

## NOTE *the* DATE

### december

- 7** **Mass & St. Nikolaus Party**  
Kolping 88th Street
- 23** **January Bulletin**  
Last day to submit materials
- 25** **Christmas Day**  
Celebrate the birth of Our Lord
- 31** **New Years Eve**  
Time to celebrate the year to come and make some New Years resolutions!

### 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.

# DECEMBER

## *Christmas Party & St. Nikolaus Day*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH

**CHRISTMAS IS COMING—START THE ADVENT SEASON WITH A CELEBRATION AT KOLPING!**

Fr. Kolping was born on Dec. 8, 1813. Every year we celebrate his birthday and anticipate Christmas at our St Nikolaus party. (St Nick's feast day is December 6th).

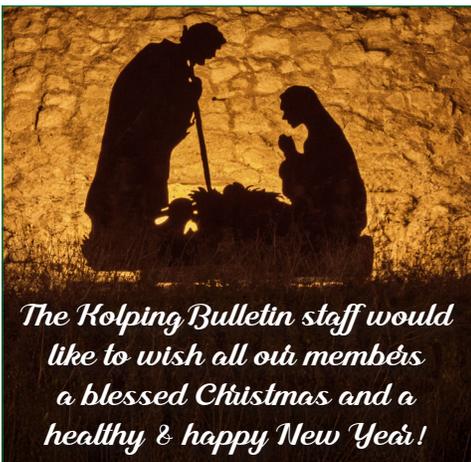
We will celebrate Mass together at the Kolping House on 88th Street with Father Bretone presiding.

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. Newly achieving the 25 year milestone are:

Anton Dengler  
Phyllis & Alfred Froebrich  
Beth & Bill Lorenzen  
Roger Lounsbury  
Marie Steiner

Luncheon and dessert will be \$25 for adults and \$12 for children. Contact Joan Dengler at [kolpingny@gmail.com](mailto:kolpingny@gmail.com) or leave a message at 914-432-2535 to reserve your spot and get the latest details.

If you know a youngster age 10 or younger who'll be celebrating with us, please provide details so that Santa can be prepared!



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



**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](mailto: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, Kathleen Fuchek, Sharon Gallo, Gail Gleason, Greta Grossmann, Bridget Horan, Jennifer Horan, Michael Horan, Lisa Houlihan, Katelyn Krupa, Kelly Krupa, Irene Leili, Stefan Manz, Alexandra McGill, Stephen McGuire, Amanda Mersits, Peter Mersits, James Minarik, Edward Monks, Sabrina Ostroff, Brian Rafford, Andrew Reitter, Charles Roberts, Charles Smith, Rob Soucy, Patrick Tandy, John Unger, Alfred E. Vogl, Jr., Adam Ward, Debra Weigand, and Michael Weinborg.

### **SPECIAL DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:**

We send special birthday wishes to **Laura Beyrer** and **Gail Gleason**.

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](mailto:kolpingny@gmail.com).

### **KOLPING ADVENT PROJECT**

For our Advent Project this year, we decided to help our Praeses, Fr. Richard Bretone, replace a torn and tattered tent cover on his large meeting tent at his retreat property in Barryville, N. Y.

Over the years pine branches fell from the trees and ripped the canvas. Father will need a new top for his annual Autumn Retreats in October.

Please be as generous as possible, because this tent is an important gathering space and dining hall for those attending his special property called Heaven's Embrace.

God bless your generosity



**The Catholic Kolping Society of New York currently has a paid position open and we are seeking interested candidates. If you are interested in this exciting opportunity, please email your resume and a cover letter to [kolpingny@gmail.com](mailto:kolpingny@gmail.com).**

### **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.

## **OUR HOLY FATHER'S DECEMBER 2025 INTENTION**

### **FOR CHRISTIANS IN AREAS OF CONFLICT**

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

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**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**.

## NEWS & NOTES

### DUES 2026

Watch your mail for the 2026 dues request envelope!

### 2025 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

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

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR DUES FOR 2025. 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

### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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>

### 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](mailto:membership@kolpingny.org).

### 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

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## MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGEMENT AT KOLPING-ON-HUDSON

Wishing all of our members a warm and happy Holiday season!

As a reminder, KOH is now closed for the season. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the spring.



## KOLPING MEMBERS:

Are you receiving **Kolping-on-Hudson** specific emails?

We have a new email address:

**[kolpingonhudson@gmail.com](mailto:kolpingonhudson@gmail.com)**



Scan the QR code to join the new mailing list!

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## CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 2026 KOLPING CONVENTION

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.

**Join the Committee!** Contact Joan Dengler: [kolpingny@gmail.com](mailto:kolpingny@gmail.com) / 914-432-2535

## 45TH NATIONAL KOLPING CONVENTION SAVE THE DATE— SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2026

Please reserve the weekend and join your New York Kolping Family!

### Convention Journal 2026

Members can support the 45th National Kolping Convention by purchasing an ad in our Convention Program booklet. This is a meaningful way to highlight the value Kolping holds in your life and to share the Kolping spirit across the USA. We will offer a variety of ad and donation options, and one will hopefully suit your budget.

**Look for more details on the convention and journal in the January Bulletin.**

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## 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!

### **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](http://Kolping.org), scroll to “Kolping Member Input Needed!” and click the “Member Input” button to share your unique Kolping story. If you prefer email, send your story to Catholic Kolping Society of America, PO Box 76008, Highland Heights, KY 41076. It can be a single word, a sentence, or a paragraph—every bit helps!

### **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](http://Kolping.org) (“Donate to the Lenten Project”).

### **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

# ALL SOULS MEMORIAL MASS AND LUNCHEON

On Sunday, November 2nd, our Society came together at St. Philip Neri Church on the Grand Concourse to remember the deceased members and friends of the Catholic Kolping Society of New York.

In 2025, we especially remembered our dear friends:

**Al Ahrens**

**Marlene Bittermann**

**John Brauweiler**

**Marge Cirincione**

**Norbert Dengler**

**Walter McDonald**

**Martin Povilonis**

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.

We thank Katrina Dengler and the talented team at Kolping on Concourse for the beautiful luncheon that they hosted for us immediately following Mass. Chef Clarivel Perez prepared a hearty meal complete with appetizers to start and Black Forest Cake to make a sweet ending to a lovely event.

