

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 27, 2020

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

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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.”
- Mt 21:32

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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.
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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, 9/26 - 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

Monday, 9/28 - St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz
 and Companions, Martyrs

Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50
 9:00am † Christianne Koss

Wednesday, 9/30 - St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the
 Church

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62
 9:00am Parishioners

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

**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.



"As a family, going to Mass is the source of our strength." Parishioner Olivia O’Keefe (Holy Name of Jesus, Sheboygan) shares with us her 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

What prompts you to make the decisions you make? When confronted with a decision, whether one that is more trivial and mundane or one that is more significant and profound, we rely on guidance. That guidance can be the result of impulse and passion or the fruit of the interior voice of conscience. Decisions made on impulse and passion can be misguided and erroneous. Decisions based on conscience, or the moral voice within, will reflect the depth and maturity of our soul work. A more contemplative soul will make more contemplative decisions. A less developed conscience will make decisions based on the individual’s level of development.

Conversion and a change of heart are at the core of Jesus’ message precisely because of this reality. We are works in progress. For the person on fire with the Holy Spirit and centered on God, life reflects an ever-deepening awareness and heightened sense of God’s presence and a greater willingness to do God’s will. What is happening internally is validated by what is witnessed externally. The hypocrite is the one who says yes when they really mean no. From the start, they had no desire to do the virtuous act but wanted to outwardly appear as if they did.

Where are you on the road of integrity? Honesty is all that is required. God is good with that. It is okay to struggle with our decisions and wrestle with ourselves. Consciences on the path to maturity and greater depth are not always going to know what action is immediately best. We may, at first, say no to what we know is right and, after prayerful reflection and thought, come around to doing it. Conversion happens when our no changes to yes, regardless of how sinful or out of sync we may be at the time. God is anxious to welcome us to Himself. But we cannot embrace Him unless we want to. Learning to orient our gift of free will to what is of divine origin, right, and best is a discipline we must always tweak and perfect.

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**Human Concerns Annual
 Cap, Scarf, Mitten Drive
 and Back to School Drive**

This year we are combining the two collections.

Collection Dates:

October 10 & 11
 October 17 & 18



All donations will be given to our Blessed Savior School and our St. Vincent de Paul Pantry.

Thank you for keeping our children warm and prepared for school!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

I can remember times when I received a gift that I would not have chosen for myself. At those times I certainly thought to myself that “it was the thought that counts.” I was happy that the gift-giver thought of me at all. Then there have been times when my children have not given me a gift and then chose to tell me all about what they were going to give me. They would then follow it up by saying, “it was the thought that really counts.” Really!?! I don’t think so. I could think of sending my wife on a cruise, but that is not in any way the same as going on the cruise. I think there are times when all of us think we are more generous than we are, simply because we were thinking about being generous.

This way of thinking can be dangerous. Jesus teaches us to say what we mean and mean what we say. The intentionality of our actions is important, but intentionality without action is meaningless. How we act and what we give serves as evidence of our intentions and indicates where our heart truly lies. If we fool ourselves into thinking we are someone we are not, it can become difficult to see the truth. We need to look for the fruit in our lives. We need to make sure our desires and thoughts are moving us to act. You know that other saying about intentions, don’t you? Don’t pave the road to a place no one wants to end up with your intentions. Instead, let your intentions and actions lead others to another place where Jesus can be found.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

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 4th.

As the prayer is offered, your pet (dog, cat, rabbit, etc.) is blessed, acknowledging God’s gift to us. Won’t you please join us and have your pet blessed on Sunday, October 4, 2020 at 6pm in front of church. Please wear your mask and stand safely distanced from others. Hope to see you there!

Fr. Romanus

Many Thanks!

Through your generosity, \$566 was collected for the upkeep of the sacred sites in the Holy Land.

Great News!

Our 3 Campus Blessed Savior School’s re-entry plan has been approved by the Milwaukee Health Department.

We have in person learning for grades K4 - 2nd Grade. Grades 3rd - 8th will continue virtual learning until further notice.

East Campus Principal Barb O’Donnell

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, 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.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Food Drive

For the weekend of October 3 & 4, we could use your help filling our shelves with SPAGHETTI SAUCE.



As always, thank you for your generosity.



Serving Older Adults of Southeast Wisconsin (SOA)

SOA provides lunches through carryout and delivery service at several senior centers. Wellness checks and friendly calls are also provided. For more information, call 414-704-3343 or see the literature rack in the Villard hallway for details.

The Census is important and needs everyone's participation. The deadline for completing your Census input is September 30th.



The Census is a short 9 question form that can be completed on-line in just a few minutes.

Go to www.My2020Census.Gov



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