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

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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

Three weeks ago I had the honor of celebrating the annual Saint Anne Society Mass at Saint John the Evangelist Church on the other side of Park Slope. This Mass has been a part of the history of Saint John the Evangelist Parish for almost 100 years. In its hay-day it involved a week-long feast, procession of the statue of Saint Anne around the neighborhood, carnival rides and games of chance, and a large meal fit for a king! Over the years, as the community grew smaller and parishioners either passed away or moved away, this annual celebration grew smaller as well. Long gone are the processions, annual feast and communal meal – yet what remains is an annual celebration of Eucharist honoring Saint Anne, the mother of Mary, and a devotion to the grandmother of Jesus. In a shrine toward the front of church, there is a very unique statue of Saint Anne almost as old as the church itself. It's not a statue carved of marble or even one chiseled out of stone or wood. It is a plaster statue of an elderly woman, wrinkles across her face and along her hands. It's not a typical statue one would normally see of Saint Anne, yet for the parish of Saint John the Evangelist, it is a special statue, for it was brought over from Italy by the immigrants who called that parish their home. For years this statue was carried through the streets and honored in a most profound way. Countless prayers were said before this statue and petitions would be pinned to her sash. At the side of Saint Anne is our Blessed Mother, a young girl being cradled by her mother with a reassurance that God was with them. Our first reading that afternoon from the Old Testament book of Sirach reminded us that we can never forget the wisdom of our elders or the examples they have set for us in our youth. I could not help but think as I celebrated that Mass how many thousands of people went before us celebrating the Feast of Saint Anne throughout the years in that church and that small group of people who still return to "the old neighborhood" each July to honor Saint Anne, the mother of Mary our Mother. Many things change throughout the years – traditions, parishioners, priests, organizations – yet what always remains the same is our faith in Christ Jesus as our Lord and Saviour! May we as a community of believers never forget that.

This Friday (August 15th), we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. The *Natale* or *Dormitio* ("falling asleep") of Mary came to be celebrated as early as the 5th century in the East and in Rome. This is the day on which we remember Mary being assumed into heaven both body and soul. Promulgated by Pope Pius XII on November 1, 1950, this dogma states that *"the Immaculate Mother of God, Mary ever-virgin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heaven."* As we are all aware, this day is counted among our Holy Days of Obligation here in the United States. As we celebrate this Solemnity this Firday, let us keep in mind the words of Vatican II: *"Mary shines forth on earth, until the day of the Lord shall come, as a sign of sure hope and solace for the pilgrim People of God"* (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church #68). Here at Saint Saviour Parish, we will celebrate Eucharist for the Solemnity of the Assumption on Thursday evening, August 14th, at 7:00pm and again on Friday morning, August 15th, at 8:30am.

Finally, as I mentioned a few weeks ago, I am asking everyone to "SAVE THE DATE" because on Sunday, October 5th, we will have a parish celebration to honor and thank Deacon Paul for his 10 years of service to God's people as a Deacon. On Sunday, October 5th, we will have ONLY ONE MASS AT 10:30am, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall to celebrate, honor and thank Deacon Paul.

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

Father Frank

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
The night of the passover was known beforehand
to our fathers,
that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they
put their faith,
they might have courage. (Wis 18:6-7)

Psalm:
Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. (Ps 33)

Second Reading:
Faith is the realization of what is hoped for
and evidence of things not seen. (Heb 11:1)

Gospel:
Much will be required of the person entrusted with much,
and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted
with more." (Lk 12:48)

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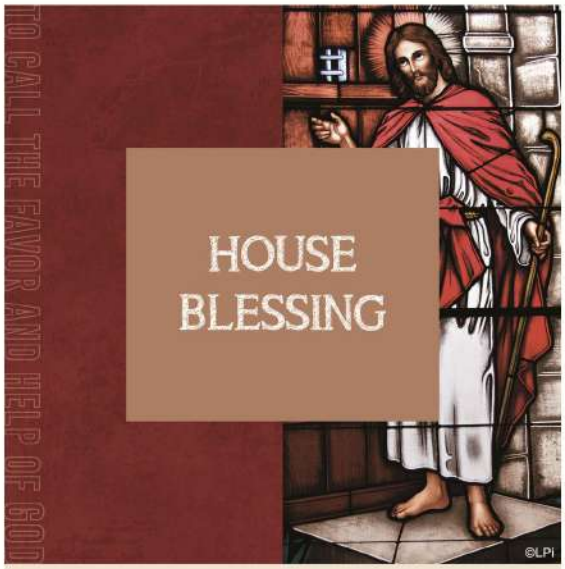
Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

We are the servants and God is our master. He has told us His will, and given us all that we need to carry out His directions. Do we have the courage to act as our master desires? Do we have what it takes to be stewards of God's grace?

Observances for the week of August 10, 2025

Sunday:	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Clare, Virgin
Tuesday:	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
Wednesday:	Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
Thursday:	St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
Friday:	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	St. Stephen of Hungary
Next Sunday:	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

Catholics who move to a new place of residence often wish to have their dwelling blessed, to call the favor and help of God upon all those who live in the house and all those who will enter it. The Roman Ritual provides two formats for such blessings.

Prayer for Generosity

God who has gifted me every good thing,
Help me to remember what truly matters.
To treasure love above all else, and to serve readily.
Amen.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

August 15—Feast of the Assumption
September 7—Catholic University of America
September 14—Maintenance & Repair
September 21—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Fund

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.

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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:

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John Parham john@parhamsantana.com

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Parish Goal: $58,410
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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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"Prayer is powerful beyond limits when we turn to the Immaculata who is queen even of God's heart."
- Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Stewardship

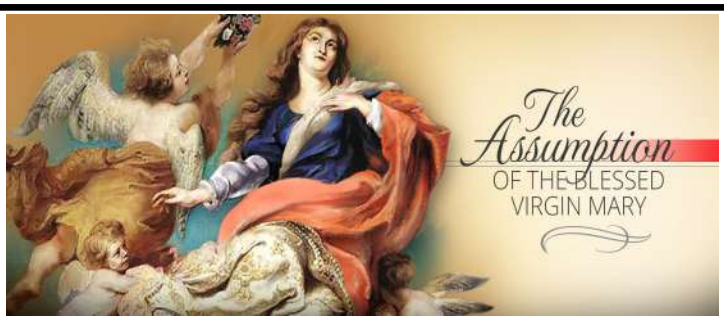
August 2-3

Offertory $4,577

Maintenance & Repair $955

Children's Collection $106

Attendance 168



MASS TIMES

AUGUST 14—7:00 P.M. Vigil

AUGUST 15—8:30 A.M.

Candle Memorials— August 8-August 15

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

Monday, August 11, Saint Clare
8:30 a.m. Clare Rybacki

Tuesday, August 12, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Dorothy Hepner

Wednesday, August 13, Weekday
8:30 a.m. JoAnn Mullen

Thursday, August 14, Saint Maximilan Kolbe
8:30 a.m. Raymond Shea
7:00 p.m. Jack Glynn

Friday, August 15, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

Saturday, August 16, Weekday
5:00 p.m. Vincent Mangual

Sunday, August 17, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 a.m. Evelio Conde/Raymond Cinfardini/Antonio Conde

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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