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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

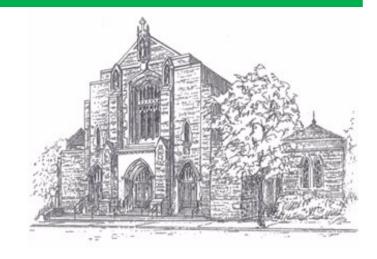
Saturdays - 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by appointment.

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

My Face Is Shining Upon You, beloved. Take time to linger in My joyous Light, and seek to know Me as I truly am. I am always near you, closer than the air you're breathing. Awareness of My loving Presence is a rich blessing. However, the most important this is to *trust* that I am with you regardless of what you are experiencing.

I am immanent—present throughout the entire universe. I am also transcendent—existing above and independent from the universe. I am *the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts.* Therefore, don't expect to fully understand me or My ways. When things don't go as you think they should, be willing to bow before My infinite *wisdom and knowledge. My judgements are unsearchable and My paths beyond tracing out,* but they are good. Remember, the example of Job. When his family experienced multiple disasters, *he fell to the ground in worship.* I transcend all your troubles!

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



From the Music Director

The Gloria

Often referred to as "the angelic hymn," the *Gloria* was first intoned by the angels from heaven for the birth of Christ on earth. Its opening burst of praise overflows into a series of joyful cries addressed to the Father: "we praise you, we bless you, we adore you..." It goes on to implore the mercy of the Son, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, and then praises him. Its final lines soar into the mystery of the Trinity.

Modeled after the psalms and canticles of the Bible, in the 4th century it was originally used as an Easter hymn and at the conclusion of morning prayer. It was first incorporated into the pope's Christmas Mass in the 6th century, and by the 11th century it was sung at Sunday Masses and special occasions. A hymn of joyful amazement at God's mercy, it is not sung during Lent, when we take time to appreciate the strength of the force of sin in our lives. And since Advent is supposed to be a time of quiet preparation for Christmas, Fr. Mark Ott explains we don't sing it because, "according to the narrative of Mary and Joseph at this time, the *Gloria* had not yet been sung."

When the entire assembly owns the words of this hymn and sings from their heart, their joy in glorifying God reverberates throughout the church. Do you sing it from your heart?



Steven Vaughan, Director of Music Ministry SacredMusic@StKevinFlushing.Org (718)357-8888 x 12 Mass Setting: *Heritage Mass #225-232* Page 3

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 2024

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday, August 12th 9:00AM: Daniel Patrick Biangasso, Jr. By Mr. & Mrs. Steve Machalek

Tuesday, August 13th9:00AM: Frank LenzoBy Tina Lenzo

Wednesday, August 14th 9:00AM: Elsie Spitere By Francesca Castelli 7:00PM: The People of St. Kevin Parish

Thursday, August 15th 9:00AM: **Eugene Brady** *By Maria Brady*

Friday, August 16th 9:00AM: Joaquina Morales By Ramiro Morales

Saturday, August 17th 9:00AM: Antoinette Verrilli By The Picano Family

Saturday, August 17th 5:00PM: The Parishioners of St. Kevin Church Janet Brandimarte By Rosie Smith Patrick Raso By Susan & Bob Oliver

Sunday, August 18th 9:00AM: Celesta Miceli 11:00AM: Matthew Novak

By Private Intention By His Wife & Mother

Memorial Gifts Week of August 11, 2024

Α 2 2 0 Ω 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 by Tina Lenzo **For Frank Lenzo**



The Altar Flowers are being offered this week by Mr. & Mrs. Leo Tenaglia For Dr. Francis Saunders



<u>Please Pray for the Sick and</u> <u>Homebound of our Parish Family</u>

Eugene Fortunato, Anna Mottolo, Carole Graves, Mary Ann Dotzler, James Dovle, Richard J. Hurlman, Jean Messina Weber, Thomas Hurlman, Tina Tonorezos, Eileen Debuckey, Tylie Tierney, 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, Suzanne Kastner, Maria Biundo, William Surace, Lorraine Panza, Ronnie Eldridge, Marina Burns, Joseph Campbell, Lance Cooper, John Murphy, John Sullivan, Dennis Chesney, John Seeley & Jean Merolla

Bible Corner	Stewardship Update	
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 August 18,2024 The Twentieth Sunday in	Stewardship Collection July 21st:\$7,054.00Parish Needs621.00Candle Boxes484.00Poor Boxes109.00Mass Count: 411	
Ordinary Time Readings Proverbs9:1-6 Psalms 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58	Help us reach our 2024 Goal!! \$108,738.00 Pledged: \$63,960.00 Paid: \$49,586.20	
Upcoming Events Saturday, August 10th 4:00PM: Confessions	<i>Word of Life</i> "Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we	

Sunday, August 11th

Monday, August 12th 9:30AM: Eucharistic Adoration

(Convent)

<u>Tuesday, August 13th</u>

Wednesday, August 14th 7:00PM: Feast of the Assumption Vigil Mass & Procession 7:00PM: Knights of Columbus

(Parish Center)

<u>Thursday, August 15th</u>

<u>Friday, August 16th</u>

Saturday August 17th 4:00PM: Confessions "Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities 'Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage"

Celebrate Eucharistic Adoration With Us

ST. KEVIN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 45-21 194th Street—Flushing, New York 11358 Parish Parking Lot Located on 195th Street between 45th & 46th Avenues

Every Monday in the Convent Chapel 9:30-4:00 Every Wednesday Evening in the

The First Friday of Every Month in the Church 7:00—8:00

Church 7:00 -8:00

"Come, let us adore H

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



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.



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.

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: August 21st

Email Addresses for the Pastoral Staff

As for the nature of your email, please use one of the following email addresses:

- Fr. Marc Swartvagher (Pastor) MSwartvagher@StKevinFlushing.org
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This Week's Readings | USCCB

The readings chosen by the Church for this Sunday once again speak of God providing for our needs through the transformative power of the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. They invite us to continue reflecting on His gift that, as the Catechism states it, contains the body and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ under the appearances of bread and wine. The Eucharist provides spiritual nourishment and is God's pledge of future glory. It is an essential source of grace and strength that transforms and empowers us to live out our faith with a commitment to love and service to God and people. It is central not only to our lives but also to the life of the Church as it unites us with Christ and one another to become one body, the Church.

In the Old Testament Reading from the First Book of Kings, we learn about a significant time in the life of the prophet Elijah, his struggles, and God's response to his plight. Elijah confronted the false prophets of Baal on Mount Carmel and called for fire from heaven to illustrate the power of the true God. Fearful and despondent, he fled into the wilderness as Queen Jezebel sought to kill him. He falls into despair and cries out: "Enough, Lord! Take my life". But an angel of God brought a hearth cake and a jug of water, woke him from his sleep twice, and pleaded with him to get up to eat. Strengthened by the food, Elijah walked forty days and forty nights to Mount Horeb. The Reading is full of symbolism. Mount Horeb is where Moses encountered God in the burning bush and received the Ten Commandments. It is a reference to God establishing His covenant with His people and a reminder of His call to faithfulness and assurance of His love and grace throughout the journey of faith. The forty days and forty nights reference the forty years the Israelites wandered in the desert after fleeing slavery in Egypt as God tested, purified, and prepared them for the promised land. The Eucharist is the food and drink from heaven that we receive at mass on our journey to be with God.

In the Gospel reading, Jesus used symbolic language that the Jews would have understood when He said He is the bread of life that came down from heaven. He added that the bread is His flesh: "the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51b). The bread and wine in the Eucharist are not merely symbolic. During the celebration of the Eucharist, they are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ while their substance remains.

Finally, in the New Testament reading for today, from the Epistle to the Ephesians, Paul outlines the principles for living a holy life in Christ and how we should conduct ourselves daily. We can acknowledge that there is a place for righteous anger when we see injustices. However, Paul directs us against harboring bitterness, rage, and reviling, as these can lead to malice. Instead, he urges us to show kindness and compassion and be forgiving as we strive to imitate Christ in our lives.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.

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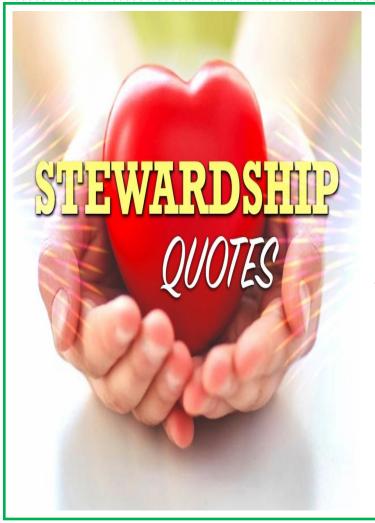
Aug. 16th at 8pm East Coast Chapter Meeting Online contact nyc@mgoretti.org

MGN Maria Goretti Network exists to help survivors of any type of abuse (physical, sexual, mental, emotional, financial, etc.) find support and healing in the spirit of St. Maria Goretti. Abuse is never your fault, and you are not alone. Steps to forgiveness can set you free.

MGN Maria Goretti Network is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) Lay Catholic Apostolate www.mgoretti.org



Pray for those affected by abuse.



"O God, grant that whatever good things I have, I may share generously with those who have not, and whatever good things I do not have, I may request humbly from those who do."

St. Thomas Aquinas

We're Still Here While you're on vacation

Please consider using online giving from your computer or smartphone device to schedule your recurring **Sunday Offertory**

To register open your smart phone camera and scan the QR code or visit our parish online website at:

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StKevinFlushing.Org

SUMMERTIME PLANNED GIVING SUGGESTIONS – PART 3

As we appreciate the summertime pleasures of August, did you know that August is also National Make a Will month? The pleasures of summer in August allow you to spend more time with your family and in the process make family memories that will last generations.

If you do not have a Will, you are not alone. Most folks do not have a Will. As you have heard, a Will is an important document you should have in place to protect the family you are making summer memories with. By having a Will, your property will be passed to your family as you have designated. You will have chosen the person or persons, the Executor, who will see to it that your



instructions are carried out. Most important, if you have children who are minors, you designate the person or persons, the Guardian, who will be responsible to raise your children in the event you and your spouse are not around to do so.

So, as you enjoy the summertime pleasures of August with your family, take some time to be a part of National Make a Will Month. You will find that the process is not difficult and the benefit of having the protection of a Will makes your summertime memories, especially in August, even more enjoyable.

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.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



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

J[∰]J The Legion of Mary

Next Thursday, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the

Our Blessed Mother!

"Jesus honored her before all ages and will honor her for all ages. No one comes to Him, nor even near Him, no one is saved or sanctified, if he too will not honor her. This is the lot of Angels and of men."

Maximilian Kolbe

Let us honor her as well.

What is the the Legion of Mary? We are an apostolate, which means We actively work in the vineyard of the Lord. We meet weekly. Meeting format includes: **Recitation of Rosary & Legion** Prayers, Spiritual Reading, and discussion. Work assignments under the direction of the pastor. Such as... Home visitation of shut-ins; Adult Faith Formation; **Religious instruction.**



And for those who wish to learn more... Consider coming to our Informational Meeting. Thursday, September 12 at 7 P.M. Parish Center Light Refreshments Welcome! "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, and have not received all of your Sacraments?





The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a two-year encountering process designed for adults who freely desire to deepen their relationship with the Living God, and become fully-initiated members of the Catholic Church.



This journey is one of conversion, preparation, and formation which, at the proper time, leads towards the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation; Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.



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!



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

St. Kevin's Family Faith Formation + Religious Education Program provides Religious Instruction for students in grades one through eight who are not enrolled in Catholic School.

WHEN ARE CLASSES?

Classes at St. Kevin's are every Sunday at 9:30am before our 11:00am Family Mass. They are held on a rotation of being in person and remote every other week, and will be starting in September.

HOW DO I REGISTER?

All families must fill out our Registration Form, which can be accessed by scanning the GR code below. In addition to this, families enrolling new students must also send in a copy of that child's Baptismal Certificate with the Church Seal, and immunization record.



WHO NEEDS TO REGISTER?

All families who would like to be part of our Program this fail need to register every year, whether your family is returning from last year, or if your family is new to our Program and enrolling for the first time.

WHAT IS THE REGISTRATION FEE?

The non-refundable Registration Fees for the 2024-2025 year are as follows:

> \$175.00 for one child \$225.00 for two children \$300.00 for three children \$350.00 for four children



Those with any additional questions may contact Ms. Laucella, Director of Faith Formation, at alaucella@stkevinflushing.org or (718) 357-8888, ext. 26



Vote 'NO' on NYS Prop One Nov. 5

This year's election ballot will feature Proposal One, also known as the "Equal Rights Amendment" (ERA) by supporters, which is a proposed amendment to the NYS Constitution. In short, if approved by New York's voters, the poorly written Prop One would make abortion at any stage a state constitutional right and could infringe on parents' rights to make medical decisions for their children, including so-called "gender-affirming" procedures.

Why do we <u>OPPOSE</u> Prop One?

Proposed by the NYS Legislature, Prop One looks to replace already-existing important state protections with a rushed, poorly discussed ban on carefully crafted statutes which already prevent discrimination.

Although already legal, Prop One would make abortion at any stage a state constitutional right. This means if it is approved by the voters and added to the state constitution, it would make it nearly impossible to reverse the decision. After the overturning of Roe v. Wade, progressive states have attempted to force constitutional amendments to enshrine abortion in their state constitutions. These are very dangerous actions that dismiss the right to life.

Additionally, Prop One is currently written to "expand" state constitutional protections, on top of the preexisting federal and state bans on discrimination. Among other things, it includes protecting the rights of people, including minors, regarding sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, and reproductive healthcare in VERY vague terms. This means, if passed, parental rights will be infringed upon, and the New York State government could have authority to make medical or other decisions for your minor children.

The New York State Catholic Conference strongly urges you to vote 'NO' on Prop One this November. Voter approval of this amendment could lead to a permanent assault on the right to life in New York State and parents' rights to make medical decisions for their children.

Get more information about how Prop One will infringe on parental rights: <u>https://</u><u>www.protectkidsny.com/</u>

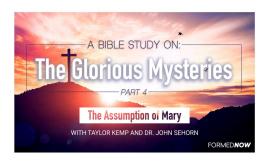
Find Out More

Read the full proposed legislation: https://legislation.nysenate.gov/pdf/bills/2023/S108A

Learn more through an analysis from the Human Life Review: <u>https://humanlifereview.com/new</u>-york-states-equal-rights-amendment-a-revolutionary-camel/

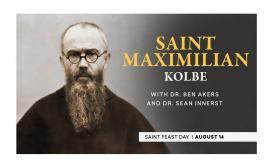


Week of August 11, 2024



A Bible Study on the Glorious Mysteries: Assumption (Part 4 of 5)

What do you know about the Assumption? Join Dr. John Sehorn and Taylor Kemp as they discuss the theology behind this dogma of the faith.



St. Maximilian Kolbe | Catholic Saints

At age twelve, St. Maximilian Kolbe received a vision of Our Lady where he accepted the crowns of both purity and martyrdom, vowing to promote devotion to Mary as the defense against the twentieth century's evils. Join Dr. Sean Innerst and Dr. Ben Akers as they dive into the life of this modern martyr.

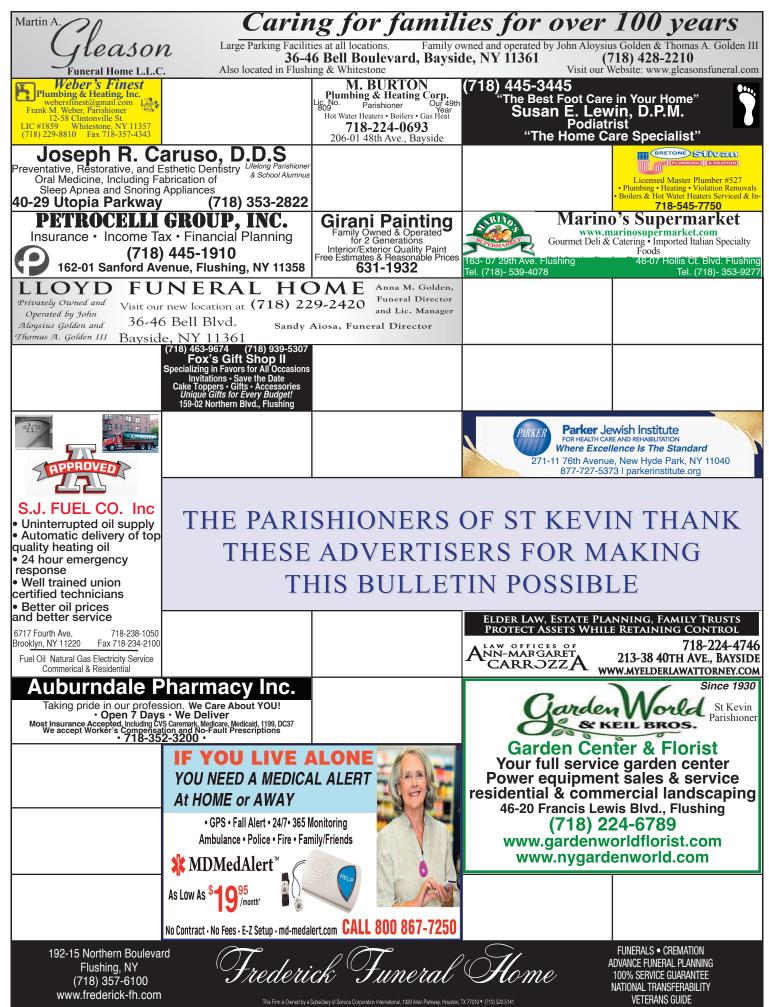


What Do You Seek? | The Search | Episode 1

What is that deep longing in our hearts all about? We're all living for something, and we all strive for that something out there that is ultimately going to make us happy. But what is it? Watch Episode 1 of The Search to begin to answer this question.

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