

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, October 4, 2026

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

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"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes?" -Matthew 21:42



**October 4, 2026
27th 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 10am-5pm. 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

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

Men's Prayer Group: Every Monday at 10:00am in the Rectory Basement.

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 Sunday at 11:00 in the Rectory Basement.

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.



Please Pray for Our Sick

Baby Faith Madison

Jodi Neckles

Jim Marasco

Christine I.

Rosemarie Lombardo

Nick S.

Rosemarie Salabini

Connie Montesino

Brian McGreevy

Mary Caffrey

Kinley S.

Logan Kaplan

Rose Heslar

Julianne Grennen

Anthony Campanile

Baby Cooper Graham

Lauren Greco

Eileen Roberts

Caroline Saporito

Michael Conconan

Piper Clements-

Coogan

Sabina Chiacchio

Focarino

Father Frank Eisele

Judy Kelly

Carol Cooper

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

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

Cpl. Dean Thomas Cooper US MARINE CORPS

Lt. Col. Mary P. King, M.D., US ARMY

Commander Joseph Garbitelli US NAVY

Sgt. Thomas Stanley Golebiewski USMC

Staff Sgt. Emily Golebiewski US AIRFORCE

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Commander Joseph Leahy US NAVY

Sgt. Bryan Petriccione US ARMY -Cavalry Unit

Lt. Joseph Woloszyn US NAVY

TSGT Curt Abdool US AIRFORCE

2nd Lt. Nicholas J. Carinci US AIRFORCE

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR
WOUNDED SOLDIERS.



Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time as we begin the autumnal month of October. The theme of this Sunday's readings is that God always gives us another chance to bear fruit. Despite what seems to be harsh rebukes by Isaiah and Jesus, ultimately, they were giving Good News to the people at that time and us too. In the first reading from Isaiah, the prophet warns the people of Israel on behalf of the Lord. **"The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished plant; he looked for judgment, but see, bloodshed! For justice, but hark, the outcry!"** The in the Letter to the Philippians, Paul encourages the people to be steadfast in their faith and prayer. **"Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen from me. Then the God of peace will be with you."** And finally, in Matthew's gospel Jesus uses a parable to teach the chief priests and elders of the people. He wanted them to realize that nothing good will come their way if they continue to reject God's revelation and truth. **"Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."**

We just heard a couple of readings that speak about vineyards, though not in the same way. In Isaiah, we hear about a vineyard owner who did everything in his power to ensure a good harvest of choice grapes. But it didn't happen and he was pretty ticked off about it. In the gospel Jesus tells a parable about a landowner who leases his vineyards to tenants. When the harvest is due, they don't want to turn over the produce. They even kill servants and the landowner's own son. Consequently, the landowner's anger cannot be contained. What do these stories have to do with us? We are the current tenants of the vineyard, called to bring about good fruit, to return to God what is rightfully his. What we have is sort of on loan to use, borrow and enjoy for a time. This gives us a responsibility to return it to God as we found it. In other words, every good thing we have, every gift and blessing, every material thing, even this earth itself is not ours to do with as we please. God, the "landowner" gets to dictate that. Our choice is to bear good fruit or not. The choice is to give God what is rightfully his or consider all of it to be mine.

We're not forced one way or the other. And guess what? If you are baptized and confirmed, you agree to this. And especially every time you come forward to receive Holy Communion at Mass. This is what it means to be a follower of Jesus. It is a holy agreement in which we pledge to use every good thing God provides solely for his glory. If we have love for God, we want to be the best stewards so that what we return to God will be used to make this world even more beautiful, more loving, more life-giving and even more divine-like. **Friends, this is a big WOW!** Because we have a God who believes in us and is confident, we can make things better than they were yesterday. It's our responsibility now, whether we want it or not. As you figure out how to in your life, just remember to whom this world and every person in it belongs.

Today is **Respect Life Sunday**. There will be a special second collection of which half the money raised goes to the diocesan Respect Life Office and the other half goes to our parish Human Life Committee to help fund the many efforts they foster in the causes of preserving the sanctity of life. One such effort starts today with the **Baby Bottle Campaign** which we have held several times in recent years. All are asked to take a bottle home after Mass and bring it back in a month's time. The collective donations will help support the Life Center of Long Island. Read the Human Life Committee column in the bulletin for more information.

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 additional note is news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, info from **Religious Education** (Faith Formation), the next **Fatima Prayer Vigil** on Monday evening, October 12th, the **Come and See Centerfold**, the **Communal Prayer Before Mass** (found on the inside back page), 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 first week of October. **Smile, share, bear some fruit for God's vineyard and remember: Don't clip the wings of an angel just to feather your own nest.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



WEEKLY MASS READINGS

OCTOBER 4, 2026 - 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 5:1-7

Let me now sing of my friend, my friend's song concerning his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside; he spaded it, cleared it of stones, and planted the choicest vines; within it he built a watchtower, and hewed out a wine press. Then he looked for the crop of grapes, but what it yielded was wild grapes. Now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard: What more was there to do for my vineyard that I had not done? Why, when I looked for the crop of grapes, did it bring forth wild grapes? Now, I will let you know what I mean to do with my vineyard: take away its hedge, give it to grazing, break through its wall, let it be trampled! Yes, I will make it a ruin: it shall not be pruned or hoed, but overgrown with thorns and briars; I will command the clouds not to send rain upon it. The vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished plant; he looked for judgment, but see, bloodshed! for justice, but hark, the outcry!



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

A vine from Egypt you transplanted; you drove away the nations and planted it. It put forth its foliage to the Sea, its shoots as far as the River.

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Why have you broken down its walls, so that every passer-by plucks its fruit, The boar from the forest lays it waste, and the beasts of the field feed upon it?

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Once again, O LORD of hosts, look down from heaven, and see; take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand has planted, the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Then we will no more withdraw from you; give us new life, and we will call upon your name. O LORD, God of hosts, restore us; if your face shine upon us, then we shall be saved.

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

READING 2

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-9

Brothers and sisters: Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you.

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will remain.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

THE 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.



MINISTRY *Spotlight*



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. RAYMOND COUNCIL

In Service to One. In Service to All.



WHO ARE WE?

We have had a council
at St. Raymond's for
over 40 years. We have
had active members for
most of those 40 years
and we're always
looking to replenish
our ranks.



UNITED IN FAITH

We're grateful having our
Deacons and Priests as members,
and thanks to Fr. Chuck, we are
able to hold our Monthly
Corporate Mass, where we
unite as brothers to attend mass
together with our families.

WE ARE:

- Ushers
- Lectors
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Leaders of Song
- Choir and Folk Group Members
- Members of the Parish Council
- CYO Coaches and Scout Leaders



WE SUPPORT

- The Parish's Food Pantry
- "Coats for Kids" annually
- Charitable work for the
community and many
worthy causes
- Providing not only money
but, manpower to the parish
and those in need.



A BROTHERHOOD FOR EVERY AGE

The Knights of Columbus and especially
our Council are not just of your father
or grandfather. It is not only our ethnic
diversity but our age diversity that helps
us all understand ourselves better,
bound by our common Catholic faith.
As long as you are over 18 and a
Catholic Gentleman you too can
become a Knight.

We can continue to grow as a vibrant
organization with the eagerness of the
young and the experience of the
"young at heart."



MEET. GROW. SERVE.

We meet twice a month, once for the business
of the Council, and the second as a social
night at the Hewlett Point Yacht Club.

If interested, please visit the Knights of Columbus
website at kofc.org to gather more information
and register to begin the process of joining us!



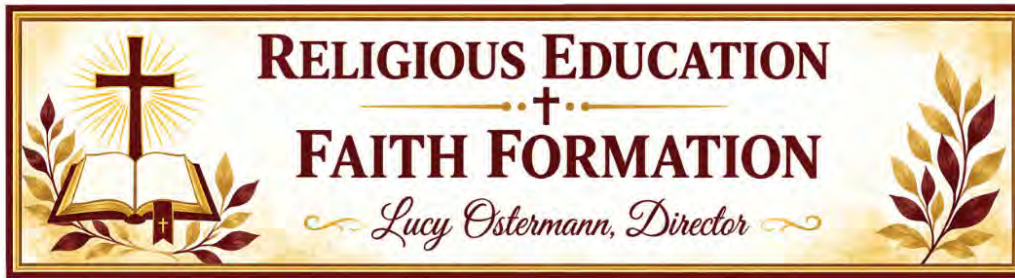
Father Chuck has said frequently,

**"Time, Talent
and Treasure"**

*perhaps this reaches you today to consider
giving your Time, Talents and Treasure
and join the Knights of Columbus!*

**BECOME A KNIGHT.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE. JOIN US TODAY!**





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION KICK-OFF MASS – SUNDAY 10/4/2026 12NOON RE-SCHEDULED FROM 9/27/2026. ALL STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE URGED TO ATTEND OUR FIRST MASS FOR THE 2026/2027 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHOOL YEAR. ICE CREAM TRUCK WILL BE IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT FOR ALL STUDENTS TO ENJOY A TREAT AFTER MASS!

9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION SPONSOR MASS – RE-SCHEDULED TO SATURDAY 10/3/2026 5PM FROM 9/26/2026. CONFIRMATION STUDENT AND SPONSOR (OR PARENT) ARE ASKED TO ATTEND.

ATTENTION 1ST GRADE PARENTS

Sunday 10/4/2026 is the First Grade Parent/Student meeting. Parents and students are asked to go to the auditorium at 10:30am. The parent meeting and class ends at 11:30am. Parents are encouraged to bring a snack for their child to enjoy as we wait to go the 12Noon Mass. This break enables the children to stretch their legs, have a snack, use the bathroom and be ready to go the 12Noon Mass.

Attending the 12Noon Mass is not optional – it is part of the curriculum and Fr. Chuck continues the lesson at Mass. Please remember to bring your child's workbook (picked up at the 9/22 parent meeting), a pencil and a folder to class.

ATTENTION 9TH GRADE PARENTS

The Most Reverend Robert J. Coyle will be administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to our 9th grade students on Thursday, October 29th, 2026. There will be two ceremonies - one at 11am and one at 2:30pm. The classes have been broken down into two groups. Please look for the name of the teacher your child had for 8TH GRADE RELIGION CLASS.

Group 1 - 11am Ceremony – Mr. John Giannotti, Mrs. Kim Elliott, Mr. Michael LoCascio

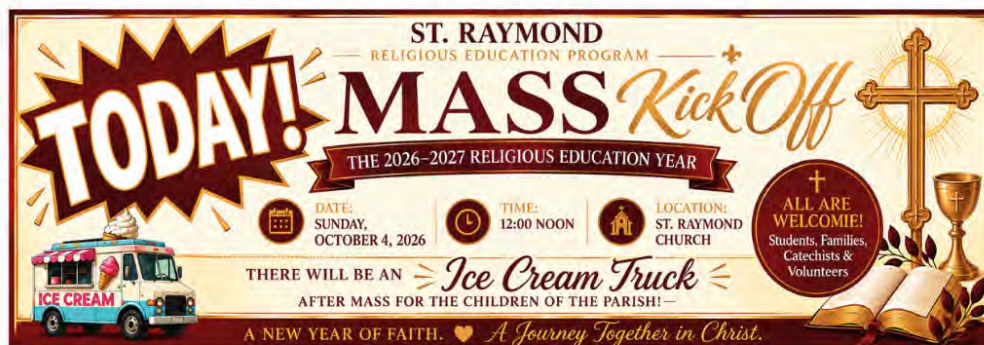
Group 2 – 2:30pm Ceremony – Mrs. Dominique Monaco, Mrs. Doreen Dolan, Ms. Jackie Stender, Kellenberg, Home

PLEASE NOTE THESE IMPORTANT DATES IN YOUR CALENDAR:

Confirmation Rehearsal and Gown Distribution - Child and Sponsor are to attend their designated rehearsal. If the Sponsor is not able to attend the rehearsal, then we ask that a parent attend in his/her place.

Group 1 Rehearsal – Tuesday, October 20th, 2026, 7:30pm St. Raymond Church

Group 2 Rehearsal – Wednesday, October 21st, 2026, 7:30pm St. Raymond Church







27TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME GUIDE FOR PERSONAL PRAYER



Come & See

Until you do, you will
never know

SUMMARY OF THE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

In the Gospel for the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Matthew 21:33-43), Jesus' parable of the vineyard reminds us that everything entrusted to us, our faith, family, gifts, work, and opportunities to love, is meant to bear fruit for God.



Jesus warns, *"The Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit,"* inviting us to examine what our lives are producing.

Monday is the Optional Memorials of Saint Faustina Kowalska, a Polish religious sister and the apostle of Divine Mercy, and Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, a Redemptorist priest remembered for his joyful pastoral care. Tuesday is the Optional Memorials of Saint Bruno, priest and founder of the Carthusians, whose contemplative life witnessed to the transforming power of silence and prayer, and Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, a Canadian religious sister who founded the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary and devoted herself to Christian education.



Wednesday is the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary and inviting us to contemplate with her the mysteries of Christ's life, death, and Resurrection. Through the Rosary, Mary gently leads us to her Son and teaches us to treasure His word, remain close

to Him in prayer, and trust Him in every circumstance.

Friday is the Optional Memorials of Saint Denis and Companions (Martyrs), witnesses who gave their lives for Christ; Saint John Leonardi, a priest devoted to reform and Christian formation; and Saint John Henry Newman, priest and Doctor of the Church, whose search for truth led him ever more deeply into Christ.

The First Readings this week for Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday through Saturday are excerpts from Galatians 1:6-3:29, where Saint Paul defends the Gospel, recalls how grace transformed his life, and teaches that we become children of God through faith in Christ. On Wednesday, Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14 emphasizes the truth of the Gospel and the unity of the Church, while reminding us that authentic faith must be reflected in the way we live.

Through the weekday Gospels, Jesus teaches us that love of neighbor, attentive listening, prayer, perseverance, spiritual vigilance, and obedience to God's Word belong together.

Monday (Luke 10:25-37): Through the Good Samaritan, Jesus shows that love crosses every boundary and becomes concrete mercy: *"Go and do likewise."* Our neighbor is the person whose need God places before us. Tuesday (Luke 10:38-42): Martha welcomes Jesus while Mary listens at His feet; amid our many responsibilities, Christ reminds us, *"There is need of only one thing."*

Wednesday (Luke 11:1-4): Seeing Jesus at prayer, the disciples ask, *"Lord, teach us to pray."* Jesus draws them and us into a trusting relationship with the Father, teaching us to seek His Kingdom, our daily bread, forgiveness, and the grace to forgive others. Thursday (Luke 11:5-13): Jesus encourages persevering prayer: *"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find."* We pray confidently because our heavenly Father desires to give us the Holy Spirit.

Friday (Luke 11:15-26): Jesus declares, *"Whoever is not with me is against me."* He calls us beyond halfhearted discipleship into a heart fully gathered around Him. Saturday (Luke 11:27-28): Jesus reveals the deepest blessedness of discipleship: *"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."* Listening becomes fruitful when God's Word shapes how we live. In next Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 22:1-14), Jesus' parable of the wedding feast invites us to recognize and faithfully answer God's gracious call: *"Many are invited, but few are chosen."*



St. Raymond's Human Life Committee

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

This weekend we begin our Baby Bottle fundraiser for the Life Center of L.I., a non-profit pregnancy care center. The monies collected help the center provide free, meaningful, caring assistance for pregnant women experiencing an untimely pregnancy. We are inviting our parishioners to participate in this fundraiser by taking one of the empty baby bottles, found at all the Church's entrances, as you leave Mass, and during the month of October, simply fill the bottle with your spare change. It should be noted, that when women receive meaningful help, 80% choose life for their little one. You can be an important part in saving the lives of babies who are in danger of being aborted and saving the mothers the painful effects of having had an abortion. The filled bottles will be collected in a month's time after all the weekend Masses. Thank you for your help.

"The defense of the innocent is not a game, it is not a political question, and is not a debatable issue. It is quite literally a matter of life and death for every individual created in the image and likeness of God".

(Judy Brown, American Life League)



Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!



On the weekend of
October 3rd & 4th,
St. Raymond's Parish will be hosting a
Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit the
Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a pregnancy care center that consults with women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know that they provide?

- ♥ Free pregnancy test kits
- ♥ Free sonogram
- ♥ Maternity housing with eligibility requirements referrals
- ♥ Medical care referrals
- ♥ Material aid including car seats, cribs, clothing, diapers, and many other needed baby items
- ♥ Male advocates available to speak with fathers

We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your donation.

(Please make checks payable to the Life Center of L.I.)

Please return the bottles on
November 7th & 8th.

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother's heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy.

Prayers also spiritually equip our consultants at the Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear with hope of choosing the gift of life for their baby.

*Let us pray for the conversion
of a mother's heart to give the gift of life
to her preborn baby!*





"I am the Lady of the Rosary...
Pray the Rosary every day."

Prayer Vigil: Our Lady of Fatima

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & THE ROSARY

Please Join Us in Praying For:
The United States of America & World Peace
109th ANNIVERSARY OF THE
FATIMA APPARITIONS

Date: Monday, October 12, 2026

Time: 7:00-8:30pm

Location: St. Raymond Church

263 Atlantic Ave., East Rockaway, NY 11518

The Message of Fatima

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



Sodality of Our Lady

Annual Communion Luncheon

With Fr. Tom Cardone, SM

Sunday, October 18th
following the 10:30 Mass

Donation \$35.00

Reservations can be brought to the rectory office.
Contact us at sodalityofourlady@gmail.com

All ladies of the parish are welcome to join us on this day!

WANTED:

St. Raymond Parish

Altar Servers

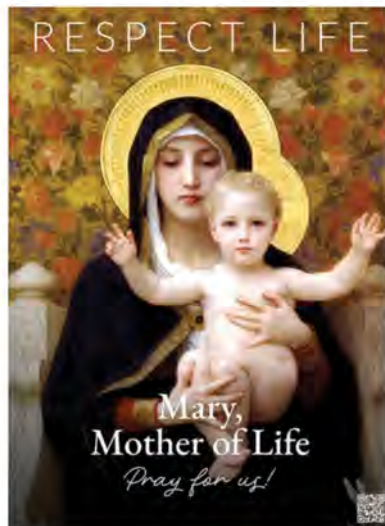


At this time, I am looking to further build up our Altar Server Ministry for St. Raymond Parish. Prior to COVID-19 we had a thriving Altar Serving Ministry and over the past few years we started a new roster of servers who have been very faithful and committed to this ministry. Now I am looking for some new servers to join our ranks. Remember, this is a wonderful and Holy way for you to show your love for God, the Mass and to help in an important youth ministry of the parish. So, to that end, I am asking anyone interested who would like to become a new altar server to attend a general meeting with me on

**Saturday, October 17th at 2pm
in the church.**

Any boy or girl from fourth grade and above is eligible. If you are interested and can't make that meeting, just leave your name, and phone number for me at the rectory.

Hope to see many of you on the 17th!
Father Chuck



**Month of the
Holy Rosary
and Respect
for Life
Respect Life
Sunday
October 4th
Feast of Our
Lady of the
Rosary
October 7th**

Pastoral Council Members

**Peter Chojnacki, Linda Daley,
Julianne Grennen, Kimberly Moran,
Mary Murphy, Dave Ohlsen,
Linda Ohlsen, Secretary,
Stephen Rochford, Chairperson,
Fr. Chuck Romano,
Monica Tobin, Vice Chairperson**



When you are upset or hurt, what is your first reaction? Anger? Sadness? Develop a habit of turning to prayer first as soon as you are upset. Make it become who you are and let your first reaction always be prayer!



The Rose For Life

**Happy Birthday in Heaven,
Frankie
Mom and Dad**

For Dedications call
Mary Caffrey 516-887-2458

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 THROUGH
WEDNESDAY FROM 10AM TO 3PM
(Suggested to call for an appointment)

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Food assistance is available for those in need who live within our Parish boundaries. Also, if you are a senior citizen, living within the Parish boundaries, and depend on your Social Security benefit as your sole source of income, please contact the Parish Social Ministry and we can help you with food.

Pantry items needed this week: Pasta Sauce, Canned Mixed Vegetables, Carrots and Peas, Soup, Canned Yams and White Potatoes, Hot Cereal, Cold Cereal (no Shredded Wheat), Juice, Snacks, Deodorant, Shaving Cream, Toothpaste, Laundry Detergent (small size) and Dish Detergent.

Donations of food can be brought to the Ryan House during its open hours or non-perishable food can be left in the bin on the Ryan House porch or in the Altar Server's Sacristy.

Thanks to all of you for always helping us serve our neighbors in need in our community. You are all in our prayers and may God's blessings shower upon all of you!



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.

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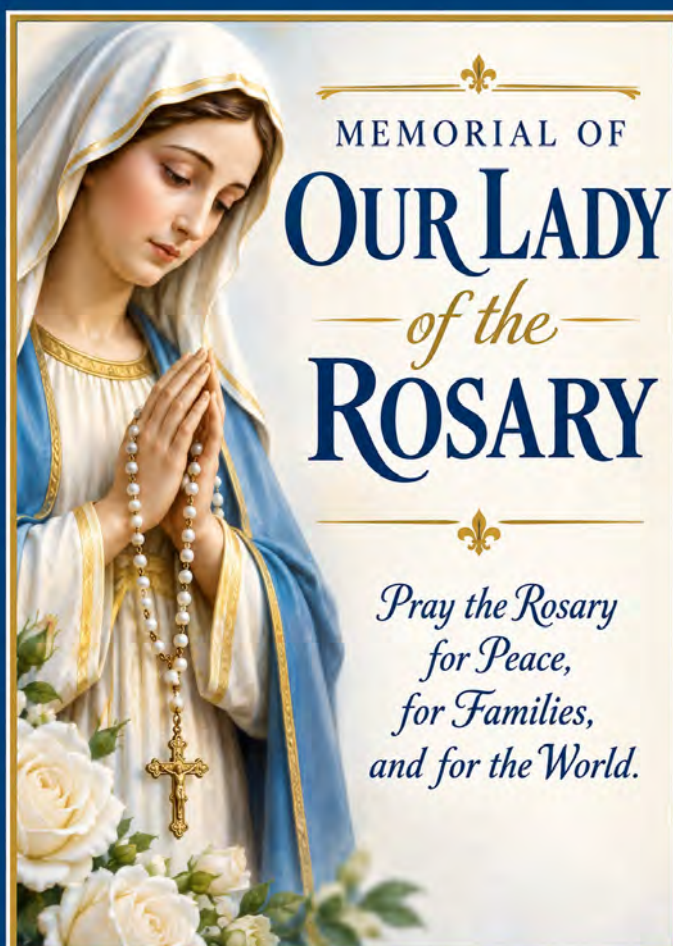
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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, October 5th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Eileen Reynolds

Tuesday, October 6th

7:15am Robert Liehr

8:45am Peter Ledwith

Wednesday, October 7th

Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

7:15am Peter Mimnaugh

8:45am Ledwith Family

Thursday, October 8th

7:15am Joan Lasher

8:45am Jacqueline "Jackie" Giugliano

Friday, October 9th

7:15am William & Eileen Gonyon

8:45am Therese Susino

Saturday, October 10th

8:45am Clare Dower

Paul Zsuffa

Rocchina Gargano

5:00pm Julie Carrano

Sunday, October 11th

7:30am Gina Pira

9:00am Carol Fitzgerald

10:30am Ricardo Trenovsky

12:00pm Patricia Connolly

Helen Gaeta

Jay Webster

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Steven Chabalik

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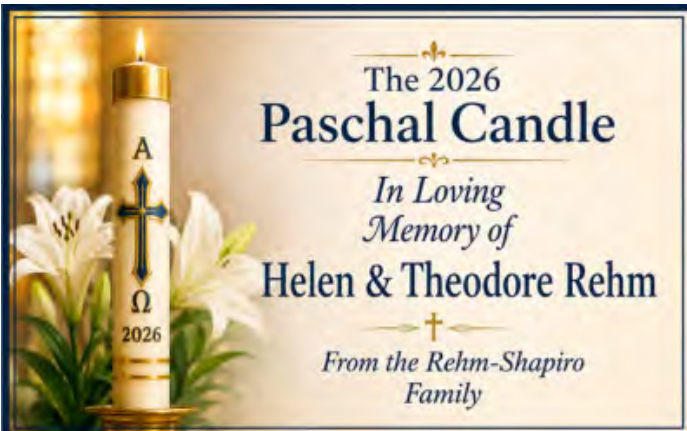
4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

REST IN PEACE



Robert DeVivo

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



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Galatians 1:6-12/Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday

Galatians 1:13-24/Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday

Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14/Luke 11:1-4

Thursday

Galatians 3:1-5/Luke 11:5-13

Friday

Galatians 3:7-14/Luke 11:15-26

Saturday

Galatians 3:22-29/Luke 11:27-28

Sunday

Isaiah 25:6-10a/Philippians 4:12-14

Matthew 22:1-14

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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.

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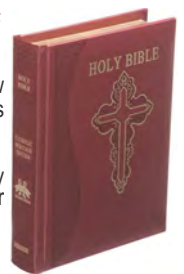
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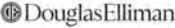
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