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Monday - Thursday

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Friday

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Saturday

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Devotions

Miraculous Medal (Tuesdays at 9:30 AM)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

(First Sunday of the Month in Church, 1:00- 2:30 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 Sisters and Brothers,

Our Lenten Journey is coming to an end! Where did these last five weeks go? How were they spent? Did we fast, pray, and offer almsgiving?

I am sure that this Lent will go down in the books for each one of us as “beyond unique”, “unforgettable” and even perhaps forcing us to “give up” more than we originally planned. Yes, I agree to all of the above. This Lent has been unique all around. But, I truly believe that the Lord has invited us to spend this Lent differently than we have in the past.

I am sure you would agree that every Lent (the same could be said for every day of our lives), seems to me routine. We know Lent is coming, we know we have to give something up or add something to our daily lives which resembles good change and sacrifice, we know we cannot eat meat on Fridays, etc. Lent for us began “normal”. We received our ashes and perhaps began a “new” way of life. Making positive changes. But like all things, time passes and we fall back into our “old ways.” We are creatures of habit. However, the second week of Lent everything turned upside down... Things were no longer “normal” for us! We were “forced” into changing our way of life. We were faced with challenges such as, acclimating from working in the office to at home, while being under the same roof as children trying to learn “distantly;” trying to work, teach, clean, cook and provide for the physical, emotional and mental wellbeing for everyone in the home! This is not even an exhaustive list!

But you see, while we were forced to acclimate, WE DID it... as they say, “We rolled with the punches”. However, those punches seem to be continuing. But hold on and fight the good fight! You see, this week we are about to journey through the ups and downs, the punches and the blows during the life of Jesus Christ. We will see how for the disciples who followed Christ, everything was normal for a time...then everything changed. We have heard these last several weeks that Jesus was foreshadowing the Paschal Mysteries (His Passion, Death, Resurrection and Ascension), and while He was enlightening and preparing them for it, they could not believe it. Until everything begins to change rapidly... Jesus’ teaching of His Passion begins to reveal itself in today’s celebration—Palm Sunday. Jesus enters Jerusalem as the bystanders wave palm branches ushering in the Messiah. In addition, we hear from the Passion Narrative in regards to the passion story...how everything plays out.

So, this week we will embark on a Holy Week like none other! Things have changed, our sense of normalcy has drastically changed, our “Holy Week routines” are different...NO CHURCH! That is beyond comprehension! But this is what needs to be done to ensure your safety!

Take a look at the passion story. Yes while the life of the disciples changed rapidly, it was no longer the status quo, but fear, uncertainty and death is not the end of the story...NO! Life is...hence Easter Sunday. I am sure you have heard, “You cannot have Easter Sunday without having Good Friday”. In our current situation, we cannot have a better life without first removing those things that seem to no longer be important. I am convinced we will rise from this situation changed for the better—we have recognized what is important: family, friends, health, social interactions and Church!

Know we are here for you and we cannot wait to JOYFULLY greet you when our new normal, that being when we can live out the way this current situation has changed us, becomes a reality.

Please visit our website for our Holy Week Schedule, which we will broadcast on our Facebook page, then upload it to our website. In addition, for those of you who have an Amazon Music subscription, Mr. Steven Vaughan, our Music Director, created a playlist for Holy Week as he did for Lent. Please utilize this hyperlink to access the playlist: https://music.amazon.com/user-playlists/c9161ab424564d98b98b12fded75fed8sune?ref=dm_sh_IW1BIEsIg0u5LYr9WaOA7QByG. You can also visit our Facebook page and click the link.

Stay well and know of our love and support!

In the Good Shepherd,

Fr. Robert Mema



**ANNOUNCED
MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, April 4th

People of St. Kevin Parish
Jan Grabarz
John Riordan
Patrick Casey

Sunday, April 5th

Those enrolled in the Parish Purgatorial Society
Frank Lenzo
Michael E. Stroligo

Monday, April 6th

Vivian Ollari

Tuesday, April 7th

Carmella Avallone

Wednesday, April 8th

Antoinette Verrilli (Birthday)



Thursday, April 9th

Mass of the Lord's Supper
People of St. Kevin Parish

Friday, April 10th

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 11th

Morning Prayer



Saturday, April 11th
Easter Mass Remembrance

Sunday, April 12
Easter Mass Remembrance



**Memorial Gifts
Week of April 5th, 2020**



The **Bread & Wine** are given this week in **Loving Memory of Florence, Maryann and John Manzolino.**



The **St. Kevin Shrine Lamp** will burn this week for the **Intentions of the Donor.**



The **Sanctuary Lamps** will burn this week in **Loving Memory of Ann Daly.**



The **Altar Candles** will burn this week in **Loving Memory of Ann Daly.**

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 come to or call the rectory.

Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish:

Eugene Brady, Connie Karosos,
Barbara Digrugilliers, Elizabeth Sheridan,
James Lana Sr., David Furst, Dorothy Carroll,
Eileen, Grace Plank,
Rosanna Prettitore, Lucy Petretti,
Gloria Diminich, Katrina McGrath,
Joseph Thorsen, Michael Antonucci and
those affected by the COVID-19 Virus.



Please Pray For the Faithful Departed
Rev. Jorge Ortiz, Edward Velasquez, Maria Urbaites
and Thomas Hannigan.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in Peace. Amen*

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