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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

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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 would like to begin this week by wishing our own Father James a "Happy Belated Birthday" and a "Happy Belated Anniversary." Father James celebrated his birthday on July 7th and on July 8th Father James celebrated his 25th Anniversary as a priest. 25 years is a milestone in terms of marriage and ordination. Since so many people within our parish are away during the summer months, I told Father James we will celebrate his 25th Anniversary as a priest next May when he returns to us here at Saint Saviour for summer ministry. Please continue to keep Father James in your prayers as he celebrated both his birthday and anniversary. I am personally grateful for all his help and priestly ministry among us here at Saint Saviour. We are blessed!

We dodged a bullet here at Saint Saviour last week during those torrential rains that hit NYC and flooded out several highways and subway stations. We did not get much water inside our church or parish hall. Let's keep praying our luck holds out a little while longer until we replace the roof on our beautiful church. We are still finalizing all the details of this massive project and as soon as everything is in place work will commence. On other fronts we received a few violations on our boilers which will need to be addressed, as well as cleaning them out completely so that we don't face any major issues regarding heat once the cooler weather sets in. Our organ is becoming very temperamental once again so we will need to have someone come back and check it out. As I keep saying, all our buildings in Park Slope keep getting older and seem to be requiring more and more maintenance as time goes by. Please continue to be generous in our weekly collections and in our monthly Maintenance and Repair Collections so that we can continue to address these issues as they arise. I thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

This weekend our parish welcomes Father Expedit Sserunjogi, who will speak at each of our Masses as part of the Annual Missionary Cooperative Plan, which all parishes in the Diocese of Brooklyn participate in each year. This is our opportunity to live out that Precept of the Church which states we are all called to support the missionary activity of the Church. Father Expedit will be preaching about his ministry among the children of Saint Mary School, located in Uganda in Eastern Africa. The Church is growing rapidly in this region of the world and the education of children in the Catholic Faith is of primary importance. Please be as generous as possible in the special Second Collection that will be taken up at the conclusion of each Mass. Remember, if you choose to write a check, write it out to "Saint Saviour Church." We will then send one check to the Propagation of the Faith and then they will send one check to Saint Mary School in Uganda.

We have all heard about the horrific flooding recently in Texas and the lives lost among children attending a summer camp. Bishop Brennan has requested that every parish in the Diocese of Brooklyn take up a special collection to assist everyone affected by these devastating floods. Here at Saint Saviour we will take up this special collection NEXT WEEKEND (July 26-27). I ask that you please be as generous as possible in next weekend's special collection and please continue to remember all those persons involved or whose lives were affected by this horrific storm.

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

*Father Frank*

## MISSION APPEAL 2025

Fr. Expedit will preach a mission appeal at Saint Saviour Church this weekend July 19-20 to help support St. Mary's Elementary Primary School located in central Uganda in Eastern Africa. Your generosity is appreciated.

### ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN UGANDA

St. Mary's Elementary Primary School is located in a rural area in central Uganda in Eastern Africa. It is a Catholic-founded school under the Diocese of Lugazi Catholic Diocese. It serves children of poor peasant farmers who mostly depend on the crops from their gardens for food, tuition, and other essential needs like medical care, clothing, etc.

The school was started in January 2008 to help the children who were walking eight miles a day to get an education from a Catholic school at the parish. With the help of donors, we have gradually been able to put up classrooms and a teacher's residence. Currently, the enrollment in the school is 263 children and 13 teachers.

The main goal of this appeal to you is to enable us to have a decent kitchen, food store, and a shed where the children can sit down for lunch. Right now, we are using a makeshift kitchen and store. The children then sit under the trees and on the verandah to have their lunch. When it rains, they have to use the classrooms for lunch.

We look forward to meeting you.

Fr. Expedit

## UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

**Today—Mission Appeal**
**July 27—Texas Floods**
**August 3—Maintenance & Repair**
**August 10—Mission Cooperative Plan**
**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!

Annual Catholic Appeal 2025
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As a committed parishioner, friend, and Catholic, we need your support to uphold our mission. We are grateful to the 58 donors who have already made a generous commitment to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal.

**Parish Goal:** $58,410
**Raised:** $50,613

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.

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
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# Stop Physician-Assisted Suicide in New York

**New York is on the brink of legalizing physician-assisted suicide.** Bill A136 has already passed the Senate and Assembly. **The only thing standing in its way is Governor Hochul's veto – and she needs to hear from you.**

This bill would allow doctors to prescribe lethal medication with the sole purpose of ending a patient's life. It puts the most vulnerable among us – the elderly, people with disabilities, and those facing emotional or financial despair – at even greater risk. **Suicide is not healthcare.**

**We must speak out to protect the dignity of every human life.** Assisted suicide is a dangerous and deadly path – one we must not go down.

## Take Action!

Contact the Governor's office now to oppose this deadly practice! Visit **bit.ly/veto-pas** or use the QR code.

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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).

## OFFERING FOR ALTAR MEMORIALS

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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!

***"Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, not even if your whole world seems upset. If you find that you have wandered away from the shelter of God, lead your heart back to Him quietly and simply." —St. Francis de Sales***

# Stewardship

*July 12-13*

*Offertory $$6,365*

*Children's Collection $66*

*Attendance 163*

# WeShare

**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.**
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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.

# MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

**Sunday, July 20, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**10:30 a.m**. Margarita Acevedo/
Antonio Rivera

**Monday, July 21, Weekday**
**8:30 a.m**. Rudy & Grace Lettieri

**Tuesday, July 22, Saint Mary Magdalene**
**8:30 a.m.** Maria & Carmine Fischetti

**Wednesday, July 23, Weekday**
**8:30 a.m**. Margaret Magnavita

**Thursday, July 24, Weekday**
**8:30 a.m.** Rosa Johnson

**Friday, July 25, Saint James**
**8:30 a.m.** The People of the Parish

**Saturday, July 26, Saint Joachim and Anne**
**5:00 p.m.** James Lyons/Gertrude Lambert/
Peggy & LeRoy Jordan

**Sunday, July 27, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**10:30 a.m**. Frances Reczek

**MASS TIME CHANGE FOR SUMMER UNTIL LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY—5:00 P.M.**
**SUNDAY—10:30 A.M.**

**NORMAL SCHEDULE RESUMES SEPTEMBER 6-7**

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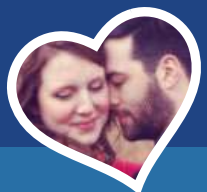

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