

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 6, 2024—Vigil for the Epiphany

5:00pm + Sally Testa
+ Madeleine Hippert

Sunday, January 7, 2024—The Epiphany of the Lord

9:30am + Helen and John Fagan
+ Mario Lopez
12:00pm + Gladys and Hinnon Metoyer
+ The People of Saint Augustine ~
Saint Francis Xavier Parish,
+ The people of Haiti and for St. Andre
Parish, Dufort, Haiti

Monday, January 8, 2024—The Baptism of the Lord

9:30am + Benefactors of Saint Augustine ~
Saint Francis Xavier

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

9:00am + Sr. Joanne DiLaura, CSJ

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

9:00am + Mary Kazmierczuk

Thursday, January 11, 2024

9:00am + Matthew Speicher

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading – [Isaiah 60:1-6](#): Jerusalem, arise! Your light and the Lord's glory shine upon you, attracting nations and kings. Joyfully, your sons and daughters return, bringing wealth and praise to the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm – [Psalm 72](#): God's wisdom and justice in the king will usher in an era of fairness, peace, and expansive dominion, earning tributes from afar and devotion from all nations.

Second Reading – [Ephesians 3:2-3A, 5-6](#): God's grace entrusted to me reveals a mystery: Gentiles are fellow heirs with Jews, part of one body, sharing the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Gospel – [Matthew 2:1-12](#): Magi from the east, guided by a star, sought the newborn King of the Jews in Jerusalem, unsettling King Herod and the city. Informed by religious leaders about the prophesied birth in Bethlehem, Herod deceitfully instructed the magi to report back after finding the child. Following the star, the magi reached Jesus, worshiping Him and offering gifts. They returned home by another way, divinely warned to avoid Herod.

WEEKLY MEMORIALS - December 31—January 6



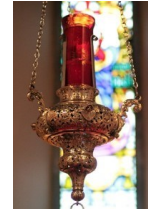
The Bread and Wine

By Parishioners &
Friends of
Saint Augustine ~
Saint Francis Xavier



The Altar Candles

Memorial
Available



The Sanctuary Lamp

In Respect of
All Human Life
at all stages

IN OUR PRAYERS AND REMEMBERED @ MASS

May God strengthen and give peace to all of our sick parishioners, relatives and friends, especially for:

Sr. Maryann Ambrose, CSJ	Joe Guzman Jenny Hoffman	Edward McCrory Marge Miller
Maritza Arroyo Bob Beaumont	John Hurtado Karen Intintoli	Luna Victoria Pena Andrew Quinn
Dasan Broadnax Estella Chan	Daniel Joseph Flavia Langan	Suzanne Ramdial Angel Rosa
Aida Cuin Sylvia Garland	James Leger Kenneth Leger	Claire Scanlon Robert Schlegel
Ann Gucwa Denise Keys	Pricilla Masonette Olga Matinsen	Anne M. Thompson Dominick Votto
David Harrison	Helen McCann	Mary Owens

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and those in Hospitals, Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation facilities and for all those who have entered eternal rest,

especially Sister Dolores F. Crepeau, CSJ

May they rest in peace

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

If you CAN... CAN you please?
Our pantry is low again. With the reduction of Federal Funding to those in need, our count has increased. We assisted over 30 families last Wednesday. Refugees and asylum seekers are now a frequent part of those we assist. That is why we need YOU! Non-perishable food donations can be left at the altar at Saint Francis Xavier Church. They can also be dropped off at the parish office.

Any non perishables are appreciated. Examples: Canned vegetables, canned tuna, mac & cheese, cereal. Thank you so much for your help.

Monetary donations can be made by scanning the QR code, going to our website: <https://sasfx.org/ministries/st-vincent-de-paul> or mailing a check to Saint Augustine - Saint Francis Xavier - 225 6th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11215

St. Vincent de Paul
Society of

"I WAS HUNGRY, I WAS THIRSTY,
I WAS A STRANGER, I WAS
NAKED, I WAS SICK - AND
YOU CARED."

Weekly Update from the Pastor

The Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord

As we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, the words of Pope Francis last year on this feast afford us an opportunity for deeper understanding. When reflecting on the manifestation or showing forth of God's power, Francis stated, "Faith is a journey inspired by restless questioning, fraught with risk, powered by perseverance in prayer and charity, and culminating in the awe, wonder and worship of the Lord." He goes further to challenge us to "worship God, not ourselves; let us worship God, and not the false idols that seduce by the allure of prestige and power, with the fascination of fake news; let us love God and not bow down before passing things and evil thoughts, seductive yet hollow and empty."

Pope Francis states in the homily for Mass celebrating the Epiphany that "today's faithful are called, like the Magi from the East, to set out on a journey to discover the Christ child, and further reminds us that "the first "place" where Jesus loves to be sought is in restless questioning" and further, (that) " Faith is a gift from God whose grace helps us to shake off our apathy and opens our minds to ask the important questions in life."

Our Holy Father continues that the second place to encounter the Lord is "in the risk of journeying and seeking the face of God and the beauty of his word." Reminding us of the importance of daily prayer, he states, "without a continuous journey in constant dialogue with the Lord, without attentive listening to his word, without perseverance, faith cannot grow." Pope Francis said the faithful must ask: "Jesus, who are you for me? Where are you calling me to go, and what are you asking of my life? What decisions are you asking me to make for the sake of others?"

Finally, he noted that the third place to encounter the Lord is in the wonder of worship. Ultimately, he reminds us at the beginning of another year that "the purpose of everything is not to achieve a personal goal or to receive glory for ourselves but to encounter God." May this year be rich in opportunities that deepen our faith, hope, and charity.

Sister Dolores Crepeau, CSJ

Together with the Sisters of Saint Joseph and the members of the Crepeau Family, Saint Augustine ~ Saint Francis Xavier mourns the loss of Sister Dolores Frances Crepeau, who devoted her life to God's people and Catholic Education in countless ways. Since the 1970s— when Sr. Dolores first came to teach at Saint Francis Xavier School, over various ministries and significant leadership roles, Sister has always considered Saint Francis Convent her home. In these last years, we have all witnessed the patient love and care of the Sisters for each other as well as for each of us.

We share with her family, Religious Congregation of Sisters, Collogues, and Friends our gratitude to God for the peace she now knows. May St. Joseph, patron of a Happy Death, welcome her to the home of our Heavenly Father.

With Gratitude as we begin 2024

In the midst of many graces and blessings, as well as sadness and challenges, we are indeed a community of faith that is most blessed. Permit me to express my gratitude to all those who give us great hope as Saint Augustine ~ Saint Francis Xavier rises above almost incomprehensible deferred maintenance woes to focus more completely on being intentional disciples of Jesus Christ. The opportunities in this historic community to encounter God and make his presence known continue to be developed, discovered, and lived each day. Thank you to all whose sacrifice and generosity help us to move forward in our life of faith.

Wishing you and those you love a happy, healthy, AND Holy New Year!

Frank C. Tumino
Pastor



"The Eucharist Revival is a call back to the heart of the faith so that we can be vessels of Christ in our families, communities, and parishes."

— U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?



Knock
and the door will be open unto you

Adult Baptism - First Communion -
Confirmation or
Coming back to Church

To learn more visit
sasfx.org/faith-formation



SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

All engaged couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage are reminded that a preparation process is required. Since every situation is slightly different, and various permissions are often needed, it is highly advisable to contact the Parish Office **before looking for a venue** to celebrate after the Church celebration. 718.638.1880. Feel free to visit our website for more information about Marriage preparation. <https://sasfx.org/sacraments/marriage>

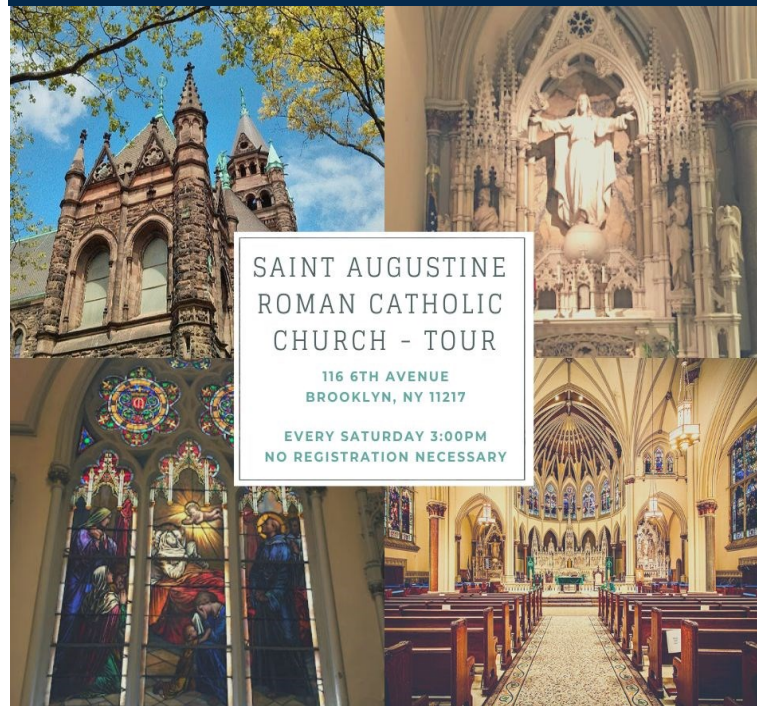
SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

We celebrate infant baptisms for children under seven years old. Children ages seven and older are invited to prepare for and celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism through preparation in our [Faith Formation program](#). If you're an unbaptized adult, check out our Christian Initiation program.

SPONSOR LETTERS

Letters of recommendation and Sponsor Certificates can only be provided for those known to be registered supporting parishioners, actively living the Catholic Faith. If you are not registered, not active and not living the Catholic Faith in our parish we cannot provide these forms for you. Most forms ask if you are registered and an active member of your church parish. If you attend another church in a different parish we advise you to contact the parish where you attend mass on a weekly basis.

CHURCH TOURS



SAINT AUGUSTINE
ROMAN CATHOLIC
CHURCH - TOUR

116 6TH AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NY 11217

EVERY SATURDAY 3:00PM
NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY

REGISTER WITH THE PARISH

BEING CATHOLIC MAKE A COMMITMENT

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

- Parish Registration is Important. It demonstrates commitment to a particular community of faith. Those baptizing children, forming them in Faith Formation or seeking an extraordinary life of faith should formally register.
- Parish Registration is required in preparing letters of reference and for the completion of Sponsor Forms for those seeking to serve as Godparents for Baptism or Confirmation.
- Registration and weekly support through online giving or weekly envelopes is helpful to us in budgeting for the year.
- Registered parishioners who are donors are provided yearly statements of donations for tax purposes.

JOIN OUR HOSPITALITY TEAM

Throughout the year we have many needs, such as church greeters, hosts, decorating for holidays and more. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office at 718.638.1880.

The Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2023

SAINT AUGUSTINE – SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

225 6th Avenue • Brooklyn, NY 11215

PASTORAL STAFF

PASTOR
Rev. Frank C. Tumino
**PASTORAL ASSOCIATE/
DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION**
Ms. Natalia Parra
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY
Dr. Michael Kaminski
PARISH SECRETARY
Mrs. Mona Tramonte

PARISH OFFICE
225 6TH AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11215
Phone: 718-638-1880
Email: Info@sasfx.org
Fax: 332-334-4642
OFFICE HOURS: Monday–Friday
9:30AM-4:30PM
Parish office temporarily closed to outside visitors due to major construction.

Masses

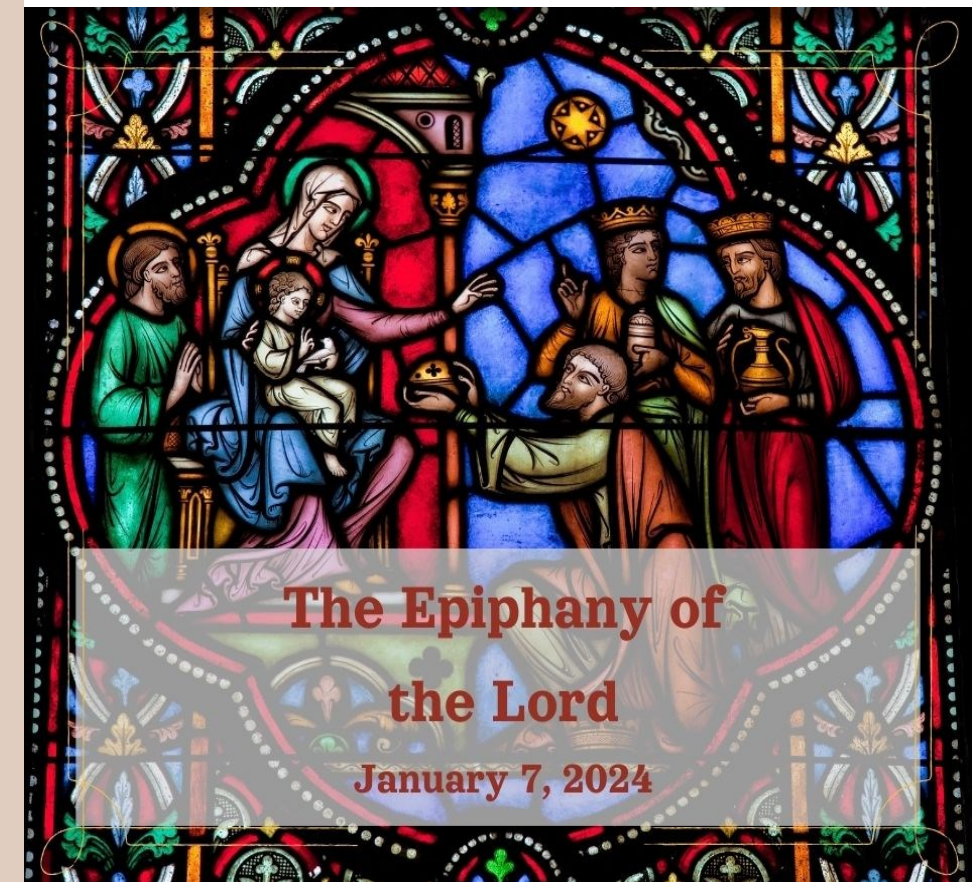
Saturday—5PM Saint Francis Xavier
Sunday—9:30AM Saint Francis Xavier
Sunday—12PM Saint Augustine
Mon– Thurs—9AM Saint Francis Xavier
*9:30 Sunday Mass and 9:00AM Wednesday
Masses are live-streamed at SASFX.org

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays: 9:30AM
Saturday: 4PM –4:45PM St. Francis
By prior appointment: Please call the parish office.

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Saint Augustine: 6th Avenue @Sterling Place
Temporarily closed due to construction on 6th Avenue
Saturday tours at 3pm at Saint Augustine!
Saint Francis Xavier: 6th Avenue @ Carroll Street
Monday-Friday from 8:00AM– 12PM.



WELCOME!

A warm welcome to our parish family and visitors. We are happy that you are here. Please call the parish office or visit [SASFX.org](https://sasfx.org) to register in the parish.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office during business hours for information and to begin the preparation process.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Parish Office for more information. Requests must be made at least six months prior to date of Marriage.

PARISH REGISTRATION

All Parishioners must formally register in the Parish by visiting the parish office or online at [SASFX.org](https://sasfx.org)
Letters of recommendation and Sponsor Certificates can only be provided for those known to be registered for at least 3 months, supporting and active parishioners and actively living the Catholic Faith.

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