

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, January 29, 2023

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

“Rejoice and be glad, for your reward
will be great in heaven.”

-Matthew 5:12



January 29, 2023

Fourth 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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Parish Social Ministry.....887-9197
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Parish Social Ministry Fax.....593-6278

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Religious Education Office Fax593-1156
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Pastoral Care Of The Sick

Holy Communion—Available to the homebound;
call the rectory to schedule a visit

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursdays from 1-4pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

Nocturnal Adoration

First Fridays from 8-9pm.

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following 8:45am Mass.

Confessions

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

Baptisms

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

Bereavement Support Group

Call the rectory office for meeting times.

Marriages

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

Prayer Groups

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

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

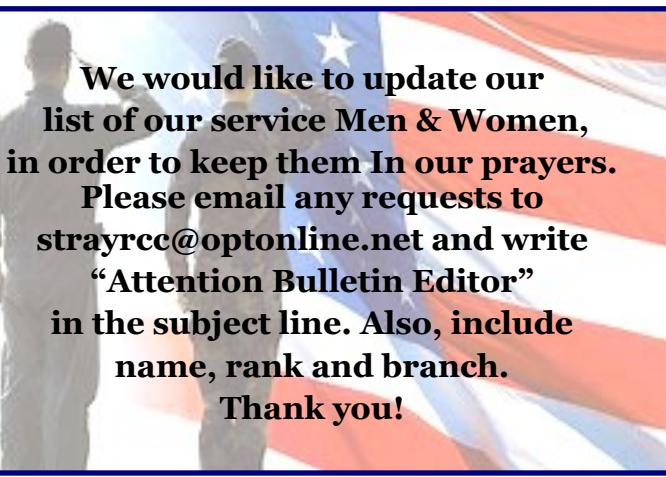
Music Ministries

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

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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



The Catholic Faith Network (CFN)

Broadcast of the Celebration of the Eucharist:

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

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

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

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

St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, NY

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

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

St. Patrick's Cathedral, NY

Monday – Friday at 6:30 pm ET



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

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Spec. Bryan Petriccione US ARMY –Cavalry Unit

Lt. JG Joseph Woloszyn US NAVY

Please remember to pray for our wounded soldiers.

Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time! The purpose of today's readings is that to be a real winner, one needs to have a humble, total dependence on God and be an imitator of Jesus. That's how one receives true blessings in the Kingdom of God. In the first reading from the prophet, Zephaniah, we see a brighter future for the nation of Israel. **"But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly, who shall take refuge in the name of the Lord: the remnant of Israel."** Then in the second reading from 1 Corinthians, Paul reminds the people who have faith that they were chosen by God, and that their dignity comes from him and not the world. **"Consider your own calling, brothers, and sisters.....as it is written, 'Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord.'"** And finally, today's gospel from Matthew presents Jesus in his famous Sermon on the Mount. He begins his sermon with the Nine Beatitudes with each one starting with the word **"blessed."** This word could also be interpreted as **"happy"** or **"fortunate."** Basically, this is Jesus using his teaching authority. The beatitudes are the blueprint for the kingdom of heaven. Each beatitude has two parts: one of diminishment that is then transformed into an abundance. The end when one receives the kingdom of heaven is as good as it gets. It all starts with being **"poor in spirit"** which shows our need and dependence on God. **"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."**

All of us like to be a winner or on the winning side. **"We're Number One"** is a chant we all like to use whether winning a game, a race, a pennant, a Super Bowl, or an election. We are proud and take credit for our side's accomplishment. But today's scriptures give a very different message. The remaining remnant take no credit for themselves but instead depend totally on the God of Israel. St. Paul says that we should only boast in the Lord, not ourselves. And Jesus also doesn't cater to our desire for self-congratulation. Blessedness in his kingdom comes to those who are poor in spirit, who mourn, who are meek, who hunger and thirst for righteousness, who are pure of heart and peacemakers. These are not your typical winners by earthly standards.

Humility becomes the truth. It means seeing ourselves for who we really are. Our existence depends on God and all our talents and possessions are seen as gifts from God. We earn nothing of our material and spiritual worth. All our bragging should be in recognition that all our blessings come from God. Our wisdom is not the world's wisdom. Our treasures are things the world usually tries to avoid.

Of course, it is fine to root for a winning team but only in the course of seeing the whole picture. We are in this life to be winners on God's team, to excel in virtue, to take the beatitudes seriously and live them faithfully. When the world sees in us the compassion, honesty, self-sacrifice, and love of Jesus, then we will be truly **"Number One."**

I want to call your attention to what is highlighted for this week on **FORMED**. It is a presentation called **"Presence (The Mystery of the Eucharist)"**. If you haven't signed up as yet for **FORMED**, I urge you to do so now. It is free, easy to do and can be accessed through our Parish Website. Once registered you will find a plethora of videos, documentaries, teachings, movies, and audio presentations for Catholics of all ages on the length and breadth of our Catholic Faith. At this time, when as a Church in the United States, we are centering on our appreciation of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, this particular video is highly recommended. So, sign up and watch!

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**, info about the upcoming **Valentine's Dance** for the young girls of our parish on Saturday, February 11th, a request for **Parishioner Emails** to enhance communication from the rectory, 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.

Enjoy the last few days of January and the first days of February. **Be of the attitude that Jesus teaches in his Sermon on the Mount. And remember: Rule number one: Never make God number two.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

JANUARY 29, 2023-FOURTH 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

JANUARY 29, 2023-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

Seek the LORD, all you humble of the earth, who have observed his law; seek justice, seek humility; perhaps you may be sheltered on the day of the LORD's anger. But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly, who shall take refuge in the name of the LORD: the remnant of Israel. They shall do no wrong and speak no lies; nor shall there be found in their mouths a deceitful tongue; they shall pasture and couch their flocks with none to disturb them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

SECOND READING

1 Cor 1:26-31

Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters. Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something, so that no human being might boast before God. It is due to him that you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, as well as righteousness, sanctification, and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord."

ALLELUIA

Mt 5:12a

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad;
your reward will be great in heaven.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.**



GOSPEL

Mt 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director

Attention 1st Grade Parents

The fourth First grade Parent/Student meeting will be held on Sunday 1/29/2023 at 11am in the St. Raymond School auditorium. The entire group will then attend the 12Noon Mass following the meeting.

Attention 2nd Grade Parents

The 2ND Grade students will receive their First Reconciliation on Tuesday, February 14th, 2023, from 3:30pm-5pm in the Church. Parents are asked to bring their child to church during this hour and a half – no set arrival time for each class or group. Priests will leave promptly at 5PM. Please plan your schedule accordingly.

Sweetheart Valentine Dance

The due date for all responses to the Sweetheart Valentine Dance scheduled for Saturday, 2/11/2023 was 1/17/2023. All attendees for the dance must attend the 5pm Mass that day – there they will receive their tickets for admission to the party. No one will be admitted to attend the party without their tickets.

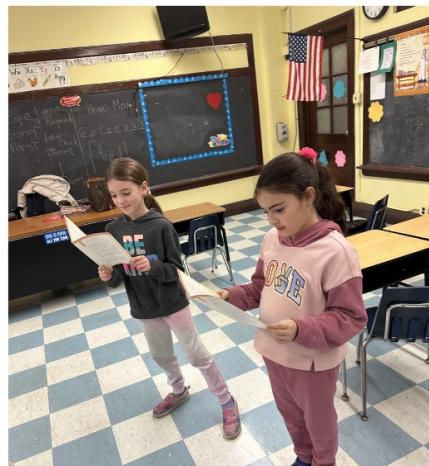
Fr. Vincent

Visits the 2nd Grade





**Gina Lee & Michelle DeLuca's 3rd Grade Class
Putting on a play "Jesus teaches how to live & pray"**



**Ms. Rebecca Ohlsen's
3rd Grade Class
learn about Love
toward Jesus**

WORLD Marriage DAY



CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY!



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023

10:30AM MASS

WE WILL GIVE SPECIAL HONOR AT MASS TO THOSE COUPLES WHO ARE CELEBRATING AN EARMARK ANNIVERSARY! ENDING WITH A "3 AND/OR 8" DURING THE 2023 YEAR. EARMARK ANNIVERSARY COUPLES, PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY 516-593-5000 WITH YOUR INFORMATION ASAP.

VALENTINE'S DAY

IS APPROACHING! LET YOUR SPOUSE KNOW YOU WOULD DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN. WITNESS THE SMILES ON YOUR CHILDREN'S FACES AS THE SEE MOM AND DAD SAY, "I DO!"



FAITH & FRIENDSHIP

WILL HOST A CELEBTRATORY RECEPTION IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MASS FOR ALL - ESPECIALLY THE COUPLES WHO RENEWED THEIR VOWS. COME AND JOIN US AS WE REJOICE IN CELEBRATING AND COMMEMORATING THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY!

St. Valentine's collection of personal hygiene items for single mothers

Collection baskets will be placed in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary altar at the front of the Church.

Your donations of shampoos / conditioners, soaps, body wash, lotions and similar products will be brought to the Life Center (Women First Pregnancy Options), 474 Fulton Avenue, Hempstead. Women First provides information to expectant mothers and services, resources and assistance to mothers and babies.



All services are confidential and free.



Thanks to all who donated baby items during our Advent collection. You generously supplied twenty-five bags of baby clothing, wipes and care items, two boxes of diapers, and baby furniture. Your gifts have allowed the Life Center / Women First to continue offering assistance to the youngest and most vulnerable members of our community at a time of particularly great need.

This collection is sponsored by the St. Raymond of Penyafort St. Vincent de Paul Conference. For more information, please call Ed at 887-9325.



Parish Girls in Grades K-8
join us for a

SWEETHEART Valentines DANCE



**Saturday
11
February**

**From 6:30p-8:30p
St. Raymond's
School Cafeteria**

\$10 per person
Includes pizza,
desserts,
dancing, & more

Tickets to be distributed at the 5p Mass on 2/11/23.

Must have a ticket for admittance.

Tickets are given on a first come, first serve basis as seating is limited.
Dads, Grandfathers, Uncles, or any other adult figure is welcome to escort.

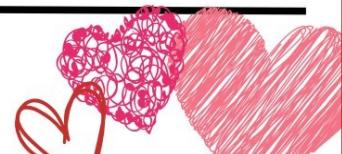
**RSVP By January 27th, 2023. Cash or check made out
to St. Raymond's Religious Education**

Girl(s) Name (s) _____ **Grade** _____

Escort's Name _____ **Phone #** _____

Email _____

**Please wear pink,
red, or white** ❤️



St. Anthony's Pre-School



ANNOUNCING: Early Registration for 2023-2024 School Year

We are now accepting registrations for our programs for 2,3 and 4 year old children. Please see our webpage on St. Anthony's parish website for full details on registering a child to attend.

<https://sacli.org/pre-k>

2023-2024 registration forms for each age group are now available for download from our webpage.

To speak to us about our St. Anthony's Pre-School and to discuss what we have to offer your child, please contact us at

516-764-0048 Ext. 2520

OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL

Nursery, Pre-K and Kindergarten-8th Grade • Lynbrook, NY



Join us for our Open House!

SUNDAY • 1/29/23

— 11:00am - 1:00pm —

Our Lady of Peace School Open House is a chance to see the entire school community at one time. You will have the opportunity to meet the teachers, staff, students and speak to other members of the Our Lady of Peace School Family. All are welcome!

WHY CHOOSE OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL?

- Rooted in the tradition of the Sisters of Mercy, OLP accepts the call to educate the whole child in the spirit of service and compassion.
- OLP offers academic excellence, which fosters individual growth and development according to time-tested, Catholic faith-based models of teaching and learning.
- OLP strives as a community, coupled with God's love, to inspire each child to grow spiritually and academically in a diverse and increasingly challenging world.
- OLP provides a safe and supportive community that recognizes the dignity of every person and promotes human flourishing in a familial atmosphere.



The Rose for Life
In Memory of
Kathleen & Patrick Duggan
Donated by their Family
For Dedications call
Mary Healy 887-4062



"A God who became so small could only be mercy and love."
– St. Therese of Lisieux

Pastoral Council Members
Jean Chojnacki, Secretary, Linda Daley, Julianne Grennen,
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Chairperson, Dave Ohlsen, Linda Ohlsen, Stephen Rochford,
Fr. Chuck Romano, Monica Tobin.

STEWARDSHIP

Time • Talent • Treasure

**When you hear the Beatitudes,
think about how you may
become a more merciful
person this upcoming week.**



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)

*"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord,
and He will reward them for what they have
done." - Proverbs 19:17*

Food assistance is available for those in need who live within our Parish boundaries. During the month of December, our Parish Social Ministry assisted 57 households with food, personal care and household items. We also have welcomed several new families as clients and have provided them with food and information on services they are eligible for from Nassau County.

Pantry items needed this week: Baked Beans, Canned Mixed Vegetables, Canned Tomatoes, Packaged Mashed Potatoes, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Coffee and Laundry Detergent.

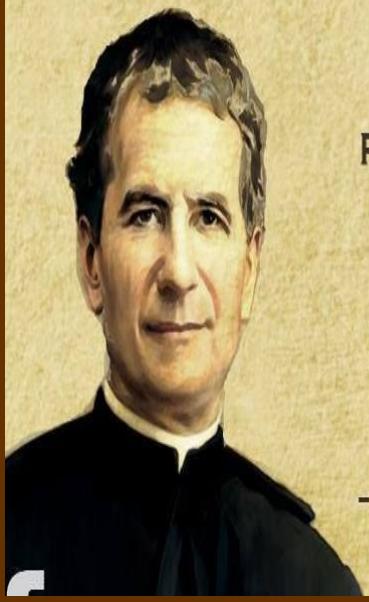
Thank you as always for helping us serve the people in need in our community. Food donations are greatly appreciated and can be brought to the Ryan House when it is open or donations can be left in the bin on the porch. Also food donations can be left in the Altar Servers Sacristy.

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

**"BE DEVOTED TO MARY MOST HOLY;
FREQUENTLY CALL ON HER.

NEVER WAS IT KNOWN
THAT ANYONE WHO
TRUSTINGLY HAD
RECOURSE TO HER
WAS NOT
PROMPTLY HEARD."**

- SAINT JOHN BOSCO



**Prayer Vigil
Our Lady of Lourdes &
World Day of the Sick
The 165th Anniversary
Of the Apparitions at Lourdes.**



**Prayer Vigil
Friday, February 10, 2023
7:00pm—8:30pm
St. Raymond Church**

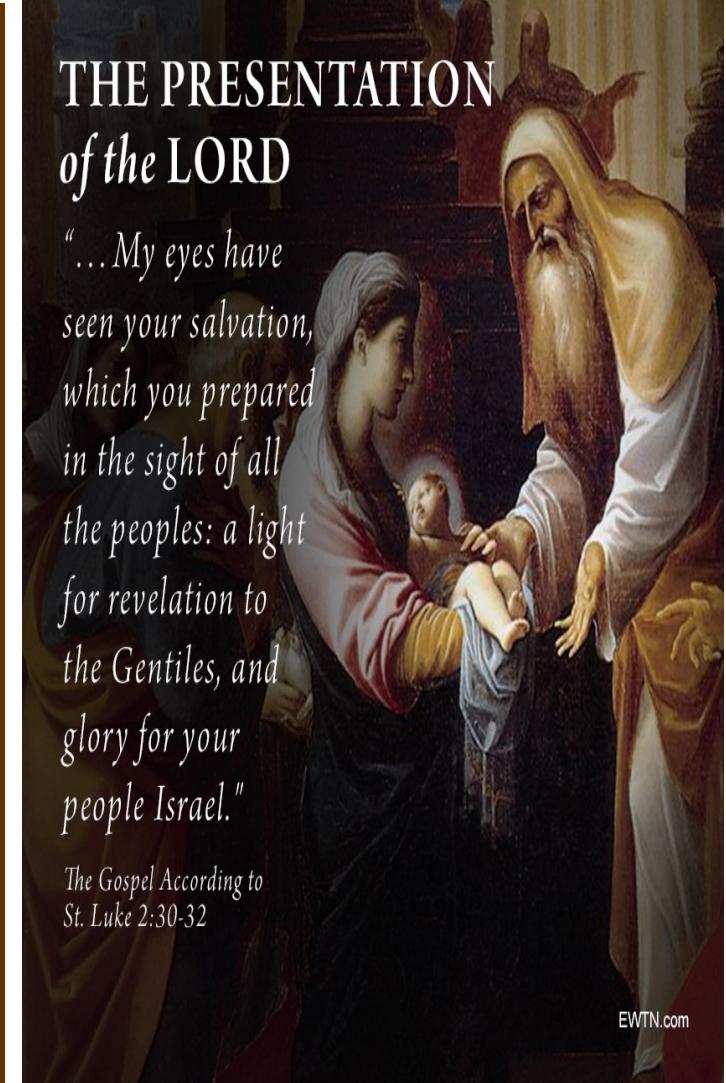
Please join us with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Rosary and praying for family, friends and
parishioners who are sick in mind, body and spirit.
The Blessed Mother appeared 18 times to Bernadette
Lourdes appealing for penance and prayers for sinners.

"I am the Immaculate Conception."

THE PRESENTATION of the LORD

*"...My eyes have
seen your salvation,
which you prepared
in the sight of all
the peoples: a light
for revelation to
the Gentiles, and
glory for your
people Israel."*

*The Gospel According to
St. Luke 2:30-32*



EWTN.com

**Do you like to sing?
Do you play piano, flute or guitar?
Check out...**

St. Raymond Folk Group!

We are back...

**We rehearse Wednesday nights from
7pm-8pm & Sunday at 11am
in the Rectory Lower Level
and sing at the 12 Noon
Sunday Mass**

**If interested please
call AnnMarie Lynch at 599-6836
7th Grade and higher are Welcome!**



St. Raymond Human Life Committee



"March for Life"

This year's "March for Life" was special from all other years, because for the first time in 50 years, the infamous and wrongly decided 1973 Roe v Wade Decision is no more, overturned by the 2022 Dobbs Decision. What seemed almost impossible several years ago, is now a reality. Abortion is not a Constitutional "right". Trusting in God, and many people doing their part, big and small throughout the years, God made the impossible - possible. Praise God! The Dobbs Decision did not end abortion but sent this life and death issue back to the states, with each state making its own determination. The good news is that several states have enacted laws that outright ban abortion. Some have put restrictions on abortions after 15 weeks. The result is that many babies' lives were saved and women were spared the pain of having had an abortion. The bad news is that several states, like our own NYS, have increased access to abortion through increased tax paying funding and allow the killing of the human babies in the womb through the entire 9 months of pregnancy for any or no reason. There is much work still to be done. Each one of us is needed. We know each baby conceived is a gift, a unique, never to be repeated creation of God with a special purpose. Do you know that you, too, are a gift, a unique, never to be repeated creation of God with a special purpose? Will you share your gift to bring about the respect, dignity and protection to all God's children - in particular, the innocent, vulnerable little ones in the womb? Thanks to those who joined with us during Adoration the day of the "March for Life". Through prayer we were united with those who were in D.C., praying for their safety and the success of their witness to the sanctity of all human life from conception until natural death. The power of prayer is great!

COME CELEBRATE AT THE
9:00AM OR 10:30AM MASS
COME VISIT OUR SCHOOL
EXPERIENCE THE SPIRIT OF
THE LOURDES
COMMUNITY
WE ARE HERE TO STAY!

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
CATHOLIC SCHOOL, MALVERNE NY

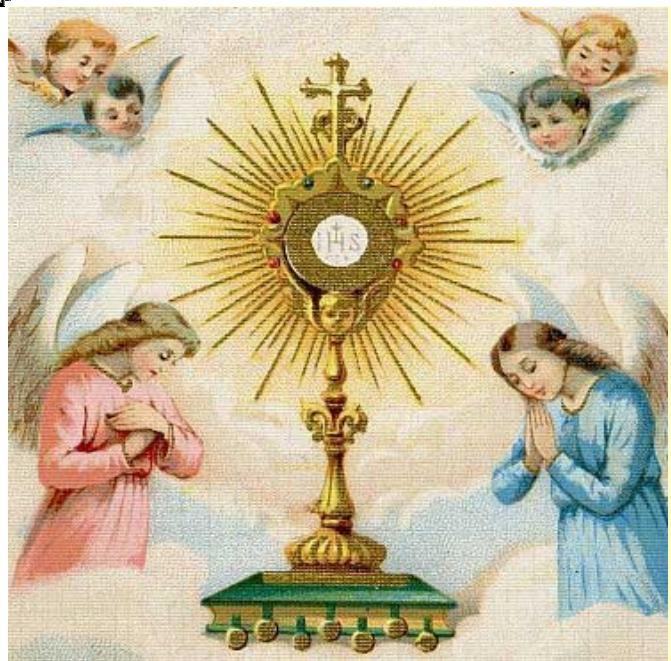
LOURDES
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
WEEK OPEN HOUSE

JANUARY 29TH 2023
10-12:30PM

A GREAT PLACE FOR EDUCATION

THE MISSION OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL
IS TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EACH
CHILD TO GROW IN THE KNOWLEDGE,
FRIENDSHIP AND LOVE OF THE LORD, WHILE
ASPIRING TO REACH HIS OR HER FULL
POTENTIAL SPIRITUALLY, ACADEMICALLY, AND
SOCIALLY.

75 Park Blvd
Malverne, New York 11565
olm.malverne.org



Nocturnal Adoration

The Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet Friday, February 3rd from 7:30-8:30pm in the Church for its monthly hour of Adoration.

Nocturnal Adoration is fashioned after the Liturgy of Hours, this time of prayer is a blessed way to intensify our walk with Jesus.

Come spend some time with Jesus!



First
Saturday
Novena
Our Lady of
Fatima
Rosary

February 4, 2023

8:10am

St. Raymond Church
Near the Blessed
Mother Statue

Make Reparation for sins
against The Immaculate
Heart of Mary

#Blessed



Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union Supports St. Raymond!

We have received our quarterly revenue sharing check from the Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union Parish revenue

Sharing Program. Since its inception, our parish has received a total of **\$20,986!** The amount we receive each quarter is determined by the number of our parishioner who are members of the credit union and their usage of the Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union VISA credit and/or debit card. Therefore, I want to especially thank each of you—your credit card usage benefits our parish and that's great! For those of you who are not yet members, I encourage you to consider joining. Visit their branch at 45 Atlantic Ave. in Oceanside, or for information call 516-620-8100,

visit their website at:
www.oceanfinancial.org.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Food Collection

February 4th & 5th
Please leave non-perishable
goods at the entrances to the
Church or in the
Alter Servers' Sacristy.
All food collected goes
to the Parish Social Ministry.

*Thank you for remembering
those in need!*



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, November 27, 2022 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: _____

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Please check:

Blessed Mother Statue: _____ St Joseph Statue: _____

Name for the candle name plate (please print):

Parish Email List

At this time, we are setting up through our parish roster a way to send emails from St. Raymond Church straight to all registered parishioners or even selected groupings of people in the parish. It is a feature that our PDS program offers, and we would like to take advantage of its capabilities going forward. We can send our reminders, schedules, emergency news and other timely bits of information. But, in order to reach the largest group of parishioners as possible, we need to grow our parishioner e-mail list. Currently we have only about 500 emails out of 3800 registered parishioner families. So, in order to reach as many people as possible with these messages we need more emails. If you would like to be on this listing for parish messages, please either call the rectory to give us your email, send it in to the parish email (StRayRcc@optonline.net), or fill out this form and return it to the rectory. Your email information goes no further than being a part of your registration profile for the purpose stated above.

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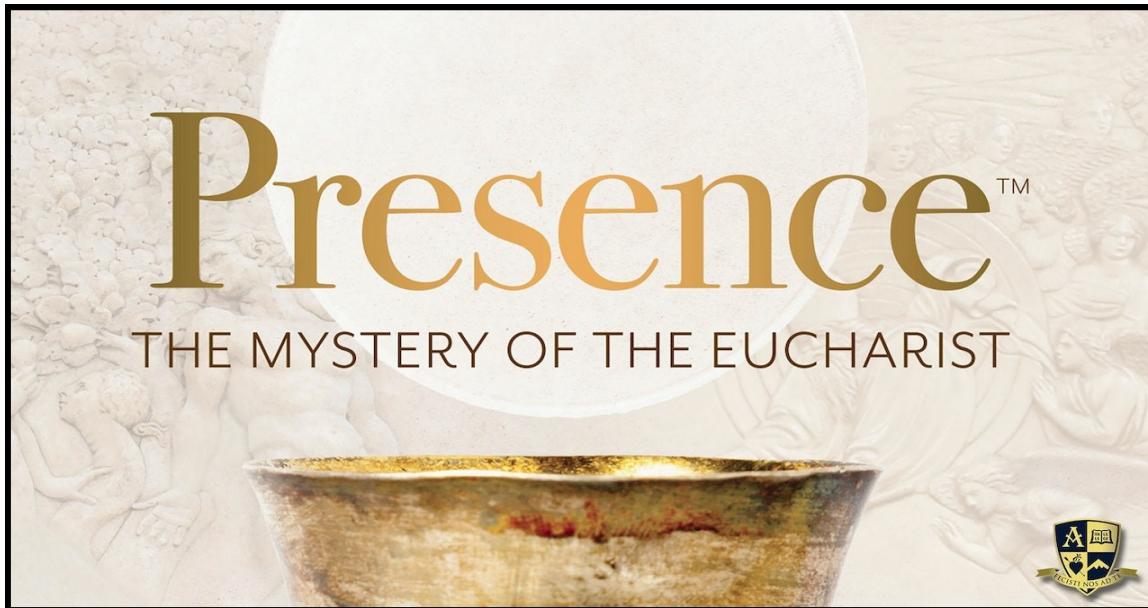
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Masses for this Week

Monday, January 30th

7:15am Gerrin Fowler

8:45am Winnie Eulner

Tuesday, January 31st St. John Bosco

7:15am Mary & William B. White

8:45am Salvatore D'Armetta

Wednesday, February 1st

7:15am Erin Clifford

8:45am Marie Martorana

Thursday, February 2nd Presentation of The Lord

7:15am Mary Romano

8:45am Joseph Ninivaggi

Friday, February 3rd

7:15am Edward Malone

8:45am Maura Scully

Saturday, February 4th

8:45am Rosemarie Oliveri

5:00pm Barbarino / Leporati Families

Sunday, February 5th

7:30am Ralph LaRegina

9:00am Mary Ellen Risorto

10:30am Raymond & Santa Mugno—50th Anniversary

12:00pm Thomas & Mary Kate McCawley,
Nancy O'Malley, Pat & Jane McCarthy

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Heb 11:32-40 /Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday

Heb 12:1-4 /Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15 /Mk 6:1-6

Thursday

Mal 3:1-4 /Lk 2:22-40

Friday

Heb 13:1-8 /Mk 6:14-29

Saturday

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 /Mk 6:30-34

Sunday

Is 58:7-10 /1 Cor 2:1-5 /Mt 5:13-16

Please Pray for Our Sick

James R., Jodi Neckles, Mike L, Dawn,
Baby Madison Grace Layman, Baby Faith Madison,
Rebekah Lyas, John Lynch, Nick S, Connie Polik,
Baby Cooper Graham, Diane Minucci,
Michael McPike, Christine I., Joseph Petrarco
Baby Daisy Ellen O'Neill, Jennie Gaeta,
Christina McGrory, Jay Witemeyer
Kristine Hopkins, Theresa DeCuzzi

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



Rest in Peace

Valerie Jean Hooper

Jeanne Ryan

Christina Theresa McGrory
John Thomas Linton



The Sanctuary Light

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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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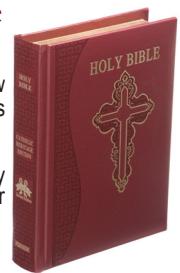
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