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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

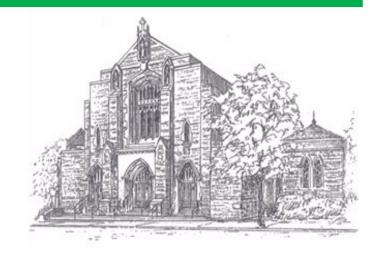
Saturdays - 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by appointment.

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 Chosen People are *holy and dearly loved*. I know that you are neither perfect nor sinless, but you are indeed *holy in My sight*. This is because I see you wrapped in the radiance of My righteousness. As My followers, you are covered with perfect righteousness forever! You are also dearly loved. Let this transformational truth seep into the inner recesses of your heart, mind and spirit. Beloved is your deepest, truest identity. When you look in the mirror, say to yourself, *"I am my Beloved's*." Repeat these four words throughout the day and just before you fall asleep.

Remembering you are perfectly loved by *the King of Glory* provides a solid foundation for your life. With your identity secure in Me, you can relate better to others. I want you to *clothe yourself* with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Work on developing these qualities

in your relationships with other people. The Holy Spirit will help you. He lives in you and delights to live through you—blessing others *and* you.

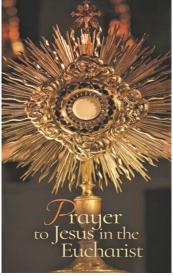
Taken From : "Jesus Always" Written By: Sarah Young



From the Music Director

The Eucharistic Prayer

As we listen to the "Bread of Life" discourse in the Sunday Gospels, it presents an opportunity to delve deeper into the Eucharistic prayer, the summit of the Mass. "The meaning of the Prayer is that the entire congregation of the faithful should join itself with Christ in confessing the great deeds of God and in the offering of Sacrifice" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal 78*). The Eucharistic prayer begins with the preface dialogue and ends with the great amen after the doxology. In it, not only does Christ become present under the forms of bread and wine, but Christ's saving action, his Passion, death, and resurrection are offered to the Father by



Christ himself in the person of the priest, and by all present.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops music guideline, called *Sing to the Lord*, tells us that people are invited to participate in reverence and silence in the Eucharistic prayer, "giving voice to their interior participation by joining in the Eucharistic acclamations." These are the Holy, the Mystery of Faith and the Amen. The guidelines also recommend a unified musical style to frame the Eucharistic prayer, which is why we sing all three from the same Mass setting and change Mass settings for different liturgical seasons.

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

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The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, 2024

ANNOUNCED **MASS INTENTIONS**

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

Sunday, August 18th 9:00AM: Celesta Miceli 11:00AM: Matthew Novak By His Wife & Mother

By Private Intention

Monday, August 19th 9:00AM: Angela DiPaola

By Efigenia Wilbeck

Tuesday, August 20th 9:00AM: Anthony Iapoce

By Jocelyn Reid

Wednesday, August 21st 9:00AM: Monsignor D. Joseph Finnerty By Sam & Joanne Perillo

Thursday, August 22nd 9:00AM: Ethel & Edward Johnston By Pat & John Johnston

Friday, August 23rd 9:00AM: Monsignor D. Joseph Finnerty By St. Kevin Clergy & Staff

Saturday, August 24th 9:00AM: Robert James Lemieux

By Miriam Chen

Saturday, August 24th 5:00PM: The Parishioners of St. Kevin Church Clemencia Mureno By Isabel Kunik Sister Theresa Mary O'Connor **Bv** Eileen Woods **Connie Karosos** By Janet Karwowski

Sunday, August 25th 9:00AM: Felicia Toretto *By Christine & Anthony DiVanna* 11:00AM: Yolanda Paolini By Sue & Dan Freedland

Memorial Gifts Week of August 18, 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 Dementia. and



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

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, 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



Please Pray for the Faithful Departed

> Maureen Woods & **Dominic Tarantino**

May They Rest in Peace

Bible Corner	Stewardship Update	
August 18,2024 The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings Proverbs9:1-6 Psalms 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58	Weekly Offering Stewardship Collection August 11th: \$ 6,305.00 Parish Needs 1,010.00 Candle Boxes 385.00 Poor Boxes 140.00	
August 25, 2024 The Twenty-First	Mass Count: 415	
Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings Joshua 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b	Help us reach our 2024	
Psalms 34: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 Ephesians 5: 21-32	Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 Goal!! \$108,738.00 Pledged: \$63,960.00	
<u>John 6:60-69</u>	DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN Paid: \$50,646.20	

Upcoming Events

Saturday, August 17th 4:00PM: Confessions

Sunday, August 18th

Monday, August 19th 9:30AM: Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, August 20th

Wednesday, August 21st 7:00PM: Eucharistic Adoration

(Parish Center)

(Convent)

Thursday, August 22nd 6:000PM: Build-a Block Meeting (Parish Center)

<u>Friday, August 23rd</u>

Saturday August 24th 4:00PM: Confessions

Sunday, August 25th 11:00AM: Mass of Thanksgiving (Church)

Word of Life

"Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in His infinite mercy. If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God's design that 'the two shall become one' (Mt 19:5)"

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities. "Healing within Marriage from an Abortion" (NABRE 2010 CCD. Used with Permission)

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

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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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- Ms. Amora Laucella (Director of Faith Formation) ALaucella@StKevinFlushing.Org





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This Week's Readings | USCCB

In The Sound of Music, the 1965 movie adaptation of the play with music by Richard Rodgers and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein, a retired naval officer, Captain Georg von Trapp, is portrayed as a complex, stern, emotionally distant disciplinarian who is unapproachable by his children. The Captain runs his household with the same rigidity and meticulousness as his navel ships, enforcing strict rules with an authoritarian demeanor. In The King and I, an earlier Musical by Rodgers and Hammerstein, King Mongkut of Siam is an imposing, powerful, commanding, authoritarian, and autocratic King. For many, the attributes of these two characters recapitulate their view of who God is: an angry, distant, and difficult-to-please father figure. Pause for a moment. Is that the image of God you see?

The Holy Scriptures emphasize God's personal nature and traits, His presence, and His relationship with us. We can read about many examples of God's presence with His people throughout the Old Testament. He was in the Garden of Eden with Adam and Eve, and in the burning bush Moses encountered. He guided the Israelites in the wilderness and revealed Himself through prophets. In the Bible, God expresses love, anger, and sadness. It is important to note that these imageries of God are metaphorical, for He is spiritual and transcendent. God is the Creator and Sustainer of life and the universe. His beautiful creation is a reflection of His glory. God revealed Himself fully through the incarnation of Christ, the Word of God made flesh. As Christians, we come to a deeper understanding of God the Father, who, in Christ, embodies love and our salvation.

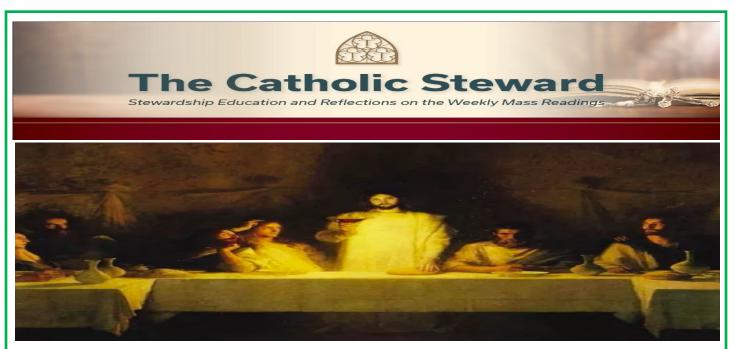
In today's Old Testament Reading from Proverbs, Divine Wisdom is depicted as a person who invites individuals to partake in her offerings. The Reading describes Wisdom as having built a house and prepared a feast, symbolizing the abundance and richness of the knowledge and understanding she provides. It calls us to embrace wisdom so that we advance our understanding. This is another example of God giving Himself to us. Who can turn down this invitation? In the light of Christ in our Gospel Reading for today, wisdom is symbolic of the Eucharist. Wisdom building a house is symbolic of Christ's incarnation. The invitation to eat her food and drink her wine is symbolic of the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus that we are invited to partake in so that we may live

eternally.

God prepares a banquet and invites us to be in communion with Him. His incarnation and sacrifice illustrate the depths of His profound love that is beyond our understanding. He is the Living Bread that leads us to eternal life. The passages for today encapsulate the essence of God's relationship with humanity, inviting all to partake in the life He offers through Christ. Paul, in today's Reading from Ephesians, encourages us to be mindful of how we live, to walk with others in love, to be filled with the Holy Spirit, and to give thanks always in the name of Jesus.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.

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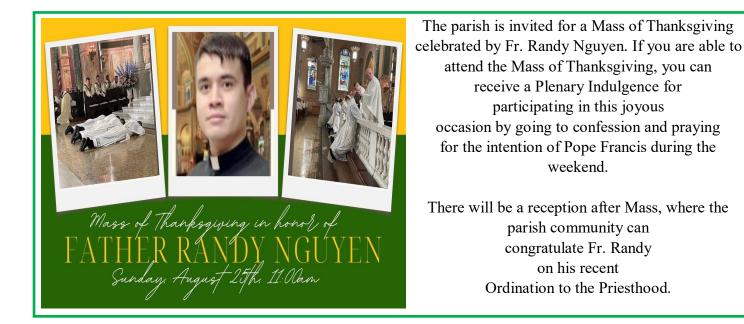
Jesus said to the crowd, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life..." We can hardly blame the crowd for their shock at this statement — eating the Flesh and drinking the Blood of our Lord should cause us a bit of a shock. Yet how easy it is to show up at Mass Sunday after Sunday, receiving the Eucharist as simply part of a weekly routine.

If we really spent time contemplating the gift our Lord is offering us in this sacrament, we would be awestruck at the love and power in this gift. Through it, our Lord is giving us the very best He has to give — Himself. Not even the greatest theological scholar or the holiest of saints can fully understand this mystery.

Thankfully we don't need to be a saint or a scholar to receive this gift. But we should do our best to receive the Eucharist with gratitude. And we can look to today's readings to glean two fundamental principles for becoming better Christian stewards.

The Eucharist is the foundation for a stewardship way of life. Through His gift of the Eucharist, God fills us with His love and strength. This love and strength empower us to live as generous stewards — to be faithful to the ministries we serve in, joyful in material giving, and offer our very best to our families and secular work.

The Eucharist is the ultimate inspiration for a stewardship way of life. When we contemplate this gift of God, we will want to make a joyful return to Him. Mass will become anything but routine and we will live each day as His passionate disciples.





MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

THE CHOSEN

returns to

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center

with SEASON 4!

Thursdays at 7:00 P.M. beginning September 5th. All are welcome!!

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.

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

"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!





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Wednesday, September 4

Morning Screening:

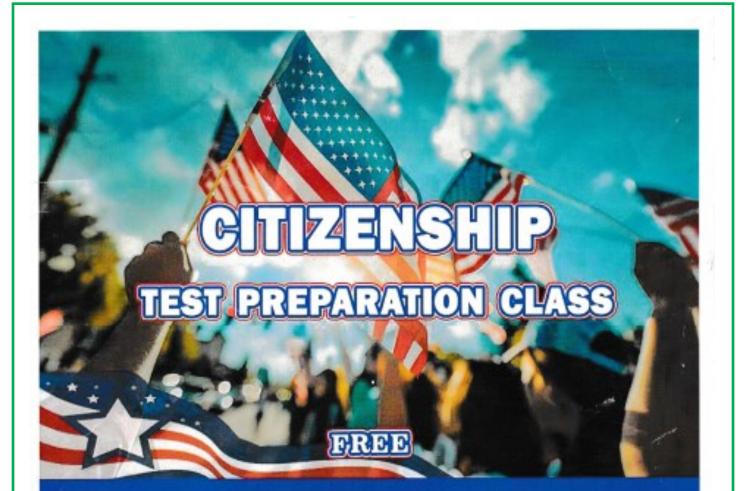
Cafe opens at 9:30 AM; movie starts at 10 AM and ends with discussion and prayer.

Evening Screening:

Movie starts at 7 PM and ends with discussion and prayer.

The screening is free, but please call (929) 357-6700 x205 to register.

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REGISTRATIONS OPEN TO START CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER

CLASSES WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAYS FROM 6:30PM - 8:30PM DURATION OF THE COURSE IS 10 WEEKS.

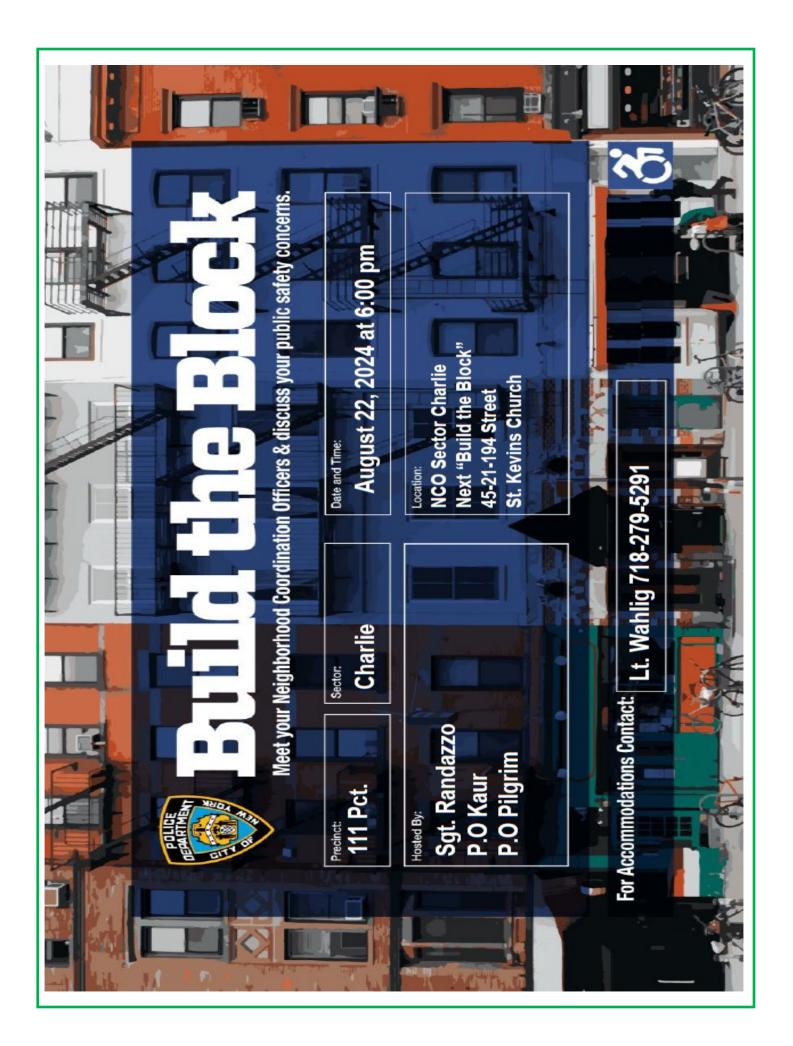
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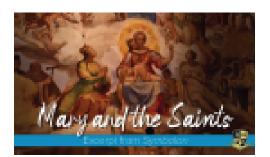
Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

Who was St. Bernard of Clairvaux? In this FORMED Now episode, Dr. Ben Akers is joined by Dr. John Sehorn to discuss this great saint and Doctor of the Church.



The Theological Virtues: Faith

What are the theological virtues and how do they impact our lives as Christians today? How do we grow in them? Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger dive into the theological virtues and discuss their place in God's plan for humanity.

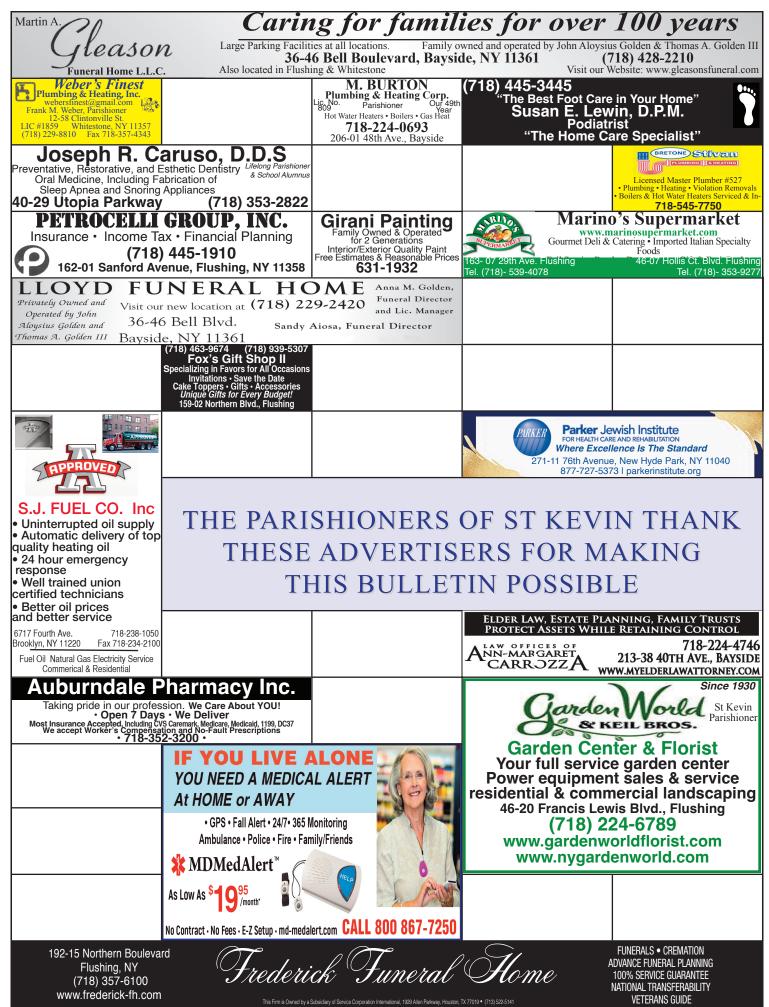


Mary

Jesus gave his mother Mary to us as our spiritual mother, and she intercedes for us in heaven before her Son. By growing in relationship with Mary—and the rest of the saints—we grow in fellowship with Christ.

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