

Masses

Saturday Eve	5:00PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM, 12Noon and 4:30PM
Daily	7:15, 8:45 AM
Saturday	8:45 AM

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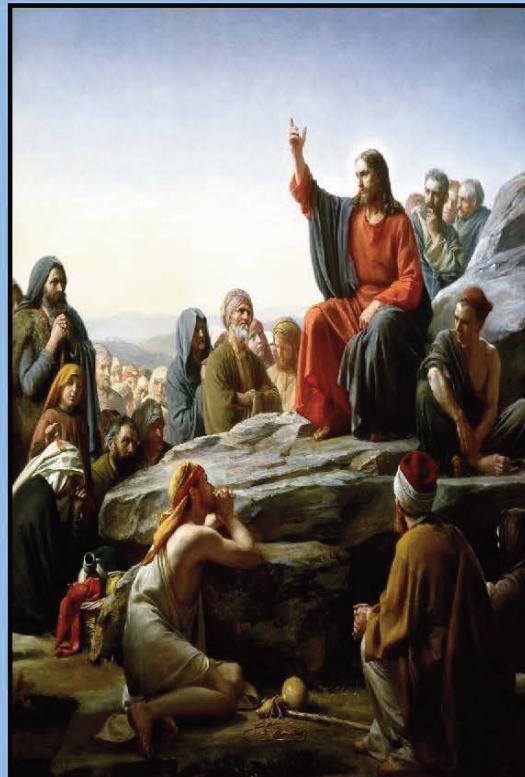
The Parish of St. Raymond

*A Eucharistic Community of
Faith, Love and Friendship*

Sunday, February 1, 2026

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000



“Blessed are
the poor in
spirit, for
theirs is the
kingdom of
heaven.”

-Matthew 5:1

February 1, 2026
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome To Our Parish Family!

Not registered? Please stop by our rectory during office hours to be included in our parish family.

Rectory

Office Hours are Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm;
Saturdays from 9:30am-4pm. Sundays 9am-5pm
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Pastoral Care Of The Sick

Holy Communion—Available to the homebound;
call the rectory to schedule a visit

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursdays from 1-4pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

Nocturnal Adoration

First Fridays from 7:30pm-8:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following 8:45am Mass.

Confessions

Saturdays from 3:30-4:30pm, or call for appointment.

Baptisms

Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Please call the rectory to schedule.

Bereavement Support Group

Call the rectory office for meeting times.

Marriages

Engaged couples are encouraged to call the rectory a year in advance of their wedding date to assure adequate time to participate in preparation programs for the Sacrament of Marriage.

Prayer Groups

Men's Prayer Group: Every Monday at 10:00am in the Rectory Basement.

Music Ministries

Choir (Adult): Sings at 10:30am Mass on Sundays from September—June; practice on Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the church.

Folk Group: Sings at 12 Noon Mass on Sundays from September—June; practice on Sunday at 11:00 in the Rectory Basement

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Interested in becoming a Catholic or an adult Catholic seeking Eucharist or Confirmation? Call the rectory and ask for Fr. Chuck Romano



Please Pray for Our Sick

Tristan Hollenstein	Julianne Grennen
Baby Faith Madison	Herb McIntyre
Mary Lynch	Anthony Campanile
Linda Dagostino	Baby Cooper Graham
Karen Pagnotta	Maureen Condiss
Jodi Neckles	Timothy Murphy
Jim Marasco	Lauren Greco
Christine I.	Eileen Roberts
Jeanne Swanson	Betty McHale
Rosemarie Lombardo	Fran Halas
Elaine & Eddie	Eileen Appel
Corrado	Dianna Viglieta
	Sally Perry

(Names are printed for 3 weeks unless
the rectory is notified otherwise)

*Always keep our
Service Men & Women
in your prayers ...*

Cpl. Alex James Cooper US MARINE CORPS

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Commander Joseph Garbitelli US NAVY

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TSGT Curt Abdoool US AIRFORCE

2nd Lt. Nicholas J. Carinci US AIRFORCE

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR
WOUNDED SOLDIERS.**



Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time as we enter the month of February. I hope everyone got through last weekend's snowstorm safely and without too much trouble. Today's gospel on the **"Beatitudes"** reminds us that God is always present to us, even in the hardest and darkest times. In today's first reading from the prophet Zephaniah, God's special commitment to Israel is affirmed. **"But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly, who shall take refuge in the name of the Lord; the remnant of Israel."** Then in the second reading from 1 Corinthians, Paul encourages the Israelites by emphasizing that God chooses all kinds of people to be his followers. **"Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth."** And finally, the gospel Sermon on the Mount about the beatitudes speaks everything about God's faithfulness. The first beatitude says it all: **"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."**

These words spoken by Jesus are a kind of blueprint for what kind of people he wanted his followers to be, what kind of people would be open to reap God's blessings and what kind of people could change the world in the way God wanted it changed. People who are poor in spirit aren't filled with self-importance and recognize their place before God. People who mourn are people who have love and care for others. Being meek means you don't push people around and being merciful means, you don't seek revenge. The clean of heart are true to the dignity with which they were created. Pacemakers affect their families, friends, workplaces and the world. And if you suffer for Jesus' sake it means you always try to do and say the right thing, even when it costs a lot.

This isn't just a description of discipleship. It is also what real power looks like. It is the power of the Holy Spirit alive and well and at work within the human heart. Some may say it is all foolish and signs of weakness, counting for nothing. But God says it is precisely this way of living that will change the world into the beautiful place God created it to be and even died to once again make it possible. It would be a world full of love and mercy and kindness and justice and humility and every other kind of good thing.

And nothing will stand in its way, because these things come not from us, not from our own goodness, but from our loving God who provides us with every single thing we need to be the people he wants us to be who transforms his world into a new Eden. Sounds naïve and impossible to be sure. But at one time some people believed it was possible, and the world was never the same. May we take to heart the words of Jesus and realize that true power isn't what we think it is. In faith, let's make sure that we open our hearts to seek out the only power that truly matters. God chose us. May we never forget that. Let's choose him in return. Our country and our world depend on it.

Due to the low attendance at last Sunday's Masses, I am repeating this paragraph. I recently spoke with Father Jim Isabakaki who has been trying to build a small school in Uganda. He faces a financial roadblock in completing the job. I said I would try to help so I am asking anyone who would like to donate to assist Father Jim to please do so by dropping off any donation to my attention at the rectory. If using a check, make it out to **"St. Raymond Church"** and write **"Fr. Jim's School"** on the memo line. The goal is to raise \$7000. I know many people remember Father Jim fondly and still keep in touch with him. Any amount donated will be most appreciated. Thanks for your attention and help with this request.

Remember to take home a copy of the bulletin when you leave Mass today. It contains many items of interest and invitation, with something for everyone. Of special note is news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, info from **Religious Education** (Faith Formation), the **Come and See Centerfold**, the **Communal Prayer Before Mass** (found on the inside back cover), an invitation to join **FORMED** (your Catholic Faith on demand), and much more. To keep informed, keep a copy of the bulletin at home each week.

Have a great first week of February. **Smile, share, chose God every day in all you do and remember: A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle.**

God bless always. **Father Chuck**



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

FEBRUARY 1, 2026—FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great
glory, Lord God, Heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father, You take away the sin of the
world, have mercy on us;

You take away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer; You are seated
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,

[Pray while striking the breast 3 times.]
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
with the Father; through him all things
were made. For us men and for our
Salvation he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father. He will come again in
Glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the
Son, who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church. I confess one
Baptism for the forgiveness of
Sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead and the
life of the world to come.

Amen.

READINGS FOR TODAY'S MASS

FEBRUARY 1, 2026—FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Seek the LORD, all you humble of the earth, who have observed his law; seek justice, seek humility; perhaps you may be sheltered on the day of the LORD's anger. But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly, who shall take refuge in the name of the LORD: the remnant of Israel. They shall do no wrong and speak no lies; nor shall there be found in their mouths a deceitful tongue; they shall pasture and couch their flocks with none to disturb them.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters. Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something, so that no human being might boast before God. It is due to him that you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, as well as righteousness, sanctification, and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord."

ALLELUIA

Matthew 5:12a

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director



Sweetheart Valentine Dance next Saturday 2/7/2026. All are asked to attend the 5pm Mass where they will collect their ticket for admittance to the party which begins at 6pm in the cafeteria.

ATTENTION 2ND GRADE PARENTS

2nd grade students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday 2/3/2026. There are no 2nd grade Religious Education classes that day. Parents are to bring their child directly to the Church between the hours of 3:30pm-5pm – they do not need their books that day. First Reconciliation certificates will be given to the students in class the following week.



There is a 2nd grade First Holy Communion Parent meeting (parents only please) on Tuesday 2/10/2026 at 7:30pm in the school auditorium. Please make every effort to attend as details will be discussed regarding First Holy Communion. First Holy Communion Banner kits will be distributed at this meeting as well.

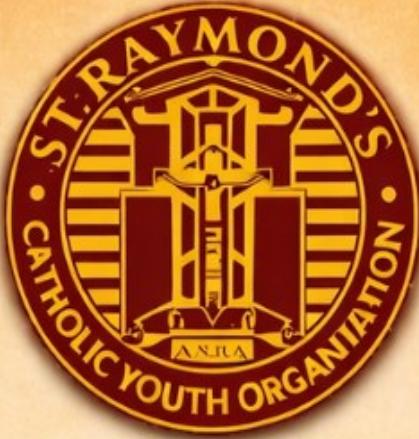
ATTENTION 1ST GRADE PARENTS

The 1st grade Parent/Student meeting will be held on Sunday 2/1/2026 at 10:30am in the school auditorium. After the meeting, all will go on to the 12Noon Mass where the lesson continues.

SUPER BOWL WEEKEND

All parish children in grades 1-8 are invited to attend any of the Masses the weekend of Super Bowl Sunday 2/7-2/8/2026 dressed in their favorite team jersey or t-shirt. If the children do not have a sports jersey or sports t-shirt, they are invited to wear their own uniform for whatever sport they participate in. If a child doesn't participate in any sports, come to Mass anyway!! We would love to see as many children as possible at any of the Masses that weekend!!!





ST. RAYMOND'S CYO

CYO TRACK IS BACK!



Parents Interest Meeting

Wednesday, February 11th

7:00 PM | St. Raymond Gym

All parents interested in registering athletes or assisting with coaching are encouraged to attend.

For questions or more information, please contact

StRaymondCYOTrack@gmail.com



World Marriage Day

February 8, 2026

12 Noon Mass at St. Raymond



**We invite you all to join us for our Annual
Renewal of Sacramental Wedding Vows here
at St. Raymond's on Sunday, February 8th
at the 12 noon Mass.**

If you are celebrating an earmark anniversary this year, that is the year you were married ends in either a 1 or a 6, please call the rectory at 516-593-5000 giving your names, year you were married and the Church you were married at. After Mass, everyone is invited to a light refreshment reception in the school cafeteria.

Look forward to seeing you all!!

HEALING MASS

February 11, 2026

Celebrating the Feast Day of
Our Lady of Lourdes &
The World Day of
Prayer for the Sick

St. Raymond Church
263 Atlantic Avenue
East Rockaway, NY

Rosary begins 7:00pm
Mass & Healing Service 7:30pm

CELEBRANT:

Fr. Michael Panicali

St. Helen's Parish - Howard Beach (Brooklyn Diocese)

MUSIC by Laura Garbitelli & Al Barbarino

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME
WEEKLY GUIDE FOR
PERSONAL PRAYER



Come & See
Until you do, you will
never know



SUMMARY OF
THE READINGS
FOR THE WEEK

For the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Gospel invites us into the heart of Jesus' teaching on the Beatitudes, where he proclaims, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven," calling all who follow him to a life rooted in humility, mercy, and peace as the path to true discipleship (Matthew 5:1-12a).

Monday of this week is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord with its own special readings. Tuesday of this week is the Optional Memorial of Saint Blaise, (Bishop and Martyr) and Saint Ansgar, (Bishop). The Church blesses throats on the Feast of Saint Blaise because of a long-held tradition that credits his intercession with saving a child who was choking on a fishbone, making him a patron saint of those suffering from illnesses of the throat.

Thursday is the Memorial of Saint Agatha (Virgin and Martyr) and Friday, is the Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions (Martyrs) as well as the First Friday of the month. On each First Friday, we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus as an act of reparation to His Sacred Heart. Saturday is the First Saturday of the month in which we honor the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Excluding the readings for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, the First Readings this week are taken from 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, and Sirach. Across these texts, the key themes include preparing the way of the Lord with purified hearts, the faithful leadership and human frailty in Israel's history, and the celebration of wisdom and praise. Together, these First Readings invite attention to God's faithfulness in forming His people through covenant, purification, discernment, and wisdom, grounding the week's prayer and reflection in both remembrance of salvation history and spiritual.

In the Gospels this week, Jesus confronts disbelief, restores life, sends disciples out in trust, and offers himself as shepherd to the crowds, revealing that an encounter with Him is a call to faith and mission.



On Monday, the Gospel (Luke 2:22-40) shows Simeon's prophetic recognition of Jesus as the light of revelation, declaring "my eyes have seen your salvation" as Mary and Joseph present him in the Temple, highlighting Christ's mission to bring salvation to all peoples and the cost it will entail.

On Tuesday (Mark 5:21-43) the Gospel depicts two intertwined miracles of Jesus raising a girl from death and healing a woman with a long-time illness, where he says, "Daughter, your faith has made you well," revealing both his compassion and authority over life and suffering; On Wednesday (Mark 6:1-6), the Gospel recounts Jesus teaching in his hometown where many "took offense at him," emphasizing that lack of faith hinders recognition of God's power and teaching even in the familiar.

Thursday's Gospel (Mark 6:7-13) continues with Jesus sending the twelve out "two by two" to preach repentance, heal the sick, and trust in God's provision, underscoring missionary discipleship and dependence on God's care. On Friday (Mark 6:14-29), the Gospel presents Herod's troubled reaction to Jesus' ministry and the tragic beheading of John the Baptist, reflecting the cost of prophetic witness and the clash between truth and power. Saturday (Mark 6:30-34) ends the week with the apostles returning to Jesus and his compassionate response to the crowds who "were like sheep without a shepherd," teaching that Christ's heart longs to teach and care for the people.

For Sunday, February 8th (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A), the Gospel challenges believers to be vibrant witnesses to Christ in the world, reminding them "You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world."



“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.” -Matthew 5:9



St. Raymond Church

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Nocturnal Adoration 7:30pm-8:30pm

Daily Prayer This Week

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I am called to examine where I place my security and to live with humility and openness to God rather than relying solely on my own strength. In family and work life, this means choosing patience, mercy, and gentleness even when pressures tempt me toward self-assertion or control.

My Prayer: Lord, free my heart from false securities and help me trust in your kingdom above all else.

Monday: (Feast of the Presentation of the Lord)

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In bringing the infant Jesus into the Temple, Simeon helps me recognize that Christ is God's gift of salvation visible in our midst, calling me to see Jesus not only in sacred moments but in the everyday life of my family and work.

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Tuesday: Trusting Faith

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Wednesday: Faith Amid Rejection

“He was at their lack of faith.” (Mark 6:6)

Jesus' rejection in his hometown warns me how familiarity and pride can dull my openness to God's work. I am called to remain receptive to God's voice, especially when it challenges my assumptions or comes through ordinary people and situations.

My Prayer: God, soften my heart so that I may always recognize your presence and power.

Thursday: Sent in Trust

“He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick.” (Mark 6:8)

Jesus sends the Twelve with simplicity and dependence, reminding me that fruitfulness comes not from self-sufficiency but from trusting God and one another. In my family and work life, this challenges me to let go of anxiety about results and to rely on God's grace rather than control or excessive preparation.

My Prayer: Lord, teach me to trust you more deeply and to rely on your providence in all I am sent to do.

Friday: Costly Witness

“It is John whom I beheaded. He has been raised up” (Mark 6:16)

The martyrdom of John the Baptist reveals that fidelity to truth may bring suffering, misunderstanding, or loss, yet it remains essential to authentic discipleship. I am invited to examine whether I speak and live the truth with courage and integrity, even when it is inconvenient or costly at home or at work.

My Prayer: God of truth, give me the courage to remain faithful to you in word and action, whatever the cost.

Saturday: Sent and Shepherded

“He began to teach them many things.” (Mark 6:34)

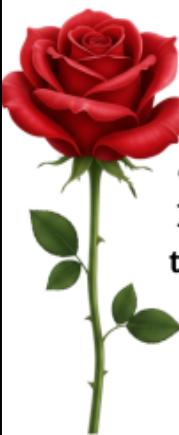
Prayer: Lord Jesus, shepherd of my soul, guide me in serving others while remaining rooted in you.



ST. RAYMOND'S HUMAN LIFE COMMITTEE

Live Action called 27 Planned Parenthood facilities throughout the country to expose the reckless distribution of the abortion pills through telemedicine appointments. The following are some of the more egregious ones uncovered: Dispensing the pills without confirming the gestational age of the baby. Neglecting to check the Rh status. Putting women at risk of permanent Rh sensitization that can cause miscarriage, stillbirth or serious complications in future pregnancies. Skipping the medical history, which misses conditions and medications that raise the risk of dangerous drug interactions and uncontrolled bleeding. No provision for real after-care, leaving infections and retained baby tissue and internal bleeding untreated until women end up in the Emergency Rooms. Telling women to expect labor-level pain without being warned about the signs of hemorrhage or sepsis. Falsely claiming that carrying a baby to term is more dangerous than abortion. The Guttmacher Institute estimated in 2025 that more than 648,000 abortion pills were sold in just one year. That means 54,000 were sold each month, 1,800 every single day and one every 49 SECONDS. Remember this is only an estimate. It does not include those pills that are sent to states that ban abortion, through the "shield laws". Please share this information. As abortion was originally sold as "safe", these deadly abortion pills are being marketed as more convenient than the surgical abortions and can be done in the privacy of one's home. And more than 60% of all abortions now are done through these pills.

*For more information, please checkout
the website: LiveActionNews.org*



The Rose for Life Program

The Rose for Life Program began here at St. Raymond on Mother's Day, May 12, 1985. A rose is placed on the Offertory Table at the 5:00 pm Mass and is presented to the priest at the Offertory. The rose symbolizes the life of the preborn baby who dies from abortion. It remains at the tabernacle for the coming week.

The main purpose of the rose is to remind each of us to pray for babies who are in danger of abortion. Prayer is one of the most important ways to stop abortion. The rose also serves a special remembrance of the life of our loved ones, in whose name the rose is dedicated each week.

*For dedications, please call:
Mary Caffrey at #516-887-2458*



THE ROSE FOR LIFE

In Memory of

Jean Vito

**Loving Wife, Mom,
Grandma & Sister**

Donated by the Family

**For Dedications call
Mary Caffrey 516-887-2458**

St. Raymond's Parish Social
Ministry
The Ryan House
"The Heart of the Parish"
12 Roosevelt Avenue,
Lynbrook
NY 11563 516-887-9197



FOOD PANTRY HOURS OF
OPERATION MONDAY THROUGH
WEDNESDAY
FROM 10AM TO 3PM
(Suggested to call for
an appointment)

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Food assistance is available for those in need who live within our Parish boundaries. Also, if you are a senior citizen, living within the Parish boundaries and depend on your Social Security benefit as your sole source of income, please call our office and we can assist you with food. The Parish Social Ministry can also provide assistance with information on organizations that might be able to assist clients with other services, such as programs offered by Department of Social Services, Catholic Charities and St. Vincent de Paul.

Pantry items still needed:

Canned Beets, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Ketchup, Baked Beans. Coffee, Canned Fruit, Cold and Hot Cereal, Ramen Noodles, Jell-O and Pudding, Dish Detergent, Laundry Detergent, Deodorant, Shaving Cream, and Razors.

Food donations can be brought to the Ryan House during its open hours or non-perishable food can be left in the bin on the Ryan House porch or in the Altar Server's Sacristy.

Recycled Christmas Cards - Please help us. We need your Christmas cards - the front cover only - to recycle and use for the 2026 Giving Tree tags. Every year we put over 300 tags on the tree and that is a lot of cards we need to gather. You can either drop the cards off at the Ryan House when it is open or place them in a plastic bag and put them in the bin on the porch. Every card makes a difference and thank you, as always, for all your support.

Thank you all for always helping the Parish Social Ministry serve the people in need in our community. You are always in our prayers!



Nocturnal Adoration

The Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet Friday, February 6th from 7:30-8:30pm in the Church for its monthly hour of Adoration.

Nocturnal Adoration is fashioned after the Liturgy of Hours, this time of prayer is a blessed way to intensify our walk with Jesus.

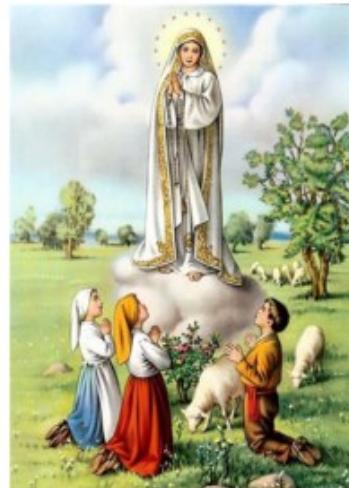
Come spend some time with Jesus!



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We have received our quarterly revenue sharing check from the Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union Parish revenue Sharing Program. Since its inception, our parish has received a total of \$20,986! The amount we receive each quarter is determined by the number of our parishioner who are members of the credit union and their usage of the Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union VISA credit and/or debit card. Therefore, I want to especially thank each of you—your credit card usage benefits our parish and that's great! For those of you who are not yet members, I encourage you to consider joining. Visit their branch at 45 Atlantic Ave. in Oceanside, or for information call 516-620-8100

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First Saturday Novena Our Lady of Fatima Rosary

**February 7, 2026
8:10am**

St. Raymond Church
Near the Blessed Mother Statue
Make Reparation for sins against
The Immaculate Heart of Mary



When you hear the Beatitudes, think of ways you can change the way you live to be more in line with Jesus' teachings.



"As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live."

**Saint John Paul II,
Homily - Perth
(Australia)**

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Saint Agatha from Sicily, revered for steadfast faith despite brutal torture, including breast amputation, during the persecution of Emperor Decius. She is the patron saint of breast cancer patients, nurses, fire victims, and bell founders, with her feast day celebrated on February 5.



Saint Paul Miki

Saint Paul Miki was a Japanese Jesuit and preacher who became the first Japanese religious to be martyred for his faith. He is often associated with the protection of the Japanese Catholic community, particularly during the era of persecution.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord



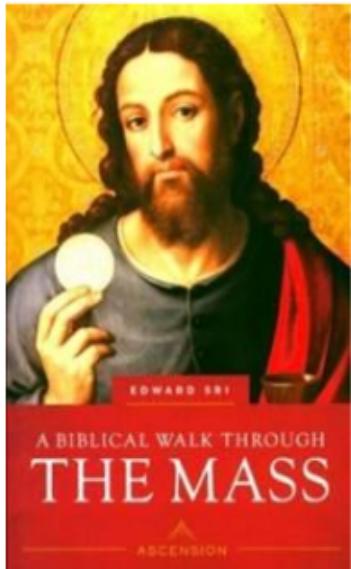
The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is annually on February 2. In 2026, this feast falls on a Monday. The day commemorates the biblical event recorded in the Gospel of Luke 2:22-40, where Mary and Joseph brought the infant Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem 40 days after His birth.

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the
Date*

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**Wednesday evenings
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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, February 2nd

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

7:15am Mary Breen White

8:45am Joseph Ninivaggi

Tuesday, February 3rd

7:15am John Anthony (L)

8:45am Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, February 4th

7:15am Brunilda Romano

8:45am Dolly Becker

Thursday, February 5th

Saint Agatha

7:15am Grace & Leo Myers

8:45am Joseph Lawlor

Friday, February 6th

Saint Paul Miki

7:15am Daniel O'Brien

8:45am Anne Gallagher

Saturday, February 7th

8:45am Sean Ledwith

5:00pm Patrick Amato

Sunday, February 8th

7:30am Angeline Raia

9:00am Cub Scout Pack 84

10:30am Joseph Rogone

12:00pm Lorraine Schumacher

John Stender, Sr.

Anthony Santino

Paul Dengel

Frank Torelli

Filippo Barone

Patrick Michael McManus

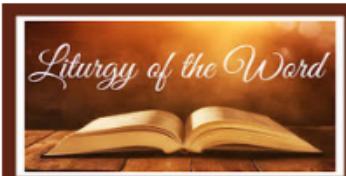
4:30pm St. Raymond Parish



REST IN PEACE

Linda
Rainone

May the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
rest in peace. Amen



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Malachi 3:1-4/Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Tuesday

2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a,
30-19:3/Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday

2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17/Mark 6:1-6

Thursday

1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12/Mark 6:7-13

Friday

Sirach 47:2-11/Mark 6:14-29

Saturday

1 Kings 3:4-13/Mark 6:30-34

Sunday

Isaiah 58:7-10/1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16

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Altar Bread & Wine
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Patricia Schwagerl
Love, The Sodality
of Our Lady

Communal Prayer

Before Mass

Father in heaven, we wish to prepare well for participation in this Mass, in which we enter the Last Supper, Passion, Death and Resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. He is as present to us today in his Word and in the Eucharist, as he was with his apostles. Holy

Spirit please quiet our minds from the busyness and distractions of our day, so that we will have hearts and minds attentive to the words of Jesus and ready to receive his Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

Blessed Mother, take our hearts and give us yours, that like you, we may ponder Jesus' words and do whatever he tells us to do. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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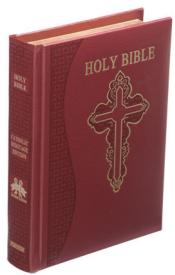
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