

## 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, April 18, 2021

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

“While they were still speaking about this, he  
stood in their midst and said to them,

Peace be with you.”

-Luke 24:36



April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

## 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-5pm;  
Saturdays from 9:30am-1pm.

**Web Site:** [www.SaintRaymonds.org](http://www.SaintRaymonds.org)

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### Pastoral Care Of The Sick

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### Devotions

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Thursdays from 1-4pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

#### **Nocturnal Adoration**

First Fridays from 8-9pm.

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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.

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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.

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**Charismatic Prayer Group:** Every Tuesday at 7:30pm  
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**Men's Prayer Group:** Every 4th Friday at 8pm in  
Our Lady's Chapel.

### Music Ministries

**Children's Choir:** Sings at the 9am Mass on the 3rd  
Sunday of the month from September—June; practice on  
Tuesdays at 5pm in the school auditorium.

**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 Deacon Rich LaRossa.



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NEW FACEBOOK GROUP!  
ST. RAYMOND PARISH, EAST ROCKAWAY  
SPIRITUAL AIDS AND INFORMATION  
WILL BE POSTED TO KEEP US  
ALL CONNECTED  
DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIMES.**



**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 ...***

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SPC Giuseppina (Josie) Coppola US ARMY  
Lt. Col. Mary P. King , M.D., US ARMY  
Lt. Com. Joseph Garbitelli US NAVY  
Sgt. Gerard Moran  
Lt. Com. Joseph Leahy US NAVY

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

## Father Chuck's Corner

**Greetings and God's continued Easter blessings be yours!** The focus of this Sunday's readings is to show how Jesus uses the sharing of a meal to reassure, unite and empower his disciples. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Peter makes it crystal clear that he does not have the power to heal. All gratitude for healing should be given in the name of Jesus Christ. They want all who witness these marvelous things to realize that all credit goes to the power of the risen Jesus who now reigns in glory. **"The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses."** Then in the second reading from 1 John, the people are encouraged to follow the word of Jesus Christ. And if they falter and sin, there is forgiveness offered through the death and resurrection of Jesus. **"But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him."** And finally, Luke's gospel passage focuses on another resurrection appearance. Jesus is really trying to get his disciples to accept the reality of his risen body. Once again, he offers the gift of peace. Then to counter their idea of him being a ghost he shows them his wounded hands and feet. Plus, he eats some fish right before their very eyes. Finally, Jesus reiterates that he is the fulfillment of the scriptures. **"Thus, it is written that Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."**

Today's gospel passage from Luke is one of at least 10 instances where Jesus shares food with his disciples. It is a way for Jesus to encourage them to move from doubt to faith, from anxiety to peace and from fearful wavering to faithful commitment. Before sharing food Jesus satisfies the disciples' need to feel good by offering the gift of peace. The sudden fish dinner links up to the meal with his Emmaus disciples and when Jesus eats food too, he is reassuring the disciples that he is not a ghost. Just as we often use meals to celebrate important family events, Jesus does likewise. He uses meals to encourage and unite the disciples for their upcoming mission. They will need to stay strong and united especially after Jesus departs from their midst. Now we see the Eucharist, our table of fellowship, to be the preeminent sign of our belonging to the community of Jesus' followers. The disciples linked their future **"Breaking of the Bread"** to the Last Supper.

It was nostalgic for them. But we don't have a vague longing for the past, rather we see every Eucharist as a vibrant, active remembrance that makes a past event come alive in the present. For us, eating the **"Bread"** and drinking his **"Blood"** links the past saving action of Jesus to this present Eucharist, and the future of his return in glory. So let us always remember that when we celebrate the Eucharist, we are being united to our faith roots, and strengthened for the future task of witnessing to Jesus' message.

**This past week the second graders from St. Raymond School received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time.** May they now always know the graces of God's forgiving love in this special way. All of the second graders of our parish have now received their First Reconciliation and are ready to receive their First Holy Communion. We will start having First Holy Communion Masses next Saturday and continue through the first two weekends of May. Please pray for all our children as they approach the most important day of their Catholic lives-their First Holy Communion Day!

**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 news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, info from **Religious Education** and the **Principal's Corner** of St. Raymond School, an ad for Adult Catholics requesting the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this coming Pentecost Sunday, info from the **Human Life Committee**, a listing of **Easter Memorial Flowers**, the **Litany of St. Joseph** and other prayers, 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 Third Week of Easter. **Smile, share, and give witness to the risen Jesus by what you say and do. Plus remember: Life is better when you cry a little, laugh a lot, and are thankful for everything you've got.** God bless always.

**-Father Chuck**

Peace  
be with  
you

# WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021-THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

## 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

## The Our Father

Our Father,

Who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be Thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.

Thy Will be done,  
on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day  
our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who  
trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

## 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

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021-THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

## FIRST READING Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people:  
"The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate's presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.  
When I call, answer me, O my just God, you who relieve me when I am in distress; have pity on me, and hear my prayer!  
R. Lord, let your face shine on us.  
Know that the LORD does wonders for his faithful one; the LORD will hear me when I call upon him.  
R. Lord, let your face shine on us.  
O LORD, let the light of your countenance shine upon us! You put gladness into my heart.  
R. Lord, let your face shine on us.  
As soon as I lie down, I fall peacefully asleep, for you alone, O LORD, bring security to my dwelling.  
R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

## SECOND READING 1 Jn 2:1-5a

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, "I know him," but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

## ALLELUIA Cf. Lk 24:32

R. Alleluia, alleluia.  
Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;  
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.  
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## GOSPEL Lk 24:35-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread. While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."





**Dear Friends:**

**He is Risen! Alleluia!**

Last year, during the Easter Vigil, Pope Francis commented on the beauty of Christian almsgiving when he said, *“How beautiful it is to be Christians who offer consolation, who bear the burdens of others and who offer encouragement: messengers of life in a time of death!”* In the early stages of the pandemic and lockdown, these words meant so much to a hurting world and yet, they still mean so much today. When you give to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, you are offering encouragement and helping bear the burdens of our struggling brothers and sisters across Long Island. The Catholic Ministries Appeal is that message of life that you are offering to so many people.

Your gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal will *create pathways of faith* for our brothers and sisters who come to the Diocese or local parishes for assistance with basic necessities such as food and clothing. Your gift can help assist a young pregnant mother receive the help she deserves; provide housing for seniors, individuals with developmental disabilities, and veterans; spread the Gospel to youth and young adults through our Diocesan ministries, and support Catholic Charities and Catholic Education. Your gift can also allow a seminarian the peace of mind to pursue his vocation without worrying about education debts.

Please also know that 100% of every dollar raised is restricted to serve the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Thank you for your gift to this year’s Catholic Ministries Appeal, and for *creating pathways of faith* across Long Island. Know that you and your family are in my heart and in my prayers as we celebrate the Easter Season.

Sincerely in Christ,

**Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre**

Diocese of Rockville Centre  
*Healing after Abortion*



Project Rachel retreats offer the opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. The retreats are directed by specially trained compassionate caregivers, including counselors and clergy, who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer.

**“Entering Canaan”  
Day of Prayer and Healing for Women-  
Saturday, May 15, 2021  
Please register by May 10th**

For more information and to register please visit  
[www.drvc.org/projectrachel](http://www.drvc.org/projectrachel)  
or contact Project Rachel at  
1(888) 456-HOPE (4673), 1(516) 766-2538 or  
[projectrachel@drvc.org](mailto:projectrachel@drvc.org).

*All information will remain confidential.*

**Parish Social Ministry**

*The Heart of the Parish*

*The Lord is truly rise, alleluia.  
To him be glory and power  
for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia.  
-Luke 24:34*

Pantry needs for the week:  
Mashed Potatoes, Canned fruit, Broth, Hot cereal,  
Juices, Deodorant, Pancake mix Coffee, Tea,  
Cooking oil, Sugar

*Thank you for your generosity. Please keep us  
in your prayers, as we will keep you, in these  
difficult times. God is good all the time...*



**STEWARDSHIP**



Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

As Christians, we know the joy and love of being followers of Jesus Christ. Share that joy with others this week. Reach out to an old friend to check in on them or do something extra special for a loved one.



**St. Raymond  
Human Life  
Committee**

**How would you respond to these statements?**

'A woman should be able to do what she wants with her own body—It's my body, my choice.' A fetus is not part of the mother's body, but a completely separate human being with her own unique DNA. The fetus in the womb is a human being, should another person have the right to kill her? 'But a fetus isn't human - it's just a clump of cells.' Simple tissue doesn't have a beating heart or brain waves. 12 weeks after fertilization, every system of a child's body is in place and functioning. Nothing new is added except oxygen, nutrition and time. 'Okay maybe it's a human, but it's definitely not a person.' The worldview that led to the acceptance of slavery and genocide began with stripping away personhood from some humans for convenience. Isn't it discrimination to say some human beings are not people? 'I'm personally opposed but won't take away someone else's right to an abortion.' That same reasoning applied elsewhere sounds like, 'I'm personally opposed to child abuse but I won't take away someone else's right to beat their child.' There should be no such thing as freedom to kill a child. The Argument is Simply .....

**“All humans should get human rights.**

**Human rights start when a human's life begins.**

**Science tells us when human life begins  
(conception)**

**Abortion kills an innocent human being.**

**Abortion is a human rights violation.”**

**(Human Life Alliance, "She's a Child,  
Not a 'Choice'", p.4-5)**



**ASK Jesus  
what He wants from you  
and be BRAVE.**

**—Pope Francis I**

“It will come about after this  
that I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind;  
and your sons and daughters will prophesy,  
your old men will dream dreams,  
your young men will see visions. Joel 2:28

***Pentecost Confirmation***

At this time I am accepting requests for the Sacrament of Confirmation from any adult Catholics of college age and older. The appropriate date each year for the conferring of Confirmation to adults is at a Pentecost Mass which signals the end of the Easter season.

***I will be celebrating Confirmation for all those  
adults wishing to receive their Confirmation on  
Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the 5:00pm  
Pentecost Eve Mass.***

There will be a period of preparation before this date that is required of all candidates. If you are interested, please call the rectory at 593-5000 during office hours and tell the that you wish to be on the Adult Confirmation list. I will then get in touch with you. So if you meet the requirements and have not yet been Confirmed, here's your chance. Hope to hear from you.

**—Father Chuck**

***Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series  
Continues Liturgical Catechesis  
Tuesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.***

**April 27 Liturgy and St. John Paul II Reform**

**May 25 Liturgy and Personal Growth**

So that Bishop Andrzej can safely continue his Liturgical Catechesis lecture series, presentations in February and March will be available only through ZOOM. In order to be emailed the ZOOM link, you must register. Please see below for instructions on how to register in order to gain access to these presentations. If you already receive updates regarding Bishop Andrzej's presentation schedule, the ZOOM link will automatically be emailed to you.

**Please call or email to register:  
Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850;  
westernvicariate@drvc.org.**

## Religious Education- Faith Formation

Evelyn Contaldi, Director

**2020/2021 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES WILL  
END ON THURSDAY 4/22/2021.**

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE**

Group 1-Saturday, April 24, 2021 at 11am  
Mrs. Joyce & Mrs. Layng classes plus  
home schooled children

Group 2-Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 11am  
St. Raymond School students & Mrs. Ohlsen's class

Group 3-Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 1pm  
Mrs. Hollenstein & Mrs. Casucci's classes

Group 4-Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 11am  
Mrs. Agnello & Mrs. Breuer's classes

Group 5-Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 1pm  
Mrs. Hannon & Mrs. Kelhetter's classes



### **ATTENTION 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS**

Dates for 2021 Confirmation are not yet determined due to the pandemic. As soon as we know what the plan will be, we will advise parents immediately.

### **HOME TEACHING**

For parents who have opted to teach Religion to their children at home, the student's completed workbooks are due to the Religious Education office the week of 4/19/2021.

The office hours are Monday-Thursday 10am-4:30pm.

Please ring our door bell (door located in front of the school behind park bench – closest to parking lot). Wait to be buzzed in. Come up the stairs and please leave the book on the chair located outside the Religious Education office. Remember to write your child's name clearly on the front of the book.

### **1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE PARENTS**

First grade parents have been teaching their children at home. The completed student workbooks are due to the Religious Education office the week of 4/26/2021. The office hours are Monday-Thursday 10am-4:30pm. Please ring our door bell (door located in front of the school behind park bench – closest to parking lot). Wait to be buzzed in. Come up the stairs and please leave the book on the chair located outside the Religious Education office. Remember to write your child's name clearly on the front of the book. If you want the book returned to you, please make note of that on the front of the book.

## Principal's Corner

Sister Ruthanne

Today's Gospel Acclamation reads, "Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us." This really jumped out at me this week as I wondered how many of us truly are open to the message of the Scriptures that we share each week. As we read the Scriptures privately or as they are read to us at Mass, do we ponder the words and try to apply them to our lives? Do we realize that the words are meant for us; that the Lord is sharing His love with us? Sometimes perhaps we need a wake-up call. I believe that is the message in this acclamation. Let us pray for the openness to the word of God that our hearts too may filled to overflowing with love for our God.

This week our fourth and sixth graders will take the New York State ELA test. This they to do on their Chromebooks one day during the week. The test has been shortened by the State because of the pandemic so it will not take that long, nor will it interfere with the schedule.

This is also SPRING PICTURE week. Our students will have pictures taken on Tuesday. As this is the second time this year that they are being photographed, they may come in an appropriate outfit of their choice. Though they must continue to wear masks, they will not wear them for the actual picture. So, the suggestion is to look pretty (or handsome) and SMILE.

Earth Day is this week on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Teachers are certainly planning activities for the day, but it is also a great time for families to think about preserving the earth. What can you do to help - start a garden, plant a tree, clean up an outside area, join in the activities of an eco-friendly organization in the neighborhood? Teach by example. We have one earth, and it is our responsibility to care for it.

Have a beautiful and peaceful week. Let us continue to pray for one another and our St. Raymond School Family. God bless.





## *The Year of St. Joseph*

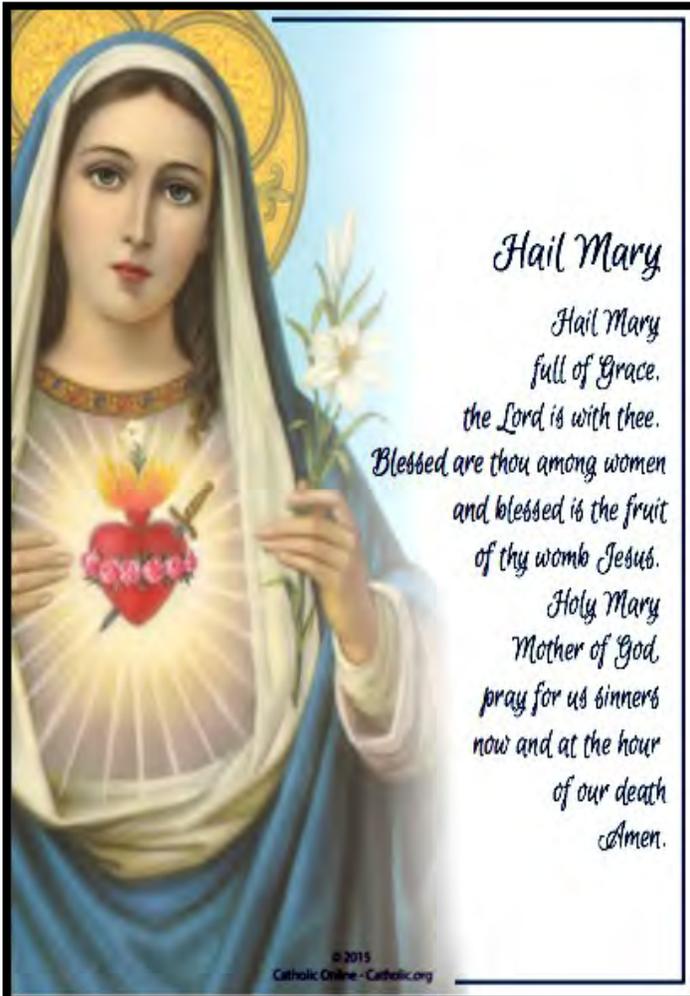
*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

*To you God entrusted his only Son; in you  
Mary placed her trust; with you Christ  
became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too, show  
yourself a father and guide us in the  
path of life.*

*Obtain for us grace, mercy, and  
courage, and defend us from  
every evil. Amen.*

*-Pope Francis*



### *Hail Mary*

*Hail Mary  
full of Grace,  
the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed are thou among women  
and blessed is the fruit  
of thy womb Jesus.  
Holy Mary  
Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners  
now and at the hour  
of our death  
Amen.*

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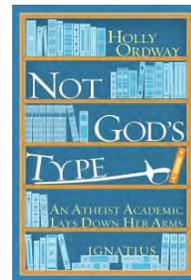
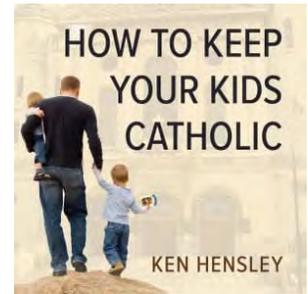
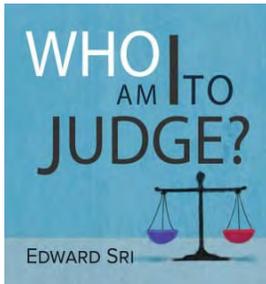




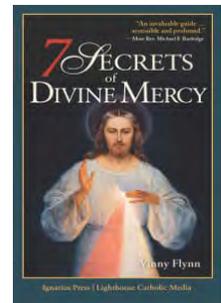
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**St. Raymond Memorials**

Often people ask if there is something they could memorialize in memory of a loved one. Besides having *Mass Intentions*, there are other opportunities for individuals, families and groups to remember a loved one in a tangible and sometimes lasting way. Some of the weekly liturgical memorials that we have are the *Bread and Wine*, the *Rose for Life* and the *Sanctuary Lamp*. These memorials can be arranged at the rectory.



There are also other liturgical items that are seasonal, like the *Christmas* and *Easter Flowers*, the *Paschal Candle*, *Advent Wreath Candles* and other holy items we can use for religious services. Then we also have a certain lasting type of memorial called a *"Memorial Brick"* that can be set in one of four beautiful outside locations. One location is by the *Holy Family Statue* on the front lawn of the rectory, the *St. Teresa Statue* behind the rectory, the *God and Country Memorial* near the front of the church and finally our newest *Padre Pio Statue* on the walkway between the rectory and church. Each location is open for anyone wishing to have such a Memorial Brick placed there.

*These bricks are 4" by 8" with up to three lines of text. The donation for each brick is \$250.* Anyone wishing to purchase one of these bricks should contact the rectory during regular office hours. Maybe you will consider one of these special places on the grounds of St. Raymond to celebrate life and pay tribute to someone dear to you.

**A Prayer as I put on my mask:**

Creator,

As I prepare to go into the world,  
Help me to see the sacrament  
In the wearing of this cloth-  
Let it be "an outward sign  
Of an inward grace"-

A tangible and visible way of living  
Love for my neighbors,  
Christ,

Since my lips will be covered,  
Uncover my heart,

That people would see my smile  
In the crinkles around my eyes.  
Since my voice may be muffled,  
Help me to speak clearly,  
Not only with my words,  
But with my actions.

Holy Spirit,

As the elastic touches my ears,  
Remind me to listen carefully-  
And full of care-  
To all those I meet.

May this simple piece of cloth be  
Shield and banner,  
And each breath that it holds,  
Be filled with your love.

In your name and in  
The name of love  
I pray.

May it be so, May it be so.





# Masses for this Week

## Monday, April 19th

7:15am Anthony Terranova

8:45am Fr. Chuck (living)

## Tuesday, April 20th

7:15am Faculty & Families of St. Raymond

8:45am William Brennan

## Wednesday, April 21st

7:15am Maddison

8:45am Genevieve Cavaretta

## Thursday, April 22nd

7:15am Estebana Moreno Deras

8:45am Donna Marie Hertling

## Friday, April 23rd

7:15am Donna Silano

8:45am Paul Assenza

## Saturday, April 24th

8:45am Frank Behrman

5:00pm Vera Luvin

## Sunday, April 25th

7:30am Margaret Francis

9:00am Peggy Francis

10:30am Joseph A. Vito

12:00pm Salvatore J. Sollitto, Cameron Livingstone  
Katherine Scott, Anton Giese  
Mafalda Aiello, RoseAnne Strife

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

### Scripture Readings for the Week

#### Monday

Acts 6:8-15 / Jn 6:22-29

#### Tuesday

Acts 7:51—8:1a / Jn 6:30-35

#### Wednesday

Acts 8:1b-8 / Jn 6:35-40

#### Thursday

Acts 8:26-40/ Jn 6:44-51

#### Friday

Acts 9:1-20 / Jn 6:52-59

#### Saturday

Acts 9:31-42 / Jn 6:60-69

#### Sunday

Acts 4:8-12 / 1 Jn 3:1-2 / Jn 10:11-18

### Please Pray for Our Sick

Fr, Tom Moriarity, Deacon Rich LaRossa, Valerie Fellows,  
Jeanette Kostyrka, Margaret Mary Barbato, Taylor Clark,  
Liz Biondi, Jodi Neckles, Olivia Bonino, Anthony B., Alyssa B.,  
Bart Castellaneta, Victoria Wilkinson, Nick, Kathleen Clancy,  
Rob Ruggiero, Peter Scala, Suzie McHale, Baby Madison Grace  
Layman, Ellen Bretschneider, Hailey Faith Bevers,  
Ginny Kondrat, Baby Faith Madison, Pamela Guzzaro,  
Pat Bolino, Ann Marie Russo, Peggy Kelly, Joseph Murphy,  
Jim Kallstrom, Frank Pasqualino, Danielle Zollo.

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



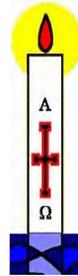
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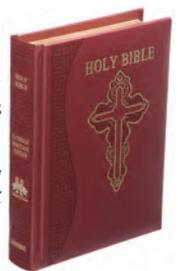
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