MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 2, 2024

5:00pm + Geraldine & Edward Mills

+ Maria Schee

+ Armondo Nool

Sunday, March 3, 2024—Third Sunday of Lent

9:30am + Matthew & Helen Fagan

+ Angela & Anthony Tedeschi

+ The People of Saint Augustine ~

Saint Francis Xavier Parish

12:00pm + Joanne DeSantis

+ Phonyin Tim

+ Morris & Josephine Krieger

+ Aloyse Schmit

+ The People of Haiti & Saint Andre Parish,

Dufort, Haiti

Monday, March 4, 2024—St. Casimir

9:00am + For all victims of violence & persecution

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

9:00am + Thomas Murray

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

9:00am + The Tumino Family

Thursday, March 7, 2024—Sts. Perpetua & Felicity

9:00am + Fr. Floyd Calais

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

Please contact the parish office to arrange an intention

Mass memorials for the Bread and Wine consecrated at Masses, the Altar Candles and the Sanctuary Lamp can be purchased by calling the Parish Office.

IN OUR PRAYERS AND REMEMBERED @ MASS

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

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

Elscena M. Rickman Neil Napolitan

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

May they rest in peace

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading – Exodus 20:1-17: God delivers the Ten Commandments: worship only Him, avoid idolatry, respect His name, observe the Sabbath, honor parents, and refrain from murder, adultery, theft, lying, and coveting.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 19: Your perfect laws energize and awaken us, Lord. Your principles and commands guide us in truth, showing the way. Your eternal statutes bring justice and enrich our lives.

Second Reading – <u>1 Corinthians 1:22-25</u>: We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles. Yet, to the called, He embodies God's power and wisdom, surpassing human understanding and strength.





WEEKLY MEMORIALS



The Bread and Wine
In Memory of
Sister
Delores Crepeau, SCI



The Altar Candles
In Memory of
Sister
Delores Crepeau, SCI



The Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Sister
Delores Crepeau, SCJ

Weekly Update from the Pastor

OCIA—Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

The OCIA is a transformative process for adults seeking full initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion), those completing initiation with Confirmation and Holy Communion, and those from other Christian denominations joining the Catholic Church. It varies for each person, promoting ongoing Catholic faith formation through stages marked by prayer, study, and liturgical rites.

Ben Robertson, actively engaged in the process, will participate in the Scrutinies during mass over the next three Sundays, preparing for full initiation at the Easter Vigil. The Scrutinies offer support for Ben's journey in faith, hope, and love. Please keep Ben and all participants in the weekly OCIA sessions in your prayers.

Helping Hands Food Pantry Closure

As I stated at the end of Masses last weekend, the life of a Priest leading one Parish is increasingly difficult these days. Shepherding **two** parishes into one community of faith is at times more than difficult. Not only a shepherd in faith, a pastor must also manage the various resources and liabilities effectively to ensure that the parish community entrusted to him is strong and vibrant. Leading others sometimes necessitates making and following through on difficult decisions.

After considerable prayer, reflection, and consultation with the Pastor's Advisory Committee, the Safe Environment Office, and the Office of the Diocesan Bishop, it has been determined that the Helping Hands Food Pantry at Saint Augustine Church must permanently cease operations as of March 16, 2024. This decision arises from the continued non-compliance with the Safe Environment mandates of the Diocese coupled with a lack of sufficient resources to maintain and oversee two Food Pantries simultaneously.

It is my sincerest hope that by working with Food Bank of NYC, the Helping Hands Food Pantry may continue to safely serve in a new location. We have provided those who we have served with information regarding food pantries coordinated by Food Bank of NYC (located within blocks of Saint Augustine), as well as the large network of food pantries coordinated by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Brooklyn, which we also support through Annual Catholic Appeal each year.

I recognize that change is not easy, but failing to change can result in even greater liabilities to Saint Augustine-Saint Francis Xavier. I extend my deepest gratitude to the volunteers, donors, and supporters who have contributed to the Helping Hands Food Pantry over the years. Thanking you in advance for your understanding, Fr. Frank Tumino

Pastor







The 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of our parish and the daily work of the Church in Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries:

Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative, Catholic Charities;
Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office;
Catholic Migration Services; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero
Residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education
Scholarship Foundation

All donations made to the ACA above our parish goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

March 3, 2024—Maintenance Fund

March 10, 2024—Catholic Relief Services

March 10, 2024—Easter Flowers

March 17, 2024—Easter Gift

Thank you for your generous donations.

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.

FORMED—FREE



Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent and a great day to make a plan for this holy and grace-filled season. Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Elizabeth Klein, Professor at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.



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- 3. Enter your name and email







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fast



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Lenten Regulations

The penitential and grace-filled Lenten Season is a hope-filled renewal as the Church journeys towards Easter. In order to assist us, Bishop Brennan wishes to draw attention to the following:

- Abstinence: All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent as a sacrifice.
- Fasting: All the faithful between 18 & 59 inclusive are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday. Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may be taken on two other occasions during the day. Coffee, tea and juice are permitted
- Easter Duty: After being fully initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound to receive Holy Communion once a year. This precept must be fulfilled in the Easter Season unless, for good reason it is fulfilled at



REFLECTION

Wednesdays during Lent Stations of the Cross (6:30PM) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (7:00 pm)

- 2/21 at Saint Augustine
- 2/28 at Saint Francis Xavier
- 3/6 at Saint Augustine
- 3/13 at Saint Francis Xavier
 - 3/20 at Saint Augustine • 3/27 at Saint Francis Xavier

Scripture Sharing

- Small Faith Sharing groups, reflecting on the Sunday Scriptures.
- Groups will be available on Zoom at the following times: Saturdays at 10 am, Sundays at 2 pm, Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm.
- For more information email hacreled@aol.com or call 718.857.2903

Saint Francis Xavier is open for private prayer Monday through Friday 8am to 12pm

RENEWAL

- Weekday Mass (Monday -Thursday) at 9am Saint Francis Xavier

· Stations of the Cross:

Enter 11215

Sign up for Formed for Lent

Sundays 12pm Saint Augustin

Wednesdays at 6:30pm (see schedule abo

PREPARATION

- Wednesdays after 9am Mass Saturdays at 4pm or by appoint
- Examination of Conscience can be

SASFX.org

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

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

FIND US ONLINE



SAINT AUGUSTINE -SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

PASTORAL STAFF

THIRD SUNDAY

OF LENT

MARCH 3, 2024

PASTOR

Rev. Frank C. Tumino PASTORAL ASSOCIATE/ **DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION**

Ms. Natalia Parra

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY

Dr. Michael Kaminski

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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

CONFESSIONS

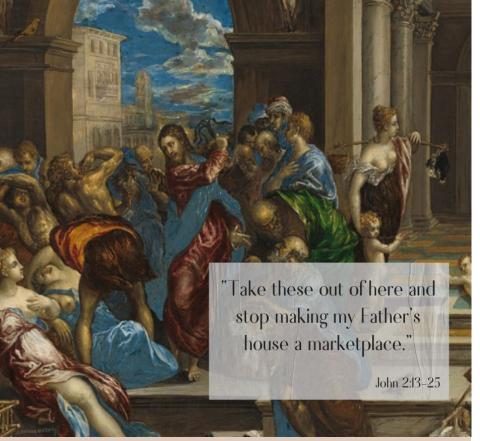
Wednesdays: 9:30AM

Saturday: 4PM -4:45PM St. Francis By prior appointment: Please call the parish office.

Temporarily closed due to construction on 6th Avenue

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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 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

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.

