

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, July 31, 2022

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though
one may be rich, one’s life does not
consist of possessions.”

-Luke 12:15



July 31, 2022

Eighteenth 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.

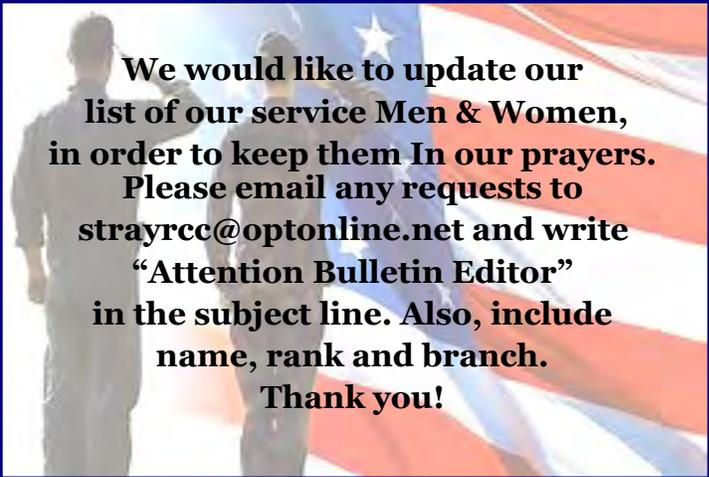
Music Ministries

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 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 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time! Today's readings aim at trying to get North American Catholics to put our trust in God over any wealth, power or control that our culture promotes. There is much to go around and unfortunately, we are trained to **"go get more."** In the first reading from Ecclesiastes, we are given the wisdom words of how **"vanity"** controls so much of our lives. We are challenged to consider the daily things that occupy our time and energy and to ask ourselves, **"What really matters? For what profit comes to a man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun?"** Then in the second reading from Colossians, Paul urges the baptized to remain focused on the kingdom of heaven and not to be concerned so much about earthly things that do not help one's spiritual growth. **"If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not about what is on earth."** And finally, in Luke's gospel we see Jesus telling everyone not to be greedy. He points out in his parable that the **"more you have, the more you want."** Abundance, wealth and power do not guarantee security. No one escapes death nor knows when it will come. Jesus teaches that real treasure is experienced by sharing one's possessions with others. **"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."**

It seems that according to western culture more is better. More money in our bank accounts, whether here or abroad, more power, more control, more health insurance, more security, more stuff. The list is endless. Now it is wise to save for a rainy day, but we then have to be aware of where we put all our energies. Today's readings move us away from vain pursuits to a relationship with God that lasts forever. Nothing we have in this world lasts beyond. Everything you have will one day belong to someone else. **But a relationship with God is eternal.** The material world is not the goal of a Christian life. In death we leave it all behind. Even hard work can lead to anxiety if we engage in it for the wrong reason. Human concerns and restless nights are vain because they show a lack of trust in God. We really gain nothing of lasting value from the material world.

Remember that Jesus' concerns are not worldly, but elsewhere. Ours should be likewise. Then as now rich people are tempted to be self-reliant because they have an abundance of food, power and security. Who needs God? This can be a danger to us also. When we don't trust in God's providence, we rely on ourselves. Who will save us? Bankers? Health Insurance Companies? Doctors? Lawyers? Politicians? Ultimately it is all vanity. Only God saves so we need to build up our spiritual hearts. That is what matters to God. Anything else is pure vanity, plain and simple. At this Eucharist, we celebrate God's greatest gift; his saving passion, death and resurrection of Jesus preparing us to share in the eternal banquet. Won't heaven finally be enough for us?

Week five has concluded for our **"Sky's the Limit Super 50/50"** and while the total keeps rising it's doing so very slowly. **There are only four more weeks to go, and we need to keep the momentum going!** Why? Well, the higher the amount collected, the greater the prize money will be. Remember, the **"Sky's the Limit"** so the higher the total the better for St. Raymond Church and all the winners. Please check this bulletin for the latest breakdown of what the winning prize amounts would be if the drawing were held on the day this bulletin goes to print. Use the order form that was mailed to all registered parishioners, or the tear-off in the July/August envelope packet or the tear-off in the weekly bulletin. **Either way, you don't want to miss out on a chance to win some big money.** So please consider if you haven't already to help this **"Super 50/50"** be a huge success for St. Raymond Parish and all the winners. Drawings will be 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 news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, information from **Religious Education**, an ad seeking potential new **Pastoral Council Applicants**, a request for **Parishioner Emails** to help foster better communication with the rectory, 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 and help someone in need. Plus remember: You can't take it with you!** God bless always.

-Father Chuck

WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

JULY 31, 2022-18th 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 31, 2022-18th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property. This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

SECOND READING

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Brothers and sisters:

If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

You turn man back to dust, saying, "Return, O children of men." For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday, now that it is past, or as a watch of the night.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

You make an end of them in their sleep; the next morning they are like the changing grass, Which at dawn springs up anew, but by evening wilts and fades.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants!

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands!

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

ALLELUIA

Mt 5:3

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

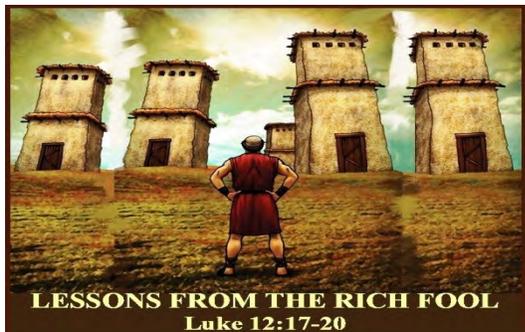
Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Lk 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." Then he told them a parable. "There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, 'Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!'" But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."



LESSONS FROM THE RICH FOOL
Luke 12:17-20



**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 \$19,900.00. St. Raymond’s share is \$9950.00. First Prize Winner would get \$4975.00. Second Prize Winner would get \$2487.50. Third Prize Winner would get \$1243.75. And 10 Consolation Prize Winners would get \$125.00 each. That’s how it stands on Tuesday, July 26, 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



PROTECTS IS NOT SELF-SEEKING
 DOES NOT DELIGHT IN EVIL **HOPES**
 IT KEEPS NO RECORDS **TRUSTS** IS KIND IS PATIENT DOES NOT ENVY PRESERVES
 DOES NOT DISHONOUR OTHERS
ALWAYS DOES NOT BOAST
 LOVE NEVER FAILS
LOVE REJOICES
 IS NOT EASILY ANGERED
 1 CORINTHIANS 13

*Congratulations to...
 Christina Wamboldt
 &
 Justin Randazzo
 who will be married at
 St. Raymond's Church in August*

God Bless Our Newly Baptized

- Anthony John DeMelis*
- Marycielo Diaz*
- Kitson Martin Kelly*
- Cara Rose Porretta*
- Naomi Rae Stewart*
- Thomas Charles Troiani*
- Jack Warren Walsh*
- Cannon Patrick DiChiora*
- Tyler Anthony Conti*
- Alexia Maria D'Amico*
- Asher Marques Stubbs*
- Brooke Josephine Bua*
- Dakota Reign Fitzgibbon*
- Zoey Rose Taddeo*
- Jack Connor Mathews*
- Natalia Marissa Turano*
- Benjamin Thomas Casey*
- Ruairc Rose Meehan*
- Giacomo Antonio Mistretta*

*Children
 are
 A* **gift** *FROM THE*
 ★ **Lord.**
THEY *are* **A**
reward
from Him.
 PSALMS 127:3



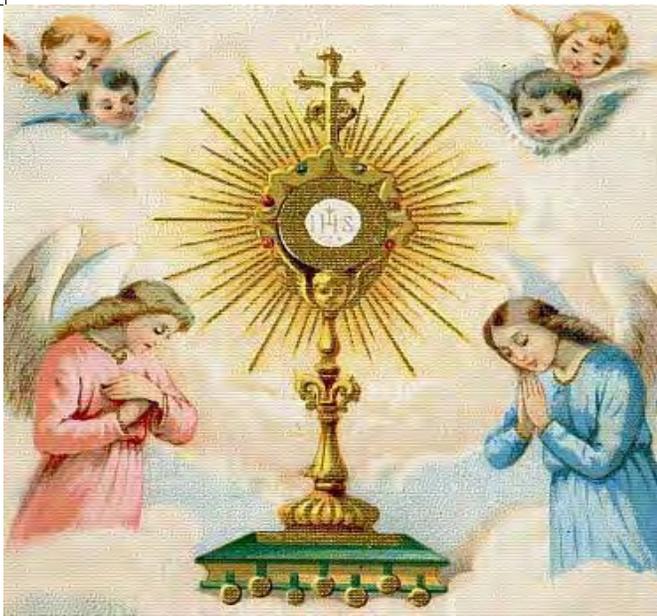
St. Vincent DePaul Society Communion Closet



First Holy Communion is such a significant occasion in the lives of young Catholic families! Help

neighbors in need make this sacrament extra special for their child! Donated dresses and suits will be distributed prior to the First Holy Communion ceremonies of 2023 at an organized "selection spree". Communion dresses and suits will be collected now through the month of August.

For more information on how to participate in this unique clothing drive, please contact Ethel Valentino 516-209-1295



Nocturnal Adoration

The Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet Friday, August 5th from 7:30-8:30pm in the Church for its monthly hour of Adoration. Nocturnal Adoration is fashioned after the Liturgy of Hours, this time of prayer is a blessed way to intensify our walk with Jesus.

Come spend some time with Jesus!



*First
Saturday
Novena
Our Lady of
Fatima
Rosary*

August 6, 2022

8:10am

St. Raymond Church

Near the Blessed

Mother Statue

*Make Reparation for sins
against The Immaculate
Heart of Mary*



St. Raymond Human Life Committee

"You have to become a bit schizophrenic. In one room, you encourage the patient that the slight irregularity in the fetal heart is not important that she is going to have a fine, healthy baby. Then, in the next room you assure another woman, on whom you just did a saline abortion, that it is a good thing that the heartbeat is already irregular ...she had nothing to worry about, she will NOT have a live baby...All of a sudden one, noticed at the time of the saline infusion, there was a lot of activity in the uterus. That's not fluid currents. That's obviously, the fetus being distressed by swallowing the concentrated salt solution and kicking violently and that's to all intents and purposes, the death trauma...somebody had to do it, and unfortunately, we are the executioners in this instance...."

(Dr. Szenes, abortionist, 2011)

"We must not be surprised when we hear of murders, of killings, of wars, of hatred. If a mother can kill her own child, what is left but for us to kill each other? A nation that kills its children in the womb has lost its soul."

(St. Teresa of Calcutta)

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.

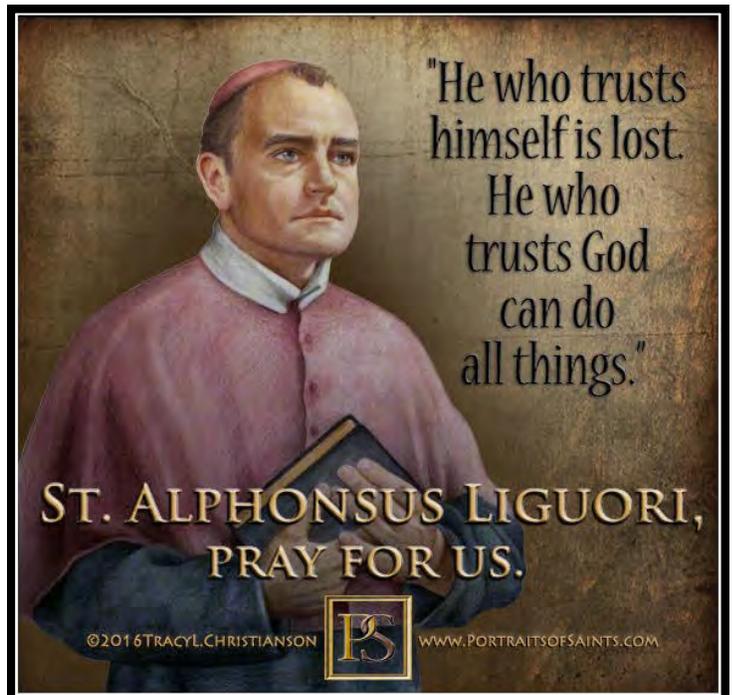


Society of St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Food Collection

August 6th & 7th 2022

Please leave non-perishable goods at the entrances to the Church or in the Alter Servers' Sacristy. All food collected goes to the Parish Social Ministry.

Thank you for remembering those in need!



**OPENING OF THE
2023 MASS BOOK**



**The 2023 Mass Book
opens Wednesday July 27th
starting at 9am in the
Rectory. Come into the
Rectory and have a Mass
said for a loved one!**

*“Put all the good works in the world
against one Holy Mass; they will be
as a grain of sand beside a mountain.”*

– St. John Vianney



Summer Concert
We Celebrate...
“The Gift of Life
Eternal”

Presented by:
Al Barbarino

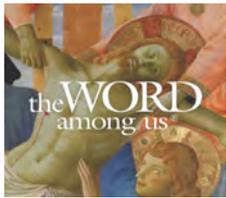
Place: St. Hedwig
1 Depan Ave. Floral Park, NY

Date: August 12, 2022

Time: 7:30pm

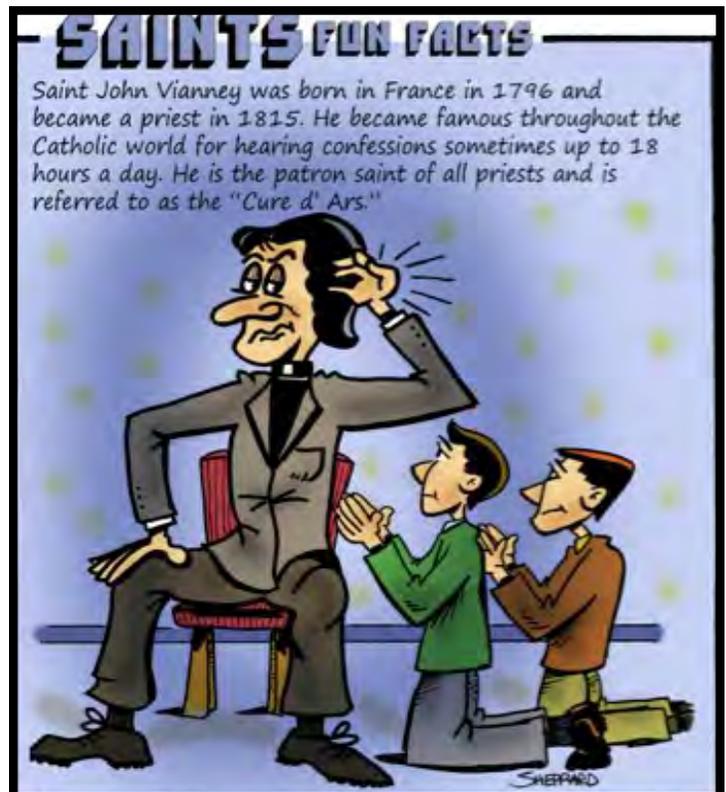
“Remembering... Our Deceased
Family Members & Friends”

**These past few years have been
difficult for many of us, perhaps
even with the **LOSS** of **LOVED ONES!**
However, In our **FAITH**, we **MUST
REJOICE**, in God’s
Great Promise...
THE GIFT OF LIFE ETERNAL!**



**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.
Take one while they last and enjoy.
Father Chuck



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 30th, 2022 will be \$200.

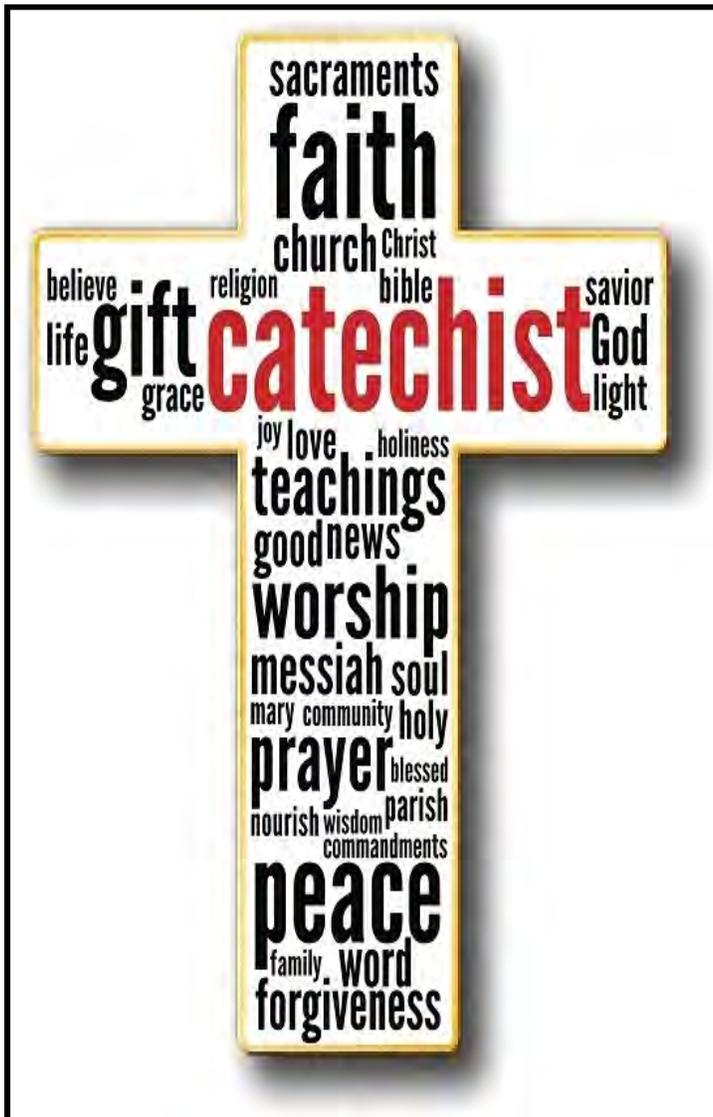
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR IS IN PROGRESS.

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:

Third Grade Monday 3:30pm-4:30pm – 1 opening

Fourth Grade Monday 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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CYO Spotlight

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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

*Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.
-John 6:57*

Pantry needs:
stuffing, cooking oil, jarred pasta sauce, canned
tomatoes, canned fruit, Chef Boyardee, and
pasta.

*Thank you for all your support.
You are always in our 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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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.

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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.

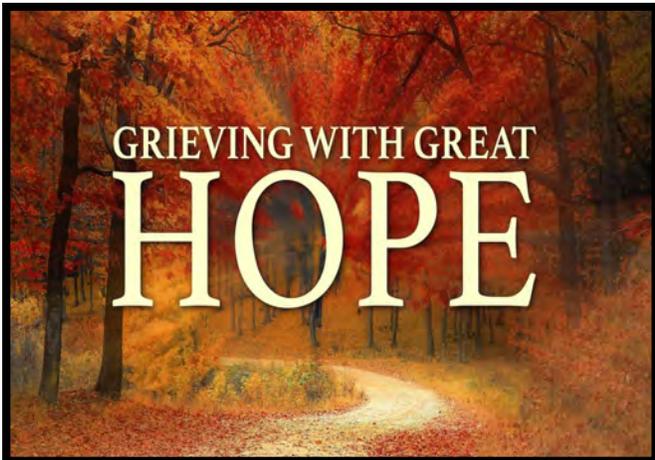
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Sincerely in Christ,

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This week on **FORMED**...



Grieving with Great Hope is a grief support program and a healing ministry developed by John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy; they are the co-founders of Good Mourning Ministry, a Catholic Bereavement Apostolate. John is a Certified Grief Counselor and author of five books. Sandy is a Director of Religious Education with a master's degree in Pastoral Ministry (Bereavement Emphasis). They are grief educators, but in this series, you will learn they have experienced profound grief themselves.

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Masses for this Week

Monday, August 1st *Saint Alphonsus Liguori*

7:15am Vicente Anatalio

8:45am Bobby Casey

Tuesday, August 2nd

7:15am John Ubinger

8:45am Edward F. & Catherine Goodhue

Wednesday, August 3rd

7:15am Diane Minucci—living

8:45am Ardith Flory

Thursday, August 4th *Saint John Vianney*

7:15am Catherine Thornton

8:45am John Cliggett

Friday, August 5th

7:15am Grace Ligarzewski

8:45am Joyce & Ralph Sellitti—living

Saturday, August 6th *Feast of the Transfiguration*

8:45am David Strough *of the Lord*

Souls in Purgatory

5:00pm Joseph Fonelli

Sunday, August 7th

7:30am Rose Thies

9:00am Kaitlin Cascardi

10:30am John Gilhooly

12:00pm Kent Smith

Alfonso Aleman

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

JER 28:1-17 /MT 14:13-21

Tuesday

JER 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 /MT 14:22-36

Wednesday

JER 31:1-7/ MT 15:21-28

Thursday

Jer 31:31-34 /Mt 16:13-23

Friday

NA 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 /MT 16:24-28

Saturday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 /Lk 9:28b-36

Sunday

Wis 18:6-9 /Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 /Lk 12:32-48

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,
Jane Gilhooly, Rose Loretta, Benay Mugman

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Rest in Peace

Donna Kelley

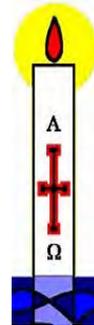
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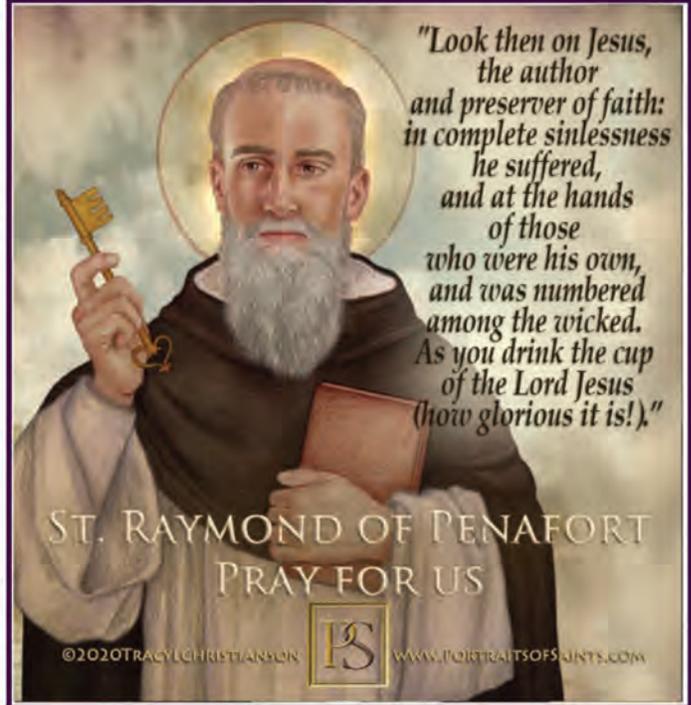
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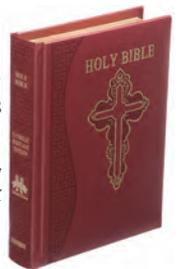
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