

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

May 9, 2021

6th Sunday of Easter

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Anointing of the Sick:

Communal - Suspended for now.

Individual - Call the parish office.

Baptism: 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.

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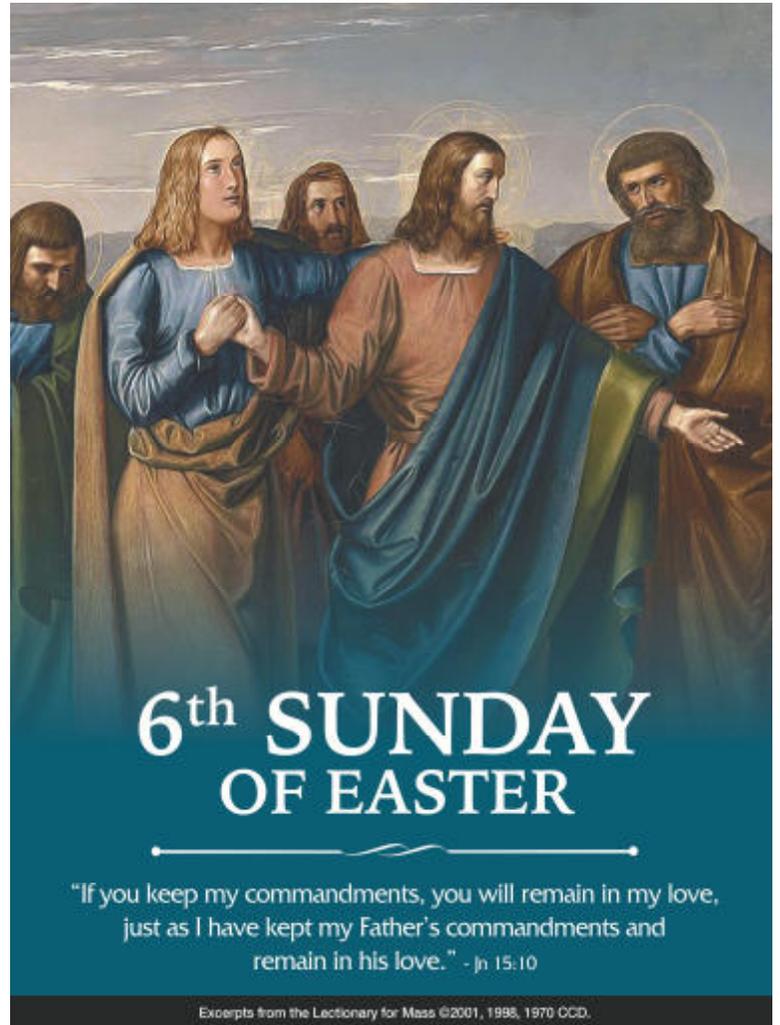
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Mission Statement



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, 5/8 - Vigil of 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 / Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b] / Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17

4:00pm † Alfred Koeppen

Sunday, 5/9 - 6th Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 / Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b] / Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17

9:00am † Lorraine Staniszewski
† Christiana Aromeh

Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 5/10 - Funeral Mass for Tillie Amdahl, 12 Noon

Saturday, 5/15 - Vigil of the Ascension of the Lord

*Acts 1:1-11 / Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6] / Eph 1:17-23
OR Eph 4:1-13 OR 4:1-7, 11-13 / Mk 16:15-20*

4:00pm † Robert Mielke

Sunday, 5/16 - The Ascension of the Lord

*Acts 1:1-11 / Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6] / Eph 1:17-23
OR Eph 4:1-13 OR 4:1-7, 11-13 / Mk 16:15-20*

9:00am † Ervin Bonds

Rosary at 8:15am

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



Tillie Amdahl, parishioner

Elizabeth Hromek, parishioner

Frank Troyer, son of Brian and Katie Troyer (cantor)

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 soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

This year the Church is encouraging all the faithful to go to St. Joseph in a special way and to recognize him as our universal patron.

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen

- From *Patris corde (With a Father's Heart)*. Given in Rome at St. John Lateran, December 8, 2020.

Meditating on St. Joseph and following the example of St. Joseph by performing a spiritual or corporal work of mercy may gain plenary indulgence.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Remain in my love," and, "I call you friends," are powerful words that are found in John's Gospel. Most of us probably have them committed to memory or have at least heard them proclaimed dozens of times. They are words that can easily become trite and quickly glossed over without fully pondering and digesting their profound beauty. When we take the time to immerse ourselves in them, they can radically change our lives and our relationships. They can open up new doors of adventure and hold countless possibilities for meaning.

The essence of love and friendship are things that can easily be taken for granted. They have always been there and are a significant part of our lives. Many would say that they could not live without love and friendship, and they put a great deal of care into preserving, deepening and sustaining them. Love and friendship share a mutual relationship with each other that deserves more reflection.

Where does love come from? We can consider relationships that have not succeeded and conclude that they were somehow due to our "failures in love." In doing so, we assume that human beings are the ones responsible for love, its success and also its failure. While our weakness, emotional composition and sinfulness can easily impact our ability to love, its origin is not human. God is love. God is love's author and origin. When we love, it is God who loves in and through us.

It is because of this divine closeness that Jesus is able to call us friends! It is not because of anything we have done but simply because of who we are. Realizing and contemplating this awesome reality becomes a game changer across the board. It gives us reason to clear the table of anything that can adversely affect the way we love so that we can open the door for its author to shine forth.

Coming upon this truth is what leads folks like St. Francis of Assisi to leave that which is comfortable and worldly and live a radical life. They relate with the love of God that radiates in and through all living things and appreciate their sacredness. It was having an intimate experience of God's love and friendship that propelled St. Francis and others to embrace simplicity, act nonviolently, pursue humility, love enemies, care for the earth and open up avenues for true justice. Understanding this profound truth will also help us find peaceful solutions to world's problems, restore relationships with our sisters and brothers, bring the grace of loving stewardship to creation and heal many wounds.

Once we begin to see how wonderfully holy all of life really is, we discover joy. We lose our need for fear, develop a fierce fortitude, act prudently and seek justice. There is great power in love because it comes from God. It will never fail. It also enjoys the company of two other friends who are eager to become our friends as well: faith and hope. These are just as important to have and to share.

Thank You for Your Generosity

Your participation in **CRS Rice Bowl** will continue to make a difference in the lives of those in need throughout the year. The final total for the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl was \$956.07. The Blessed Savior St. Vincent de Paul Pantry received \$318.69.

The **Good Friday Holy Land** collection amounted to \$362.65. These funds benefit Christians in the Holy Land and helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The Blessed Savior **Lenten Adopt a Bill** collection amounted to \$1,775. Your donations helped with our heating, snow removal and liturgical supply parish expenses. Many thanks!

Saturday, May 15, 2021

Let us pray for our brothers and sisters as they go forth with courage and determination to face the forces of violence, weapons of destruction and hearts filled with hate.

**Parents and Guardians: Get Involved**

Parents and guardians play a key role in the success of parish programs for young people.

Parents and guardians who are involved in parish programs and events will be in the best position to protect their own children as well as all the children in the parish community. Involvement and communication are important factors in helping to ensure safe environments for all of our children.

LOVE BEGINS HERE - Summer Service Opportunity

The Archdiocese is hosting local service trips to help teens encounter Jesus Christ through a joyful, Catholic community while serving those in need. Teens will help out at a food pantry, paint a fence, and plant a garden; follow it up with ice cream, swimming, prayer and fun while making friends. Learn more and register at archmil.org/LBH. Registration closes May 31.

Camp De Sales 2021 - Summer Vocation Camps Directed by Fr. Luke Strand and Fr. John Burns

Young men in high school and middle school are invited to join Fr. Luke, Fr. John, and Milwaukee seminarians for Camp De Sales, an opportunity to encounter God in prayer and community. All camps will be held at St. Francis de Sales Seminary.

For more information, or to register your son, please contact the Vocation Office at vocationoffice@sfs.edu; call 414-747-6437 or visit www.thinkpriest.org/events

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, Bernetta, Stanley Bruskiwicz, Alaina Chenow, Dennis Claas, Anna Emmerich, Catherine Felber, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Mike Hubbard, Mary Ann Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Marie Miranda, Barb Moroder, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Beth Newton, Sr. Gina Redig, SSND, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Anton Schleiss, 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.

Names remain on the Sick List for 4 weeks and then are given to the Prayer Circle. For names to be removed sooner, call the parish office.

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

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father, from the beginning you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way.



We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers; for their tenderness, care, and compassion, for their intuition and encouragement, for commitment and sacrifice.

Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, and refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our open-hearted love and gratitude. Amen

May God bless all our Mothers, Stepmothers, Grandmothers, Great-Grandmothers, Godmothers, Foster Mothers, Mothers-to-be and Aunties too!



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When GOD doesn't solve our problems HE has faith in our abilities.

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