

NOTE *the* DATE

october

- 4** **Close Out Dinner**
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 11 or 12** **Father Bretone's Annual Retreat**
Barryville, NY
- 21** **Executive Board Meeting**
Kolping 88th Street
- 26** **Rental Season Ends**
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 27** **Kolping World Day of Prayer**
This year the World Day of Prayer is organized by KOLPING Myanmar
- 28** **November Bulletin**
Last day to submit material

november

- 2** **Communion Brunch**
Kolping-on-Concourse
- 18** **Full Board Meeting**
Kolping 88th Streets
- 27** **Thanksgiving**
Give thanks for your blessings

december

- 7** **Mass & St. Nikolaus Party**
Kolping 88th Street

OCTOBER

Annual Memorial Mass and Luncheon

Sunday, November 2, 2025

JOIN US AT KOLPING-ON-CONCOURSE

The Mass is celebrated in memory of the Kolping members we lost this past year as well as all of our deceased members. We especially remember **Al Ahrens, John Brauweiler, Norbert Dengler** and **Walter McDonald**. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

11:15AM Mass at St. Philip Neri on the Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY

Delicious luncheon to follow immediately afterwards at Kolping on Concourse. \$25 per person, \$12 youth 12 and under
Reservations strongly encouraged.
Email kolpingny@gmail.com or text 914 432 2535.

MASS & ST. NIKOLAUS PARTY

SUNDAY DECEMBER 7

We will celebrate Mass together, have a bit of a coffee klatsch, enjoy a big luncheon in the Ballroom at our Kolping House. This is also a day to celebrate our long term members—those who've made the 25 year or 50 year or 65 year membership milestones are recognized and honored.



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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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 OCTOBER

Martin Beirne, Father Richard Bretone, Heide Bruegger, Kevin Bruegger, Anneli Cantu, Peter Carruthers, Andrea Cicogna, Cidalia Luis-Coticello, James Crowley, Anna Dengler, Anton Dengler, Christina Dengler, Dario Ebbri, Linda Feron, Alfred Froeblich, Beth Heyd, Nancy Jackson, Charles Keller, Colleen Kelly, Art Kessler, Elizabeth Koski, Christine Krupa, Joseph Krupa, Frank Kurcz, Elizabeth Lenihan, Paul Lorenzen, Robert Lupica, Cristin

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SPECIAL OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

We send special birthday wishes to **Heide Bruegger, James Crowley, Beth Heyd, Dr. Charles Keller, Jeanne McCooey, and MaryAnn McCusker.**

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.



The Catholic Kolping Society of New York currently has two paid positions open and we are seeking interested candidates.

HOUSE MANAGER, KOLPING-ON-CONCOURSE

The House Manager's role is to interact with residents and handle a variety of management issues, including collections and management of staff. The Manager would also oversee maintenance of the property itself via overseeing repairs, ensuring regularly scheduled maintenance, Project Management and violation management. Kolping on Concourse, as you know, is a Single Resident Occupancy (SRO) and a non-profit residence. FT, benefits.

BOOKKEEPER / AP/AR CLERK

The bookkeeper maintains financial records by recording daily transactions, managing accounts payable and receivable, reconciling bank statements, processing payroll and assisting with tax filings. Key responsibilities include data entry into accounting software, preparing financial statements like balance sheets and income statements, and ensuring financial records are accurate, organized, and compliant with regulations. 3-4 days per week, 2 locations (Bronx & Manhattan)

If you are interested in either of these exciting opportunities, email your resume and a cover letter to kolpingny@gmail.com

WEDDING BELLS

Our New York Kolping family continues to grow—this month Kayla Noll (daughter of Carol and Dennis Noll, granddaughter of Alfred and Paula Vogl, niece of Al Vogl and Tracie Truncellito) will wed Carlos Aguila. Please welcome Carlos if you haven't met him yet—he has joined us at many Kolping events. Keep this beautiful couple in your prayers for a blessed and bountiful life together. Treu Kolping!

OUR HOLY FATHER'S OCTOBER 2025 INTENTION FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS

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

NEWS & NOTES

2025 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Family: \$155 • Individual: \$120 • Student: \$50 • 50-year members: paid up forever!

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR DUES FOR 2025. Thank you to the members who have already submitted their dues for this year. Your membership cards are on their way to you.

If you didn't get last year's dues paid, 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 Montrose, the Concourse and 88th Street.

Send your check made out to Catholic Kolping Society to: Joan Dengler, Kolping, 7 Ganung Dr, Ossining, NY 10562

KOLPING CONVENTION 2026

New York Kolping is hosting the biennial National Kolping Convention in September 2026. There are all sorts of volunteer roles we will be looking to fill. We will be hosting and entertaining our fellow Kolping members from all across the country.

Can you join the Committee for the 2026 National Kolping Convention?

Contact Joan Dengler: kolpingny@gmail.com/914-432-2535

RHINE RIVER CRUISE

Bavarian Club Edelweiss is joining a Rhine River Cruise. Fr. Joe Blenke of St. Elizabeth Seton will lead the tour. If interested call Peter's tour at 516-605-1551. Tour # 1335.

SERVICE PROJECTS 2025

FURRY FRIENDS can be made more comfortable with our clean, cast-off towels and bed linens. We'll be collecting these at KOH for the SPCA.

WINTER COATS are needed! As you switch your closet from Winter to Spring, think about passing on coats that you didn't use this year. Bring to KOH on the weekends. We'll deliver them to partners in Westchester who provide them to people in need when the weather turns.

If you have an idea for a service project for our Society, please share with us.

PARTY RENTALS AT OUR KOLPING VENUES:

Kolping 88th St., Kolping-on-Hudson and Kolping-on-Concourse

Our KOH dining room is beautiful and versatile. The K-88 ballroom and KOC dining room are spacious, elegant and very affordable!



MORE NEWS & NOTES

KOLPING SOCIETY NEWS

NATIONAL

Lisa Brinkman's term is up and a new presidential candidate is needed for Kolping National. If interested, contact, Joan Dengler (kolpingny@gmail.com/914-432-2535).

SAN FRANCISCO AND PHILADELPHIA

San Francisco and Philadelphia Kolping Houses are celebrating their 100 Year anniversaries this fall!

BROOKLYN

Brooklyn Kolping is currently looking for a candidate to be their priest. If interested, please contact Bill Conte at 917-862-0637 or Kolping.brooklyn@gmail.com.

Family Mass & Communion Supper will be held Saturday, October 18, 2025 at 6:45pm at The Kolping Center 65-04 Myrtle Ave, Glendale NY. For more information, visit kolping.org/brooklyn.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

From Vatican News article by Christopher Wells:

Although Halloween has been embraced by the secular world, its foundations are firmly rooted in Catholic tradition. Dr Malcolm Brown of the Alcuin Institute for Catholic Culture explains the significance of All Hallows' Eve.

In the modern world, and especially in English speaking countries, Halloween has become one of the most important holidays of the year, with millions of children and adults dressing up as their favourite heroes, superstars, ghouls and goblins.

While some people have connected Halloween to earlier pagan celebrations of the new year, Halloween actually has significant Catholic roots. The name itself comes from All Hallows' Eve—that is, the Vigil of All Saints' Day, when Catholics remember those who have gone before us to enter our heavenly home. Immediately afterwards, on November 2, the Church commemorates all the faithful departed still detained in Purgatory, and prays in suffrage for them.



Doors Open 6:00 PM
Buffet Begins 6:15 PM
Music at 7:00 PM

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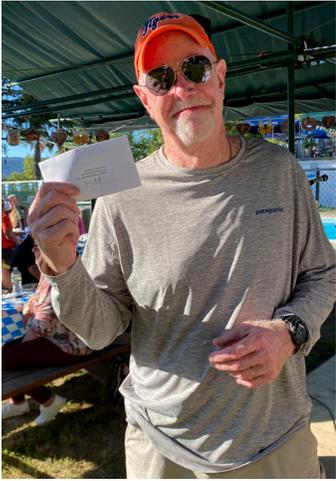
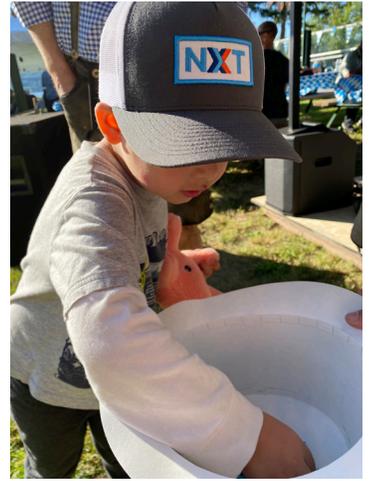
MEMBERSHIP CORNER

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**.

OKTOBERFEST AT KOLPING-ON-HUDSON

What a gorgeous day! Our big beautiful team of volunteers hosted a record crowd at this year's festive celebration. Thank you to all who participated and all who came to enjoy the day.





STEUBEN DAY PARADE

The Annual Steuben Day Parade, as usual, was on a beautiful sunny day in Manhattan. Led by flagbearers President Gerhard Schmitt and Board Member Kevin Bruegger, dozens of Kolping Members marched up Fifth Avenue representing our Society to the world. Meanwhile, back at the Kolping Haus, preparations were underway for a great party. Geovanny Ramirez and his team whipped up a great feast. Delicious bratwurst, frankfurters, chicken, salads, sauerkraut and pretzels were followed up with wonderful yummy desserts. We enjoyed a singalong and lots of *gemutlichkeit*. Katie O'Connor, Natasha Borodin, Kevin Bruegger, Ted Dengler, Katrina Dengler, Lou Colletti, Gerard, Joseph, Catherine and Agatha Portilla and others filled the key spots. We thank all who worked to make the event possible.



Kolping Society – Current Projects & Ways to Get Involved

The Kolping Society is working on several important initiatives and we invite all members to take part. Every contribution—big or small—makes a difference!

1. Kolping – What’s in the Word?

We are refreshing our promotional materials to better share the mission of Father Kolping, his teachings, and the Society.

Our stories are the heart of this effort—each path may be different, but all are equally meaningful.

 Please visit [Kolping.org](https://www.kolping.org), scroll to “**Kolping Member Input Needed!**” and click the **Member Input** button to share your unique Kolping story.

It can be a single word, a sentence, or a paragraph—every bit helps!

 Prefer mail? Send your story to:

Catholic Kolping Society of America, PO BOX 76008, Highland Heights, KY 41076

2. Lenten Project – Supporting Kolping Members in Kenya

This Lent, let’s join together to help Kolping families in Kenya achieve better living conditions and long-term self-sufficiency.

Examples of how your donation helps:

 **\$25** – Vertical Garden for a Family

 **\$55** – Contribution toward a Goat or Water Tank

 **\$175** – A Goat for a Family

 **\$335** – A Water Tank

Or, choose any amount that works for you—**every gift matters!**

 Donate on [Kolping.org](https://www.kolping.org) (“**Donate to the Lenten Project**”).

3. Kolping Endowment Fund

The Endowment Fund sustains our mission by supporting scholarships, national initiatives, leadership meetings, and ongoing administration. Through your generosity, we continue to foster community, faith, and friendship through programs that are meaningful today.

 Donations made **in honor or in memory of a loved one** will be recognized in our quarterly *Kolping Banner*.

 Contribute at [Kolping.org](https://www.kolping.org) (“**Donate to the Endowment Fund**”).

 **Thank you for being part of Kolping’s mission. Together, we carry Father Kolping’s vision into today’s world—supporting individuals, families, and communities in faith and solidarity.**

Eternal Flame of Hope Ministries

Autumn Newsletter

2025

"Helping Hope Spring Eternal"sm

fr.richardbreton@eternalflameofhope.org

My Dear Friend,

September 2025

What a blessing has come upon our Eternal Flame of Hope Ministries. A few weeks ago I learned for certain that the Archdiocese of New York was combining the Churches in Sullivan County, and the church that I have been taking care of as the Pastoral Administrator (St. Anthony of Padua and St Thomas Aquinas) will be combined with the parish to the north (St. Francis Xavier), and my services will no longer be needed.

I retired from the Brooklyn Diocese on October 1st, 2021. The Archdiocese asked me to help at St. Anthony's for four weeks when the pastor left for India on October 16, 2021. I have been here for four years! At the beginning I asked the Lord: "Should I take the assignment?" He said to my heart: "If you don't feed my people, who will?" I took Him to mean: if I don't provide the Eucharist and the spiritual nourishment, their souls would starve, because there was no priest available to consecrate the hosts.

Feed, we did—figuratively and literally. The Lord inspired me to ask the help of our generous parishioners, and together we raised the funds (and oftentimes did the actual work). We improved the rectory/friary, church and parish center. Even more, we applied for, and were given, two grants to feed the people of our community a free hot lunch every week. I called the program: "Yummy, Yummy, Hot Lunch Without Money!" It has been such a blessing for so many, that the archdiocese has used this same program as a model for other churches, that is, they encouraged them to apply for grant money for a hot lunch program to directly serve their community.

So why am I so excited? Well, because the Lord has come up with a plan involving other priests to help feed His people. The beautiful opportunity God gave me to shepherd souls is now drawing to a close. I am humbled and very grateful!

My new availability allows me to now return to Heaven's Embrace--our retreat property near Barryville, N.Y. I am finally able to sit in front of the waterfall and just exhale and pray! I found being a pastoral administrator all-consuming. Perhaps, that is how we accomplished so much in so little time.

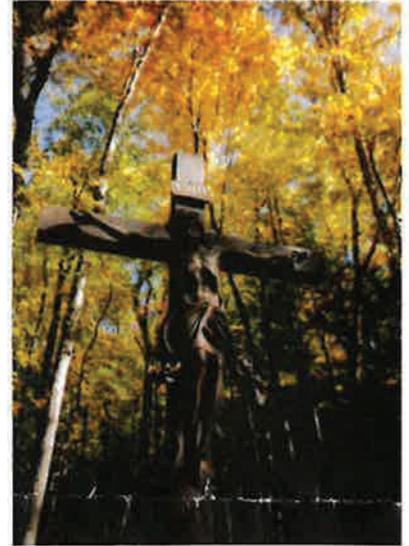
Going forward at Heaven's Embrace, we are replacing the old tent with a NEW TENT, and we are going to put a concrete floor down so no more tripping over the loose gravel. WE MADE A NEW ROAD next to the tent for service vehicles, and we made spaces for handicap parking. We have a whole list of things that were once on hold, but now we have the time to begin again, I especially want to finish a book that I wrote years ago. This would be a good time for sharing it with the world.

So I invite you all to my "RE-RETIREMENT CELEBRATION" as a kind of theme for our Annual Fall Retreat on Saturday, October 11th or Sunday, October 12th of Columbus Day Weekend. We have kept the same modest donation of \$45 ADULTS & \$25 YOUTHS. All the food is provided for the day, along with Mass, spiritual talks and wonderful walks. Please see the accompanying flyer.

Looking forward to seeing you at this wonderful celebration of new beginnings!

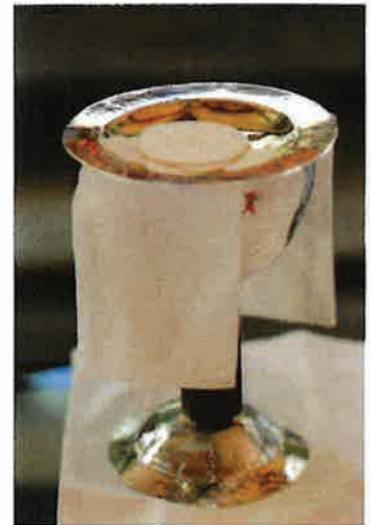
**Hope to see you at the Retreat! Love & Prayers,
A. Rich**

Autumn Retreat



photos by Tom Tracy

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is...
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Contact

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* We rolled back the suggested offering, by 20%, to help with inflation woes!