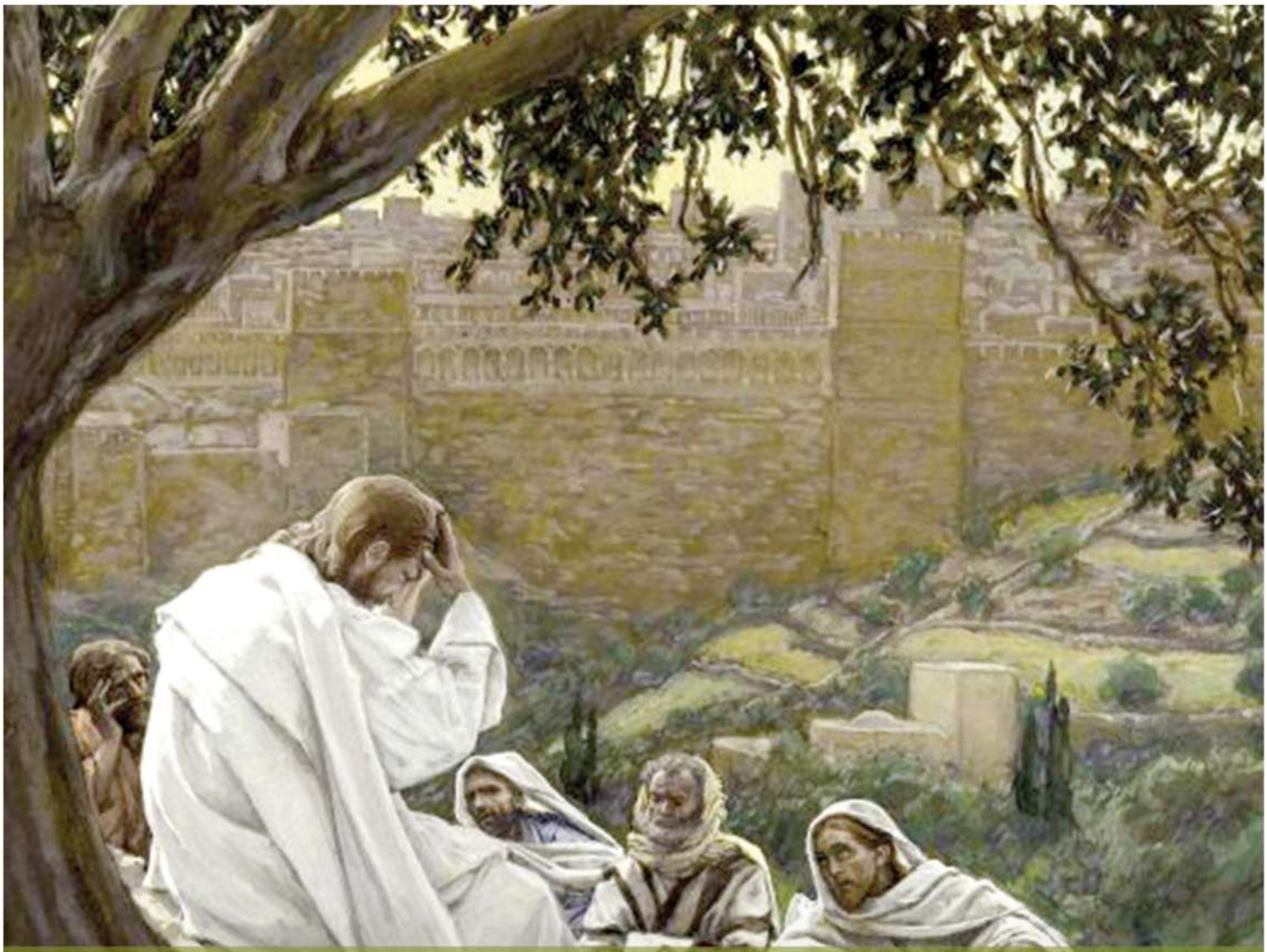

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute." - Lk 21:13-15

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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

WE CELEBRATE SACRAMENTS:

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month. Arrangements must be made in advance with either Emily SanPietro or Father Frank. Please note that we do no celebrate 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**
Deacon Paul E. Norman, **Faith Formation**
Dr. Nicholas J. Nicassio, **Music Ministry**

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 11:00 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.

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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!**

A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR

The older I get the more fascinated I become with just how quickly time is flying by us. It's already the middle of November and we have been watching 24 hours of Christmas movies on the Hallmark Channel since October; Christmas commercials are playing non-stop on television; and Christmas music is finding its way onto our radio stations. It's almost as if we went from Halloween to Christmas overnight and have totally forgotten that this month of November is one of remembrance and thanksgiving. Here at Saint Saviour we have been consciously using this month of November to remember and give thanks. We continue to remember all those persons in the Communion of Saints who inspire, guide and watch over us in our efforts to become more faithful followers of the Christ. We have been remembering all those persons whom we have known and loved who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, particularly all those persons whose names are inscribed in our All Souls Mass Remembrance envelopes which sit beside the tabernacle. We remember all our Veterans, especially those from Saint Saviour Parish, who have served our country faithfully throughout the years. We are so indebted to them and we thank them for their service from the bottom of our hearts. Finally, we continue to pause and give thanks to Almighty God for all the graces and blessings we have received in this past year. Our lives may not always seem the greatest and some of us are experiencing great difficulties and challenges, but we must never forget that God is indeed with us and continues to bless us in ways we don't always recognize. Let us use these last two weeks of November to discern in our daily prayer the ways God has blessed us this year and put those blessings into action moving forward.

THIS WEEKEND (November 15 & 16), our second collection will be for Hurricane Relief for all those persons in the Caribbean affected by Hurricane Melissa. We have all seen the painful images of utter devastation and heard of the deaths caused by Hurricane Melissa which has affected our sisters and brothers in Christ in the Caribbean. Our hearts and prayers go out to all those persons affected by these terrible natural disasters. We ask that you please be generous in this weekend's special collection.

We are doing very well with our annual November *"YES YOU CAN"* Drive and I want to thank everyone who has brought in canned goods and other non-perishable food items for this drive during these last two weeks. We kindly ask that each time you come to church simply bring along some food and place it in the basket in front of the statue of our Blessed Mother in the front of church. Remember, we respectfully ask that you please check the expiration date on the food before bringing it to church. Please do not bring any food that has expired. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Don't forget that on Thanksgiving Day (November 27th), we invite ALL the members of our parish family to join us for a special Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10:00am here in church. This is a wonderful opportunity for ALL of us to come together as one and give thanks and praise to God for all that we have received in this past year. Please plan on joining us this year!

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

Father Frank

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Today—Hurricane Relief
November 23—Catholic Campaign for Human Development
November 27—Thanksgiving Offering
November 30—Christmas Flowers
December 7—Maintenance & Repair
December 14—Christmas Mass Remembrance
December 8—Immaculate Conception
December 21—Religious Retirement Fund
December 25—Christmas Offering

ONLINE GIVING By WeShare

WeShare allows parishioners a safe and easy way to donate online. If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy!

1. Visit our website: www.stsaviourchurch.org
2. and click "Give Online."
3. Click on the collection you wish to donate to.
4. Click Recurring Donation, then enter your donation amount and frequency.

Once you've added your information, donations will automatically deduct from your account.

OFFERING FOR ALTAR MEMORIALS

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Church Sanctuary Lamp

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Saint Joseph Candle

Altar Hosts & Wine

Please call or email the rectory to donate in memory of a loved one.

ADVENT CANDLES

Believe it or not, in two weeks we begin a new church year with the celebration of Advent. This year, we would like to offer YOU the opportunity to memorialize our Advent Candles, which will grace our sanctuary here in church for the four weeks of Advent. Each Advent Candle in the church can be memorialized in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of someone who is living for an offering of $75.00. Please remember we only have (1) candle still available. If you are interested in memorializing one of an Advent Candle this year, please call or email Emily at the Rectory at stsaviourchurch@aol.com

Please remember the poor today as you leave church by perhaps giving alms and placing a donation in one of our poor boxes. Everything collected is given to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, which assists those in need of food or clothing.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2025
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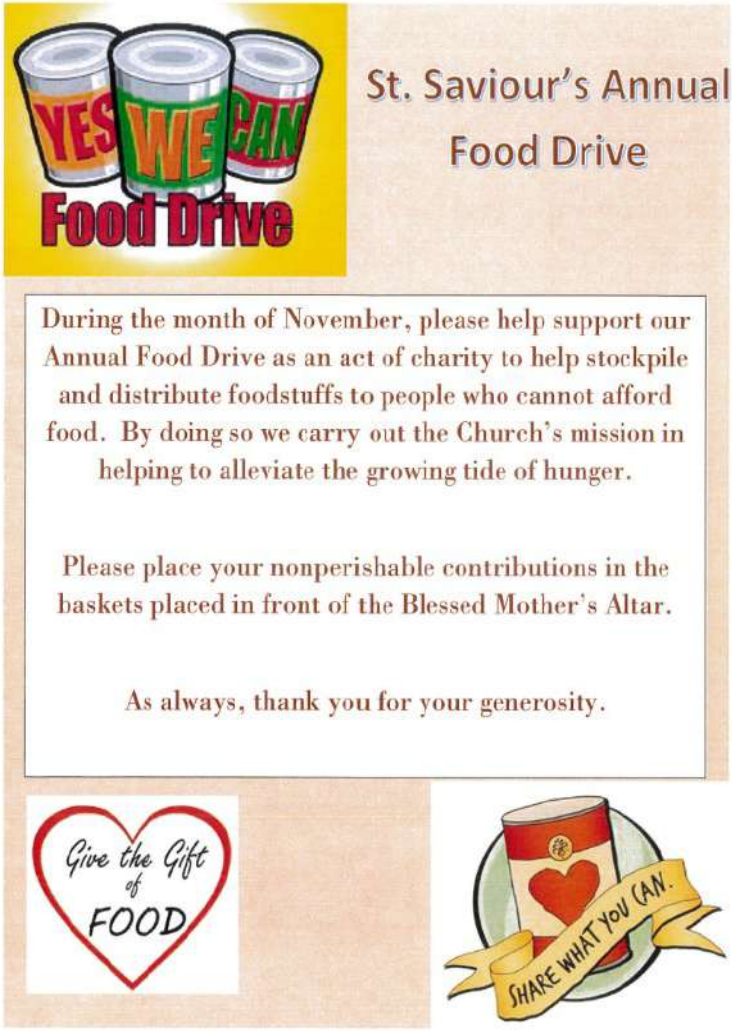
As a committed parishioner, friend, and Catholic, we need your support to uphold our mission. We are grateful to the 104 donors who have already made a generous commitment to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. This represents only 39% of our parish family.

Parish Goal: $58,410
Raised: $87,858

You may also make your gift online now at **annualcatholicappeal.org**

A MORNING OF ADVENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

On Saturday morning, December 6th, our parish welcomes back Sister Ave Clark, OP, who will be leading us in a morning of prayer and reflection as we begin the season of Advent and a new liturgical year. Sister Ave is a wonderful person who has been a member of the Amityville Dominican Sisters for 62 years. She is also the coordinator of Heart to Heart Ministry for more than 25 years. We will begin our time together on December 6th with the celebration of Mass at 10:00 am in church followed by Sister Ave's Advent Reflection. Our time together will conclude before 12:00 noon. PLEASE consider joining us for this special time to simply be with God and reflect on the season of Advent as we prepare for the coming of the Messiah.



Brownbaggers Homeless Outreach

The Brownbaggers project serves the poor in NYC during the fall and winter months. Since 2009 we have delivered thousands of lunches. Volunteers meet monthly in the Parish Hall at 12:30pm and assemble 100 bags with donated food and clothing items. We then travel via subway to multiple Manhattan and Brooklyn locations to distribute our lunches to those most in need, returning home at around 3:30 pm
Dave Beaudry is the current director of our Brownbaggers Homeless Outreach Program.

Please RSVP now for Sunday, December 14

Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
Please wear comfortable shoes and bring a credit or OMNY card for the subway.

Twenty-five volunteers are needed for this event. RSVP to: davebeaudry@gmail.com

Please consider donating warm socks, hats or gloves into the Brownbaggers Donation Box located in the vestibule of the church. Any donations received will be distributed at a Brownbagger event.

Financial donations to purchase food items can be made in the Parish rectory.
Thank you for your support.

"The season for enjoying the fullness of life - partaking of the harvest sharing the harvest with others, and reinvesting and saving portions of the harvest for yet another season of growth."
- Denis Waitley

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November 8-9

Offertory $4,516
Children's Collection $306
Military Services $898

Attendance 347

Please join us for Thanksgiving Day Mass
Thursday, November 27th at 10:00 a.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME

PLEASE PRAY *for the* **SICK & HOMEBOUND**

- **Nelista Skerrett**
- **Xiao Xiao Pan**
- **Mary Wilson**
- **Donald Cameron**

MASS INTENTIONS

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, November 16, Thirty -Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. Frank Spacek
11:30 a.m. Noreen Ferris

Monday, November 17, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
8:30 a.m. Yar Kunycia

Tuesday, November 18, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Mary Mannino

Wednesday, November 19, Weekday
8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

Thursday, November 20, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Michael Flannery

Friday, November 21, Weekday
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, November 22, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00 p.m. Warren Pusz/Edna Ryan/
Michael Pappandrea (Birthday Remembrance)

Sunday, November 23, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
9:30 a.m. Jason Winn
11:30 a.m. Edward Paszkowski

FOOD PANTRY

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!

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