Masses

Saturday Eve 5:00PM

Sunday^{*} 7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM,

12Noon and 4:30PM

Daily Saturday

7:15, 8:45 AM 8:45 AM

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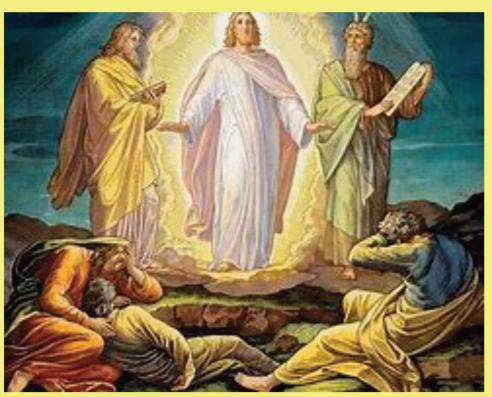
Sunday, March 8, 2020

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

"This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

-Matt 17:6



March 8, 2020 Second Sunday of Lent

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

Office Hours are Monday-Thursday from 10am-2pm.
Parish Social Ministry Fax.....593-6278

St. Raymond School593-9010St. Raymond School Fax593-0986Religious Education Office593-9075

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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.

Praver 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.

This Week in Our Parish

Tuesday, March 10th

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group MWMR

Wednesday, March 11th

9:00am Art Club MWMR 7:00-8:00pm 2nd Grade Parent Meeting Auditorium

Church

MWMR

7:30pm Choir

Thursday, March 12th

9:30am Bible Sharing

Friday, March 13th

7:00pm Family Fun Night Cafeteria 7:30-10:00pm Boy Scouts Gym

Saturday, March 14th

3:30pm Confessions Church

Sunday, March 15th

10:00am-2:00pm Hospitality Sunday Cafeteria



What once was lost, now is found!

Are you missing your reading glasses? Can't find your house keys? If so, stop by the Altar Servers' Sacristy in the Church to see if your long lost item is in our Lost & Found box.



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 blessings be yours on the **Second Sunday of Lent?** The message of today's readings is that God calls us and if we listen, our lives can be transformed in beautiful and mysterious ways. In the first reading from Genesis, Abram learns that the most reliable way to gain a great name is by listening to God. Up to this point, apart from Noah, the people on earth have not been listening to God. Here God says to Abram: "I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing." Then in the second reading from 2 Timothy, Paul encourages the people to remain loyal to the gospel and that the grace of salvation will be enough for all humanity. "Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God." And finally, we have the magnificent Transfiguration account from Matthew's gospel. This account of the Transfiguration is told with a minimum of words. The high point of the whole story is the voice that comes from the cloud, revealing the true identity of Jesus as God's beloved Son. "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Lent is meant to be a dynamic time, changing us as we grow and mature as adult Catholic Christians. Our faith should grow and mature just as we do. The gospel always encourages us to be more Christlike in all our relationships. It calls us to a good, honest, holy living. Lent reminds us that it is never too late to change for the better. God's call to Abram continues with the Holy Spirit calling us to do something wonderful with our lives. But we have to be ready to take the next step in our faith journey and be open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit. We have to be willing to listen and give in!

The Transfiguration of Jesus marked an important time in the lives of Peter, James and John. They were overwhelmed by the experience and needed time to process it. The apostles were touched by fear and when they touched the resurrected Jesus later their fears were transformed into great love and commitment. As of now the apostles don't quite get the message, but as Easter approaches, they do eventually get the message very clearly. How do we know that? We are the living proof as we gather here to celebrate the Eucharist. As we grow older and wiser, just as Jesus' disciples did, the message finally hits home.



Lent is one of the Church's holy times where we focus on the Real Presence of Jesus in the sacraments and in our daily lives. When we receive Holy Communion, let this Real Presence touch you powerfully as the three apostles were touched on the mountaintop. And as Lent continues, don't "give up." Instead, "give in" to the Holy Spirt. It's a beautiful way to celebrate this Lenten season.

Our parish Lenten specials began last week and continue in this Second Week of Lent. Monday, March 9th will be the next eight hours of *Eucharistic Adoration* starting after the 12:15pm Mass and concluding with *Benediction* at 9pm. And today we have the second weekend of "*Giving, Not Giving Up....It's a Lenten Thing*" with the giving of "*Toiletries.*" Next Sunday, March 15th we are asking for "*Baby Items.*" And remember too, that the *Stations of the Cross* is prayed every Friday during Lent at 7:30pm in our church. Check the bulletin article for more details about these and other offerings here at St. Raymond's during Lent.

I would also like to make a pitch, once again, for everyone to join *FORMED* (your Catholic Faith on demand). If you haven't done so yet, now is a great time to join and be able to take advantage of all the wonderful Lenten programming that is available. Plus, there are many other topics of interest for Catholics of all ages. And it's "*FREE*." Just follow the link on our parish website and register. I promise that you won't be disappointed. The content is bountiful, and the access is very tech friendly. *So*, *just do it!*

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, our full Parish Lenten Schedule, info from Religious Education and the Principal's Corner of St. Raymond School, an invite to the St. Patrick's Celebration on Saturday, March 21st, and much more. To keep informed keep a copy of the bulletin at home each week for quick and easy reference.

Have a wonderful Second Week of Lent! Keep that Lenten smile going with your prayer, giving and sacrificing. And remember: No matter how much you nurse a grudge; it won't get better. God bless always.

-Father Chuck



LENT 2020

he Holy season of Lent is an opportunity for all Christians to grow in faith through prayer, fasting and works of charity. St. Raymond Parish offers the following opportunities to assist you on your spiritual journey. Perhaps you can join us for some of these prayer gatherings during the coming weeks. Hopefully, we may all grow in our personal and communal experiences of Jesus during the holy time. So, join us often and anytime. We'd love to see you!

Additional Daily Mass

There will be an additional daily Mass At 12:15pm every week day throughout Lent.

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Will be prayed following the 12:15pm Mass each Tuesday and Wednesday during Lent.

Stations of the Cross

Will be prayed every Friday during Lent At 7:30pm in the church.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday from 1-4pm in Our Lady's Chapel, and from 8-9pm in the Church on The First Friday of every month.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard every Saturday in the church from 3:30-4:30pm.

Lenten 40 Hours Adoration

Each Monday from 3/2—3/30 there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following The 12:15pm Mass

"Giving...Not Giving Up, It's a Lenten Thing"

Once again, our parish will be conducting the special Lenten program entitled: "Giving...... Not Giving Up, It's a Lenten Thing" for the five Sundays of Lent. All the items and money collected will be used by our Parish Social Ministry Office, St. Vincent de Paul and the Human Life Committee. Everyone is encouraged to bring the suggested items to Mass on the designated Sundays. We will bring our "gifts" forward at the time of the Presentation of the Gifts. This giving of our goods at the altar as a visible action will be a tangible sign of our Lenten efforts to help those in our community who have these basic needs. The collection weekends will be as follows:

March 7-8th Toiletries:

Bar Soap*Shampoo*Toothpaste*Toothbrushes*
Deodorant*Razors*Shaving Cream
Tissues*Hand Lotion*Hand
Sanitizers*Combs*Hairbrushes

March 14-15th Baby Items:

(this is the "Baby Shower" for the Human Life Committee concluding the nine months of prayer for the unborn): Diapers (sizes 5&6) *Formula*Baby Food*Baby Wipes*Shampoo*Baby Toiletries

March 21-22nd Gift Cards:

CVS*King Kullen* Stop and Shop* Visa*Target*Walmart, etc.

March 28-29th Money:

Free will money offering to help the St. Vincent de Paul Society and Parish Social Ministry



Lenten 40 Hours Adoration

During this Lenten Season we will have a special *40 Hours of Adoration* spread out over the five weeks of Lent. Each Monday, starting with Monday, March 2nd and concluding with Monday, March 30th, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately following the 12:15pm Mass. Exposition will continue till 9pm each Monday night concluding with Benediction. That will be eight hours for five Mondays, equaling 40 hours. The schedule for each Monday:

1pm- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 3pm- Divine Mercy Chaplet 5pm- Rosary 7-8pm- Confessions 8pm- Spiritual Reflection Offered 9pm- Benediction







Abstinence and Fasting

All Catholics who have reached their fourteenth year are bound to abstain **entirely** from meat/ poultry on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. All Catholics between the ages of eighteen and fifty-nine inclusive are also bound to observe the law of fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day. Those whose work or health would be impaired and excused from fast and abstinence. Individual conscience should decide proper cause for excuse. A more serious reason is required to excuse oneself from **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday**

fast and abstinence.

Principal's Corner Sister Ruthanne

In today's Gospel account of the Transfiguration we hear "from the cloud came a voice (God, the Father) that said, this is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." God is telling us (you and me) to listen to Jesus. How do we in today's world in 2020

listen to Jesus. First, we need to spend time with him quietly, privately, in our own space. And we need to open to hear what He's telling us. Listen at mass, in our daily prayer, in the silence of our hearts.

We have had a rather easy winter so far, and today adds a little more hope to that fact since spring must be right around the corner. After all, today does begin Daylight Savings Time. Hopefully, everyone

remembered to set the clocks ahead an hour so that we can have more hours of sun each day. I did see the crocus pushing through the earth already!

Thanks to all those folks who came to Night at the Races. Hopefully you had a great time and enjoyed the food, raffles, races and fun. It can only be a success when we're all together!

This week we have a special event especially for the children. The Parents' Club is hosting the annual FAMILY FUN NIGHT, a time for Bingo (children this time), snacks, raffles and fun. Let's look at the whole week:

- Monday: Grade 3 to morning mass; Baked ziti; 8th Grade Math Enrichment at lunchtime; Eucharistic adoration
- Tuesday: Grade 2 to morning mass; Pizza; 8th Grade Math Enrichment at lunchtime; Chorus practice at recess; Math Olympiads for 4-6 and Bookworms after school
- Wednesday: Band and string lessons with Full Band at 8:00 AM; Grade 1 to morning mass; Math Olympiads for 7-8, Gardening Club and Spanish Scrabble after school; 2nd Grade parent sacramental meeting at 7:30 PM in the auditorium
- Thursday: Grade 8 to morning mass; 4th and 5th grade to SHA for "The Sound of Music"; Bagels; Junior Sodality for 1-3 at lunchtime and 4-8 after-school; Chorus practice at recess; Bookworms after school
- Friday: Bus Drill at arrival; Grade 7 to morning mass; hot pretzels; Family Fun Night

Please know that some of our children will be visiting the Church on Monday afternoons during March for Eucharistic Adoration. They love spending time with Jesus and hopefully, will edify you with their presence. Let us all pray for one another during this holy time.

We're getting our GOLDEN RAYS prepared for the

We're getting our GOLDEN RAYS prepared for the parades next week. Say a prayer that the weather smiles on all for those special two days - Tuesday, March 17th and Saturday, March 21st.

Have a prayerful second week of Lent and remember to listen to Jesus.



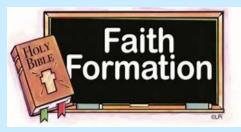
Religious Education — Faith Formation-Evelyn Contaldi, Director ATTENTION 2ND GRADE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ST. RAYMOND SCHOOL PARENTS

There will be a 2nd grade Religious Education & St. Raymond School parent meeting on Wednesday, March 11th, 2020 at 7:30pm in the St. Raymond School auditorium. Details regarding the 2nd grade's upcoming First Holy Communion ceremonies will be discussed. The First Holy Communion Banner kits will be distributed at this meeting. Please make every effort to attend. If you cannot attend the meeting, please call the Religious Education office at 516-593-9075.

ATTENTION GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES BY CHILDREN PARTICIPANTS

The rehearsals will continue on the following Thursdays from 5pm-6pm in the Church: March 12th, 2020, March 19th, 2020, March 26th, 2020, April 2nd, 2020. The actual presentation will be on Good Friday, April 10th, 2020 at 12Noon in the Church. All are encouraged and welcome to attend this beautiful presentation.

Next week's Hospitality Sunday (3/15/2020) will be hosted by Religious Education, Social Ministry and St. Vincent de Paul. Breakfast will be served after the 9am, 10:30am and 12Noon Masses. Please take the time to stop by and enjoy breakfast with your parish community. We look forward to seeing you!!!!





Diocesan Health Directives

Due to the "coronavirus epidemic" we are facing at this time; the Diocese of Rockville Centre has issued the following directives to be followed immediately.

- 1. Until further notice, the *Precious Blood* will not be offered to the faithful at any Masses. Only the priests and deacons will receive from the chalice.
- 2. Until further notice, the *Sign of Peace* will not be given or exchanged in any form during Mass. Immediately after the congregation says, "*and with your spirit*," the Lamb of God will be sung or said.
- 3. Parishioners who prefer to receive Holy Communion on the tongue may still do so, though you may also freely choose to receive Communion in your hand during this precautionary time.
- 4. All are encouraged to carry a small *hand sanitizer* with you to use especially if interacting with fellow parishioners at church.
- 5. The *Holy Water* fonts will be cleaned several times during the week and before and after each weekend.
- 6. And most of all, please remain home if you are sick! This includes all parishioners, especially those performing any of the liturgical ministries of the Mass.

Thank you for helping us to help you during our prayer times together. Let us pray for all the victims of this virus and especially for a swift end to the dangerous spreading of this virus.

-Father Chuck



Congratulations go out to our 8th grade CYO volleyball team... they won their first game!

#25 Nicole Zugnoni, #16 Grace Devaney,
#24 Nora Kane, #21 Peyton Keller,
#22 Ryan O'Connor, #33 Jaclyn Bricca,
#39 Emma Poland, #27 Leigh Caponi,
#26 Karina Licitra, Coach Abigail Ohlsen





Jesus is waiting to go to the homes of those who cannot come to His.

If you know anyone in our parish who would like to receive the Eucharist at home, please call the rectory at 593-5000.

Parish Social Ministry

The Heart of the Parish

The Lord will fight for you; you have only to be still.
-Exodus 14:14

Parish Pantry Needs: Mac and cheese, canned pasta, canned fruits, canned meat, hot cereal, juices.

God bless you all during this Lenten season.



Hospitality Sunday!

All are welcome to
St. Raymond's Hospitality!
Please join us after the 9:00am,
10:30am, and 12 Noon Masses for
refreshments and friendship
in the school cafeteria.

This month's Hospitality is sponsored by

Religious Education Parish Social Ministry St. Vincent de Paul Society

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HERE'S YOUR INVITATION TO THE

ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION

FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMUS

Come enjoy the rich Irish traditions, complete dinner, Irish music (by the McSwitch), Irish Dancing, bagpipes, Guinness, Irish Coffee and sweets-all included, so get a table of friends to enjoy.

MARCH 21, 2020 AT 7:30PM

At St. Raymond's School Auditorium

"GREEN ROOM"

Tickets are only \$45 pp Early Bird purchase \$40 pp if purchase before 03/05/2020

SENIOR DISCOUNT \$30 pp (65+yrs)

Tables of 10 Welcome! Tom Donza at 593-2521

(tickets on sale now...limited seating)







Pot of Gold 50/50

There will be a special "Pot of Gold 50/50" that will be held on Saturday, March 21st. This "pot" has no lid so the "sky's the limit." The winning ticket will be pulled at the St. Patrick's Celebration, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus one the 21st. The "Pot of Gold" tickets are always available and on sale! They are \$10 each and three for \$25.

Special "Pot of Gold" tickets were included in the March/April regular envelope mailing. Simply return the ticket stubs with payment in the envelope to the rectory, either by mail, in person or in the Sunday collection before March 21st.

Tickets are also available for purchase a the rectory during regular office hours and as special courtesy they will be available for sale after all the Masses next weekend in the church vestibule and altar server sacristy. The more tickets sold, the greater your winning share and the greater the profit for St. Raymond's. And you don't have to be Irish to win; but a wee bit of leprechaun luck wouldn't hurt now would it!

Remember!

Three for only \$25 or \$10 each and the "Sky's the limit!"



St. Raymond R. C. Church



Living Stewardship

St. Paul tells us that God calls us to a holy life. Sometimes, we may feel that we are not holy enough or good enough to do God's will—but that is not true. This week open up your Bible and ask God to speak to you and help you realize your worth as a steward of the Faith.

Sacrificial Giving

March 1, 2020: \$17,710 March 3, 2019: \$16,215



Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn

Gives Back!

For each donated car, truck or van, running or not, the Associated Vincentian Charities will give back to our parish \$75-\$200 per vehicle. (St. Raymond has already received donations from the Associated Vincentian Charities!) Your donation is tax deductible and will be towed away at no charge. The vehicle does not have to be operating.

If you or someone you know has an old or neglected vehicle that is not being used,

please call: 718-491-2525 Or email: svdpauto@gmail.com For details: svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org





St. Raymond Human Life Committee

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PRAYER PROGRAM CONCLUSION

Your spiritually adopted baby was born this month - nine months after his or her conception. The only change at birth is a change in the external life support of the baby. He or she is no more human and alive, no more different now, than he or she was before birth except in the manner the baby breathes and eats. This little one is truly a miracle, a gift! Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist that is just like your spiritually adopted baby! In celebration of the baby's birth, we will conclude our program by inviting our parish family to participate in the Lenten "Giving...Not Giving Up, It's a Lenten Thing" program, the weekend of March 14th & 15th, by donating baby items (diapers, formula, wipes, baby food, toiletries & shampoo). Please bring these items to the Mass you are attending that weekend and we will donate them to the local pregnancy care centers that aid mothers in bringing their babies to birth.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Peaceful, prayerful witness for life.
Place: Planned Parenthood
540 Fulton Avenue, Hempstead
Dates: Daily (except Sundays) until April 5th

s: Daily (except Sundays) until April 5tl Times: 7:00 A.M. - 7:00P.M.

Members from our committee will be going every Wednesday, from 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. We invite those who can to join with us in being a voice for the voiceless babies in the womb who are in danger of being killed through abortion. If you would like to go another time, please contact either Mary McIntyre - #593-4363 or Mary Caffrey - #887-2458, for more information. "Loving heavenly Father, help us to see the worth of all human beings by the way in which You provide for us. We would ask that You provide also the faith, grace and courage to enable us to protect that which is so precious to You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord amen." (40 Days for Life, Devotional Guide)

WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE





Become the-Best-Version-of-Yourself

Do you have a sense that something is missing in your life? Are you ready to grow spiritually? Are you hungry to learn more? There is still time left to join the Lenten journey. Sign up at www.dynamiccatholic.com for daily Lent video reflections sent to your email inbox.



Golden Wedding Jubilee Celebration

This spring, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at a special Mass on Sunday, May 3, 2020 at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Smithtown. The Mass will begin at 2:00pm. Bishop Robert J. Coyle will preside.

Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory office. Space is limited, registration will be accepted on a first come first served basis. The forms can also be found on www.drvc-faith.org. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 223.



Maria Regina DHS
Class of 1970
50th Reunion
October 3, 2020
For more information
email
MRDHS70@gmail.com

A Journey Through Grief
Missing a loved one? Need to talk?
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St. Raymond's Bereavement
Ministry



Grief Support to Offer Hope
Six sessions beginning

Thursday, April 23rd at 7:30pm.
Located in Rectory Basement
Any inquiries, please call
516-593-5000.







SPRING OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, April 26, 2020 1:00 PM Molloy College 1000 Hempstead Avenue Rockville Centre, NY (516) 323-4000



SACRED HEART
ACADEMY
PRESENTS....

THE SOUND OF MUSIC

Friday March 6 & 13, Saturday March 7 & 14 at 7 pm and Sunday March 8 at 2 pm. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door.

For information call 483-7383.

Sodality of Our Lady of the Annunciation

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

March Meeting: Monday, March 16, 2020
Place: St. Raymond's Cafeteria
Time: 7:30 pm
We honor St. Joseph and St. Patrick
at this meeting!
Come and join us in a fun evening!

Mary's Way of Cross will be held on Friday, March 20th beginning at 7:30 pm in the church, All sodalists who are able to attend are asked to gather in the front pews of the church at 7:15 pm.

Sodality Spring Dinner
April 2, 2020
Pompei Restaurant West Hempstead, NY
\$45 per person
For ticket information, please contact
Dorothy Bock at 516-599-8264!
We hope you can join us!

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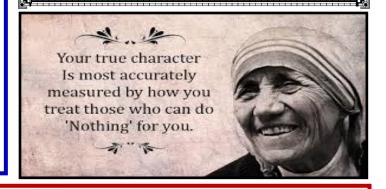


Father Augustine Fernando presiding

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 7:30pm

Rosary at 7:00pm Sponsored by St. Anastasia's Church 45-14 245th St.

Douglaston, Little Neck NY
Music by Al Barbarino





Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series Continues Liturgical Catechesis

Tuesdays this Spring @7:30pm
March 31st: Liturgy and the Paschal Mystery in Us
May 12: Liturgy and St. Paul II Reform
June 9: Liturgy and Personal Growth
Cure of Ars Parish School Auditorium
2323 Merrick Avenue Merrick, NY
Advanced Registration in Appreciated
Please call or email to register:
Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850
westernvicariate@drvc.org
Or Cure of Ars. Merrick at 516-623-1400

All are Welcome—Bring Your Friends. Free Will Offering.

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



Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

The next segment begins in **February 2020** and runs through **August 2020**. You "regulars" know how it works, but for those of you who haven't yet joined...here's the scoop: The cost of a ticket is still \$60, and you're eligible to participate in all the monthly drawings because even if you win, your ticket automatically goes back in for the remaining drawings. Each month the following prize amounts are awarded:

1st Prize: \$1,000 2nd Prize: \$500 3rd Prize: \$250 4th Prize \$250

Entry money for the next six months must be received by <u>February 20, 2020</u>. Ticket numbers are <u>not</u> reserved; they will be given in the order in which your payment is received. Members of the committee can be contacted to answer any questions.

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

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

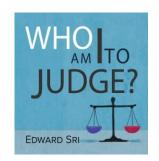
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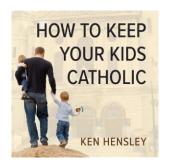
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Masses for this Week

Monday, March 9th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory **8:45am** Terese L. Campbell

12:15pm Rachel Gilligan

Tuesday, March 10th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory **8:45am** Rosemarie McDonald

12:15pm James Clancey

Wednesday, March 11th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am James Donlon 12:15pm Felimon Tony Ortizo

Thursday, March 12th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory **8:45am** Costantino Buccino

12:15pm James Donlon

Friday, March 13th

7:15am Melb Miller 8:45am Nunzio Figliola 12:15pm Robert Campanile

Saturday, March 14th

8:45am Louis Monahan

5:00pm Jean & Fred Criscuolo

Sunday, March 15th

7:30am Daniel & Frances Carrano

9:00am Thomas Lombardo

10:30am Sodality of Our Lady Intentions **12:00pm** Alicia B. Platek, Richard Palmieri

Anne Carroll, Arnie Abad

Victor Campisi, Mary Ellen Sullivan Chiarello

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week Monday

Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday

Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday

Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

Friday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday

Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

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, Laurene Donnellan, Ann Marie, Baby Azai Morris, Dr. Sam Iyer, Marie Rossi. Veronica, Zelda, Gina, Marie, Joan Ellyn Cullen, Pat Bolino, Nick S., Jeanette Kostyrka, Anthony B., Alyssa B. Olivia Bonino,

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



Rest in Peace Jennie M. Caruso Peter T. Broughal





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