SAINT SAVIOUR CHURCH

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." - Lk 23:42-43

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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.

ST. SAVIOUR HIGH SCHOOL

Mrs. Carolann Timpone, **Principal**
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ST. SAVIOUR CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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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

Today the Church throughout the world celebrates the Solemnity of Christ the King. It also happens to be the last Sunday of our present Church year. Now you might be asking yourselves, "What is it that we celebrate today?

The Feast of Christ the King was established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI in an attempt to counteract the influence of totalitarian forms of government like Communism, Nazism and Fascism. Bear in mind what was happening in our world during this period of time. It wasn't a pretty time in history! At any rate, what Pope Pius XI wanted to do was show people that it was Jesus the Christ who is sovereign over both human history and human life. Some people were beginning to forget that. Even today, some people misinterpret or misunderstand what we mean when we say that Christ is King! If we just think for a moment back in time when they crucified Jesus, we read "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews." Even then people thought Jesus was going to be a king who had political power. They did not understand that the Christ's kingdom was not of THIS world. What we need to remember is that if we want to be a part of God's kingdom, then we need to accept God's rule over our lives. We have been listening to the Word of God for an entire Church Year now, and at this time we are being asked once again if we are willing and able to share in Christ's glory and kingship. The only difference is that the Christ's kingship does not involve precious gems and jewels, places of honor or titles of respect—but rather, a sharing in the Gospel and sufferings of Jesus.

It is no mistake that the church saves this feast day of Christ the King for the very last Sunday of the church year, right before the start of Advent, because we believe as a Church that God's kingdom will not be fully visible until the end of time, when Jesus returns once again in glory. If we have allowed ourselves to enter God's kingdom spiritually, then we will also enter into the physical reality of God's kingdom through a resurrection like Jesus the Christ's.

Finally, on behalf of Father Kevin, Deacon Paul and myself—we want to wish ALL of you a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving. While our lives may not always be perfect or have turned out the way we had hoped they would—we sill have so much to be thankful for—so don't forget to say "Thanks" to God and each other this week! And don't forget—No fighting with the family!!

Have a great week everyone.

Father Frank

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Today—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

CHRISTMAS CANDLES

Believe it or not, next week we begin a new church year with the celebration of Advent. This year, we would like to offer YOU the opportunity to memorialize our Christmas Candles, which will grace our sanctuary here in church for the entire Christmas Season. Each Christmas 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 (4) candles available. If you are interested in memorializing a Christmas Candle this year, please call or email Emily at the Rectory at stsaviourchurch@aol.com

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.

UPCOMING PARISH COLLECTIONS

CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE

Included with the monthly contributions envelopes is a special envelope for the Christmas Mass remembrance. Please use this envelope for your special intentions, which will be remembered at each of our celebrations of Eucharist this Christmas.

CHRISTMAS GIFT TO MY PARISH

At this time of the year we all receive many requests from worthy charities and soon realize that we can't respond to them all. However, one appeal that hopefully everyone will respond to is the annual **Christmas Gift to My Parish Collection.** A year-end Christmas gift is your chance to go beyond the day-to-day support of your parish that you fund through your weekly support in the Sunday collection.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Each year we take great pride in the beautiful Christmas decorations in our church. Contributions to help defray the expense of decorating the church for the holiday season may be made in memory of deceased relatives or friends, or in honor of the living. There are envelopes for this purpose in the set of monthly envelopes or you may obtain one in the vestibule of the church. Please help the Altar Guild in creating a beautiful setting for our liturgical celebrations during the Christmas season.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2025 DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

As a committed parishioner, friend, and Catholic, we need your support to uphold our mission. We are grateful to the 103 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

PLEASE PRAY *for the*
SICK & HOMEBOUND

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

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.

Just a reminder that all adults must be VIRTUS trained to attend.

Christmas is the time of year when we begin to turn our thoughts to those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Beginning next Sunday, November 30th the **Giving Tree** will be decorated with "gift tag ornaments" that are marked with gender, age and gift suggestions. This year the gifts are being collected for Providence House.

The **unwrapped** gifts with the tags taped to them should be placed under the Giving Tree no later than **Sunday, December 14th**.

God Bless you & Happy Advent

St. Saviour's Annual Food Drive

During the month of November, please help support our Annual Food Drive as an act of charity to help stockpile and distribute foodstuffs to people who cannot afford food. By doing so we carry out the Church's mission in helping to alleviate the growing tide of hunger.

Please place your nonperishable contributions in the baskets placed in front of the Blessed Mother's Altar.

As always, thank you for your generosity.

"To be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything." - Thomas Merton

In observance of our great celebration of Thanksgiving Day, the Rectory Office will be closed Wednesday , November 26th through Friday, November 28th. Enjoy the holiday weekend!

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November 15-16

Offertory $4,597
Children's Collection $332
Hurricane Relief $1,377

Attendance 318

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

ALL ARE WELCOME

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 23, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
9:30 a.m. Jason Winn/Gertrude & George Gloviak
11:30 a.m. Edward Paszkowski

Monday, November 24, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Vivian Keehn

Tuesday, November 25, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Joseph Campesi

Wednesday, November 26, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Jason Winn

Thursday, November 27, Thanksgiving
10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Friday, November 28, Weekday
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, November 29, Weekday
5:00 p.m. Ruth & Margaret Steeley

Sunday, November 30, First Sunday of Advent
9:30 a.m. Elaine & Frank Spacek
11:30 a.m. Janice & Andrew Loyal

OFFERING FOR ALTAR MEMORIALS

$25 per week

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