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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 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.

Dear Parishioner's,

Today we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Thomas Aquinas. In a world with so much unrest and division let us reflect on some of his most famous quotes and teachings.

-“We must love them both, those whose opinions we share and those whose opinions we reject, for both have labored in the search for truth, and both have helped us in finding it.”

-“To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible.”

-“I would rather feel compassion than know the meaning of it. I would hope to act with compassion without thinking of personal gain.”

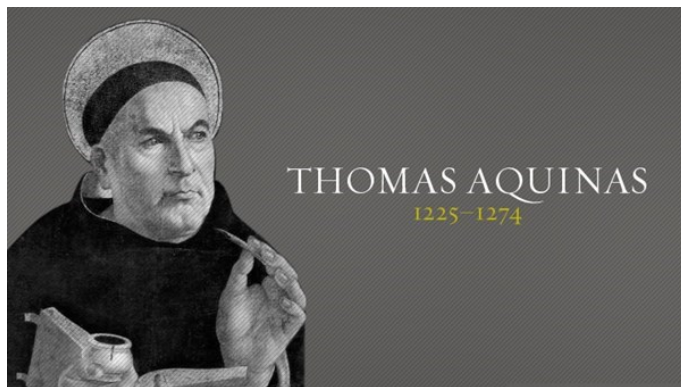
-“Wonder is the desire for knowledge.”

-“The things that we love tell us what we are.”

-“The Eucharist is the Sacrament of Love; It signifies Love, It produces love. The Eucharist is the consummation of the whole spiritual life.”

There is much to learn about life, love and our faith from this great philosopher and theologian. I urge you to take time to read about St. Thomas Aquinas and his life.

God Bless,
Fr. Marc



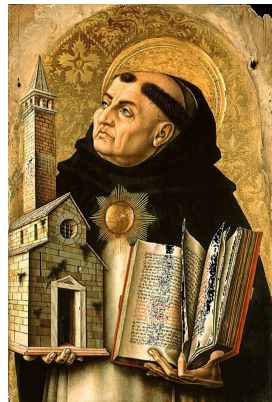
From the Music Director

St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor

Thomas d'Aquino was born into a noble Italian family in the early 13th century but left his family's wealth to join the newly founded Dominican Order. Studying at the University of Paris, he's been described as “the most influential thinker of the medieval period.”

In his masterpiece, the *Summa Theologiae*, Aquinas asks whether God should be praised with song. He states, “we need to praise God with our lips, not indeed for His sake, but for our own sake; since by praising Him our devotion is aroused towards Him, and so that the souls of the fainthearted may be the more incited to devotion.”

At the request of Pope Urban IV, who instituted the feast of Corpus Christ in 1264, this great theologian contributed the text for the sequence before the Gospel, and the hymn *Pange, lingua* for processions with the Blessed Sacrament.



His original feast day was March 7th, the day of his death, but because this almost always falls within Lent, it was changed to January 28th, the date his relics were moved to the Church of the Jacobins in Toulouse, to ensure he could be honored and not superseded by Lent.

Steven Vaughan, Director of Music Ministry
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Choir Rehearsal Tues. 7/30 at 7:45 Church
Mass Settings: *Heritage Mass*, #225-#232



ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 27th

5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin Parish**
Paola & Teresa Ciresi *By The Ciresi Family*
Peggie Sugrue *By The Sugrue Family*

Sunday, January 28th

9:00AM: **The Apostolic Oblates & Their Life of Service to All**

1100AM: **Carmela Marsillo** *By Raffaele DiRe*

Monday, January 29th

9:00AM: **Carmella Avallone** *By Giuseppina Avallone*

Tuesday, January 30th

9:00AM: **John Pouymari** *By The Apostolic Oblates*

Wednesday, January 31st

9:00AM: **Antonio S. Borja** *By Lorena B. Ortizo*

Thursday, February 1st

9:00AM: **Barry Condon**
By Richard & Mary Hubert & Family

Friday, February 2nd

9:00AM: **Luis Ortizo** *By Lorena B. Ortizo*

Saturday, February 3rd

9:00AM: **Vincent Caiozzo** *By Maria Caiozzo*

Saturday, February 3rd

5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin Parish**
Philip P. Caruso *By Sue Capurso*
Brian Pilling *By Betty Boroughs*

Sunday, February 4th

9:00AM: **Vincent LaManna**
By Nina & James LaManna
1100AM: **Frank & Romeo Salamon** *By Letizia Salamon*

Memorial Gifts Week of January 28, 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 by Luisa Hamilton or **William Surace**



The Bread & Wine are being offered this week by The Apostolic Oblates for **John Caban & Family**

There are weekly Memorials available of:

Bread and Wine (\$25)

Altar Candles (\$25)

The St. Kevin Shrine Lamp (\$25)

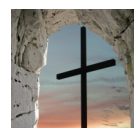
The Sanctuary Lamps (\$50)

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

Patricia McDunough, Jean Callahan & James V. Aloise

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:

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Stewardship Update



Stewardship Collection January 21, 2024: \$5,287.00
Parish Grounds collection 849.00
Poor Boxes 103.00
Candle Boxes: 242.00

Mass Count :427



We achieved our Goal!!!

Thank you so much!

\$108,738.00

Pledged: \$115,489.00

Paid: \$114,489.00

Upcoming Events

Saturday, January 27th

4:00PM: Confessions

6:00PM: Girls Scout Father Daughter Dance
(Parish Center)

Sunday, January 28th

Religious Education Remote Classes

Monday, January 29th

9:30AM: Eucharistic Adoration (Convent Chapel)

Tuesday, January 30th

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

7:30PM: Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Wednesday, January 31st

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

7:00PM: Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

Thursday, February 1st

7:00PM: RCIA Class (Convent Chapel)

Friday, February 2nd

7:00PM: First Friday Eucharistic Adoration
(Church)

Saturday February 3rd

4:00PM: Confessions

6:30PM: SKCA Paint Night (Parish Center)

Word of Life

“Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in “How to Talk to a Friend Who’s Had an Abortion” <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities



**ST. JOHN'S
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The St. John's University Speech & Hearing Center will be offering **FREE** speech and hearing screenings as well as hearing aid help from January 29th–April 25th.

Please call (718) 990-6480 to
Schedule an appointment

It's time to
let God do the talking.



- 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

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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. Josaphat |



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



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

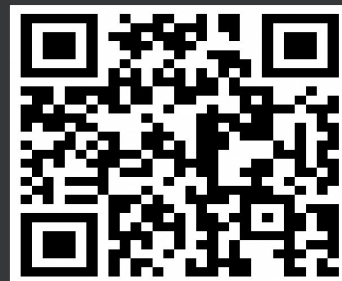
PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE DONATIONS IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH & PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF ANY CLOTHING IN OUR FOOD BINS.

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 and click “Donate Now” or use this QR Code



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Every Wednesday Evening in the
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The First Friday of Every Month
in the Church 7:00-8:00*

"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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Envelope #: _____

Would you like your statement emailed or mailed? Email Mail (Circle One)

Email Address: _____



The Catholic Steward

Stewardship Education and Reflections on the Weekly Mass Readings

Our readings today remind us of God's authority.

As we reflect on our Gospel, we recognize that God possesses all authority and that we want to give Him all authority. Jesus was teaching in the synagogue on the Sabbath. All were fixed on His words and astonished at what He had to say. Suddenly everyone's attention shifted to a man with an unclean spirit who began to question Jesus and His authority. Jesus responded, "Quiet, come out of him!" and removed the evil spirit from the man. All were amazed at the healing of this man.


Life can sometimes look like the synagogue in Capernaum. We are living as disciples of Christ when we suddenly recognize evil around us – through events in our lives, temptations we are enduring, or by falling into sin. It can distract us, consume our attention, or even cause us to despair. In these moments of trial, we must remember the Healer in our Gospel today. Recall His words, "Quiet, come out of Him!" Jesus has the power and authority over evil, for He has conquered sin and death. He also has the power and authority over us. And when we invite Him to have that authority, He will heal us and help us persevere.

Today, we are reminded that God is in control and that we want Him to be in control. He is the loving Healer Who will work miracles in our lives if we give Him the authority to do so.

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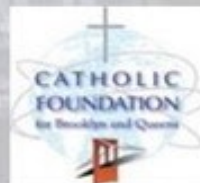




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If you are interested in learning more contact our parish office or call the Catholic Foundation at 718-965-7375.



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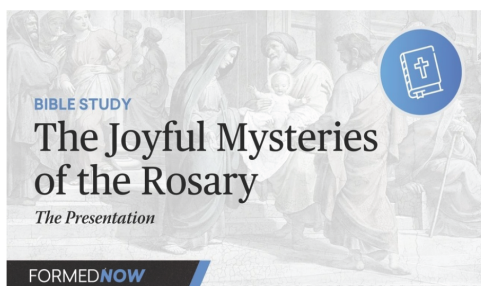
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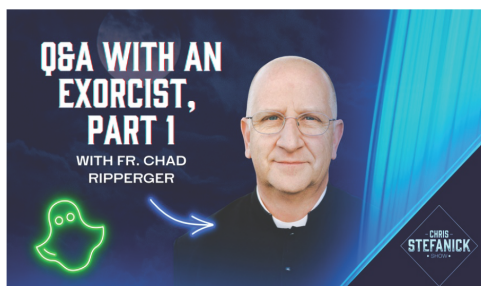
THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of January 28, 2024



A Bible Study on the Joyful Mysteries: The Presentation

What is the importance of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple? Join Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Ben Akers as they unpack this great mystery and how it can apply to your spiritual life.



Exorcisms: What Catholics Need to Know | Chris Stefanick Show

Scripture says, "Be sober and alert. Your opponent the devil is prowling like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, solid in your faith." In other words, the Christian life involves spiritual combat. But a lot of Catholics aren't really familiar with this idea. So to start unpacking it, we're talking to Fr. Chad Ripperger, an exorcist priest.



Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.

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