

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 21, 2024

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and
I will make you fishers of men."

-Mark 1:16



January 21, 2024

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome To Our Parish Family!

Not registered? Please stop by our rectory during office hours to be included in our parish family.

Rectory

Office Hours are Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm;
Saturdays from 9:30am-4pm. Sundays 9am-5pm
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Pastoral Care Of The Sick

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

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays from 1-4pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

Nocturnal Adoration

First Fridays from 7:30pm-8:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following 8:45am Mass.

Confessions

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

Baptisms

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

Bereavement Support Group

Call the rectory office for meeting times.

Marriages

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

Prayer Groups

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

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

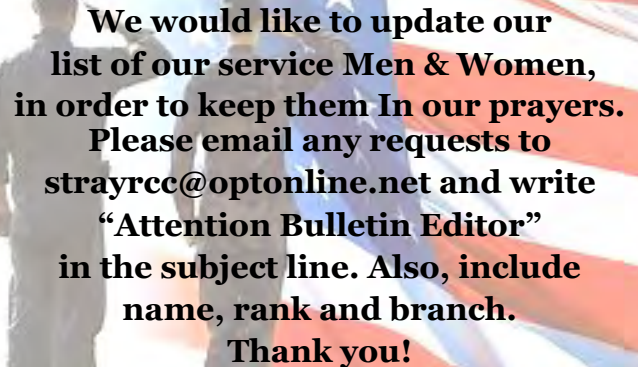
Music Ministries

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

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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



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



The Catholic Faith Network (CFN)

Broadcast of the Celebration of the Eucharist:

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

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

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

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

St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, NY

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

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

St. Patrick's Cathedral, NY

Monday – Friday at 6:30 pm ET

Sunday at 3:30 pm ET



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

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PFC Hunter Deets, #10 Mountain Division US ARMY
Please remember to pray for our wounded soldiers.

Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time! The focus of today's readings is to repent and believe in the Gospel. They call us to listen to God's voice in every moment of our day and to act, with the help of his grace. In the first reading from the prophet Jonah, the people of Nineveh listen to God's voice and respond to Jonah by answering the call to conversion. **"When God saw by their actions how they turned from their way, he repented of the evil that he had threatened to do to them, he did not carry it out."** Then in 1 Corinthians, Paul reminds the people of the urgency to act now, to make the choice to participate in the transformative work God was doing in the world. **"For the world in its present form is passing away."** And finally in Mark's gospel, we have Jesus calling Simon (Peter), Andrews, James and John to be his followers. His message echoes that of John the Baptist: **"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel."**

When choosing to follow someone or something, hopefully it is done with confidence that whatever or whomever we are following is the best choice we can make. I think this is especially true in the particular area of our lives that has to do with spirituality. It's about what goes in to our following or not following whatever God is calling us to do and to be? And don't think figuring out what God is asking of each of us is easy or always clear. It's not. Sometimes God's call seems to more like a slight tipping of the scales rather than an absolute knowledge as to his wishes and desires and hopes and demands. So, we find ourselves wondering if this is what God is trying to get me to do. We may have a certain feeling that a relationship is not a very good one or that I should be more generous to others. What God asks is that we don't ignore the voice within, don't disregard the nudge you feel. We do a lot to protect our time, relationships, friendships, egos, and comfort zones in unhealthy ways. But God might be challenging us to let go of some of these very things inviting us to give more of ourselves in other ways.

Try not to disregard God's voice or run from it or find excuses not to listen. And don't waste time chasing things not worth chasing. Put your trust in things and people worth trusting.

God keeps inviting us to be so much more, to take his hand and follow, not reluctantly, not half-heartedly, but faithfully, courageously, willingly, and joyfully. Know the difference between the things that will pass away and the things that last, the things of this world and those that will live in eternity. Do your very best in this world, following Jesus' voice, and keep your focus on the world to come, a destination that is more than we could ever imagine.

As I mentioned in last week's bulletin there will be a special second collection taken at all the Masses this weekend for the benefit of relief aid to Father Jim and the hundreds of displaced parishioners from his parish. There is a great need to provide shelter, food, and other basic necessities for several hundred people who lost everything from the rebel attack last month. If you donate by check, please make it out to St. Raymond Parish. Your generosity will be a great help to our good friend Father Jim and his people. Thanks again for your generosity.

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** (especially the upcoming Valentine's Dance on Saturday, February 10th), the **Sodality of Our Lady's** special talk on the Eucharist this Monday evening, January 22nd (all are welcome), a call for new volunteers for the **Ministry of Consolation**, the **Eucharistic Revival Centerfold**, the **Communal Prayer Before Mass** (found on the inside back cover of the bulletin), an invitation to join **FORMED** (your Catholic Faith on demand) and much more. To keep informed, keep a copy of the bulletin at home each week for quick and easy reference.

Have a great week. **Smile, share, follow Jesus and remember: Follow God's way and you'll have a blessed day.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

JANUARY 21, 2024-THIRD 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 21, 2024-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Jon 3:1-5, 10

The word of the LORD came to Jonah, saying: "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you." So Jonah made ready and went to Nineveh, according to the LORD'S bidding. Now Nineveh was an enormously large city; it took three days to go through it. Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed, "when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw by their actions how they turned from their evil way, he repented of the evil that he had threatened to do to them; he did not carry it out.

SECOND READING

1 Cor 7:29-31

I tell you, brothers and sisters, the time is running out. From now on, let those having wives act as not having them, those weeping as not weeping, those rejoicing as not rejoicing, those buying as not owning, those using the world as not using it fully. For the world in its present form is passing away.

ALLELUIA

Mk 1:15

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent and believe in the Gospel.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.
Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior.
R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.
Remember that your compassion, O LORD, and your love are from of old. In your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD.
R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.
Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice and teaches the humble his way.
R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Mk 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him. He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director



Faith Formation

Attention 1st Grade Parents

Next Sunday, 1/28/2024, is the fourth First Grade Parent meeting. All parents and students are asked to meet in the auditorium at 11am and then the group will go the 12 Noon Mass together. Please remember to bring your child's workbook, pencil, folder and Bible.



World Marriage Day

February 11, 2024

12 Noon Mass at St. Raymond



We invite you all to join us for our Annual Renewal of Sacramental Wedding Vows here at St. Raymond's on Sunday, February 11 at the 12 noon Mass. If you are celebrating an earmark anniversary this year, that is the year you were married ends in either a 4 or a 9, please call the rectory at 516-593-5000 giving your names, year you were married and the Church you were married. After Mass, everyone is invited to a light refreshment reception in the school cafeteria. Look forward to seeing you all!

PARISH GIRLS IN GRADE K-8 JOIN US FOR A

Sweetheart Valentine's Dance

Saturday February 10th

FROM 6:30P - 8:30P

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below form and payment to the Religious
Education Office located in St Raymond's School.**

**RSVP By January 26th, 2024. 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**

Ministry of Consolation

Work one week a month with a team to assist families in preparing and celebrating the Funeral Mass for recently deceased loved ones.



If Interested Call Doreen Dolan 516-593-5000



The St Vincent dePaul Society of St. Raymond

would like to thank our parishioners for donating Baby Supplies that went to the Life Center. We delivered 3 carloads of diapers, baby clothing, blankets etc. I

have seen first hand how happy and grateful the mothers are to receive these supplies and wanted to thank you on behalf of them. Anytime you have baby supplies, new or gently used baby clothing etc. you may drop them off at the Parish Social Ministry Office during their Monday - Wednesday hours of operation.



Sodality of Our Lady of the Annunciation



**January Meeting:
Monday, January 22nd
Place: St. Raymond's
Cafeteria**

Time: 7:30

**Speaker: Deacon
Kevin McCormack**

Topic: The Eucharist

SAVE THE DATE

**Sodality Spring Dinner
Knights of Columbus Hall
Hempstead Avenue,
Lynbrook, New York
April 10, 2024-6pm**

“Sodality is a women’s organization devoted to prayer and service to the Blessed Mother.

The membership is active in many ways doing what we call “Mary’ Work,” helping those in need in any way we can.”

STEP BY STEP WALK THROUGH THE MASS

DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

FATHER LUKE SPANNAGEL

NATIONAL EUCHARIST REVIVAL BLOG



The Gospel

For many of us, the Gospel is one of our favorite parts of the Mass. We get to hear the stories about Jesus and the Apostles, how Jesus worked miracles of healing, and the words that he taught. For many, it is easy to imagine the scenes in our minds as we listen to the words. As the General Instruction of the Roman Missal states, "The reading of the Gospel constitutes the high point of the Liturgy of the Word" (GIRM, no. 60). The Second Vatican Council teaches us that the Gospels have a special importance among all the books of the Bible because they are "the principal witness for the life and teaching" of Jesus (Dei Verbum, 18). According to Charles Belmonte, the proclamation of the Gospel "emphasizes the union between the Incarnate Word, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, symbolized by the altar and sacramentally present after the Consecration, and the word of God written in the Gospel."

The Meaning of the Gospel

What does the word Gospel mean? The glossary of the Catechism defines Gospel as "[t]he 'good news' of God's mercy and love revealed in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. [...] The Gospel is handed on in the apostolic tradition of the Church as the source of all-saving truth and moral discipline" (CCC, Glossary, "Gospel"). The four Gospels are named after their human writers: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The Second Vatican Council teaches, "The Church has always and everywhere maintained, and continues to maintain, the apostolic origin of the four Gospels. The apostles preached, as Christ had charged them to do, and then, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, they and others of the apostolic age handed on to us in writing the same message they had preached, the foundation of our faith: the fourfold Gospel, according to Matthew, Mark, Luke and John." (Dei Verbum, 18).

During the Mass, after we stand for the Gospel Acclamation, the priest or deacon begins with that familiar dialogue: "The Lord be with you!" and the people respond, "And with your spirit!" Then, the priest introduces the Gospel and the people respond, "Glory to you, O Lord!" These back-and-forth dialogues help us to

prepare for what is about to happen: the Lord Jesus speaking to us. Another preparation for the words of Jesus is a simple gesture of a sign of the Cross. As the priest or deacon says, "A reading from the holy Gospel according to...", he will make a sign of the Cross on the Gospel book. At the same time, the people at Mass trace a small sign of the Cross on their foreheads, lips, and chests. I still remember, as a young boy, my dad teaching us to make this gesture and to say to ourselves: "May the words of the Gospel be in my mind, on my lips, and in my heart." Those words have stayed with me through the years and are still a sincere prayer that the Word of God would be at the forefront of my daily living. As the Diocese of Peoria teaches, these acts and prayers are all "signs of veneration for the Word of God proclaimed to us in the holy Gospel. Our standing, our singing the Alleluia, our gestures and our responses are all outward signs of our inward disposition of love for Christ and reverence for his Word"

Our Response to the Gospel

At the conclusion of the gospel passage for a particular Mass, the priest or deacon says, "The Gospel of the Lord!" Our response in faith is, "Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!" Then, the priest or deacon kisses the page he just read from and says silently, "Through the words of the Gospel may our sins be wiped away." Charles Belmonte beautifully writes that "we can at least make ours the kiss the priest has placed on the sacred book. With it, we want to tell our Lord we are ready to give our lives for the truths contained in the Gospel... At the same time, we ask forgiveness for our faults. Of course, the Gospels are so wonderful that we should read and pray about them more often than just at Sunday Mass. The life of Jesus is so rich and beautiful and can really provide great strength for us every day. Maybe try reading just one chapter of the Gospels every day and see what happens!

For Reflection:

1. Begin reading one chapter of the four Gospels each day. Savor this opportunity to journey closer into relationship with Jesus.
2. What do the opening verses of each Gospel reveal about the message in the passage?

Next Week: The Four Gospels

St. Raymond Church

Opportunities for a Holy Hour / Adoration and Eucharistic Exposition

The Church is open daily for personal prayer until 5:00
Each Thursday Adoration/Benediction from 1-4:00 PM
Each First Friday Nocturnal Adoration from 7:30-8:30 PM



**“SPEAK, LORD, FOR YOUR
SERVANT IS LISTENING.”**
1 Samuel 3:10



Five Minutes for Peace Eucharistic Revival Blog – Colleen R. Schena

Even though the sun sets within ten minutes of leaving work in the winter, the sunset fills my nearby church with the most ethereal glow. The warmth of the church envelops me as I genuflect and kneel in the pew, my mind racing over my day in the silence. Most days, I pray with whatever thoughts come flying through my head. Eventually, the absence of noise settles into a peaceful, holy, and quiet presence. My struggle to focus on our Eucharistic Lord shifts into the desire to stay put in the silent, golden space for a little longer.

An Invitation to Peace

In those five minutes, I am reminded that seeking out God and that which he offers us is the most important thing we do every day. Time spent praying with the Eucharist changes us, our lives, and our world for the better—even if all it seems to do is calm our hearts. Our world yearns for peace. Wars and injustice fill our news with suffering which steals our peace, physically and spiritually. Yet in the chaos, Our Lord invites us into an abiding peace. What better way to help the world, he says, than by resting in him who made it? While I still struggle to embrace silence, it's comforting to know that even the greatest saints knew this struggle. Saint John Paul II articulated it perfectly: "In order to do, we must first learn 'to be'... in the sweet company of Jesus in Adoration."

Jesus' Invitation to Us

The Lord means it when he says to us in the Gospel of Matthew, *"Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I shall give you rest"* (Mt 11:28).

If we give God the chance to ease our burdens, he provides what we need. And that includes peace in our ever-chaotic world and our aching hearts. Jesus calms the seas with a word in the Gospels; he frees us from our shackles and our worries. He reminds us that we have no need for worry: *"do not be afraid, for you are worth more than many sparrows"* (Mt 10:31)..

Eucharistic Witness

Blessed Carlos Manuel Cecilio Layperson (+1963)



Feast: July 13

Carlos Manuel Cecilio Rodríguez Santiago, "Charlie," was born in 1918 in Puerto Rico. In 1925, his family home was destroyed by fire and the family moved in with grandmother, who helped him grow in his Catholic faith. She encouraged them to attend daily Mass before going to school or work. As he grew older, his poor health derailed his desire to become a priest. Yet he was undeterred.

Working as office clerk, he dedicated his salary to promote a greater understanding of the Catholic liturgy. Charlie organized discussion groups across the entire island to help people to understand and participate in the Mass. He also taught catechism to high school students and joined the Knights of Columbus. Charlie worked tirelessly to restore the loss of liturgical customs that had been abandoned over generations. He advocated for active participation of the laity in prayer.

Charlie especially loved the Easter Vigil, saying, "We live for the night of the Resurrection!" He expressed particular concern over the Easter vigil, saying that it had lost its ancient character as the focal night of the Christian year. To his delight, the Easter vigil was restored to its proper time near midnight by Pope Pius XII in 1952.


As his illness worsened, he continued to share his faith with great strength, putting his faith in Christ and moving forward with trust. Dying on July 13, 1963, Charlie was beatified by Pope St. John Paul II on April 29, 2001. He is the first Puerto Rican and the first Caribbean-born layperson to be beatified. In the Western Hemisphere, Rodríguez is only the second layperson to be beatified, the first being St. Kateri Tekakwitha



What is the Veil Removed?

The Veil Removed is a short film that reveals the coming together of heaven and earth at Mass, as seen by saints and mystics, revealed by scripture and in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Watch it on FORMED



That at the name
of Jesus every knee
should bow: in
heaven and on
earth and under
the earth.
-Philippians 2:10

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THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Each year we conduct several fundraisers for both the Life Center and Birthright of L.I. and, as always, St. Raymond's parishioners meet the requests with overwhelming faithfulness and generosity. And 2023 was no exception! We have just received word from the Life Center's coordinator for the "Baby Bottle Fundraiser" that St. Raymond's "Baby Bottle Fundraiser", conducted in October, totaled \$4,671.07. Can you imagine, in just one month, by parishioners simply filling a baby bottle with spare coin and, at times dollar bills, we were able to donate that amount of money? Also, the gifts of baby clothing, diapers, hand-made blankets, hats, sweaters, etc. and the many gift cards from our parish's "Christmas Giving Tree" were delivered to the Hempstead pregnancy care center where the need is great and the gifts deeply appreciated! For those who may not know, the Life Center pregnancy care centers do not receive government funding. They depend on donations from individuals, groups, organization parishes, etc. According to Gloria Schreiber, CEO of the Life Center, "On average, we distribute the equivalent of over \$800,000. in material aid each year. Our 'Adopt a Mom and Child Program' enables us to provide the much needed material support to the families we serve. It has changed the hearts of abortion minded women who did not have the means to provide for their baby but do now." Although you will never know personally those women who were helped and the babies saved, we do know, that through your faithfulness and generosity, many lives have been saved and changed. May God richly bless you for your caring for His little ones and their parents.



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Maker, but he who is generous to the needy
honors Him." - Proverbs 14:31*

Food assistance is available for those in need who live within our Parish boundaries. During the month of December, our Parish Social Ministry assisted 68 households with food, personal care items, household items and other services they needed. We also welcomed one new client into the Outreach Program. Also, if you are a senior citizen, living within Parish boundaries, and depend on your Social Security benefit as your sole source of income, please call our office and we can assist you with food.

Pantry items needed this week:

**Peanut Butter, Canned Fruit, Juice,
Pudding or Jell-O, Broth, Sugar, Ramen Noodles,
Canned White Beans, Canned Yams, Mayonnaise,
Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent and Deodorant.**

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
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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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Masses for this week

Monday, January 22nd

Day of Prayer for Unborn Children

7:15am Ronald Edgar

8:45am Adrienne Dolder

Tuesday, January 23rd

7:15am St. Raymond

8:45am Kenneth Albert Wilson

Wednesday, January 24th

St. Francis de Sales

7:15am Lucille Vetrano (L)

8:45am Domenico Stabile

Thursday, January 25th

Conversion of St. Paul

7:15am Jean Cassese

8:45am James Donlon

Friday, January 26th

Saints Timothy and Titus

7:15am Michael Bonanno

8:45am Aidan Walker

Saturday, January 27th

8:45am Christopher Bayiokos,
Adrienne Dolder

5:00pm Arseno Baccari

Sunday, January 28th

7:30am John Collins

9:00am Jane Gelson

10:30am Marylou Hart

12:00pm Charles Henshaw,
Patricia Hilderbrand

4:30pm St. Raymond

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday

2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday

Acts 22:3-16/Mk 16:15-18

Friday

2 Tm 1:1-8/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41

Sunday

Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



Please Pray for Our Sick

James R., Baby Brady, Mike L.,
Jodi Neckles, Baby Faith Madison,
Baby Cooper Graham, Michael McPike,
Christine I., Samir. Leo B., Maureen
Condiss, Bennett William Chevalier,
Mary Lynch, Maureen McCarthy,
Baby Connor William, Fr. Don Hansen,
Nick S., Dawn, Jay Witemeyer,
Christine Gillidan, Linda Dagostino,
Frank Barbella, Joseph DelGiorno,
Rory Romano

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Parish Bulletin Board

Dear Lord,

Please help me to accept myself for who I am. Help me to see and appreciate the wonderful person You have created. Let me recognize the importance of my birthright as Your child and realize my significance in the universe. Help me to understand that the opportunities

I possess are limitless...

For You have given me the chance to achieve all things for my own good and that of the whole world.

Make my life, starting today, starting now, a worthy testament of Your wondrous glory and infinite love. For with You all things are possible.

Communal Prayer Before Mass

Father in heaven, we wish to prepare well for participation in this Mass, in which we enter the Last Supper, Passion, Death and Resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. He is as present to us today in his Word and in the Eucharist, as he was with his apostles. Holy

Spirit please quiet our minds from the busyness and distractions of our day, so that we will have hearts and minds attentive to the words of Jesus and ready to receive his Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

Blessed Mother, take our hearts and give us yours, that like you, we may ponder Jesus' words and do whatever he tells us to do. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

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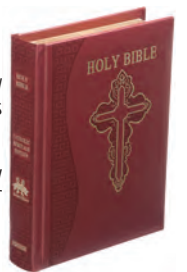
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