

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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Father Chuck Romano

Associate Pastors
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Father Theodore Iloh

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Mrs. Evelyn Contaldi

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Children's Choir
Patricia Mayle

Hand Bell Choir
Se-beng Koh

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The Parish of St. Raymond

A Eucharistic Community of Faith, Love and Friendship

Sunday, January 26, 2020

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

He said to them, "Come after me, and I will
make you fishers of men."
-Matthew 4:15



January 26, 2020
Third Sunday 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-5pm;
Saturdays from 9:30am-1pm.

Web Site: www.SaintRaymonds.org

E-Mail: StRayRcc@optonline.net

Rectory.....593-5000

Rectory Fax.....887-0554

Parish Social Ministry.....887-9197

Office Hours are Monday-Thursday from 10am-2pm.

Parish Social Ministry Fax.....593-6278

St. Raymond School.....593-9010

St. Raymond School Fax.....593-0986

Religious Education Office.....593-9075

Religious Education Office Fax593-1156

Pastoral Care Of The Sick

Holy Communion—Available to the homebound;
call the rectory to schedule an appointment.

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Nocturnal Adoration

First Fridays from 8-9pm.

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following 8:45am Mass.

Confessions

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

Baptisms

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

Bereavement Support Group

Call the rectory office for meeting times.

Marriages

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

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

Children's Choir: Sings at the 9am Mass on the 3rd Sunday of the month from September—June; practice on Tuesdays at 5pm in the school auditorium.

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

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

Hand Bell Choir: Plays at the 5pm Mass on the last Saturday of the month from September— June; practice on Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the church.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Interested in becoming a Catholic or an adult Catholic seeking Eucharist or Confirmation? Call the rectory and ask for Deacon Rich LaRossa.

This Week in Our Parish

Tuesday, January 28th

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

MWMR

7:30-9:00pm Handbell Choir

Church

Wednesday, January 29th

9:00am Art Club

MWMR

7:30pm Choir

Church

Thursday, January 30th

9:30am Bible Sharing

MWMR

Friday, January 31st

7:00pm Talent Show

Auditorium

7:30-10:00pm Boy Scouts

Gym

Saturday, February 1st

9:00am-12:00pm Honor Band

Cafeteria/
Auditorium

11:00am & 1:00pm 1st Reconciliation

Church

2:00pm Religious Ed

Reconciliation Pizza Party

Cafeteria

3:30pm Confessions

Church

7:00pm Pre Super Bowl Party

Auditorium



**We would like to create a
new 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!**

St. Raymond's Bulletin...

As a reminder, in case you forget to pick up your weekly Sunday bulletin, you can view it on our website:

www.saintraymonds.org.

If you would like to advertise an upcoming event for a St. Raymond Ministry or group, please email your article or notice two Fridays before the date of the bulletin to:

strayrcc@optonline.net.

Please write: “Attention Bulletin Editor” in the subject line of you email. All bulletin articles are subject to the Pastor's approval.

Collection Envelopes

To insure the accuracy of the recording of your weekly offering, please indicate the amount of your offering on the front of your envelope and write your envelope number on your check. And please do not tape or staple the contents or envelope flap.

Thank you! And God Bless you for your stewardship!

Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time! Repentance, prayer and the call to discipleship are the themes of this Sunday's readings. In the first reading from Isaiah, the prophet looks forward to the day when the people of Israel listen to God. Usually, it takes much suffering for them to get back on track. Here Isaiah speaks of the light of faith that brings joy to the people of Israel. ***"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone."*** Then in the second reading from 1 Corinthians, Paul urges the faithful to strive for unity in word and deed. ***"I urge you brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree in what you say, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and in the same purpose."*** And finally, Matthew's gospel depicts the beginning of Jesus' ministry in Galilee. He has withstood the temptation in the desert and now he begins the fulfillment of the prophecy. He radicalizes the message of John the Baptist, calling people to repentance for the kingdom of God is at hand. There is more urgency now because Jesus is present. And he calls disciples to assist him. ***"He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people."***

We know that Jesus left Nazareth. He moves from living according to the law of Moses to living in relationship with the Father. In Jesus' baptism and in the declaration that he is the ***"Beloved Son of the Father,"*** we see a new emphasis in our relationship with God. The gospel section dealing with the call of these four fishermen emphasizes the dramatic nature of God's call. They didn't simply leave what they were doing out of boredom or discontent. Their calling was a moment of epiphany. They sensed that they were being called to something very good. The charisma of Jesus draws them, and they perceive that what he is asking is a new and better way. They sense an authority that comes from God. These fishermen and the others who were called followed the inner voice of the shepherd. They followed the mysterious alternative of listening to their hearts, which seemed to defy all logic. We too, can line up the pros and cons to discover where our heart and mind lie. However, our relationship with Jesus comes from deep within, where he waits for us.

Can you take the leap to enter the heart of God, who lives within you? As we come to the table of the Lord today, may we see ourselves as those fishermen at the shore. And may we meet Christ who invites us to abandon all for him.

Today starts our annual celebration of Catholic Schools Week. Our parish is very proud of St. Raymond Catholic Grammar School which has been serving our community for over 90 years. The 9am Mass today will officially start our celebration followed by breakfast in the school cafeteria, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Then beginning at 10:30am the school will hold an **Open House** for all interested parishioners. We hope to especially attract prospective new families who may consider St. Raymond Grammar School as the choice for your child's education. So please, stop by your school for some breakfast, and to see what we have to offer for your children-namely a great education in a faith-filled and nurturing environment. And spread the word! Check the bulletin ad for information about the whole celebration of Catholic Schools Week right here!

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** and the **Principal's Corner** of St. Raymond School, an invitation to the **Free Throw Championship**, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus this Sunday, January 26th, an ad for the **School Blood Drive** on Monday, January 27th, an invitation to the **Pro Life Holy Hour** next Sunday afternoon, February 2nd, an order form for the new round of **Parish Picks** that begins in February, an invitation to join, for free, **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.

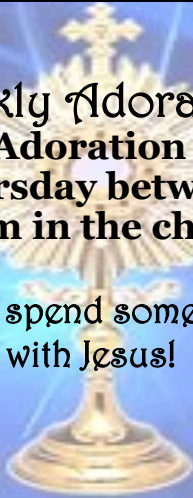
Have a great week! **Smile, share, try something new and remember: It's just a bad day, not a bad life.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



Weekly Adoration
Weekly Adoration is every
Thursday between
1-4pm in the chapel

Come spend some time
with Jesus!



Missing a loved one? Need to talk?
We are here for you !
St. Raymond's Bereavement Ministry



Inquiries, please call the rectory at
516-593-5000.

Be Still, and know that I am **GOD**



The Rose for Life Program

The Rose for Life program began here at St. Raymond on Mother's Day, May 12, 1985. A rose is placed on the Offertory Table at the 5:00pm Mass and is presented to the priest at the Offertory. The rose symbolizes the life of a preborn baby who dies from abortion. It remains at the tabernacle for the coming week.

The main purpose of the rose is to remind each one of us to pray for the babies who are in danger of abortion. Prayer is one of the most important ways to stop abortion. The rose also serves a special remembrance of the life of our loved ones, in whose name the rose is dedicated each week.

For dedications, please call Mary Healy at 887-4062.

Diocese of Rockville Centre *Healing after Abortion*



Project Rachel retreats offer the opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. The retreats are directed by specially trained compassionate caregivers, including counselors and clergy, who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer.

Day of Prayer and Healing for Women
Saturday, March 7, 2020

Please register by Monday, March 2nd

For more information and to register please visit www.respectlife.drvc.org
or contact Project Rachel at 1(888) 456-HOPE (4673), 1(516) 766-2538 or
projectrachel@drvc.org.

All information will remain confidential.



Tis the Season to
Give Hope

Be a Holiday Hero to Patients

BLOOD DRIVE

WIN A TRIP TO CANCUN

Donate in **January 2020**,
and you will be entered to win a trip
for two to **Cancun, Mexico**



**St. Raymond's School
Blood Drive**

Date: Monday

January 27, 2020

Time: 2:15pm-8:15pm

**Place: St. Raymond's
School—Cafeteria**

**To schedule an appointment,
please call**

Michelle Daniels @ 593-9010 ext. 14

Eligibility Criteria:

-Bring valid signature or photo ID

-Minimum weight 110lbs

-Age 16-75 (16 year olds need parental permission.

Age 76 and over needs a doctor's note)

-Eat well (low fat) & drink fluids

-No tattoos for past 12 months

Medical Eligibility please call 1-800-688-0900



#nybloodcenter

www.nybc.org

1.800.933.BLOOD

New York Blood Center

TODAY!!



**Msgr. Walsh/St. Raymond Council
Knights of Columbus**



**Free Throw
Championship**

Boys & Girls; Ages 9-14

**Sunday, Jan. 26th; 10am
St. Raymond School Gym**

Free!

**Proof of age required and parental
permission forms signed at time of event.
Please arrive 15 minutes early to register.**

**For info, call 593-7220
or email: info@koc7220.org**

**Join the Knights and get involved!
Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism.**



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

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

Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn

Gives Back!

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

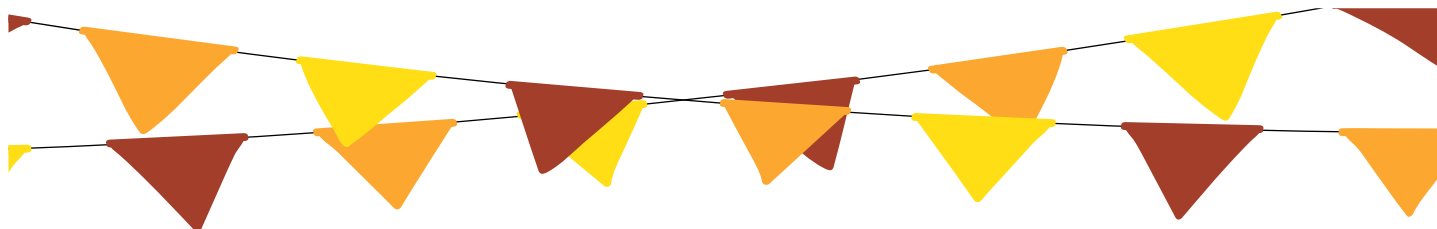
**If you or someone you know has an
old or neglected vehicle that is not
being used, please call:**

718-491-2525

Or email: svdpauto@gmail.com

For details: svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org





ST. RAYMOND SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE DATES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH 10:30 AM

THURSDAY JANUARY 30TH 9AM-11AM

263 ATLANTIC AVENUE, EAST ROCKAWAY



Experience the St. Raymond School Difference!

Half and Full Day Programs for Pre-K Before & After School Program for Pre-K to 8th Grade NYS and Diocese of RVC Approved Curriculum Music, Extracurricular Activities, and Clubs for Grades K-8



NEW- The Bridge at St. Raymond School A High School Preparatory Program for Grades 6-8 Catholic High School Entrance Exam

Preparation * 100% Catholic High School Acceptance Rate * CMSAA Sports Teams * The "Agency" School Newspaper * STEM Fair * Engaging activities and programs and events*

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2020-2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

516-593-9010 · www.srsny.org Follow Us on Facebook @strayeastrockaway and Instagram @straymondschool_east_rockaway



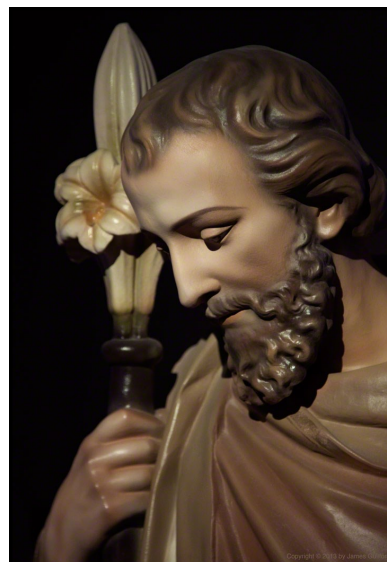
SPECIAL ONE YEAR MEMORIAL CANDLE

As you have probably noticed, we have upgraded our devotional candles by both the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph. The older ones were outdated and ready to break down. In addition we have added four new statues in the rear of the church with smaller new candle stands. They are Mother Teresa, St. Therese of the Little Flower, St. Anthony and St. Jude. Hopefully they will enhance many people's prayer and desire to light candles as a sign of their devotion.

Once again we will be having special one year devotional candles at both the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph Statues in the front. These candles surround the base of each statue. There are 24 candles available for each statue. The cost is \$300.00 for an entire year of having a candle lit for your intention. A small name plate will be placed at each candle that has been taken for the year. Only the name of the person you are remembering will be on each name plate. These candles will be lit from the first Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2019 for the entire Church Liturgical Year.

If you are interested in one of these candles for one of these statues, simply fill out the following information, include your donation and bring it to the rectory.

This also includes existing candles for this past year that have been lit. They need to be renewed if you so wish.



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please check:

Blessed Mother Statue: _____ St Joseph Statue: _____

Name for the candle name plate (please print):



January Parish Picks Winners *Congratulation to this month's*

1st Place—\$1,000

#137-Ann & Paul Greco

2nd Place—\$500

#240-Mrs. Dorothy Calabrese

3rd Place—\$250

#444-Edward & Doreen Malone

4th Place—\$250

#838-John & Laura Garbitelli

You've got to be in it to win it!

First Saturday Novena *Our Lady of Fatima*

February 1st

8:10am Rosary

St. Raymond Church

(Near the Blessed Mother Statue)



*Make Reparation for sins
Against the Immaculate
Heart of Mary*



Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union Supports St. Raymond!

We have received our quarterly revenue sharing check from the Oceanside Financial Federal Credit Union Parish revenue Sharing Program. Since its inception, our parish has received a total of **\$21,761**. 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 Oceanside Financial 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 620-8100, or visit their website at:

www.oceanfinancial.org.



St. Raymond School is a participating charity in the Amazon Smile program. Every time that you make an eligible purchase at smile.amazon.com and choose St. Raymond School, East Rockaway, NY as your charity, St. Raymond's will receive 0.5% of the purchase price **at no additional cost to you!**

Please make all of your purchases through Amazon Smile rather than Amazon.com and choose St. Raymond School, East Rockaway, NY as your charity. (Please note that there are several St. Raymond's listed. Be sure to choose the one that says "East Rockaway, NY" to ensure that our School benefits from your purchase.) It is a fast, easy and free way to provide much needed financial support to our School.

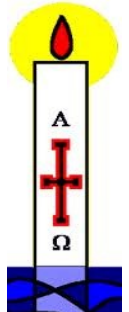
As always, we thank you for your generous support!

St. Raymond Memorials

Often people ask if there is something they could memorialize in memory of a loved one. Besides having **Mass Intentions**, there are other opportunities for individuals, families and groups to remember a loved one in a tangible and sometimes lasting way. Some of the weekly liturgical memorials that we have are the **Bread and Wine**, the **Rose for Life** and the **Sanctuary Lamp**. These memorials can be arranged at the rectory.

There are also other liturgical items that are seasonal, like the **Christmas** and **Easter Flowers**, the **Paschal Candle**, **Advent Wreath Candles** and other holy items we can use for religious services. Then we also have a certain lasting type of memorial called a **"Memorial Brick"** that can be set in one of four beautiful outside locations. One location is by the **Holy Family Statue** on the front lawn of the rectory, the **St. Teresa Statue** behind the rectory, the **God and Country Memorial** near the front of the church and finally our newest **Padre Pio Statue** on the walkway between the rectory and church. Each location is open for anyone wishing to have such a Memorial Brick placed.

These bricks are 4" by 8" with up to three lines of text. The donation for each brick is \$250. Anyone wishing to purchase one of these bricks should contact the rectory during regular office hours. Maybe you will consider one of these special places on the grounds of St. Raymond to celebrate life and pay tribute to.



~God is good all the time...all the time God is good~

Principal's Corner

Sister Ruthanne

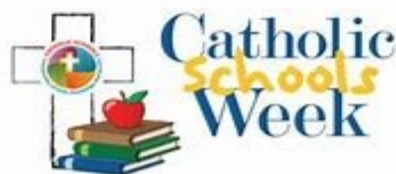
We have arrived at the last Sunday of the month and the beginning of our students' favorite time - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK! It's a weeklong celebration of all that it means to be a part of our Catholic School family. The faculty and parents have once again planned several fun and exciting events to occupy the entire week as we illustrate "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed."

I want to share information about Catholic Schools Week, but first I want to boast about the success of our eighth-grade students. All of them took the Catholic High School Entrance Exam back at the end of October and received word of acceptance into those high schools last week. Every one of them was accepted into their choices and now must make the decision to go where they believe the Lord is calling them! I am so proud of them all! They have truly "learned" and "succeeded". God bless them all. Now back to the topic at hand! We certainly believe that EVERYTHING that we do needs the blessing of our God, and so we begin our celebration with prayer - specifically with an OPENING MASS at 9:00 am in the church. The mass is followed by a pancake breakfast in the school cafeteria for all sponsored and prepared by our Parents' Club, the School Board and Knights of Columbus. Once folks have had breakfast (teachers too!), all are invited to join us upstairs for OPEN HOUSE beginning in the auditorium at 10:30 am and continuing until about 1:00 pm. The members of "The Bridge" (our 6th, 7th and 8th graders) will be available for guided tours throughout the building. Teachers will be in their classrooms and members of the School Board and Parents' Club will be around to answer questions and share information about the school. All are welcome to visit.

Here's a look at the schedule for the rest of the week:

- Monday: GAME DAY (sports' activities in the gym and homemade math games in the auditorium); Baked ziti and BBL (Brown Bag Lunch); annual School BLOOD DRIVE (2:15 - 8:15 PM) in the cafeteria (Walk ins are welcome!)
- Tuesday: CRAZY SOCKS, HATS, AND TIES DAY; Pizza and BBL; Chorus practice at recess; Read-aloud time; Bookworms after school
- Wednesday: Band and string lessons with FULL BAND at 8:00am; Brain Challenge for K-4 (8:15-9:10) and 5-8 (9:20-10:20) in the auditorium; BUDDY DAY activities with McDonald's lunch at 11:30 am; Spanish Scrabble and Gardening Club after school
- Thursday: OPEN HOUSE from 9:00-11:00am; Bagels and BBL; Chorus at recess; "CITY OF RAYS" in the afternoon (gym); Bookworms and Chess Club after school
- Friday: CLOSING MASS at 8:45am followed by a healthy breakfast snack; Talent Show dress rehearsal at 10:30am; dismissal at 11:30am; Talent Show at 7:00 pm
- Saturday: FIRST RECONCILIATION at 11:00 am for our second graders; Pre-Super Bowl Party (adults) from 7:00 to 10:00 pm in the auditorium

Registration for the 2020-2021 school year begins now. New families can arrange for more information and a personal tour by contacting the school office at 593-9010. We are always happy to welcome new folks into our St. Raymond School Family. Please give us a call.



Religious Education — Faith Formation- Evelyn Contaldi, Director

ATTENTION 7TH GRADE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ST. RAYMOND SCHOOL PARENTS

There will be a 7th grade parent meeting on Thursday, January 23rd, 2020 at 7:30pm in the St. Raymond School auditorium. Details regarding your child's Confirmation preparation will be discussed at this meeting. If you

cannot attend, please call the Religious Education office at 516-593-9075. Kellenberg parents are invited to attend but not required.

The 2nd grade Religious Education & St. Raymond School students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, February 1st, 2020. The schedule is as follows:

GROUPS 1 & 2 - 11am - St. Raymond Church

Ms. Murphy/St. Raymond School Students
Mrs. Ohlsen/2-1 Room 112
Mrs. Falbee/2-3 Room 114
Mrs. Brenneis/Mrs. O'Hanlon/2-4 Room 105

GROUPS 3 & 4 - 1pm - St. Raymond Church

Mrs. O'Hagan/2-2 Room 113
Mr. Martinez/2-5 Room 108
Mrs. Grennan/2-6 Room 107
Mrs. Zollo/2-7 Room 212
Mrs. Kelhetter/2-8 Room 213
Mrs. Elliott/Mrs. Fiorentino/2-9 Room 214





Living Stewardship

This week, let us, as good stewards, remember to give some time back to God. Prayer is such an important tool that we can use to help us grow closer to God. Using the time we have been given to pray is beyond important..

Sacrificial Giving

January 19, 2020: \$13,923

January 20, 2019: \$13,071



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Food Collection

The Weekend of February 1st & 2nd

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

Thank you for remembering those in need!

Parish Social Ministry

The Heart of the Parish

***I have come that they may have life, and have it more abundantly, says the Lord.
-John 10:10***

Parish Pantry Needs: Laundry detergent, dish detergent; Shampoo, conditioner, razors, toothpaste, bar soap; Canned vegetables, mixed, peas and carrots, corn, carrots, canned potatoes, canned meat, canned fruit; ketchup, mayo and coffee.

Thank you all for your commitment to this ministry and for your continued generosity. We keep you in our prayers always.



St. Raymond Human Life Committee

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PRAYER PROGRAM SEVEN MONTH DEVELOPING BABY

You're in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. He or she is completely formed and has been since 8 weeks after conception! All the baby is doing now is gaining weight --- and making his or her mother uncomfortable because of the baby's size. The baby's brain has as many cells as he or she will have at birth. The baby in the womb uses the four senses of vision, hearing, taste and touch. Research has documented that the baby can now recognize his or her mother's voice! In a short time, the baby will be born. Please check out the posters at any of the Church's entrances to see the picture of what a 7 month old pre-born baby actually looks like. Even though this baby, if delivered now, would more than likely survive and thrive, this little one can still be legally killed through abortion and for any or no reason, simply because the mother is exercising her "reproductive right". Hopefully, through your prayers, she will choose life for her baby.

DEANERY VI PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR

DATE: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd

TIME: 2:00 - 3:00 PM

CHURCH: ST. RAYMOND'S CHURCH

"....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 7:1-15)





The Office of FAITH FORMATION DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

January 2020 through March 2020

Register Online WWW.DRVC-FAITH.ORG

Ministry of Consolation Level I

St. Aidan, Williston Park

Wednesdays, January 22, 29;
February 5, and 12, 2020
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Building Intercultural Competences in Ministry

St. Frances Cabrini, Coram

Thursdays, February 6, 13, 27;
March 12, and 19, 2020
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Or

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Roosevelt

Mondays, February 10, 24;
March 2, 9, and 16, 2020
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Catechist Training Level II

St. James, Setauket

Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2020
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Bereavement Conference

St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh

Saturday, March 21, 2020
8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Level I & II

St. Mary's, East Islip

Saturday, March 28; April 4, 18, 25;
May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; and June 6, 2020
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Annual Italian Night Valentine's Dinner Dance

St. Raymond School Cafeteria
Saturday February 15, 2020

7pm - 11pm

\$35.00 per person

**Includes Hot Buffet, Dessert,
Beer, Wine, Soda, Coffee & Tea**

Contact:

Doug Yadanza 516-286-0056

Tom Donza 516-593-2521



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

Valentine Day is approaching!

Let your spouse know you would do it all over again. Witness the smiles on your children's faces as they see Mom and Dad say, **"I DO"**.

Faith & Friendship will host a special Mass celebrating the **Sacrament** of Matrimony for all our married Parishioners on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at the 12:00 noon Mass.

We will give special honor at Mass to those

Couples who are celebrating an Earmark Anniversary!

(those married in a year ending with a "0 and/or 5" during the 2020 year)

Following Mass, a Special Celebratory Reception will be held in the School Cafeteria for ALL-ESPECIALLY the couples with their families that have renewed their vows.

Come and join us as we rejoice in celebrating and commemorating your **Sacrament**.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

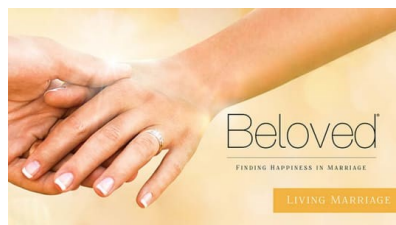
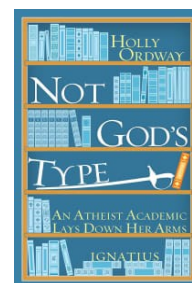
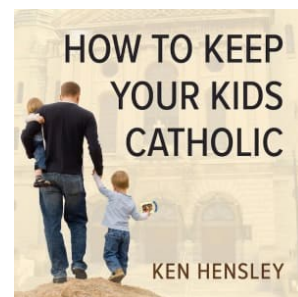
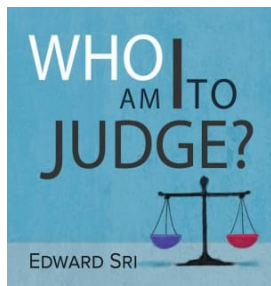
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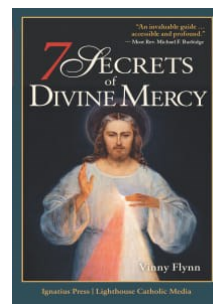


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Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

St. Raymond's Parish Picks Order Form

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ for _____ ticket (s) in the Parish Picks. I will receive extra tickets for each ticket that I purchase in accordance with the chart shown on the enclosed letter.
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Masses for this Week

Monday, January 27th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Sharon Grupp

Tuesday, January 28th *Saint Thomas Aquinas*

7:15am James Dolan

8:45am Dr. Robert Shalhoub (living)

Wednesday, January 29th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Elvira & Barney Rosalie

Thursday, January 30th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Helen Luisi

Friday, January 31st

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Robert Schultz

Saturday, February 1st

8:45am Marie Martorana, Maura Dower

James Long, Delia Drake, Thomas Fee

5:00pm Erin Gallagher Clifford

Sunday, February 2nd *Presentation of the Lord*

7:30am Thomas K. Chojnacki (living)

9:00am Pat Campano

10:30am Marianne Malone

12:00pm Robert Schultz, Michael Verderosa,

William Saar, Anthony Fuoco,

Aleman Family

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

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

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25

Friday

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday

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

Sunday

Mal 3:1-4/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Please Pray for Our Sick

Bridget Feminella, Fr, Tom Moriarity, Dickie Ohlsen, James Ryder, Margaret Mary Barbato, Helen Skelos, Lydia Dengel, Thomas Botkin, Jane Fitzpatrick, Olivia Bonino, Jodi Neckles, Alyssa B., Anthony B., Annemarie Montell Lee Wilson

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



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Liz Tortorella; Father Chuck Romano

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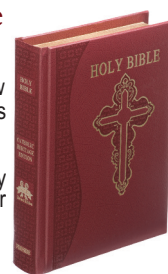
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