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Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon
Daily Mass:
Monday to Saturday: 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Penance

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Church: 1st Sunday of the month, 1:00 - 2:30 PM
Convent: Every Monday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Devotion

Miraculous Medal: Tuesdays at 9:30 AM

Catholic Cemeteries

For information and available options please call
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July 24, 2016

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends,

This week Pope Francis will join young people from around the world in Poland for World Youth Day. St. John Paul II held the first such gathering in 1986, and it has become a regular gathering of the Holy Father with Catholic youth to encourage them to give witness to their faith in Jesus Christ. Many vocations have been fostered at World Youth Day, and countless people have been inspired by the message of the Pope and the example of the young people who participate. Between 30,000 and 40,000 youth and young adults from the United States are anticipated to make the journey to Poland for the event, including about 400 young people from Brooklyn and Queens. Our seminarian, José Díaz, will be among the World Youth Day pilgrims. We pray for a safe journey for all the participants from around the world, and for many blessings and graces to be showered upon World Youth Day 2016!

A young priest from Australia will visit St. Kevin next weekend. Fr. Peter Zwaans is a priest of the Archdiocese of Adelaide; he was a student at the North American College when I was on the faculty there. Please join me in welcoming Fr. Peter if you have a chance to meet him during his visit.

On Monday, July 25th, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. James. Along with his brother, the Beloved Apostle, John, James was among the first disciples; he was summoned by Jesus while fishing with his father, Zebedee, at the Sea of Galilee, and soon became a fisher of men and women. Peter, James and John were often chosen by Jesus to be with him at special moments, including His Transfiguration and the Agony in the Garden. St. James suffered martyrdom under King Herod in Jerusalem, and is known as the first Apostle to be put to death. His remains were brought to Compostela in Spain, where he is venerated to this day by many pilgrims who make the journey by foot from many miles away. He is the Patron of our diocesan Cathedral-Basilica on Jay Street in Brooklyn. *St. James the Greater, pray for us!*

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend John J. Costello
Administrator

Please Pray For: those who are ill: Michelina Cappuccilli, Raymond McGowan, Marie Russo, Isabella Ieraci, Patrick Raso, Frank Kozar, Gustavo Hermosilla, Bridget Kunz, Sean O'Leary, **and those who have died:** Jap Djaafar.

FAITH FORMATION

Agnes Rus, AO, Director of Faith Formation
45-50 195th Street
718-357-8110, ext. 3
Rosaria Surace, Secretary

ABLAZE YOUTH MINISTRY

Meg Fraino, Youth Minister
Grades 9 through 12, meets every Friday night at 7 P.M. in the St. Kevin Room of the rectory. Contact Meg at stkevin.ablaze@gmail.com or 845-290-2366.

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BAPTISM (Infants):

Second Sunday of the month at 1:30 P.M. (except during Lent). Please call the rectory for an appointment at least a month in advance.

R.C.I.A.:

For adults seeking the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Please call the Faith Formation Office for information.

MARRIAGE:

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.

Today, Sunday, July 24th, is the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings for today's Mass begin at #978 in the Hymnal.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 23rd

5:00 Rose T. Caruso (3rd Anniversary)

Sunday, July 24th

8:00 Luis Del Jesus

10:00 Marina B. Mendez

12:00 Michael J. Woods

Monday, July 25th

9:00 Cleante A. Pimpinella

Tuesday, July 26th

9:00 James Wrynn

Wednesday, July 27th

9:00 Domenico Lamonaca and
Lorenzo & Carmela Giuliano

Thursday, July 28th

9:00 Elizabeth, Grace & Geraldine Young

Friday, July 29th

9:00 Antonia Defilips

Saturday, July 30th

9:00 Angelo Tripodi
Martin Heraty

Saturday, July 30th

5:00 Josephine Tarantini

Sunday, July 31st

8:00 Theresa Connelly

10:00 David Daly

12:00 Mary, Edward & Charles Kast

Jubilee Year of Mercy

At St. Kevin, we have added an additional hour of confessions on Sunday after the 8:00 AM Mass.

Also, on the First Sunday of the month, during Eucharistic Adoration, a priest will be available for confessions from 1:00 to 2:30 PM.

Experience the love and mercy of God!

Save the Date

**Sunday, July 31st
Girl Scout Blood Drive
8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
St. Kevin Parish Center**

Did you know that the supply of blood is usually critically low in the summer months. Please help! Come and donate blood and save lives.

Anyone who donates blood at the Girl Scout Drive will receive two (2) free tickets to a Mets game. The Girl Scouts of St. Kevin Church thank you so very much for your support!



Annulments

Bishop DiMarzio has directed that the fees formerly requested by our diocesan Tribunal for annulments be eliminated. Those seeking information about marriage annulments should contact the Tribunal at 718-229-8131.

Memorial Gifts



The gifts of the ***Bread and Wine*** have been donated in loving memory of ***Michael J. Woods***.

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





Mission Trip

The Nicaraguan Mission Group will be leaving St. Kevin on August 20th to spend a week in Managua and Diramba Nicaragua. They will be working with orphaned children and young adults.

The Team is asking for your support in helping them secure all the necessary supplies needed to ensure the success of the Mission Trip. Here are some details:

- The items should be **new or, in the case of clothing, so gently used they appear new.**
- The people of Nicaragua are more modest in their dress.
 - 1) ***For adults—no shorts, sleeveless tops or bare midriffs;***
 - 2) Small children—no problem.

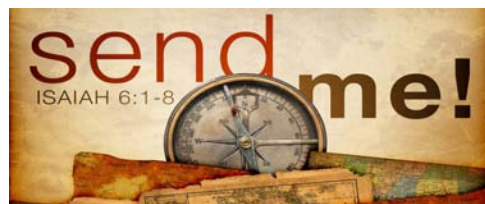
Items Needed

Spring and Summer clothing for ages 2 to adult
 Shoes and sneakers for small boys, sizes 13 and 14
 Boys and girls underwear (all sizes)
 Sheets for twin beds
 Towels
 Medications for colds
 First aid items, bandages, band aids (cuts & scrapes)
 Tooth paste & tooth brushes
 Work gloves

The Team will be available to accept your generous donations only on their “Packing Night” which is scheduled for:

**Tuesday, August 9th
 St. Kevin Parish Center
 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.**

For information, please contact Margaret at 718-461-7128.



Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

Responsibilities include:

- 1) Every last Sunday of the month, gather all the food from the bins at each exit of the Church after the 12:00 Mass;
- 2) Contact St. Gerard Majella parish before transporting food to confirm delivery;
- 3) Meet designated person for the food pantry at St. Gerard rectory and deliver the food through either the front or back of their rectory office.

Please consider volunteering for the food pantry delivery ministry. We need your help and would greatly appreciate it.

To volunteer please contact the rectory office at 718-357-8888 or jose@stkevinflushing.org.

The next Food Pantry Collection is next weekend, July 30th and July 31st.

Summer Travelers!

If you are travelling over the summer and would like to find the nearest church and Mass times, you can call **1-858-209-6277** or go to the website: **www.Masstimes.org**. This is a free service.

Challenging God

Ancient Judaism held in highest regard those figures in its tradition who were willing to challenge God. This was particularly characteristic of the two patriarchs most highly esteemed, Abraham and Moses. This boldness in addressing God is present in today's story from Genesis, when Abraham attempts to save the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. This resonates with the Gospel passage—the Lord's Prayer—since it was truly bold of Jesus to address the Lord God as "Abba." Our familiarity with this prayer most likely makes us unaware of this.

The boldness of Abraham, Moses, and Jesus in addressing God is an expression of a deep, intimate relationship. We tend to argue most heatedly with and speak most tenderly to those whom we love the most. This very human trait is what generates the wide variety of emotions expressed toward God throughout the psalms. Hopefully our own relationship with God is intimate enough that we don't come to Him only asking for favors or with heads bowed meekly, but also ready to question and argue, to praise joyfully, and to embrace our relationship with God lovingly.

Lord, teach us to pray.

High School Honor Rolls

The following young parishioners achieved Honor Roll status during the past marking period:

Holy Cross:

Justus Acosta, Nicholas Arias, Jeremy Astudillo, Christopher Burns, James Byrne, Dylan Churchill, Joseph Diez, Anthony Evangelou, Marco Ghiozzi, Sebastian Kuba, John Kundmueller, Brian Machalek, Kerry Mavroukas, Justin Morgan, Ryan Murray, Michael Patrizzo, Jr., Anthony Rakitzis, Erik Santiago, Rakesh Sudnagunta, Edgardo Zelaya.

St. Agnes

Megan Burns

The Mary Louis Academy

Julia Bonanno, Britney Creamer, Sabrina Ghiozzi, Katherine Harnett, Samantha Kane, Kaitlyn Kundmueller, Breanna Moffatt, Meagan Murray, Alexis Russell.

Congratulations to all!

St. Kevin Senior Club News



We have scheduled a trip to Rocking Horse Resort in upstate New York for September 12th through 16th. The cost is \$609 per person/double occupancy and includes round-trip transportation, three full meals a day, a cocktail hour, all activities and gratuities. For information or reservations please call Joan at 718-463-4018.



50/50 Drawing

Please place your July 50/50 envelope (that you received in your monthly envelope package), with your \$5 donation, in the collection basket or drop it off at the Rectory. Extra envelopes are located at the doors of the church (please write the month on the envelope). Envelopes must be received by 12:00 Noon on the last day of the month.

Thank you for your support of St. Kevin Church!!

Thank You!

St. Kevin Nicaraguan Mission Team

Father Paul Kim, Margaret Brower and the entire St. Kevin Mission Team wish to express their gratitude to the people of the parish for their generosity last weekend. The team was able to raise \$1,960.27 for the abandoned and disabled babies and children of the Mustard Seed Communities in Nicaragua. Thank You!

If you would still like to make a donation to benefit the young ones in Nicaragua, that would be wonderful! Cash or checks, made out to Mustard Seed, should be put in an envelope marked "For the Mission Team" and placed in the Sunday collection baskets.

The Mission will be August 20th to 27th. Please keep the Team in your prayers!

2016 Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to those parishioners who have already sent in their pledges to the 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal!

Diocesan Assigned Goal:.....\$96,000.00
Pledged as of 7/18:.....\$78,520.00
\$ in Hand as of 7/18:.....\$65,674.00
of Pledges as of 7/18:.....249

If you have not yet made your pledge to the 2016 ACA, pledge forms are available at the doors of the Church. You can either mail them directly into the diocese or place them in the collection baskets.

Thank you for your support of St. Kevin Church!

*A Diocesan Pilgrimage
with Bishop DiMarzio*

*The Holy Doors of
Rome, Assisi and the Holy Land
In the Jubilee Year of Mercy*

Italy Portion—September 15 – 23, 2016

Optional Holy Land Extension

September 23 – 29, 2016

Rome and Israel portions may be booked together
or as separate pilgrimages.

For a Brochure call Susan 1-800-842-4842

Stewardship Thought

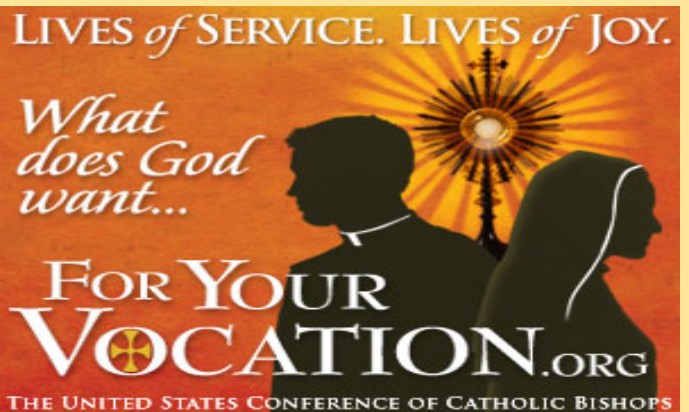
Today's Gospel parable speaks to generosity. In the deep of night, a sleepy friend responds to his neighbor's request for food for an unexpected guest. Jesus suggests that it would be unthinkable that a friend would deny a friend in need. A friend would most certainly give what is asked and more. Through this story, Jesus illustrates God's generosity. Good stewards realize the extraordinary love and graciousness with which God showers us. We need never convince God to be generous. God is already that generous friend. His abundant love bathes us in goodness. This week, prayerfully reflect on God's generosity and what our response should be to that generosity.

*Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.*

Psalm 138

Weekly Offerings

July 10, 2016.....\$7,435.50



"Give us this day our daily bread." Are you being called to help feed the people of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? If you are discerning a religious vocation, you are invited to call the rectory (718-357-8888) to speak with one of the parish priests. You may also call the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul
"My Car Went To Heaven"

For every car, truck or van, running or not, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to St. Kevin Church \$50 or \$100 per vehicle.

Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected one in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 718-491-2525 and make sure that you give them St. Kevin's name. Thank you!

Feast Day of Saint Rocco

Our Lady of the Snows Church (258-15 80th Avenue, Floral Park) will celebrate the Feast Day of St. Rocco on **Sunday, August 14th**, beginning at 3:00 P.M. with Novena & Procession followed by Mass at 5:00 P.M. Archbishop Bernardito Auza, Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations, will be the main celebrant. Fellowship will follow the Mass in the White Room.

Please contact Luz at 718-217-9424 for information or email: sanroque_ols@yahoo.com

A School Year Highlight from St. Kevin Catholic Academy!



Who says school isn't all fun and games? Above, 2nd grade teacher, Ms. Rohde, plays with the children on one of the last days of school! Towards the end of the school year, the theme in her class was A to Z Countdown, this happened to be Day "G" which was Game Day!

They took a break from class instruction to play educational board games!

Some of the other days included "Popcorn Day," "Thank You Day" and "Under the Stars Day!"

Nursery through 8th grade seats still available.

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 for more information about St. Kevin Catholic Academy!

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