

## 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

## Pastoral Team

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Father Chuck Romano

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# The Parish of St. Raymond

*A Eucharistic Community of  
Faith, Love and Friendship*

Sunday, April 25, 2021

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000

*"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd  
lays down his life for the sheep"*

*-John 10:11*



April 25, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Easter

## 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.

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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.



**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



***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  
Lt. Com. Joseph Leahy US NAVY

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

## Father Chuck's Corner

**Greetings and God's continued Easter blessings be yours on the Fourth Sunday of Easter!** Today we celebrate "**Good Shepherd Sunday**," when we affirm Jesus as our Good Shepherd who is dedicated to his flock and lays down his very life for our protection and well-being. In the first reading from Acts, we have Peter making sure that the people understand that any healings they witness, like the crippled man's healing, is done solely through the name of Jesus Christ. And it is faith in Jesus that becomes our surest foundation cornerstone. "**He is the stone rejected by you the builders, which has become the cornerstone.**" Peter is saying all this to those who were bent on arresting him and John and having them thrown into prison. Then in the second reading from 1 John, we are called children of God. This distinction goes counter to what the world sees and judges. "**Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are.**" And finally, John's gospel gives us the image of the "**Good Shepherd.**" Jesus personifies this image, and it illustrates how he is the leader, is good, knows his sheep and they know him, and even extends his leadership to those outside of this flock. The ways Jesus leads are by service: "**I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.**"

All of us belong to different flocks and we have different shepherds who are the leaders of these flocks. Sometimes we are the shepherds. The important quality of a shepherd is to be trustworthy, someone you can count on. Whether you promise to read a bedtime story to your child or visit an elderly friend-do it! Whether you promise to pick up the bats and balls after practice or put out the trash-do it! Be trustworthy. Always see that you can be counted on and your flock will be encouraged. A good shepherd also does not leave the scene when wolves threaten or attack the flock. He or she stays seeing to the safety and needs of the flock. Although we may be tempted to run away from or distance ourselves from family members or friends who go through public scandal or are the source of gossip and teasing; a good shepherd stands by his or her flock, no matter what. In today's gospel, Jesus says that he will lay down his life for his sheep. He will give everything he has to guarantee their safety and salvation. The best shepherds are always willing to sacrifice for the good of others.

Although we can easily get lost in the fields of temptation, anxiety and despair, good shepherds stay the course. He or she does this by listening to the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and by following what the Good News tells us to do. **Love, show mercy, forgive, care for the least, feed the hungry, shelter the homeless and pray always. Be salt. Be light.** These are the ways to be good shepherds. Plus, all we do as good shepherds is meant to lead others to the kingdom of God, step by step, example by example and day by day. And always remember that we do not accomplish any of this on our own. Jesus the real Good Shepherd provides all we need to care for the sheep of his flock. May the gift of the Eucharist meet all our physical and spiritual needs of healing and strength.

This weekend we celebrated the first of our **First Holy Communion Masses.** I always say that this is the most important day in the life of a Catholic, when one can fully share in the gift of the Body of Jesus at Mass. From this day forward, we are as close to Jesus as we can get. And we receive the spiritual strength we need to live our lives in faith, hope and love. May our children who received for the first time today be filled with the love of and the love for Jesus all the days of their lives.

**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 an ad for adult Catholics to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Pentecost Sunday, the **Litany of St. Joseph** and other prayers for different occasions, 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 Fourth Week of Easter. **Keep spreading Easter joy as you smile and share with those in need. Plus remember: Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, faith looks up.** God bless always. **-Father Chuck**



# WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021-FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great

glory, Lord God, Heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the

Father, You take away the sin of the

world, have mercy on us;

You take away the sin of the world,

receive our prayer; You are seated

at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;

you alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

## The Our Father

Our Father,

Who art in heaven,

Hallowed be Thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy Will be done,

on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day

our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who

trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,

the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial

with the Father; through him all things

were made. For us men and for our

Salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate

of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under

Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand

of the Father. He will come again in

Glory to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the

Son, who with the Father and the Son is

adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and

apostolic Church. I confess one

Baptism for the forgiveness of

Sins and I look forward to the

resurrection of the dead and the

life of the world to come.

Amen.

# READINGS FOR TODAY'S MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021-FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## FIRST READING

**Acts 4:8-12**

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said: "Leaders of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple namely, by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is *the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone*. There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29**

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.  
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.  
I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD. I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his kindness endures forever.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

## SECOND READING

**1 Jn 3:1-2**

Beloved:  
See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

## ALLELUIA

**Jn 10:14**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.  
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.  
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

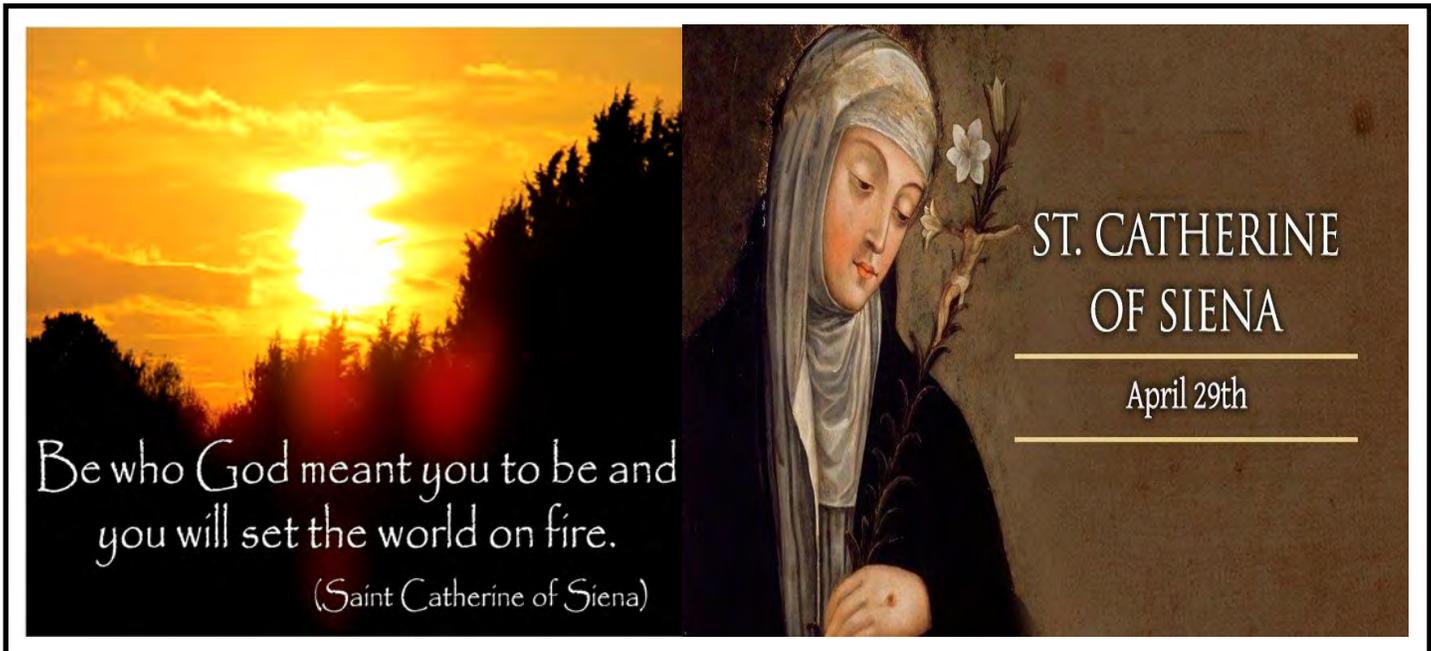
## GOSPEL

**Jn 10:11-18**

Jesus said:

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."





Be who God meant you to be and  
you will set the world on fire.

(Saint Catherine of Siena)

ST. CATHERINE  
OF SIENA

April 29th

# *Merciful God*

**Bless us with Your healing grace.**

**Heal those who are sick**

**Bring courage to those who are afraid,**

**Comfort to those who are mourning,**

**Strength to those caring for others,**

**Wisdom for those making decisions,**

**Insight for those looking for a cure.**

**Let us emerge from this trial**

**Secure in our hope and faith.**

*Amen.*

*God Bless Our  
Newly Baptized*

*Quinn Noelle Hewitt*

*Armando Nika*

*Juliana Nika*

*Valentino Nika*

*Sean Anthony O'Shea*

*Melissa Emanuella Bailey*

*Dylan Gabriel Dubuche*

*Declan Thomas Winter*

*Thomas Michael Nisivoccia*

*Timothy Christopher Schemmel*

*Sarah Felidia Alfaro*

*Mackenzie James Meo*

*Alessandra Marie Borgia*

*Logan Aaron Roberts*

*Lucian Henry Williamson*

*Caroline Wynter Martin*

*Antonia Rose Ciullo*

*Grace Deborah Little*

*Ralph Tucker Ruggiero*

*Austin Luke South*

*Max Enrique Fidele*

*Mason Vincent Milillo*

*Annabel Kelly O'Brien-Pratt*

*Samanth Grace Ballatore*

*Jaxson Brian Blaum*

*Valentina Maria Boccia*



**A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY**

**O Most Blessed Virgin Mary**, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.

Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this Land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed With the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in you motherly protection.

Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. **Amen.**

# SPRING FLOWER PLANT SALE

SUNDAY, MAY 16, 2021

7:30 AM TO 1:00 PM



AFTER ALL THE MASSES  
AT THE FRONT LAWN OF  
ST. RAYMOND'S CHURCH

ATLANTIC AVE., EAST ROCKAWAY

SPONSORED BY THE SODALITY

OF OUR LADY



STOP BY AND ENJOY A COFFEE AND  
A BAGEL, WHILE YOU SHOP.

PLEASE WEAR A MASK

WE WILL HAVE GLOVES

AND HAND SANITIZER IF NEEDED

CASH OR CHECK ACCEPTED

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.

**“Entering Canaan”  
Day of Prayer and Healing for Women-  
Saturday, May 15, 2021  
Please register by May 10th**

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

*All information will remain confidential.*

**Parish Social Ministry**

*The Heart of the Parish*

**“Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
his love is everlasting.”**

This week the pantry needs: Mashed potatoes  
Kidney beans, Chick peas, Pinto beans, White beans  
Beets, Jelly/ Jam, Juices, Deodorant, Cooking oil  
Mayonnaise, Sugar

**Thank you for continuing the work of  
this ministry. We pray for you each  
day giving thanks to the Lord.**



**STEWARDSHIP**



Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

Jesus, the Good Shepherd,  
loves us more than we can ever  
imagine. Let us return this love to  
Him by performing good works  
for our brothers and sisters



## *The Year of St. Joseph*

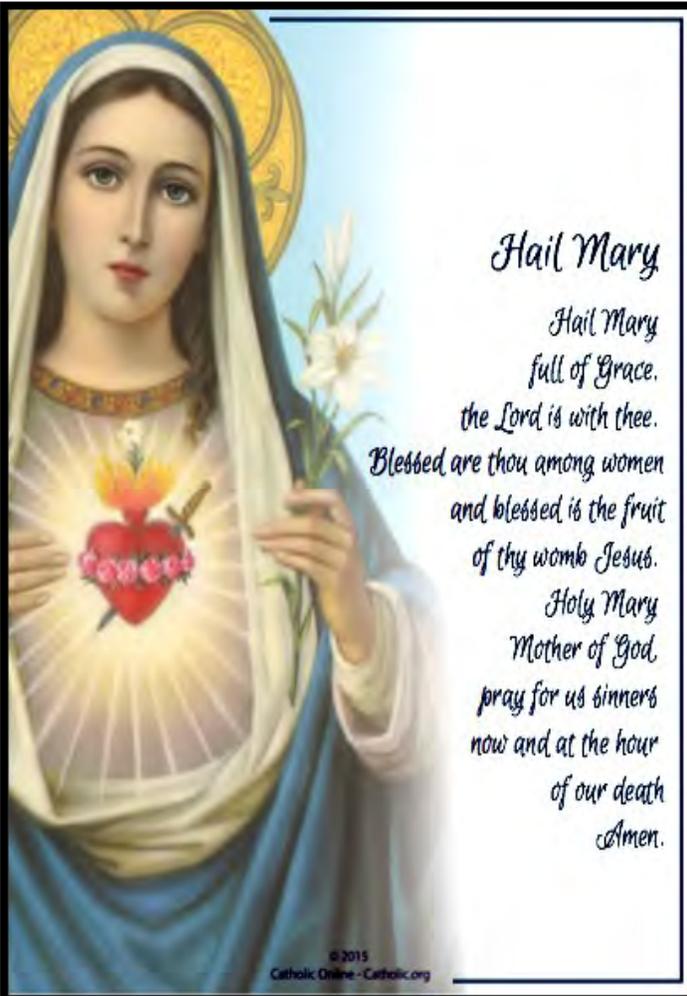
*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

*To you God entrusted his only Son; in you  
Mary placed her trust; with you Christ  
became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too, show  
yourself a father and guide us in the  
path of life.*

*Obtain for us grace, mercy, and  
courage, and defend us from  
every evil. Amen.*

*-Pope Francis*



### *Hail Mary*

*Hail Mary  
full of Grace,  
the Lord is with thee.*

*Blessed are thou among women  
and blessed is the fruit  
of thy womb Jesus.*

*Holy Mary  
Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners  
now and at the hour  
of our death  
Amen.*

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## Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

*Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.*

Jesus, hear us. *Jesus, graciously hear us.*

God, the Father of Heaven, *Have mercy on us.*  
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, *Have mercy on us.*  
God, the Holy Spirit, *Have mercy on us.*  
Holy Trinity, One God, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, *pray for us.*  
St. Joseph, *pray for us.*  
Renowned offspring of David, *pray for us.*  
Light of Patriarchs, *pray for us.*  
Spouse of the Mother of God, *pray for us.*  
Chaste guardian of the Virgin, *pray for us.*  
Foster father of the Son of God, *pray for us.*  
Diligent protector of Christ, *pray for us.*  
Head of the Holy Family, *pray for us.*  
Joseph most just, *pray for us.*  
Joseph most chaste, *pray for us.*  
Joseph most prudent, *pray for us.*  
Joseph most strong, *pray for us.*  
Joseph most obedient, *pray for us.*  
Joseph most faithful, *pray for us.*  
Mirror of patience, *pray for us.*  
Lover of poverty, *pray for us.*  
Model of artisans, *pray for us.*  
Glory of home life, *pray for us.*  
Guardian of virgins, *pray for us.*  
Pillar of families, *pray for us.*  
Solace of the wretched, *pray for us.*  
Hope of the sick, *pray for us.*  
Patron of the dying, *pray for us.*  
Terror of demons, *pray for us.*  
Protector of Holy Church, *pray for us.*



Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, *spare us, O Lord.*  
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, *graciously hear us, O Lord.*  
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world. *And prince over all his possessions.*  
He made him the lord of his household.

Let us pray, — O God, in your ineffable providence you were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most holy Mother; grant, we beg you, that we may be worthy to have him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our Protector: You who live and reign forever and ever.

**Saint Joseph, pray for us.**



**St. Raymond  
Human Life  
Committee**

After a speech, pro-life activist, Penny Lea, was approached by an old man. Weeping, he told her: "I lived in Germany during the Nazi Holocaust. I attended church since I was a small boy. We heard the stories of what was happening to the Jews, but like most people today in this country, we tried to distance ourselves from the reality of what was really taking place. What could anyone do to stop it. A railroad track ran behind our small church, and each Sunday morning we would hear whistle from the distance...We became disturbed when one Sunday we noticed cries coming from the train as it passed by. We grimly realized that the train was carrying Jews. They were like cattle in those cars! Week after week that train whistle would blow. We would dread to hear the sound of those old wheels because we knew that the Jews would be crying out to us as they passed our church. It was so terribly disturbing! We could do nothing to help those poor miserable people, yet their screams tormented us. We knew exactly what time that whistle would blow, and we decided the only way to keep from being disturbed by the cries was to start singing our hymns.. at the top of our voices. If some of the screams reached our ears, we'd just sing a little louder until we could hear them no more. Years have passed and no one talks about it much anymore, but I can still hear that whistle and hear them crying out for help in my sleep. God forgive all of us who called ourselves Christians, yet did nothing to intervene. Now, so many years later, I see it happening all over again in America. God forgive you Americans for you having blocked out the screams of millions of your own children. The holocaust is here. The response is the same as was in my country -

**"SILENCE!"**

(Heritage House '76, Inc.)

**Can we hear the cries of the babies in the womb? Can we look at the reality of abortion and go on with our business? Do we sing "a little louder"?"**

*"If we accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another?"*



*~ Mother Teresa*



**ASK Jesus  
what He wants from you  
and be BRAVE.**

—Pope Francis I

"It will come about after this that I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind; and your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Joel 2:28

*Pentecost Confirmation*

At this time I am accepting requests for the Sacrament of Confirmation from any adult Catholics of college age and older. The appropriate date each year for the conferring of Confirmation to adults is at a Pentecost Mass which signals the end of the Easter season.

***I will be celebrating Confirmation for all those adults wishing to receive their Confirmation on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the 5:00pm Pentecost Eve Mass.***

There will be a period of preparation before this date that is required of all candidates. If you are interested, please call the rectory at 593-5000 during office hours and tell the that you wish to be on the Adult Confirmation list. I will then get in touch with you. So if you meet the requirements and have not yet been Confirmed, here's your chance. Hope to hear from you.

—Father Chuck

***Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series  
Continues Liturgical Catechesis  
Tuesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.***

**April 27 Liturgy and St. John Paul II Reform**

**May 25 Liturgy and Personal Growth**

So that Bishop Andrzej can safely continue his Liturgical Catechesis lecture series, presentations in February and March will be available only through ZOOM. In order to be emailed the ZOOM link, you must register. Please see below for instructions on how to register in order to gain access to these presentations. If you already receive updates regarding Bishop Andrzej's presentation schedule, the ZOOM link will automatically be emailed to you.

**Please call or email to register:  
Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850;  
westernvicariate@drvc.org.**

**Religious Education- Faith Formation**  
*Evelyn Contaldi, Director*

**Religious Education classes for 2020/2021 school year ended on 04/22/2021. Information regarding 2021/2022 Religious Education school year will be forwarded to parents after the details have been confirmed.**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE**

Group 1-Saturday, April 24, 2021 at 11am  
Mrs. Joyce & Mrs. Layng classes plus  
home schooled children

Group 2-Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 11am  
St. Raymond School students & Mrs. Ohlsen's class

Group 3-Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 1pm  
Mrs. Hollenstein & Mrs. Casucci's classes

Group 4-Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 11am  
Mrs. Agnello & Mrs. Breuer's classes

Group 5-Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 1pm  
Mrs. Hannon & Mrs. Kelhetter's classes



**ATTENTION 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS**

Dates for 2021 Confirmation are not yet determined due to the pandemic. Parents will be advised as soon as a plan is put into place

**HOME TEACHING**

For parents who have opted to teach Religion to their children at home, the student's completed workbooks are due to the Religious Education office the week of 4/19/2021.

The office hours are Monday-Thursday 10am-4:30pm.

Please ring our door bell (door located in front of the school behind park bench – closest to parking lot). Wait to be buzzed in. Come up the stairs and please leave the book on the chair located outside the Religious Education office. Remember to write your child's name clearly on the front of the book.

**1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE PARENTS**

First grade parents have been teaching their children at home. The completed student workbooks are due to the Religious Education office the week of 4/26/2021. The office hours are Monday-Thursday 10am-4:30pm. Please ring our door bell (door located in front of the school behind park bench – closest to parking lot). Wait to be buzzed in. Come up the stairs and please leave the book on the chair located outside the Religious Education office. Remember to write your child's name clearly on the front of the book. If you want the book returned to you, please make note of that on the front of the book.

**2021  
MASS BOOK**



**The 2021 Mass Book is now open! Come into the Rectory and have a Mass said for a loved one!**

*"Put all the good works in the world against one Holy Mass; they will be as a grain of sand beside a mountain."*

*– St. John Vianney*

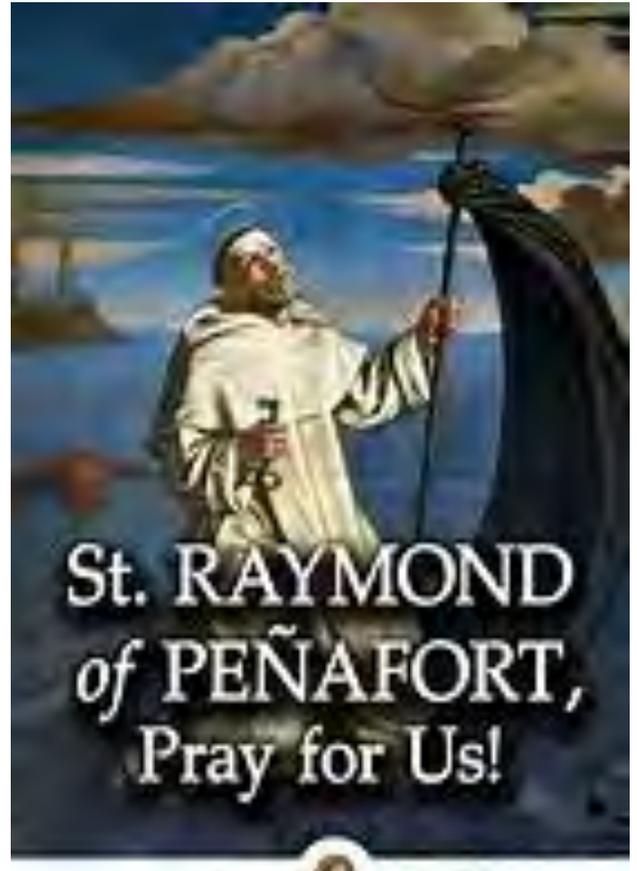
**Be Still, and  
know that I am  
GOD**



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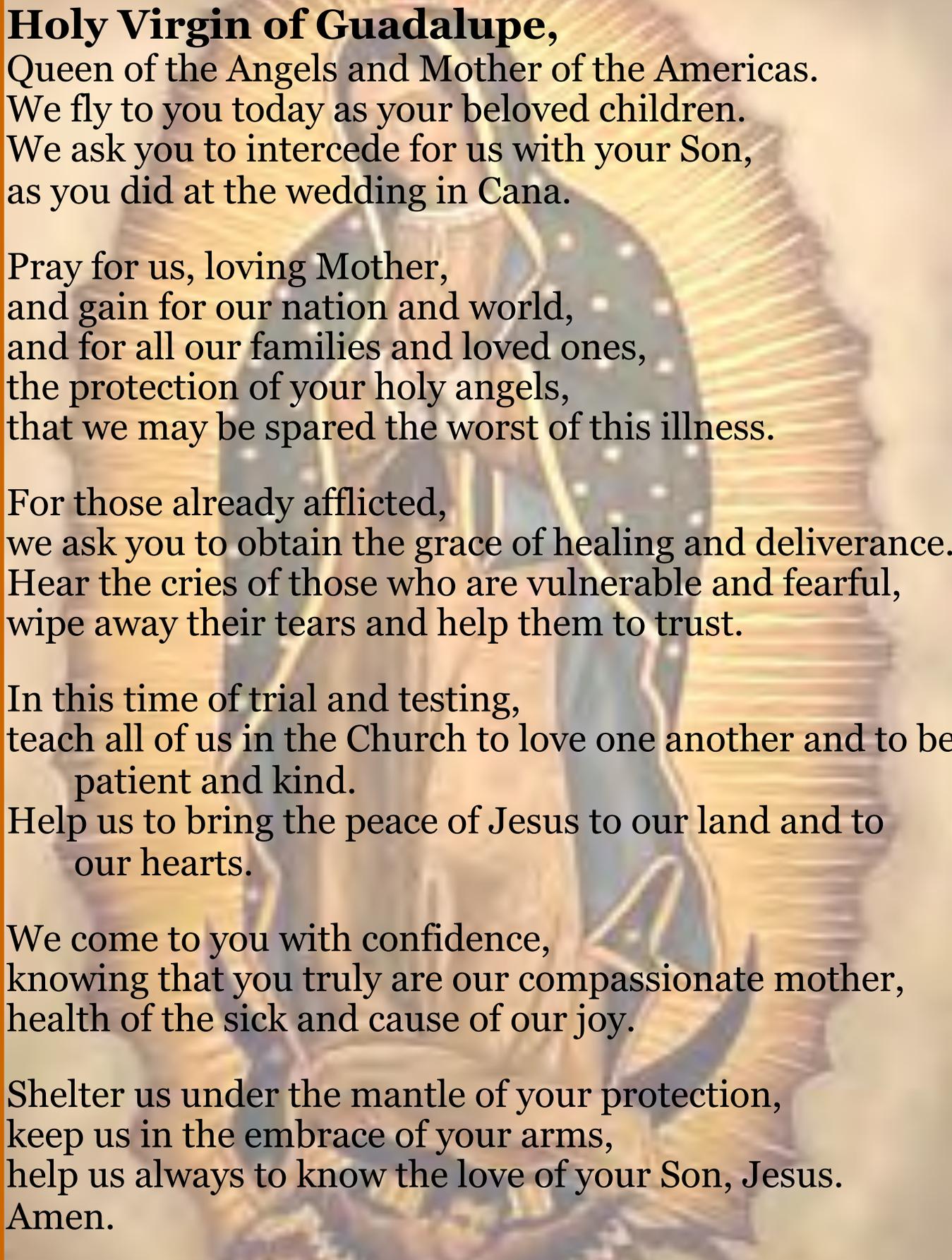
*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament, I love You above all things and I desire to receive You Into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You.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

*Amen*



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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.

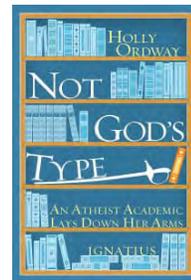
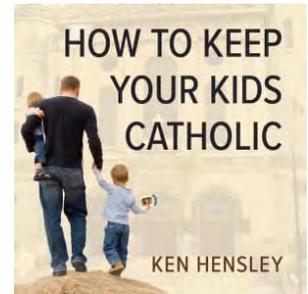
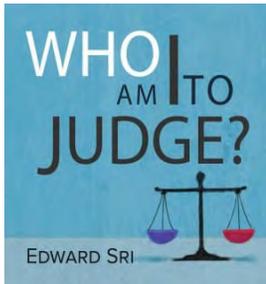
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,  
keep us in the embrace of your arms,  
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.  
Amen.



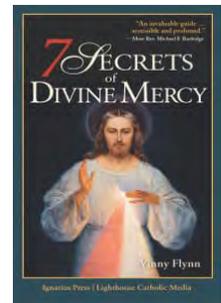
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**St. Raymond Memorials**

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.

**A Prayer as I put on my mask:**

Creator,

As I prepare to go into the world,  
Help me to see the sacrament  
In the wearing of this cloth-  
Let it be "an outward sign  
Of an inward grace"-

A tangible and visible way of living  
Love for my neighbors,  
Christ,

Since my lips will be covered,  
Uncover my heart,

That people would see my smile  
In the crinkles around my eyes.

Since my voice may be muffled,  
Help me to speak clearly,  
Not only with my words,  
But with my actions.

Holy Spirit,

As the elastic touches my ears,  
Remind me to listen carefully-

And full of care-

To all those I meet.

May this simple piece of cloth be  
Shield and banner,

And each breath that it holds,  
Be filled with your love.

In your name and in

The name of love

I pray.

May it be so, May it be so.





# Masses for this Week

## Monday, April 26th

7:15am Stanley J. Ligarzewski

8:45am Antonio Tavella

## Tuesday, April 27th

7:15am Faculty & Families of St. Raymond School

8:45am Sylvia and Francis DiRocco

## Wednesday, April 28th

7:15am Mary E. Lynch

8:45am Joseph A. Porter

## Thursday, April 29th St. Catherine of Siena

7:15am Alan Swital

8:45am Peter & Anne Ledwith

## Friday, April 30th

7:15am Lucy Illiano

8:45am Rosemarie Bonomo

## Saturday, May 1st

8:45am David Feldman (living), Salvatore M. Pirone  
Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00pm Thorne & Drugan Families

## Sunday, May 2nd

7:30am Jimmie Braggs

9:00am John R. Lynch

10:30am Joseph Saldutti

12:00pm Margaret Carinci, King Family  
Carmela Romanelli, Kathleen Ryan  
Peter Broughal, Loretta & Edward O'Connell  
Robert J. Chojnacki

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

### Scripture Readings for the Week

#### Monday

Acts 11:1-18 /Jn 10:1-10

#### Tuesday

Acts 11:19-26 /Jn 10:22-30

#### Wednesday

Acts 12:24—13:5a /Jn 12:44-50

#### Thursday

Acts 13:13-25 /Jn 13:16-20

#### Friday

Acts 13:26-33 /Jn 14:1-6

#### Saturday

Acts 13:44-52 /Jn 14:7-14

#### Sunday

Acts 9:26-31/ 1 Jn 3:18-24 /Jn 15:1-8

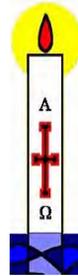
### Please Pray for Our Sick

Fr, Tom Moriarity, Deacon Rich LaRossa, Valerie Fellows,  
Jeanette Kostyrka, Margaret Mary Barbato, Taylor Clark,  
Liz Biondi, Jodi Neckles, Olivia Bonino, Anthony B., Alyssa B.,  
Bart Castellaneta, Victoria Wilkinson, Nick, Kathleen Clancy,  
Rob Ruggiero, Peter Scala, Suzie McHale, Baby Madison Grace  
Layman, Ellen Bretschneider, Hailey Faith Bevers,  
Ginny Kondrat, Baby Faith Madison, Pamela Guzzaro,  
Pat Bolino, Ann Marie Russo, Peggy Kelly, Joseph Murphy,  
Jim Kallstrom, Frank Pasqualino, Danielle Zollo.

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



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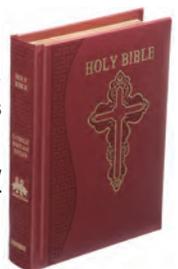
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