## 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 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 Matrímony

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. From the Pastor's Office



Please join me in welcoming The Daughters of Mary Mother of Mercy. They are the newest community of Sisters to move into the Convent and be part of the St. Kevin Family . When you see them at mass or in the neighborhood please introduce yourself so they may have an opportunity to get to know the congregation. We have with us: Sister Beatrice Sister Marianna & Sister M. Julia

Welcome & God Bless

## **From the Music Director**

St. Kevin Parish Christmas Concert & Diocesan Lessons & Carols!

Sunday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM the St. Kevin Parish Choir & SKCA students present our annual Christmas concert! This year, we're opening with songs about "lighting" such as "Out of the Darkness"; the 17<sup>th</sup> century French carol "Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella" and "This Little Light of Mine." Then, we'll sing of "trees," with "O Christmas Tree" and "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree!" Finally, "angels" will be honored with "Angel's We Have Heard on High"; John Rutter's "Angel's Carol" and "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!" See the theme here? Because the concert is immediately followed by the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Lighting of Trees & Angels! So please attend!

Then on Friday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM, the Diocesan Choir will present *Lessons & Carols (& Cookies, oh my!)* here; a concert followed by a delicious reception! Lessons & Carols combines readings and carols to tell the



**Christmas** Concert Story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus in nine short lessons. Ours will be a hybrid of a worship service and concert; with the choir featured in front of the altar. It's followed with a Christmas cookies reception downstairs in the Msgr. Finnerty Parish Center. There's a \$20 suggested donation and we hope you'll come, and be generous!

> Steven Vaughan, Director of Music Ministry SacredMusic@StKevinFlushing.org (718) 357–8888, x12 Choir Rehearsal–Tues. December 12th 7:45

December 10 2023



## ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9th5:00PM:People of St. Kevin ParishJoseph FerrignoBy Mary MeehanErsilia SicaBy Rocco SicaGaetano SicaBy Rocco SicaMary DunkakBy Alice Dunkak Quinn

Sunday, December 10th9:00AM: Giuseppe & Rina Beacco By Laura Beacco1100AM: Angelo BeaccoBy Laura Beacco

Monday, December 11th 9:00AM: William Hallisty

**Tuesday, December 12th** 9:00AM: James Pellegrino

Wednesday, December 13th 9:00AM: Tommy Murphy

By The Lavalle Family

By The Lavelle Family

By Margaret Pellegrino

**Thursday, December 14th** 9:00AM: **Rodolfo DiSaverio & Donato** By Josephine Verdecchia

**Friday, December 15th** 9:00AM: **Yocasta Bringold** *By Gloria & Thomas Meehan* 

Saturday, December 16th9:00AM:Maria SalernoBy The Salerno Family

Saturday, December 16th5:00PM:People of St. Kevin ParishPhilomena CiacciBy Jean MerollaEdward CiroliaBy Ina Cirolia

Sunday, December 17th 9:00AM: Ellen DiRe 1100AM: Terezina Bilus

*By The DiRe Family By Donna Johansmeyer* 

## Memorial Gifts Week of December 10, 2023



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 Sanctuary Lamps are being offered this week for **The People of St. Kevin.** 



The Altar Candles are being offered this week by Noreen Crummy for **Firefighter Thomas Brick** 

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, Anthony LaGatutta, Patricia Margarone, Edith Terrie Pouymari, Andrew Leonard, Phyllis Limmer Suzanne Kastner, & Maria Biundo



Please Pray for the Faithful Departed

**Rita Jean Peterson** 

May they Rest in Eternal Peace!



"I would like for us to pledge a pact that knows no earthly boundaries or temporal limits: union in prayer"

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

There will be a meeting for young adults in their 20's and 30's who would like to participate in a Frassati Fellowship here at St. Kevin Church. A Frassati Fellowship is named after Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, who was a young devout Catholic and leader to his peers. His legacy is built on the daily acts of Charity he did in honor of God and in service to his neighbor. During his short and vibrant life he inspired many to live a sanity life, and today his witness and intercession calls young people to a life of holiness. The Frassati Fellowship aims at serving young adults, single and married, interested in growing in Faith, fellowship, and friendship, by engaging in a variety of activities—spiritual, service, catechetical, and social.

The Next meeting of the Frassati Fellowship, Flushing, will be on Tuesday December 12th at 7PM in the Msgr. Finnerty Parish Center.

Please use the entrance by the Parking Lot Elevator



"The higher we go, the more we can hear the voice of Christ. - Obud One Days True

#### Next Meeting

St. Kevin Church's Parish Center 45-21 194th Street Flushing, NY 11358 Tuesday, Dec 12, 2023 Meetings Start at 7PM



Saturday, December 9th 4:00PM: Confessions

<u>Sunday, December 10th</u> Religious Education Remote Classes **4:00PM:** Christmas Concert & Lighting of Tress & Angels

Monday, December 11th

9:30AM: Eucharistic Adoration(Con2:00PM: Widow & Widowers Meeting(Paris7:00PM: Bible Study Class(Con

(Convent Chapel) (Parish Center) (Convent)

#### Tuesday, December 12th

1:00PM: St. Kevin Senior Club(Parish Center)7:00PM: Frassetti Fellowship Meeting(Parish Center)7:45PM: Choir Rehearsal(Church)

Wednesday, December 13th

3:00PM: St. Kevin Prayer Group 7:00PM: Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00PM: Eucharistic Adoration (Sanctuary) (Parish Center) (Church)

Thursday, December 14th 7:00PM: RCIA Class

(Convent Chapel)

 9:45AM:
 Bible Study Class
 (Parish Center)

 7:30PM:
 Christmas Carols, Lessons & Cookies
 (Church)

Saturday December 16th 10:00AM: SKCA Breakfast with Sana (Parish Center)

## Stewardship Update



Stewardship Collection December 2nd & 3rd: \$6,541.00 Christmas Flowers & Mas s Remembrance:

Poor Boxes: Candle Boxes: \$2,452.00 156.00 365.00

### Congratulations to our November 50/50 Winner: Mrs. Mary Ellen W.



Help us reach our Goal of \$108,738.00 Pledged: \$106,529.00 Paid:\$104,773.00

# Word of Life

"Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother."

Learn how at respectlife.org/support-her

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life\_Activities "10 Ways to Support Her when She's Unexpectedly Expecting"



The St. Kevin Rosary Society will be hosting a sale of their handmade

crochet goods on Saturday December 16th & Sunday December 17th before and after all the masses. These beautiful blankets and hats will make wonderful Christmas presents.

## **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. Josephat





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.



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

## **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, soup and paper bags for distribution.

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 December 13th



Dear St. Kevin Parishioners,

On behalf of everyone at the St. Kevin Market, we wish to thank you for your generous monthly donations of both food, money and amazing Thanksgiving baskets. Together we are able to feed almost 80 families monthly and over 200 families for Thanksgiving. We

will also be able to be more generous in our Christmas food distribution.

We could not continue this ministry to those in need in our community without your help. May God bless you all for your care and generosity. Wishing you a blessed Advent season.

Our Sincere Thanks, St. Kevin Food Market Family

Advent Giving Tree 2023 4 Easy Steps ... To help make Christmas a little special for some families this season all donations are to our St. Kevin Food Pantry and Bridge to Life Step 1. Please visit the trees in the church; Step 2. Choose an ornament(s); Step 3. Please drop your donation off by December 18th and place them under the Christmas trees; Step 4. Keep the ornament and place it on your tree. "It is more Blessed to Give than to Receive" Acts 20:35









Council #18180 Help Us Help Others! For More Info Please Email us at <u>st.KevinsKOC18180@gmail.com</u>

With Christmas approaching in just a few weeks many of our children are fortunate to be home with their families for the Christmas season but a lot of God's children will be battling and God willing surviving their fight with cancer over at St. Marys Hospital for Children.

The Knights of Columbus Council # 18180 are asking for your help in gifting our children these items that you may purchase from the Amazon wish list by clicking on the link below. The Knights will deliver your gifts to our children fighting cancer before Christmas day. https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/Is/2CUAXLK7DSSCE



## Help Us bring joy to our kids HELP US HELP OTHERS!



Please help us bring some joy to these innocent kids. Please drop off your gifts at the Saint Kevin Parish located at 45-21 194th Street Flushing, NY 11358. Doors are located on the 195th Street side in the parking lot entrance to Monsignor D. Joseph Finnerty Parish Center Drop Off- Wednesday, December.13,2023 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM



# Week of December 10, 2023



## The Spirituality of Advent

Dr. Tim Gray discusses the spirituality of Advent and the joy of waiting for Christ.



## The incredible true story of Our Lady of Guadalupe | Chris Stefanick Show Check out this episode of the Chris Stefanick Show to learn the amazing story Our Lady of Guadalupe.



## Yakhal/Hope | Advent: Word Studies | The Bible Project

In the Bible people who have hope are very different from optimists! In this video, we'll explore how biblical hope looks to God's character alone as a basis for trusting that the future will be better than the present.

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