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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**
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Rev. Kevin P. Cavalluzzi, D. Min., **In Residence**
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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
Friday No Office Hours
Saturday & Sunday No Office Hours
To speak with a priest, please call for an appointment.
For sick calls, phone anytime.

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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!**

A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR

During the week, each day different classes from Saint Saviour Catholic Academy join us for the 8:30am Mass. On Tuesday, I was sitting in the presider's chair listening to one of the students proclaim the first reading admiring how many of our students were actively participating in the Mass that morning. We had two Lectors and four Altar Servers, each being reverent and respectful in carrying out their respective ministry and all of them knew what they were doing. But even more importantly, they were enjoying what they were doing during Mass. I always say we are a blessed parish to have so many people involved in various ministries around our parish and the willingness of so many of our young people to step-up and serve their parish is heart-warming and inspiring. My thanks to Sister Mary who continues to work so hard at coordinating the ministries with our young people – she is doing a tremendous job! The one ministry I would really like to see grow now are our choirs – both our Children's/Teen Choir that sings every week at our 9:30am Family Mass and our Adult Choir, who sing at our 11:30am Mass each Sunday morning. Saint Augustine often commented how "People who sing pray twice!" Wouldn't it be great if more people volunteered to sing their praises to our God by joining one of our choirs? We have a great Music Ministry Director in Dr. Nick Nicassio and I know he would love to have more people join him in singing each week. I cannot sing for my life, yet as a child I sang every week in the children's choir at my home parish and then as a teenager and young adult I sang in the Folk Group each week right up until I went off to the Seminary. While I could not sing solo, I didn't sound so bad when I sang with a group of people who all became good friends through the years. I'm sure many of you reading this feel you can't sing either, but I'm willing to bet you won't sound so bad if you were singing with the choir. Think about it. Pray over it. If you feel God might be calling you to join the choir, simply speak with Dr. Nick Nicassio after any of our Masses and I'm sure he will make you feel at ease and welcome you to join either one of our choirs.

I would like to reiterate this week something I stated here in the bulletin last weekend. It seems there are emails circulating around the parish once again purportedly from me, asking people for help – either with a favor, gift cards, or asking for money. Please be aware that I HAVE NEVER, AND WILL NEVER, SEND ANY EMAIL TO ANY PARISHIONER ASKING FOR ANYTHING WHATSOEVER! THIS IS A SCAM! Should you ever receive an email from me or any member of Saint Saviour Pastoral Staff asking for such things, PLEASE IGNORE IT, call the Rectory and let us know. We will then notify the Diocese and alert them to this scam. There are many people receiving emails or texts supposedly from their pastor or parish priest asking for assistance for them personally. In the past, teachers from both our Academy and our High School (as well as a few parishioners) have received emails from someone saying they were me asking for gift cards and money for my charity. IT'S A SCAM! People continue to find creative ways to scam others and attain personal information from them – please don't fall for such attempts.

Don't forget NEXT SUNDAY (November 24th) the St. Vincent DePaul Society Truck will be parked outside church from 9:00am to 1:00pm to collect any gently used clothing you wish to donate.

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

Father Frank

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
"It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress
since nations began until that time.
At that time your people shall escape." (Dn 12:1)

Psalm:
You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Ps 16)

Second Reading:
For by one offering
he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. (Heb 10:14)

Gospel:
"And then he will send out the angels
and gather his elect from the four winds,
from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." (Mk 13:27)

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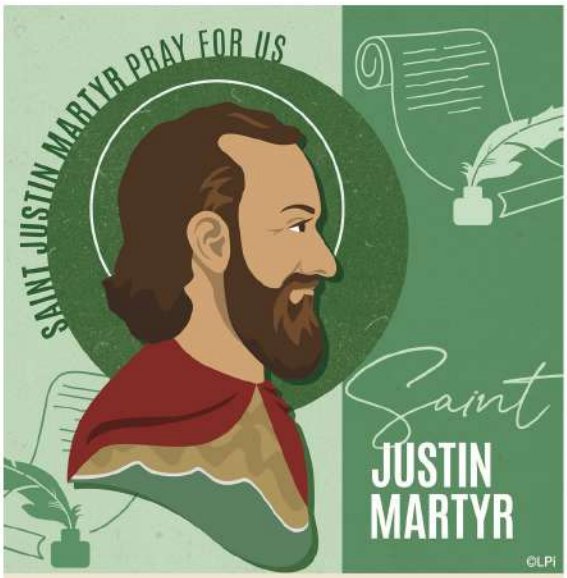
Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

It sometimes feels like God is silent, like he sets himself apart from us and our struggles on earth. But Jesus reminds us of the fig tree, who can feel the coming of spring deep within itself. In the same intuitive way, we know the voice of God. Listen.

Observances for the week of November 17, 2024

Sunday:	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
Thursday:	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday:	St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
Saturday:	St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr
Next Sunday:	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Saint of the week

St. Justin Martyr (c. 100 – 165) was a second century apologist whose detailed texts which show the depth of the Catholic tradition were meant to dispel rumors of the early Church practices during the Roman persecution. An eyewitness account of his martyrdom still survives today.

Prayer of Seasons

As the seasons change,
be with me.
As my life shifts and shapes,
be with me.
As I face what the future holds,
be with me.
As I seek the beauty to be found today, help me to find you there.

Amen.

Brownbaggers Homeless Outreach

The Brownbaggers project serves the poor in NYC during the winter months. Since 2009 we have delivered thousands of lunches. Meeting monthly in the Parish Hall at 12:30pm, we assemble 100 brown bag lunches with food and clothing items donated by our volunteers. We then travel via subway to multiple Manhattan parks to distribute our lunches to those most in need, returning to Brooklyn by 3:30 pm. Dave Beaudry is the current director of our Brownbaggers Homeless Outreach Program.

Please RSVP now for
Sunday, December 8

Children under the age of 18 must to be accompanied by an adult. Please wear comfortable shoes and have your metro card charged.
Twenty-five volunteers are needed for this event.

RSVP to: davebeaudry@gmail.com

Please consider donating warm socks, hats or gloves into the Brownbaggers Donation Box which will be located in the vestibule of the church after every Mass. Any donations received will be distributed at that month's Brownbagger event. Also, financial donations used to purchase food items can be made in the Parish rectory.
Thank you for your support.

***Just a reminder that all adults must be VIRTUS trained to attend.**

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.

St. Saviour's Annual Food Drive

During the month of November, please help support our Annual Food Drive as an act of charity to help stockpile and distribute foodstuffs to people who cannot afford food. By doing so we carry out the Church's mission in helping to alleviate the growing tide of hunger.

Please place your nonperishable contributions in the baskets placed in front of the Blessed Mother's Altar.

As always, thank you for your generosity.

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

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

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

November 17—Today
November 24—Christmas Flowers
November 28—Thanksgiving
December 1—Christmas Offering
December 1—Maintenance & Repair
December 9—Immaculate Conception
December 15—Retirement Fund for Religious

ADVENT CANDLES

Believe it or not, in three weeks we begin a new church year with the celebration of Advent. This year, we would like to offer YOU the opportunity to memorialize our Advent Candles, which will grace our sanctuary here in church for the four weeks of Advent. Each Advent Candle in the church can be memorialized in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of someone who is living for an offering of $75.00. Please remember we only have (1) candle left. If you are interested in memorializing one of our Advent Candles this year, please call or email Emily at the Rectory at stsaviourchurch@aol.com

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.

AN EARLY ADVENT MORNING OF PRAYER & REFLECTION

All the members of our parish family are invited to join us in welcoming back Fr. Patrick Griffin, CM, who will be leading us once again in a morning of Prayer and Reflection as we get ready to begin our celebration of the Advent Season and a new liturgical year. Fr. Griffin was with us last Lent and many of you really enjoyed his talk and we are thrilled he is able to be with us again as we get ready to celebrate Advent. Our morning of prayer and reflection will be held on Saturday, November 30th , beginning with Mass at 10:00 a.m., followed by Fr. Griffin's talk and reflections. His theme for our morning of prayer together will be *"LUKE'S STORY OF JESUS,"* with particular emphasis on the telling of events leading to the Nativity (the birth of Jesus). "We do hope you will mark your calendars now and plan on joining us November 30th.

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You may also make your gift online now at annualcatholicappeal.org or text **DONATE** to **917-336-1255** or call 718-965-7375 and have a pledge card mailed to your home.

"You will never be happy if your happiness depends on getting solely what you want. Change the focus. Get a new center. Will what God wills, and your joy no man shall take from you." Venerable Fulton Sheen

November 9-10

Offertory $5,006

Children's Collection $223

Attendance 293

On Thursday morning, November 28th (Thanksgiving Day), we will be celebrating a special Mass at 10:00 a.m. in church. In addition to the opportunity to give thanks to God for so many blessings with the context of Eucharist (our Church's great prayer of Thanksgiving), we invite you to bring any food which you will be preparing (except live turkeys please!) for a special blessing which will be extended over the food you bring at the conclusion of Eucharist. ALL the members of our parish family are invited and most welcome to join us!

*Please note that there will be no 8:30 a.m. Mass on Thanksgiving Day.

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 17, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. Frank Spacek, Sr.
11:30 a.m. Haven Hobbs

Monday, November 18, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Buonocore Family

Tuesday, November 19, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Galiola Family

Wednesday, November 20, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Michael Flannery

Thursday, November 21, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 a.m. Maria & Carmine Fischetti

Friday, November 22, Saint Cecilia
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, November 23, Weekday
5:00 p.m. Hobbs Family/John & Elinore Flynn

Sunday, November 24, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
9:30 a.m. The People of the Parish
11:30 a.m. Jerry Poe

SAVE THE DATE

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Sunday, November 24th 9AM to 1PM.

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