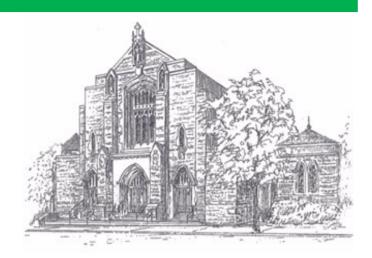
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Rectory Office Hours

Mondays - Thursdays
9:00AM—5:00PM
Closed from 12:00PM—1:00PM
Tuesdays and Wednesdays
5:00PM—8:00PM
Saturdays and Sundays
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 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 Sunday Devotion

Never underestimate the power of prayer! People who are feeling discouraged and hopeless often say something like, "There's nothing left to do but pray." The implication is that this is their last resort—and a feeble one at that. Nothing could be further from the truth! I created mankind with the ability to communicate with Me. Since I am the *eternal ,immortal*, *invisible King* of the universe, this is an astonishing privilege. Even when the human race became tainted with sin through Adam and Eve's disobedience, I did not withdraw this glorious privilege. And when I lived in your world as a flesh-and-blood man, I relied heavily on praying to me Father. I was keenly aware of how continuously I needed His help. Persistent, heartfelt prayer will bless not only you but also your family, friends, church—even your country. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you pray effectively. Find others to join you in this venture of seeking My Face in humility and repentance. Beseech Me to *heal your land*.

Taken From: "Jesus Always" Written By: Sarah Young



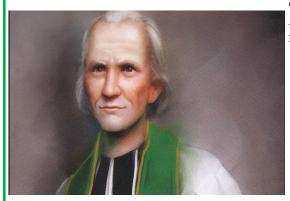
From the Music Director

St. John-Marie Vianney,
Patron Saint of Parish Priests

From his youth, John-Marie Vianney saw priests as heroes. When the anticlerical pursuits of the French Revolution began, priests had to preach in secret, so John-Marie received his First Communion privately. Almost not becoming a priest because his Latin scores were so low, (and he had to dodge a couple drafts into Napoleon's army) after being ordained in 1815 he became the pastor of a remote tiny French village named Ars. There he lived simply, sometimes in great suffering, but people found in him a wealth of spiritual advice. They flocked to him, and as the crowds grew, he sometimes spent sixteen hours a day in the confessional. The rest of his time was filled with acts of great charity. He died on August 4, 1859.

In honor of his feast day on August 4th, *Cooking with the Saints* suggests treating your parish priests to Normandy Chicken that highlights apples and apple cider, ingredients well-known in St. John Vianney's area

of France. *Drinking with the Saints* recommends enjoying an Amaretto Sour, a liqueur flavored with the almond, which grew miraculously on the rod of the High Priest Aaron.



Steven Vaughan, Director of Music Ministry SacredMusic@StKevinFlushing.Org (718)357-8888, x 12
Mass Setting: Heritage Mass #225-232

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 3rd.

5:00PM: The Parishioners of St. Kevin Church

Donna Adames By The Adames Family **Dan Caffrey** By The Folan Family

Sunday, August 4th

9:00AM: Carmela Ieraci By Giulia Ieraci

11:00AM: **Daniel Ash** By Kathleen McGourty

Monday, August 5th

9:00AM: **Angela DiPaola**

By Mr. & Mrs. Charles Oliva

Tuesday, August 6th

9:00AM: Kate & Nikola Braut By Maria Braut

Wednesday, August 7th

9:00AM: Deceased Members of The Wallace,

DeBlois, D'Arcy & Clancy Families

By Ed Wallace & Family

Thursday, August 8th

9:00AM: Alvaro E. Hernandez

By The Hernandez Children

Friday, August 9th

9:00AM: Angela DiPaola

By Rosemarie Campanile

Saturday, August 10th

9:00AM: Vincent and William Alphonso

By Mariakutty

Saturday, August 10th

5:00PM: The Parishioners of St. Kevin Church

Donna Adames By The Adames Family

Steven Haniotis By Gale Gravina

Gaetano & Antonio Giannattasio

By Giovianna Giannattasio

Sunday, August 11th

9:00AM: Roseanne McArdle

By Maureen McArdle

11:00AM: James Anthony Taratunio

By Mike Campbell

Memorial Gifts Week of August 4, 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.

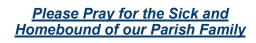


The Altar Candles are being offered this week for The Parishioners of St. Kevin Church



The Bread & Wine are being offered this week for William Surace

There are weekly Memorials available of:
Bread and Wine (\$25)
Altar Candles (\$25)
The St. Kevin Shrine Lamp (\$25)
The Sanctuary Lamps (\$50)



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Bible Corner

August 4,2024 The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings

Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15

Psalms 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35

August 11,2024 The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings

First Kings 19: 4-8

Psalms 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Ephesians 4: 30—5:2

John 6: 41-51

Stewardship Update



Stewardship Collection July 21st: \$5,255.00
Parish Needs 165.00
Candle Boxes 489.00
Poor Boxes 156.00

Mass Count: 416



Help us reach our 2024 Goal!! \$108,738.00

Pledged: \$62,910.00

Paid: \$49,276.20

Upcoming Events

Saturday, August 3rd

4:00PM: Confessions

Sunday, August 4th

Monday, August 5th

9:30AM: Eucharistic Adoration

(Convent)

Tuesday, August 6th

Wednesday, August 7th

7:00PM: Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

Thursday, August 8th

Friday, August 9th

Saturday August 10th

4:00PM: Confessions

Word of Life

"We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in His love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life."

Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana





To all attending mass, a gentle reminder 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.

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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

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 Parmalat), 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 reusable bags.

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Monday—Thursday 9-5PM

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the rectory. 718-357-8888

Next Food Distribution: August 28th

Email Addresses for the Pastoral Staff

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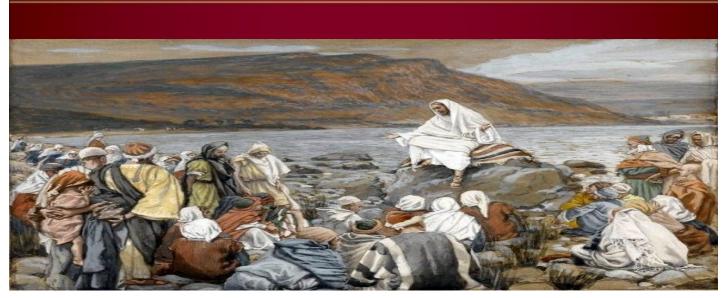






The Catholic Steward

Stewardship Education and Reflections on the Weekly Mass Readings



Often, we live our lives working for temporary happiness. But today, Jesus reminds us to "not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life."

Our Eucharistic meal is the Spiritual Food that we consume — Jesus Himself, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. It will satisfy us as Jesus says, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

We all have the need to be satisfied. It is in our humanity. And in that incompleteness, we grab at what surrounds us to satisfy our hearts. It could be the next job promotion, the comforts in our homes, the next trip we plan to take. The list goes on. We might think to ourselves, 'then I will be happier.' Or maybe we don't even realize how we are relying on those things or events in our lives.

And while many of those things are good and bring us joy, they are only a small glimpse of the deeper, lasting happiness that the Lord offers us. They are gifts that should remind us of our Good and Gracious Creator. Instead of placing undue importance on those things or people, place it on Jesus, as He says, "Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." He is the One who fills our hearts.

As you go about your day-to-day lives this week, try to recognize the times you are "working for food that perishes" by seeking things of the world to satisfy your heart. In those moments, recall that everything we have is a gift from God. Instead of misusing that gift, offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all He has given to you.

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A Reflection from Love and Serve

This Week's Readings | USCCB

Do you remember the old GEICO TV commercial that poked fun at decisions people make in horror movies? In it, four young people are frantically running and tripping in the dark outside of a home, trying to get away from a presumed killer. One youth suggests hiding in the attic; another suggests the basement, and a third offers a logical solution: "Why can't we just get in the running car?" as she points to a sporty red convertible. To which the fourth young person responds: "Are you crazy? Let's hide behind the chainsaws", as he points to a garage with a wide-open door. "If you're in a horror movie, you make poor decisions!" The announcer's voice plays over the video of the youth confined to the garage as the predator looks at them, shaking his head in disbelief at their choice of a safe place.

Last week and until the end of August, the Lectionary temporarily transitioned from Mark's Gospel to Gospel readings from John, Chapter 6. We read John's account of the miracle of the multiplication of five loaves of bread and two fish that fed a crowd of over five thousand people. In today's Gospel, that same crowd came to Jesus and asked Him: "What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you? What can you do?" (John 6:30). The crowd's decision to ask for a sign was a poor one. We can say: how quickly do they forget? We can also say that about the Israelite community in the wilderness when they grumbled against Moses and Aaron and fondly recalled their days as slaves to the Egyptians, as we read in today's Old Testament selection from the Book of Exodus. Maybe it is not uncommon for people to forget all the ways God reveals Himself and provides for His people! It is why "They have eyes but do not see; ears but do not hear" is transcribed multiple times in the Old and New Testaments.

Faith is the great gift God gives to us. Through our faith, He reveals Himself, and by His grace, we intellectually assent to and accept His revelations as truths. Faith is both personal and communal. As individuals, we live by faith and trust in God to guide our footsteps. As a Church, we profess our faith in God and His teachings. Another gift God gives us is the dignity and capacity to choose between good and evil when making big and small decisions for ourselves using our conscience. Like all other gifts given to us by God, we must guide and form our conscience through learning and praying for wisdom. As the Church puts it in part: "The education of the conscience is a lifelong task. From the earliest years, it awakens the child to the knowledge and practice of the interior law recognized by conscience. Prudent education teaches virtue; it prevents or cures fear, selfishness and pride, resentment arising from guilt, and feelings of complacency, born of human weakness and faults." (Catechism §1784)

So, let us listen for and discern God's voice by reflecting on His Sacred Scriptures. Let us open our hearts to the Holy Spirit to inspire and guide our decisions.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.

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Aug. 16th at 8pm

East Coast Chapter Meeting Online contact nyc@mgoretti.org

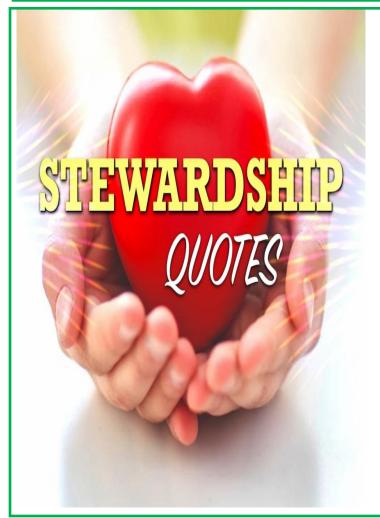
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Pray for those affected by abuse.



Above all, the desert within, when we have no love for God or neighbor, when we fail to realize that we are guardians of all that the Creator has given us and continues to give us. God's mercy can make even the driest land become a garden, can restore life to dry bones

Ez 37:1-14



SUMMERTIME PLANNED GIVING SUGGESTIONS – PART 2

As you enjoy the summer months and the chance to take some time for yourself, you may want to take some time to check the legal documents related to your home. With the rapid rise in real estate prices a person's home could very well be that person's most valuable asset. Home title and related documents must be in order to make sure you and your family are protected. For example, is the title to your house in your individual name or in joint name with someone else? Are you the surviving joint tenant of the property? If you paid off



your mortgage, was the Satisfaction of Mortgage properly recorded? Are all your real estate taxes paid currently? Many people assume their real estate documents are in order, but sometimes there are unexpected difficulties which arise because of life events affecting the existing documentation. Taking the time to check does not take long and is important to make sure your home is secure.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Bob Pape at the Catholic Foundation for Brooklyn and Queens at 718-965-7375, ext.1621 or at rpape@cfbq.org.

A little summertime review provides additional peace of mind for an enjoyable summer season.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Please Join us on
Wednesday
August 14th,
At 7pm for the
Feast of the
Assumption
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A Candlelight
Rosary
Procession to
Follow

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The Legion of Mary

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Thursday, September 12 at 7 P.M.
Parish Center
Light Refreshments



Our Lady conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to you.

"Go; therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Are you planning on getting married, or have been asked to be a godparent,
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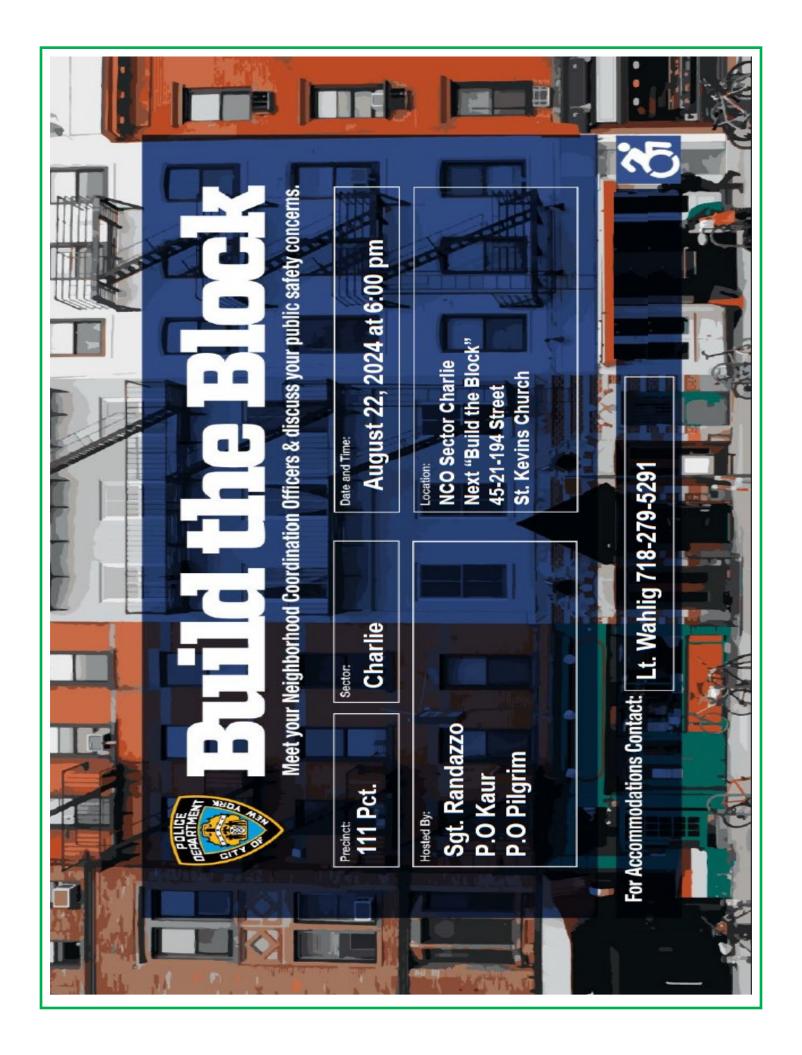


Those interested in joining our cohort may fill out our intake form, which can be accessed by scanning the QR code below, and email it to Ms. Amora Laucella at alaucella@stkevinflushing.org, or call (718) 357-8888, ext. 26 with additional questions.



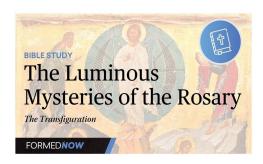
You can learn more about OCIA and the Sacraments on the Faith Formation Programs section of our website!







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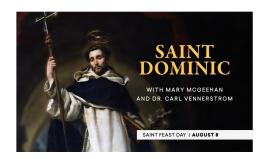
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Our Mother Mary

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