

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 27, 2024

5:00pm + Fr. Joshua Page (Living)

Sunday, January 28, 2024—The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am + Blanche and John Messina
+ Helen and James Speicher

12:00pm + The People of Saint Augustine ~
Saint Francis Xavier Parish

Monday, January 29, 2024

9:00am + Helen Testa

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

9:00am + Mrs. Nora Konkell

Wednesday, January 31, 2024 –St. John Bosco

9:00am + For all Parish Benefactors

Thursday, February 1, 2024

9:00am + Anthony Bracciante (Living)

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading – [Deuteronomy 18:15-20](#): Moses declares God's promise to raise a prophet like him from among the people. This prophet, carrying God's words, must be heeded, with consequences for false prophecy.

Responsorial Psalm – [Psalm 95](#): Let us joyfully praise the Lord, our salvation's rock. In worship, remember He is our creator and guide. Heed His voice today, avoiding the hardness of heart shown by our ancestors.

Second Reading – [1 Corinthians 7:32-35](#): The unmarried are encouraged to focus solely on pleasing the Lord, free from worldly distractions. Married individuals naturally divide attention between the Lord and their spouse. This advice is for undistracted devotion.

Gospel – [Mark 1:21-28](#): In Capernaum's synagogue, Jesus' authoritative teaching awed listeners, contrasting with the scribes. His authority was further displayed when He commanded an unclean spirit to exit a possessed man. The spirit's obedience, marked by convulsions and a loud cry, left the congregation amazed. They marveled at Jesus' powerful teachings and control over unclean spirits. This incident quickly elevated Jesus' reputation throughout Galilee.

WEEKLY MEMORIALS



The Bread and Wine

Memorial Available



The Altar Candles

Memorial Available



The Sanctuary Lamp

Memorial Available

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

May they rest in peace

REMEMBER A LOVED ONE

The **2024 Mass book** for Saint Augustine –Saint Francis Xavier is open for Mass Intentions and Memorials.

- Mass Intentions: **\$20.00**
- Bread and Wine: **\$20.00**
- Altar Candle: **\$20.00**
- Sanctuary Lamp: **\$20.00**

For your convenience you can either place the payment and a list of desired mass intentions or memorials in an envelope. Put Attn: Mona on the envelope, drop off at office and put it in the mail slot or place the envelope in collections on the weekend. **OR** Email info@sasfx.org Subject line "Mass Intentions or Memorials" and pay online. Once I confirm the dates I will send you the link to pay online if you have not included payment. Mass cards for your intentions are available by calling the office and setting a time to come and pick them up. 718-638-1880

Weekly Update from the Pastor

Some Good News!

Although Saint Augustine—Saint Francis Xavier is facing many challenges from deferred maintenance, there are many bright moments in the midst of this on-going struggle.

- ❖ Within our programs for **Faith Formation**, I am happy to be able to share that:
 - Enrollment is higher than last year. We are actually at capacity for grades 1-4.
 - More safe environment trained volunteers are helping us each week.
 - Attendance at weekly Mass and at class has steadily improved.
 - Classes for Adults, within the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, (OCIA) have more inquiries each week with a group of 8 adults seeking baptism or the completion of Christian Initiation with Confirmation and Holy Communion, or reception into the Catholic Church from other Christian churches.
 - Currently we are preparing **18+** couples to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage over the next year. Many of these couples have accepted the invitation to pray with us at Mass.
- ❖ The response to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** has been impressive. Our original mandated goal of \$69,821 has been met and exceeded by **over \$13,579**. We are blessed that through the efforts of 124 Parishioners and friends, that we have shared in the programs funded through the appeal with \$83,400. Thank you to all those whose sacrifice, in addition to their usual generosity to the Parish have helped us help others in yet another way.
- ❖ Weekend Mass attendance continues to grow upward. Happily, we are approaching 400+ people at Masses each weekend.
- ❖ The extensive renovations in the former Saint Francis Xavier School through the School Construction Authority, will be concluding in March 2024.

Ongoing FORMation in 2024

Formation in the Catholic Faith is accomplished in many varied ways. Consider using the account that we have established with FORMED which provides excellent opportunities to continue to deepen our understanding of the Eucharist as Jesus' presence among us. For a beautiful presentation on what the Eucharist is for us, I recommend you watch **PRESENCE: the Mystery of the Eucharist**.

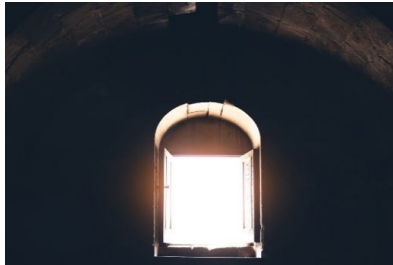
Those looking to serve

We are always looking for parishioners to share in the work of the Church. After getting to know those who pray with us at Mass over the last two years I will be asking for seeking people to help at the weekend and daily Masses, and in the various programs of Saint Augustine—Saint Francis Xavier. To help you consider getting involved and what might be a good fit for your busy schedules, we have prepared simple "job description" type information for some of the ministries. Those with questions please contact the parish office or see me after Mass.

Please prayerfully consider how you may help build up the kingdom of God in Park Slope.

With gratitude for your great and ever-growing faith,


Frank C. Tumino
Pastor



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



ASH WEDNESDAY

MASS TIMES & SERVICES

7:00AM - SAINT AUGUSTINE (SERVICE)
9:00AM - SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER (MASS)
12:00PM - SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER (SERVICE)
7:00PM - SAINT AUGUSTINE (MASS)

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER - 225 6TH AVE.
SAINT AUGUSTINE - 116 6TH AVE.



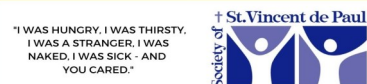
HELP US FEED THE HUNGRY

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



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

January 28, 2024—Churches in Need

February 4, 2024—Black and Indian Missions

February 11, 2024—Maintenance Fund

February 14, 2024—Ash Wednesday

DONOR STATEMENTS

Donor statements are available by request by calling the Parish Office 718.638.1880.

- We invite you to log into your secure GiveCentral profile to view your record of electronic contributions to our parish.
- You can download a PDF report for your records at any time—now and in the years to come.

Thank you for your generous sacrifices and support.

2024 CALENDARS

Thank you to Raymond and Philip Leone of Leone Funeral Home for donating beautiful calendars to Saint Augustine—Saint Francis Xavier Church Parish.

Calendars are available at the doors of Church.



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, please check out our Christian Initiation program.

SPONSOR LETTERS

Letters of recommendation and Sponsor Forms 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.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Are you looking for a church that is the right fit for your family? Come back home!

If you have not been to church in a while and you aren't sure where to start, we want to welcome you back to the Catholic Church. Let us help you. You are not alone. We can guide you and show you that God wants to be close to you. All are welcome at Saint Augustine—Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Churches. Don't let fear keep you away from the one thing that God wants: A relationship with you!

To see, as Catholics, what we believe, please go to our website: <https://sasfx.org/about/our-beliefs>

There are brochures available inside the church. Come and join us at Mass!

Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
January 28, 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

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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](https://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.

FIND US ONLINE



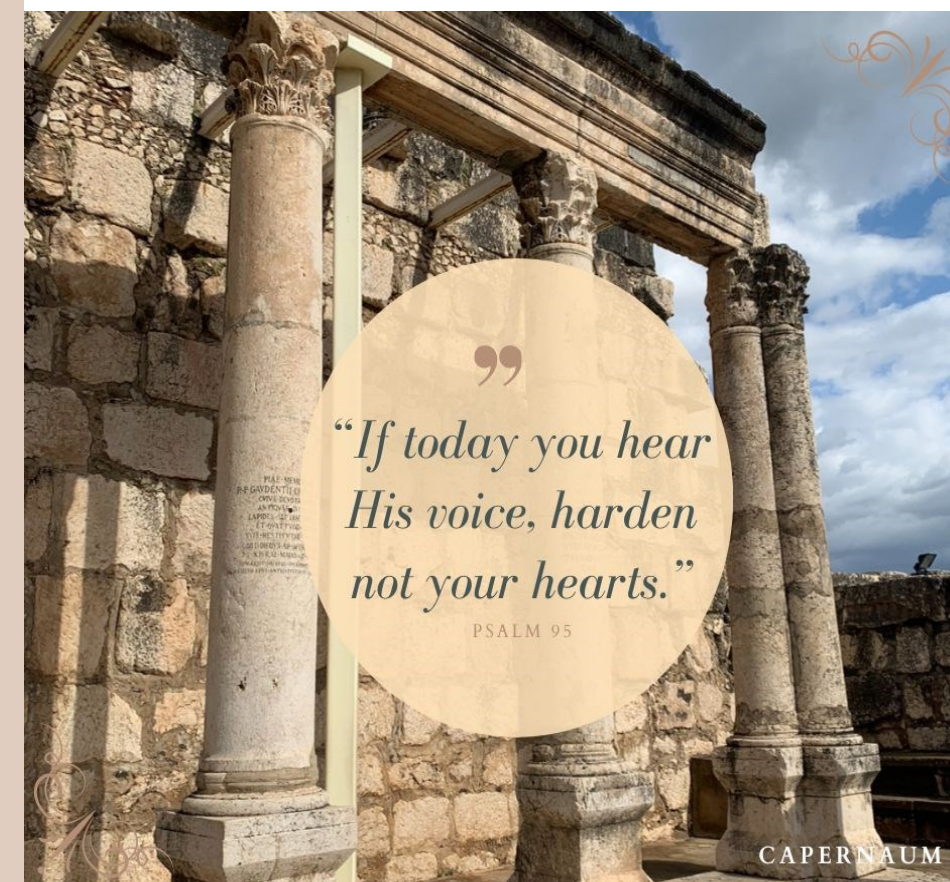
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WELCOME!

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.