

# SAINT KEVIN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Rectory Office Hours

**Mondays - Thursdays**  
9:00AM—5:00PM  
Closed from 12:00PM—1:00PM

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays**  
5:00PM—8:00PM

**Saturdays and Sundays**  
9:00AM—1:00PM  
By Appointment to Speak with Clergy

## Devotions

**Miraculous Medal (Tuesdays at 9:30 AM)**  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Every Monday at 9:30AM in the Convent Chapel  
Every Wednesday at 7:00PM in Church  
First Fridays at 7:00PM in Church

## Catholic Cemeteries

For Information and available options, please call

## Mass Schedule

**Saturday Vigil - 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday - 9:00AM and 11:00AM**  
**Weekday - 9:00 AM**

## Sacrament of Baptism

Second Sunday of the Month at 12:30 PM (except during the Season of Lent), or when otherwise noted. Please call the rectory for an appointment at least one month in advance.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays - 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by appointment.

## Sacrament of Matrimony

Marriage arrangements must be made at least six (6) months prior to the proposed wedding date. Please call the rectory to make an appointment. Also, log onto [www.pre-cana.org](http://www.pre-cana.org) for complete information about required marriage preparation in the Diocese of Brooklyn.

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic Christian community striving to live as disciples of Jesus Christ. Nourished by the Eucharist and enlightened by the Word of God, our Pastor, Parish Staff and Parishioners welcome all. With faith in His Gospel, we are called to love as Jesus loves and, therefore, serve our community through the sharing of time, talents and treasure to support programs of evangelization and social justice. Our commitment encompasses serving the youth through education, sports and formation. We seek to develop services for the elderly and homebound. Finally, we wish to challenge and sustain all parishioners through spiritual and educational activities.

## From the Pastor's Office

Dear St. Kevin Parishioners,

It's hard to believe that Christmas was just a few weeks ago and we are already preparing for the Lenten season. Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Ashes will be distributed at 9:00 mass, a 3:00 prayer service and an evening mass at 7:00. St. Kevin will be participating in a Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage Day of Prayer on Tuesday February 27th. The itinerary for the day is as follows:

9am Morning Mass followed by a day of exposition in church until 8pm

12 noon The Rosary will be prayed– Sorrowful Mysteries

3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed

5pm Evening prayer

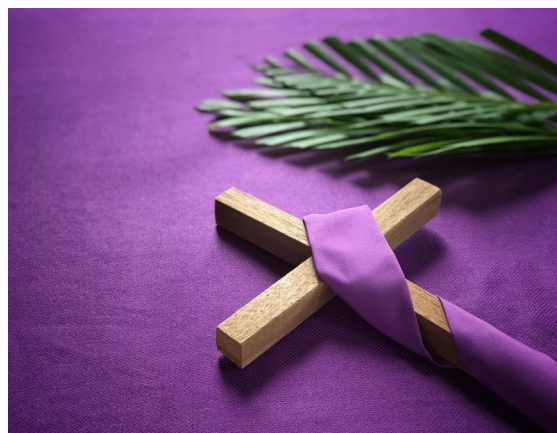
7pm Guided Meditation in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament

7:45pm Benediction

I will have more information on this and other Lenten activities in the near future. I hope to see all of you through the course of this peaceful and spiritual day.

God Bless,

Fr. Marc



## From the Music Director

### *Here I Am, Lord*

Dan Schutte was studying theology in Berkeley, CA, when a friend asked him to write a song for a diaconate ordination Mass three days later. His friend wanted the song to include images of the word of God, the light of Christ and the bread and wine—images that would eventually appear at the ends of the verses: “Who will bear my light to them?” and “Who will speak my word to them?”

Since he often uses Scripture as the basis of his songs, he turned to the stories of the prophets, like Jeremiah, who asked God to give him the right words to say. “All of those people God was calling to be prophets have expressed their self-doubt,” Schutte told the Jesuit magazine *America*. That’s why he changed the lyrics from a confident “Here I am, Lord; here I stand, Lord” to the self-doubting final version: “Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord?”

Some critics complain that the verses “make me sing the part of God!” But Dan wrote the song as a call-and-response; meaning a soloist is supposed to sing the verse and the congregation responds. This enables the dialog between the Lord (verses) and the people (refrain) to unfold without confusion. Try listening and responding, and see if it helps you pray more deeply.



Steven Vaughan, Director of Music Ministry  
SacredMusic@StKevinFlushing.org

(718) 357-8888, x 12

Choir Rehearsal: Tues. Jan. 16th 7:45pm

Mass Setting: *Heritage Mass #225-#232*



## ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, January 13th**

5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin Parish**

**Christopher Gomes** *By Anna Rozario*

**Charles & Catherine Carroll**

*By Ellen Schiavone*

**Annie Picardi** *By Gerard Picardi*

**Charles Vella** *By Annie & Gerard*

*Picardi*

**Bill Surace** *By Annie & Gerard Picardi*

**Sunday, January 14th**

9:00AM: **Maria Muskardini** *By Vanda Spaleta*

11:00AM: **William Uihlein** *By Margaret Farley*

**Monday, January 15th**

9:00AM: **Father Bill Smith** *By Laura Stroligo*

**Tuesday, January 16th**

9:00AM: **Anna McGirr**

*By Pat & John Johnston*

**Wednesday, January 17th**

9:00AM: **Janet DeNicola**

*By The Apostolic Oblates*

**Thursday, January 18th**

9:00AM: **Richard Whitlock**

*By The Apostolic Oblates*

**Friday, January 19th**

9:00AM: **Joan Alexander**

*By The St. Kevin Senior Club*

**Saturday, January 20th**

9:00AM: **Jack Salerno** *By The Salerno Family*

**Saturday, January 20th**

5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin Parish**

**Richard Whitlock** *By Patricia DeMeyere*

**Emilio Delligatti**

*By The Gallo & Delligatti Families*

**Sunday, January 21st**

9:00AM: **Brian Pilling** *By Betty Boroughs*

11:00AM: **Angelo Beacco** *By Laura Beacco*

## Memorial Gifts Week of January 14, 2024



The Paschal Candle that will burn in the Church throughout the year has been donated by Dr. & Mrs. Hugh McGowan for **God's Blessings on all those living with Alzheimer's and Dementia.**



The Altar Candles are being offered this week for  
**The People of St. Kevin Church**



The Bread & Wine are being offered this week by  
**The Apostolic Oblates for Edmund Wallace**

There are weekly Memorials available of:

Bread and Wine (\$25)

Altar Candles (\$25)

The St. Kevin Shrine Lamp (\$25)

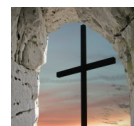
The Sanctuary Lamps (\$50)

Altar Flowers (\$150)



**Please Pray for the Sick and Homebound of our Parish Family**

Eugene Fortunato, Anna Mottolo, Carole Graves, Mary Ann Dotzler, James Doyle, Richard J. Hurlman, Jean Messina Weber, Thomas Hurlman, Tina Tonorezos, Eileen Debuckey, Eileen Cantwell, Tylie Tierney, John Nogueira, Joseph Mosca, Olga Cartaino, Sister Margaret, Marcia Calisi, Steve Carr, Theresa Tenaglia, Eileen Donahue, Joanne Balek, John Donahue, Shane O'Sullivan, Jan Delerme, Roberta Kirkwood, Mirbella Kirby, Maria Morales, Patricia Margarone, Edith Terrie Pouymari, Andrew Leonard, Phyllis Limmer, Genny O'Haire, Suzanne Kastner, Maria Biundo, William Surace & Louis DeMartino



**Please Pray for the Faithful Departed**

**Charles Vella**

**May they Rest in Eternal Peace!**

## Email Addresses for the Pastoral Staff

As for the nature of your email, please use one of the following email addresses:

**Fr. Marc Swartvagher (Pastor)**

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## Stewardship Update



Stewardship Collection January 7, 2024:	\$6,781.00
Diocesan Mission:	607.00
Poor Boxes	100.00
Candle Boxes:	570.00

**Mass Count : 399**



**We achieved our Goal!!!**

**Thank you so much!**

**\$108,738.00**

**Pledged: \$113,364.00**

**Paid:\$112,664.00**

## Upcoming Events

### Saturday, January 13th

4:00PM: Confessions

### Sunday, January 14th

NO Religious Education Classes

### Monday, January 15th

**Rectory is closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

9:30AM: Eucharistic Adoration (Convent Chapel)

### Tuesday, January 16th

1:00PM: St. Kevin Senior Club (Parish Center)

7:30PM: Choir Rehearsal (Church)

### Wednesday, January 17th

3:00PM: St. Kevin Prayer Group (Sanctuary)

7:00PM: Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

### Thursday, January 18th

7:00PM: RCIA Class (Convent Chapel)

### Friday, January 19th

### Saturday January 20th

4:00PM: Confessions

## Word of Life

“When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of his priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changes by the witness of others; so too, others’ lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“How to Build a Culture of Life”  
([respectlife.org/culture-of-life](http://respectlife.org/culture-of-life))



A heartfelt Thank You to the St. Kevin Community. We asked and you came through for The St. Kevin Food Market and The Bridge for Life. Our Advent Giving Trees were a huge success because of all your donations. May your New Year be filled with Health, Peace & Love. Many Thanks, Rosaria Surace Coordinator of Religious Education



- To all attending mass, a gentle remind to the following:
- Please turn off or silence your cell phones before entering church and during mass.
  - Please refrain from sending and receiving text messages and emails while in church.
  - Please be considerate and mindful to those sitting in a wheelchair.
  - Please reserve the extended pew in front of the altar for the disabled or those with a walker.
  - Please refrain from bringing food & drink into the church.

**Thank you so much for your consideration and kindness.**

**Queens Deanery #5**

Join Queens Deanery #5 on Facebook . There are 10 parishes in our Deanery, by joining the Facebook page this will allow you to know all upcoming spiritual events in our neighboring communities. You can also view bulletins and mass schedules. For more information visit the website, [www.QueensDeanery5.org](http://www.QueensDeanery5.org)

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|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| American Martyrs                  | St. Anastasia |
| St. Gregory the Great             | Sacred Heart  |
| Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament | St. Kevin     |
| Our Lady of the Snows             | Holy Family   |
| St. Robert Bellamine              | St. Josephat  |



If you are new to St. Kevin’s Church please introduce yourself to one of our Parish Priests or Deacon after mass. We invite you to stop at the rectory office to meet the staff and register as a parishioner of St. Kevin and to visit our website:

[StKevinChurch@StKevinFlushing.org](mailto:StKevinChurch@StKevinFlushing.org)



## Food Collection

### Items Needed:

Coffee (regular or decaf, ground or instant), Tea (regular or decaf), jelly or jam, peanut butter, shelf stable milk (similar or equal to Permalat), canned salmon, canned tuna fish, black beans (canned or dry), red beans, (canned or dry), Garbanzo beans (canned or dry), rice (one or two pound bags), mac & cheese, mashed potatoes, oatmeal, dry cereal, pasta, pasta/tomato sauce, applesauce, canned fruit, and soup

**For Donation Drop Off :** The Church is opened daily until 2:00PM, please utilize the large plastic containers inside the rear parking lot doors, or in the Rectory  
Monday—Thursday 9-5PM

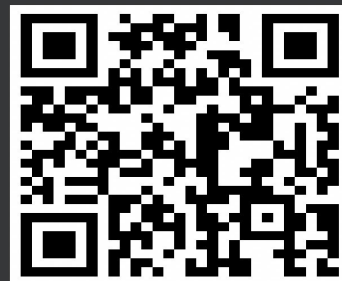
**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE DONATIONS IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH & PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF ANY CLOTHING IN OUR FOOD BINS.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the rectory. And if you are interested in volunteering at “The Market,” please speak to Ms. Agnes Rus at  
718-357-8888

**Next Food Distribution: Wednesday February 14th**



If you are interested in creating an EGiving account please visit our website, [StKevinFlushing.org](http://StKevinFlushing.org) and click “Donate Now” or use this QR Code



Giving - St. Kevin RC Church  
[stkevinflushing.org](http://stkevinflushing.org)



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*"Come, let us adore Him."*

\*Unless otherwise noted

**Annual Donation for 2023 Taxes Request Form**

If you would like to receive a 2023 Contribution Statement, please complete the below information and return it to Lisa in the Rectory Office. You can place it in the donation basket it, place it in the rectory mail slot, mail it, or complete a request on our parish website.

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In scripture, Peter tells us that God's divine power gives us everything we need. Through our knowledge, & God's calling, we are challenged to ***"make every effort to add to your faith, goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you do these things, you will never stumble."***

(2 Peter 1:3-10)

Come explore these ideas to be more effective as a woman, a daughter, a parent, a parishioner, a human being! Make time in your life to join us for this overnight experience. The retreat begins with dinner at 6:00 PM on Friday evening and includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday, concluding with the celebration of Mass at 4:00 PM.

**Offering: \$175**

### A Day to Breathe

Join us on Friday morning of your retreat weekend (any time after 9:00 AM), check in early, enjoy some quiet time and a nurturing lunch, and settle in before the retreat begins.

**Offering: \$20**

Register for the Women's Retreat **HERE**.

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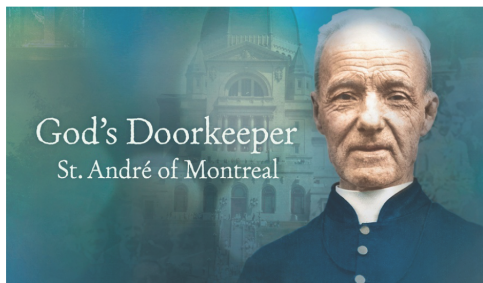
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**ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED**



# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

## Week of January 14, 2024



### God's Doorkeeper: St. André of Montreal

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



### The Bible Collection - Genesis

Experience the epic tale of creation in this Christian anthology that details the stories of Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, and Noah and the Ark.



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