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5:00 pm:	Saturday Evening
9:30 am:	Sunday Morning
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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.

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Dr. Nicholas J. Nicassio, **Music Ministry**

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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.

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A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR

I am still in awe at how beautiful and prayerful each of our celebrations were during Holy Week this year. Many people worked very hard at making sure everything was just right so that YOU – the people of our parish family – would have a most prayerful and memorable experience. My sincerest thanks to our church maintenance man Adrian and his two daughters for assisting us in making sure everything was set in place and for decorating our church so beautifully for our Easter Vigil and for Easter Sunday. Our church looked absolutely spectacular with all those flowers and lilies. So many people complimented us for our church's beauty on Easter! We thank our parish administrative assistant, Emily SanPietro, for ordering all the flowers and other supplies we needed for the Triduum. Thanks to Cassie Ramirez for putting together all the candles for the Easter Vigil and for filling 300 bottles of Holy Water that were blessed at the Easter Vigil and distributed last weekend. Our thanks to Joseph G. Duffy Funeral Home for donating our new Pashal (Easter) Candle in loving memory of my parents, Elaine and Frank Spacek. My thanks to Sister Mary for coordinating our Altar Servers and to Stephen Jankowski, our seminarian, for directing our servers and taking care of everything in the sacristy and making sure everyone knew what they were doing and when to do it (including me!). My thanks to our choir, who did an outstanding job leading us in song throughout Holy Week and our Sacred Triduum. We received so many compliments from many parishioners about how beautiful the music was at each of our liturgical celebrations, and we are most grateful to Nick Nicassio, our Director of Music Ministry, for the phenomenal job he did with the music and for bringing everything together so beautifully. My thanks to our Lectors, who really outdid themselves proclaiming the Word of God at each of our celebrations, especially the Easter Vigil. My thanks to Chris Berrios for chanting so beautifully the Exultet at the Easter Vigil. Thanks also to our ushers and Ministers of Hospitality who greeted everyone and made sure everyone had a seat (the crowds on Easter Sunday were quite impressive!). I also need to thank our Altar Servers, who each did an outstanding job throughout the Triduum. I want to say a very special "Thank You" to all our high school and college servers who came back to serve and help us out. I am so proud of these young college men and women for returning to offer their services during the Triduum – you really are an inspiration to us and I am deeply grateful! We are also grateful to our "12 Apostles" who allowed us to wash their feet on Holy Thursday as a symbolic gesture of the loving service we are challenged to render to our sisters and brothers in Christ. This is the first time in my 27 years as a priest that we had all our "Apostles" well before Holy Thursday. Usually we are asking people last minute or as they are walking into church for the Mass of the Lord's Supper. My apologies to those persons we had to turn down this year. Thank you also to Father Kevin for presiding at our celebration on Good Friday and to Deacon Paul for assisting him that day and challenging us through the words of his homily. (I celebrated the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at Saint John the Evangelist-Saint Rocco Parish this year).

We are truly a blessed parish to have so many people who really love Saint Saviour Parish – and who work tirelessly to make our parish the wonderful place it truly is! Finally, I want to thank YOU – our loyal parishioners – for choosing to pray with us throughout Holy Week and Easter Sunday. Our crowds were better than they have been in several years. We are so glad you are here – and remember – EVERYONE is welcome here at Saint Saviour Parish – as there will ALWAYS be a place for you at our table!

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

Father Frank

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
The community of believers was of one heart and mind,
and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own,
but they had everything in common. (Acts 4:32)

Psalm:
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting.
(Ps 118)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:
For the love of God is this,
that we keep his commandments.
And his commandments are not burdensome,
for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world.
(1 Jn 5:3-4)

Gospel:
On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,
for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood in their midst
and said to them, "Peace be with you." (Jn 20:19)

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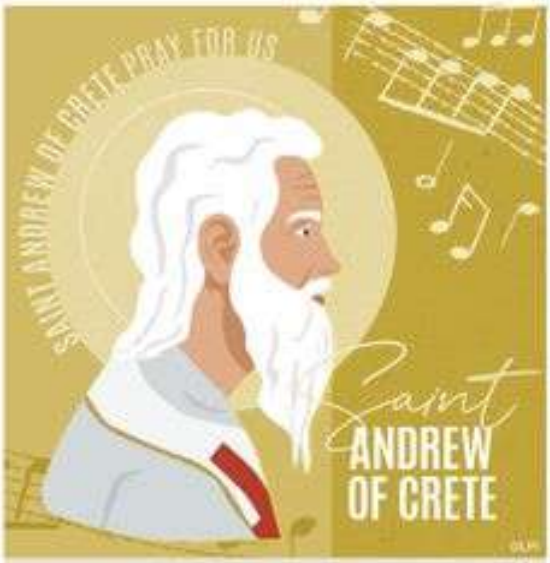
Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

We find unfathomable mercy and everlasting love in the wounds of Christ — even when we are skeptical, even when we carry doubt. God meets us there in the confusion. He reaches for our hand and places them at his side. We just have to call his name.

Observances for the week April 7, 2024

Sunday:	2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)
Monday:	The Annunciation of the Lord
Thursday:	St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr
Saturday:	St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr
Next Sunday:	3rd Sunday of Easter



Saint of the week

St. Andrew of Crete was born in Damascus and was mute until he received his First Communion at age 7. He went on to be an influential archbishop and hymnist in Crete. His most renowned work, the Great Canon, is chanted during Lent in Eastern Orthodox churches.

Prayer for the 2nd Sunday of Easter

Dear Jesus,
As you greeted your disciples after you rose, fill us, too, with your peace.
As you breathed your spirit on them, breathe on us, too.
As your presence was known to Thomas, make it known to us, too.
Help us to live in your peace, power, and presence.
Amen.

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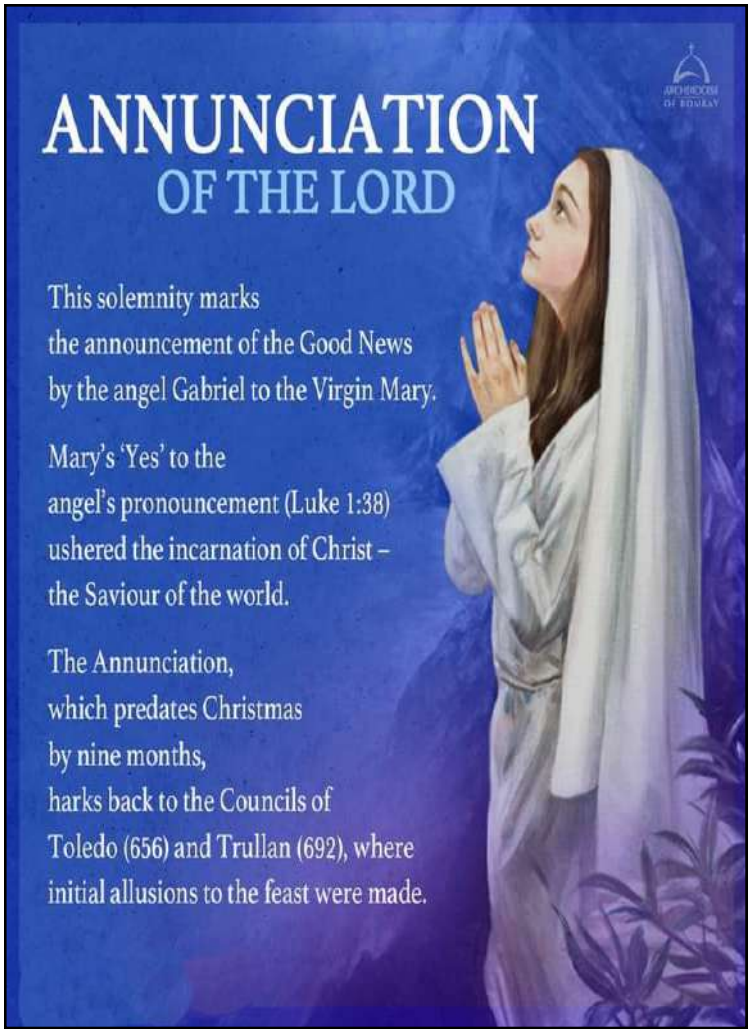
REMINDER FOR CONFIRMANDI

Please don't forget that there will be a meeting this Tuesday, April 9th at 7 p.m. in the church. All confirmandi and their sponsors are expected to attend. Thank you.



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Confirmation

Bishop Robert Brennan, our Diocesan Bishop, will be coming to Saint Saviour Parish to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our teenagers at our Saturday evening Mass on April 13, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the church. ALL the members of our parish family are welcome and encouraged to attend. Sacraments are communal celebrations of faith and ALL are invited to join us. We feel it is important that our entire parish come out and support our young people as they are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

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.

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 May 1, we will be discussing Patrick Bringley's *All the Beauty in the World: The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Me.* *For the meetup location, group details, and complete schedule, please contact Betsy at* ektbetsy@gmail.com.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Today—Maintenance & Repair
April 28—Catholic Home Missions

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL
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The Eucharistic Revival will take place in Louis Armstrong Stadium of the USTA Billie Jean King Tennis Center, Flushing Meadow on

April 20, 2024
Arrival Time: 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Departure Time: 3:00 p.m.

Bishop Brennan will officiate at this special day for the diocese.

Each parish will be allocated 50 tickets. If you are interested in attending this FREE event, please contact Emily at the Rectory, 718-768-4055, as soon as possible so that your name can be placed on the list and tickets can be sent to you.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE POOR

We kindly ask ALL the members of our parish family to remember the poor as they leave church each Sunday. The monies collected in our poor boxes are used to assist in the ministry of our parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society. These monies enable us to provide food, clothing, and other essential needs to people who come to us seeking assistance. Sadly there are too many Sundays where there is very little in our poor boxes a the back of church. With the season of Lent fast approaching, let's ALL make a commitment to take a little more seriously one of the traditional disciplines of Lent—PRAYER, ALMSGIVING, and FASTING. Thank you so much!

"He who knows how to forgive prepares for himself many graces from God. As often as I look upon the cross, so often will I forgive with all my heart." — St. Faustina

Stewardship

March 30-31

Offertory $6,872
Children's Collection $347
Holy Thursday $839
Holy Land Shrines $1,019
Senior Priests $1,963
Easter Gift $4,948

Attendance 935

Today the Church celebrates the Second Sunday of Easter. In the last 15 years, it has become known as the Feast of the Divine Mercy, or more commonly, Divine Mercy Sunday. This devotion to the divine mercy of Jesus has been celebrated for many years in many different parts of the world since the 1930s, yet it wasn't until Saint John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina Kowalska on April 30, 2000, that the Sunday after Easter became known as "Divine Mercy Sunday" in the General Roman Calendar. Saint Faustina was an uneducated Polish nun who kept a diary of about 600 pages telling the story of her revelations regarding the mercy of God. Devotion to the Divine Mercy of Jesus challenges us to arrive at a greater understanding that the love of God is both unconditional and never-ending, and is available to ALL people - and it challenges us even further to reciprocate that love and mercy to everyone whom we encounter throughout our life's journey.Here at Saint Saviour parish, there will be veneration of the divine Mercy image and the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet beginning at 3:00 p.m. TODAY (Sunday, April 7th.). ALL the members of our parish family are invited to attend and share in God's Divine Mercy.

<u>Sunday, April 7, Second Sunday of Easter</u>
<u>Sunday of the Divine Mercy</u>
9:30 a.m. Frank Pacheco
11:30 a.m. Elaine Cappiello/Evelio Conde/
Madeline Lee

<u>Monday, April 8, The Anunciation of the Lord</u>
8:30 a.m. Msgr. John R. Dwyer

<u>Tuesday, April 9, Easter Weekday</u>
8:30 a.m. Michael Hands

<u>Wednesday, April 10, Easter Weekday</u>
8:30 a.m. Msgr. Rocco D. Villani

<u>Thursday, April 11, Saint Stanislaus</u>
8:30 a.m. Edward & Jeanette Rybacki

<u>Friday, April 12, Easter Weekday</u>
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

<u>Saturday, April 13 , Easter Weekday</u>
5:00 p.m. Peter Cappiello
(Birthday Remembrance)

<u>Sunday, April 14, Third Sunday of Easter</u>
9:30 a.m. Shelly LaFauci
11:30 a.m. Eda M. Duggan/Madeleine Farrelly McCabe/James Caulfield

ALTAR MEMORIAL
Week of April 5-12

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