

## 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

## Pastoral Team

**Pastor**  
Father Chuck Romano

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# *The Parish of St. Raymond*

*A Eucharistic Community of  
Faith, Love and Friendship*

Sunday, July 17, 2022

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

"There is need of only one thing.  
Mary has chosen the better part and it will  
not be taken from her."

-Luke 10:42



July 17, 2022  
Sixteenth  
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 8-9pm.

#### **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

**Charismatic Prayer Group:** Every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the rectory lower level.

**Men's Prayer Group:** Every 4th Friday at 8pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

### 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 Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the rectory lower level.

### 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

**We would like to update our  
list of our service Men & Women,  
in order to keep them In our prayers.  
Please email any requests to  
[strayrcc@optonline.net](mailto:strayrcc@optonline.net) and write  
“Attention Bulletin Editor”  
in the subject line. Also, include  
name, rank and branch.  
Thank you!**



**CATHOLIC FAITH  
— NETWORK —**

### **The Catholic Faith Network (CFN)**

Broadcast of the Celebration of the Eucharist:

#### **Daily Mass Celebrated by Pope Francis from the Santa Marta Chapel in Rome**

Monday - Friday at 11:00 am, 9:30 pm ET

Saturday at 11:00 am, 9:30 pm ET

Sunday at 1:30 pm, 8:30 pm ET

#### **St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, NY**

Monday – Friday at 8:30 am, 12:30 pm ET

Sunday at 11:00 am, 7:00 pm ET

#### **St. Patrick's Cathedral, NY**

Monday – Friday at 6:30 pm ET



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

SPC Frank Candreva US ARMY  
Lt. Col. Mary P. King, M.D., US ARMY  
Commander Joseph Garbitelli US NAVY  
Sgt. Gerard Moran  
Lt. Com. Joseph Leahy US NAVY  
Spec. Bryan Petriccione US ARMY –Cavalry Unit  
Lt. JG Joseph Woloszyn US NAVY

***Please remember to pray for our  
wounded soldiers.***

## Father Chuck's Corner

**Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time!** Hospitality is a keynote in Gospel living. It is a sacred duty rooted in our Judeo-Christian life. To some it is casual; to others it is complicated by cultural boundaries and regulations. How do I see hospitality playing out in my daily life? In the first reading from Genesis, Abraham is filled with a hospitable spirit towards God and his two messengers. Abraham was feeling uneasy about his earlier doubts and now wanted to show his faith and trust in God and his promises. **"Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves and afterward you may go on your way."** Then in the second reading from Colossians, Paul celebrates that the mystery of salvation is also proclaimed to Gentiles so that everyone has the hope of glory in Jesus Christ. **"It is him whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ."** And finally in Luke's short gospel passage, we see the balance between hospitality in action and sitting at the feet of Jesus. Martha versus Mary pits hospitality, which is a lot of performing social duties against listening to every word of Jesus. Martha and Jesus do not agree on what is the most important thing. Mary has chosen the better part and Jesus supports her in her position. It is a big step in saying that women are as welcome as men to sit at the Lord's feet, and Jesus encourages them to do so. **"There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."**

Protocols and boundaries are observed differently throughout the world. I remember years ago when I was assigned to a parish with Father Simon Fernando, a priest from Sri Lanka. One day he came to my room to talk about something. I happened to be sitting on the floor against the couch eating something on my coffee table. I know it sounds kind of awkward, but it was comfortable for me. Anyway, when I asked Father Simon to have a seat on my easy chair, he went right down to the floor like me. He said that he could not sit higher than me. That was his culture. Jesus lived in a culture that had men and women gather separately. Men were the formal hosts while women served. It was the accepted way in Jesus' culture. Mary in today's gospel crossed the line as she knelt at Jesus' feet. Martha did not and Jesus ignored the regular boundaries of hospitality.

Now we may see these as unreasonable boundaries and yet they still exist in our world. We need to sometimes put aside our cultural and personal biases and honor the ways of others. We need to carry the word of God from today's scripture into the practice of our daily lives, and interactions with all the people we meet and work with. Hospitality and right living in all our relationships are fundamental to our well-being. Good hospitality always calls for tolerance and understanding. The Holy Spirit reminds us that what is acceptable to us may be quite different from someone outside of our own culture. May the Eucharist we share call us to put our differences aside and recognize that we are all brothers and sisters in Jesus.

Week three of our **"Sky's the Limit Super 50/50"** continues to see the totals for all winning shares rising. That is very encouraging, but we need to keep the momentum going. Remember: the **"Sky's the Limit"** so the higher the total collected, the higher all the winning prizes will be. Check the bulletin ad for the latest breakdown of what the winning prizes would be if the drawings were held today. Use the order form that was mailed to all registered parishioners, or the tear-off in your July/August envelope mailing, or the tear-off in the bulletin. Either way, don't miss out on a chance to win some big money. Help this **"Super 50/50"** to be a huge success for St. Raymond Parish and all the winners. Drawing on Sunday, August 28th.

**Please 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 an ad seeking potential new **Pastoral Council** applicants, the **Parish Synod Survey**, a request for **Parishioner Emails** to help foster communication from the rectory, an ad calling for **Altar Servers** to a meeting on Saturday, July 30th, 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 for quick and easy reference.

Have a great week. **Smile, share, be hospitable to people and remember: Laughter is the closest distance between two people.** God bless always.

**-Father Chuck**





# WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

**JULY 17, 2022-16th 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

JULY 17, 2022-16th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

## FIRST READING

**Gn 18:1-10a**

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." The men replied, "Very well, do as you have said." Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, "Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls." He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice steer, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then Abraham got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before the three men; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate. They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent." One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."

## SECOND READING

**Col 1:24-28**

Brothers and sisters:

Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past. But now it has been manifested to his holy ones, to whom God chose to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory. It is he whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

## ALLELUIA

**Cf. Lk 8:15**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5**

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

One who walks blamelessly and does justice; who thinks the truth in his heart and slanders not with his tongue.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who harms not his fellow man, nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor; by whom the reprobate is despised, while he honors those who fear the LORD.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who lends not his money at usury and accepts no bribe against the innocent. One who does these things shall never be disturbed.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Blessed are they who have kept  
the word with a generous heart  
and yield a harvest through  
perseverance.

## GOSPEL

**Lk 10:38-42**

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."



## ***St. Raymond Parish Announces “The Sky’s the Limit Super 50/50 Raffle”***

At this time, we are starting a new fundraiser for our parish.

It is called the

### ***“Sky’s the Limit Super 50/50”***

Now this is not in addition to what we already do but rather it is instead of the “Backwards Money Drawing” that would have been held in November and the next round of “Parish Picks” for this August-January. We are hoping that this ***Sky’s the Limit Super 50/50*** raffle will prove a successful replacement this year. A parish mailing was sent to all registered parishioners as well as in the bi-monthly envelope mailing packet. And from this weekend forward an order form will be in the bulletin each week.

The way this raffle works is that 50% raised will go to the parish and then the remaining half will be shared in three main prizes plus 10 consolation prizes. Half of 50% of the money raised will be the 1st grand prize. Then half of 25% will be the 2nd grand prize and then half of 12.5% will be the third grand prize. Lastly, 10 winners will share the remaining 12.5% to total 100%!

***The winning payouts to date are as follows: Total collected is \$16,550.00.***

***St. Raymond’s share is \$8275.00. First Prize Winner would get \$4137.50. Second Prize Winner would get \$2068.75. Third Prize Winner would get \$1034.00. And 10 Consolation Prize Winners would get \$103.50 each. That’s how it stands on Tuesday, July 12, 2022.***

Now the payouts could be much higher. It all depends on how many tickets are bought by 2pm on Sunday August 28th, 2022, when the drawing will take place in the school cafeteria during a special hospitality. Below are the ticket prices and an order form for your use.

Simply fill it out and send back to the rectory with your payment. A confirmation on the number of tickets you purchased will be sent to you. Enter as often as you wish and spread the word. The better we do, the better you do! The Sky’s the Limit!

Ticket prices are as follows:

***\$50 for one ticket***

***\$75 for three tickets***

***\$100 for 5 tickets***

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***“Sky’s the Limit Super 50/50” (Ticket order form)***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets purchased \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

## 'We Give Thanks to God'

We give thanks to God for today's decision of the United States Supreme Court in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*. This just decision will save countless innocent children simply waiting to be born.

On this historic day, our gratitude extends to the millions of heroic Americans who have worked tirelessly toward this outcome for nearly a half-century. Women and men, children and adults, believers and non-believers, people of every culture and background have advocated for life. They have been a charitable and compelling voice for the voiceless, and today, their voice has been heard.

As Catholics, we have prayed and fasted, held vigils, offered Masses, and peacefully witnessed in these last five decades. We have joined others in educating schoolchildren, opening pregnancy care centers, walking with mothers, offering post-abortion counseling, and marching, year after year, to the United States Supreme Court to witness for life. Today, our voice has been heard.

With the entire pro-life community, we are overjoyed with this outcome of the Court. However, we acknowledge the wide range of emotions associated with this decision. We call on all Catholics and everyone who supports the right to life for unborn children to be charitable, even as we celebrate an important historical moment and an answer to a prayer.

We must remember that this is a judicial victory, not a cultural one. The culture remains deeply divided on the issue, which will be evidenced by the patchwork of state statutes pertaining to abortion across the country. To change the culture and build a culture of life, we need to enact family-friendly policies that welcome children, support mothers, cherish families and empower them to thrive. We outlined our vision for a pro-life New York in our recent statement, available here, and we rededicate ourselves to helping every expectant mother to carry her baby to term.

Building a culture of life is not solely the responsibility of the government or those heroic individuals working on the front lines, in crisis pregnancy centers and other ministries. All of us need to respect the dignity and sanctity of human life in everything we do: in how we treat our children, spouses and parents; in the way we behave in our place of work; in sum, how we live Jesus' two great commandments to love God and love our neighbor.

Love, charity and reverence for human life from the moment of conception through natural death - these will build and sustain a culture of life.

Millions of Americans have worked tirelessly for almost 50 years towards this outcome. We thank them with every fiber of our being. Their vital work continues, and we commit ourselves to it.

### **Timothy Cardinal Dolan**

Archbishop of New York

### **Most Rev. Edward B. Scharfenberger**

Bishop of Albany

### **Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan**

Bishop of Brooklyn

### **Most Rev. Michael W. Fisher**

Bishop of Buffalo

### **Most Rev. Terry R. LaValley**

Bishop of Ogdensburg

### **Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano**

Bishop of Rochester

### **Most Rev. John O. Barres**

Bishop of Rockville Centre

### **Most Rev. Douglas J. Lucia**

Bishop of Syracuse

**And the Auxiliary and  
Emeritus Bishops of NYS**







## **Wanted: St. Raymond Parish Altar Servers**

At this time, I want to restart, revive, and build up a new *Altar Server Ministry* for our parish. Prior to COVID-19 we had a thriving and large group of altar servers, organized, and guided for many years by Deacon Rich. However, with the pandemic as with most church ministries, the Altar Servers went on hiatus. As we resumed Masses in church a small group of former servers stepped up to serve at some Sunday Masses. Now, I want to build up the server roster and get old and new servers back in action for all the Sunday Masses as a start. Remember, this is a wonderful and holy way for you to show your love for God, the Mass and to help in an important youth ministry of the parish. So, to that end, I am asking anyone interested in getting back to serving or to become a new altar server to attend a general meeting with me on *Saturday, July 30, 2022, at 1pm* in the church. Any boy or girl going into fourth grade and up is eligible. If you are interested and can't make that meeting, just leave your name, and phone number for me at the rectory.

**Hope to see many of you on the 30th.  
Father Chuck**





## St. Raymond Parish Synod Survey

Pope Francis has asked the worldwide Catholic Church to engage in a period of prayer, discernment, and discussion on how best the Church of today might fulfill our mission to spread the *Good News*

of Jesus Christ. This gathering of God's people is called a "SYNOD" which means journeying or travelling together under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Our parish will start this process with a survey in the bulletin. There are four Synod Themes that have been identified below:

***Journeying Together, Communion, Participation and Mission.*** Please take time to fill out the following survey. Then send it back to us either via mail, in the mail slot at the rectory or in the collection basket at Sunday Mass. Please return your response by Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>.  
responses are anonymous. God bless you! Father Chuck

### Journeying Together

What are the strong signs, examples and experiences, that you see of "journeying together" in our parish's life and in ministry life?

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What is your role in "journeying together" as a member of the parish?

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### Communion

What makes communities of faith strong? What makes them weak?

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What inspires you, as you witness the life of our community in ministries and other Parishioners?

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What would be possible ways to reach out to those who feel alienated?

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What initiatives would you consider in reaching out to other faiths?

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### Participation

What would make our participation in the Eucharist more meaningful and effective?

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What are the best signs of participation that you see at our parish?

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What could be the main reasons for a lack of participation? (pre-covid)

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### Mission / Universal Church

Where does the voice of the Holy Spirit resound for you?

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Name one thing you love about the Catholic Church

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Name one thing you would like to see changed in the Catholic Church

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Optional:

I am \_\_\_ Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Under 20yrs \_\_\_ 20-40 \_\_\_ 40-60 \_\_\_ Over 60

Thank you for your cooperation and for “journeying together” with us!!

Remember the deadline to return this survey is FRIDAY, JULY 1ST





## ***PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS***

Well, it has been a long and winding journey for all of us these past two years, especially with the many ministries at St. Raymond Parish. And that includes our Pastoral Council. Three years ago, when a call was put for new members, there was no interest, so we continued with the same membership slate. Then COVID-19 hit, and all was put on hold. Slowly over the past year we picked up again and now look forward to starting fresh with more members. ***At this time, I am looking for six new applications to be accepted for three-year terms beginning September 2022 and ending June 2025.***

The St. Raymond Pastoral Council operates in an advisory capacity to the pastor and as a forum of consultation between the pastor and parishioners. The council is charged with maintaining the integrity of the parish's mission in regard to long-range planning that strengthens the Catholic Christian identity of our parish.

All registered parishioners who are 18 years and older are eligible to apply for one of these current six openings for the Pastoral Council. If you are interested, I ask you to pick up a Pastoral Council Application packet at the rectory.

***All applications for consideration must be returned to me by Friday, August 5th.*** After reviewing then and interviewing all the applicants I will then appoint the new members. I urge you to prayerfully think about the possibility of serving St. Raymond Parish in this ministry.

Thanks for your interest. ***Father Chuck***







**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. CHUCK!**

**Holy Trinity Class of 1982  
40th Reunion**

**Friday, July 22nd and Saturday, July 23rd!**

**Friday, July 22nd  
East Meadow Fire Dept.  
Benevolent Hall  
170 Maple Ave  
7:00 PM**

**Saturday, July 23rd  
Eisenhower Park  
N Linden A Picnic Area  
Parking Lot 6A  
1:00 PM**

**\$60 includes Dinner and Drinks at Friday's Event  
Bring your own food and drinks for Saturday!**

**Venmo @ginrit**

**Money due by Sunday, July 17th**

**If you have any questions, call or text Ginny at 516 859-4940  
or email [virginia.m.ritter@gmail.com](mailto:virginia.m.ritter@gmail.com)**

**"Once a Titan, Always a Titan"**



## Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union Supports St. Raymond!



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,

or visit their website at:

[www.oceanfinancial.org](http://www.oceanfinancial.org).

**God is**



**THE LORD** *King of Kings*  
**W** **AUTHOR & FINISHER** *Good Shepherd*  
*Messiah* **Son of God**  
**O** **HOLY ONE** *Healer*  
**ALPHA & THE OMEGA** **Savior**  
**R** **JESUS**  
**D** **BREAD OF LIFE** **LAMB OF GOD**  
*The Resurrection* **LION OF JUDAH**  
**Emmanuel** *Light of the World*  
**REDEEMER** *ADVOCATE*  
**DELIVERER**  
**STRONG TOWER** *Wonderful Counsellor*  
*The Way, The Truth & The Life*



## St Mary Magdalene

Heavenly Father, You called Your daughter Mary Magdalene to be the 'Apostle of the Apostles'.

Grant us her virtues of charity, generosity, and faithfulness. May we cling to You as she did, offering our humble services and prayers in a manner pleasing to You.

Allow us to announce Christ's Resurrection as she did, Never afraid to proclaim the Gospel to our neighbors.

St. Mary Magdalene, pray for us!

Amen.





## St. Raymond Human Life Committee

### ONE MONTH GROWING BABY SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PRAYER PROGRAM

**"Before I formed you in your mother's womb;  
before you were born I dedicated you..."**

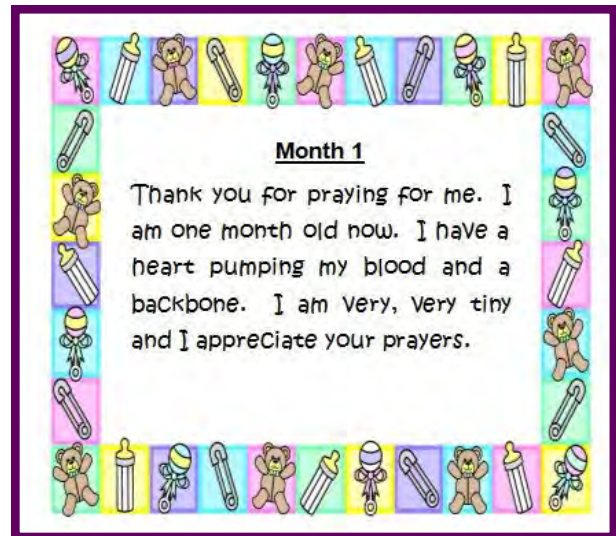
**(Jeremiah 1:5)**

And so, through the parents and the grace of God, a new human life has begun among us. This new life is unique, a never to be repeated creation of parents and God. This new life is a gift, not only to the parents but to all of us. A gift to be treasured, cared for, loved, enjoyed - protected! At the wondrous moment of conception, of which God is the only One aware, the complex blueprint for every detail of his or her human development is contained - sex, hair and eye color, height, skin tone, etc. This takes place even before this new life has reached and implanted in the uterus of his or her Mom. During the first month, the foundations of the brain, spinal cord & nervous system are established. The heart begins to beat in a regular fashion & is pumping increased quantities of blood through the little one's own circulatory system. The backbone, the rest of the skeleton & muscles are forming and the arms, legs, ears & eyes begin to show. The placenta forms a unique barrier that keeps the mother's blood separate, but allows food & oxygen to pass to the baby. (Amazing, isn't it!.) While all these awe-inspiring events are taking place, more than likely, the mother & father are not even aware of the reality of their child's presence. Even so, their child is here! Another member of our human family has just joined us on our journey through life! Please keep these little ones, their parents and those close to the parents in your prayers daily. If the child is conceived under difficult circumstances, great pressure is usually exerted on the mother to solve her situation by having her little one's life ended through the deadly abortion procedure. The power of prayer is great! For anyone in need of assistance with an unplanned pregnancy, please contact the following number for free, confidential, caring help:

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### *When This is Over*

*When this is over,  
may we never again  
take for granted  
A handshake with a stranger  
Full shelves at the store  
Conversations with neighbors  
A crowded theater  
Friday night out  
The taste of communion  
A routine checkup  
The school rush each morning  
Coffee with a friend  
The stadium roaring  
Each deep breath  
A boring Tuesday  
Life itself.  
When this ends  
may we find  
that we have become  
more like the people  
we wanted to be  
we were called to be  
We hoped to be  
and may we stay  
that way-better  
for each other  
because of the worst.*

**Laura Kelly Fanucci**





## ***The Word Among Us***

For the next three months we will offer copies of the devotional publication:

***The Word Among Us*** to parishioners on a trial basis. Through the daily Mass readings, meditations, and uplifting articles, I hope you will experience Jesus even closer to you in your life. Pick up a copy of ***The Word Among Us*** and spend a few minutes each day reflecting on the word of God as it applies to your daily life. Copies are located on the pew shelves the side doors and rear of the church. The June issue currently available centers on the gift of the Eucharist.

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Father Chuck



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# ***Merciful God***

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**Bring courage to those who  
are afraid,**

**Comfort to those who are  
mourning,**

**Strength to those caring for  
others,**

**Wisdom for those making  
decisions,**

**Insight for those looking for  
a cure.**

**Let us emerge from this**

**Trial secure in our  
hope and faith.**

***Amen.***

## Religious Education- Faith Formation

Lucy Ostermann, Director

The Religious Education Office will begin summer hours on Monday 6/20/2022. Phone messages and e-mails will be checked throughout the summer. The Registration process will continue as well. Keep in mind – the Registration fee for forms and payment received after July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 will be \$200.

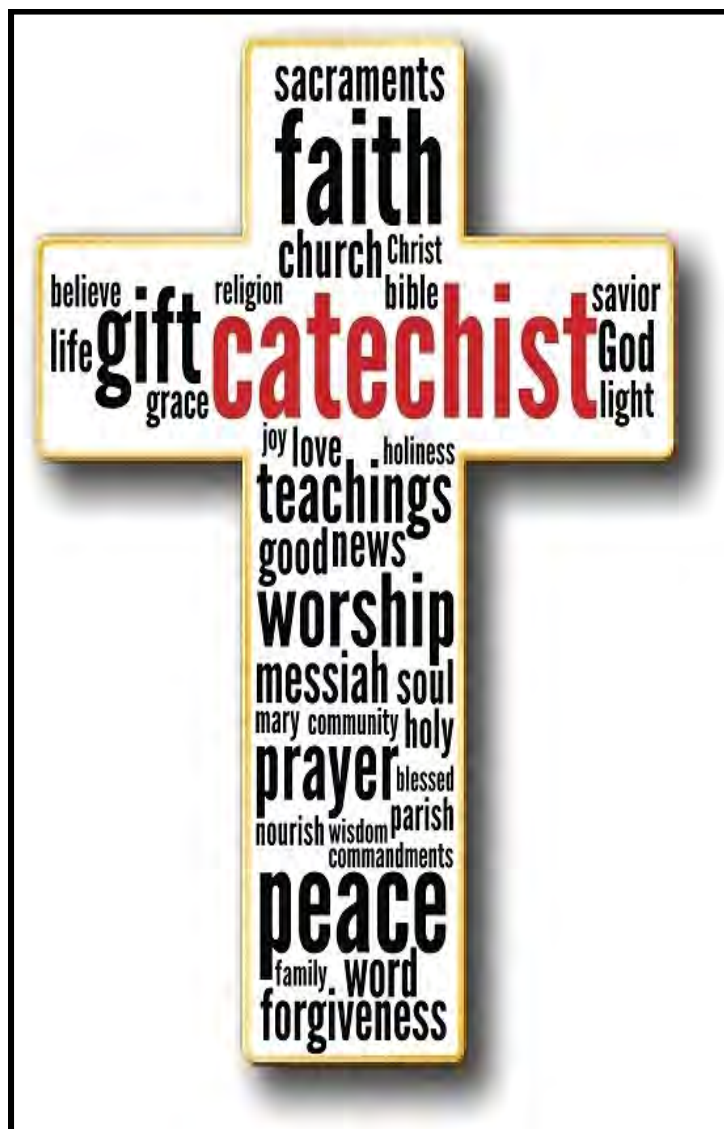
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR IS IN PROGRESS.

New families to the program (grades 1-8) must be registered with the Parish, fill out a New Student Registration form along with the Family Registration form and must have Baptismal Certificate. If the child was baptized at St. Raymond, a Baptismal Certificate is not necessary but the date of Baptism is required.

We are in need of catechists!!! There are openings for the following grades and days:

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Fourth Grade Monday, Wednesday or Thursday 3:30pm-4:30pm – 1 opening



Some of our teachers have set up a co-teacher arrangement which has proven to be quite successful. They split the teaching responsibility the following ways - either they each work half the year, teach together, alternate months, or whatever suits their needs so that their commitment is not overwhelming. There is no Registration fee for teachers and the books that we use are relatively simple to manage. There will be a New Teacher meeting held at the beginning of the year in order to familiarize you with classroom management and we are always available to answer any questions or concerns you may have. If you are interested, please call the Religious Education office at 516-593-9075.





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## Bible Sharing...Come Join Us! Thursdays after the 8:45am Mass In the Rectory Basement

“Bible Sharing” refers to a group of people gathered together to listen to God’s Word, addressed to them today and trying to live this Word accordingly.

Our format is to read and reflect on the Readings for the upcoming Sunday. There is no commitment to “sign up” for any number of weeks. Come and join us whenever you can. For more information contact Deacon Bob at the Rectory.



### A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,  
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.  
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.  
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.  
We pray for those with power over war or peace,  
for wisdom, discernment and compassion  
to guide their decisions.  
Above all, we pray for all your precious children,  
at risk and in fear,  
that you would hold and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.  
Amen

## Parish Social Ministry

### *The Heart of the Parish*

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*—St. Ignatius of Loyola*

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*Thank you for your support and prayers.*



## ***You Got Mail!***

At this time, we are setting up through our parish roster a way to send emails from St. Raymond Church straight to all registered parishioners or even selected groupings of people in the parish. It is a feature that our PDS program offers, and we would like to take advantage of its capabilities going forward. We can send our reminders, schedules, emergency news and other timely bits of information. But, in order to reach the largest group of parishioners as possible, we need to grow our parishioner e-mail list. Currently we have only about 500 emails out of 3800 registered parishioner families. So, in order to reach as many people as possible with these messages we need more emails. If you would like to be on this listing for parish messages, please either call the rectory to give us your email, send it in to the parish email (StRayRcc@optonline.net), or fill out this form and return it to the rectory. Your email information goes no further than being a part of your registration profile for the purpose stated above.



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### **St. Raymond Parish**

has had an active chapter  
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The Appeal helps our diocesan community feed the hungry, educate our children, provide adequate shelter for senior citizens and disadvantaged families, address the spiritual needs of people from many diverse ethnic backgrounds, and support the needs within each parish. It is truly a Long Island effort that allows us to come together *As One Family in Mission*.

**Additionally, your gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal support the education of our seminarians as they prepare to become priests for our Diocese, seminarians like Joseph Krug.**

*"As a seminarian, I am tasked with learning all that I can about our great Catholic Faith, to be better equipped to help bring people closer to God as a Priest.*

*The Catholic Ministries Appeal has provided me with all the resources I need to study well, so that I will be ready to preach the Gospel in the Diocese of Rockville Centre."*



It is because of seminarians like Joseph and others who are served by the Appeal, that I ask you to prayerfully consider renewing your pledge. If you have already made your gift, please know how deeply grateful I am. If you have yet to respond, I invite you to make your gift at this time. If it is more convenient, please consider pledging your gift by making four monthly payments. The Appeal Office will be happy to send you monthly reminders with envelopes.

It is only through your generous support, that we will be able to serve all of God's people here on Long Island.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre



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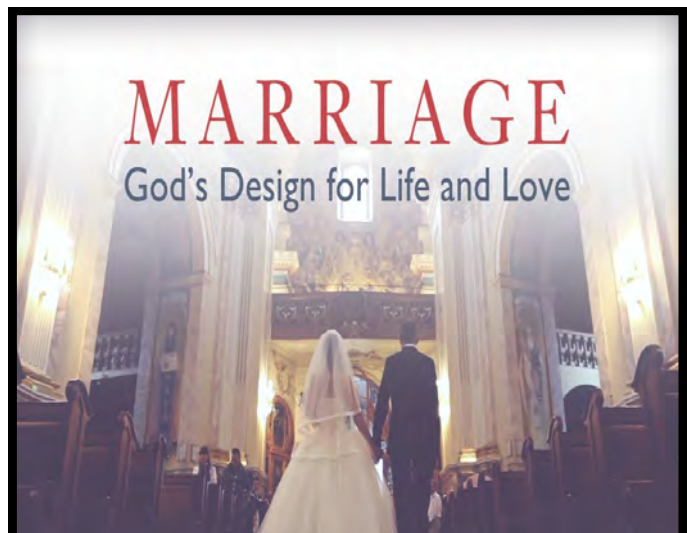
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## Masses for this Week

### Monday, July 18th

7:15am Bill Geiger

8:45am Joseph Ninivaggi

### Tuesday, July 19th

7:15am Thomas Bartsch

8:45am Anne Behrman

### Wednesday, July 20th

7:15am Mass of Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

8:45am Frank Rosalie, Jr.

### Thursday, July 21th

7:15am Betty Mullahgh

8:45am Dennis Keane

### Friday, July 22nd St. Mary Magdalene

7:15am Mary Jane Foster

8:45am Dennis Keane

### Saturday, July 23rd

8:45am Bobby Casey, May Fee, Pete Broughal,  
Bert & Yvonne O'Reilly

5:00pm Gina Mazzola

### Sunday, July 24th

7:30am Gerald McKeon

9:00am Pasquale Mastrandrea

10:30am John Gilhooly

12:00pm Judge Frederick D. Schmidt

Helen Bush, Carl Joseph Lemso,

Barbara Ligarzewski, George McLeod

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

### Scripture Readings for the Week

#### Monday

MI 6:1-4, 6-8 /MT 12:38-42

#### Tuesday

MI 7:14-15, 18-20 /MT 12:46-50

#### Wednesday

Jer 1:1, 4-10 /Mt 13:1-9

#### Thursday

JER 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13 /MT 13:10-17

#### Friday

Sgs 3:1-4b /Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

#### Saturday

Jer 7:1-11 /Mt 13:24-30

#### Sunday

Gn 18:20-32 /Col 2:12-14 /Lk 11:1-13

### Please Pray for Our Sick

Jeanette Kostyrka, Jodi Neckles,  
Baby Madison Grace Layman, Hailey Faith Bevers,  
Baby Faith Madison, Rebekah Lyas, John Lynch  
Frances Marie Hallas, Liz Tortorella, Dina Bitman,  
Kristine Hopkins, Nick S, Baby Cooper Graham,  
Connie Polik, Diane Minucci, Jay Witemeyer,  
Sky Cirrito, Maura Scully, Fran Halas, Diane Sisco  
James Kelley, Maxine Vitelli, Monica Collins

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



### Rest in Peace

Louis J. Buda, Jr.



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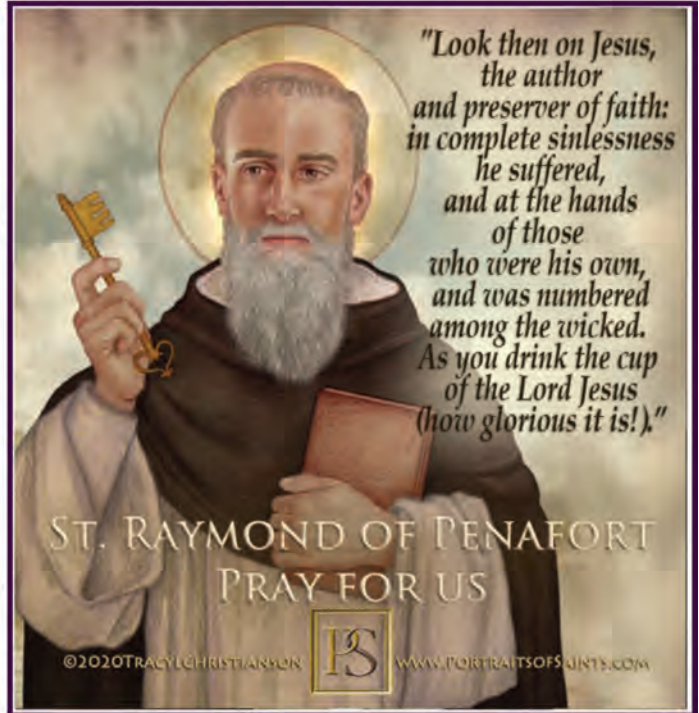
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Please write: "Attention Bulletin Editor" in the subject line of your email. All bulletin articles are subject to the Pastor's approval.

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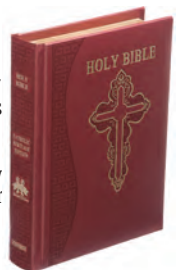
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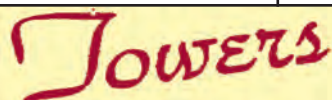
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