

## Masses

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

Daily 7:15, 8:45 AM  
Saturday 8:45 AM

## Pastoral Team

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Father Theodore Iloh

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# The Parish of St. Raymond

*A Eucharistic Community of  
Faith, Love and Friendship*

Sunday, August 15, 2021

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

-Luke 1:46



August 15, 2021

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## 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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**E-Mail:** [StRayRcc@optonline.net](mailto:StRayRcc@optonline.net)

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Rectory Fax.....887-0554

**Parish Social Ministry**.....887-9197

Office Hours are Monday-Wednesday from 10am-2pm.

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**St. Raymond School**.....593-9010

St. Raymond School Fax.....593-0986

**Religious Education Office**.....593-9075

Religious Education Office Fax .....593-1156

### Pastoral Care Of The Sick

**Holy Communion**—Available to the homebound;  
call the rectory to schedule an appointment.

### 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

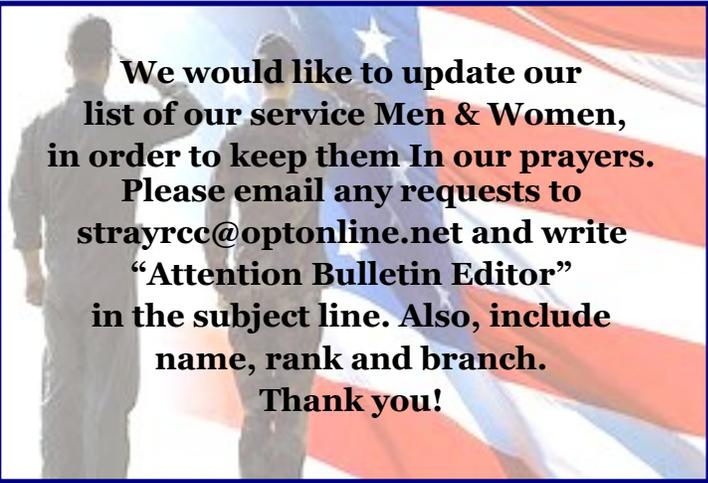
**Children's Choir:** Sings at the 9am Mass on the 3rd  
Sunday of the month from September—June; practice on  
Tuesdays at 5pm in the school auditorium.

**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.



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



**CATHOLIC FAITH  
NETWORK**

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

Broadcast of the Celebration of the Eucharist:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Monday – Friday at 6:30 pm ET



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

SPC Frank Candreva US ARMY  
SPC Giuseppina (Josie) Coppola 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  
Seaman Kyle J. Mikes USCG

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

## Father Chuck's Corner

**Greetings and God's blessing be yours on the Feast of the Assumption of Mary!** This year the holy day falls on a Sunday, so it becomes an even more festive day for the Church to celebrate this great honor for Our Lady. The Assumption of Mary reminds us that we have all been called to live according to God's will so that we all may share eternal life. In the first reading from Revelation, we have a dramatic portrayal of God's plan for salvation. The woman featured represents God's holy people carrying the promises foretold by God for salvation. She also represents the fulfillment of those promises in Mary, who gives birth to the Messiah. **"Now have salvation and power come, and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of the Anointed One."** Then in the second reading from 1 Corinthians, Paul speaks of how all who belong to Jesus are brought to life after death. The Kingdom will prevail at the end of time as everything will be subject to Jesus. **"The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for he subjected everything under his feet."** And finally, Luke's gospel takes us back to the Visitation where Mary proclaims her **"Magnificat"** which prophesies what her future Son will accomplish. All the long-awaited promises will be fulfilled in the life and ministry of Jesus. **"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name."**

The Church recognizes the Feast of the Assumption as a sign, that we too, will rise again, body and soul, united with Jesus. Mary has risen to new life through her fidelity to God's will in giving birth to the Son of God. How do our lives reflect God's will to bring Jesus into the world today? Discipleship calls us to live according to the word of God. Mary, considered to be the first disciple, shows us what it means to bring the love of Jesus into the world. Above all, we live less for ourselves and more for others so that all humanity may have new life both now and in the fullness of God's kingdom. Now Mary had free will like all of us, and despite the turmoil that her pregnancy caused, she chose to bring Jesus into the world for our sake. Mary made her choice with selfless love and trust in God's will. I think it's interesting to note that Mary had her own dreams for her wedding and marriage to Joseph. And then her life and dreams get interrupted. Likewise, we too have holy interruptions in our lives, though often only in hindsight. Mary didn't whine but rather praises God and proclaims the great things he has done for her.

The story of Mary's life reflects the story of each of our lives. We are born into human life to experience love, joy, daily interruptions, sadness and finally, new life in Jesus when we die to this world. Mary dedicated her life to Jesus and put the needs of others before her own. Through countless interruptions in her plans, she placed her trust in God who gave a supernatural value to her life. I find the words of Mary; **"Do whatever he tells you,"** to be the best advice I can follow because it directs my attention to her Son. God gives supernatural value to our lives when we do even the smallest things with love, in fidelity to God's will. That's how the kingdom comes **"on earth as it is in heaven."**

**Today the dispensation from attending Sunday and Holy Day Masses has ended.** All Catholics are again required to attend Mass from this Sunday, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, onwards. The obligation does not apply to those who are ill, confined to their home, in a hospital, nursing facility or those with serious underlying health conditions. Now I realize that we are in the midst of a COVID-19 surge due to the Delta variants. Perhaps wearing a mask again in certain settings will be helpful. And as I have stated before, definitely getting vaccinated, if your doctor agrees and you are generally healthy, is the way to go. It helps you, me, and all of us.

**Please remember to take home a copy of the bulletin when you leave Mass today.** It contains many items of interest and information with something for everyone. Of special note is news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, info from **Religious Education**, the **Litany of St Joseph**, an order form for the new round of **Parish Picks** that starts this month, an order form for the **Silver Circle of the IHM Sisters**, 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, help bring someone closer to Jesus and remember: Praise loudly; blame softly.** God bless always.

**-Father Chuck**



# WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

AUGUST 15, 2021-THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## 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

AUGUST 15, 2021– THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## FIRST READING

**Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab**

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen in the temple. A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth. Then another sign appeared in the sky; it was a huge red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on its heads were seven diadems. Its tail swept away a third of the stars in the sky and hurled them down to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman about to give birth, to devour her child when she gave birth. She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and his throne. The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now have salvation and power come, and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of his Anointed One."

## SECOND READING

**1 Cor 15:20-27**

Brothers and sisters:  
Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet."

## GOSPEL

**Lk 1:39-56**

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever." Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**45:10, 11, 12, 16**

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

The queen takes her place at your right hand in gold of Ophir.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear, forget your people and your father's house.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

So shall the king desire your beauty; for he is your lord.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

They are borne in with gladness and joy; they enter the palace of the king.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

## ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Mary is taken up to heaven;  
a chorus of angels exults.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

# *It's time for the next round of...*



Dear Friends,

To enhance our Parish Picks fundraiser, in our last segment, we added a new system which allowed you to receive additional tickets. Please think about purchasing additional tickets since this is a fundraiser that helps us pay some of our big bills.

This is how the system works: The basic entry to participate in Parish Picks is \$60.00. For \$60.00 you will now get **THREE TICKETS**. If you contribute \$120 you will receive **SIX TICKETS**. Yes, we are offering additional tickets for **FREE** according to the amount you contribute (see below)

	Number of Tickets			TOTAL AMOUNT
Ticket Cost	for each \$60.00	Free Tickets	BONUS TICKETS	OF TICKETS
\$60.00	1	1	1	3
\$120.00	2	2	2	6
\$180.00	3	3	3	9
\$240.00	4	4	4	12
\$300.00	5	5	5	15
\$360.00	6	6	6	18

Your participation would greatly help the expenses St. Raymond incurs. **YOU GOT TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!** We would like to give you a call and **MAKE YOU HAPPY!**

The next segment begins in **August 2021** and runs through **February 2022**. You "**regulars**" know how it works, but for those of you who haven't yet joined...here's the scoop: The cost of a ticket is still \$60, and you're eligible to participate in all the monthly drawings because even if you win, your ticket automatically goes back in for the remaining drawings. Each month the following prize amounts are awarded:

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$1,000    2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500    3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$250    4<sup>th</sup> Prize \$250**

Entry money for the next six months must be received by **August 15, 2021**. Ticket numbers are not reserved; they will be given in the order in which your payment is received. Members of the committee can be contacted to answer any questions.

On behalf of the Parish Picks Committee, I thank you for your continuous support of this parish fundraiser. Your participation is a big help to St. Raymond Parish and our many ministries. God bless you always.

**Sincerely, Father Chuck, Pastor & Julianne Grennen & Doreen Dolan**  
**StRayRCC@optonline.net or 516-593-5000**

## **St. Raymond's Parish Picks Order Form**

**Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ ticket (s) in the Parish Picks. I will receive extra tickets for each ticket that I purchase in accordance with the chart shown on the enclosed letter. (Each ticket is good for 6 months of chances and costs \$60.)**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Envelope #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

## CYO *Spotlight*

### Swimming is Back!!!



St. Raymond CYO swimming  
Registration for parishioners & returning  
swimmers will be 6/15 until 7/15  
For all non parishioners that were not  
previously in the swim program  
Registration will be 7/15 until 8/31

**COME JOIN  
THE FUN**

Be Still, and  
know that I am  
GOD



## Parish Social Ministry

*The Heart of the Parish*

*My command is this, love each  
other as I have loved you.  
-John 15:12*

The pantry needs: Ketchup, pudding/jello, pancake mix,  
canned fruit, peanut butter, coffee, mashed  
potatoes, laundry and dish detergent, and razors.

*Thank you for your continued support  
and for your prayers.*



## STEWARDSHIP



Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

Do not be afraid to reach out to  
Jesus' mother, Mary, in prayer.  
As St. Maximilian Kolbe said,  
we can never love her more than  
Christ loved her.



## *The Year of St. Joseph*

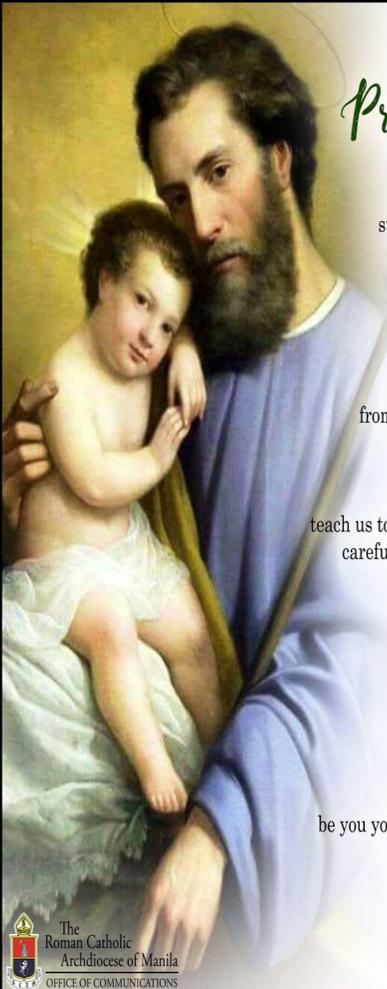
*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

*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*



*Prayer to St. Joseph*  
(FOR THE FAMILY)

Saint Joseph,  
strengthen in our family every bond of love  
which unites us the marriage bond,  
the love of parent and child,  
the bonds of mutual love between all.

Saint Joseph,  
protect our family from every danger  
from without and from every threat to peace,  
unity and harmony within.

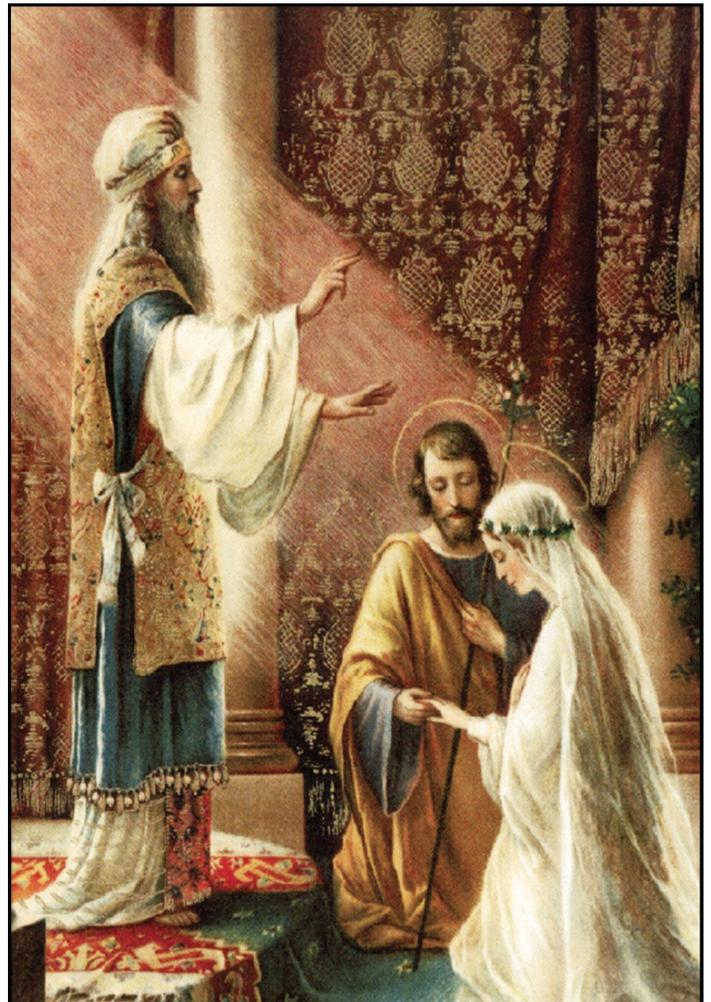
Saint Joseph,  
teach us to be kind and loving towards one another,  
careful for one another, tolerant of one another,  
forgiving towards one another.

Saint Joseph,  
may contentment with our lot and joy  
in each other abound in our house,  
as we seek faithfully  
to serve and greatly to love God.

Saint Joseph,  
be you yourself a father towards the family of ours,  
and pray Mary be a mother to us. Amen.

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# Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

*Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.*

Jesus, hear us.

*Jesus, graciously hear us.*

God, the Father of Heaven,  
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
God, the Holy Spirit,  
Holy Trinity, One God,

*Have mercy on us.  
Have mercy on us.  
Have mercy on us.  
Have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary,  
St. Joseph,  
Renowned offspring of David,  
Light of Patriarchs,  
Spouse of the Mother of God,  
Chaste guardian of the Virgin,  
Foster father of the Son of God,  
Diligent protector of Christ,  
Head of the Holy Family,

*pray for us.  
pray for us.*

Joseph most just,  
Joseph most chaste,  
Joseph most prudent,  
Joseph most strong,  
Joseph most obedient,  
Joseph most faithful,  
Mirror of patience,  
Lover of poverty,  
Model of artisans,  
Glory of home life,  
Guardian of virgins,  
Pillar of families,  
Solace of the wretched,  
Hope of the sick,  
Patron of the dying,  
Terror of demons,  
Protector of Holy Church,

*pray for us.  
pray for us.*

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,  
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,  
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world.  
He made him the lord of his household.

*spare us, O Lord.  
graciously hear us, O Lord.  
And prince over all his possessions.*



Let us pray, — O God, in your ineffable providence you were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most holy Mother; grant, we beg you, that we may be worthy to have him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our Protector: You who live and reign forever and ever.

**Saint Joseph, pray for us.**

## Religious Education- Faith Formation

*Evelyn Contaldi, Director*

Registration forms for the upcoming school year have been e-mailed to parents. The forms can also be found on the parish website. At the present time, in-person classes are scheduled to be held in the St. Raymond School building starting in September for grades 2-8. First grade will be taught at home by the parents. First grade parents and their child will meet five times throughout the school year for instruction and then attend Mass together right after each meeting. Please drop off or mail in your completed forms along with payment as soon as possible.

### **CONFIRMATION**

The following are the 2021 Confirmation dates. All information was e-mailed and mailed to 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents. As we get closer to Confirmation, further guidelines/instructions will be given to the parents. The students have been broken down into three groups and they have been separated as follows based on the Religion teacher they had when they were in 8<sup>th</sup> grade Religion:

#### **GROUP 1 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**

##### **11AM CHURCH**

Mrs. Noreen Costello  
Mrs. Amy Kelly  
St. Raymond School Students

#### **GROUP 2 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2021**

##### **11AM CHURCH**

Mr. Damian Becker  
Mrs. Nancy Mott  
Mrs. Mary Murphy  
Mr. Herbert Walsh  
Home School Students

#### **GROUP 3 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2021**

##### **1:30PM CHURCH**

Mrs. Donna Grimaldi  
Mrs. Maria Lopez  
Mr. Rick Risetto  
Kellenberg Students

**THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE WILL BEGIN  
SUMMER HOURS FROM 6/28/2021-8/27/2021.  
MESSAGES, E-MAILS AND REGISTRATION FORMS  
WILL BE MONITORED WEEKLY.  
ENJOY AND HAVE A WONDERFUL, SAFE SUMMER!!!**



## **SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Founded in 1833, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a worldwide organization of lay Catholics, following Christ's call to serve the poor, the suffering, and the deprived. Our founding activity, still practiced today, is the Home Visit. Through these visits, Vincentian members establish personal relationships with our neighbors in need, not only providing material assistance such as rent, utilities, food, or clothing, but also offering friendship, understanding, and prayer.

### **St. Raymond Parish**

has had an active chapter (known as a "conference") of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for decades and invites all who wish to help neighbors in need. Please email [svdpstray@gmail.com](mailto:svdpstray@gmail.com) for information on ways that you can participate.

## **ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS**

*Our Parish Social Ministry is looking for volunteers to make visits to those homebound people who are perhaps elderly or infirmed and by themselves and would be so grateful for a "friendly visit."*

*Call us at 887-9197*

*Monday through Wednesday 10am to 2pm to find out more information.*

**"If we do not learn from history,  
we are doomed to repeat it".**

**Slavery:** "A slave is the property of the owner & can be bought, sold used or even killed by the owner at the owner's discretion."

**Abortion:** An unborn baby is the property of the mother & she can have the baby killed by abortion, up to and including any time until baby's birth.

**Slavery:** Although he may have a heart, and a brain, and he may be a human life biologically, a slave is not a human person (Dred Scott Decision, 1857)

**Abortion:** Although he may have a heart and a brain and he may be a human life biologically, an unborn baby is not a legal person (Roe V. Wade, 1973)

**Slavery:** A black person only becomes a legal person when he or she is set free. Before that time we should not concern ourselves about him because he has no legal rights.

**Abortion:** A baby only becomes a legal person when he is born and in some cases now even if the baby is lucky to be born after the abortion (live-birth), even then the baby's life is still in jeopardy in some states.

**Slavery:** If you think slavery is wrong, nobody is forcing you to own slaves. But don't impose your morality on someone else!

**Abortion:** If you think abortion is wrong, nobody is forcing you to have one. But don't impose your morality on someone else!

**Slavery:** 11 years later in 1868, the 14th Amendment was enacted to right this dreadful wrong!

**Abortion:** Over 4 decades (45 years) have passed since the Supreme Court made its infamous and deadly abortion decision.

**We have repeated history. Same old arguments, same old rationales, Just a different segment of our human family. How much longer is it going to take us to recognize and return protection to the vulnerable, innocent, voiceless little ones? To overturn the injustice to the babies in the womb?**



## **I.H.M. Silver Circle**

### ***Become a Member!***

Once again it is time of the year when we IHMs are requesting help to raise money for our retired sisters. I would like to invite you to become a part of our SILVER CIRCLE program. Last year, more than \$148,035 was raised through the Silver Circle Program, and we hope this year will be just as successful.

As you may know, for many years the Sisters worked in parishes and schools without receiving any retirement benefits. Now it is an ongoing challenge to raise funds for their care. Your support of the Silver Circle Program helps us meet the needs of our retired sisters.

Each Silver Circle membership is only \$25. Each membership you purchase offers you 324 chances to win monthly cash prizes, ranging from \$50 to \$1,000. You also will be remembered in a monthly mass for benefactors and in the prayers of the IHM Sisters. Silver Circle drawings take place on the third Wednesday of each month between October and June.

To purchase a membership for the 2021-2022 year, please complete the form below, attach your check for \$25 (payable to Sisters of I.H.M.) and return it to my attention at the convent, rectory or in the collection basket at Church. God Bless you for your continued kindness and generosity.

In Mary's Immaculate Heart, I remain,

*Fondly, Sister Ruthanne*

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### **2021-2022 Silver Circle Membership Form**

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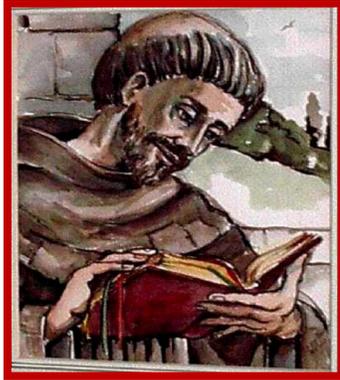
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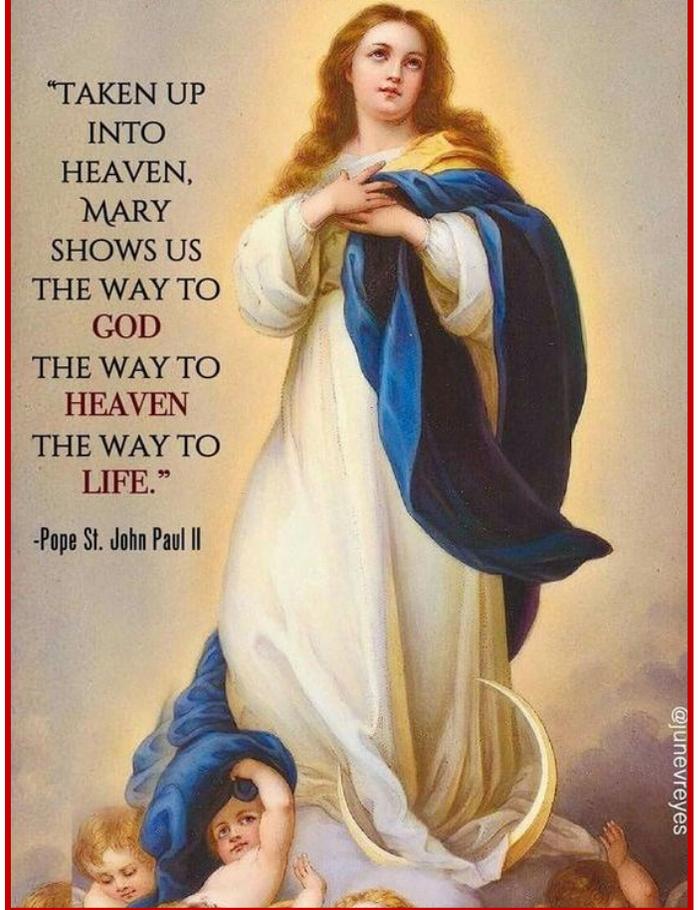
“Bible Sharing” refers to a group of people gathered together to listen to God’s Word; addressed to them today and trying to live this Word accordingly. Our format is to read and reflect on the Readings for the upcoming Sunday. We often use role playing to put ourselves into the story and feel God’s Word speaking directly to us. There is no commitment to “sign up” for any number of weeks. Come and join us whenever you can. For more information contact Deacon Bob at the Rectory.



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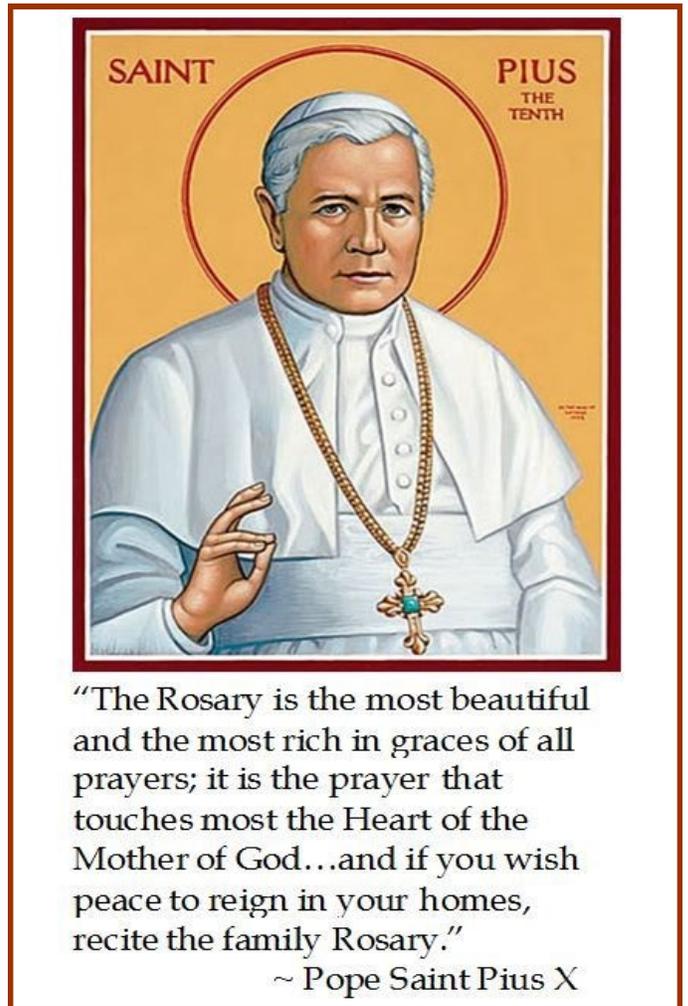
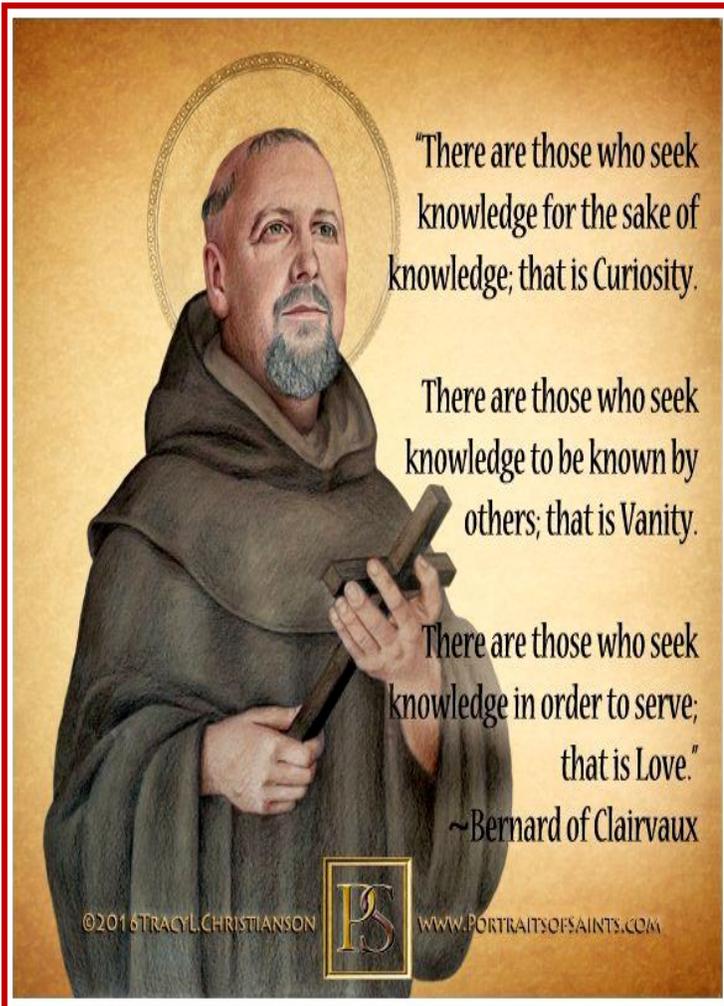
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**7:00pm—8:30pm**  
*Please join us in prayer!*



**St. Faustina Kowalska**

1905-1938

I asked Him,  
 “Do You have among our students any who are a comfort to Your Heart?”  
 The Lord answered that He has, but their love is weak, and so I put them in your special care... pray for them (288)



**2022 MASS BOOK**

**The 2022 Mass Book will be open Monday, August 16th. 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.”*

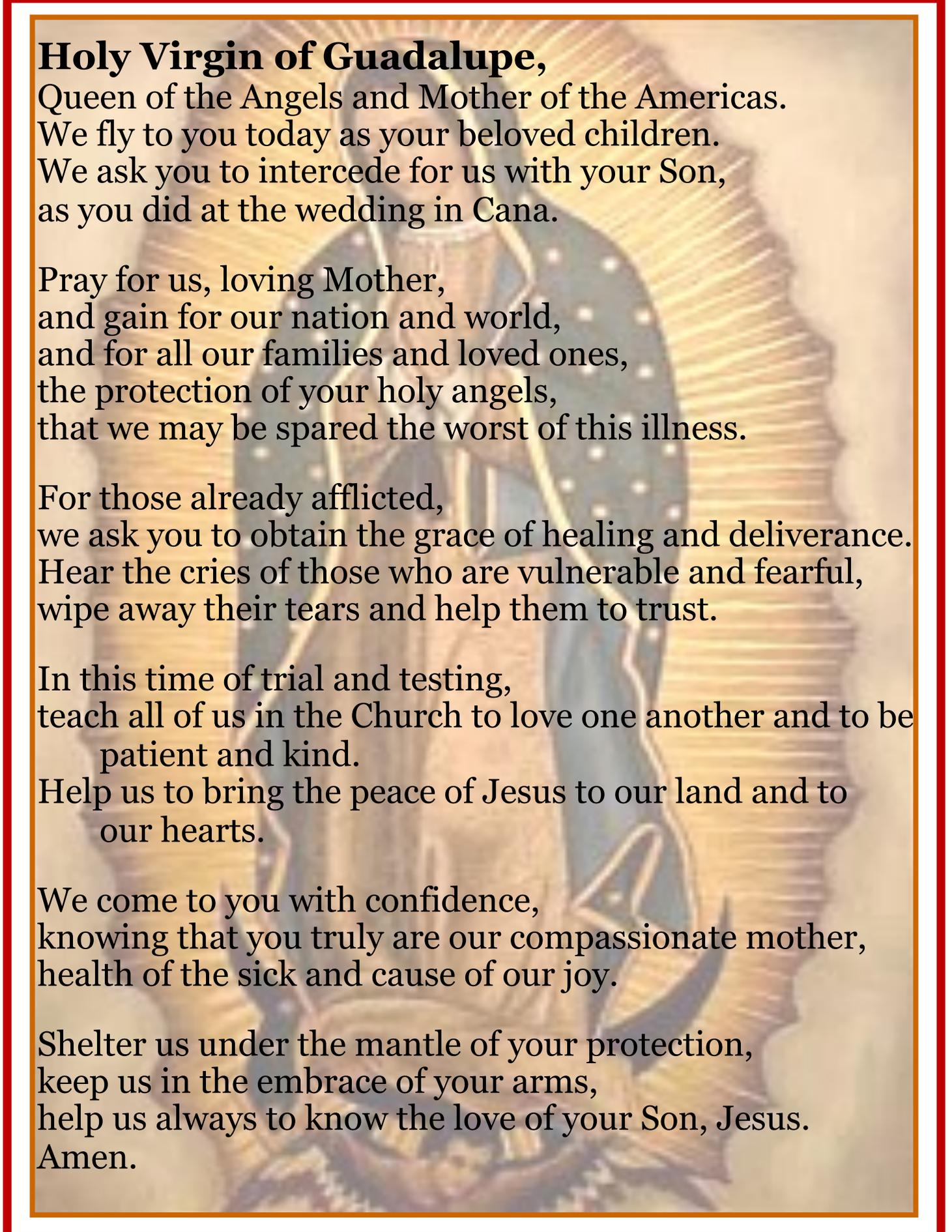
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Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

John 1: 29

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## **Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,**

Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.  
We fly to you today as your beloved children.  
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,  
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,  
and gain for our nation and world,  
and for all our families and loved ones,  
the protection of your holy angels,  
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,  
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.  
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,  
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

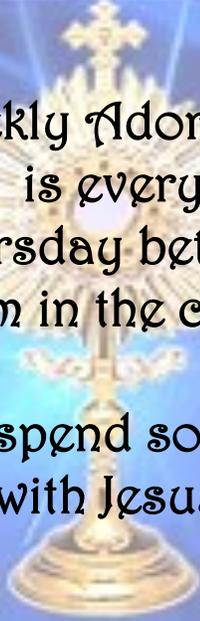
In this time of trial and testing,  
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be  
patient and kind.  
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to  
our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,  
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,  
health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,  
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help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.  
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Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this Land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed With the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in you motherly protection.

Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. **Amen.**



## The Rose for Life Program

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

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

For dedications, please call Mary Healy at 887-4062.



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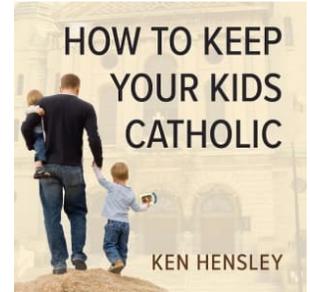
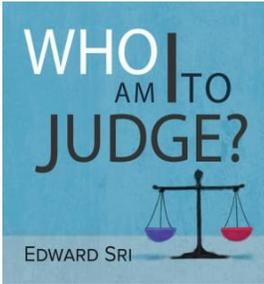
Visit [holytrinityhs.org/summer-raffle](http://holytrinityhs.org/summer-raffle) to print flyer or Text SummerRaffle to 41444 (Debit Card Only!) to purchase your tickets!

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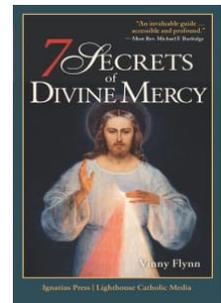
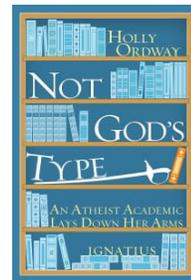


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# Masses for this Week

## Monday, August 16th

7:15am Teresa Weymouth

8:45am Pola C. Fuentes

## Tuesday, August 17th

7:15am John Raber

8:45am Bill Erdmann, Jr.

## Wednesday, August 18th

7:15am James Genoy

8:45am Joan Kleinklaus

## Thursday, August 19th

7:15am George Perry

8:45am Rosemarie Offermann

## Friday, August 20th *St. Bernard*

7:15am Thomas Donovan

8:45am Eileen Henshaw

## Saturday, August 21st *Memorial of St. Pius X*

8:45am Oliver S. Webb (living)

5:00pm Patrick O'Connell

## Sunday, August 22nd

7:30am Joan Kleinklaus

9:00am Piotv Golemo

10:30am Frank McLaughern

12:00pm Eileen Mahoney, David McCann

Anthony Calabrese

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

### Scripture Readings for the Week

#### Monday

Jgs 2:11-19 /Mt 19:16-22

#### Tuesday

Jgs 6:11-24a /Mt 19:23-30

#### Wednesday

Jgs 9:6-15 /Mt 20:1-16

#### Thursday

Jgs 11:29-39a /Mt 22:1-14

#### Friday

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 /Mt 22:34-40

#### Saturday

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 /Mt 23:1-12

#### Sunday

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b /Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

Jn 6:60-69

## Please Pray for Our Sick

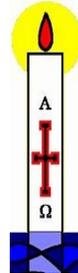
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## Rest in Peace

# Vittorio Capone



## The Paschal Candle Is being memorialized for The Iovino-Villacci Families



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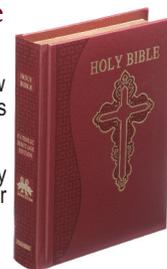
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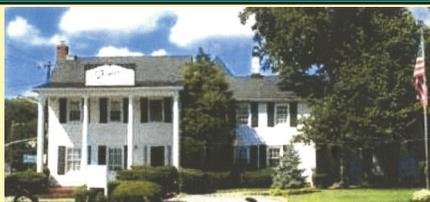
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