

## 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

**Pastor**  
Father Chuck Romano

**Associate Pastors**  
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Father Theodore Iloh

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Deacon Guy Donza, S.F.D.  
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# The Parish of St. Raymond

## A Eucharistic Community of Faith, Love and Friendship

Sunday, May 17, 2020

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

*"And he who loves Me will be loved by My  
Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."*

*-John 14:21*



May 17th

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Ascension Thursday May 21st

## 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

**Facebook:** St. Raymond Parish, East Rockaway

**E-Mail:** StRayRcc@optonline.net

Rectory.....593-5000

Rectory Fax.....887-0554

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

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

Parish Social Ministry Fax.....593-6278

**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.



PLEASE REQUEST TO JOIN OUR  
NEW FACEBOOK GROUP!  
**ST. RAYMOND PARISH, EAST ROCKAWAY**  
SPIRITUAL AIDS AND INFORMATION WILL BE  
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DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIMES.



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*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  
Lt. Com. Joseph Garbitelli US NAVY  
Sgt. Gerard Moran

*Please remember to pray for our  
wounded soldiers.*

## Father Chuck's Corner

**Greetings and God's continued Easter blessings be yours on the Sixth Sunday of Easter!** It was great to see many of our parishioners last Sunday for the Drive-By Blessing with the Blessed Sacrament. I know that I felt especially privileged to offer the blessing for each carload of people. The reverence and affection for the Real Presence of Jesus was very evident as each car passed by. I hope it helped you to feel more connected to Jesus and St. Raymond's if you were able to come. In this Sunday's readings we are encouraged just like the early followers, to keep growing as disciples, regardless of the circumstances. The first reading from Acts points to the efforts of Philip, Peter, and John as they continued to win many converts to Jesus despite the death of Stephen. These disciples brought the gift of the Holy Spirit to these newly baptized. **"Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit."** Then in the second reading from 1 Peter, the new believers were strengthened by their devotion to Jesus even when they endured suffering. **"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God."** And finally, John's gospel continues the farewell discourse of Jesus. The apostles are worried about how they will continue when Jesus leaves them. He explains and promises that he will not abandon them. This passage focuses on the promised assistance through another Advocate, the Holy Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit who will guide them into the depths of Jesus' love with the Father. **"And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."**

So how do we get through this virus crisis? The Holy Spirit is on our side! The apostles were just ordinary men and despite their promises to stick by Jesus when things got rough, they needed help. The Holy Spirit changed how they were, especially when it came to enduring suffering for their faith in Jesus. The Holy Spirit helped them and all the early Christians to face adversity and each possibility calmly. The Holy Spirit moves every disciple out of his or her comfort zone. It was true of the apostles and it is true now. Think how much you have been moved from your comfort zone of living by this pandemic. The Holy Spirit redefines our sense of normal. Following Jesus is not something to be squeezed into a life already full of more important things. If our faith is allowed to grow, following Jesus moves from being an ornament to becoming our main identity. The Holy Spirit does not do what we should be doing for us, but the Spirit assures us that we are not alone but rather as followers of Jesus we are always growing.

Remember that the Holy Spirit abides in us and we abide in God's love. St. Teresa of Calcutta said, **"We are not called to be successful. We are called to be faithful."** When you make your Spiritual Communion today and every day, allow God's grace to permeate every nook and cranny in your life. It is part of how we abide in God's love, realizing to what else that love may yet be calling us.

Our lives continue to be lived in the midst of Covid-19. It has been two months since life was turned upside down. Many people have gotten sick, many have died, and many others have been impacted by loss of income. Schools and businesses have been closed as well as plans for weddings, First Communions, graduations, and many other events cancelled. One of the most impactful has been the inability to celebrate funerals for those who have died. Restrictions in hospitals and nursing homes have kept loved ones from each other. In short, we just have not been able to live as we like. St. Raymond Parish has tried to help those in need through the generous grocery store gift card donations that keep coming into the rectory. Many people have needed our help to keep their families fed and we have continued to do just that. Those who have died still receive a blessing in front of our church when going for burial to offer some consolation to the families. And people come to pray everyday in St. Raymond Church. This bulletin contains a letter from **Bishop Barres** about the current state of things in our diocese, specific to how we will move forward in being able to someday celebrate Mass with our people. Please read it for it gives context and hope for the future return to Church life.

So, let us keep praying for one another, for those suffering and for our recently deceased and their families. Let us keep supporting those who sacrifice to take care of us in so many ways. **Thank you for the continued generosity of your contributions.** Believe me, it goes a long way in helping our parish and school meet the financial challenges that have arisen at this time. Fathers Theo, Vincent, Joseph and I continue to pray for all of you in our private Masses and we look with anticipation for that day when we can be together in prayerful worship at Mass. Take care, stay safe and God bless always.



*-Father Chuck*



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

## **Preparation for the Reopening of Public Mass**

May 12, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Coronavirus has affected society and the Church in ways unlike anything we have experienced in our lifetimes. None of us could have imagined the impact on our families, our livelihoods, and our practice of the Faith. As treatments for the sick and potential vaccines are developed, it is important that we act prudently for everyone's wellbeing, body and soul.

### **What has the Church been doing?**

Hospital chaplains have heroically ministered to the sick throughout this crisis and parish food pantries continue to support those most in need. Your priests have adapted as best they can to the limits of "distance ministry" while struggling to manage the devastating impact on our parishes and schools. Catholic school teachers, administrators and Faith Formation volunteers are admirably upholding standards of excellence while keeping our children engaged online. Catholic Charities is addressing the physical and emotional needs of people around the clock.

We know that there is a hunger to return to public Mass and the celebration of the Sacraments. Pray that this hunger spreads among active and inactive Catholics, so that our Churches may soon be filled and experience a lasting renewal when we reemerge.

### **The challenges facing us:**

Much is still unknown about the virus and how best to deal with it. As a result, many decisions are actually judgment-calls based on a review of the information available. What is known is that the virus is deadly, particularly for the elderly and vulnerable. As of this writing, nearly 75,000 have contracted the virus and over 3,500 souls have returned to God, just within the territory of our Diocese. May our Heavenly Father welcome them and comfort their families. Our hospital systems, front-line doctors, nurses and support staffs were very nearly overrun.

All of this leaves us with an enormous challenge: when and how to reestablish public liturgies in a way that does not irresponsibly place the common good and the health of our people in grave danger. These are serious moral issues. If we can protect the sanctity of human life and the stability of our healthcare system by cooperating with sensible limitations and safety practices, then we have a moral obligation to do so. This is not a surrendering of our right to practice our Faith. It is an exercise of our moral responsibility for the common good. Therefore, we are carefully forming our plan for the reopening of public Mass in consultation with medical experts and civil authorities who share in our responsibility for the common good.

### **The Holy Mass**

The Holy Mass is the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for our Salvation (Catechism of the Catholic Church – Article 3, Paragraphs 1322 – 1419). The Mass unites us to the sacrifice of Christ, the gift of himself to the Father for us. Spiritual Communion, which has been a continual part of the Church's theology through

Saints Augustine, Aquinas, John Vianney, John Paul II and others, has allowed us to remain united to the Lord's Body and Blood, offered daily by our priests, even when we are not physically present or do not physically receive Holy Communion.

### **Considerations for Reopening**

The conditions on Long Island are being carefully monitored and preparations are being made. However, we do not yet have a date for reopening public Masses. Medical experts and civil authorities have urgently asked that congregate gatherings of any size remain suspended until we better understand the risks and how they are managed.

When it is determined that we can gather for Mass with reasonable safety, it will likely involve precautions that will require everyone to make sacrifices. However, the Mass is not our "personal possession". It is a gift from God entrusted to the Church. Therefore, the dignity of the Mass and the Church's liturgical laws must be respected and observed. Certain elements of the Mass can be adapted while others cannot because we do not have the authority to alter them.

Limitations may involve facial coverings or masks, limits on seating capacity to maintain social distancing, changes to the Mass schedule to allow for cleaning, modified procedures for the distribution of Holy Communion, etc. This will involve tremendous coordination between clergy, parish staffs and volunteers, as well as training and preparation. Guidelines and protocols are being developed that will be shared with pastors. The dispensation from the obligation to physically attend Mass will likely remain in place for a time, especially to protect the elderly and most vulnerable among us.

### **Other Sacraments**

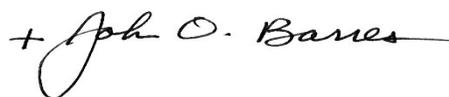
The period of isolation has delayed celebrations of Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations and Weddings. Funeral Masses for loved ones have also been postponed. We understand the sorrow and sacrifice of those awaiting the celebration of Holy Sacraments. Please understand the enormous stress that this will place upon your very limited number of priests, some of whom are older and particularly vulnerable because of health concerns. We ask for your patience, understanding and compassion as your clergy serves you as best we can through these complex and very challenging times.

### **Our Prayers and our Gratitude**

Dear friends, thank you for your prayers and support throughout this crisis. Your parish Church depends on weekly contributions in order to survive and carry on Christ's saving mission. The loss of Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday collections is a serious hardship for the functioning of a parish. Likewise, Catholic Charities, our Catholic Schools, and the Catholic Ministries Appeal all rely on support from the Faithful to carry out their missions. We are so grateful for your dedication, especially during these most challenging times. Please know that you are remembered in my prayers and daily Masses.

The risen Christ has won the victory over death. His grace will strengthen us to carry this cross so as to share in his resurrection.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John O. Barres". The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

Most Reverend John O. Barres

Bishop of Rockville Centre

## Religious Education — Faith Formation

*Evelyn Contaldi, Director*

Let us continue to pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world that are sick. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. May God console them and grant them peace. We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. May God grant them courage and wisdom as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2020/2021

Registration forms for the 2020/2021 Religious Education school year are on hold temporarily. As more information becomes available to us, we will proceed accordingly.

### ATTENTION 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE PARISH PARENTS



The new dates for First Holy Communion will be:

**Saturday, September 12th, 2020 @ 12Noon Mass for Groups 1 & 2**

**Saturday, September 19th, 2020\* @ 12Noon Mass for Groups 3 & 4**

\*As of today, we have checked the Lynbrook and East Rockaway school calendars for 2020/2021 and the schools are open on Friday September 18th, 2020 (Rosh Hashanah).

If for some reason you are unable to attend your assigned date, please let us know ASAP and you can surely participate in the other date. We will continue to keep you advised of additional instructions, etc as we go along over these next months.

Fr. Chuck has offered to 2nd grade parents the opportunity for their child to receive First Holy Communion over the summer (hopefully and prayerfully Masses will resume by that time), at one of the regular Sunday morning Masses (9am, 10:30am and 12Noon). However, if you decide to do this, **YOU NEED TO NOTIFY THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE BEFORE MAY 30TH, 2020. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT THIS SPECIAL REQUEST AFTER MAY 30TH, 2020. PLEASE E-MAIL US AT [econtaldisrre@optonline.net](mailto:econtaldisrre@optonline.net).**

Assignments were forwarded home to each grade via e-mail. Families are kindly asked to join FORMED which can be found on the parish website. Instructions on how to register for FORMED were included in the e-mail as well. The short videos that have been assigned to each grade are found in this platform. In order to complete the 2019/2020 Religious Education school year, the students and their parents are asked to view the video together and to write a short paragraph about the video. Each video assignment should be done on three separate sheets of paper. Please have the child write his/her name on the top of each sheet, their grade and the name of the video that they watched and write or type their thoughts about the video. Please staple the three pages together so that assignments can be collected and attach them to your child's 2020/2021 Religious Education Registration form.

Be Still, and  
know  
that I am  
GOD



### *The Journey of Grief*

Share the memories of your beloved.  
Let us encourage you with compassion.  
Life has changed for you, we are here  
with caring hands.

*St. Raymond's Bereavement Ministry*  
Call: 516-593-5000

## *Please Pray for Our Recently Deceased*

The following parishioners, and friends of St. Raymond have died since the time we have been unable to celebrate Funeral Masses. At a later date this year, Memorial Masses will be celebrated for them and their families. Please pray for them during this time when death is more saddened because of the limitations to our mourning.

Lorraine Edgar

Sadie Barbarino

Kathleen April Sci

Bob Duffy

Peter De Jesus

Nora Lynch

Tom Webster

Xavier Veliz

Estebana Moreno Deras

Mary De Santis

Nick Taffner

Alice Laukaitis

Birute Kidolis

Gilma Serpas

Antonina Navetta

Margaret Geoffrion

Alex Azitabile

Marie O'Brien

Rapha Nicolosi

Julian Goldman

Charles O. Weiler

Raymond Laperuta.

Catherine Miller

John Spinelli

Odelisia Bruni

Elaine Ryan

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. *Amen.*

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*



## **St. Raymond Human Life Committee**

**"Cease to do evil, learn to do good: seek justice; rebuke the oppressor; defend the fatherless; plead for the widows." (Isaiah 1:17)**

"God is just...the justice of God ...encourages us to seek justice for all people. It is the evil deeds and wrong, selfish attitudes of our modern society that have led to the cavalier acceptance of abortion and euthanasia... God is calling us today to seek justice, to encourage the oppressed, and to defend the orphans and the widows of our society. It is a noble calling! It is one which every true believer, every God-fearing man and women, should heed with no hesitation and no reluctance. To follow the God of justice and truth is to stand unequivocally for the right to life of everyone, especially the unborn, the physically disabled, and the terminally ill..." (Rev. Ben Sheldon, Presbyterians Pro-life) Let us pray to God that He will give us courage and wisdom to work to end the evils of the intentional killing of the youngest and most vulnerable of our human family through abortion and those at the end of life through euthanasia/physician assisted suicide. Let us all be a voice of the voiceless. **They have no voice but ours.**



### **Living Stewardship**

***A smile, a good gesture and a nice attitude go a long way. Do those things to show the world you are a Christian.***



*The Sodality of Our Lady  
is pleased to announce the winners of the  
2020 Scholarship Awards:*

**Each of the following students is the recipient of an \$800 award  
toward their first year's tuition:**

**Monsignor Walsh Award** – **Michael Rodriquez** currently attending St. Raymond School,  
accepted to Kellenberg Memorial High School

**Monsignor Singleton Award** – **Stephen Chojnacki** currently attending St. Raymond School,  
accepted to Chaminade High School

**Monsignor Jablonski Award** – **Victoria Saporito** currently attending St. Raymond School,  
accepted to Kellenberg Memorial High School

**Each of the following students is the recipient of the  
Marianne Malone Award for \$150 toward their first year's tuition:**

**Michael Betzag** currently attending St. Raymond School, accepted to  
Kellenberg Memorial High School

**Michael Carinci** currently attending St. Raymond School, accepted to  
Kellenberg Memorial High School

**John Carroll** currently attending Kellenberg Latin, accepted to Chaminade High School

**Michael Casey** currently attending St. Raymond School, accepted to  
Kellenberg Memorial High School

**Hayden (Gus) Dengel** currently attending St. Raymond School, accepted to St. Mary High School

**Kristopher Gottlieb** currently attending South Middle HS, accepted to Chaminade High School

**Kate Lauria** currently attending St. Raymond School, accepted to Sacred Heart High School

**John O'Hanlon** currently attending East Rockaway HS, accepted to Chaminade High School

**Aaliyah Walcott** currently attending St. Raymond School, accepted to  
Kellenberg Memorial High School

These awards are part of the Sodality's commitment for the encouragement of continued Catholic education.  
As an organization we are proud to be able to support students who have chosen to attend a Catholic high school.

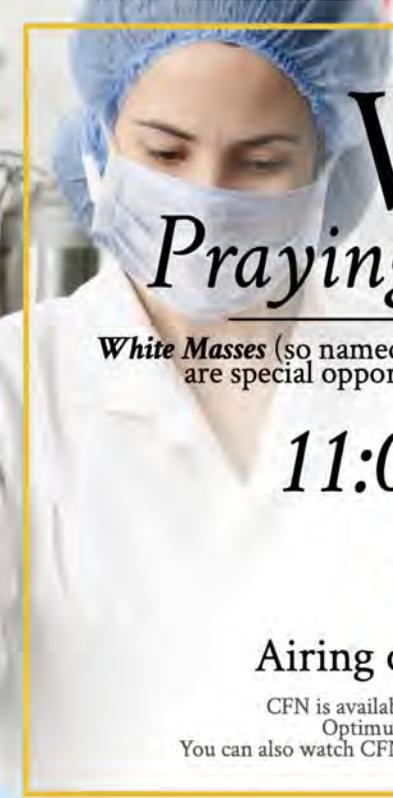


*The Rose for Life Program*

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.



# White Mass

## Praying for Health Care Workers

**White Masses** (so named for the white coats and uniforms worn by many healthcare professionals) are special opportunities to ask God's blessings for those serving in the medical field.

11:00 am  May 17, 2020

Celebrant and Homilist: Bishop Barres

Airing on  CATHOLIC FAITH NETWORK from St. Agnes Cathedral

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You can also watch CFN on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android, or by downloading the CFN iOS mobile app.

Office of Communications – April 2020

**GO FOR  
THE GREEN !  
50/50**



The Golf Outing may be cancelled BUT you still have a shot to win!!

**Tickets are \$10 each and 3 for \$25.**

Tickets will be mailed home and can be purchased at the rectory weekdays between 9am-1pm. The more chances sold, the greater will be the profit to the parish and school.



**Remember...  
Only \$10 each and  
3 for \$25!  
You've got to be in  
it to win it!**

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**As always, we thank you for your generous support!**



The EAC Network is an in-home respite program, not for profit, social service agency that provides respite for caregivers of the elderly in Nassau County. Looking for adults to offer anywhere from 2-6 hours of relief each week. We introduce a caring person to visit their frail loved ones, keeping them safe and engaging them in appropriate activities. Our companions are trained and carefully screened. Reasonable fees of \$5-\$12 an hour sliding scale based on income of sick person. If you are or know someone caring for a family member, or if you are interested in visiting an older individual please call:

**516-539-0150 extension 215 or 218  
Or email: [Inhomerespite@eac.org](mailto:Inhomerespite@eac.org).**

# PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament, I love You above all things and I desire to receive You Into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

*Amen*

Prayer for the Solemnity of  
the Ascension of the Lord

Giver of Life,  
help us to see your life  
at work in our lives.  
Keep us from clinging  
to what is today,  
that we might receive  
the gifts of life  
that await us tomorrow.  
Amen.

Prayer from [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca)

[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)



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**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

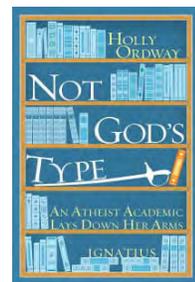
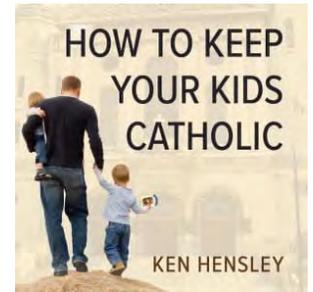
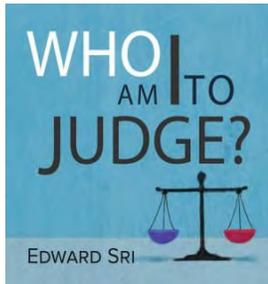
Sunday at 3:30 pm ET



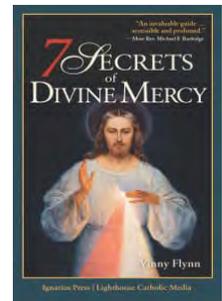
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## **Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,**

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,  
keep us in the embrace of your arms,  
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.  
Amen.



# Masses for this Week

## Monday, May 18th

7:15am John Cliggett  
8:45am Peter Broughal

## Tuesday, May 19th

7:15am Maria Rosa Artuso  
8:45am Nicholas Cinque

## Wednesday, May 20th

7:15am John Spinelli  
8:45am Jeanne Marie Mulroy  
7:30pm Julian Goldman

## Thursday, May 21st *The Ascension of the Lord*

7:15am Laurene Donnellan  
8:45am Cathy Turner  
12:15pm For all the Sodality Families  
7:30pm Robert S. Hoffman

## Friday, May 22nd

7:15am Nick Taffner  
8:45am Eileen Gonyon

## Saturday, May 23rd

8:45am Tom Webster  
5:00pm Joan & Bob Crockett

## Sunday, May 24th

7:30am Catherine Miller  
9:00am John R. Hartt  
10:30am Jackie Visone  
12:00pm Kevin McGreevy, Stanley Sochacki  
4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

### Scripture Readings for the Week

#### Monday

Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a

#### Tuesday

Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

#### Wednesday

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15

#### Thursday

Acts 1:1-11/Mt 28:16-20

#### Friday

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

#### Saturday

Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

#### Sunday

Acts 1:12-14/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

### Please Pray for Our Sick

Fr, Tom Moriarity, Deacon Rich LaRossa, Valerie Fellows, James Ryder, Margaret Mary Barbato, Lydia Dengel, Thomas Botkin, Jane Fitzpatrick, Olivia Bonino, Jodi Neckles, Mary Lynch, Annemarie Montell, Lee Wilson, Ann Marie, Baby Azai Morris, Dr. Sam Iyer, Olivia Bonino, Veronica, Zelda, Gina, Marie, Joan Ellyn Cullen, Pat Bolino, Nick S., Anthony B., Alyssa B., Ryan Neil Matland Jr.

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



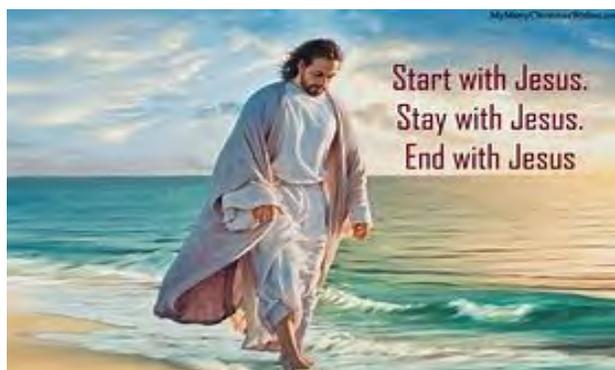
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-1 Peter 3:15

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Please write: "Attention Bulletin Editor" in the subject line of you email. All bulletin articles are subject to the Pastor's approval.

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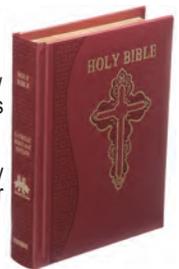
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