

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 14, 2024

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

John was standing with two of his disciples,
and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said,
"Behold, the Lamb of God."

-John 1:36



January 14, 2024

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome To Our Parish Family!

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

Rectory

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

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

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Nocturnal Adoration

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following 8:45am Mass.

Confessions

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

Baptisms

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

Bereavement Support Group

Call the rectory office for meeting times.

Marriages

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

Prayer Groups

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

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

Music Ministries

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

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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



**“I have a dream today...
That one day...little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers. I have a dream today.”**

St. Raymond's rectory office will be closed on Monday, January 15th in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



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

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Monday – Friday at 6:30 pm ET

Sunday at 3:30 pm ET



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Please remember to pray for our wounded soldiers.

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time! We now begin the first segment of Ordinary Time which will take us up to Ash Wednesday and then will resume after the Easter Season. The focus of today's readings is on the acceptance of the call of Jesus to be his follower. In today's first reading from 1 Samuel, we see the prophet Samuel receiving his first revelation from God. After realizing that it was God who was summoning him, Samuel responded: **"Speak, for your servant is listening."** Then in the second reading from 1 Corinthians, we see Paul telling the people that their bodies are members of Jesus Christ. The body is raised by the power of Jesus and is a temple of the Holy Spirit. **"Therefore, glorify God in your body."** And finally, John's gospel reveals something that is at least one thing God is inviting all of us to do; namely, to point the way to Jesus and invite others to join in the journey with you. John the Baptist had pointed his disciples to Jesus and when they came to Jesus, he told them: **"Come and you will see."**

In today's readings from 1 Samuel and John's gospel we have examples of **"holy conversations,"** interactions between God and human beings. Samuel is a bit confused for a while about what he is hearing as Jesus does what he always does—flips the conversation from something shallow to something much deeper. Now we may have difficulty in relating what happened back then to us today. The temptation is to simply assume that God really doesn't have much to say anymore and so our communication with God is mostly one-sided. We do all the talking and hope that God is listening. It seems to me that we have to stop talking sometimes and believe that God has something to say to us. It takes faith to believe that God hasn't stopped trying to communicate, to believe that he hasn't gone silent. And it takes faith to truly want to hear what God has to say, which is not always going to be nice thoughts that warm our hearts. Sometimes he wants to ask us questions, to get us to think more deeply about things. Sometimes he invites us to travel down a path we have never travelled on before. Sometimes he wants us to stop behavior that is harmful or unhealthy. And sometimes he wants to challenge us in some way to be more or give more or love more. Finally, there are times he just wants us to know how much he loves us and encourages us to trust more deeply. Yes, God wants to tell us so many things. But it can't happen if we never stop babbling, stop giving God a laundry list of wants and desires.

Remember, prayer is a **"holy conversation"**, one between Creator and creature, between Savior and sinner, between lover and beloved. Just don't make your voice get in the way of the most important voice there is: **"Speak, for your servant is listening."**

We have learned that several weeks ago, an outstation in Father Jim's parish in Uganda was attacked by rebels. Some people were killed and over three hundred, many of them children, displaced as a result of this attack. The main compound of Father Jim's parish is their only hope for safety at this time. There is a great need to feed and shelter his people and local help is minimal at best. So, next Sunday we will take up a special collection at all the Masses to help Father Jim at this time. If you donate by check, make it out to St. Raymond Church. As soon as possible we will send the money to Father Jim. I thank you in advance for your help with this appeal.

This coming Friday is the annual **March for Life** in Washington D.C. We will have an extended period of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 1-8pm in the church. Each hour will include praying the Rosary, special prayers, and time for silent prayer. Adoration will conclude at 8pm with Benediction. I invite all who can to try and spend one hour of this time praying together and trusting that God will hear our prayers that change hearts and brings about an ending of abortion.

Please remember to take home a copy of the bulletin when you leave Mass today. It contains many items of interest with something for everyone. Of special note is news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, info from **Religious Education** (Faith Formation), an invitation to join our **Conso-lation Ministry**, an invitation to the **March for Life Prayer Vigil** from 1-8pm in church on Friday, January 19th, **the Eucharistic Revival Centerfold**, the **Communal Prayer Before Communion** (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, listen for God's voice and remember: It's not how much scripture you know. It's how much Scripture you live.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

JANUARY 14, 2024-SECOND 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 14, 2024-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was. The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am." Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me." "I did not call you," Eli said. "Go back to sleep." So he went back to sleep. Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli. "Here I am," he said. "You called me." But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep." At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet. The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me." Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth. So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

SECOND READING

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Brothers and sisters:
The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body; God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. Avoid immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at a price. Therefore glorify God in your body.

ALLELUIA

Jn 1:41, 17b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

We have found the Messiah:
Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. I have waited, waited for the LORD, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry. And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God.

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. Sacrifice or offering you wished not, but ears open to obedience you gave me. Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not; then said I, "Behold I come."

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. "In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, to do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!"

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. I announced your justice in the vast assembly; I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know.

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL

Jn 1:35-42

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher —, "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ —. Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director



There are no Religious Education classes and the office will be closed
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Monday 1/15/2024.

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS

There will be an 8th grade Parent and Student meeting on Thursday, 1/18/2024 at 7:30pm in the St. Raymond School auditorium. Important details regarding the children's 9th grade Confirmation will be discussed.

At this meeting the following are due: Confirmation Information sheet, Confirmation Name report, Confirmation Sponsor report. These forms were given to parents at the October parent meeting and e-mail home on December 17th, 2023.

The Epiphany



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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**

"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service to the Church and to the whole world... Let Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament speak to your hearts. It is he who is the true answer of life that you seek."

-Saint John Paul II



"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you"
Jeremiah 1:5



**March for Life Adoration
Eucharist Exposition with Benediction
FRIDAY JANUARY 19, 2023
1:00PM - 8:00PM
ST. RAYMOND CHURCH**

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 Response
After Readings**

After the First and Second Readings at Mass, we have this familiar statement and response from the congregation. As the Diocese of Peoria's A Study of the Mass teaches, "At the end of the reading, the lector announces, 'the Word of the Lord,' which is a testament of our faith in the inspired Word of God in Sacred Scripture. We readily show our gratitude and respond, 'Thanks be to God!' We are thankful that God has revealed himself to us and that He continues to speak to us".

God Speaks to Us

Far more than just being "standard operating procedure," these little dialogues are really powerful affirmations of what is happening during the Liturgy of the Word. While the lector proclaims God's Word, we listen to what God wants to teach us that particular day. Even if we are generally attentive to the readings, we can easily get distracted. Perhaps we notice someone sitting nearby and think of a question we wanted to ask him or her. Sometimes, a word in the reading reminds us of another thought. Maybe our stomach growls and we start thinking about what our next meal might be. In any event, at the end of the reading, the lector helps to get us back on track if we've wandered astray. The lector says, "The Word of the Lord," as if to say, "In case you forgot or didn't notice, the Lord God of heaven and earth was just speaking to you." It really is amazing to stop and think about: God is speaking to us, his people, through the readings at Mass!

Our response, "Thanks be to God," acknowledges that God is truly speaking to his people through the Bible reading we just heard and that we recognize we are blessed to hear those words! Being in the habit of turning to God in thankfulness can be so helpful in our daily living as well. In the midst of our lives, we easily get our hearts turned inward, such as when we are thinking about what

makes us happy or what we would enjoy for dinner. In more serious situations, when we fall into sin, we are turned inward in a way that keeps our vision away from God and others. When this happens, we can find ourselves falling into selfishness and self-seeking behavior. We can also miss opportunities for charity because we do not recognize the good in the people around us.



**Practicing
Thankfulness**

In these latter situations, the grace of the sacraments helps strengthen us. Thankfulness is also a great remedy that helps turn our hearts as we recognize blessings that have come from God and others. Being thankful can give us a reset and help us once again to see and appreciate the gifts God has given us and the good that we can see in one another. We glimpse the wisdom behind our response to the readings at Mass. Being in the habit of regularly thanking God helps keep our hearts healthy and on track.

Not only does this dialogue help us acknowledge God and thank him for the Scriptures, but it can also help us stay in tune with what we are doing at Mass. As you may know, the word Eucharist itself means "thanksgiving." In the Mass, we join with Christ in the perfect sacrifice of praise to God the Father. As God's people, we are also joined together in thankful praise, recognizing the love of Christ and our invitation to share in that love. Very fittingly, after the Second Reading and response, we will praise God together in preparation for the Gospel as we sing the Alleluia!

For Reflection:

1. Reflect on a few Scripture passages which proclaim, "Thanks be to God" (e.g., Romans 7:25, 1 Corinthians 15:57, 2 Corinthians 9:15). Compare St. Paul's cause for thanksgiving with your own reasons for gratitude. Consider adding "Thanks be to God" to your public ways of expressing joy and gratitude in daily life.
2. Psalms 105, 106, 107, 118, and 136 (among others) all begin by inviting us to "Give thanks to the Lord." Try beginning your next time of prayer with thanksgiving.

Next Week: The Gospel

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
Friday, January 19th - March for Life Adoration / Eucharist
Exposition with Benediction 1:00-8:00 PM



National Prayer Vigil for Life
January 19, 2024
Adoration / Eucharist
Exposition with Benediction
1:00-8:00 PM



The Significance of the Baptism of
the Lord January 8th

The Baptism of the Lord is notable
because it marks the beginning of
Jesus' ministry and confirms his
identity as the Son of God.

The Trinity Displayed in the Baptism of the Lord

The Gospel of Mark describes the event: "It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Mark 1:9-11).

Why Is Jesus Baptized?

When Jesus comes to John, John hesitates to baptize him. John's is a baptism of repentance, and Jesus has nothing for which he needs to repent. Why then does Jesus insist on being baptized? By choosing to be baptized, Jesus fulfills all righteousness – preparing himself to be a perfect sacrifice for us. The account in Matthew demonstrates this: "Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him." (Matthew 3:13-15)

What Does Baptism Mean for Us?

As we reflect on Christ's baptism, we are reminded of our own baptism. Pope Benedict XVI said on the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord: "[Baptism] is communion with the One who conquered death and holds in his hand the keys of life. Belonging to this circle, to God's family, means being in communion with Christ, who is life and gives eternal love beyond death."

Thanks be to God, who has redeemed us
from our sins and given us eternal life
through Jesus Christ.



Eucharistic Witness
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
First American Saint
(† 1821) Feast: January 4

Elizabeth Ann Seton's story is at the heart of the Church in the U.S., and the Eucharist is at the heart of her story. Born Elizabeth Bayley in 1704, she married William Seton in an Episcopalian church and gave birth to five children. In 1803, Elizabeth accompanied her husband to Italy, seeking relief for his tuberculosis. William died later that year. While in Italy with her husband during his illness, she was fascinated by Catholics' faith in the Eucharist: they believed that Jesus really meant it when he said that the bread and wine offered at Mass are truly transformed into his Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. The knowledge that Jesus Christ was really there in the Catholic Church, waiting for her, dominated her thoughts. After she returned to the U.S., she entered the Catholic Church in 1805 and moved her family to Baltimore, where she took a leading role in founding a Catholic education system. In 1809 she became a professed religious and, she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph.

Elizabeth was deeply saddened by the lack of the Eucharistic faith she saw in others. She thought of the words of St. Paul with tears: "they discern not the Lord's body." She made her feelings about the Eucharist clear to her Protestant friends, and they challenged her. She recalled that her answer wasn't agitated, but calm and even joyful. "It is God who does it, the same God who fed so many thousands with the little barley loaves and little fishes, multiplying them of course in the hands which distributed them." In fact, she said, "Nothing is so very hard to believe in it [the Eucharist], since it is he [God] who does it.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton shows us that our
faith comes to us by the Eucharist, in
the Eucharist, and for the Eucharist.

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
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Jane Donlon
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**“BLESSED ARE THOSE
WHO MOURN,
FOR THEY SHALL
BE COMFORTED.”**

MATTHEW 5:4



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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**SPECIAL DAY OF ADORATION
DATE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 19TH
TIME: 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

Although we will not be physically present at the March for Life in D.C. this year, we will be with the participants spiritually through prayer during our parish's special day of Adoration on the 19th. The day will begin at 1:00 pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and will conclude with Benediction at 8:00 pm. At each hour there will be the recitation of the Rosary of Our Lady and special prolife prayers for those in D.C., for reparation for the sins against life and for an end to abortion, followed by silent prayer. We know and profess that the power of prayer is great. Please join with us during this special time of Adoration. Let your voice be the voice for the innocent babies in the womb.

*"...then if my people will humble themselves and pray, and search for me, and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear them from heaven and forgive their sins and heal their land. I will listen, wide awake, to every prayer made in this place."
(2Chronicles 7:14-15)*



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Pantry items needed this week:

Instant Mashed Potatoes, Coffee, Cold Cereal, Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Canned Soup, Tuna Fish, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard, Jell-o, Shampoo, Conditioner, Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent and Toothpaste.

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. May God's blessings shower upon all of you and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful New Year!



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Masses for this week

Monday, January 15th

7:15am St. Raymond Parish

8:45am Adrienne Dolder

Tuesday, January 16th

7:15am Rita Dombrowski

8:45am Gina Griffin

Wednesday, January 17th

St. Anthony, Abbot

7:15am Peggy Finnan

8:45am Louise Coscia

Thursday, January 18th

7:15am Jacqueline Fitzpatrick

8:45am Jack Butler

Friday, January 19th

7:15am Robert J. Liehr

8:45am William Casey

Saturday, January 20th

8:45am Marco Benedetto,
Daisy Helen O'Neill

5:00pm Cheryl Drugan

Sunday, January 21st

7:30am Clara Hildebrand

9:00am Carolann Ferrara

10:30am Sodality of Our Lady

12:00pm Felicia Aquilone, Anna McDwyer,
Lee Quail, Jacqueline Chantel,
Michael Angelo Sarro, Jr.

4:30pm St. Raymond

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday

1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12

Friday

1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21

Sunday

Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



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,
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Frank Barbella

(Names are printed for 3 weeks unless
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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. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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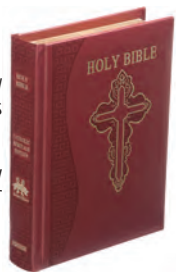
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