

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 30, 2023

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000



“Amen, amen,
I say to you,
I am the gate
for the sheep.”

-John 10:7

April 30, 2023

Fourth 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-4pm;
Saturdays from 9:30am-4pm. Sundays 9am-5pm
Web Site: www.SaintRaymonds.org
Facebook: St. Raymond Parish, East Rockaway
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Parish Social Ministry.....887-9197
Office Hours are Monday-Wednesday from 10am-2pm.
Parish Social Ministry Fax.....593-6278

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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.

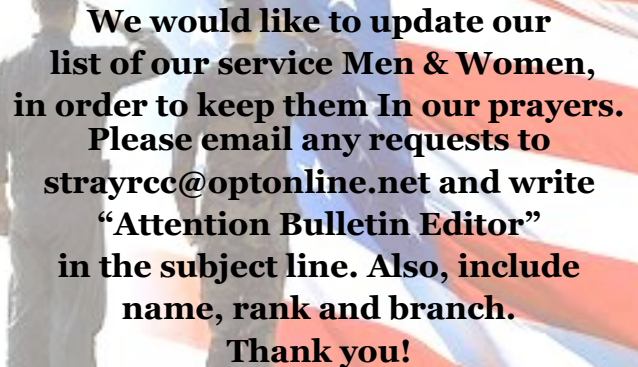
Music Ministries

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 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 ...

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PFC Connor Thomas McHale US MARINE CORPS
Sgt. Gerard Moran
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Spec. Bryan Petriccione US ARMY –Cavalry Unit
Lt. JG Joseph Woloszyn US NAVY

Please remember to pray for our wounded soldiers.

Greetings and God's continued Easter blessings be yours on the Fourth Sunday of Easter! Today's message is to hear the voice of Jesus as the Good Shepherd who is familiar, authentic, distinctive, and reassuring. In the first reading from Acts, Peter hits his fellow Jews hard by adamantly proclaiming that Jesus, whom they crucified, was the promised Messiah. Feeling remorse, they asked what they could do so they could still be connected to Jesus. Peter told them that they could be united with Jesus by baptism and repentance of sins. **"Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand persons were added that day."** Then in the second reading from 1 Peter, we see the image of the Good Shepherd attributed to Jesus who will always protect those who return after going astray. Peter is clear that patient endurance of suffering is a key element for a relationship with Jesus. **"Beloved: If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God."** And finally, John's gospel presents Jesus as the gateway for all the sheep to enter through. He knows the sheep and goes ahead of them. They will recognize him and so trustingly follow. And that is the way for life in abundance. **"I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture."**

In a sense, today's gospel is all about **"voice recognition"** authentication and security. Jesus draws a sharp distinction between himself and the Pharisees. He is a **"good shepherd"** not a **"hired hand"** who has no genuine concern for the flock. Jesus insists that the sheep will follow the true shepherd because they **"recognize his voice."** The sheep in Jesus' time were kept in a common enclosure and by repeated listening, the sheep would become familiar with the voice of their shepherd and thus be able to distinguish it from others. It is through the Gospel texts that we become accustomed to the voice of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. There are so many voices reaching our ears each day, all trying to gain our attention by claiming some kind of authority. The question of authenticity is also clouded by those who label **"fake news"** any information they don't like. Jesus speaks distinctly and authoritatively because he is the **"Good Shepherd,"** not simply one among many.

The tech world uses the term **"gatekeeper"** to describe software that detects intrusive malware and keeps it out of systems and computers. In Jesus' day a good shepherd blocked the gate to keep out thieves from disturbing the sheep. In a sense the shepherd was not just the gatekeeper but also the gate. Jesus identifies himself as the **"Good Shepherd,"** the gatekeeper, and the gate. Our safety and salvation rest in him alone. Now while we identify as the sheep in the scriptures, we are also often asked to be shepherds. Not only bishops and pastors are called to this task. Parents, grandparents, teachers, counselors, medical personnel, and other caregivers and all those who serve and protect, are entrusted with the charge to be good shepherds.

As we enter the month of May which is a month dedicated to the Blessed Mother, it is a good time to turn to Our Lady and ask her to intercede for our needs, both personally and communally. To me praying the Rosary each day of May is a great way to have Mary steer you to meditation on the important mysteries of our faith. As we used to write on our papers during one of my grammar school years, **"All for Jesus through Mary"** sums up the direction our lives should be taking. So, find that time and space and pray the Rosary each day. I promise you that it will enhance even more your journey through Eastertide.

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** (Faith Formation), an invitation to **Jukebox "Cinco de Mayo" Bingo** on Friday evening, May 5th, a request for **Parishioner Emails** to help foster communication from the rectory, an invitation to join **FORMED** (your Catholic Faith on demand), the **Communal Prayer Before Mass** (found on the inside back cover), and much more. To keep informed, keep a copy of the bulletin at home each week for quick and easy reference.

Have great first week of May. **Keep your Easter smile shining. And remember: Time flies, whether or not you're having fun.** Pray the Rosary! God bless always. **-Father Chuck**



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

APRIL 30, 2023-FOURTH 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

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

APRIL 30, 2023-FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and they asked Peter and the other apostles, "What are we to do, my brothers?" Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is made to you and to your children and to all those far off, whomever the Lord our God will call." He testified with many other arguments, and was exhorting them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand persons were added that day.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side. With your rod and your staff that give me courage.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING

1 Pt 2:20b-25

Beloved:

If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you should follow in his footsteps. *He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.* When he was insulted, he returned no insult; when he suffered, he did not threaten; instead, he handed himself over to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

ALLELUIA

Jn 10:14

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Jn 10:1-10

Jesus said:

"Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice. But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers."

Although Jesus used this figure of speech, the Pharisees did not realize what he was trying to tell them. So Jesus said again, "Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate.

Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly."



Mrs. Abuin's 7th Grade Class wrote letters to a Parish Family



Mrs. MacLeish's 4th Grade Class made beautiful thank you notes for Lucy, Liz & Nancy



Mrs. Abuin's 7th Grade Class wrote what they learned this year in Religion.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director

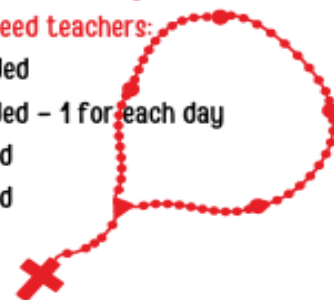
The last day of Religious Education classes for the 2022/2023 school year was Thursday 4/27/2023. Thanks to our parents for their support and cooperation. Special thanks and gratitude to our wonderful and inspired Catechists. Without them this program would not be able to thrive as it has this past year. A million thanks and gratitude to our 'CCD Crew' for their ideas, work, and dedication to the children of our parish by coming up with the various successful events we sponsored – Michelle DeLuca, Kelly DeSola, Lindsay Joyce, Kelly Khan, Gina Lee, Jane O'Hanlon, Stephanie Paul and Jennie Saia. In addition to teaching Religion classes, they lovingly and enthusiastically offered their time and talent to our parish.

The 2023/2024 Registration forms will be e-mailed home to parents during the month of April. The forms can also be found on the parish website – www.saintraymonds.org.

We are in need of catechists for the 2023/2024 Religious Education school year. Please call the Religious Education office if you are interested – 516-593-9075. The following is where we need teachers:



2nd Grade	Tuesdays	3:30pm-4:30pm	3 teachers needed
3rd Grade	Monday & Thursday	3:30pm-4:30pm	2 teachers needed – 1 for each day
5th Grade	Thursday	3:30pm-4:30pm	1 teacher needed
6th Grade	Thursday	3:30pm-4:30pm	1 teacher needed



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023 – MANDATORY REHEARSAL TEACHER/CLASSROOM # DATE/TIME/ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

GROUP 1 Mrs. Kelhetter/2-4 Room 113 Mrs. Ohlsen/2-3 Room 112 Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023 – 3:30PM-5:00PM
GROUP 2 Mrs. Agnello/Mrs. MacLeish/2-1 Room 107 Mrs. Falbee/2-2 Room 108 Wednesday, May 3rd, 23 – 3:30PM-5PM
GROUP 3 Mrs. DiRienzo/Mrs. Fiorentino/2-5 Room 114 Mrs. Nostramo/2-6 Room 209 Mrs. O'Hanlon/2-7 Room 208
Tuesday, May 9th, 2023 – 3:30PM-5PM



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023 – MASSES TEACHER/CLASSROOM # DATE/TIME/ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

GROUP 1 Mrs. Kelhetter/2-4 Room 113 Mrs. Ohlsen/2-3 Room 112 Saturday, May 6th, 2023 – 11AM
GROUP 2 Mrs. Agnello/Mrs. MacLeish/2-1 Room 107 Mrs. Falbee/2-2 Room 108 Saturday, May 6th, 2023 – 1:30PM
GROUP 3 Mrs. DiRienzo/Mrs. Fiorentino/2-5 Room 114 Mrs. Nostramo/2-6 Room 209 Mrs. O'Hanlon/2-7 Room 208
Saturday, May 13th, 2023 – 11AM



First Holy Communion

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St. Raymond/Msgr. Walsh Council Knights of Columbus

Jukebox "Cinco de Mayo" Bingo

Friday, May 5, 2023

7:00-10:00 PM

St. Raymond School Cafeteria

Hosted by DJ Doug

The donation will be \$35.00 per person. There will be bingo, raffles and a 50/50. Sangria, Beer, Soda Water, and snacks will be available for purchase.

This event will support a myriad of Knights of Columbus Charities.

For more information please contact Past Grand Knight Doug Yadanza 516-286-0056.



CINCO DE MAYO





*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 - Wednesday from 10am to 2pm
(Suggested to call for an appointment)

*"The generous will themselves be blessed,
for they share their food with the poor."*

Proverbs 22:9

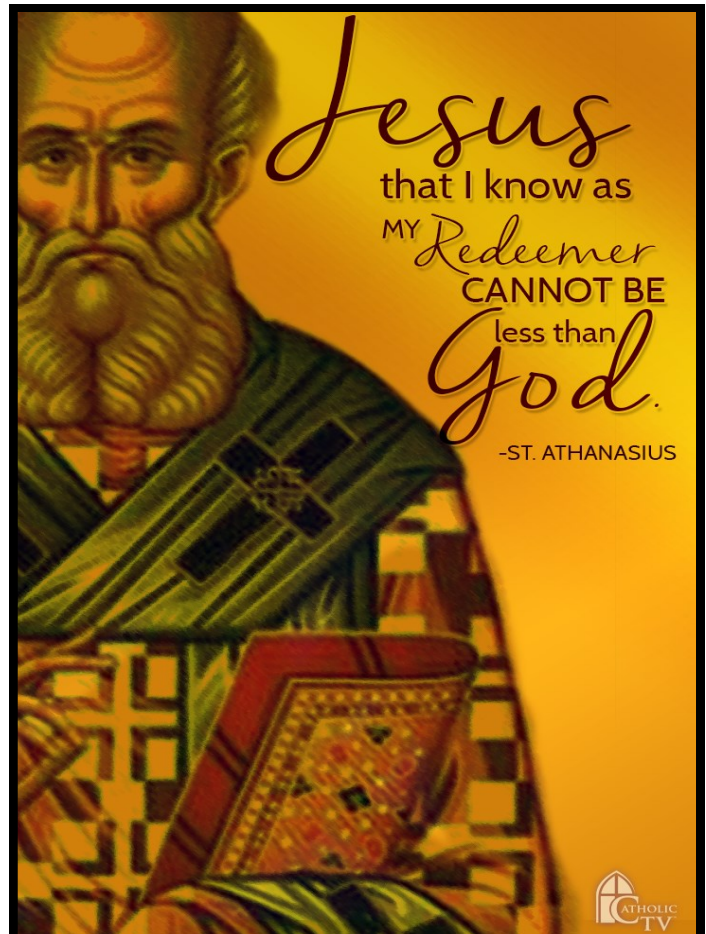
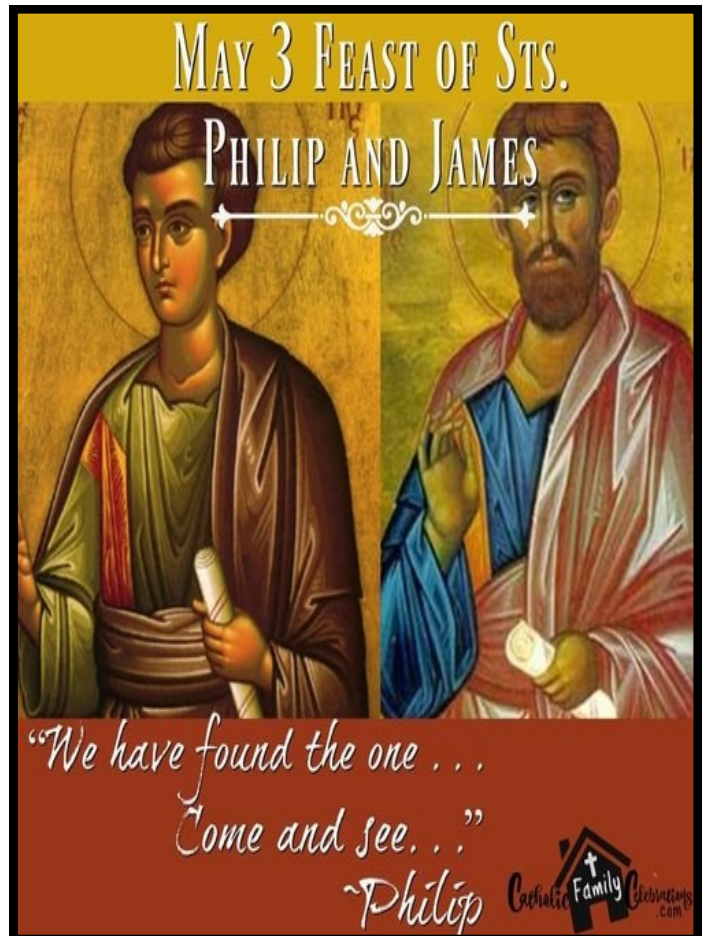
Food assistance is available for those in need who live within our Parish boundaries. During the month of March, our Parish Social Ministry assisted 68 households with food, personal care and household items. We also welcomed one new client into the Outreach Program and helped them with food and other services they needed.

As we all know, grocery prices have been skyrocketing and it is getting especially harder for seniors, who depend on their Social Security benefits as their sole income, to make ends meet. If you are a senior citizen who lives within our Parish boundaries and are having a difficult time financially to afford groceries, please contact our office and we will try to help out with food so that you can pay your other bills.

Pantry items needed this week: Canned Beets, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Tomatoes, Jarred Pasta Sauce, Cooking Oil, Mayonnaise, Rice Side Dishes, Laundry Detergent, Shampoo, Conditioner, and Shaving Cream.

Thank you as always for helping us serve the people in need in our community. Food donations are greatly appreciated and can be brought to the Ryan House when it is open or donations can be left in the bin on the porch. Also food donations can be left in the Altar Servers Sacristy.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. You are always in our prayers.





Visitation of Relics of

Blessed

Founder of the Knights of Columbus and central figure in the growth of Catholicism in America

Michael McGivney



May 1, 2023, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker St. Joseph Church, Garden City

8:30 a.m. – Mass & Veneration
12:10 p.m. – Mass & Veneration 12:45 -
6:30 p.m. – Visitation of Relic 7:00 p.m.
– Mass & Veneration



May 2, 2023 St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre

11:00 a.m – Presentation for Diocesan High School Students in the Mgr. Kelly Center
11:45 a.m. – Students venerate the Relic in the Cathedral
12:10 p.m. – Mass with Relic with students and parishioners of St. Agnes
6:00 p.m. – Preached vespers with the Relic



May 3, 2023 The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington

3:00 - 6:30 p.m. – Visitation of
Relic 3:00 p.m. – Midday Prayer
7:00 p.m. – Mass



May 4, 2023 St. Anthony of Padua Church, East Northport

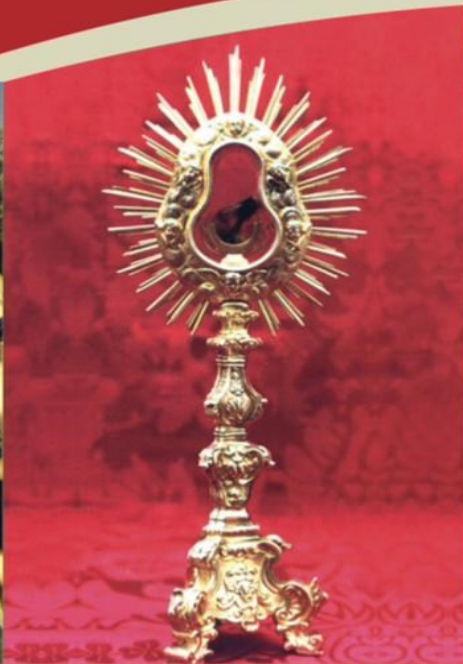
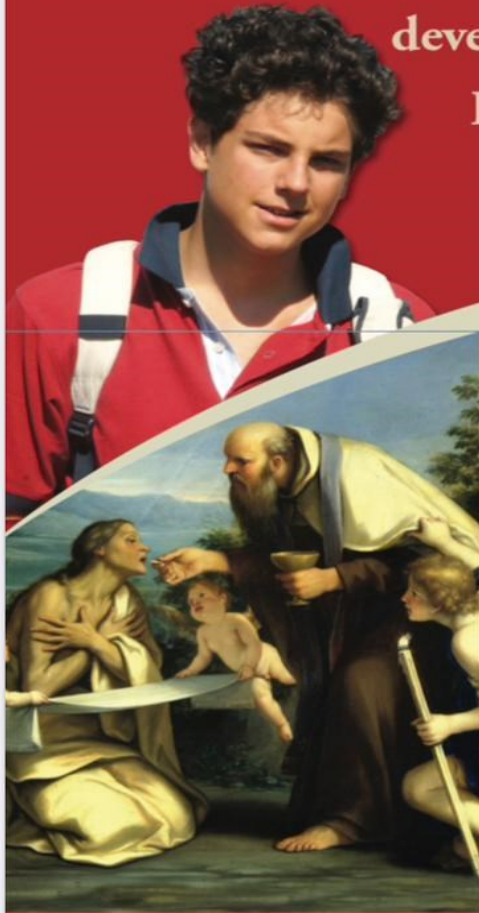
Noon - 6:30 p.m. – Visitation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
1:00 p.m. – Prayer Service for Trinity Regional School with Veneration of Relic
7:00 p.m. – Mass with Bishop Barres, praying for the Intercession of Blessed McGivney for Vocations. Reception to follow, hosted by the Knights of Columbus

For More Information: Contact the Rectory of Saint Anthony of Padua Church, East Northport
Maricelle or Betsy : 631-261-1077 or info@saintanthonyofpadua.org

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invites parishioners and friends to
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SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023 • 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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School Cafeteria
Sunday - May 21, 2023
8:00am - 2:00pm**



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Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo. Masks are optional for all donors and staff. For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols, please visit nybc.org/coronavirus.



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As good stewards, we need
to put God and others before
us. Find a way this week
to put others first.



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ST. RAYMOND'S HUMAN LIFE COMMITTEE

In order to negate the claim that Planned Parenthood's main business is that of abortion, the spokesperson will state that PP provides many health services for women such as free cancer screening, free sexually transmitted infection tests and free breast exams. This is done to deliberately distract people from talking about its abortion numbers and at the same time trying to project the image of real health care for women. The reality is that "PP provides less than 1.5% of all HIV tests, less than 2% of women's cancer screening and less than 1% of pap tests in America. Not one of PP's facilities was certified as a mammography facility. Services to cancer-screening clients, pre-natal clients and contraception clients have dropped significantly". (What to Say When, Shawn D. Carney and Steve Karlen) Conveniently, the spokes-person fails to state that PP is the number 1 abortion provider in the nation, committing about 350,000 abortions yearly. That's 350,000 live babies in the womb that have their lives taken through the barbaric abortion procedure by PP alone. Any "good" that PP claims can never offset the horrific "bad" of 350,000 human lives in the womb denied their right to live. Don't be fooled. Abortion is Planned Parenthood's main business.



Parish Email List

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.

Name_____

Email_____ Parish (on your envelopes) #_____

God is



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,

**visit their website at:
www.oceanfinancial.org**

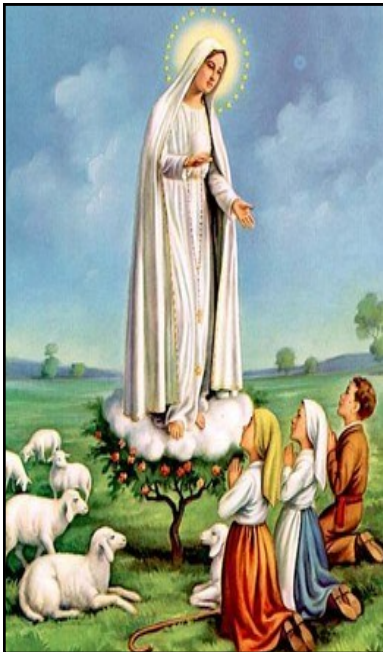
Do you like to sing?
Do you play piano, flute or guitar?
Check out...

St. Raymond Folk Group!

We are back...

We rehearse Wednesday nights from 7pm-8pm & Sunday at 11am in the Rectory Lower Level and sing at the 12 Noon Sunday Mass

If interested please call AnnMarie Lynch at 599-6836
7th Grade and higher are Welcome!



Prayer Vigil: Our Lady of Fatima

The 106th Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions
Please join us in praying for the United States of America and World Peace.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & The Rosary

**Friday, May 12th; 7pm—8:30pm;
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The Message of Fatima

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7:15am Jordon Abate

8:45am James Russo

Wednesday, May 3rd

7:15am James & Kathleen Ryder

8:45am Joseph Lilly

Thursday, May 4th

7:15am David Ohlsen, Sr.

8:45am Dominick Consolazio

Friday, May 5th

7:15am Charles Hess

8:45am Joseph Ninivaggi

Saturday, May 6th

8:45am Rev. Eugene McManus

5:00pm Hugh MacEachen

Sunday, May 7th

7:30am George F. Carney

9:00am Marie Finken

10:30am Jane Hoffmann

12:00pm Raymond & Marie Cooley

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Francisco Perez, Jose Lopez Diaz

Patrick & Elizabeth McCormack,

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Catherine Louisa Mansfield

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday

Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday

1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

Thursday

Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

Friday

Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday

Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

Sunday

Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

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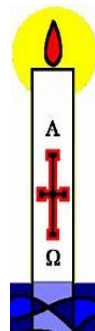
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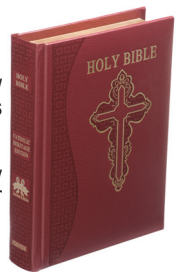
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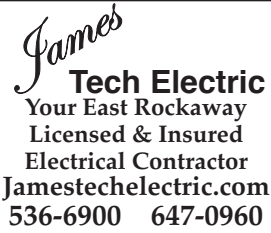


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