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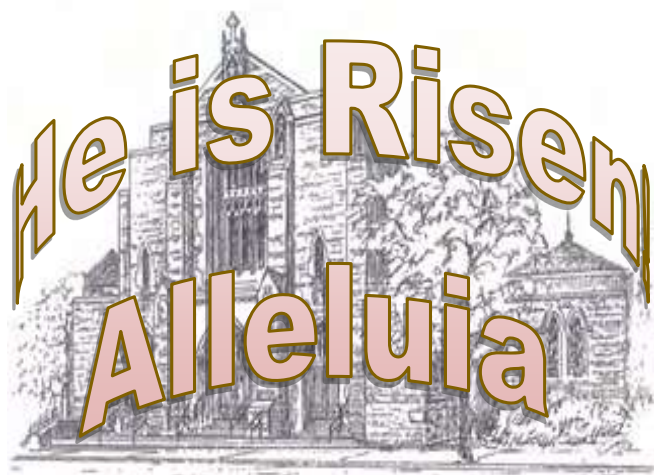
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Rectory Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday

9:00 AM—8:00 PM

Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

9:00 AM—5:00PM

Saturday and Sunday

By Appointment

Devotions

Miraculous Medal (Tuesdays at 9:30 AM)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

(First Sunday of the Month in Church, or otherwise noted,

1:00- 2:00 PM)

(Mondays in the Convent Chapel 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM)

Catholic Cemeteries

For Information and available options, please call
718.894.4888.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 PM

Sunday - 8:00 AM; 10:00 AM; 12:00 PM

Weekday - 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Baptism

Second Sunday of the Month at 1:30 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.



Dear Parishioners,

I would like to first express a sincere word of gratitude for all who contributed to our Easter Collection. While I am not surprised by your generosity, because you always contribute to the good of our parish, but in these times, I have experienced a unified community and for this, I am TRULY thankful! May we all continue to make the Community of St. Kevin Shine!

How many times in our lives have we retracted something we said even if what was said were true? Sometimes the retraction is to ensure ‘peace’, we do not want to ‘ruffle the feathers’ or as we are saying what it is that we were saying seems to be not received well, we stop, and say, “never mind”.

This is what happened to the two disciples who met Jesus on the Road to Emmaus. Jesus appeared to them in the breaking of the bread. Yet, when Jesus left and the disciples returned to the company of the other disciples, they started telling them their experience with Jesus. Simultaneously, the other disciples were telling them that Jesus was with them. Now, we can understand why the two disciples would retract their story because how can Jesus be with them and the others at the same time?

While this seems to be impossible, the art of bilocation, we cannot reduce Jesus, who is God the Son, to time and space. God ascends time and space. Therefore, Jesus can be with me and you at the same time because He is ever-present to His creation. Remember, God is Omnipotent, Omnipresent, Omniscient.

Since it may be easy for us to retract our true story because it may not make sense to someone else, we must fight that temptation and speak the truth whether it may ‘ruffle the feathers’ or upset someone. However, the way we tell that story will often be the reason someone feels offended or shamed. Remember, Christ did not come to condemn the world, but to reconcile it to the Father.

In the Good Shepherd,
Fr. Robert Mema



In the Breaking of the Bread

This hymn was written by Michael Ward, the Drama Desk Award nominated composer who also wrote additional music for *Angels in America (Perestroika)*.

Fr. Rich Andre, C.S.P. says this is his “absolute favorite religious song written since Vatican II. The first verse is told from the perspective of Cleopas and his companion [on the road to Emmaus]: they saw Jesus, but they didn’t truly recognize him,” until...

*At the meal he took the bread
and then he blessed it, broke it, offered it.
In the breaking of the bread, we saw him!
Suddenly our eyes were opened,
and we knew he was alive.*

Fr. Andre continues, “Think of the symbolism of all the various meals Jesus shares in the gospel of Luke. These meals are about courage, compassion, and connection. Even though it’s at least 7 miles back to Jerusalem, and even though it’s nightfall, Cleopas and his companion set off. From that moment of recognizing Jesus, they have courage, and they want to compassionately connect with the other disciples immediately. This Easter season, perhaps you’re not feeling your heart burning within you. Maybe you doubt why we gather every weekend for this breaking of bread. But try to believe, even if you can’t see it. Trust that the Eucharist is the source of courage, compassion, and connection. Ask the Holy Spirit to provide you with those gifts.

The song ends with the story of Pentecost and what we Christians have been called to do every day since” ...

*We took bread as he had done
and then we blessed it, broke it, offered it.
In the breaking of the bread, we saw him!
There within our midst was Jesus,
and we knew he was alive.
In the breaking of the bread, he is here with us again,
and we know he is alive! Alleluia, alleluia!*

Fr. Andre concludes: “Come Holy Spirit, come as a fire and cleanse our hearts! Fill us with courage, compassion, and a desire for connection!”

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REHEARSALS THIS WEEK
Choir – Tues, 4/20 7:45PM
Handbell Choir – Sat, 4/24 3:45PM



**ANNOUNCED
MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, April 17th

5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin**

- Dennis Burke** *By Manny Katranakis*
- Joseph LoGiudice** *By Caterina Puccio*
- Aislynn Clancy Madden** *By The Sugrue Family*
- Teresa McNicholas** *By The O'Neil Family*

Sunday, April 18th

- 8:00AM: **Agnes DeMauro** *By The Deery Family*
- 10:00AM: **Adrianna Ghiozzi** *By The Mosco Family*
- 12:00PM: **Corazon Delfin** *By The Sears Family*

Monday, April 19th

9:00AM: **St. Leon** *By Giuseppina Avallone*

Tuesday, April 20th

9:00AM: **Mary Kachapilly & Family** *By Sister Lilly*

Wednesday, April 21st

9:00AM: **Agnes Billovits** *By Annie & Gerard Picardi*

Thursday, April 22nd

9:00AM: **Marianne Eggers** *By Sue Hardie*

Friday, April 23rd

9:00AM: **Corazon Delfin** *By The St. Kevin Senior Club*

Saturday, April 24th

9:00AM: **Alexander Rocco** *By The Leicht Family*

Saturday, April 24th

- 5:00PM: **People of St. Kevin**
- Miljenko Pantalon** *By Nancy Pantalon*
- Michael D'Alleva** *By Patricia DeMeyere*
- Mary Pauline Heffernan** *By Veronica Gunn*
- Patrick Heffernan** *By Veronica Gunn*
- John Ghingo** *By Veronica Gunn*

Sunday, April 25th

- 8:00AM: **Joseph LoGiudice** *By Diba Asaro*
- 10:00AM: **Deceased Members of the McKeon Family**
By The Hessler Family
- 12:00PM: **The Divine Mercy**

**Memorial Gifts
Week of April 18, 2021**



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 offered this week for **The Intentions of the Donor**



The Easter Flowers are offered throughout the Easter Season by the People of St. Kevin Parish.

There are weekly Memorials available of :

- Bread and Wine (\$25),
- Sanctuary and Altar Candles (\$25);
- The St. Kevin Shrine Lamp (\$25);
- Two Baskets of Flowers (\$150).



Please Pray for the Sick and Homebound of our parish family:

Beatrice and Eugene Fortunato,
Rosanna Prettitore, Margaret Gawley,
Mary Greco, Jennifer Schiff, Andrea Padula,
Marko Rus, Maria Padula, Rita Capello,
Arleen DiCicco, Mericar Maravilla, Laura Beacco,
Maryann Dotzler, Michael Heeran,
Lorraine Panza, Nilda Colon, Winnie O'Grady and
those diagnosed with COVID-19.



Please Pray for our Faithful Departed:

The Victims of COVID-19.

May they Rest in Eternal Peace!



Stewardship Section

The collection total for April 10/11 2021: \$5,145.00
 Mass Count: 393

Don't forget to drop off your April 50/50 envelope along with your stewardship envelope.
 "You got to be in it to win it."

Thank you for your generosity!



Please consider making your weekly stewardship contributions via our electronic giving application.

Please refer to the parish website "Giving" section for more information on how to make your contributions online.



Parish Goal: \$108,738.00
 Pledged: \$71,834.00
 Received: \$58,985.72
 Donors: 98

Your generosity helps the following:

- The formation of future priests;
- Retired Priests;
- Catholic Education;
- Chaplaincy Programs;
- Youth Ministry;
- Catholic Charities;
- Migration Services.

St. Kevin, Pray for Us!
 "In God we Trust!"

Generations of Faith Update

Goal: \$995,000.00 **Pledged:** \$1,211,608.00
of Donors: 340
Rec'd: \$1,123,546.00 **Balance:** \$88,062.00

Thank you SO MUCH!



Announcements/Activities and Upcoming Events



Congratulations to the following students from our parish who have attained Honor Roll Status at The Mary Louis Academy:

Principal's List:

*Valerie Chan, Jennifer Ginnane,
Elizabeth Machalek, and Celina Shoefeld.*

Second Honors:

Sofia Smith

Dear St. Kevin Senior Club Members,

I am happy to announce we will begin meeting again starting Tuesday April 13th. from 1:30 to 4:30pm. We will be following all the COVID-19 restrictions as we did in the past; wearing a mask at all times, taking temperature upon arrival, social distancing at the tables and also by alternating between odd and even tables. One week "EVEN" tables will play, the following week "ODD" tables will play. We will not be serving any refreshments but you may bring your own snack. We are looking very forward to seeing everyone once again. Below is a list of dates and tables playing on that particular date through May 2021.

Thank you, Sam Perillo

April 20, 2021	Odd Tables
April 27, 2021	Even Tables
May 04, 2021	Odd Tables
May 11, 2021	Even Tables
May 18, 2021	Odd Tables
May 25, 2021	Even Tables



Please pray for our Confirmandi who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, April 30th at 7:00PM.

Rehearsal for Confirmation—
Wednesday, April 28th at 7:00PM



Please pray for our first communicants who will receive First Holy Eucharist on Saturday, May 1st at 11:00AM and 2:00PM.

Rehearsal for First Eucharist—
Monday, April 26th at 7:00PM



Please Join the Apostolic Oblates on Sunday, May 2, 2021 at 3:30 PM for a Holy Hour in Honor of Our Lady of Trust.

There will be NO Eucharistic Adoration following the 12:00 PM Mass. Instead, we invite you to the Holy Hour in Honor of Our Lady.



Ways to receive an indulgence during the Year of St. Joseph

Pope Francis has decreed a Year of St. Joseph in which Catholics will have the opportunity to obtain a special plenary indulgence.

Until December 2021, there are many new ways that Catholics can receive an indulgence, including entrusting their daily work to the protection of St. Joseph the Worker or reciting the rosary with their families.

These acts must be accompanied by sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the pope's intentions, the usual conditions to obtain any plenary indulgence.

Plenary indulgences remit all temporal punishment due to sin and must be accompanied by full detachment from sin.

According to the decree issued by the Apostolic Penitentiary on Dec. 8, there are 15 ways to receive an indulgence in the Year of St. Joseph:

- 1) Participate in a spiritual retreat for at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph.
- 2) Pray for St. Joseph's intercession for the unemployed that they might find dignifying work.
- 3) Recite the [Litany of St. Joseph](#) for persecuted Christians. Byzantine Catholics have the option of an Akathist to St. Joseph.
- 4) Entrust one's daily work and activity to the protection of St. Joseph the Worker.
- 5) Follow St. Joseph's example in performing a corporal work of mercy. These include feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless, visiting the imprisoned, visiting the sick, and burying the dead.
- 6) Perform one of the spiritual works of mercy, such as comforting the sorrowful, counseling the doubtful, instructing the ignorant, admonishing the sinner, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving injuries, and praying for the living and the dead.
- 7) Pray the rosary together with one's family in order that "all Christian families may be stimulated to recreate the same atmosphere of intimate communion, love and prayer that was in the Holy Family."
- 8) Engaged couples can also receive an indulgence from praying the rosary together.
- 9) Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer, because St. Joseph "invites us to rediscover our filial relationship with the Father, to renew fidelity to prayer, to listen and correspond with profound discernment to God's will."
- 10) Pray an approved prayer to St. Joseph on St. Joseph Sunday, the Sunday after Christmas in the Byzantine Catholic tradition.
- 11) Celebrate the feast of St. Joseph on March 19 with an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph.
- 12) Pray an approved prayer to St. Joseph on the 19th of any month.
- 13) Honor Joseph with an act of piety or approved prayer on a Wednesday, the day traditionally dedicated to St. Joseph.
- 14) Pray to St. Joseph on the Feast of the Holy Family on [Dec. 27](#).
- 15) Celebrate the feast of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1 with an act of piety or prayer.

ATTENTION!

New Mass Schedule:

Effective JULY 1, 2021
The New Sunday Mass Schedule
will be as follows:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00AM and 11:00AM



“The Market at St. Kevin”

If you are in need of our Food Market please complete the checklist on the parish website the day before so your package is prepared ahead of time. If you cannot complete the checklist online, then a checklist will be at the door. Pick-up will be by the Church entrance on 194th Street (closest to the rectory). If you wish to make a donation, please utilize the large plastic bins located at the elevator door entrance in the church parking lot. If you have any questions please contact: Ms. Agnes Rus at 718.357.8888 ext 16 or email Pastoraloutreach@stkevinflushing.org.

Help those who are in Need—Corporal Work of Mercy
Food/Items for “The Market” can be dropped off any time when the Church and Rectory are opened.

We are in need of the following items:

**Paper Towels, toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner,
Female Personal Hygiene Products,
Baby Products, Baby Diapers, Baby Wipes, Baby Lotion,
Coffee, Tea, Beans, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Corn Oil, and
Non-Dairy Milk, Applesauce, Juice, Sugar, Crackers, Rice,
Jello, Pudding, Cookies, Canned Chicken, Canned Salmon and
Canned Ham.**

The Church is opened daily until 1:30PM
and the Rectory is opened
Monday & Wednesday 9-8PM
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9-5PM

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