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**
TEL 718.768.4406 · WEB www.stsaviour.org

ST. SAVIOUR CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Mr. Dean J. Fusto, M.A.T., M.A., **President**
Mr. Matthew Artigas, **Principal**
TEL 718.768.8000
WEB www.saintsaviourcatholicacademy.org

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

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 brother 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 Fortunata "Rosa" Covelli Cassola. My thanks to Sister Mary for coordinating our Altar Servers. 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. Thank you to Fr. Terry for presiding at our Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. 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).

Congratulations also to Rachel McNamara—a senior here at St. Saviour High School– whom I had the honor and priviledge of baptizing, confirming and giving First Holy Communion to at our Easter Vigil. Rachel is an inspiration to many for her willingness to say "yes" to Jesus at this stage of her life. My thanks as well to Sr. Mary for serving as her sponsor and walking this journey with her.

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

ALL the members of our Parish Family are invited to join us on Sunday, May 11th, at our 11:30am Celebration of Eucharist as the children from our Faith Formation Program and from Saint Saviour Catholic Academy receive their First Holy Communion. Our children have been preparing all year long for his special moment when they will receive the body of Christ for the very first time. Many of them are a little nervous but they are all very excited and looking forward to this special day. In March they all received their First Penance and now they are ready to receive their First Holy Communion. We hope as many parishioners as possible will come out and join us for our 11:30am celebration of Eucharist on Sunday May 11th, and join us in praying and supporting our young people as they receive their First Holy Communion.

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 $20.00. 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.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR POPE FRANCIS

ALL the members of our Parish Family are invited to join us for a special Memorial Mass in honor of Pope Francis here at Saint Savior Church on Monday, April 28th, at 7:00pm Bishop Brennan has asked all parishes within our diocese to hold a special Mass for Pope Francis. This will give all of us here at Saint Saviour an opportunity to remember, honor and pray for our beloved Holy Father, who passed away last Monday morning. Pope Francis was a very prayerful and holy man who wanted the Church to focus more on Jesus and the Gospel message. We do hope as many parishioners as possible will be able to join us on Monday evening at 7:00 pm for this special Mass in honor of Pope Francis here at Saint Saviour Church.

NO CONFESSIONS ON MAY 3

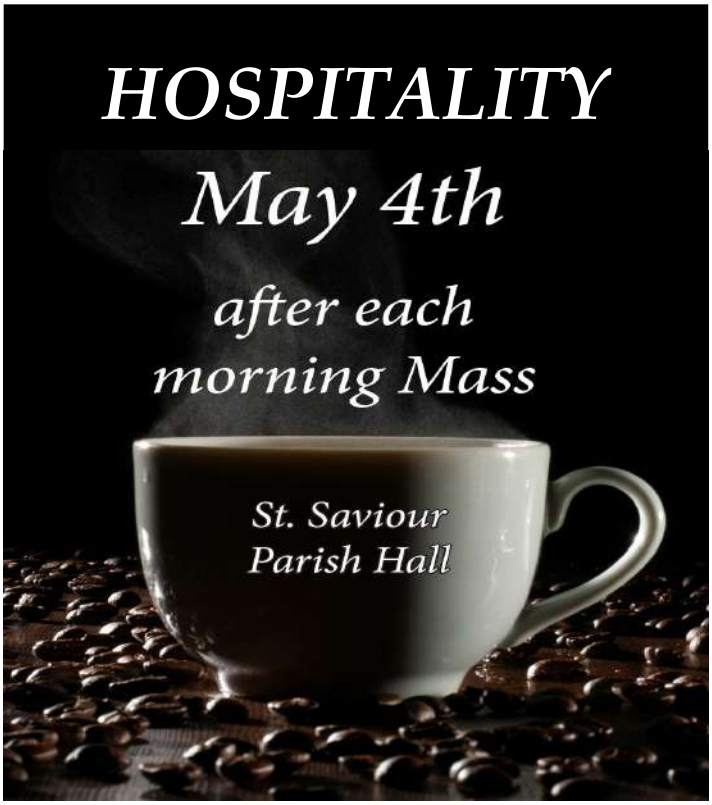
Please note there will be no confessions next Saturday, May 3rd at 4:00 p.m. because of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Confessions will be heard on Saturday, May 10th at 4:00 p.m.

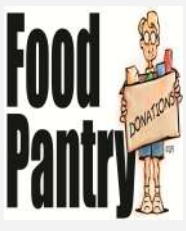
Thank you!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY TODAY

The Second Sunday of Easter 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. ALL the members of our parish family are invited to attend and share in God's Divine Mercy.



ALL the members of our parish family are invited to join us next Saturday afternoon, May 3rd, at our 5:00 pm celebration of Eucharist—where Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio (the Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Brooklyn) - will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our young people. We will be partnering with the parish of Saint John the Evangelist—Saint Rocco and the Mass will be bi-lingual (English/Spanish). We hope ALL the members of our parish family will join us on this special day as we pray for the young people of these twoparishes as they are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.



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!

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

TODAY—Catholic Home Missions
May 4—Maintenance & Repair

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.

MASS INTENTIONS & MASS STIPENDS

Bishop Brennan recently issued a decree stating that Mass Stipends throughout the Diocese of Brooklyn will increase from $15.00 to $20.00 beginning with any Mass intentions requested for July 1st. and beyond. Hence, if you request Masses for any time from July 1st forward, the stipend will be $20. Masses requested for any time now until June 30th will remain at $15.00 per intention. We also want everyone to know that there are opportunities for you to donate hosts, altar wine, and candles each week. The stipend for each of these remains at $25.00 for one week. If you wish to donate the altar bread, altar wine, Sanctuary Candle, St. Mary Candle or St. Joseph candle for one week—please contact Emily at the Rectory 718-768-4055 or by email: stsaviourchurch@aol.com and she will gladly memorialize any of these items in honor of a loved one or in memory of a deceased relative or friend.

New and Re- Registration is now open for the **2025 – 2026 School** year. First time registrants, please download the Faith formation registration from our parish website. Re-registration forms were distributed to the students who are currently enrolled. **Submit all required documents and fees in an envelope** addressed ***to Deacon Paul Norman*** **and either give directly to Deacon Paul, Drop off at the Rectory during business hours, or place in the Sunday Collection basket at Mass**. Registration will continue throughout the summer months.

Please note: ***STUDENTS MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS BEFORE THE RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION* (Grades 1 and 2 or the first two grades of the program when registering) ***AND CONFIRMATION*** (Grades 7 and 8).

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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!

"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. Maria Faustina

Stewardship

April 19-20

Offertory $6,420

Children's Collection $403

Retired Priests $2,013

Holy Thursday $300

Holy Land Shrines $601

Easter Gift to the Parish $755

Attendance 931

SAINT SAVIOUR MINISTRIES

Grow with us!

Our ministries offer parishioners the opportunity to contribute to the life of our community both in Church and beyond. Please consider joining a ministry and participate more fully in the celebration of our Faith.

Faith Formation Program
Deacon Paul Norman
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MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, April 27, Second Sunday of Easter
9:30 a.m. Shelly LaFauci
11:30 a.m. Intentions of Lauren Frommer & Pat Munjack

Monday, April 28, Monday Within the Octave of Easter
8:30 a.m. Judy Hoffman

Tuesday, April 29, Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 30, Saint Catherine of Siena
8:30 a.m. Pope Francis

Thursday, May 1, Saint Joseph the Worker
8:30 a.m. Intentions of Sr. Mary Walsh, CSJ

Friday, May May 2, Saint Athanasius
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, May 3, Saints Philip and James
5:00 p.m. William Greene

Sunday, May 4, Third Sunday of Easter
9:30 a.m. George Boolbol
11:30 a.m. Miguel Acevedo/Kaye Timoney

PRAYERS *for the* HOMEBOUND

Elizabeth Budgell
Mary Reilly
Nelista Skerrett

Know a parishioner having trouble getting to church?
Email us their name and we will place them on our prayer list for 3 weeks.
If you wish to leave them on for another 3 weeks, simply email us at the rectory or call Emily SanPietro.

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