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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 Wednesday Evening 7:00PM in Church
First Fridays at 7:00PM in Church

Catholic Cemeteries

For Information and available options, please call
718.894.4888.

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.

A Lenten Devotion

From the fullness of My Grace, you have received one blessing after another. Stop for a moment, beloved, and ponder the astonishing gift of salvation—*by grace through faith* in Me. Because it's entirely a gift—*not as a result of works*—this salvation is secure. Your part is just to receive what I accomplished for you on the cross, believing with the faith that was given you. This undeserved Love and favor is yours forever. My grace has infinite value!

Multiple blessings flow out of grace because of its extraordinary fullness. Guilt feelings melt away in the warm Light of My forgiveness. Your identity as a *child of God* gives your life meaning and purpose. Relationships with other people improve as you relate to them with love and forgiveness.

The best response to My bountiful grace is a heart overflowing with gratitude. Take time each day to think about and thank Me for blessings in your life. This protects your heart from weeds of ingratitude that spring up so easily. *Be thankful.*

Taken from “*Jesus Always*”
Written by Sarah Young



From the Music Director

The Divine Mercy Choir sings “The Music of Saint Faustina”

Experience the ancient music that Saint Faustina heard during her mystical life and examine an actual-size replica of the Original Image of Divine Mercy up close when The Divine Mercy Choir from Vilnius, Lithuania sings “The Music of Saint Faustina” on Monday, March 18th at 7:00 PM at St Patrick’s Cathedral, NYC. On tour for the first time in the USA, the evening features a multi-media presentation explaining the history and significance of the Original Image of Divine Mercy. The relics of Saint Faustina and of Blessed Fr. Michal Sopocko will be available for veneration.

This choir has been performing and recording a vast repertoire of hymns that are particular to Lithuania – music that has not been heard in almost a century. Take a trip back in history and enjoy a remnant of Eastern Europe before the destruction by the Communist Occupation. These medieval hymns have been preserved through an oral tradition, saving an almost-lost Lithuanian Catholic culture. Although the choir sings in Lithuanian and Latin, the audience will receive programs with translations and information about each piece. This event is free. For more information, call (212) 753-2261 or email OriginalDivineMercy@gmail.com.



Steven Vaughan, Director of Music Ministry
SacredMusic@StKevinFlushing.org
(718) 357- 8888, x12
Choir Rehearsal—Tues. March 12th 7:45pm
Mass Setting : *Mass of Charity & Love*



**ANNOUNCED
MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, March 9th

5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin Parish**
Suriyawan Pornpitaksuk
By The Pornpitaksuk Family
Jim & Kieran Wrynn *By Nell Wrynn*

Sunday, March 10th

9:00AM: **The Deceased Members of the**
Peros Family
By The Peros Family
 11:00AM: **Benito Guglietta** *By Maria Guglietta*

Monday, March 11th

9:00AM: **James O’Haire** *By Genny O’Haire*

Tuesday, March 12th

9:00AM: **Joseph Roseto** *By Ms. Margaret Pellegrino & Dr. Joseph R. Caruso, Jr.*

Wednesday, March 13th

9:00AM: **Paul Kachapilly** *By Sister Lilly*

Thursday, March 14th

9:00AM: **Charles Vella** *By Tina Lenzo*

Friday, March 15th

9:00AM: **Michael Spinelli** *By Tina Lenzo*

Saturday, March 16th

9:00AM: **Pilar Morales** *By Ramiro Morales*

Saturday, March 16th

5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin Parish**
Eugene McGourty
By The McGourty Family
Julia Kozar *By Bob & Sue Oliver*

Sunday, March 17th

9:00AM: **Francisca Yu** *By Sam & Joanne Perillo*
 11:00AM: **Kenny Rapanick** *By The Scifo Family*

**Memorial Gifts
Week of March 10, 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 Anita Boyle for **Josephine Ryan**



The Bread & Wine are being offered this week by Nina & James LaManna **For Vincent LaManna**

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 Delorme, Roberta Kirkwood, Mirbella Kirby, Maria Morales, Patricia Margarone, Edith Terrie Pouymari, Andrew Leonard, Phyllis Limmer, Genny O’Haire, Suzanne Kastner, Maria Biundo, William Surace, Angela DiPaola, Lorraine Panza, and Ronnie Eldridge



Please Pray for the Faithful Departed

Frank Okorn

May they Rest in Eternal Peace!

Bible Corner

March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday in Lent

Readings

First Samuel 16: 1,6-7, 10-13

Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-6

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

March 17, 2024 Fifth Sunday in Lent

Readings

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Psalms 51: 3-4, 12-15

Hebrews 5: 7-9

John 12: 20-33

Stewardship Update



Stewardship Collection March 4th	:	\$6,514.00
Maintenance & Repair Envelopes		1,354.00
Poor Boxes		181.00
Candle Boxes		494.00

Mass Count : 486



**Help us Reach Our
2024 Goal!!!
\$108,738.00
Pledged \$8,645.00
Paid \$4,120.00**

Upcoming Events

Saturday March 9th

4:00PM: Confessions

6:00PM: Knights of Columbus Pasta Night

Sunday, March 10th

Religious Education In Person Classes

Monday, March 11th

9:30AM: Eucharistic Adoration (Convent)

2:00PM: Widow & Widowers (Parish Center)

Tuesday, March 12th

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

7:45PM: Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 13th

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

7:00PM: Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

7:00PM: Knight of Columbus (Parish Center)

Thursday, March 14th

7:00PM: RCIA Class (Convent Chapel)

Friday, February March 15th

7:00PM: Stations of the Cross (Church)

Saturday, March 16th

4:00PM: Confessions

Word of Life

“We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the culture of death and the culture of life. We find ourselves not only faced with but necessarily in the midst of this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally prolife.”

The Gospel of Life 28



Catholic Charities will be taking a collection for the young migrant families in need. If you are able to, please consider donating :

Diapers

Baby Wipes

Baby Clothing

You may drop your donation in the designated bin by the church elevator.

Thank you in advance for your Help & Support

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

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.

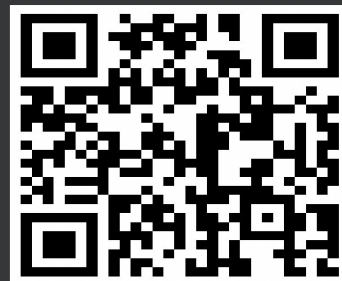
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the rectory.

718-357-8888

Next Food Distribution: Wednesday March 13th



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



Giving - St. Kevin RC Church
stkevinflushing.org

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday

9:00AM Morning Prayer

7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper



Good Friday

9:00AM Morning Prayer

3:00PM Commemoration of the Lord's
Passion

7:00PM Stations of the Cross



Holy Saturday

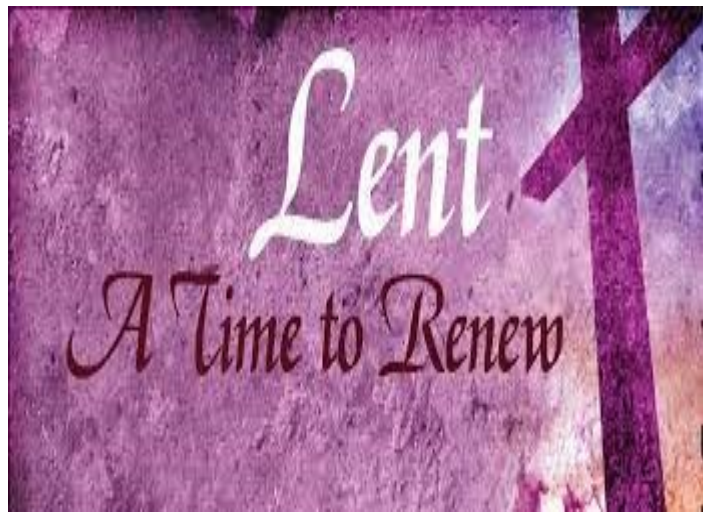
9:00AM Morning Prayer with Blessing
of the Food Baskets

8:00PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

9:00AM & 11:00AM Masses





Reconciliation Monday

March 25, 2024

Please join us from

2:00-4:00 pm

&

6:00 -9:00 pm

A Brief Examination of Conscience

Based on the Ten Commandments

I am the LORD your God: you shall not have strange Gods before me.

Have I treated people, events, or things as more important than God?

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.

Have my words, actively or passively, put down God, the Church, or people?

Remember to keep holy the LORD's Day.

Do I go to Mass every Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) and on Holy Days of Obligation (Jan. 1; the Ascension; Aug. 15; Nov. 1; Dec. 8; Dec. 25)? Do I avoid, when possible, work that impedes worship to God, joy for the Lord's Day, and proper relaxation of mind and body? Do I look for ways to spend time with family or in service on Sunday?

Honor your father and your mother.

Do I show my parents due respect? Do I seek to maintain good communication with my parents where possible? Do I criticize them for lacking skills I think they should have?

You shall not kill.

Have I harmed another through physical, verbal, or emotional means, including gossip or manipulation of any kind?

You shall not commit adultery.

Have I respected the physical and sexual dignity of others and of myself?

You shall not steal.

Have I taken or wasted time or resources that belonged to another?

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Have I gossiped, told lies, or embellished stories at the expense of another?

You shall not covet your neighbor's spouse.

Have I honored my spouse with my full affection and exclusive love?

You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

Am I content with my own means and needs, or do I compare myself to others unnecessarily?

Christ's Two Commandments

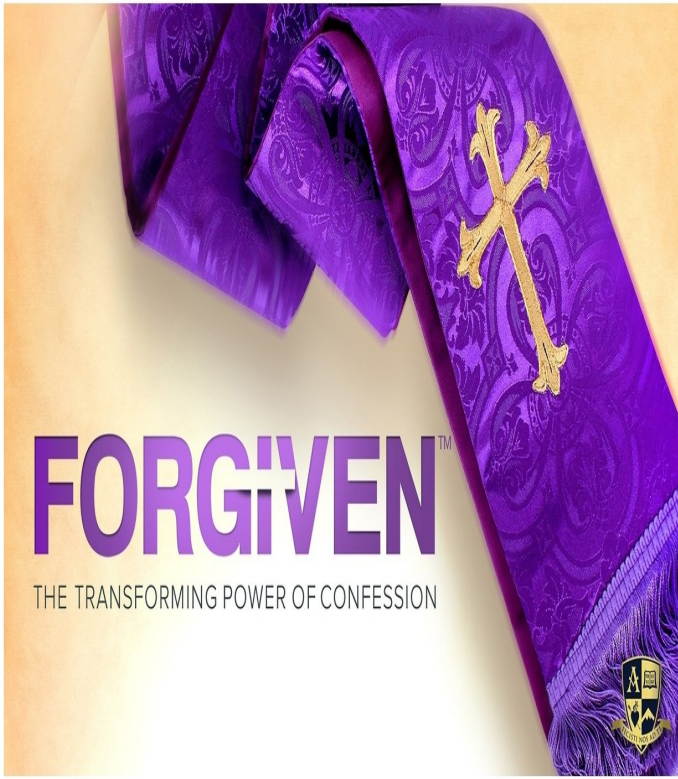
How well do we love God and others? Do we love as Christ calls us to? In the Gospel of Matthew, Christ gives us Two Commandments: "He said to him, 'You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments'" (Mt 22:37-40).

Not sure what love is? St. Paul describes it for us in his Letter to the Corinthians. Is this how you love God and others? "Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, [love] is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails" (1 Cor 13:4-8).

The Light is
ON for You. 
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

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Palm Cross Fundraiser

If you would like to purchase a Palm Cross to Memorialize a Loved One, please complete this form and return it to the rectory office. All memorialized crosses will be displayed by our St. Kevin statue on 45th Ave. If you would like to purchase a cross to take to the cemetery you are welcome to do that as well. Please submit by Thursday, March 21st. Each cross is \$ 20.00



Name _____

Phone Number _____

Name of Deceased being Memorialized _____

Total Due _____

Cash or Check Payable to St. Kevin Church

Easter Plant Sale

*Pick up will be Thursday March 28th in the rectory
from 11am-5pm*

No Specific color requests will be taken

Orders must be submitted by Thursday March 21st

All Plants are \$18.00



Tulips

*Quantity*_____



Easter Lily

*Quantity*_____



Hyacinth

*Quantity*_____

*Name*_____ *Total Due*_____

Cash or Check payable to St. Kevin Church

St. Kevin Faith Formation

Registration for September 2024

The St. Kevin Office of Religious Education provides a comprehensive faith formation program for children in grades 1-8 that do not attend a Catholic School.

Registration for September, 2024 Religious Education classes is ongoing thru September. Families who are already in our program will receive notification via email. Any families new to the program can visit our parish website for the on-line registration form at: <https://stkevinflushing.org/faith-formation/registration>. All new children or families please include in your email your child's baptismal certificate plus vaccination record, which are needed for registration. Our classes will be as follows:

Classes will be remote two Sunday's a month and in school two Sunday's. Sunday Mass attendance is required for all families in our program. Families are asked to attend the 9:00 AM mass with their children. Then the children will go to the school for instruction from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Parents are invited to the Parish Hall for an Adult session while your children are in class. Remote classes will be scheduled on Sunday morning. If you are not able the 9:00 AM Mass, please choose another mass to fulfill your Sunday Obligation.

Our Parish has a **FORMED** subscription and uses it for Religious Education. Please set up your **free account**: visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

If you have any questions, please contact me, Rosaria Surace, at 718-357-8888 Ext 10, Monday through Wednesday 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM or email me at stkevinreled@stkevinflushing.org.

Register and pay before April 7th to receive a \$25.00 discount!

All Fees are Nonrefundable.

Registration Fee for 2024

One Child - \$175.00

Two Children - \$225.00

Three Children - \$300.00

Four Children - \$350.00

Discounted Registration Fee if Paid in Full by April 7th.

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Three Children - \$275.00

Four Children - \$325.00

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