

Masses

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

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

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The Parish of St. Raymond

*A Eucharistic Community of
Faith, Love and Friendship*

Sunday, November 12, 2023

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

“Therefore, stay awake for you know
neither the day or the hour.”

-Matthew 25:13



November 12, 2023

Thirty Second 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 7:30pm-8:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following 8:45am Mass.

Confessions

Saturdays from 3:30-4:30pm, or call for appointment.

Baptisms

Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Please call the rectory to schedule.

Bereavement Support Group

Call the rectory office for meeting times.

Marriages

Engaged couples are encouraged to call the rectory a year in advance of their wedding date to assure adequate time to participate in preparation programs for the Sacrament of Marriage.

Prayer Groups

Charismatic Prayer Group: Every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the rectory lower level.

Men's Prayer Group: Every 4th Friday at 8pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

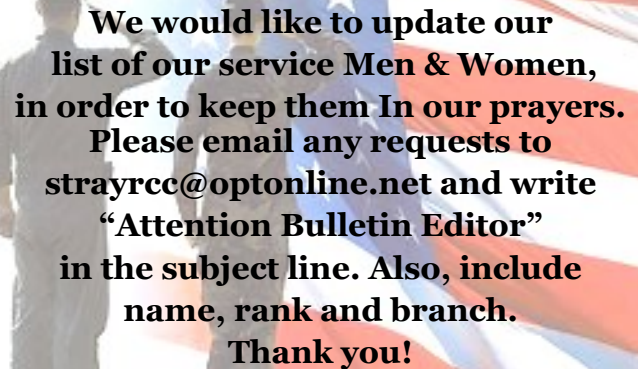
Music Ministries

Choir (Adult): Sings at 10:30am Mass on Sundays from September—June; practice on Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the church.

Folk Group: Sings at 12 Noon Mass on Sundays from September—June; practice on Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the rectory lower level.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Interested in becoming a Catholic or an adult Catholic seeking Eucharist or Confirmation? Call the rectory and ask for Fr. Chuck Romano



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



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



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

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Lt. Com. Joseph Leahy US NAVY
Spec. Bryan Petriccione US ARMY –Cavalry Unit
Lt. JG Joseph Woloszyn US NAVY
PFC Hunter Deets, #10 Mountain Division US ARMY
Please remember to pray for our wounded soldiers.

Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time! The purpose of today's readings is to impress upon us that a wise approach to the impending arrival of God's kingdom is not an anxious hyper-vigilance, but rather a consistent dedication to doing God's will. In the first reading from the Book of Wisdom, it is pointed out that those who wish to rule wisely will put God first in their lives, like King Solomon did. That is true wisdom: **"Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her and found by those who seek her."** Then in the second reading from 1 Thessalonians, Paul assures the community of faith that all who have died in Jesus Christ will rise at the coming of the Lord. **"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep."** And finally, Matthew's gospel points to what the kingdom of heaven will be like when Jesus comes the second time. The story has ten virgins waiting for the bridegroom to arrive for a wedding. Five are prepared and five are not. When the bridegroom is delayed, they all fall asleep. When he finally arrived only the five virgins who had brought extra oil for their lamps were ready to greet him. The ten virgins stand for members of the Church with Jesus as the bridegroom. When the five foolish ones are locked out of the wedding feast, they plead to be let in, but it is too late, and the bridegroom doesn't even recognize them. The message of the story is to stay awake and be prepared for Jesus' coming so that he won't say to us: **"Amen I say to you, I do not know you. Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."**

We have all experienced times when we were unprepared for something, either through our own fault or because of unexpected circumstances. Now in today's parable, Jesus is very up front with whom we should identify with. With the choice between **"wisdom"** or **"foolishness"** it is really a no brainer. True wisdom does not mean constant vigilance is needed. All the virgins fell asleep waiting for the bridegroom. Watching is more than just staying awake. You can be watchful and still sleep peacefully. Wisdom tells us that readiness for Jesus' unpredictable future arrival involves preparation here and now. And it's more than simply an attitude of readiness and calling out for admittance. We are called to be ready by actively advancing God's kingdom here and now in our daily lives. Remember that the present moment is both a gift and an obligation. Being prepared means we can enjoy the blessings that life provides. Doing God's will in the present will give us enough oil to meet God's future.

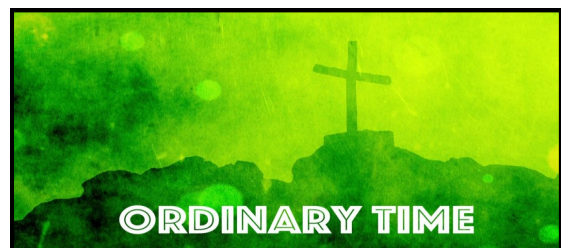
As the saying somewhat goes: **"A word to the wise should be sufficient."**

This Monday evening, November 13th, starting at 7:30pm there will be a special Holy Hour for Peace in St. Raymond Church. Between the war in the Mideast and in Ukraine, plus all the other troubled places in the world, the cry for peace seems to be most needed throughout humankind. This Holy Hour is an opportunity to gather in prayerful reflection in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (the prince of Peace) to pray for the kind of peace that only Jesus can give. It is a peace, not of this world, but for this world and as such praying is our way to ask for the peace of Jesus to be with all who suffer from war and all its horrible effects on people. There will be Exposition, scripture, reflection, music and Benediction during this time. Come and join to unite in faith and hope so that peace will come to our world.

Please remember to take home a copy of the bulletin when you leave Mass today. It contains many items of interest and invitation, with something for everyone. Of special note is news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, info from **Religious Education**, an order form for the special **One Year Memorial Candles**, an ad and order form for the **Countdown to Christmas Raffle** (order your tickets soon), an order form for the **Christmas Plant Sale**, an invitation to the Bereavement Ministry's gathering for a discussion on **"Coping with the Holidays"** on Thursday evening, November 16th, the **Eucharistic Revival Centerfold**, the **Communal Prayer Before Mass** (found on the inside back cover of the bulletin), invitations to join both the **Adult Choir** and the **Folk Group**, 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, keep alert and prepared. Plus remember: Don't raise your kids to have more than you had. Raise them to be more than you were.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

NOVEMBER 12, 2023 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great
glory, Lord God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father, You take away the sin of the
world, have mercy on us;

You take away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer; You are seated
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,

[Pray while striking the breast 3 times.]

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
with the Father; through him all things
were made. For us men and for our
Salvation he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father. He will come again in
Glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the
Son, who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church. I confess one
Baptism for the forgiveness of
Sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead and the
life of the world to come.

Amen.

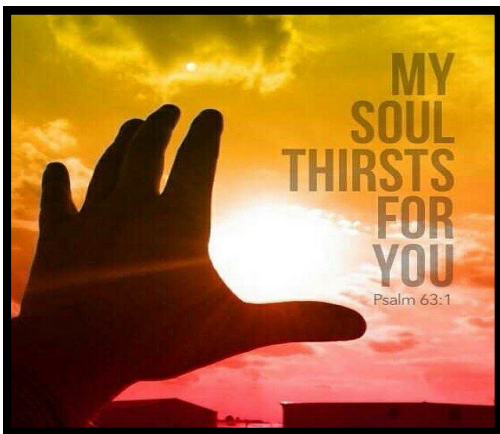
READINGS FOR TODAY'S MASS

NOVEMBER 12, 2023 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Wis 6:12-16

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory, For your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips shall glorify you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name. As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied, and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. I will remember you upon my couch, and through the night-watches I will meditate on you: You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING

1 Thes 4:13-18

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

ALLELUIA

Mt 24:42a, 44

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
Stay awake and be ready!

For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mt 25:1-13

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director



Faith Formation

Attention 2nd grade Parents

Sunday, November 12th, 2023 all 2nd grade students and their parent(s) are to attend a meeting in the auditorium at 11am. Then the entire group will attend the 12Noon Mass immediately following the meeting.

Attention 1st grade Parents

The next First Grade Parent/Student meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 19th, 2023. Please meet in the St. Raymond School auditorium at 11am. After the meeting, the entire group will attend the 12Noon Mass where Fr. Chuck will continue the lesson. Please remember to bring your child's workbook, bible, pen/pencil and a folder.

Mrs. Mugno assigned homework at the last meeting that is due at this 11/19 meeting.

Baby Bottle Campaign

Our Religious Education students participated in the parish Baby Bottle Campaign. We tried to put a little competition into it by separating the bottles by our day and time sessions. Here is what the students donated:

Monday 3:30pm-4:30pm session	\$ 78.53
Monday 7pm-8pm session	\$ 16.41
Tuesday 3:30pm-4:30pm session	\$ 83.00
Tuesday 7pm-8pm session	\$ 125.54
Wednesday 3:30pm-4:30pm session	\$ 27.01
Thursday 3:30pm-4:30pm session	\$ 36.55
TOTAL	\$367.04

Our Tuesday 7pm-8pm session came in first place! These 7th & 8th graders are in our Confirmation preparation program. Our Tuesday 3:30pm-4:30pm session came in second place! These 2nd grade students are preparing to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Thank you to all of our students for remembering to bring coins (and some dollars) to help fill the bottles.

*Thankful for the bravery, honor, service and sacrifice of our Veterans.
May God continue to bless our Heroes this Veterans Day and always!!!*



November 4th - Mass before the Fall Ball



FALL BALL





Countdown to Christmas Raffle

Once again, we are having the exciting Countdown to Christmas Raffle where you have 33 chances to win some "Cash for Christmas." This raffle starts on Thanksgiving Day and concludes on Christmas Day. Each day a money prize will be awarded to the winning number drawn. Starting with \$500 on Thanksgiving Day and culminating with \$1000 on Christmas Day there will be 33 cash prizes awarded totaling over \$5000. Now to get in on the action all you have to do is fill out the tear-off found on this page, include the number of tickets you wish to purchase, the payment amount and return it to the rectory ASAP. Your control number will be sent to you and depending on how many tickets you purchase, that number of tickets, all with the same number, will be entered into the drawing.

Pricing for the tickets is as follows:

1 Ticket for \$25- 5 Tickets for \$50- 10 tickets for \$75- 15 Tickets for \$100



Order Form

Name: _____ Telephone Number _____

Address: _____

Number of Tickets requested: _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Please include payment for your ticket(s) with this form. Upon receipt, you will be mailed the number assigned to all your tickets. If you request more than 15 tickets an additional number will be assigned to you.

You may mail your order form to the rectory, place it in the collection basket at Mass, or drop it in the mail slot at the rectory at any time. Winners will receive a telephone call on the day they win. Winning tickets will be put back in the drum to possibly win again. You can join the raffle at any time but to be included in all 33 drawings, we must receive your entry and payment by Wednesday, November 22nd. Winning numbers will be added to the calendar that is printed in the weekly bulletin.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to all. and Good Luck!

Let's have a peaceful and grace filled Thanksgiving Day, a holy and happy Advent, a joyous Christmas season, and a hope filled New Year. Thanks for your support in this fundraiser for St. Raymond Parish!


Father Chuck Romano



Merry Christmas

Countdown to Christmas Cash Raffle 2023

Over \$5,000.00 in Prizes – 33 Cash Prizes to be Awarded.

December 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent Prize: \$500.00	 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 25TH PRIZE \$1000</p> </div>			November 23 Thanksgiving Day Prize: \$500.00	November 24 Prize: \$100.00	November 25 Prize: \$100.00
November 26 Prize: \$250.00	November 27 Prize: \$100.00	November 28 Prize: \$100.00	November 29 Prize: \$100.00	November 30 Prize: \$100.00	December 1 Prize: \$100.00	December 2 Prize: \$100.00
December 3 First Sunday of Advent Prize: \$250.00	December 4 Prize: \$100.00	December 5 Prize: \$100.00	December 6 Prize: \$100.00	December 7 Prize: \$250.00	December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Prize: \$100.00	December 9 Prize: \$100.00
December 10 Second Sunday of Advent Prize: \$250.00	December 11 Prize: \$100.00	December 12 Prize: \$100.00	December 13 Prize: \$100.00	December 14 Prize: \$100.00	December 15 Prize: \$100.00	December 16 Prize: \$100.00
December 17 Third Sunday of Advent Prize: \$250.00	December 18 Prize: \$100.00	December 19 Prize: \$100.00	December 20 Prize: \$100.00	December 21 Prize: \$100.00	December 22 Prize: \$100.00	December 23 Prize: \$100.00

Special One year Memorial Candle

As you know, several years ago we have upgraded our devotional candles by both the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph. The older ones were outdated and ready to break down. In addition we have added four new statues in the rear of the church with smaller new candle stands. They are Mother Teresa, St. Therese of the Little Flower, St. Anthony and St. Jude. Hopefully they have enhanced people's prayer and desire to light candles as a sign of their devotion.



Once again we will be having special one year devotional candles at both the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph Statues in the front. These candles surround the base of each statue. There are 24 candles available for each statue. The cost is \$300.00 for an entire year of having a candle lit for your intention. A small name plate will be placed at each candle that has been taken for the year. Only the name of the person you are remembering will be on each name plate. These candles will be lit from the first Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2023 for the entire Church Liturgical Year. If you are interested in one of these candles for one of these statues, simply fill out the following information, include your donation and bring it to the rectory. This also includes existing candles for this past year that have been lit. They need to be renewed if you so wish.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Pick one: Blessed Mother _____ St. Joseph _____

Name for the candle name plate (please print) _____



JOY

Christmas Plant Sale

Once again, we are offering beautiful Christmas Plants for sale. Below is an order form. Simply fill it out and return to the rectory by Sunday, December 3, 2023. All orders will be picked up on December 17th during Gaudete Sunday Hospitality in the school cafeteria. All orders are to be paid up on Sunday December 17th.

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

<u>Christmas Wreaths</u>	12" - \$15 _____	Quantity		
<u>Grave Blankets</u>	24" - \$25 _____	Quantity	42" - \$35 _____	Quantity
<u>Poinsettias</u>	6" - \$10 _____	Quantity	8" - \$20 _____	Quantity
	Red/White/Pink (circle one)		Red/White/Pink (circle one)	

Decorated Crosses 24" - \$20 _____ Quantity

Decorated Candy Canes 24" - \$25 _____ Quantity

Order Total: Number of Items _____ Total Cost \$ _____





ST. RAYMOND'S HUMAN LIFE COMMITTEE

"While ending legalized abortion remains our preeminent priority, the most immediate way to save babies and mothers from abortion is to thoroughly surround mothers in need with life giving support and personal accompaniment. This is radical solidarity."

(Bishop Michael F. Burbridge)

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks to all our parishioners who returned their filled baby bottles which were returned this week to the Life Center of L.I. (now known as Women First). The "Baby Bottle Campaign" is the most important fundraiser for this pregnancy care center. Unlike Planned Parenthood, which received approximately \$550 Million annually from the Federal Gov't, the Life Center receives no Federal funding but relies on financial donations and fundraisers to provide free, confidential, caring assistance to mothers in need, providing the "radical solidarity" of which Bishop Burbridge spoke. Thanks also to all the volunteers who graciously gave of their time to distribute the baby bottles and then, collect the filled baby bottles after the weekend Masses Your help was and is very much appreciated. To those who may have forgotten to return their filled baby bottles, it is not too late. Simply drop the bottles off at the rectory during the week and we will return them to the Life Center.

Please join us each Thursday from 3:00-3:30 pm during weekly Adoration to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary of Our Lady for the intention of "an end to abortion and the return to the respect, dignity and protection of all God's children from conception till natural death."

Next Human Life Committee Meeting:
Thursday, November 16th, 7:00 - 8:00 pm.
ALL INVITED...ALL NEEDED!!



St. Raymond's Parish Social Ministry

The Ryan House

"The Heart of the Parish"

12 Roosevelt Avenue, Lynbrook, NY 11563

516-887-9197

Food Pantry Hours of Operation

Monday - Wednesday from 10am to 2pm

(Suggested to call for an appointment)

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." -Mark 10:45

Food assistance is available for those in need who live within our Parish boundaries. During the month of October, our Parish Social Ministry assisted 84 households with food, personal care, household items and other services they needed. We also welcomed 4 new clients into the Outreach Program. If you are a senior citizen, living within Parish boundaries, and depend on your Social Security benefit as your sole source of income, please call the Parish Social Ministry and we can assist you with food.

Pantry items needed this week:

Baked Beans, Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Canned Soup (no creamed), Broth, Canned Fruit, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup, Sugar, Tea, Coffee, Stuffing, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Tuna, Jell-O, Shampoo, Conditioner, Bar Soap, Shaving Cream and Laundry Detergent.

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

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



CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
 THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST
 ADAPTED FROM THE "CATECHISM IN A YEAR"
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**II. WHAT IS THE SACRAMENT CALLED?
 SECTION 2 / CHAPTER 1 / ARTICLE 3
 PARAGRAPHS 1328 -1332**

1328 The inexhaustible richness of this sacrament is expressed in the different names we give it. Each name evokes certain aspects of it. It is called: Eucharist because it is an action of thanksgiving to God. the Greek words "eucharistein" and "eulogein" recall the Jewish blessings that proclaim - especially during a meal - God's works: creation, redemption, and sanctification.

1329 The Lord's Supper, because of its connection with the supper which the Lord took with his disciples on the eve of his Passion and because it anticipates the wedding feast of the Lamb in the heavenly Jerusalem. The Breaking of Bread, because Jesus used this rite, part of a Jewish meal when as master of the table he blessed and distributed the bread, above all at the Last Supper. It is by this action that his disciples will recognize him after his Resurrection, and it is this expression that the first Christians will use to designate their Eucharistic assemblies; by doing so they signified that all who eat the one broken bread, Christ, enter into communion with him and form but one body in him.

The Eucharistic assembly (synaxis), because the Eucharist is celebrated amid the assembly of the faithful, the visible expression of the Church.

1330 The memorial of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection. The Holy Sacrifice, because it makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Savior and includes the Church's offering. The terms holy sacrifice of the Mass, "sacrifice of praise," spiritual sacrifice, pure and holy sacrifice are also used, since it completes and surpasses all the sacrifices of the Old Covenant.

The Holy and Divine Liturgy, because the Church's whole liturgy finds its center and most intense expression in the celebration of this

sacrament: in the same sense we also call its celebration the Sacred Mysteries. We speak of the Most Blessed Sacrament because it is the Sacrament of sacraments. the Eucharistic species reserved in the tabernacle are designated by this same name.

1331 Holy Communion, because by this sacrament we unite ourselves to Christ, who makes us sharers in his Body and Blood to form a single body. We also call it: the holy things (ta hagia; sancta) - the first meaning of the phrase "communion of saints" in the Apostles' Creed - the bread of angels, bread from heaven, medicine of immortality, viaticum.... 1332 Holy Mass (Missa), because the liturgy in which the mystery of salvation is accomplished concludes with the sending forth (missa) of the faithful, so that they may fulfill God's will in their daily lives.

**Fr. Mike Schmitz's Commentary on
 1328-1332 (excerpts)**

In the Old Testament there were many kinds of sacrifices: atonement, petition, and thanksgiving. The rabbis said that, in the age of the Messiah, all sacrifices will cease except for one: Eucharistic sacrifice. The Church also calls the Eucharist the "Lord's Supper" because Jesus established it at the breaking of the bread.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus appears to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. They recognize Him in the breaking of the bread and the Church has always interpreted that as the Eucharist. In the Acts of the Apostle (2:24), it says the disciples devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching to the communal life to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. This breaking of the bread doesn't just mean they ate meals together, it's code essentially for the Eucharist and the Mass, the Eucharistic assembly. It's called the Eucharistic assembly because it's the whole Church that offers up the Eucharist. It is the memorial of the Lord's passion and Resurrection. We remember what Jesus has done, not simply recalling something, but we are there once again so it's the memorial of the Lord's passion and Resurrection.

St. Raymond Church

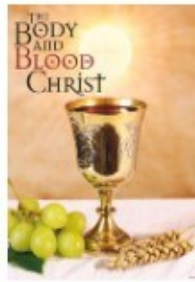
Opportunities for a Holy Hour / Adoration
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Each day the Church is open for personal prayer until 5:00

Each Thursday - Adoration/Benediction from 1-4:00 PM

Each First Friday - Nocturnal Adoration from 7:30-8:30 PM

*November 13th: Holy Hour for Peace with
Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction 7:30



**"OUR SHARING IN THE BODY AND
BLOOD OF CHRIST HAS NO OTHER
PURPOSE THAN TO TRANSFORM
US INTO THAT WHICH
WE RECEIVE."**

Pope Saint Leo the Great
Doctor of the Church
Feast Day: November 10th

Step By Step Walk Through the Mass Do This in Remembrance of Me By Father Luke Spannagel National Eucharist Revival Blog Forms of Penitential Act

The Penitential Act has three different forms. Form A, the Confiteor, begins with the words: "I confess to Almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters..." This prayer helps us to express sorrow for faults we have committed in word and in action. We humbly acknowledge that we have done wrong and that we have sometimes failed to do good. Then, recognizing that we all need help, we ask the intercession of our Blessed Mother, all the other saints, and our brothers and sisters around us. Within the text of the Roman Missal, we are instructed to strike the breast during the words "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault" (corresponding to the three "mea culpa" phrases of the Latin version). Throughout the Bible, striking the breast is a gesture of humility and sorrow for sins.

Form B is less frequently practiced, and the presider prays, "Have mercy on us, O Lord," and the people respond, "For we have sinned against you." The presider continues, "Show us, O Lord, your mercy," and the people again respond, "And grant us your salvation." This form, the ending of which recalls Psalm 85:8, acknowledges that we have sinned and asks for the Lord's love and mercy.

For Form C, the Missal provides eight suggestions for use in the United States, involves the repetition of the words: "Lord have mercy... Christ have mercy... Lord have mercy." Each verse of this form begins with a statement of acknowledgement about Jesus, called a trope, usually about his mission (e.g., "you came to call sinners") or his person (e.g., "you are Mighty God and Prince of Peace"). These short verses help remind us of who Jesus is and what he does for us.

Next week: Penitential Absolution

Saints Who Promoted the Eucharistic St. Margaret of Scotland Lay Woman († 1093) Feast: November 16

Margaret was born a princess in Hungary around 1046 and, after her father's exile, spent much of her youth in the court of her uncle, the English king, Edward the Confessor, also canonized a saint. During the Norman invasion, Margaret's family fled from William the Conqueror and ended up shipwrecked on the coast of Scotland. King Malcolm of Scotland took them in and fell in love with Margaret. They were married in 1070. Margaret used her position of great influence to promote her concern with and ministry to the poor, the orphaned, the widowed, and the sick. In loving and honoring the poor, she was loving and honoring Christ. This included washing their feet and serving them food. She built schools and hospitals and spent time each day listening to the needs of the people in the outer court of the castle. Despite her many duties in the court and for her family, Margaret was perpetually faithful to prayer and the sacraments, especially the celebration of the Mass, which was most important to her.

Margaret's most significant reform was her success in bringing the practices of the Scottish church, still under the influences of Celtic Christianity, into line with those of the Roman Church. One of her reforms had to do with recognizing the centrality of the Eucharist in the lives of Christians. Many of the Scottish clergy felt themselves unworthy to receive the Eucharist on Easter.


To this attitude she responded "Shall all who are sinners not taste that holy mystery? No one therefore ought to receive it, for there is not one who is not stained with sin; not even the infant whose life is but one day on earth. And if no one ought to receive it, why did the Lord when he proclaimed the Gospel say, except ye shall eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink his blood, ye shall not have life in you."



*St. Raymond's
Bereavement Ministry
Invites you to a discussion...*

*"Coping with the
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*Thursday,
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Sodality of Our Lady of the Annunciation



November Meeting:

Sunday, November 19, 2023

Place: St. Raymond's Cafeteria

Time: Immediately following the 10:30 Mass

Corporate Communion

(Hospitality will be available following Mass)

Speaker: Sister Maryellen Kane, CSJ

Topic: "The Call to Love"

Please join us and bring a friend as we are always looking for and happy to welcome new members.

Sodality will be collecting "Scarfs and Gloves"

For the Parish Social Ministry at this meeting.

"Sodality is a women's organization devoted to prayer and service to the Blessed Mother. The membership is active in many ways doing what we call "Mary' Work," helping those in need in any way we can."



The foolish virgins in the parable were not prepared for the coming of the bridegroom. By the time the bridegroom arrived, they were away buying oil. Let us be like the wise virgins and be prepared for the Lord when He comes. We do this by having a consistent prayer life, attending weekly Mass and making regular trips to confession.



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Vocations Prayer

Almighty Father, we beg you for an increase in religious vocations and holy marriages in our Parish of St. Raymond. Help us to be generous in our response to Your call. Choose from our homes those who are needed for Your work and strengthen us with the courage to say "yes" and to follow You. Help us as a diocese, as a parish, as families to encourage and foster vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate, and consecrated life. We commend our prayers to Mary, the Mother of God, and ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS TRAINING

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. No walk ins permitted, all participants must be registered in advance with a letter from Father Chuck.



Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Part A-This training is required for all those who are beginning as Ministers. The "BASIC" training is required for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend Part B training in addition in BASIC training. One must attend Part A training prior to Part B training.

EM of Holy Communion - Part A

Nassau: Wednesday, Nov.29-St. Paul the Apostle/Brookville-Lowes Hall; 7-10pm

Suffolk: Tuesday, Oct. 10-St. Elizabeth/Melville-Msgr. Kane Hall; 7-10pm

EM of Holy Communion - Part B

Tuesday, Oct. 24-St. Elizabeth/Melville-Msgr. Kane Hall; 6:30-9:30pm

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-Saint John Paul II



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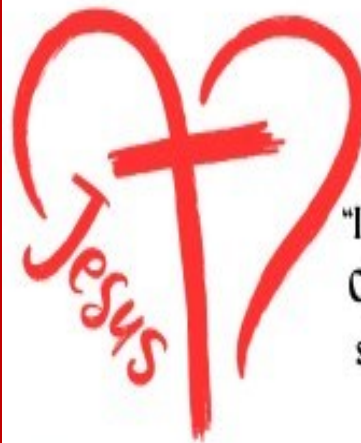
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Romans 6:3-9

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Masses for this week

Monday, November 13th St. Frances Xavier

7:15am Edward Collins

8:45am Jane Gelson

Tuesday, November 14th

7:15am Robert Thies

8:45am John Kevin Gilhooly

Wednesday, November 15th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Lee Ann O'Keeffe

Thursday, November 16th

7:15am St. Raymond Parish

8:45am George & Dennis McDougal

Friday, November 17th St. Elizabeth

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Robert L. Reilly

Saturday, November 18th

8:45am George & Dennis McDougal

5:00pm Jennie Gaeta

Sunday, November 19th

7:30am John Dolan, Jr.

9:00am George Moseman

10:30am Sodality

12:00pm George McDougal, Rose Mary Petrizzi
Stiepan Olic, Michael Marten,
Mario Rinaldi, Carmella Fitzpatrick,
Benay Mugmon, Carmelo & Ann Micali,
4:30pm St. Raymond's Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday

Wis 2:23-3:9/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday

Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday

Wis 7:22b-8:1/Lk 17:20-25

Friday

Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8

Sunday

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/
Mt 25:14-30

Please Pray for Our Sick

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Dawn, Baby Faith Madison, Rebekah Lyas,
Baby Cooper Graham, Kevin O'Sullivan
Michael McPike, Christine I., John Lynch
Baby Daisy Ellen O'Neill, Jay Witemeyer,
Bennett William Chevalier, Mary Perri, Samir
Leo B., Caroline Saporito, Linda D'Agostino
Mary Lou Hart, Marie Gay Oddo, Michael Sarro,
Barbara, Nick S., Joseph Petraro, Nicole Brack,
Rosalie Monaco, Maureen Condiss,
Maureen McCarthy, Jane Gelson
Baby Connor William, Mary Lynch

*(Names are printed for 3 weeks unless the
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Rest in Peace

Dolores Goodhue



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Mary Peduto

Parish Bulletin Board

*Dear Lord,
Please help me to accept myself for who I am. Help me to see and appreciate the wonderful person You have created. Let me recognize the importance of my birthright as Your child and realize my significance in the universe. Help me to understand that the opportunities I possess are limitless... For You have given me the chance to achieve all things for my own good and that of the whole world. Make my life, starting today, starting now, a worthy testament of Your wondrous glory and infinite love. For with You all things are possible.*

Communal Prayer Before Mass

Father in heaven, we wish to prepare well for participation in this Mass, in which we enter the Last Supper, Passion, Death and Resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. He is as present to us today in his Word and in the Eucharist, as he was with his apostles. Holy Spirit please quiet our minds from the busyness and distractions of our day, so that we will have hearts and minds attentive to the words of Jesus and ready to receive his Body and Blood in Holy Communion. Blessed Mother, take our hearts and give us yours, that like you, we may ponder Jesus' words and do whatever he tells us to do. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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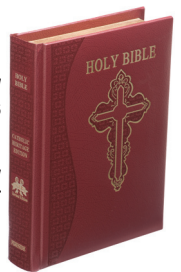
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