Masses

Saturday Eve

5:00PM

Sunday

7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM, 12 Noon and 4:30 PM

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

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The Parish of Raymond

A Eucharistic Community of Faith, Jove and Friendship

Sunday, July 3, 2022

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

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"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest" - uke 10:14



July 3, 2022 Fourteenth 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





The Catholic Faith Network (CFN)

Broadcast of the Celebration of the Eucharist:

<u>Daily Mass Celebrated by Pope Francis from</u> 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 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time! The theme of today's gospel is that, just as Jesus sent out his disciples to proclaim God's word, we also are called to continue this work today. The Word of God restores his people, transforms them and challenges them to offer to others what they have received. In the first reading from Isaiah, we have the happy result of this final chapter describing the outcome of God's enduring love and care for the people of Israel. God is described as a nursing mother caring for her child and how trusting faithfulness leads to abundant life and prosperity. Sticking with God makes all the difference. "When you see this, your heart shall rejoice and your bodies flourish like the grass; the Lord's power shall be known to his servants." Then in the second reading from Galatians, Paul emphasizes that the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross gives new meaning to life in this world. "May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world." And finally, Luke's gospel has the commissioning of the 72 additional disciples to go before him and prepare the groundwork by visiting all the places Jesus would be coming to on his way to Jerusalem. He is very clear about the challenges and difficulties they will face encouraging them to focus on the mission and not the surroundings. "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so, I ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

What's the difference between an adventure and a trip? Well, a trip is planned and accounted for while an adventure is characterized by the unknown. It can be both exciting and terrifying. Not knowing what you will see, or encounter can bring both apprehension and wondrous anticipation. A wellplanned trip may go well or fall apart, but an adventure is always an opportunity for growth and transformation. Jesus sent out his disciples to proclaim the Good News of salvation. This adventure required trust in God and an openness to perceiving his work in the people they met and the things they witnessed wherever God led them. Jesus was God made flesh and as such meant that the Good News is shared in the ordinary ways of human life, in our bodies and by word of mouth. Jesus shows how God shares the word, through human interaction. God wants his people to share in this work. We may be discouraged at time in proclaiming the Good News but going on the adventure will see us transformed into new creations and being a part of the saving work of God.

As our country grapples with the new reality of Roe v Wade being overturned by the Supreme Court last week, as a Church we are overjoyed that our country will once again revere the sanctity of all life from conception to natural death. But the sad fact is that many, many people do not like this decision at all. They are hurt, angry and some are very afraid. Now it is our turn to work at changing hearts, not minds. We need to be in the forefront of pre- and post-natal care, adoption assistance, health care for children and the poor, family paid leave and tax credits for those with children, all the ways that show a nurturing care for life to the max. That is the task which we have been doing but now needs to be done on perhaps a larger and more comprehensive wider scale. A copy of the New State Bishop's reaction to the court's decision is found in the bulletin and then I urge everyone to go to *drvc.org* for the link to the Pastoral Letter from our Bishop, John Barres entitled "Quo Vadis, America."

The early returns for our "Sky's the Limit Super 50/50" are very encouraging. Check the bulletin ad for the current money total received and how much the breakdown of the winning prizes would be if the drawing occurred today. Use the order form for purchasing tickets and spread the word so that this "Super 50/50" will be a huge success for St. Raymond Parish and all the winners.

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 additional note is news and needs from Parish Social Ministry, info from Religious Education, an invitation for Pastoral Council applications, an invitation for new and old Altar Servers to a meeting on July 30th, the Parish Synod Survey, a request for Parishioner Emails to help foster better communication from the rectory, an invitation to join FORMED (your Catholic Faith on demand) along with its picks for the week, and much more. To keep informed, keep a copy of the bulletin at home each week for quick and easy reference.

Have a great first week of July. *Enjoy the July* 4th *Holiday. Remember: Expressing joy means* more than seeking it. God bless always.

-Father Chuck



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

JULY 3, 2022-14th 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; vou alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father.

Penitential Act

Amen

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 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 3, 2022-13th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Is 66:10-14c

Thus says the LORD:

Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her, all you who love her; exult, exult with her, all you who were mourning over her! Oh, that you may suck fully of the milk of her comfort, that you may nurse with delight at her abundant breasts! For thus says the LORD: Lo, I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing torrent. As nurslings, you shall be carried in her arms, and fondled in her lap; as a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; in Jerusalem you shall find your comfort. When you see this, your heart shall rejoice and your bodies flourish like the grass; the LORD's power shall be known to his servants.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise. Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!"

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. "Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!" Come and see the works of God, his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever. R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me. Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or his kindness! R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SECOND READING Gal 6:14-18

Brothers and sisters:

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither does circumcision mean anything, nor does uncircumcision, but only a new creation. Peace and mercy be to all who follow this rule and to the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

ALLELUIA

Col 3:15a, 16a

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Let the peace of Christ control your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two Others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves his payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.' Whatever town you enter and they do not receive you, go out into the streets and say, 'The dust of your town that clings to our feet, even that we shake off against you.' Yet know this: the kingdom of God is at hand. I tell you, it will be more tolerable for Sodom on that day than for that town." The seventy-two returned rejoicing, and said, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name." Jesus said, "I have observed Satan fall like lightning from the sky. Behold, I have given you the power to 'tread upon serpents' and scorpions and upon the full force of the enemy and nothing will harm you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven.'





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 \$11,050.00. St. Raymond's share is \$5525.00. First Prize Winner would get \$2763.00. Second Prize Winner would get \$1382.00 Third Prize Winner would get \$691.00. and 10 Consolation Prize Winners would get \$70.00 each. That's how it stands on Tuesday, June 28,2022.

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				
••••••	"Sky's the Limit Super 50/50" (Ticket order form)						
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'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 nonbelievers, people of every culture and background have advocated for life. They have been a charitable and compelling voice for the voiceless, and today, their voice has been heard.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Timothy Cardinal Dolan

Archbishop of New York

Most Rev. Edward B. Scharfenberger

Bishop of Albany

Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan

Bishop of Brooklyn

Most Rev. Michael W. Fisher

Bishop of Buffalo

Most Rev. Terry R. LaValley

Bishop of Ogdensburg

Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano

Bishop of Rochester

Most Rev. John O. Barres

Bishop of Rockville Centre

Most Rev. Douglas J. Lucia

Bishop of Syracuse

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





Wanted: St. Raymond Parish

Altar Servers

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





St. Raymond Parish Synod Survey

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

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

Journeying Together, Communion, Participation and Mission. Please take time to fill out the following survey. Then send it back to us either via mail, in the mail slot at the rectory or in the collection basket at Sunday Mass. Please return your response by Friday, July 1st.

responses are anonymous. God bless you! Father Chuck

Journeying Together

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	makes communities of faith strong? What makes them weak	?
	nspires you, as you witness the life of our community in mi oners?	nistries and other

What initiatives would you consider in reaching out to other faiths?	
Participation	
What would make our participation in the Eucharist more meaningful and eff	fective?
What are the best signs of participation that you see at our parish?	
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PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

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

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

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

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

Thanks for your interest. Father Chuck





Congratulations to...

Katherine Moeller & Anthony Tesoriero

Danielle Dempsey & Timothy Vesey

who will be married at

St. Raymond's Church in July

God is good all the time....

All the time God is good

God Bless Our Newly Baptized

Giovanni Roman Margaroli
Anna Charlotte Santorelli
Jaime Brittany Tyz
Thomas Jack McCurdy
Lily Elizabeth Musso
Logan William Farks
Evelyn Mary Uellendahl
Claire Marie Corcoran
Landon Thomas King
Brady William Gamache
Sage Mary Camilleri
Charlie John Lopez
Karter Charles Cunningham



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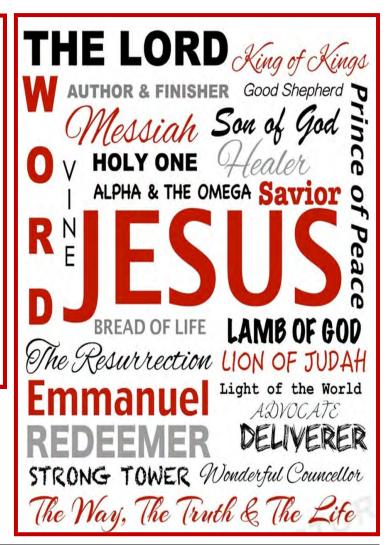
We have received our quarterly revenue sharing check from the Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union Parish revenue Sharing Program. Since its inception, our parish has received a total of \$20,986! The amount we receive each quarter is determined by the number of our parishioner who are members of the 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.









Prayer Vigil: Our Lady of Fatima

The 105th 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 Tuesday, July 12th 7:00—8:30pm; St. Raymond Church

The Message of Fatima

The message of Fatima consists of a number of precise predictions, requests, warnings and promises concerning the faith and the world, which were conveyed by the Blessed Virgin Mary to three shepherd children: Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco in a series of apparitions at Fatima, Portugal from May through October 1917.



St. Raymond Human Life Committee

"Fetal surgeons operated on a 24 week old preborn child last year after an ultrasound at 22 weeks detected a massive lesion on the baby's lungs that almost killed her. She was diagnosed with a severe congenital lung malformation...the baby was given steroids to try to shrink the large lesion and avoid surgery until after birth. But the drugs did not work and the lesion continued to grow over the next ten days. The doctors realized they needed to operate immediately....the surgery involved making an incision in the mother's uterus & removing some of the amniotic fluid. Then the baby's arm was brought through the opening to insert an IV before the doctor placed her back inside of her mother and stitched up the uterus. The baby remained in her mother's womb for 12 more weeks...and is now at home and doing well after the fetal surgery. Dr. Darrrell Cass, director of the Cleveland Clinic fetal surgery program said the baby's lungs are functioning normally now, and 'I'm expecting her to have a normal life." (Lifenews, May, 2022)

Good News!!!

The Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization Decision was handed down on Friday, June 24th, which overturned the wrongly decided Roe v Wade Decision of 1973. When Roe was decided, even many in the legal profession, who were for abortion, agreed that the Roe Decision was a poorly argued Decision without a proper Constitutional foundation. The Dobbs Decision does not ban abortion, it sends the issue of abortion back to the people of each state, who will decide whether abortion will be legal for the entire nine months of pregnancy or have restrictions or ban abortion altogether in their respective state. The good news - abortion cannot be claimed as a Constitutional "right", babies will be born in the states that ban abortion, and in the other states, there is an opportunity to have open, honest discussions about the truth of abortion and win minds and hearts to the gift of life. Please continue to pray that one day, we, as a people and a nation, will live upto the potential and greatness of "The Declaration of Independence" and extend the right to life to all our human family, the babies in the womb included.

The Declaration of Independence
"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all
men are created equal, that they are endowed by
their Creator with certain inalienable
Rights, that among these are
Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness".
Happy July 4th!

When This is Over

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

Laura Kelly Fanucci

Spiritual Adoption

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby [baby's name] that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Amen.



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**



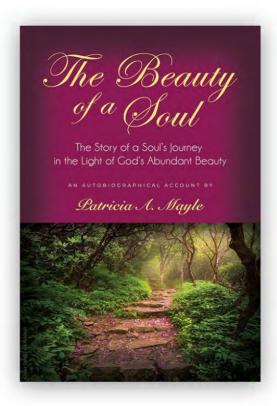
CYO Spotlight

Basketball registration will be open from June 15th to July 15th. No late registrations will be accepted.

Registration is not complete until payment is made through Paypal.

St. Raymond CYO basketball is open to parishioners and those living within the parish boundaries.





The Beauty of a Soul

I invite you to read this story which tells of God's Beauty and beckons us to share in His Love.

The world today is in

desperate need of finding God.

Is God a part of your life?

May this book inspire you!

The Beauty of a Soul can

Be purchased on

Booklocker.com

Barnes & Noble

Amazon

God Bless You!

Patrícía A. Mayle
Author

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.

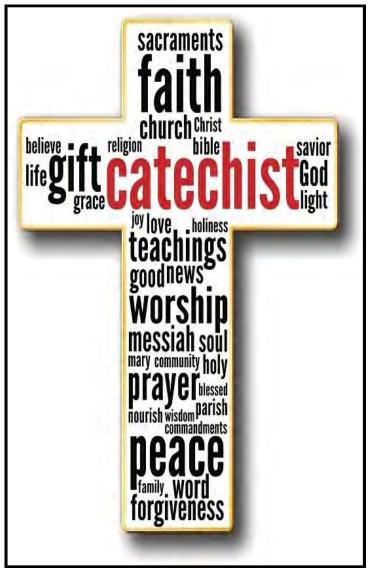
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR IS IN PROGRESS.

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 or Wednesday 3:30pm-4:30pm – 1 opening

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



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



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July 2nd & 3rd
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All food collected goes
to the Parish Social Ministry.

Thank you for remembering those in need!

Consecration: Bread and Wine become Jesus Himself

John 6:53-56 "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him."





The Gospel reading for today is especially important for us stewards. We must remember that we are sent out by God, for God to spread God's word to others. Pray that you may be guided by the Holy Spirit as you live your life as a steward of the Faith.

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

"Bible Sharing" refers to a group of people gathered together to listen to God's Word, addressed to them today and trying to live this Word accordingly. Our format is to read and reflect on the Readings for the upcoming Sunday. There is no commitment to "sign up" for any number of weeks. Come and join us whenever you can. For more information contact Deacon Bob at the Rectory.



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

A Prayer for Ukraine

Parish Social Ministry

The Heart of the Parish

"Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by His power at work within us." -Ephesians 3:20

Pantry needs: Cold Cereal, pancake mix, syrup, canned vegetables, canned meats, laundry detergent, toothpaste, and shampoo.

Thank you all for your continued support.



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 amilies. So, in order to reach as many people as possible with these messages we need more emails. If you would like to be on this listing for parish messages, please either call the rectory to give us your email, send it in to the parish email (StRayRcc@optonline.net), or fill out this form and return it to the rectory. Your email information goes no further than being a part of your registration profile for the purpose stated above.



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St. Raymond Parish

has had an active chapter (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 for information on ways that you can participate.



"Only by loving, serving others, can people come to know God."

-Pope Francis







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Masses for this Week

Monday, July 4th 7:15am Linda Player 8:45am Rita M. Muller

Tuesday, July 5th

7:15am Sue & Rich Duffy 8:45am Catherine McCarthy

Wednesday, July 6th 7:15am Colin Gilmartin 8:45am Louise Saar

Thursday, July 7th 7:15am Charles Hess 8:45am Theresa Dennelly

Friday, July 8th 7:15am Thomas Henry

8:45am Richard & Margareta Schneider

Saturday, July 9th

8:45am Bridie Gallagher, Bobby Casey

Joanne McCormack

5:00pm Taylor Rose Clarke

Sunday, July 10th 7:30am Anthony Coscia 9:00am Taylor Rose Clarke 10:30am George McDougal

12:00pm Julia Marie Schmidt, Diana Cardona

Joan Healy, Angelina Tedesco Peter Algarin, Colin Gilmartin

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week Monday

HOS 2:16, 17C-18, 21-22 /MT 9:18-26 Tuesday

HOS 8:4-7, 11-13 /MT 9:32-38

Wednesday

HOS 10:1-3, 7-8, 12 /MT 10:1-7

Thursday

HOS 11:1-4, 8E-9 /MT 10:7-15

Friday

HOS 14:2-10 /MT 10:16-23

Saturday

IS 6:1-8/ MT 10:24-33

Sunday

Dt 30:10-14 /Col1:15-20 /Lk 10:25-37

Please Pray for Our Sick

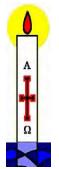
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If you would like to advertise an upcoming event for a St.Raymond Ministry or group, please email your article or notice two Fridays before the date of the bulletin to: strayrcc@optonline.net.

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Monday Nights; 7:00pm

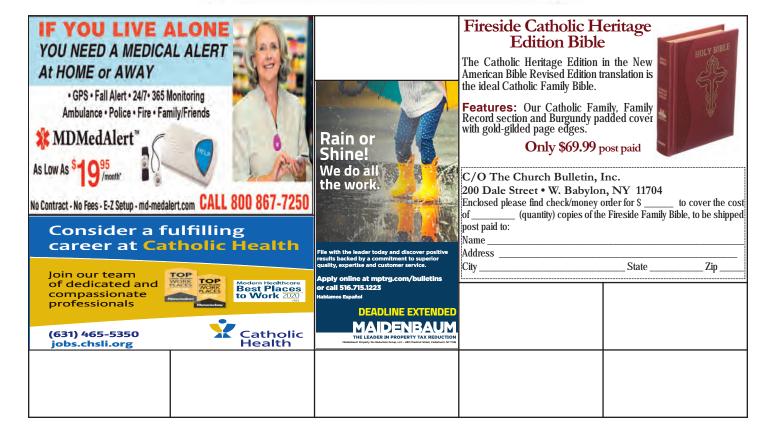
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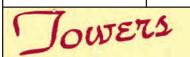
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