CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR

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WE CELEBRATE EUCHARIST:

WEEKEND MASSES

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

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

Mrs. Carolann Timpone, **Principal**
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ST. SAVIOUR CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Mrs. Susan McCabe-Walsh, **Principal**
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WHO IS WELCOME IN ST. SAVIOUR CHURCH?

Are you a sinner? Have you been away from the church for a long time? Are you divorced or separated? Are you physically or mentally challenged? Are you from a different culture? Are you not accepted because of your sexual orientation? Are you elderly, a teen or young adult? Are you discriminated against because of your color? Are you feeling broken? Are you poor or out of work? Have you been imprisoned? Have you a feeling that you are left out? **You are welcome here! This is your home, and we are your family!**

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A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR

This past Friday, May 3rd, our 8th Graders from Saint Saviour Catholic Academy joined with all the other 8th Graders from Catholic Academies throughout the Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens at Saint Joseph Co-Cathedral for a special Diocesan Graduation Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert Brennan, our diocesan bishop. It was a wonderful celebration of faith to see so many young people gathered together in one church to thank almighty God for the gift of their Catholic Education as they all finalize their preparations to graduate and begin a new chapter in their lives as they look forward to their High School experience. Bishop Brennan celebrated a similar Graduation Mass for all the Seniors in our Catholic High Schools a few weeks ago and challenged the students to remain close to Jesus and never give up on their faith, while always accepting whatever challenges lie ahead knowing that our Lord Jesus will always be our strength. These Graduation Masses were a beautiful experience for the students both in our parish high school and from our Academy.

It seems hard to believe we are already in the month of May. May has always been a month devoted to our Blessed Mother and THIS WEEKEND (May 4th and May 5th), we will have the Crowning of the beautiful statue of our Blessed Mother in church. May we be reminded each time we look at the statue of our Blessed Mother and see the beautiful crown of flowers on her head, of the tremendous love Mary has for each of us, and may she continue to be an example of strength and fortitude for each of us as we too try our best to always say YES to the will of God in our own lives. We hope as many of you as possible can join us this weekend as we honor our Blessed Mother as a parish family at each of our celebrations of Eucharist.

It also seems hard to believe that this week we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ (Ascension Thursday). We are now 40 days removed from the great Feast of Easter and the Resurrection of our Lord. This is the feast where we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in heaven and Jesus commissioning his disciples to continue all the work he began here on earth. This Solemnity is counted among our Holy Days of Obligation, which means we do have the obligation to attend Mass. Here at Saint Saviour, we will celebrate Mass on Wednesday evening, May 8th, at 7:00pm, and we will celebrate Mass on Ascension Thursday itself at 8:30am in church. ALL the members of our parish family are invited to join us.

Next Sunday, May 12th, we will be celebrating Mother's Day and honoring all our moms, living and deceased. Please remember there is no greater gift we can give someone than to have a Mass celebrated in someone's memory or in someone's honor. Mother's Day Mass Remembrance envelopes are available in all the pews in church as well as in the church vestibule. Please remember to take one, fill in the names of those persons you wish to have remembered at each of our celebrations of Eucharist on Mother's Day weekend and return them in the collection basket or to the Rectory as soon as possible. As always, we will place those envelopes by the tabernacle and all our moms, living and deceased, will be remembered in a special way at every Mass throughout the month of May.

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

Father Frank

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Each year **St. Saviour** and the Diocese of Brooklyn engage in the **Annual Catholic Appeal** which supports Catholic programs throughout Brooklyn and Queens and affects the lives of countless individuals and families living in our neighborhoods in addition to benefiting our parish. The Annual Catholic Appeal makes possible those programs that no one parish could do alone.

Why is your participation important?

As followers of Jesus here at **St. Saviour**, we understand our responsibility to our parish implies a responsibility to the diocese which unites us together with the entire Catholic community as the one body of Christ.

When one part of the body does not participate, the entire body suffers and makes it harder to function. Likewise, your participation in this Appeal, over and above your regular Sunday offering, will determine the ability of **St. Saviour** to faithfully support the mission of Christ while also providing the needed support we receive as one parish, which is part of the larger Catholic Church.

Please join us to respond as the Church of Christ called to Communion, Participation & Mission in Brooklyn, and Queens through a pledge to the ***Annual Catholic Appeal*** today at **AnnualCatholicAppeal.org** or text ***DONATE*** to **917-336-1255**

What does the Annual Catholic Appeal Support?

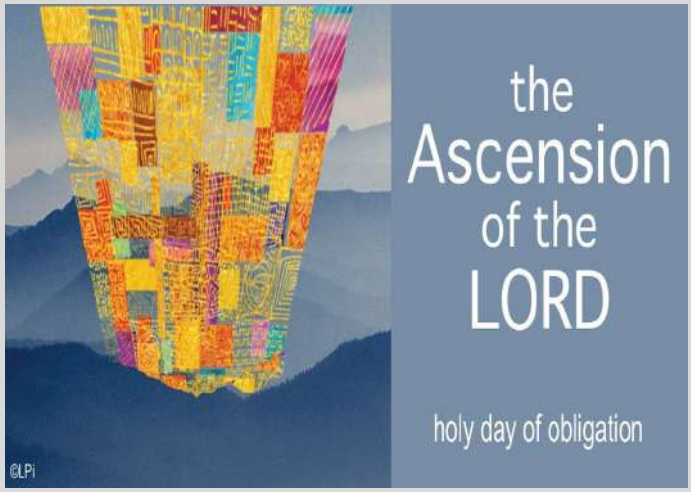
The **Annual Catholic Appeal** seeks to raise a minimum of $8 million to provide programs and ministries throughout the Diocese and support the local efforts of parishes like ours.

The goal at **St. Saviour** ***is $64,900.***

Once we exceed our goal, we will then receive 100% of all funds raised above this figure directly back to our parish.

For questions regarding the ***Annual Catholic Appeal,*** or to schedule an appointment to make a gift to the parish, please contact the Parish Office – 718-768-4055

Called to Communion, Participation & Mission



Wednesday, May 8th
Vigil 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 9th
8:30 AM

Faith Formation: Registration Has Begun!

We have begun Re-Registration and First Time Registration for the Catechetical Year 2024-2025. Avoid the crazy mad rush in September and register now.

Currently enrolled Faith Formation families, please place all materials sent home with your child in the envelope provided and return to Deacon Paul on Sunday morning or drop off at the Rectory or place in the Sunday collection basket.

First time families can down load the registration form off the parish website, complete and submit with copy of Birth and Baptismal Certificate along with appropriate fees in an envelope addressed to Deacon Paul.

Please note that in order for a child to receive any Sacrament there is a two-year Diocesan requirement of Faith Formation. Children will not be eligible to receive First Communion or Confirmation unless these requirements have been satisfied. **Fees are listed on the registration form along with separate First Communion and Confirmation Fees if applicable.**

Any questions, please contact Deacon Paul Norman at **stsaviourff@gmail.com**

Registration will continue throughout the summer months. Just drop off your documents and fees in

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Today—Maintenance & Repair
May 9—Ascension Thursday
May 19—Catholic Communications Campaign

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.

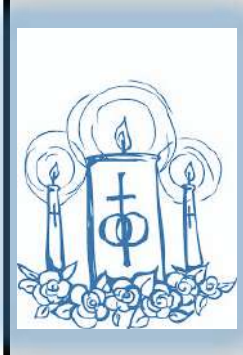
PLEASE REMEMBER THE POOR

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!

REHEARSAL FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Just a reminder for all our second graders in both Faith Formation AND in Saint Saviour Catholic Academy that there will be a MANDATORY rehearsal for First Holy Communion on Wednesday, May 22nd, at 6:00 p.m. in the church. All students must be accompanied by a parent for this rehearsal and it will last approximately 1 hour. We will be celebrating First Holy Communion as a Parish Family here at Saint Saviour on Sunday, June 2nd, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, at our 11:30 a.m. celebration of Eucharist. All the members of our parish family are invited to join us for this special moment in the lives of our young people and to join them in prayer as they receive the Body of Christ for the first time. We will also have a procession around the church with the blessed Sacrament with our First Communicants as we celebrate this great Solemnity in the life of the Church throughout the world during this special year of Eucharistic Revival.

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.



OFFERING FOR ALTAR MEMORIALS

$25 per week

Church Sanctuary Lamp
Blessed Mother Candle
Saint Joseph Candle
Altar Hosts & Wine

"Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a person go to Heaven." – St. Camillus de Lellis

Stewardship

April 27-28

Offertory $4,720

Children's Collection $181
Catholic Home Missions $537

Attendance 203

MOTHER'S DAY
MASS REMEMBRANCE

If you would like to have someone (living or deceased) remembered in a special way at all of our Masses on Mother's Day weekend, please use the envelopes marked ***Mother's Day Mass Remembrance*** found in your envelope packet or in the racks at the back of church. Offering a Mass is a wonderful way to honor those whom we love and remember with fondness.

St. Vincent de Paul Society of

Neighbors helping neighbors®

Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing in front of our church on Sunday, May 19th from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 5, Sixth Sunday of Easter
9:30 a.m. Frank Pacheco/Maria Tyrk/ George Boolbol
11:30 a.m. Marian Cappiello/Miguel Acevedo/ Trendy Ann Bernard

Monday, May 6, Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. Teri Young

Tuesday, May 7, Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. Salvatore L. Deliteris

Wednesday, May 8, Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life
7:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Thursday, May 9, Ascension of the Lord
8:30 a.m. Charlie Mallia

Friday, May 10, Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, May 11, Easter Weekday
5:00 p.m. Mother's Day Mass Remembrance

Sunday, May 12, Sunday of Easter
9:30 a.m. Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
11:30 a.m. Mother's Day Mass Remembrance

ONLINE GIVING By WeShare

WeShare allows parishioners a safe and easy way to donate online. If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy!

1. Visit our website: www.stsaviourchurch.org and click "Give Online."
2. Click on the collection you wish to donate to.
3. Click Recurring Donation, then enter your donation amount and frequency.

Once you've added your information, donations will automatically deduct from your account.

It's that easy!