# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# September 25, 2022

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site 8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225 Parish Office/Center (mailing address) 8607 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225 Phone: 414-464-5033

Rev. Romanus N. Nwaru, Pastor Email: frromanus@gmail.com Mass Times: Saturday, 4pm and Sunday, 9am Morning Mass: Monday and Wednesday, 9am in the Chapel

Welcome, Amarachukwu May, Child of God - Our newly baptized member Sunday, September 18, 2022 at the 9am Mass



Basil & Philomena (Parents), Amarachukwu May, Fr. Romanus, Chinenye & Okechukwu (Godparents)

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**Sacraments:** Preparation for all sacraments are made through 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.

Anointing of the Sick: Communal - Suspended for now. Individual - Call the parish office.

**Baptisms:** Call 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.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St. 414-464-3817. Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 8-10am

Pastoral Council Officers: Paul Bina, Chair Steve Alioto, Vice-Chair Mahalia Malone, Secretary **Parish Trustees:** Curt Kandel, Treasurer Christian Nwonye, Secretary

School Website: www.blessedsaviorcatholicschool.org

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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.

#### Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday, 9/24 - Vigil of the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 6:1a, 4-7 / Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b] / 1 Tm 6:11-16 / Lk 16:19-31 4:00pm † Nancy Anderson † Amber Anderson Sunday, 9/25 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Priesthood Sunday National Migration Week Am 6:1a, 4-7 / Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b] / 1 Tm 6:11-16 / Lk 16:19-31 9:00am † Leontine Colv † Hilda Sims † Ronald Lunford Rosary at 8:15am Monday, 9/26 - Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs Jb 1:6-22 / Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 / Lk 9:46-50 9:00am **†** Stanley Burskiewicz Tuesday, 9/27 - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 / Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8 / Lk 9:51-56 9:00am West Campus Mass Intention of the Priest Wednesday, 9/28 - St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 / Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 / Lk 9:57-62 9:00am Parishioners, both living and deceased Saturday, 10/1 - Vigil of the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 / 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 / Lk 17:5-10 4:00pm † Julius and Dorothy Machulak Sunday, 10/2 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 / 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 / Lk 17:5-10 9:00am † Joan Trinkl Marriage Blessing of Gerry and Pat Novara, 45 years Respect Life Sunday Rosary at 8:15am

This week's School Mass is Tuesday, September 27, 9:00am at the West Campus. Enter through the east side door of the church. Parishioners are welcome.



**STEWARDSHIP** Giving is an act of the heart. You may give without loving, but you cannot love without giving.

#### **Gospel Meditation**

"If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Regardless of how the message of faith is received, a total conversion of mind and heart is needed for it to take root and have meaning. It is easy to become complacent and comfortable with all that life can afford us. Life can become "all about me," preserving my livelihood and protecting my securities. Often, this drive can become so strong that we eagerly strive to protect our self-interests at the expense of others. Other people are necessary only to the extent that they are "useful" to us and profitable.

Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as "the belief that one is deserving of or entitled to certain privileges." In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel "entitled" to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships can get skewed. Unless we adopt a global vision of entitlement wherein everyone is entitled to the same things, we risk becoming extremely selffocused and selfish. All we care about is defending our rights and protecting our turf. This impulse can be so strong that we pursue it even at the expense of another. Is this what God intends for his children?

Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life's challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers of wealth, ignoring the poor and the needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we conduct our lives as if that message has never been preached. We give our faith a nod and never consider for a moment that we may be wrong in terms of what we see as important. "The things that we love tell us what we are (attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas)." Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. What we sought here may not be there.

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#### **Prayer for Priests**

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.



Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.

Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

May God bless Fr. Romanus today, Priesthood Sunday, and always!



#### **Blessing of Animals**

The blessing of animals is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures, whose feast day is October 4.

Won't you please join us and have your pet blessed on Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 6pm in front of church. As the prayer is offered, your pet (dog, cat, rabbit, etc.) is blessed, acknowledging God's gift to us.

#### Combined Back to School and Cap & Mitten for School Kids Collection October 1 & 2, 8 & 9, 15 & 16

Through your generosity, our children are prepared at school and are kept warm during the winter months.

Please place your items in the baskets in back of church. Many thanks for what you can provide!

# **BUILDING THE FUTURE** *with Migrants and Refugees*



NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK 2022 | SEPT. 19-25, 2022

**Did you know...**the popes and bishops are an unwavering voice for immigrants? "I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35)

Not everyone realizes just how much our popes and bishops have been eloquent, profound and unwavering voices for immigrants. In his message for World Migration Day in 1996, Pope John Paul II said: "It is the Church's task not only to present constantly the Lord's teaching of faith, but also to indicate its appropriate application to the various situations which the changing times continue to create. Today, the illegal migrant comes before us like that 'stranger' in whom Jesus asks to be recognized. To welcome him and to show him solidarity is a duty of hospitality and fidelity to Christian identity itself."

From the Vatican, 25 July 1995, the seventeen year of my Pontificate.

# 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:

Judy Adrian, Jackie Ballering, Dennis Claas, Rhey Clemente, Catherine Felber, Katie Flynn, Robin Flynn, Gayle Hanus, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Rita Hohensee, Mike Hubbard, Mary Anne Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Ellen Malloy, Barb Moroder, Bob Oettinger, Jr., Joe Ratke, Sr. Gina Redig SSND, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Thomas Schmid, Sharon Tym, Joseph Valent, 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.

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

## Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

You have mail. New schedules will be in your mailbox on October 1.



### St. Vincent de Paul - Feast Day September 27

St. Vincent de Paul is much more than a patron saint of thrift shops! Young Vincent became a priest hoping to advance and rise above his modest upbringing. His early ambition amounted to little when he was assigned to a poor rural parish. Here he experienced a new joy in his vocation. Hearing the profound deathbed confession of a dying servant, Vincent became more convinced of the special attention that must be given to the poor.

In 1625, Vincent founded the Congregation of the Mission for the purpose of caring for the poor. Originally involving priests only, the mission expanded to include groups of laity who provided for spiritual and material needs of the poor in each parish. Nearly 400 hundred years later, his legacy lives on!

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Fall Food Drive** For the weekend of 10/1 & 10/2, the pantry could use your help filling the shelves with **Hamburger Helper** / **pork and beans**. Thank you for your continuing support.



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