# CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR

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## WE CELEBRATE EUCHARIST:

### WEEKEND MASSES

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| 5:00 pm: | Saturday Evening |
| 9:30 am: | Sunday Morning |
| 11:30 am: | Sunday Morning |

### WEEKDAY MASSES

8:30 am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

### SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms** We celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism at 1:00 PM on the first Sunday of each month. Arrangements must be made in advance with Sister Mary. Please note that there are no baptisms during Advent and Lent.

**Marriages** Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance and participation in the Diocesan Pre-Cana Program is required. Please call the Rectory to schedule an appointment with Fr. Frank who will discuss the necessary details.

**Sacrament of the Sick** In the event of serious illness, please call the Rectory and request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

**Communion for the Homebound** Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to those unable to join us for Eucharist. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

**Confessions** First Saturday of the month in the church from 4:00-4:30 PM. By appointment for all other times.

### ST. SAVIOUR PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Frank W. Spacek, D. Min., **Pastor**
Rev. Daniel S. Murphy, **Pastor Emeritus**
Rev. Kevin P. Cavalluzzi, D. Min., **In Residence**
Emily SanPietro, **Administrative Assistant**
Sister Mary R. Walsh, CSJ, **Pastoral Associate**
Deacon Paul E. Norman, **Faith Formation**
Dr. Nicholas J. Nicassio, **Music Ministry**

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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| **Monday–Thursday** | 9:00 AM–4:00 PM |
| Saturday | No Office Hours |
| Sunday | No Office Hours |

To speak with a priest, please call for an appointment.
For sick calls, phone anytime.

### ST. SAVIOUR HIGH SCHOOL

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**October 1, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR

It has been a very busy month here at Saint Saviour Parish! There have been so many things going on and there are many more things that will be happening soon. Both our High School and our Academy are back in session and on September 12th we celebrated a joint Opening of School Mass with both the High School and the Academy. We had a wonderful celebration of Eucharist. Our High School Gospel Choir led us in song, and students from both schools proclaimed the Readings, served the Mass and brought forward our gifts. We also welcomed Father Joe Gibino from the Office of Catechesis and Evangelization, who gave the homily at Mass and challenged our students to allow themselves to "Encounter Christ" throughout this school year.

On September 17th we celebrated "Catechetical Sunday," and we had the opportunity to commission and bless the women, men and teenagers who are sharing their time, talent and faith this year with the young people of our parish family. I am so thankful for each of our Catechists and aides who are assisting us this year in teaching our young people about Jesus and our Catholic Faith. I am also grateful to Deacon Paul for the phenomenal job he is doing in running our Faith Formation Program. We are blessed! Last Sunday we began another year of our Children's Faith Formation Program. I had the opportunity to visit every class last Sunday and I was so pleased at how busy all our students were already on their first day of class learning about Jesus and preparing to receive the Sacraments. There are still many families out there who have not re-registered their children for this year, and I am confident we have a few families who need to register their children for the first time. If you have any questions whatsoever, or would like to register/ re-register your child(ren) for this year's Faith Formation Program, please feel free to speak with Deacon Paul or you can send him an email at stsaviourff@gmail.com. Remember, any child not attending a Catholic School or a Catholic Academy MUST be enrolled in our parish Children's Faith Formation Program.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a great big "THANK YOU" to EVERYONE who did ANYTHING to make our annual "Welcome Back Picnic" such a huge success and an enjoyable time for the people of our parish family. We had a terrific turn-out and it was great to see so many of you once again. My apologies to those of you I may not have had the chance to say hello to during our time together. A special word of "THANKS" to Sister Mary and ALL the members of our picnic committee who helped in countless ways – whether you set-up, cleaned-up, made sure we had enough food and beverages, attended planning meetings, created banners and posters, or simply just ran around making sure everything was just perfect – we cannot thank you enough and we are deeply grateful. As you can see, Saint Saviour Parish is alive and well and busy with countless activities and opportunities for us to gather together and both pray and share community.

Finally, don't forget that TODAY (October 1st), we will celebrate our annual "Blessing of Animals" in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, whose feast we celebrate on Wednesday, October 4th. We will be blessing any animals you may own as a pet at 1:00pm TODAY in front of the Rectory. This is always a great day and we are looking forward to seeing you there and blessing all our pets.

Have a great week everyone – please stay safe and healthy!

***Father Frank***

# Socktober

This October, we invite the great parishioners of St. Saviour's to participate once again in our annual **Socktober Drive**. A small act of love can make a big difference in the lives of our neighbors who are living in shelters as we prepare for the winter months. Warm feet…warm hearts!

There is a basket in front of the Blessed Mother Altar to place your donation. Our Sock Drive runs from **October 1st through October 31st**

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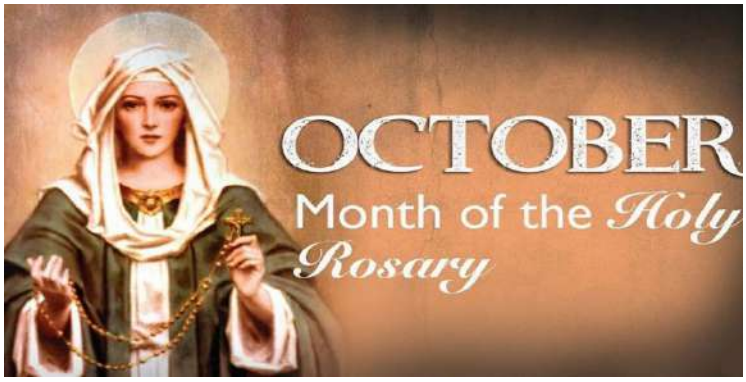

# Come Home This Fall!

Saint Saviour Catholic Academy welcomes

the Alumni, Family, and Friends of

Saint Saviour Elementary School (1906-2011)

Come for the memories, fun, and laughter!
Stay for the raffles, wine, cold beer, good food,
and a great DJ!

**When:**
Saturday, October 21, 2023
7:30 PM - 10:30 PM

**Tickets:**
$50: Advanced Purchase
$60: At The Door

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## PARISH MEMORIAL MASS FOR SISTER PAT

We would like to invite ALL the members of our parish family to join us on Saturday morning, October 14th, at 10:30 a.m. For our Parish Memorial Mass in honor of Sister Pat Rutter, CSJ. Sister Pat passed away on June 22nd after a brief illness. Sister Pat served our parish family as the Director of our Children's Faith Formation Program for 5 years, in addition to doing countless other things for our parish throughout her years with us. Sister Pat's Funeral Mass was held July 7th in Sacred Heart Chapel at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Saint Joseph in Brentwood, New York, where Sister Pat had been residing. Her funeral was celebrated by Father Frank and Father Kevin and was attended by a few parishioners from Saint Saviour along with our Seminarian Stephen. Now we would like to honor and remember Sister Pat here at Saint Saviour with a Memorial Mass. We do hope as many of you as possible will join us for this special Mass as we honor Sister Pat for her years of service to Saint Saviour and all the schools she taught in all across Brooklyn, Queens and Long Island.

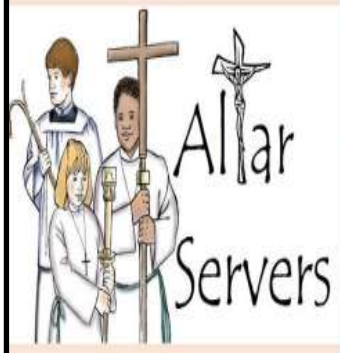
## St. Saviour Church Book Group

If you enjoy reading and discussing books, please consider joining the St. Saviour Church book group. We meet the first Wednesday of each month from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM. On Oct. 4, we will be discussing Michael C. White's historical novel, *The Garden of Martyrs*. For the meetup location, group details, and complete schedule, please contact Betsy at ektbetsy@gmail.com.

## UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

**Maintenance & Repair—Today**

## Calling all youth..... Is God inviting you to Ministry????




This ministry seeks to encourage the youth of our parish, grade 3 and older, to fully engage in our faith through their service to the Church as altar servers. Serving at the altar gives youth a hands-on, personal experience of God's work in the liturgy. It also can be an opportunity for them to work alongside other children and adults and be edified by their witness of faith. Through their service, altar servers provide the parish with an example of service, witness to the seriousness and solemnity of the liturgy, and inspire those who come to Mass with hope for the future of our Church.

The Junior Lector Ministry prepares young parishioners to proclaim the Word of God at Mass. Lectors convey, through their readings, a better understanding of the scriptures. This communication of the scriptures draws parishioners closer to God, and contributes to the celebration of the Mass. Effective proclamation is intrinsic to the celebration of the Mass. As a part of the Liturgy of the Word we are called to convey the transforming Word of Christ

For more information and application forms, please contact Sr. Mary Walsh at St. Saviour Rectory 718-768-4055 or after Sunday Mass

**Feeding the Community**

The St. Thomas Aquinas Food Pantry is always in need of the following items: oatmeal, white or brown rice, pasta, evaporated milk, canned or dried black beans, canned tuna, salmon or chicken, bar soap, and shampoo.

# SAINT SAVIOUR HIGH SCHOOL

## 2023 Fall Open House & Buddy Day

**St. Saviour HS will host 2023 Fall Open Houses:**

**Thursday, October 5, 2023: 5:30 --7:30 PM; presentation begins at 6:00 PM.**

**Sunday, October 22, 2023: 12:00 --2:00 PM; presentation begins at 12:45 PM.**

**RSVP on the school website http://www.stsaviour.org**

Beware of scammers! Without exception—Father Frank, Deacon Paul, Sister Mary, nor any other staff person at Saint Saviour Catholic Church—will ever email, text, or call you asking to purchase gift cards for them. If you are contacted by someone asking you to do so and claiming to be a parish staff person or clergy—DO NOT RESPOND! If you are in even the slightest doubt as to the validity of such a request, please call the Rectory.

## Annual Catholic Appeal 2023

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The Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of our parish and the daily work of the Church in Brooklyn and Queens. All donations made to the ACA **above** our parish goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.

**Parish Goal:** $64,900 **Raised:** $85,555

***"Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received--only what you have given." — Saint Francis of Assisi***

***September 30-October 1***

***Offertory $4,702***
***Children's Collection $180***
***Catholic Education $710***

***Attendance 217***

# Blessing of the Animals

Join us at
Saint Saviour

As we "Bless all God's Creatures
big & small"
for the Feast of Saint Francis

Sunday, October 1st, at 1 PM
In front of the Rectory.

# MASS INTENTIONS

We still have Mass Intentions available for both weekday AND weekend celebrations of Eucharist. Please consider having a Mass celebrated for a loved one or family member—either living or deceased. We are ALL in need of prayers, and there is no greater prayer than the celebration of Eucharist. Each Mass Intention is only $15.00. If you are interested in having a Mass celebrated in memory of a deceased loved one, or in honor of someone who is living, please call Emily at the Rectory and she will be more than happy to assist you.

# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, October 1, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**9:30 a.m.** Jerry Georges /Carol Norman
**11:30 a.m.** Celia Rivera/ Intentions of Pedro Conde

**Monday, October 2, The Holy Guardian Angels**
**8:30 a.m.** Bill Jaenike

**Tuesday, October 3, Weekday**
**8:30 a.m.** Richard & Teresa Carter

**Wednesday, October 4, Saint Francis of Assisi**
**8:30 a.m.** Jerry Georges

**Thursday, October 5, Weekday**
**8:30 a.m.** Rev. Roland Faley, TOR

**Friday, October 6, Weekday**
**8:30 a.m. NO MASS**

**Saturday, October 7, Our Lady of the Rosary**
**5:00 p.m.** Hendrik Rillen

**Sunday, October 8, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**9:30 a.m.** Peter Ballance
**11:30 a.m.** The People of the Parish

**SAVE THE DATE**

**The Saint Vincent Society Truck will collect donations at Saint Saviour Church on Sunday, November 5th 9AM to 1PM. Please bring your new or gently used clothing and shoes to church.**

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