

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 Theodore Iloh

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The Parish of St. Raymond

A Eucharistic Community of Faith, Love and Friendship

Sunday, August 23, 2020

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

**"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock
I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld
shall not prevail against it."**

-Matt 16:15.16



August 23rd

21st 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

Facebook: St. Raymond Parish, East Rockaway

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.

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.



**PLEASE REQUEST TO JOIN OUR
NEW FACEBOOK GROUP!
ST. RAYMOND PARISH, EAST ROCKAWAY
SPIRITUAL AIDS AND INFORMATION
WILL BE POSTED TO KEEP US
ALL CONNECTED
DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIMES.**



**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-first Sunday in Ordinary Time! The focus of this Sunday's readings is to show us that the work of building up the Church belongs to all of us. In the first reading from Isaiah, the people are warned against trusting in weapons and walls instead of in God. So, God will replace their leaders with Eliakim, who is a true servant. **"I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut, when he shuts, no one shall open."** Then in the second reading from Romans, Paul offers thanksgiving and praise to the God who saves and sustains all things in life. **"For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen."** And finally, in Matthew's gospel we have the question asked by Jesus about his identity. And when pleased with Peter's answer, he makes him the head of the apostles and future leader of the Church. Peter recognizes Jesus as the Messiah who is also the Son of God. So, Jesus makes Peter the foundation of the Church. **"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."** **And so, I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it."**

There are many Christian Churches all struggling with the same question: Who is Jesus? Throughout history, people have made different interpretations about who Jesus is; always trying to answer the question: **"Who do you say I am?"** Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus is God's Anointed, the one who carries the message of God, and the presence of God to the world. Each of us was anointed at baptism to also carry that message. Now Jesus stands in the prophetic tradition of Elijah, Jeremiah, and John the Baptist. He is the one who carries a message about justice for all and care for the most vulnerable and needy people. Jesus is the Son of the living God. He is not the son of the false Roman or Greek gods, not the god of states, but the God of all creation, and all the people in it. **Jesus' God is active, faithful, and just.** That is who the disciples came to realize Jesus was. Peter often got things wrong but not this time. Often, we try to figure out what Jesus is asking of us, and we don't get it right. Perhaps we are looking for the wrong things. Jesus was setting the stage for when he would leave, and he wanted to be able to entrust his mission to those who had faith in him. Peter and the apostles eventually got it and their faith blazed forth into the Church. We are all asked the same question and Jesus wants us to also come up with the same life-changing realization about who he is.

Only when we know this answer in the depth of our hearts will we be prepared to be the kind of disciple upon whom Jesus can continue building his Church.

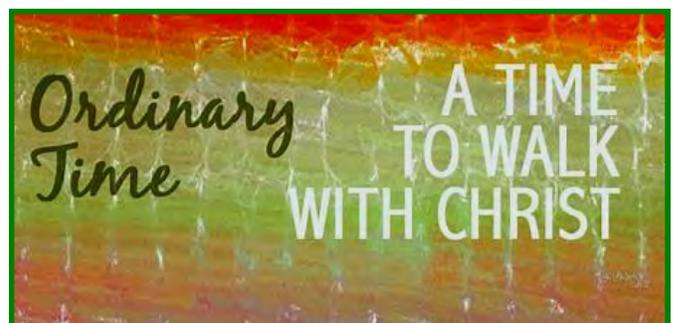
Jesus gave the keys to the kingdom to this new Church, embodied in Peter but including all who believe. The Church has the power to loosen the constraints of laws that bind too tightly. Our living and dynamic Church can come to a clearer understanding of what is required in each age, changing laws and rules accordingly. Simple rules change as well as difficult ones. Jesus is the one who uses laws for greater freedom; not for keeping us constrained. Then it is up to us to use this freedom and show together that Jesus is the one who brings us to the freedom of God. Remember that we are one Body in Christ!

Please remember to take home a copy of the bulletin when you leave Mass today or read it on the parish website (www.SaintRaymonds.org). It contains many items of interest and information 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 the new round of **Parish Picks** (still plenty of drawings to get in on), 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.

Let us keep praying for all those suffering from COVID-19. May they soon regain their health. Let us also remember those who have died from this virus and their families. We pray too, for all medical and emergency personnel who continue to meet the challenges of this health crisis. And may those in research find safe and effective treatments and vaccines that will help defeat this virus.

Have a great week. **Smile, share, keep your focus on Jesus and remember: To be in your children's memories tomorrow you have to be in their lives today.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



Parish Social Ministry
The Heart of the Parish

The Parish Social Ministry is back!

"Our Lady has never refused me a grace through the recitation of the rosary." Padre Pio

Pantry needs for this week: Coffee, Mayo, Jelly, Jell-o, Pudding, Packaged potatoes, Cooking oil, Carrots, Beets, Mixed vegetables.

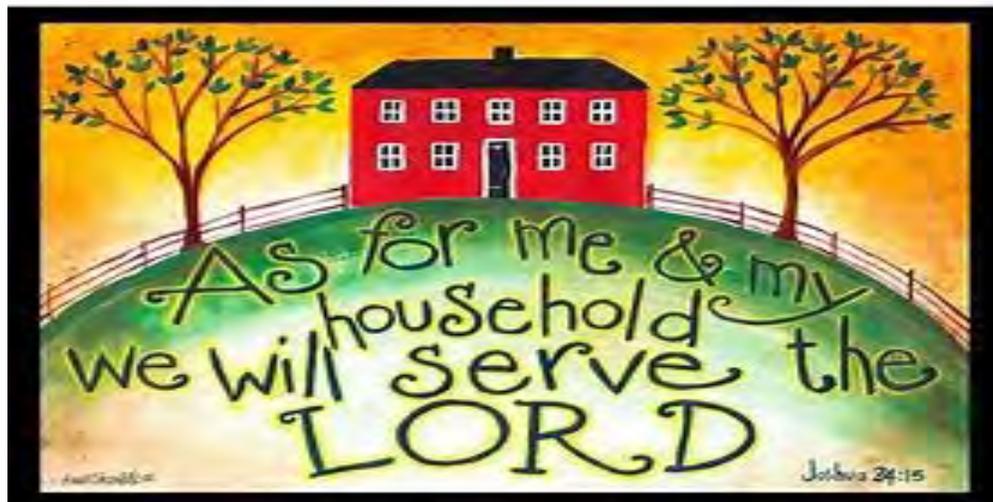
Please note that the home prayer group is now active and ready to pray for your requests. Prayer requests can be dropped off in the boxes provided for you in the church. Thank you for your support.



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



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.

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 ALL PARENTS. PLEASE FILL THEM OUT AND MAIL BACK TO THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE WITH FULL PAYMENT – DO NOT COME TO THE OFFICE OR FAX THE FORMS TO US. ALL NEW STUDENTS TO THE PROGRAM MUST FILL IN.

ATTENTION 2ND GRADE PARISH PARENTS

With our prayers that we can have

First Holy Communion ceremonies, the dates are:

Saturday, September 12th, 2020 @ 12Noon
Mass for Groups 1 & 2

Saturday, September 19th, 2020 @ 12Noon
Mass for Groups 3 & 4

If for some reason you are unable to attend your assigned date, please let us know ASAP and you can surely participate in the other date. We will continue to keep you advised of additional instructions, etc as we go along over these next months.

Assignments were forwarded home to each grade via e-mail. Families are kindly asked to join FORMED which can be found on the parish website. Instructions on how to register for FORMED were included in the e-mail as well. The short videos that have been assigned to each grade are found in this platform. In order to complete the 2019/2020 Religious Education school year, the students and their parents are asked to view the video together and to write a short paragraph about the video. Each video assignment should be done on three separate sheets of paper. Please have the child write his/her name on the top of each sheet, their grade and the name of the video that they watched and write or type their thoughts about the video. Please staple the three pages together so that assignments can be collected and attach them to your child's 2020/2021 Religious Education Registration form.



Principal's Corner
Sister Ruthanne

Today's readings speak of the wisdom and knowledge of God. St. Paul writes: "How inscrutable are his judgements and how unsearchable his ways!" During this time of pandemic, I think that for some of us it is rather easy to fall into a questioning stage about God's wisdom. We may ask why He is allowing this virus to take hold of our world and when it will come to an end. However, that may not be ours to know. It is instead a time for us to show our faith in the Lord, to pray for one another and trust that all will be well again - in God's time, not ours.

Now we have about 15 days before the start of the new school year. Hopefully, everyone is excited to return to class after what seems like an eternity! We all know that things will be different than we have experienced in the past, but at least we will all be together. We are scheduled to begin on Tuesday, the 8th with children arriving at 7:45 am. Students from Kindergarten to Grade 5 will use the cafeteria door, while the students in our BRIDGE (6-8) will use the front door. All will have temperature checks before being allowed to enter the building. Once inside the students will report directly to their assigned classrooms. There is not general gathering in the cafeteria or on the front lot. (Unfortunately, that also means there will be no "Coffee and Conversation" for the parents this year. Sorry, everyone.)

Though there are many changes this year, one thing that does not change is the requirement for physicals and immunizations. Now more than ever we need to consider the health and safety of all our children and staff. Please remember that ALL immunizations MUST BE UP TO DATE. Normally at this time I would remind parents and guardians that if they were volunteering for any school program or activity with the children that they must be cleared through Virtus and have a background check. It is not a bad idea to be prepared, but for no extra person is allowed in the building (not even for lunch duty!). Thanks for your understanding.

Please note that Paul Effman Music has contacted the school to inform us that the instrumental music program will be taught 100% online this school year - given after-school, outside of school hours and from home. They have created an online Demonstration/Recruitment page with videos, information on the importance of music, the online classes, and links to register online. Please visit their website at: <https://pemusic.com/join> for all the information needed.

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)

Ticket Cost	Number of Tickets for each \$60.00	Free Tickets	BONUS TICKETS	TOTAL AMOUNT 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**
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. (Each ticket is good for 6 months of chances and costs \$60.)

Name: _____ Envelope #: _____

Address: _____

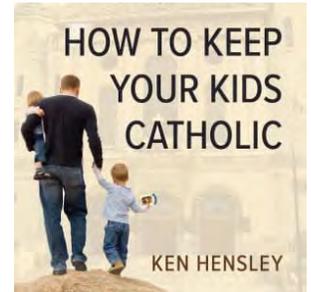
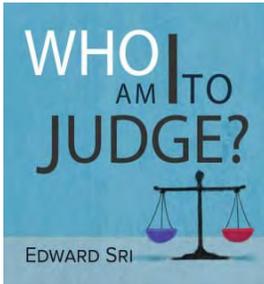
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____



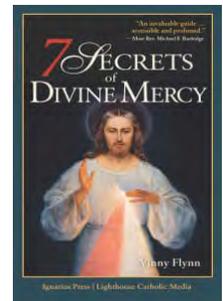
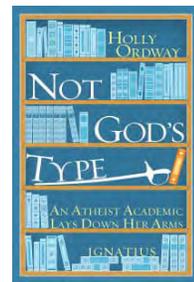
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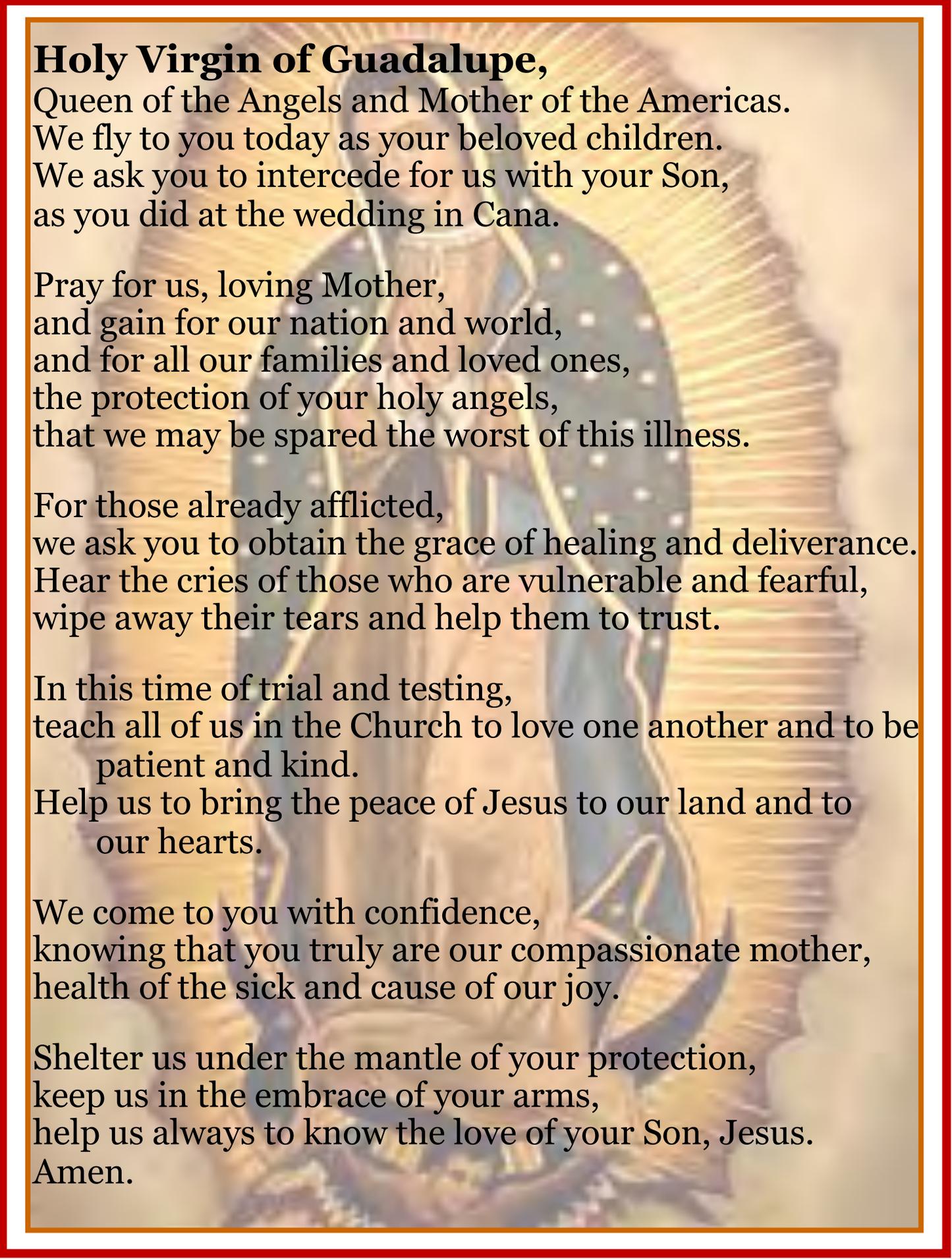


GO TO THE ST. RAYMOND WEBSITE FOLLOW THE **FORMED** LINK TO REGISTER IT'S FREE!



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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.

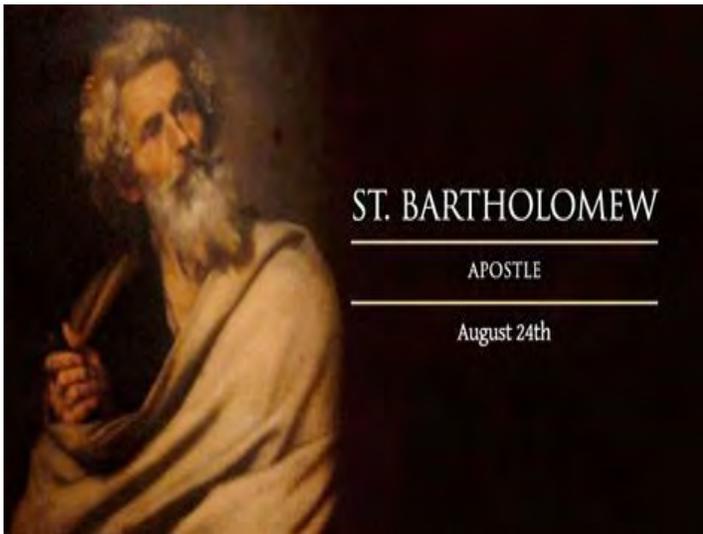
Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

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.



ST. BARTHOLOMEW

APOSTLE

August 24th

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament, I love You above all things and I desire to receive You Into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen



ST. MONICA

Widow

FEAST: AUGUST 27

One of the most famous mothers of all time, she persisted in prayer and example until she brought her son Augustine back not only to the faith and to penitence, but to an illustrious life in the Church. She did not live to see her son's success, but died shortly after his conversion.

Prayer

In Your mercy, Lord, You received the tears of St. Monica as she wept for her son. At the intercession of both mother and son, give us grace to weep for sin and to obtain Your forgiveness.

800-174



St. Raymond Human Life Committee

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PRAYER PROGRAM TWO MONTH OLD DEVELOPING BABY

Your spiritually adopted baby is making progress developing all his or her internal and external organs. At just 35 days after conception, the baby has all his or her fingers. Brain waves can be detected at 40 days and the brain is controlling 40 sets of muscles as well as the organs. His or her mother can hear her baby's heartbeat now on an ultrasound stethoscope. The jaw forms including teeth buds in the gums. And it has been reported that at just two months the baby can suck his or her thumb! The eyelids seal during this time to protect the baby's light-sensitive eyes that will re-open in the seventh month. The stomach produces digestive juices and the kidneys begin to function. This tiny human being responds to touch. By eight weeks, the growing baby is now referred to as the "fetus", a Latin word meaning "young one" or "offspring". From this moment on, your spiritually adopted baby grows and refines his or her body. Everything the baby needs to survive once he or she is born is already present by the end of the eighth week. Please continue praying for your little one as most surgical abortions are done between the eighth and twelfth weeks of the unborn baby's life. Also, please check out the posters located at any of the Church's bulletin boards which depict the the unborn baby at two months. Pollster Harrison Hickman spoke to the 1989 conference of the National Abortion Rights Action League and warned his pro-abortion audience:

"Nothing has been as damaging to our cause as the advances in technology which have allowed pictures of the developing fetus, because people now talk about the fetus in much different terms than they did 15 years ago. They talk about it as a human being, which is not something that I have an easy answer to cure."

And right he is, what else can the being the mother is carrying in her womb other than a HUMAN being!

**The so-called right to abortion
has portrayed the
GREATEST OF GIFTS**

**~ a child ~
as a competitor,
an intrusion and
an inconvenience.**

~ Mother Teresa



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

2018-2019 Silver Circle Membership Form

Name (Please check if new member)

Street Address (Please check if new address)

City State Zip

email address

Telephone



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

1st Place—\$1,000

#188-Rita Miller

2nd Place—\$500

#702-Dorothy Caraher

3rd Place—\$250

#141-Janet Matthews

4th Place—\$250

#597-William Regan

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



God Bless Our Newly Baptized

Daniel James O'Moore

Claire Margaret Nevolis

Juliette Deborah Aprile

Carraic Bayern Meehan

Quinn Everleigh Davis



WITH GOD ALL
THINGS ARE POSSIBLE



HOW DO YOU PRAY THE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

The Eucharistic Adoration is a prayer (it normally lasts an hour, called Holy Hour) that is made before the Blessed Sacrament.

Steps to pray:



1. REALIZE WHO IS PRESENT

Place yourself in the presence of Christ.



2. GIVE THANKS

Be thankful for this moment of prayer and for all the blessings the Lord has given you.



3. ASK

Present Him all your intentions and the intentions of those around you.



4. MEDITATE

In a moment of silence, try to listen to the voice of God.



5. ASK FOR FORGIVENESS

Express your sorrow for the world's sins and your own.



How to pray? 10 ways of praying



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

Come spend some time
with Jesus!



Stewardship *a way of life*

Who is Jesus to you? Is He just a role model and wise man? Or is He the Christ, the Son of the living God? Think about your relationship with Him as you enter this upcoming week.

Prayer and Quotes of **St. Augustine**

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit,
That my thoughts may all be holy.

Act in me O Holy Spirit,
That my work, too, may be holy.

Draw my heart O Holy Spirit,
That I love only what is holy.

Strengthen me O Holy Spirit,
To defend all that is holy.

Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,
That I always may be holy.

"You have created us for Yourself,
O Lord, and our hearts are
restless until they rest in You."

"To fall in love with God
is the greatest of romances,
to seek Him the greatest adventure,
to find Him the greatest
human achievement."

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Basic Virtual Religious Studies Course (2020)

Via Zoom

Church

August 24 – August 27, 2020

7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Christology

August 31 – September 3, 2020

7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Building Intercultural Competence for Ministers

Via Zoom

Evening

Oct 12, 19, 26; Nov 2, and 9

7:15 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Mornings

Oct 13, 20, 27; Nov 3, and 10

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



First Holy Communion





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 car 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.

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



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

Catholic Health Services Skilled Nursing Facilities

Recognized for Excellence

CHS offers three highly recognized skilled nursing facilities, providing both short- and long-term care for patients and residents.

Good Samaritan Nursing & Rehabilitation Care Center,
Sayville

St. Catherine of Siena Nursing & Rehabilitation Care Center,
Smithtown

**Our Lady of Consolation Nursing & Rehabilitative Care
Center,** West Islip

CHS sees each individual as a whole, requiring care of the body, mind and spirit. Safe, compassionate care in the Catholic tradition.

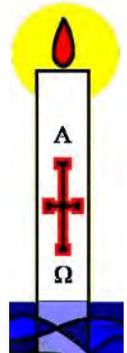
Caring isn't just what we do. It's who we are.



**Catholic
Health Services**
of Long Island

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.



Masses for this Week

Monday, August 24th *St. Bartholomew*

7:15am Ron Tanna
8:45am Patrick O'Connor

Tuesday, August 25th

7:15am Edward Collins
8:45am Francis Carcher

Wednesday, August 26th

7:15am Kathy Stiffer
8:45am GERALYN DELGIORNO GLEASON

Thursday, August 27th *St. Monica*

7:15am Msgr. William Jablonski
8:45am Dolores DeLuca

Friday, August 28th *St. Augustine*

7:15am Fr. Tim Hirten
8:45am Henry Metzger

Saturday, August 29th

8:45am Patsy Velardi, Daniel O'Brien
John Heckin, Yvonne O'Reilly
5:00pm Helen & Frank Venis

Sunday, August 30th

7:30am Maria Coppola
9:00am Arthur Joseph DeMartini, Sr.
10:30am Cathy Turner
12:00pm Gladys Chiaffetelli, Ron Tanna
Diosa Ruiz
4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

RV 21:9B-14/JN 1:45-51

Tuesday

2 THES 2:1-3A, 14-17/MT 23:23-26

Wednesday

2 THES 3:6-10, 16-18/MT 23:27-32

Thursday

1 COR 1:1-9/MT 24:42-51

Friday

1 COR 1:17-25/MT 25:1-13

Saturday

1 COR 1:26-31/MK 6:17-29

Sunday

JER 20:7-9/ROM 12:1-2/MT 16:21-27

Please Pray for Our Sick

Fr. Tom Moriarity, Deacon Rich LaRossa, Valerie Fellows, Margaret Mary Barbato, Lydia Dengel, Marie O'Brien, Thomas Botkin, Jodi Neckles, Mary Lynch, Annemarie Montell, Lee Wilson, Ann Marie, Baby Azai Morris, Dr. Sam Iyer, Olivia Bonino, Veronica, Zeldia, Gina, Marie, Joan Elyn Cullen, Pat Bolino, Nick S., Anthony B., Alyssa B., Anthony DaMato, Jeanette Kostyrka, Jane Gelson, Michael Conconan, Betty McCormack, Cathy Maziejka, Stephen Iervalino, Ralph Cerrato, Joe DelGirno, Sky Mary Cirrito.

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



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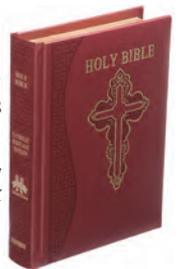
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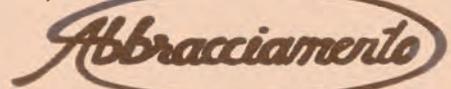
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