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 the 9:30 am Family Mass 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. 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
Friday No Office Hours
Saturday & 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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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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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of
Jericho, they celebrated the Passover. (Jos 5:10)

Psalm:
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

Second Reading:
And all this is from God,
who has reconciled us to himself through Christ
and given us the ministry of reconciliation. (2 Cor 5:18)

Gospel:
"'But now we must celebrate and rejoice,
because your brother was dead and has come to life again;
he was lost and has been found.'" (Lk 15:32)

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Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

The Prodigal Son doesn't dare ask for the honor of being called his Father's son again. All he wants is to be close to his Father, to be cared for. But his Father surprises him with his mercy, as God surprises us. He offers more than just forgiveness. He offers redemption.

Observances for the week of March 30, 2025

Sunday:	4th Sunday of Lent
Tuesday:	April Fools' Day
Wednesday:	St. Francis of Paola, Hermit
Friday:	St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest
Next Sunday:	5th Sunday of Lent

Devotions, *Explained!*

A novena is a nine-day period of prayer focused on a specific topic, saint, or devotion. There are four basic categories of novenas — novenas of preparation, of mourning, of prayer, and of indulgence. This 9-day period of prayer can be traced back to the Acts of the Apostles.

Prayer of a Father's Blessing

God who wills good things for your children, Help me to trust that You will be faithful.
God who will not leave me, Help me to seek You, too.
God who is ever-waiting for me, Help me to run straight towards You.

Amen.

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New Yearly Training Requirement for Volunteers

In accordance with the Diocese agreement with the Attorney General of New York State, all volunteers are now required to complete yearly training. This initiative is part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety of our children and well-being of everyone involved in our parishes and schools/academies.

Training Module Details

The designated training module for this year is titled **Healthy Boundaries for Adults: Boundary Development and Implementation.** This module has been carefully selected to provide essential guidance on establishing and maintaining healthy boundaries in various settings. It aims to equip volunteers with the knowledge and skills necessary to foster a safe environment for themselves and those they serve. (the module is approx. 1 hour)

Implementation Process

Every volunteer will receive access to the training module through their Virtus account and is expected to complete it within the stipulated time frame. The module includes interactive sessions, practical examples, and assessments to ensure comprehensive understanding and application of the principles taught.

Importance of Training

The yearly training is crucial for several reasons:

- Safety and Protection: It helps create a secure atmosphere by educating volunteers on how to recognize and prevent boundary violations. •
- Consistency: Regular training ensures that all volunteers remain updated on the best practices for maintaining healthy boundaries. •
- Legal Compliance: This training is a mandatory requirement as per the agreement with the Attorney General of NYS, reinforcing our commitment to legal and ethical standards.

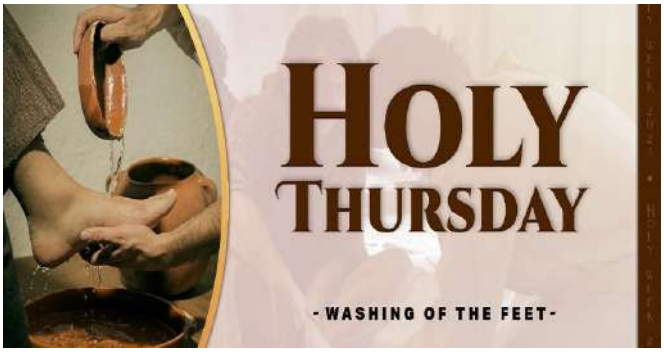
Next Steps

Volunteers should log into their Virtus account and will be prompted to complete the training module. It is imperative that each participant takes this training seriously and fulfills the requirements to continue their valuable contributions to our community programs. Thank you for your cooperation and dedication to maintaining the highest standards of safety and care within our Diocese.

We ask that you complete this module by Wednesday, April 16, 2025.

Anyone who had completed the initial live training or the 4.0 training <u>THIS YEAR</u> will be assigned new training a year the date of completion.

In addition, everyone will be asked to sign a new code of conduct.



We are in need of 12 feet (that's 6 persons) for the washing of feet at the MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER on Holy Thursday evening (April 17) beginning at 7:00 p.m. ALL types of feet are welcome to apply. Warts and bunions will not disqualify you—we are an equal opportunity employer of feet. If you are interested in being one of our foot "washees" (remember, there are only 6 openings and they are sure to go fast!), please call Father Frank at the Rectory (718) 768-4055. Please consider putting your feet in our hands!

Please continue to support the food pantry at St. Thomas Aquinas. We are especially in need of hot cereal, soup and toiletries, but whatever you give will be most appreciated!

EASTER MASS REMEMBRANCE & EASTER FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES

Easter Mass Remembrance Envelopes and are now available in each of the pews. If you wish to have a loved one remembered at each of our celebrations of Eucharist on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday, please take an envelope, write their names on the envelope, enclose your offering and return it as soon as possible either in the Sunday collection or at the Rectory. In addition, we hope to decorate our church as beautifully as last Easter with various flowers around our sanctuary. If you with to make a contribution, please use one of the Easter Flower Offering Envelopes available in the back of church.

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A Spring Fling

April 12, 2025, 6:30 p.m. at Littlefield
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Elizabeth Budgell

If you know of any parish members who are ill and need our prayers, please email the rectory at stsaviourchurch@aol.com to add their name and how many weeks they should be added to our newly formed list. This list will appear in the weekly bulletin. If you do not have access to email please call Emily at the rectory at 718-768-4055.

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.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Today—Easter Flower Offering
April 6—Maintenance & Repair
April 13—Easter Mass Remembrance
April 20—Senior Priest Collection

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

This year our diocese will once again celebrate Reconciliation Monday on April 14, 2025, which is the Monday of Holy Week. We will have confession here at St. Saviour from 2:00—4:00 p.m. AND 6:00—8:00 p.m. As in the past, we hope this will be a wonderful opportunity for the faithful to participate in this great Sacrament of Healing.

Visit our website: www.stsaviourchurch.org and click "Give online."

Click on the collection you wish to donate to. 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!

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst…He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you."– Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Offertory $5,034

Children's Collection $261

Easter Gift to the Parish $2,213

Attendance 298

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY
8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer of the Church
7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY
8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer of the Church
12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY
8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer of the Church with Blessing of Easter Food
8:00 p.m. Great Vigil of Easter

EASTER SUNDAY
9:30 a.m. Family Mass
11:30 a.m. Choir Mass

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, March 30, Fourth Sunday of Lent
9:30 a.m. Mona Bariso/John Macready
11:30 a.m. Ken Corey/Kaye Timoney

Monday, March 31, Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 1, Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. Maria & Carmine Fischetti

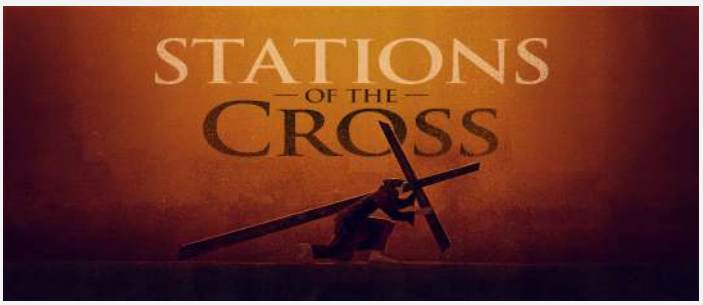
Wednesday, April 2, Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. Edward Flannery

Thursday, April 3, Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. Eda Swart Gillen

Friday, April 4, Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, April 5, Lenten Weekday
5:00 p.m. Noreen Ferris

Sunday, April 6, Fifth Sunday of Lent
9:30 a.m. Joseph Campesi
11:30 a.m. The People of the Parish



For centuries, one common practice during the We invite ALL members of our parish family to join us as we pray the Stations of the Cross together this Lent. Here at Saint Saviour Parish, we will pray the Stations of the Cross the following Sundays during Lent.

(March 30th & April 6th) immediately following our 9:30 a.m. Celebration of Eucharist.

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