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.

March

Annual Meeting

Please join us!

Mass, Lunch, Annual Elections & General Meeting

All members are requested to join together on Sunday March 3, 2024

We will convene for German Mass at 10:00 am:
St. Joseph’s Church, 404 East 87th Street, NYC

Lunch and meeting will begin at 12 noon:
Kolping House, 165 East 88th Street, NYC

Please come together with your Kolping family for the annual meeting of our general membership. This is our opportunity to set the course for our Kolping Society in the coming year. Hear reports, pose questions, vote for the members who will serve on our Board of Directors for the coming term. If you’re interested in serving on the Board, reach out to one of the Directors listed here in the bulletin.

A scrumptious Sauerbraten lunch will be provided.
$25 adults, $12 children 12 and under.

Please RSVP to Joan (kolpingny@gmail.org or leave a message at 914 432 2535.)
MILESTONES & PASSAGES

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 MARCH

SPECIAL MARCH BIRTHDAYS:
Special birthday wishes go out to Stephen Lovasz and Gail Prager.

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.

KOLPING AND VOCATIONS
Catholic Kolping Society New York has a project directed to supporting young people who would like to explore a trade. College is only one path and it is sometimes difficult to know where to begin to explore other options. Father Kolping worked as a shoemaker before becoming a priest and he thoroughly understood the challenges and satisfactions of being a craftsman. When he opened his first Kolping House it was to support young people as they moved away from their childhood homes to work in trades and become independent. Funded by a generous legacy gift, the Kolping Occupational and Vocational Apostolate project contributes to defray the employer’s cost of training a young person who is endeavoring to enter a particular vocational training and learn new skills. A KOVA grant is a one-time payment to help encourage an employer to take the extra time and energy of investing in training the next generation. Applications are considered on a rolling basis. Persons interested in KOVA (employer or trainee) should email kolpingny@gmail.com. Inquiries will be forwarded to the KOVA committee for consideration.

THANK YOU!
Thank you Bettina Elstroth & Corey Fenton for your very generous gift to Kolping on Hudson.
Thank you Chris & Anna Buckley for sending a gift along with your dues.

KOLPING-ON-HUDSON FOR PARTY RENTALS
Keep KOH in mind for parties next year. Our dining room is both beautiful and versatile.
THE GERMAN SOCIETY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

The German Society of the City of New York welcomes new members. We hold quarterly members’ luncheons including a mini-concert, a delicious lunch, singing, and German conversation with friends old and new. We provide assistance and support with German pension applications/trouble-shooting; proof-of-life forms; referrals to professionals; probate matters (wills, estates, inheritance issues); tenant/landlord advice; liaison with nursing homes, assisted living, home health care, hospital social work departments, German Consulate and more.

Please call 212 360 6022 or email bfox@germansocietyny.org.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Family: $140 • Individual: $105 • Student: $40
50-year members: paid up forever!

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR DUES FOR 2024. 148 members have already submitted their dues for this year—thank you for your promptness. Your membership cards are on their way to you.

Note that if you didn’t get last year’s dues paid, you should send that along with this year’s payment so that your membership in the Society continues. Our very modest dues payments combined with the savings and contributions of generations of members keeps our Catholic Kolping Society New York operating at all three of our locations—Montrose, the Concourse and 88th Street.

Pay your membership dues by April 1st to avoid any late charges. Send your check made out to Catholic Kolping Society and mail it to: Joan Dengler, Kolping, 7 Ganung Dr, Ossining, NY 10562

LOOKING FOR LIFEGUARDS

Summer is coming soon even if it doesn’t feel like it today. We often have jobs available at Kolping on Hudson for certified lifeguards. If you or one of your children are interested, please reach out to Tracie Truncellito at kohmanager95@gmail.com

ARE YOU GETTING YOUR 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

Connect with us on LinkedIn—a particularly good tool for job seekers. We 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

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

Use it as a source to get Kolping updates throughout the month or a place to share photos with your Kolping friends.

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 MARCH 2024 INTENTION

FOR THE NEW MARTYRS

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.
For our 2024 Lenten Project we will again partner with our brothers and sisters in Kolping Families in Kenya.

Do you want to make a difference in the world? Can you find $1 to share with a Kolping brother or sister? Kolping’s Lenten Project this year is again designed to help some of our Kolping brothers and sisters rise from poverty to self-sufficiency. We’ve partnered successfully the past few years by providing them with goats and the training to care for the animals and use them to help feed their family and provide a small income.

This year we will focus on the water shortage there. We will help provide water collection tanks that sit on the roofs of homes to collect rain water. Additionally we’ll help to purchase multi-story container gardens which use water more efficiently.

The water tanks cost about $335. The container garden sets cost about $20.50. Can you help by contributing to the Lenten Project?

If each of us in NY Kolping gives $1, we could provide two families with goats. If each of us gives $10, we’d be helping 20 families take a step forward. And if we could each give $1 for every day in Lent, or $40 each, that would impact 80 families! Parents will be able to provide better nutrition and care for their children as well as teach their children new skills. Kolping International is coordinating this project with Kolping in Kenya. Please send your gift today—see how big of a difference we can make when we come together.

**Gifts should be sent to:**
Catholic Kolping Society of America
311 Greene Street
Mill Valley, CA 94941

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**DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?**

**In the words of Pope Francis**

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope
- Fast from worries and have trust in God
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen
St. Charles, Missouri • September 6–8, 2024

Calling all Kolping members, family and friends! Join us for our biannual Kolping Convention, hosted in St. Charles, Missouri. All of the U.S. Kolping Families convene once every other year to strengthen our Society, learn from each other and build our relationships.

While in St. Charles, we will take a boat ride on the mighty Mississippi and view St. Louis, the site of the first Kolping Family in the US. You will be able to visit with other Kolping family friends and acquaintances and most importantly, celebrate Kolping in the US. Let’s all work to keep the values of Blessed Father Kolping alive through this next century.

For more information and to register, go to kolping.org/2024-national-convention/

The National Kolping Society is excited to host the 44th National Kolping Convention in St. Charles, Missouri’s first State capital. This location was chosen to honor our first Kolping family, founded in St. Louis in 1856. Unlike former conventions, this one is hosted by our National Kolping Society and is only possible due to the work of Kolping members around the country.

We are fortunate to have booked the Embassy Suites in St. Charles, with room rates of $170/night, with a 2-night minimum stay (taxes not included.). This venue is located approximately 10 miles from the St. Louis airport, a quick 15 minute drive. Registration cost will be $200/person and $100/ family member under 16 years of age.

Please make your hotel reservations directly with the Embassy Suites in St. Charles, Missouri by AUGUST 1, 2024 through the hotel website or by phone: Hilton Reservations, 800-774-1500. Use code “92Q” to get the group rate.

Below is a brief overview of the schedule of events:

Friday, September 6th
• Board Meeting and Welcome Reception in the evening

Saturday, September 7th
• Mass at hotel
• Delegate meeting and presentations (all day)
• Evening dinner and awards banquet

Sunday, September 8th
• Mass
• Riverboat lunch cruise on the Mississippi River
• For those wishing to spend more time, this is near the Arch and Busch Brewery

Since this is a National Kolping event, we are encouraging members and Kolping families to consider taking out an ad in our program booklet. It’s a wonderful souvenir and memory. Participating at the convention—as a delegate or non-delegate—helps us ensure the vitality of our Kolping organizations. It is a time to (re)make acquaintances, share ideas and plan future programs, and, of course, have fun!

If you have any questions, feel free to email kolpingus@gmail.com

We hope you can make it!
TWO SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AWARDED – 1ST AWARD: $2,000 / 2ND AWARD: $1,000

THEME: "Let’s show Christian living in ever more practical ways and the present will be better and the future brighter.” —Father Adolph Kolping

How do you think that young people today could demonstrate Christian living with an aim towards making the world better today and tomorrow?

Scholarship Applicants must:
1. Be a member or the child or grandchild of a member of the Catholic Kolping Society of New York.
2. Provide proof of enrollment in college or post-high vocational program.
3. Submit an essay of no more than 1,000 words. Please follow the standards and format of the New York State English Regents essay. Remember that correct use of grammar and vocabulary will be taken into account.
4. Please double space all lines in your essay.
5. Submit essay on a separate page WITH NO reference to name family, or anything by which the judges would be able to identify you.
6. Not be a previous winner or applicant.
7. Accept the decision of the judges as final.
8. Send application, proof of enrollment, and essay by midnight MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024. Please email materials electronically to bob42@optonline.net or U.S. mail to Bob Hemsing, 1106 Half Moon Bay Drive, Croton on Hudson, NY 10520.

Please contact the Bob Hemsing at 914-231-5601 with any questions.

I hereby apply for the Joseph Sartorius Scholarship and agree to abide by the rules of eligibility.

Name: _______________________________________________________________________________________________

Last                                                                 First                                                                 Initial

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________________________________________

Street/City/State/Zip

Date of Birth: _______/_______/__________      Phone: ___________ - ___________________________________________________

Month        Date          Year                                  Area Code        Number

Name of School: __________________________________________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________________________________________________

Street/City/State/Zip

Major/Minor Program of Study: _______________________________________/____________________________________________

Year (Check One):   _____ Freshman    _____Sophomore    _____Junior    _____Senior     ____2-year program

Name of Kolping Member (Print Clearly): ____________________________________________________________________________

Relationship to Student: ___________________________________________________________________________________________

Signature of Applicant                                                                                              Date