

## 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, September 13, 2020

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

*“Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I  
forgive? As many as seven times? Jesus answered, “I say  
to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.”*

*Matthew 18:21-22*



September 13th  
24th 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-5pm;  
Saturdays from 9:30am-1pm.

**Web Site:** [www.SaintRaymonds.org](http://www.SaintRaymonds.org)

**Facebook:** St. Raymond Parish, East Rockaway

**E-Mail:** [StRayRcc@optonline.net](mailto:StRayRcc@optonline.net)

Rectory.....593-5000

Rectory Fax.....887-0554

**Parish Social Ministry**.....887-9197

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

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

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

**Religious Education Office**.....593-9075

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### 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.

### 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.



**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](mailto:strayrcc@optonline.net) and write  
“Attention Bulletin Editor”  
in the subject line. Also, include  
name, rank and branch.**

**Thank you!**



**CATHOLIC FAITH  
— NETWORK —**

### **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 ...***

SPC Frank Candreva US ARMY  
SPC Giuseppina (Josie) Coppola US ARMY  
Lt. Col. Mary P. King , M.D., US ARMY  
Lt. Com. Joseph Garbitelli US NAVY  
Sgt. Gerard Moran

***Please remember to pray for our  
wounded soldiers.***

## Father Chuck's Corner

**Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time!** The theme of today's readings is to assure us that God always keeps his promises no matter how often we turn away. In the first reading from Sirach we are given sound spiritual advice especially about holding onto anger and not forgiving. **"Wrath and anger are sinful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight."** Then in the second reading from Romans, we learn that in both life and death we belong to the Lord. **"For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living."** And finally, Matthew's gospel extends the divine qualities found in the Old Testament of mercy and forgiveness. Through a parable about an unforgiving servant, Jesus tells Peter that forgiveness must be unlimited. **"I say to you, not seven times but seventy times seven."**

We all have our memories, both good and bad. Remember when some trouble hit, and you had to call 911 or where you were on 9/11, and at some point in the future you will remember when you were sequestered at home during the COVID-19 pandemic. Good memories are similar like being applauded when you took your wedding vows, watching a son or daughter make a key play in sports or receiving their diplomas at graduation. It is our memories that reveal that God does keep his promises. The response of Jesus to Peter challenges him profoundly. He tells a story that gives a practical picture of mercy. And in the ending, Jesus loudly proclaims that we will receive what we have given. And not forgiving also usually hurts the one who cannot forgive.

How can we let go of the hurt that keeps us from forgiving? It is difficult in families to forgive and forget. We think that because we can't forget the injury, we can't forgive the person doing the hurting. As humans we cannot forgive and forget. These will always be part of our bad memories. But God can bring us to forgiveness. As we grow in God's image, our hearts are changed. Remember, God is not asking the impossible of us. Jesus abides in us and helps us to trust and have patience. I think that how we act in these situations says the most about our own deepest truths. The ending of today's gospel holds the most important lesson. We need to remember all the times God has shown us mercy and forgiveness, and then do the same with each other. Even if all this seems so far beyond us, we can always take the first step which is praying to want to forgive that one person whom we swore we could never forgive. Remember, it may take a while, but God is the one who can do impossible things.

This past week, St. Raymond Parish lost a beloved member of our Parish Staff with the passing of **Tom Donovan**. Tom was the business manager of our parish for over ten years. He had been ill since late April and while there was hope he would recover and come back to work, sadly it wasn't meant to be. Tom died on Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup> surrounded by his wife, Arleen and three children. Tom was the first person I met when I came to visit St. Raymond's upon learning I was being appointed pastor in 2010. Tom quickly became a good friend and trusted co-worker for the mission of St. Raymond Parish. Anything I needed done, Tom would readily do, and his good humor and willing spirit made working with him a joy. I know all the other staff members feel the same. Tom was a faith-filled man who saw his job as more of a vocation. He was an active member of St. Raphael Parish in East Meadow where he was a lector, a catechist, a member of the local Knights of Columbus and an overall volunteer. I know that I will miss Tom personally as do all of us here on staff at St. Raymond's. Let us pray for Tom and especially his family who grieve his passing. **"Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace, amen. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen."**

Please remember to take a copy of the bulletin home after Mass or read it on the parish website ([www.SaintRaymonds.org](http://www.SaintRaymonds.org)). 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** and the **Principal's Corner** of St. Raymond School, an order form for **Parish Picks** (still time to join), 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 and stay safe. **Let's keep our prayers going for all who are suffering from COVID-19, all health care workers and first responders. Plus remember: The struggle is real, but so is God.** God bless always.

*-Father Chuck*

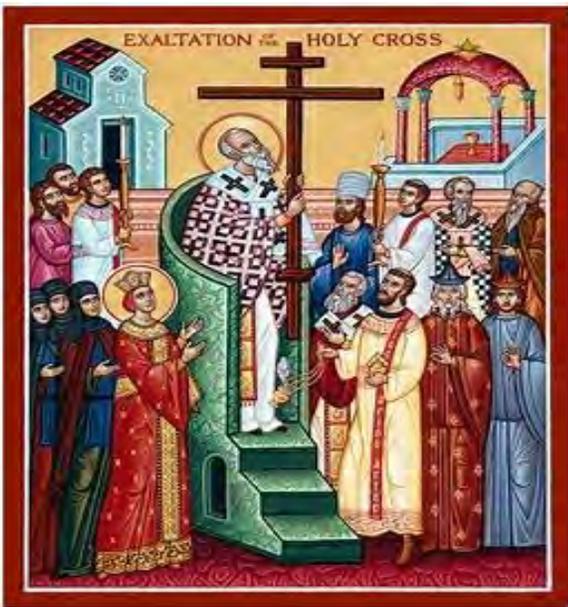




**THOMAS DONOVAN**

**ST. RAYMOND PARISH BUSINESS MANAGER**

**1944-2020**



# READINGS FOR TODAY'S MASS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020—24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## FIRST READING

**SIR 27:30—28:7**

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**PS 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12**

R. (8) **The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. **The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. **The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

R. **The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

R. **The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

## SECOND READING

**ROM 14:7-9**

Brothers and sisters:

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

## ALLELUIA

**JN 13:34**

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

## GOSPEL

**MT 18:21-35**

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

## Religious Education- Faith Formation

*Evelyn Contaldi, Director*

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2020/2021

Registration forms for the 2020/2021 school year were e-mailed home to the all parents in our program. Please fill them out and mail back to the Religious Education office with full payment – please do not come to the office (we are trying to keep with social distancing guidelines as best that we can). Do not fax the forms. All new students to the program must fill in the 'New Student Registration form' and include a copy of their Baptismal Certificate unless baptized at St. Raymond Church. The Registration forms can be found on the parish website –

[www.saintraymonds.org](http://www.saintraymonds.org) – under Religious Education. All families in our Religious Education program must be registered with the parish. To do so, please go the Rectory to pick up a New Parishioner packet.

For the 2020/2021 school year, Religious Education classes will be taught via ZOOM classes and will begin the week of October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and go through April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021.

**GRADE 1** HOME PROGRAM - PARENTS WILL MEET FIVE TIMES VIA ZOOM DURING THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHOOL YEAR WITH A CATECHIST TO REVIEW EACH UNIT IN THE CHILD'S BOOK.

**GRADE 2** TUESDAYS 4PM-4:45PM—ALSO AVAILABLE IS ONE TUESDAY CLASS 4:30PM-5:15PM & ONE MONDAY 4PM-4:45PM

**GRADES 3, 4, 5, 6** MONDAY/WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY 4PM-4:45PM

**GRADES 7 & 8** MONDAYS OR TUESDAYS - 7PM-7:45PM

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

Groups 1 and 2 received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Groups 3 and 4 are scheduled for Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

**Let us pray and congratulate these little ones and their families as they continue on their faith journey.**



## Principal's Corner

*Sister Ruthanne*

"I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; love one another as I have loved you." (John 13:34) Sound familiar? We all have certainly heard it many times in our lives. The Lord is simply telling us how we should be treating others every day regardless of their race, nationality, faith, etc. None of that matters to God, so why should it matter to us? These words really give us something to think about in our present time. It is a time for healing love, not hate; a time to show compassion, not revenge; a time to follow the Lord's command - love one another as I have loved you. Together we can do it!



I want to congratulate our children who received their First Communion this weekend (or perhaps during the summer). We are so happy for you and proud of you for being patient in waiting so long to receive Jesus. Now you can participate fully in the Mass as you receive the Eucharist each week and with the school community. God bless you all.

We have completed our first week of school and now can move on with learning. I have just a few reminders about the upcoming week ahead. First, all summer assignments are due this Monday. Please be sure that teachers see what was completed and what was learned from the assignment. Many of the students will be given a test on one of the books that they read, so hopefully the reading assignment was completed.

If you are following our school calendar on the website, you will see that our annual "Back to School Night" is scheduled for Monday evening, September 14<sup>th</sup>. It will go on as planned, but because of the present situation with COVID-19, it will be virtual. Please watch your email for directions on how to attend the meeting. If for some reason you are not receiving the school emails, please check with Mrs. Giglio to make sure we have the proper email address for you. The email addresses have been extrapolated from our most recent student data base, so if you changed it and did not inform the school, you will not receive our messages. Thank you.

Parents, please note that school pictures (in uniform) will be taken on Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> (while practicing social distancing) and that the 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be holding their annual YARD SALE on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> with several other East Rockaway families. Mark your calendars.

Thanks everyone for following the rules, wearing your masks, maintaining social distancing, and helping us all to do our best. We will get through this because we will love one another as God loves us. Stay safe; stay strong!

## I.H.M. Silver Circle

### Become a Member!



On behalf of all the IHM Sisters, I would like to invite you to become part of our Silver Circle Program, which is one of our most successful methods for raising funds to support our retired sisters. Last year, nearly \$150,000 was raised through the Silver Circle Program, and we hope this year will be just as successful.

As you may know, for many years the Sisters worked in parishes and schools without receiving any retirement benefits. Now it is an ongoing challenge to raise funds for their care. Your support of the Silver Circle Program helps us meet the needs of our retired sisters. It is a wonderful way to aid Sisters who have given their lives in service and are now in need of help from you.

Each Silver Circle membership is only \$25. Each membership you purchase offers you 324 chances to win monthly cash prizes, ranging from \$50 to \$1,000. Silver Circle raffle drawings take place on the third Wednesday of each month between October and June.

On a personal note, I can tell you that the people of St. Raymond School and Parish have been extremely supportive to the IHM Sisters. I am most appreciative of your generosity and hopefully that you will again join us in our efforts. We have had some winners—though in a way, we're all winners since being a Silver Circle member means being included in the daily prayers and sacrifices of all of our Sisters.

To purchase a membership, complete the form below, attach your check for \$25 (payable to Sisters of I.H.M.) and return to Sister Ruthanne's attention at the school, rectory or convent.

In Mary's Immaculate Heart, I remain,

*Fondly, Sister Ruthanne*

### 2020-2021 Silver Circle Membership Form

Name (  Please check if new member )

Street Address (  Please check if new address )

City State Zip

email address

Telephone

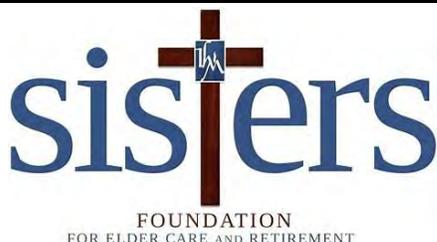


## St. Raymond Human Life Committee

When reading about or watching a documentary about slavery or the holocaust, did you ever wonder, "How could this have happened? How could this have been legal? How could there be such a disregard toward another human being? How could the people not see the humanity of the enslaved person or the Jewish person?" And then, did you ever think, "I wonder what I would have done? Would I have fallen prey to the lies about the victims that robbed them of their humanity? Would I have remained silent or joined with those to end these two evils?" Today, we are again in the midst of a great evil that was legalized in 1973 in the U.S. - that of abortion. The same tactics of the former evils were used again to dehumanize this section of our human family. The unborn babies were called "parasites", "blobs of tissue", even the medical term "fetus" was used to make it hard for us to visualize a "baby". Ironically, the victims in all three evils - slavery, holocaust, and abortion - were declared by the governments of their time, as "not legal persons". And so, the evils continued and grew. Two evils have finally been called out for what they were - evil. Yet, today's evil, abortion, the intentional killing of the human babies in the womb, is still being called a "right". Many, today, are asking the same questions that we asked of the people of past evils, "How did this happen?", "How did we accept the killing of the unborn, up to and including the time of the baby's birth, for any reason?" Now, the question to us is, "What am I doing to end this evil?", "Will I remain silent or join with those to end this evil?" If you want to be involved in ending this evil, please join with us. Please call:

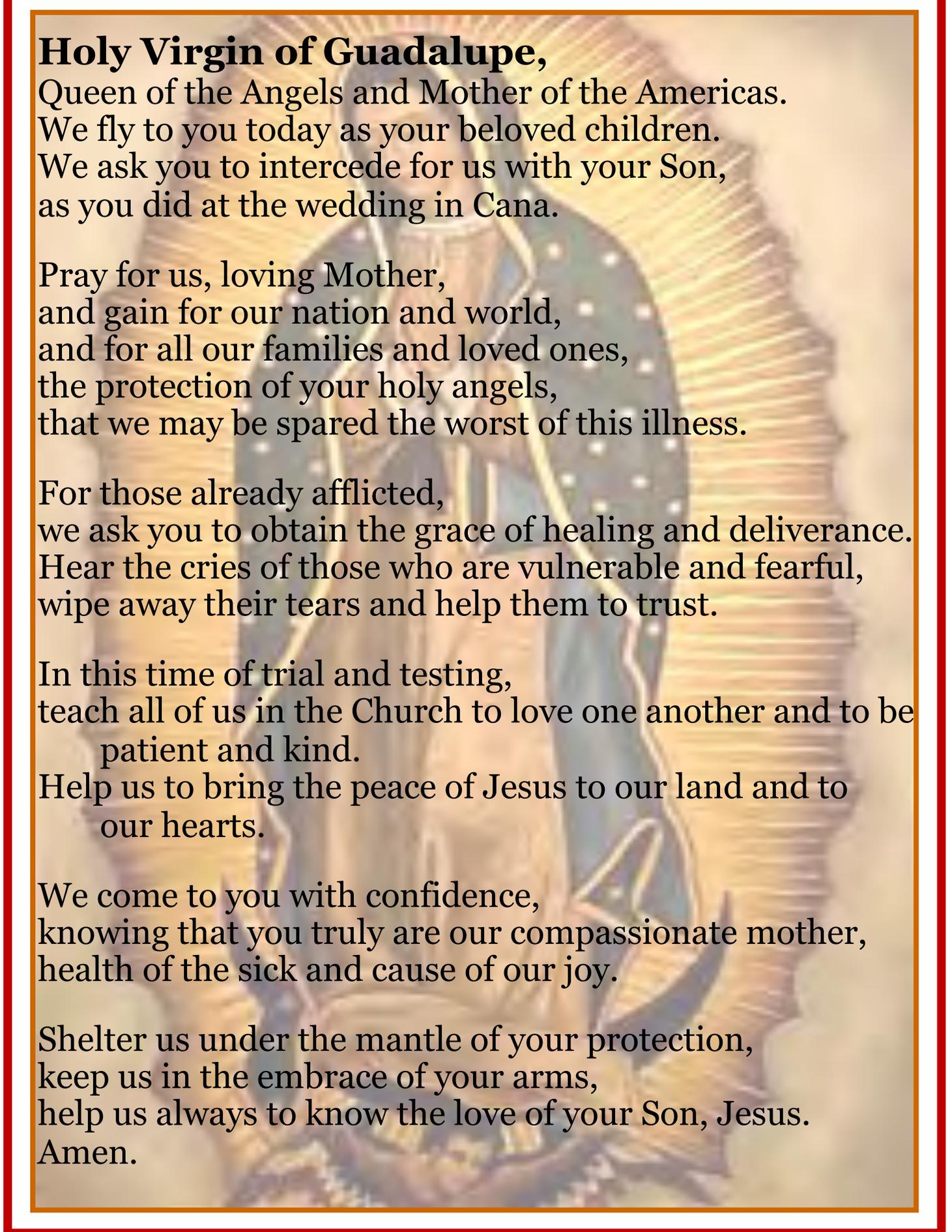
Mary Caffrey - #887-2458

Mary McIntyre - #593-4363



FOUNDATION  
FOR ELDER CARE AND RETIREMENT

God is 



## **Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,**

Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.

We fly to you today as your beloved children.

We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,  
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,  
and gain for our nation and world,  
and for all our families and loved ones,  
the protection of your holy angels,  
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,  
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.  
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,  
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,  
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be  
patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to  
our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,  
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,  
health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,  
keep us in the embrace of your arms,  
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.  
Amen.



### *The Journey of Grief*

Share the memories of your beloved.  
Let us encourage you with compassion.  
Life has changed for you, we are here  
with caring hands.

*St. Raymond's Bereavement Ministry*  
Call: 516-593-5000



*We have all been wronged and hurt by  
someone else. However, as Catholics,  
we should learn to forgive. This  
week pray for someone who has  
hurt you and forgive them.*

*God is good all the time.....  
all the time God is good.*



### **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 **\$22,536**. 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](http://www.oceanfinancial.org).

### **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 there.

**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 someone dear to you.

### **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.

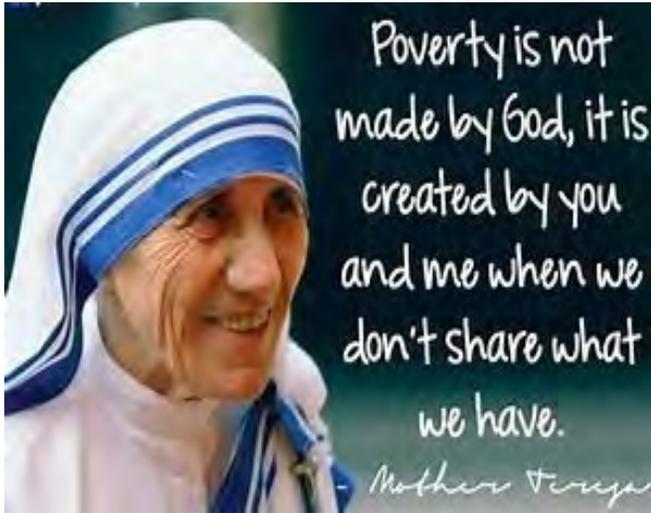
If you or someone you know has an old or neglected vehicle that is not being used, please call:

**718-491-2525**

Or email: [svdpauto@gmail.com](mailto:svdpauto@gmail.com)

For details: [svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org](http://svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org)





### Parish Social Ministry

*The Heart of the Parish*

*“Turn your ear , O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.”*

Parish Pantry Needs: Peanut butter, Jelly, Macaroni Sides, Rice Sides, Canned peas, Canned green beans, Canned corn, Canned tuna, Dish & Laundry detergent.

***Thank you and God bless you all for your generosity and love of neighbor.***

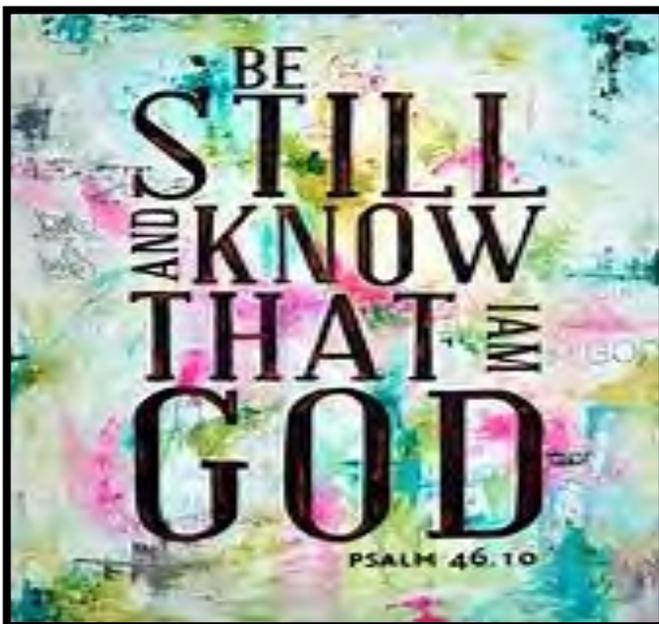


### *The Rose for Life Program*

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.



# *It's time for the next round of...*



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 **August 2020** and runs through **February 2021**. 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 **August 15, 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**  
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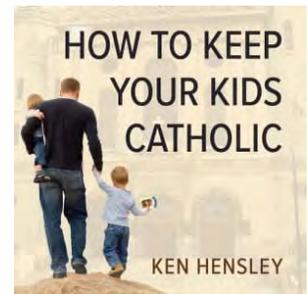
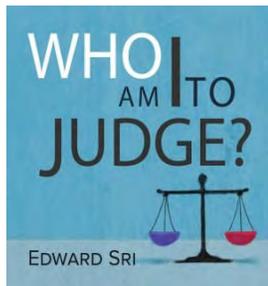
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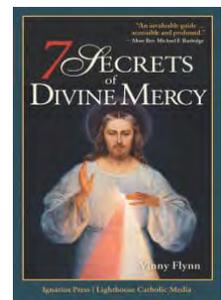
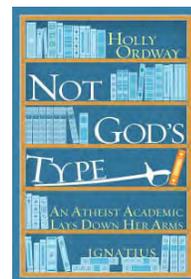
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*— Rev. Msgr. Thomas Costa,  
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# Masses for this Week

**Monday, September 14th Exaltation of the Holy**

7:15am Msgr. D.J. Finnerty **Cross**

8:45am Rosemarie Simeti (living)

**Tuesday, September 15th Our Lady of Sorrows**

7:15am Edward Collins

8:45am Michele Aufiero

**Wednesday, September 16th Saints Cornelius &**

7:15am Msgr. William Jablonski **Cyprian**

8:45am Donald Papile

**Thursday, September 17th**

7:15am August Ficarrotta

8:45am Robert Cohen

**Friday, September 18th**

7:15am Joseph Frigenti

8:45am Raymond Laperuta

**Saturday, September 19th**

8:45am Tom Donovan

5:00pm Nicholas Minucci

**Sunday, September 20th**

7:30am Mary Margaret Grennen

9:00am Andrew Budnik

10:30am Dorothy Murphy

12:00pm James & Kathleen Ryder, Ralph N. Pampino,  
Gerard Fitzpatrick, Joan DeRozzo

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4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

## Scripture Readings for the Week

**Monday**

NM 21:4B-9/JN 3:13-17

**Tuesday**

1 COR 12:12-14,27-31A/JN 19:25-27

**Wednesday**

1 COR 12:31-13:13/LK 7:31-35

**Thursday**

1 COR 15:1-11/LK 7:36-50

**Friday**

1 COR 15:12-20/LK 8:1-3

**Saturday**

1 COR 15:35-37, 42-49/LK 8:4-15

**Sunday**

IS 55:6-9/PHIL 1:20C-24,27A/MT 20:1-16A

## Please Pray for Our Sick

Fr, Tom Moriarity, Deacon Rich LaRossa, Valerie Fellows, Jeanette Kostyrka, Rudy Romano, Tamika Brown, Azai Betty McCormack, Cathy Maziejka, Stephen Iervalino, Ralph Cerrato, Joe DelGiorno, Sky Mary Cirrito, Pat Bolino, Gloria Criscuolo, Gina Mazzola, Dr. Sam Iyer, Samara Q, Patricia Criscuolo, Joan Ellyn Bolino, Connie & Fred Polik.

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



## Rest in Peace

Edward Gillis



## The Sanctuary Light

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Richard Raia

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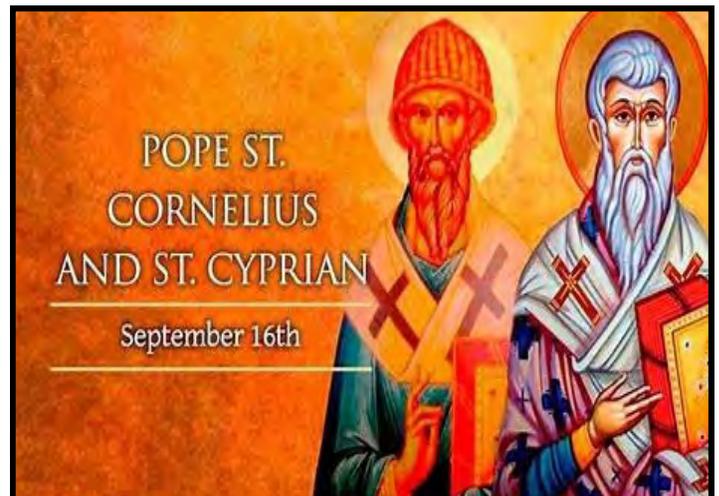


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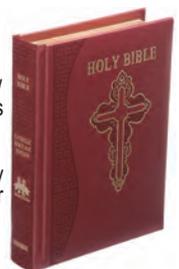
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