
 Interim Christian Formation Coordinator



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists are called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

*May God our Father, the Father of Love,
 fill you with confidence and joy as you proclaim
 the Good News of Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit.*

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 Bruskiewicz,
 Anna Emmerich, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry,
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 Ginny & Donald Naegele,
 Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Anton Schleiss,
 Sharon Tym, Mary Frances Williams

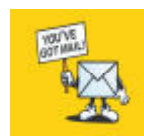
*Lord Jesus, You went about doing good and healing all,
 we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them
 strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience with pain.*

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.

The hardest part of stewardship is learning to put your trust in God and His promises. We can take small steps to get there. If we are not giving of ourselves, we can start by giving just one hour a month or donating one hour of pay to our church or charity. God will wait for us while we learn to put our trust in Him.



Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

You have mail. New schedules will be in your mailbox on September 26.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Food Drive

For the weekend of September 26 & 27, we could use your help filling our shelves with **OATMEAL**. As always, thank you for your generosity.



September 22, 2020 - First Day of Autumn



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 Answers come in God's

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