

Masses

Saturday Eve 5:00PM
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM,
12 Noon and 4:30PM

Daily 7:15, 8:45 AM
Saturday 8:45 AM

Pastoral Team

Pastor
Father Chuck Romano

Associate Pastors
Father Vincent H. Buls
Father Theodore Iloh

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Deacon Thomas Wm. Connolly, T.O Carm
Deacon Guy Donza, S.F.D.
Deacon Thomas J. Malone Jr., T.S.A.

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Deacon Richard W. LaRossa

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Sr. Ruthanne Gypalo, I.H.M.

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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, February 16, 2020

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

Jesus said to his disciples; "do not think that I have
come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come
not to abolish but to fulfill."

-Matthew 5:17



February 16, 2020

Sixth 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

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

Monday, February 17th

1:00-2:30pm Human Life Committee

MWMR

7:30 Sodality

Cafeteria

Tuesday, February 18th

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

MWMR

7:30-9:00pm Handbell Choir

Church

Wednesday, February 19th

9:00am Art Club

MWMR

7:30pm Choir

Church

Thursday, February 20th

9:30am Bible Sharing

MWMR

Saturday, February 22nd

3:30pm Confessions

Church



The Rectory office will be
closed tomorrow, Monday,
Feb. 17th in observance of
President's Day. The office
will reopen on
Tuesday, February 18th.



Today is...

Hospitality Sunday!

All are welcome to
St. Raymond's Hospitality!
Please join us after the 9:00am,
10:30am, and 12 Noon Masses
for refreshments and friendship
in the school cafeteria.

*This month's Hospitality is sponsored by
The Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts*

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,

Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time! This Sunday's readings challenge us to decide whether we will live and grow in our covenant relationship with God or just let it atrophy. In the first reading from Sirach, the human ability to choose is emphasized. God has given us all the divine graces needed to make the best of choices. The first choice we have to make is whether to trust in God or not. **"Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him."** Then in the second reading from 1 Corinthians, Paul reminds the people that the wisdom of God is beyond anything in this world. It takes spiritual maturity to recognize it. **"What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him, this God has revealed to us through the Spirit."** And finally, Matthew's gospel account continues the Sermon on the Mount. Here Jesus offers teaching that is seen from the perspective of the kingdom of heaven. The focus is on righteousness, not literal interpretations. When Jesus says, **"You have heard that it was said..." he follows with, "But I say to you..."** Jesus requires everyone to get below the surface of the teaching and be challenged by its deeper meaning.

One of the most amazing things about how we are made in the image and likeness of God is that we have free will. And it is this continuous gift of free will that separates us from the rest of creation. Now with this great gift comes great responsibility. We must choose if we will follow the law of Moses and the prophets or if we will follow the latest trend. Now, when it comes to making choices, we also have the freedom to be open to the Spirit of God who reveals the will of God to us. Everyday we make choices that are not really life or death, yet we spend much time and energy settling upon a choice. Just consider how you decide what to buy when shopping. Now, if we only spent as much time discerning the choices we make in our relationship with God and each other in daily life! For us as Christians, it is Jesus who helps us grow in our relationship with God and one another. The decisions we make affect our relationship with God and one another because we are part of a community, namely, the Church. It makes all the difference how we use our free will to choose life over death, to act justly or unjustly, to do good or evil. We come together around the table of the Lord to continue receiving this gift of **"new and everlasting covenant."** But we do not simply come here for prideful individualism. This new and everlasting covenant will help us mature in the wisdom of the Lord, so that we may always make life giving choices.

As you may already know, the diocese recently announced a new endeavor aimed at revitalizing our Catholic Elementary Schools. It is called **The Morning Star Initiative** which under the mantle of Mary the Morning Star, will work for a new dawn of Catholic education across Long Island. There are brochures located on the pew shelves of the church which spells out this new initiative. In addition, there is a special website that you can look at to see all that is happening. The link can be found on our own parish website. Let us pray that Mary, the Morning Star will inspire us to this new dawn for our Catholic schools.

Please remember to take home a copy of the bulletin when you leave Mass today. It contains many items of interest and invitation with something for everyone. Of special note is news and needs from **Parish Social Ministry**, info from **Religious Education** and the **Principal's Corner** of St. Raymond School, an invitation for our eighth graders to apply for the **Sodality of Our Lady Scholarship Exam**, the ever present invitation to join **FORMED** (your Catholic Faith on demand-it's free!), an order form for the new round of **Parish Picks** which starts this month 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, help someone in need and make good and faith filled choices. Plus remember: Backsliding begins when knee bending ends.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck

But as it is written,

*Eye hath not seen,
nor ear heard,*



neither have entered into the heart of man,

the things which **God**
hath prepared for them that *love him*

1 Corinthians 2:9



Golden Wedding Jubilee Celebration

This spring, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at a special Mass on Sunday, May 3, 2020 at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Smithtown. The Mass will begin at 2:00pm. Bishop Robert J. Coyle will preside. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory office. Space is limited, registration will be accepted on a first come first served basis. The forms can also be found on www.drvc-faith.org. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 223.

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.



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.

Be Still, and know that I am GOD

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.

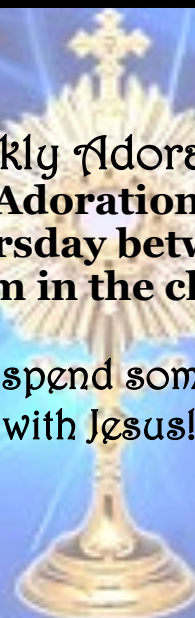


How to pray? 10 ways of praying



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

Come spend some time with Jesus!



Principal's Corner

Sister Ruthanne

We have made it to the middle of February which means that we must all deserve a little rest and relaxation since it's the WINTER RECESS. It is amazing to me how much appreciated this time off is each year. Recently it seems that our school gets overwhelmed with sickness during January and February. The week off gives us time to disinfect the surroundings so that hopefully all will be well when we return on the 24th. (from my lips to God's ears!!)

Once again, I would like to remind folks that St. Raymond School is accepting applications for all classes from Pre-K to 7. Anyone interested in becoming a member of our St. Raymond School Family should call the school office to arrange for a tour and to complete the required paperwork. For the process of registration families need to bring original BIRTH AND BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATES (with raised seals), a record of IMMUNIZATIONS (for all students) and copies of academic records (report cards and NYS and standardized testing results) for children entering grades 1 through 7. There is a **non-refundable \$150 registration fee**. Please contact the school for more information.

I want to be sure that everyone is aware that our annual **NIGHT AT THE RACES** will take place on Saturday, March 7th in the school auditorium. The \$25 entry fee includes a hot dinner and an evening of fun and laughter. You really don't need to know anything about horse-racing; you just need to be willing to take a chance! Of course, there are raffles, a live auction, AND a 50/50 (wouldn't be St. Raymond's otherwise!). Get your friends and grab a table! It has been quite a hit for the years that we've had it. Don't miss out on the fun. Call the school for tickets. Hope to see you then!

Have a safe and relaxing week! Enjoy the time with family and friends.

Religious Education — Faith Formation-

Evelyn Contaldi, Director

THERE ARE NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES AND THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DURING PRESIDENTS' WEEK - WEEK OF 2/17/2020. RELIGION CLASSES WILL RESUME AND THE OFFICE WILL RE-OPEN ON MONDAY 2/24/20.

THERE ARE NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES ON ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 2020.

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

The 7th Grade students will participate in a Stations of the Cross Presentation scheduled for Thursday, March 5th, 2020 at 7:30pm in St. Raymond Church. **Religious Education & St. Raymond School** seventh grade students, along with their parents, are to attend and witness this sacred production. There is a reflection paper in the Confirmation guidebooks that needs to be completed after the students attend this service. Kellenberg students and their parents are *invited* to attend.

There will be two mandatory rehearsals held from 7pm-8pm in St. Raymond Church on Monday, February 24th, 2020 and Tuesday, February 25th, 2020. All **active participating** Religious Education students as well as St. Raymond School **active participating** students need to attend both rehearsals. THESE REHEARSAL DATES ARE NOT FOR ALL 7TH GRADE STUDENTS - THEY ARE ONLY FOR THE STUDENTS WHO HAVE A SPEAKING PART OR WHO ARE A SYMBOL BEARER.

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.



Knights of
Columbus



**St. Raymond Knights of Columbus
Knight of the Year
Luncheon Honoring
Deacon Thomas Connolly**

**For his dedicated service to the
Knights of Columbus and the entire
St. Raymond Community**

Date: March 1, 2020

Time: 2pm-5pm

**Place: Hewlett Point Yacht Club
72 Seawane Avenue, East Rockaway
Full hot buffet lunch including
Beer, Wine, Soda, Coffee, Tea & Desserts**

**Donation: \$40 pp at the door
\$35 pp if paying in advance
Ages 13-18 \$15 pp—Under 12 Free!**

**RSVP: Anthony Barcia
516-220-251 (talk/text)
Email: abkoc@aols.com**



**St. Raymond
Human Life
Committee**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

DATES: WED., FEBRUARY 26 -

SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH

OPENING MASS - 9:00 A.M.

DATE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

CHURCH: ST. LADISLAUS CHURCH

18 RICHARDSON PLACE HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.

Following Mass, there will be a pro-life talk and video and a short procession to Planned Parenthood, 540 Fulton Avenue, Hempstead for peaceful witness for life and recitation of the Rosary **"40 Days for Life"** is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The mission is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a 40 day campaign with a purpose of repentance, to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a **"culture of death"** to a **"culture of life"**, thus bringing about an end to abortion. We have the opportunity to cooperate with God in carrying out His work. We put our faith in His Will and prayerfully discern how He wishes us to respond. More information will be in next week's bulletin.

**Next Human Life Committee Meeting:
Monday, February 17th, 1:00 - 2:30pm,
rectory lower level. All invited and needed!**



**Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series Continues
Liturgical Catechesis**

Tuesdays this Spring @7:30pm

February 25th: Liturgy and Our Covenant with God

March 31st: Liturgy and the Paschal Mystery in Us

May 12: Liturgy and St. Paul II Reform

June 9: Liturgy and Personal Growth

**Cure of Ars Parish School Auditorium
2323 Merrick Avenue Merrick, NY**

Advanced Registration in Appreciated

Please call or email to register:

Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850

westernvicariate@drvc.org

Or Cure of Ars. Merrick at 516-623-1400

All are Welcome—Bring Your Friends. Free Will Offering.



CYO Spotlight

Saint Raymond CYO would like to congratulate Coaches Joe Vuoto, Victor Milukas and Frank Russo and their 5th grade girls basketball team for receiving CYO's highest honor - the Sportsmanship award.



Saturday, March 7th at 6pm

St. Raymond School Auditorium

This is certain to be a fun-filled night!

**Races • Raffles
Dinner • Music**

*Live Auction ~ 50/50
...and more!*

**Tickets on sale at the school and
rectory offices for \$25 each.**

If interested, call Sr. Ruthanne at 593-9010.

Sodality of Our Lady of the Annunciation

*"Sodality is a women's organization
devoted in prayer
and service to the Blessed Mother.
The membership is active in many ways
doing what we call
"Mary's Work", helping those in need
in any way we can."*

February Meeting: Monday,

February 17, 2020

Place: St. Raymond's Cafeteria

Time: 7:30

Speaker: Deacon Thomas Connolly

**Topic: "Evangelizing our Domestic
(Family) Church"**

**SAVE THE DATE: Sodality Spring Dinner
at Pompeii Restaurant**

April 2, 20 @ 6 pm

**Please join us and bring a friend as we are
always looking for and
happy to welcome new members.**



**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.

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 **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. (Each ticket is good for 6 months of chances and costs \$60.)

Name: _____ Envelope #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

The St. Raymond Adult Choir

Invites you to sing in God's house!



"He who sings, prays twice!" St. Augustine

Come and join us as we sing and pray together during the 10:30am Mass on Sundays!

No Audition Required!

Choir rehearsals are held every Wednesday from 7:30-9:30pm in the Church Choir Loft.

Why not come to a choir rehearsal and see what we are about?

For more information, call Choir Director, Laura Garbitelli at 516-593-7345



Parish Social Ministry *The Heart of the Parish*

Light shines through the darkness for the upright; he is merciful and just. Well for the man who is gracious and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice.

Parish Pantry Needs: Peanut butter, Canned carrots, Canned potatoes, Beets, Peas and carrots, Mixed vegetables, Mayo, Salad dressing, Salt, Bread crumbs, Canned fruit, Canned milk, ketchup, Pudding, Jell-O.

*Thank you for your continued support.
We will keep you in our prayers.*



The Office of FAITH FORMATION DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS
February 2020 through March 2020
Register Online WWW.DRVC-FAITH.ORG

Building Intercultural Competences in Ministry

St. Frances Cabrini, Coram

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

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Roosevelt

Mondays, February 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.



The Office of FAITH FORMATION DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



Saturday, February 22, 2020

**St. Frances de Chantal
Parish Center - Smulski Room
1300 Wantagh Ave. Wantagh, NY
beginning promptly at noon**

MARDI GRAS PRAYER SERVICE & BRUNCH

**for adults with special needs
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Cost: \$15 Per Person

**Reservations & pre-payment
are necessary for this event!**

In case of cancellation no refund will be given.

**Visit drvc-faith.org/events/
for more information and to register**

SAINT ANTHONY'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESENTS



AN AFTERNOON OF CELTIC MUSIC

A BENEFIT FOR SAINT ANTHONY'S CELTIC PIPE BAND

SUNDAY MARCH 1

SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL
AUDITORIUM @ 2PM

FEATURING:

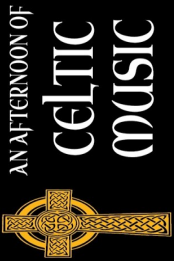
SAINT ANTHONY'S
CELTIC PIPE BAND

SAINT ANTHONY'S
IRISH STEP DANCING TEAM

SINGERS
NOEL AND NANCY



PLEASE RETURN FORM & CHECK TO: SAHS ALUMNI OFFICE | 275 WOLF HILL ROAD | SOUTH HUNTINGTON, NY 11747



NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

NO. OF TICKETS: _____

AMOUNT
ENCLOSED: _____

QUESTIONS? CALL THE ALUMNI OFFICE AT 631-271-2020 EXT 310



Living Stewardship

The First Reading today tells us that we have a simple choice: to follow God or not. Sometimes, however, we may not know what God is asking of us or we may be tempted to choose to disobey God. This week, ask the Lord in prayer to show you the way.

Sacrificial Giving

February 9, 2020: \$16,500

February 10, 2019: \$12,516

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





PRAYER FOR THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER

O God, Who by delivering
to Thy blessed Apostle Peter
the keys of the kingdom
of Heaven,
didst confer upon him the
pontifical power of binding
and of loosing,
grant that, by the help of
his intercession,
we may be delivered from
the bonds of our sins.
Who livest and reignest
with Thee,
One God,
world without end.

Amen.



AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE,
WE WILL SERVE THE LORD
~JOSHUA 24:16



The EAC Network is an in-home respite program, not for profit, social service agency that provides respite for caregivers of the elderly in Nassau County. Looking for adults to offer anywhere from 2-6 hours of relief each week. We introduce a caring person to visit their frail loved ones, keeping them safe and engaging them in appropriate activities. Our companions are trained and carefully screened. Reasonable fees of \$5-\$12 an hour sliding scale based on income of sick person. If you are or know someone caring for a family member, or if you are interested in visiting an older individual please call:

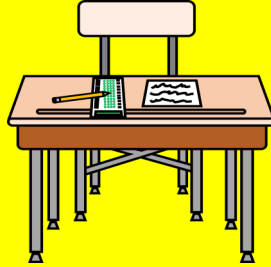
516-539-0150 extension 215 or 218
Or email: Inhomerespite@eac.org.



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.

Sodality of Our Lady Scholarship Exam 2020



- WHAT:** Three \$800 scholarships sponsored by the Sodality of Our Lady at St. Raymond's Church.
Three \$150 scholarships sponsored by Deacon Thomas Malone.
- WHO:** Any **eighth grade student**, living within the geographic boundaries of St. Raymond's Parish, who has been accepted for admission to a Catholic High School in September 2020.
- WHEN:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 3:30 pm.
- WHERE:** St. Raymond School Cafeteria
263 Atlantic Avenue
East Rockaway, NY 11518
- HOW:** To Register – Call or text Patricia Winter (516)376-0364 before Friday, February 28, 2020. **Your registration will be confirmed. If you have not received a confirmation please call again.**

**REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020**

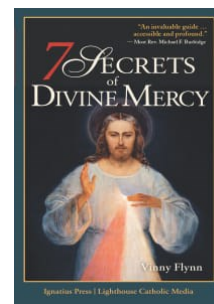
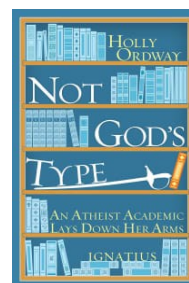
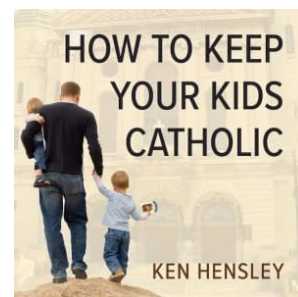
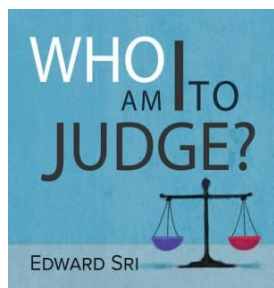
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Masses for this Week

Monday, February 17th

7:15am Richard Racioppi

8:45am James P. Donlon

Tuesday, February 18th

7:15am Frances Hess

8:45am Michael LeGrady

Wednesday, February 19th

7:15am Margaret McCormack

8:45am Anne Minchner

Thursday, February 20th

7:15am Donald B. Duggan

8:45am Anna & Edgar Hartt

Friday, February 21st

7:15am Loretta O'Connell

8:45am Terese Campbell

Saturday, February 22nd *Feast of the Chair of*

8:45am Dorina Staffa, *Saint Peter*

Teddy Ramos, Sr.

5:00pm Austin Biesty

Sunday, February 23rd

7:30am Daniel Carrano

9:00am Sharon Kogut

10:30am Mary & Thomas Russo

12:00pm Daniel Miller, Patricia Betzag,

Bob Lipari, John Schiro

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday

Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33

Friday

Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34-9:1

Saturday

1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

Sunday

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

Please Pray for Our Sick

Bridget Feminella, Fr, Tom Moriarity, Deacon Rich LaRossa
James Ryder, Margaret Mary Barbato, Lydia Dengel,
Thomas Botkin, Jane Fitzpatrick, Olivia Bonino, Jodi Neckles,
Mary Lynch, Annemarie Montell, Lee Wilson, Laurene Donnellan,
Pete Broughal, Ann Marie, Baby Azai Morris, Dr. Sam Iyer,
Veronica, Zelda, Gina, Marie, Joan Ellyn Cullen, Pat Bolino,
Nick S., Nick Taffner.

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



Rest in Peace

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Marilyn Conway

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Nicola Addona



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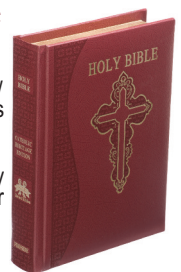
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