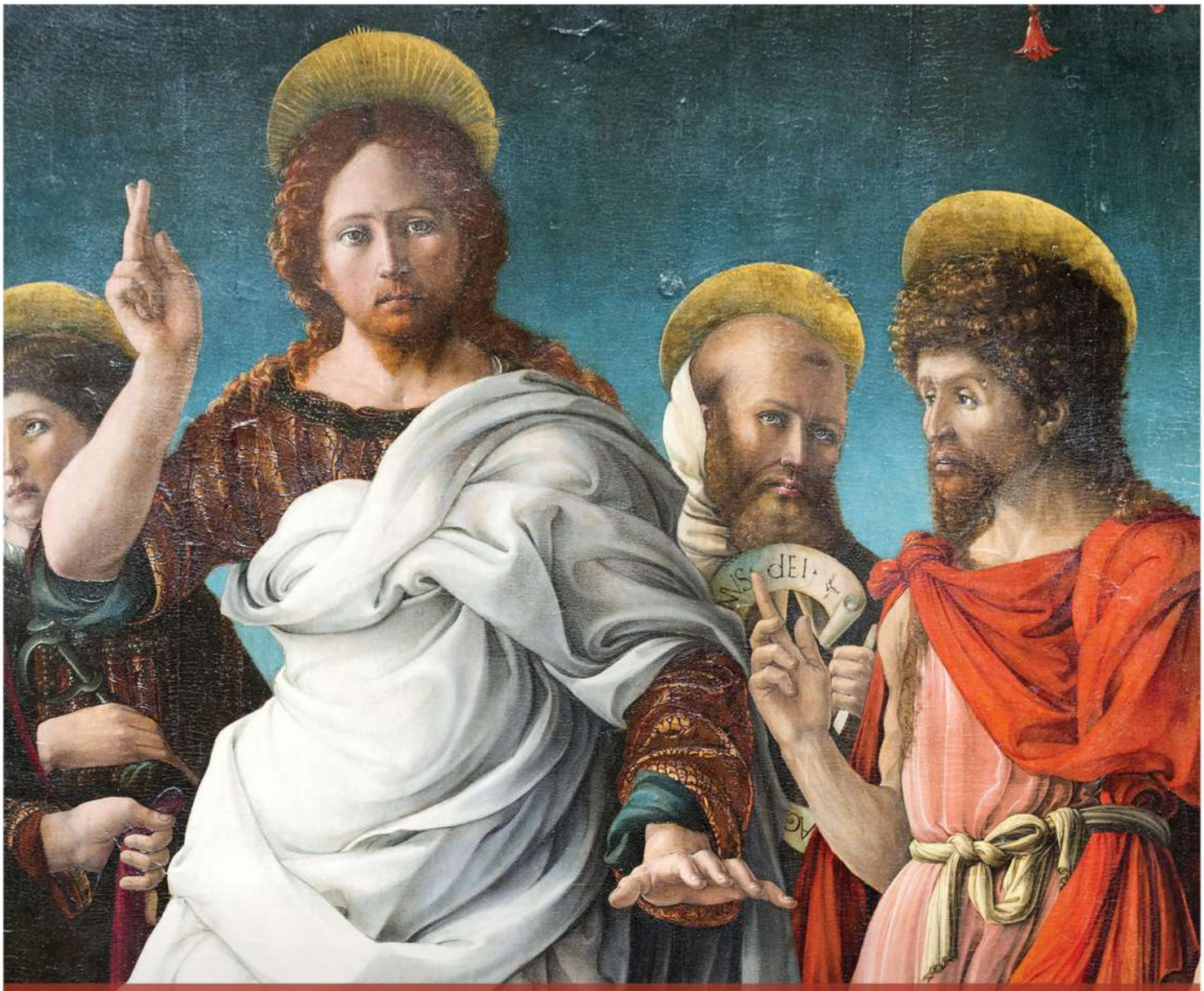

SAINT SAVIOUR CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2026

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God." - Jn 1:34

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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**
TEL 718.768.4406 · WEB www.stsaviour.org

ST. SAVIOUR CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Mr. Dean J. Fusto, M.A.T., M.A., **President**
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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

This piece has been around for a while, and I thought I would share it with you since we celebrate this week a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18-24). Enjoy this brief introduction to the origins of some other religious denominations!

HOW OLD IS OUR CHURCH?

IF YOU ARE a Lutheran, your religion was founded by Martin Luther, an ex-monk of the Catholic Church, in the year 1517.

IF YOU belong to the Church of England, your religion was founded by King Henry VIII in the year 1534 because the Pope would not grant him a divorce with the right to re-marry.

IF YOU ARE a Presbyterian, your religion was founded by John Knox in Scotland in the year 1560.

IF YOU ARE a Protestant Episcopalian, your religion was an off-shoot of the Church of England founded by Samuel Seabury in the American colonies in the 17th century.

IF YOU ARE a Congregationalist, your religion was originated by Robert Brown in Holland in 1582.

IF YOU ARE a Methodist, your religion was launched by John and Charles Wesley in England in 1744.

IF YOU ARE a Unitarian, Theoephilus Lindley founded your church in London in 1774.

IF YOU ARE a Mormon (Latter Day Saints), Joseph Smith started your religion in Palmyra, New York in 1829.

IF YOU ARE a Baptist, you owe the tenets of your religion to John Smyth, who launched it in Amsterdam in 1605.

IF YOU ARE of the Dutch Reformed Church, you recognized Michaelis Jones as founder, because he originated your religion in New York in 1628.

IF YOU worship with the Salvation Army, your sect began with William Booth in London in 1865.

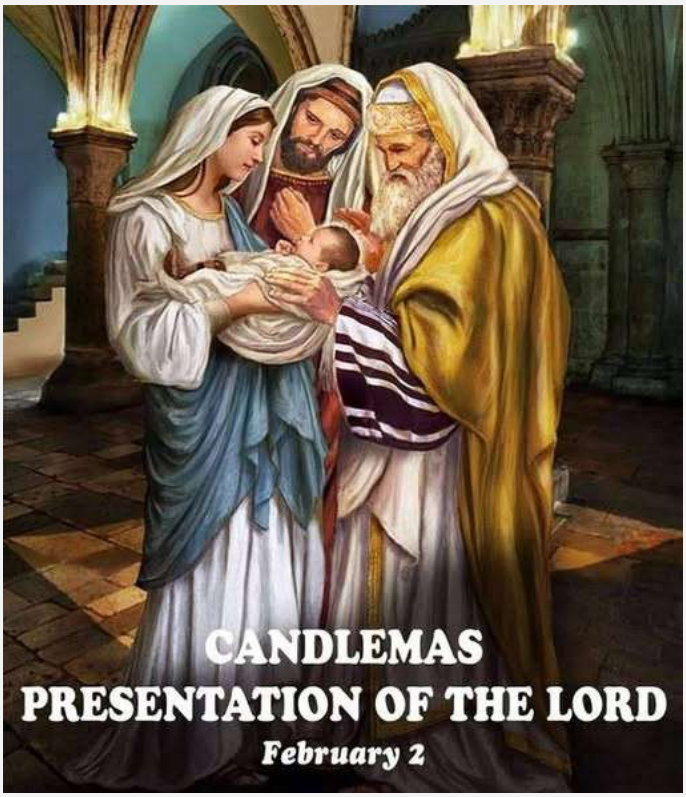
IF YOU ARE a Christian Scientist, you look to 1879 as the year in which your religion was born and to Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy as its founder.

IF YOU belong to one of the religious organizations known as “CHURCH”, “Pilgrim Holiness Church”, or “Jehovah’s Witnesses,” your religion is one of the hundreds of new sects founded by men within the past fifty years.

IF YOU ARE Roman Catholic, you know that your religion was founded in the year 33 by Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, and is still the same Church.

Have a great week everyone.

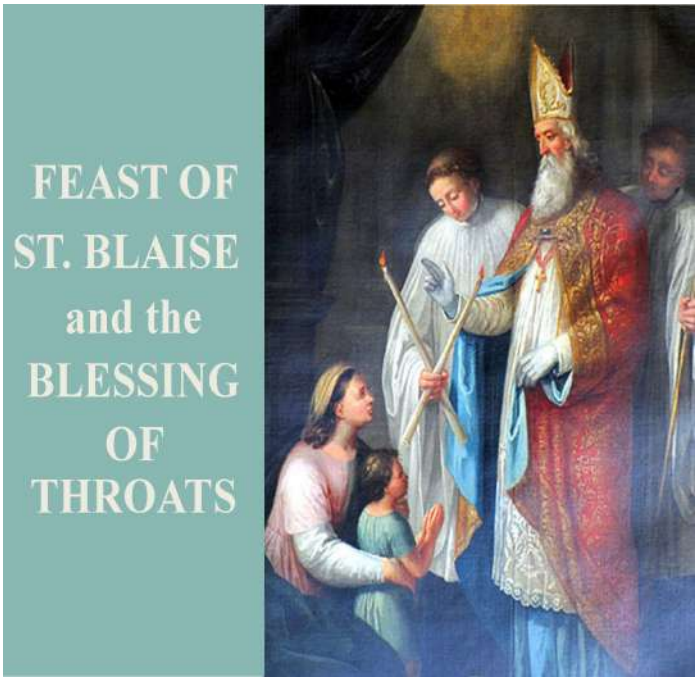
Father Frank



On Monday, February 2nd, the church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord—the day on which Jesus was presented in the Temple 40 days after his birth, in accordance with Jewish law. This day has also become commonly known as "Candlemas Day," the day on which candles are blessed. If anyone has candles at home that they would like to have blessed, please bring them to church with you on the weekend of January 31-February 1 and we will be more than happy to bless them for you at each of our celebrations of Eucharist.

LENT IS COMING—ARE YOU READY?

While we have just concluded our Christmas Season, it might be a good time to remind everyone that the liturgical season of Lent will be starting in just 4 1/2 weeks. Lent arrives on February 18th.



BLESSING OF THROATS

As we are all aware, on February 3rd, we celebrate the Feast of Saint Blaise (Bishop and Martyr). St. Blaise has long been associated with the healing of throats. This year Father Frank will bless our throats at the conclusion of the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, January 31st, and at the conclusion of the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday, February 1st.

PLEASE PRAY *for the*
SICK & HOMEBOUND

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

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.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

January 25—Aid for the Church

February 1—Maintenance & Repair

OFFERING FOR ALTAR MEMORIALS

$25 per week

Church Sanctuary Lamp
Blessed Mother Candle
Saint Joseph Candle
Altar Hosts & Wine

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

WALKING CLUB

Attention walkers! We are starting a walking club, which will meet weekly after the 9:30 mass, starting Sunday January 11th. We'll meet outside the church (bundle up) and walk in the park, making sure we're back in time for Faith Formation pickup at 11:45. Have fun while exercising and meeting new friends in our church community. If you have any questions, please email Margie Dotter at margiedotter@gmail.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. 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.

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, February 1

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.

"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

In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. our rectory office will be closed this Monday, January 19th. Let us remember in prayer this weekend ALL those people who have fought for justice and peace among ALL God's people throughout history.

January 10-11

Offertory $4,562
Children's Collection $245
Diocesan Mission $494

Attendance 271

Annual Catholic Appeal 2025

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

The Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of our parish and the daily work of the Church in Brooklyn and Queens. All donations made to the ACA above our parish goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.

Parish Goal: $58,410 **Raised:** $118,728.00

The St. Thomas Aquinas Food Pantry is always in need of the following items: oatmeal, white or brown rice, pasta, evaporated milk, canned or dried black beans, canned tuna, salmon or chicken, bar soap, and shampoo.

Sunday, January 18, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. Rev. James F. Marron/ Florence Campesi
11:30 a.m. Andy Santos

Monday, January 19, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Sr. Catherine Thornton, OP

Tuesday, January 20, Weekday
8:30 a.m. Robert McLean

Tuesday, January 21, Saint Agnes
8:30 a.m. Charlie Mallia

Thursday, January 22, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
8:30 a.m. For All God's Children

Friday, January 23, Weekday
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, January 24, Saint Francis de Sales
5:00 p.m. Edward Paszkowski

Sunday, January 25, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. Edward and Mary Flannery/ Enrique Leon
11:30 a.m. Randy & Mary Stimus

This week we celebrate a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Unity was something that Jesus himself prayed for—and unity is something we ourselves strive for each day. This week, let's make a conscious effort to say a prayer that one day ALL Christians will be united as one body in praying to the one God who has given life to us all!