



NOTE *the* DATE

december

- 3 Mass & St. Nikolaus Party**
Kolping 88th Street
- 3 First Sunday of Advent**
Prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas.
- 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception**
Celebrates Mary's conception without sin.
- 25 Christmas Day**
Celebrate the birth of Christ.
- 26 January Bulletin**
Last day to submit materials.

january

- 1 The Solemnity of Mary**
A celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus.
- 6 The Feast of the Epiphany**
Celebrates the visit of the three wise men to the Christ Child.

The Kolping Bulletin staff would like to wish all of our members a blessed Christmas and a healthy & happy New Year!



DECEMBER

Christmas Party & St. Nikolaus Day

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD

Please join your Kolping Family for this special annual event. Mass is scheduled for 10am at the Kolping House, 165 East 88th Street, NYC. Luncheon and visit from St. Nick will follow.
\$25 adults, \$12 children 12 and under.
Please RSVP to Joan (kolpingny@gmail.com) or leave a message at 914 432 2535.)

LONG TIME MEMBERS AWARDS PRESENTED

65 YEAR: **Leonard Vallender**

Len joins other 65-year plus members including: Albert Sartorius and John Noonan (joined in 1949), Norbert Dengler (1950), Bernard Dengler (1952), Reinhold Stehle and Albert Buchholz (1954) and Valentine Sartorius (1958). Congratulations gentlemen and thank you for your faithfulness to our Society.

50 YEAR: **Martin Povilonis**

The other members of the 50 year club (but not yet 65) include: Bernie Preisser, Manfred Gallwitz, Walter Weigand, Robert Hersam, Luitgard Nieshalla, Anita Buchholz, Karl Buckel, Willie Dunz, Catherine Ferrero, Manfred Gallwitz, Ann Hemsing, Bob Hemsing, Jim Minarik, Alfonse Preisser, Dieter Schmitt, Ronald Seelbach, Hubert Specht, Ferdinand Zipprich and Gerhard Zoeller.

25 YEAR:

Ingrid Franz, Jen Ahrens Scheuermann, Franziska Schmidt, and Frank Weigand



MISSION STATEMENT: We, the members of the Catholic Kolping Society of America, extend the vision of our founder, Blessed Adolph Kolping, by promoting the development of the individual and family; we foster a sense of belonging and friendship through our program of spiritual, educational, charitable and social activities.

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Everyone could use the power of prayer now and again. If you or anyone you know is in need of prayer, please let us know and we will be happy to include them within the "in our prayers" list. Please contact Joan Smyth Dengler (914-432-2535) or email kolpingny@gmail.com when you know of a member who is ill, in the hospital, or has passed away. We want to be sure to remember them.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN DECEMBER

Daniel Allen, Barbara Beirne, Laura Beyrer, Donna Boeschl, Julianna Buckley, Karen Cleveland, Stacy Connolly, Richard Conticello, Eric Criscuolo, Sean Crowley, Father Pier Giorgio Dengler, Justin Dengler, Kathleen Ferony, Holly Ferris, Kathleen Fuchek, Sharon Gallo, Gail Gleason, Greta Grossmann, Bridget Horan, Jennifer Horan, Michael Horan, Lisa Houlihan, John Joyce, Katelyn Krupa, Kelly Krupa, Irene Leili, Stefan Manz, Alexandra McGill, Stephen McGuire, Amanda Mersits, Peter Mersits, James Minarik, Edward Monks, Sabrina Ostroff, Megan Prokopiak, Brian Rafford, Andrew Reitter, Charles Roberts, Erik Severin, Charles Smith, Rob Soucy, Patrick Tandy, John Unger, Alfred E. Vogl, Jr., Adam Ward, Debra Weigand, and Michael Weinborg.

SPECIAL DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Special birthday wishes go out to **Peter Mersits, Ed Monks** and **John Unger**.

If you know someone celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary, please let us know so we can include it in the Bulletin. Please email Joan Smyth Dengler at kolpingny@gmail.com.

FROM LOU COLLETTI, NATIONAL TRUSTEE

National Raffle

Please don't forget to purchase your Raffle Tickets & send to our National Administrator, Pat Farkas
Drawing: Wednesday, December 6, 2023

1st Prize \$1,500

2nd Prize \$1,000

3rd Prize \$500.00

National Kolping Convention

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE: Starting Friday, September 6, 2024 in St. Louis, Missouri.

Thank you to both our Kolping NY, Members, Natasha Brugger (far left) & Mia Steigerwald Steigerwald (far right) for being on the National Kolping Convention Committee. We appreciate their efforts and hard work, and that of the other Members of the Committee.



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NEWS & NOTES

KOLPING SKI TRIP 2024

DATES: Friday to Sunday, March 8-10 (that's the week after our Annual Meeting)

WHERE: Mount Snow, Vermont

Watch your email for details.

ADVENT PROJECT

Our Advent project this year will be assisting our Praeses' Father Bretone in his parish upstate. More details will be shared at the Christmas party.

DUES FOR 2024

The new year is almost upon us and you can get a head start on your to do list by mailing in your Kolping membership dues.

The rates for 2024 are:

- \$140 Family (husband, wife and children under 18)
- \$105 Individual
- \$40 Student

Checks should be payable to **Catholic Kolping Society** and mailed to one of our Kolping Houses or directly to Secretary Joan Dengler at 7 Ganung Drive, Ossining, NY 10562. If you missed your 2023 dues, please enclose them as well.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Kolping Board of Directors provide tremendous leadership both guiding the Society and actually running specific events. The St. Nickolaus celebration is run by a subset of the Board. We're looking for one or two Kolping members to join this team and share their time and talent with the Society. If interested, please reach out to Joan (kolpingny@gmail.org/914-432-2535) for more information.

"I'M NOT GETTING KOLPING EMAILS!"

If you're not getting the emails and you'd like to, please send an email to Joan Dengler at KolpingNY@gmail.com with this message in the subject line. In the body of the message, tell us your name so we can update our list. Be sure to check your spam folders and to add us to your address book (kolpingny@gmail.com).

ATTENTION PHOTO TAKERS

We are always looking for pictures of our members and friends participating in Kolping events. If you have any photos that you think would be nice for the Bulletin, email them to Ingrid at ingrid22@optonline.net. Please include the date and name of the event.

JOIN OUR LINKEDIN PAGE

We invite all members to connect with us on LinkedIn—a particularly good tool for job seekers. We strongly encourage all of our young members and anyone in the job market to create a profile and build your network. If you already have a presence on LinkedIn, please connect to Kolping today! Find us here: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/kolpingnewyork>

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

If you or someone you know have any questions regarding sponsoring a new member, checking the status of an existing application, application process, dues, membership status, or questions about the Society as a whole, please contact membership@kolpingny.org.

OUR HOLY FATHER'S DECEMBER 2023 INTENTION

FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation..

MORE KOLPING NEWS AND NOTES



SCHOLARSHIP ACTIVITY

Saint Ignatius School scholarship awards were made in October to assist eight scholars from SIS/Nativity.

We request your prayers for these students as they further their education in outstanding Catholic institutions and consider their post-secondary futures.

(Pictured: Gerhard Schmitt with some of the scholarship recipients)



We are grateful to the Catholic Kolping Society for its generous \$3,200 gift to St. Ignatius School to be distributed to the eight designated students in the amount of \$400 each. Their contribution embodies the Jesuit ideal that we strive to instill in our students every day at SIS—to be men and women for others.

The Foundation's support is critical as we welcome a larger incoming class in the new 2023-2024 academic year. Over the summer, our students participated in another successful Summer Leadership Program in Lake Placid, NY. This was a vital component of their SIS journey, where they enhanced their academic and leadership skills in a collaborative environment. Additionally, SIS alumni in our Graduate Support Program attend 50 competitive high schools in the Sri-state area and 77 colleges and universities across 11 states. This generous gift from Catholic Kolping Society immediately impacts each of our students by supporting them in middle school, high school, and college. Through our 11-year program, we strive to empower students in the South Bronx to become their best selves by creating a safe and nurturing community that fosters intellectual, spiritual, and social growth.

On behalf of all of us at SIS, please be assured that we are enormously grateful for their donation today and always. Their support ensures that we can continue to fulfill our commitment to our students, as we have been doing for the past 28 years.

Sincerely,

Glen Gregario
Director of Advancement & School Operations

We are incredibly grateful
to the Catholic Kolping
Society for their steadfast
support!
-GG

Dear Catholic Kolping Society,

Thank you for all that you do
It is an honor to be chosen for the
2023 New York Kolping High School
Scholarship awards.

I want to thank you for your generosity
in funding this scholarship. It is a very
big help to me financially, especially in
these very rough times. Thank you so
much again.

From
~ Julianna Sharver

Dear President Schmitt,

I am writing to express my gratitude for
the Catholic School Scholarship from the Kolping
Society. The \$2,000 dollar scholarship is a tremendous
support, lightening the financial load on my family
and inspiring me to excel. Being recognized by
the Kolping Society is an honor and I am
committed to upholding our Catholic values
at Iona Prep

Sincerely,
Aidan Beirne

KOLPING-ON-CONCOURSE MASS AND LUNCHEON

A huge thank you to all the Catholic Kolping Society members for joining us at the Memorial Mass and Luncheon on November 5, 2023. The kitchen staff led by Chef Clarivel Perez, put out a delicious feast that was enjoyed by 31 members. They didn't stop there. Clarivel, Hector, Melissa and Tiffany, then put their running shoes on and served 70 residents a delicious meal. Kolping on Concourse is truly a hidden gem in The Bronx! We hope to see you next year!

—Treu Kolping, KellyMoeller, Manager, Kolping on Concourse

*Catholic Kolping Society New York
Memorial Mass, November 5, 2023
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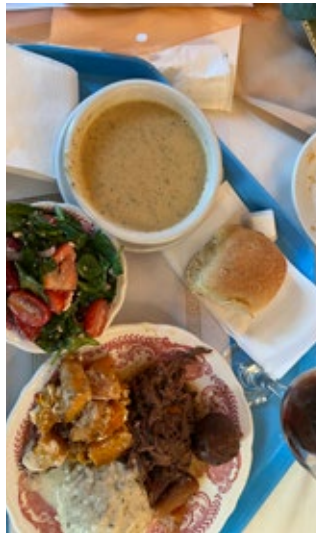
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Kolping on Concourse Residents

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*May our members and residents
Rest in Eternal Peace.*



KOLPING NEW YORK PARTNERSHIP WITH BOY SCOUT TROOP 36

On Saturday October 28th, Troop 36 helped us put away all picnic tables and benches at Kolping-on-Hudson in Montrose. They were very helpful and enjoyed their time on our beautiful place on the Hudson.

Thank you,
Frank Kurcz



CONQUER KID'S CANCER

Our good friend, member **Steve Lovasz** is taking the challenge once again with St. Baldrick's Foundation. If you can pitch in with his effort, please make your donation online at StBaldricks.org or by phone at 888.899.2253.

Email kolpingny.org if you'd like us to send you a form to send your gift in the mail. Stephen's participant number is 1129832 and it's event E-1.

Let's come together and do our part for this worthy goal.

