



St. Kevin Roman Catholic Church



St. Kevin Christmas Schedule

Saturday, December 24th

4:00 PM (Children's Mass)

6:00 PM (Vigil)

Midnight (preceded by Christmas carols)

Sunday, December 25th

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

(there will be no 8:00 AM Mass)

Most Reverend Raymond F. Chappetto, Pastor, D.D., V.G, V.E.

Reverend John J. Costello, Administrator

Reverend Paul Y. Kim, Parochial Vicar

Reverend Monsignor D. Joseph Finnerty, Pastor Emeritus

Deacon Julio C. Barreneche

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday

9:30 AM to 12:00 Noon
1:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Fridays: Office closes at 4:00 PM
Saturday: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Sunday: Office Closed



Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon

Daily Mass:

Monday to Saturday: 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Penance

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Church: 1st Sunday of the month, 1:00 - 2:30 PM

Convent: Every Monday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Devotion

Miraculous Medal: Tuesdays at 9:30 AM

Catholic Cemeteries

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718-894-4888.

December 18, 2016

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dear Friends,

On this Fourth Sunday of Advent, we hear about the dream of St. Joseph: “*Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.*” Many of us wish we could learn about God’s will for us in the same way! Often, we find ourselves struggling to figure out what God is asking of us, and we eventually have to make a leap of faith and put all our trust in the Lord. However, if we follow Joseph’s example and take Mary into our homes, we welcome a loving Mother, a great example, and a wonderful intercessor. This last week of Advent is a perfect time to renew our devotion to Our Lady. Pray a decade of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary – the Annunciation, the Visitation, the Nativity, the Presentation, and the Finding of Jesus in the Temple - each day this week to focus your final preparations for Christmas.

Please take note of the schedule of Masses for Christmas found on the front cover of the bulletin. Even though Christmas takes place on a Sunday, we will follow the Christmas schedule that was put into place two years ago. Remind your family members and friends to “put Him on their list.” Amidst all of the other preparations for Christmas, nothing can match coming to Mass together as a family to give glory to the Newborn King! We look forward to welcoming many visitors, neighbors, and friends back to church next weekend.

Remember that the parish choirs are presenting an Advent Concert this weekend on Sunday at 3:00 PM. On Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM, the students of the St. Kevin Catholic Academy will present their annual Christmas Concert. It is always a blessing when people are willing to share their talents with the community, especially at this time of year. I am sure that both of these concerts will help us to prepare our hearts for Christmas.

Finally, I remind you that **Reconciliation Monday** is Monday, December 19th. Virtually every parish in New York City’s five boroughs will have priests available to hear confessions from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. Here at St. Kevin, the church will remain open during those hours with the Eucharist exposed on the altar for private prayer and reflection. Priests are always eager to welcome the lost sheep back into the fold! If you know someone who has been away from the sacrament for a long time, please invite them to come and experience the mercy and compassion of the Lord. Plan on making a good confession as a gift to yourself before Christmas this year. Please note that there will be NO CONFESSIONS next Saturday, Christmas Eve, since the Children’s Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 PM.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**Father John Costello,
Administrator**

FAITH FORMATION

Agnes Rus, AO, Director of Faith Formation
45-50 195th Street
718-357-8110, ext. 3
Rosaria Surace, Secretary

ABLAZE YOUTH MINISTRY

Meg Fraino, Youth Minister
Grades 9 through 12, meets every Friday night at 7 P.M. in the St. Kevin Room of the rectory. Contact Meg at stkevin.ablaze@gmail.com or 845-290-2366.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Mr. Thomas Sexton, Director & Organist

ST. KEVIN CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Dr. Thomas Piro, Principal
Dr. Hugh McGowan, Chairman—Board of Directors
Linda Scherer, Secretary
45-50 195th Street
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Academy Website: www.stkevinca.org

BAPTISM (Infants):

Second Sunday of the month at 1:30 P.M. (except during Lent). Please call the rectory for an appointment at least a month in advance.

R.C.I.A.:

For adults seeking the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Please call the Faith Formation Office for information.

MARRIAGE:

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.

Christmas Concert

**Saint Kevin Church
Sunday, December 18
3:00 P.M.**



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Today, Sunday, December 18th is the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The readings for today's Mass begin at #867 in the Hymnal.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 17th

5:00 Sabina Kastner (1st Anniversary)

Sunday, December 18th

8:00 Gaetano Floresta

10:00 Joseph Scavo (15th Anniversary)

12:00 Nancy & Batt Harnett

Monday, December 19th

9:00 Rodolfo DiSaverio (6th Anniversary)

Tuesday, December 20th

9:00 Albert & Hedwig D. Wetherell

Wednesday, December 21st

9:00 Sister Maria Bertilia Saglimbene

Thursday, December 22nd

9:00 Antonio, Caterina & Felicia Crispino

Friday, December 23rd

9:00 Joseph Malina

Saturday, December 24th

9:00 Carmela Tulino
Stephen Pavlovic
John Lionetti
Salvatore Castelli
Edward Boullianne

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24th

4:00 Christmas Mass Remembrance

6:00 Christmas Mass Remembrance

12:00 Christmas Mass Remembrance

Christmas Day, Sunday December 25th

10:00 Christmas Mass Remembrance

12:00 Christmas Mass Remembrance

(There is no 8:00 A.M. Mass
on Christmas Day)



Please Pray For: those who are ill:

Dorothy Kavanagh, Kristin Carey, Grace Sedita, Carolyn Meenan, Esther Sanchez, Dorothy O'Mara, Isabella Ieraci, Bridget Kunz and Sean O'Leary,

and for those who have died: Mary Millus and Frances Colardi.

Reconciliation Monday

In preparation for Christmas, on Monday, December 19th, the Diocese of Brooklyn will join with the Archdiocese of New York and celebrate Reconciliation Monday.

The priests of St. Kevin will be available for individual confessions on Monday, December 19th between the hours of

4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

We hope that many of our parishioners and neighbors will take advantage of the opportunity to make a good confession and receive the love and forgiveness of our loving and compassionate Savior.

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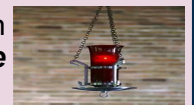
The gifts of the **Bread and Wine** are given this week in loving memory of **Mary Eleanor Bergamine**.

A **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn this week in loving memory of **Marie Lana**.



The **Altar Candles** will burn this week in loving memory of **the Picarelli Family**.

The **St. Kevin Shrine Lamp** will burn this week **for the Intentions of the Donor**.



St . Kevin Church Christmas Wreath Fundraiser



Join us as we decorate our parish property and honor our relatives and friends.

\$75 Donation

Your **22 inch** wreath will be displayed on the fence around St. Kevin Church throughout the Christmas Season!

Return form below by December 15, 2016

Please make checks payable to St. Kevin Church.

Please reserve _____ wreath/wreaths @ \$75 each = Total enclosed: \$ _____

Name/Family: _____ Phone: _____

Please circle one:

In memory of / In honor of / In thanksgiving for

For multiple wreaths, please attach a separate sheet of paper.

2016 Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to those parishioners who have already sent in their pledges to the 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal!

Diocesan Assigned Goal:\$96,000.00
Pledged as of 12/12.....\$95,613.00
\$ in Hand as of 12/12.....\$93,592.00
of Pledges as of 12/12.....305

The 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal comes to an end on December 31st. If you have not yet made your pledge to the 2016 ACA, pledge forms are available at the doors of the Church. You can either mail them directly into the diocese or place them in the collection baskets. In order for St. Kevin to reach our diocesan assigned goal all pledges and payments have to reach the Diocesan Office by December 31st.

Thank you for your support of St. Kevin Church!

50/50 Raffle

Please place your December 50/50 envelope (that you received in your monthly envelope package), with your \$5 donation, in the collection basket or drop it off at the Rectory. Extra envelopes are located at the doors of the church (please write the month on the envelope). Envelopes must be received by 12:00 Noon on the last day of the month.

Thank you for your support of St. Kevin Church!

Defensive Driving Course

The Girl Scouts will sponsor a Defensive Driving Course on Saturday, January 14th, in the Parish Center from 9AM to 3 PM. Upon completion, you will receive a Green Cross Certificate, good for a 10% discount off your insurance for 3 years and point reductions. The cost is \$45. Please reserve your seat by calling Rosanne at 718-279-4581, or text 718-406-3006.

Weekly Offerings

December 11, 2016.....\$8,477.00

AARP #3334 will meet on Monday, December 19th, in St. Kevin Parish Center beginning at 1:00 P.M. Our holiday entertainment will be the St. Kevin Catholic Academy Children's Choir. New members are always welcomed.

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