CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR

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WE CELEBRATE EUCHARIST:

WEEKEND MASSES

5:00 pm: Saturday Evening
10:30 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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A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR

It seems hard to believe that we are already beginning the month of August and our celebration of summer is half-way finished. Stores have already begun putting out the back-to-school supplies and Hallmark has their Christmas Ornaments for sale and we are even beginning to see Halloween and Thanksgiving décor at Target and Hobby Lobby and Michael's Craft Stores. Time certainly doesn't stop – it just seems to fly by faster and faster with the passing of each year. Here at Saint Saviour, while many of our parishioners are away, the Pastoral Staff is already planning for the upcoming pastoral year. Deacon Paul has been busy working on our Children's Faith Formation Program, continuing with early registration and re-registration for students, ordering books and supplies, and finalizing the calendar for the up-coming year. Sister Mary continues to register babies to be baptized in the coming months and is working at putting together this year's group for OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) for those adults who wish to be initiated into the Catholic Faith. This is something we have partnered with Saint Augustine – Saint Francis Xavier Parish last year and it is working out very well. We are in the process of finalizing plans for our Opening of School Mass for our students from both our Academy and our High School in September. We are getting ready for Catechetical Sunday and the Blessing of Backpacks Ceremony. Plans are being made for our annual Socktober Drive, our Yes-You-Can Drive and our Annual Giving Tree for Advent. Father Kevin is already preparing for our annual Faith Formation Christmas Party, and Sister Ave Clark, OP, will be coming to Saint Saviour to lead us in a morning of prayer and reflection on Saturday, December 6th, as we begin the liturgical season of Advent. As you can see, there has been a lot of work going on during the month of July.

I do hope everyone is enjoying their summer. The heat has indeed been quite oppressive, and I apologize to those of you who have had to leave early during Mass because the heat was just too over-bearing in church. Our fans do nothing to cool down the church, they just blow the hot air around. I wish we had the money to air condition the church. You all know I myself cannot take the heat. Perhaps one day if I win the lottery I promise you I will air-condition the church – and to those of you attending church this summer in our neighboring parishes that are air-conditioned – there is no need to apologize to me when you see me on the street or in the park as to why you are not coming to Saint Saviour – I totally understand!! However, I do want to say "Thank You" to the people who are joining us each Sunday for Mass here at Saint Saviour – especially the children and teenagers. I am inspired each week seeing you in church praying with us and carrying out your responsibilities each Sunday at our Family Mass. My thanks also to their parents for bringing them and joining us in prayer. As I have said all summer, just because school is closed and faith formation classes have ceased for the summer – it does NOT mean we do not have to go to church during the summer months! So let's hang in there a few more weeks and look forward to the cooler weather. The winter months cannot come fast enough for me!

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

Father Frank

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
For what profit comes to man from all the toil
and anxiety of heart
with which he has labored under the sun? (Eccl 2:22)

Psalm:
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 90)

Second Reading:
If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel:
Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves
but are not rich in what matters to God." (Lk 12:21)

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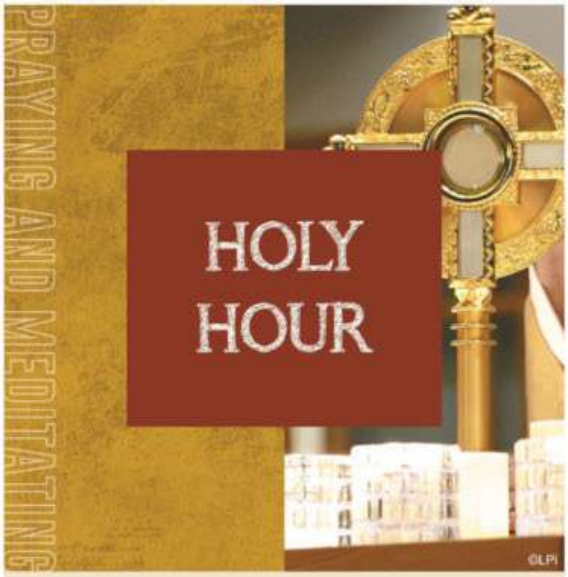
Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God. What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?

Observances for the week of August 3, 2025

Sunday:	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. John Vianney, Priest
Tuesday:	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Wednesday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Thursday:	St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
Friday:	St. Dominic, Priest
Saturday:	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday:	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

A holy hour is the practice of spending one hour's time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, praying and meditating on the agony of Jesus Christ.

Prayer for Open Hands

Lord, I do not know what any day holds,
I cannot take for granted any of the gifts You have given.
Help me to use them, then, as You would have me.
Help me to live according to Your invitations.
Amen.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Today—Maintenance & Repair
August 15—Feast of the Assumption

SAVE THE DATE

This year our own Deacon Paul celebrated his 10th Anniversary of Ordination as a Deacon. We will be celebrating this special occasion as a parish family on Sunday, October 5th. We will have one Mass this day at 10:30 a.m. followed by a parish brunch to congratulate and thank Deacon Paul for his 10 years of service as a Deacon. All are welcome to attend.

A REMINDER FOR OUR CHILDREN

We want to remind all the children of our parish family that just because St. Saviour Catholic Academy and our Religious Education classes might be finished for the summer—it DOES NOT mean that your obligation to attend Sunday Eucharist ceases as well. Parents—please be sure to continue bringing your child(ren) to Eucharist each Sunday throughout the summer months. It is important that our children receive Jesus in the Eucharist each week!

GOING ON VACATION?

Remember, St. Savoiur Parish still needs your weekly offering! While you are on vacation our bills still keep coming! Our church needs YOU to help support the preaching of the Gospel, its administration of the Sacraments, keeping its lights on all summer, and helping us teach our children about God. Without your Weekly Offering we could not accomplish all that we do. Thank you for your weekly donations!

Also, while vacationing this summer, be sure to include your weekly Mass obligation in your plans. For Mass schedules around the United States, go to www.masstimes.org. Now there can be no more excuses why you cannot attend Mass while you are on vacation!

PLEASE PRAY *for the* HOMEBOUND

- **Nelista Skerrett**
- **Xiao Xiao Pan**

Know a parishioner having trouble getting to church? Email us their name and how many weeks they should remain on the list: stsaviourchurch@aol.com

If no email access, please call: **Emily SanPietro** 718-768-4055

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Eucharistic/Homebound Ministry

Volunteer as a Eucharistic Minister to your homebound family member or friend:

Gillian Winn gilliann_cw@msn.com
John Parham john@parhamsantana.com

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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).

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.

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"Lay all your cares about the future trustingly in God's hands, and let yourself be guided by the Lord just like a little child." –Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Stewardship

July 26-27

Offertory $4,024

Texas Floods $1,817

Children's Collection $66

Attendance 143

Candle Memorials— August 1-August 7

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ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR:
Joseph Mastrota

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SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE UNTIL LABOR DAY WEEKEND

SATURDAY—5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY—10:30 A.M.

NORMAL SCHEDULE RESUMES SEPTEMBER 6-7

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, August 3, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 a.m. Rose Gunning

Monday, August 4, Saint John Vianny
8:30 a.m. Eddie McGarry

Tuesday, August 5, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Sr. Naomi Varrone, OP

Wednesday, August 6, The Transfiguration of the Lord
8:30 a.m. Maryann Gannon

Thursday, August 7, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Joe & Mary Zurlo

Friday, August 8, Saint Dominic
8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

Saturday, August 9, Weekday
5:00 p.m. Mario Lombardi

Sunday, August 10, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 a.m. Geri Anne O'Beirne

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.

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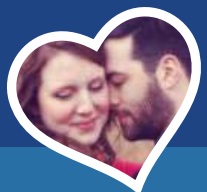

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