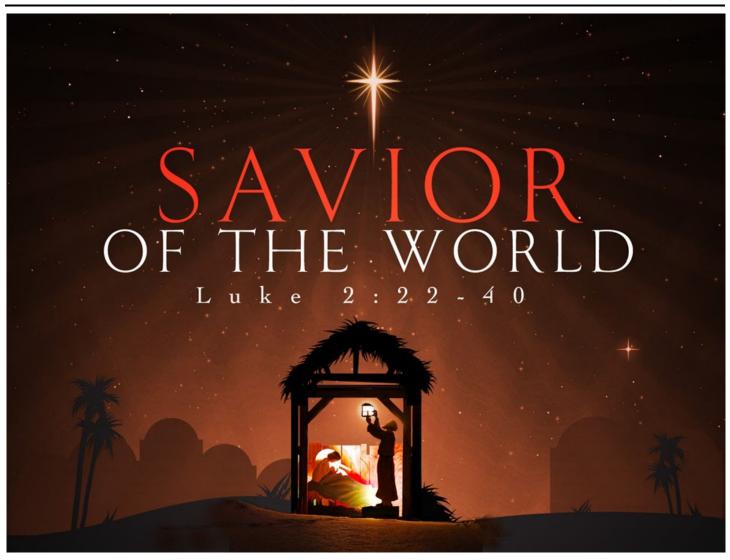


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DECEMBER 31, 2017



Sunday, December 31, 2017 - Mary, Mother of God – (New Year's Eve) 4:00 PM Mary, Mother of God, Vigil Liturgy

Monday, January 1, 2018 – Mary, Mother of God – (New Year's Day)

11:00 AM Mary Mother of God - Holy Day Liturgy



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12 Day Pilgrimage HOLY LAND and JORDAN October 30 ~ November 10, 2018 Hosted by Rev. Edward Panek

Jerusalem ... Bethlehem ... Sea of Galilee Nazareth ... Tiberias ... Caesarea-by-the Sea ... Jericho ... Masada ... Aqaba ... Wadi Rum ... Petra ... Mt. Nebo ... Jerash

Of all the places in the world, this is where God chose to come to earth. Jesus was born here, lived here, taught here, died here, and rose here. You will be in all of these places. You'll stand where the shepherds stood when the angels sang of Christ's birth. You'll hear the Sermon on the Mount where Jesus preached it. You'll pray the Lord's Prayer where Jesus first prayed it. You'll be reminded of your baptism where Jesus was baptized. You'll look up at a cross where Jesus' cross stood. And you'll go into the tomb, the open tomb, from which Jesus rose. But that will only be the beginning. A trip to the Holy Land continues for the rest of your life. Then there's the fun. You'll float on the Dead Sea. You'll ride in a jeep through the Jordanian desert. And if you choose, you'll experience culture and even night life in fascinating cities like Bethlehem, Petra, Nazareth, and Jerusalem. Having been to the Holy Land, I can tell you that there was never a moment when I didn't feel safe. Most moments, instead, were filled with amazement and gratitude.



11 Day - Oberammergau Passion Play
POLAND ... THE CZECH REPUBLIC
AUSTRIA and GERMANY
May 26 ~ June 5, 2020
Hosted by
Rev. Edward Panek
Krakow ... Salt Mines ... Auschwitz
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THE PROMISE

During the Thirty Years War the deadly plague raged throughout Europe, until in 1633 it reached even the tiny Alpine village of Oberammergau. During the next six months, so many villagers died of the Black Death, that the townspeople took a solemn Vow—if God would release them from the plague, they would perform once every ten years the story of the Passion of Christ. From the moment the Vow was taken, no one else in the village succumbed to the plague and so the first Passion Play was performed in 1634. What began as a single performance in the churchyard has developed over 380 years into a masterpiece of theater and music, with all the villagers involved either on stage or behind the scenes. The Play now takes place once every ten years.

Brochures available for both trips in the church office. For further information contact TWT

INFORMATIONAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 AT 1:00 PM

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Greetings and Happy New Year!

Throughout the years I have encountered many great opportunities to study and learn through what I call "lessons on the ground." Through traveling and exploring different lands, new worlds are opened to us. Friendships are deepened, and we are strangers no longer when we walk together and are challenged to support one another. One of the classic works of English literature is Geoffrey Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, which is an account of people traveling and growing together or succumbing to aggression as they make their way to the tomb of the martyred Bishop Thomas à Becket.

I am excited to inform you of a similar opportunity to travel and grow together in the upcoming new year, and I invite you all to join me on this possible trip. Come to a meeting to learn more and discover what a trip with fellow parishioners can look like! The meeting will be held in the Community Room on January 14 at 1 p.m. John Gibbs is hosting this gathering through Trans World Travel.

Fr. Ed Panek

EVENING OF MOURNING; EVENING OF HEALING MONDAY JANUARY 29TH 7:00 PM ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

THE CHURCHES OF ST. ALPHONSUS LIGOURI, ST. CECILIA, ST.EMILY, ST. RAYMOND, ST. THOMAS BECKETT AND THE HISPANIC MINISTRY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND THIS MULTI-PARISH, TRI-LINGUAL EVENING OF PRAYER, SONG, AND A PRESENTATION BY AMY FLORIAN, NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED BEREAVEMENT SPEAKER AND CONSULTANT.

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IS MOST WELCOME
TO COME TOGETHER WITH OTHERS
FOR THIS SPECIAL TIME OF SUPPORT
IN YOUR JOURNEY OF GRIEF.
HOSPITALITY WILL FOLLOW IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

Thank you to all those who generously contributed toward our beautiful altar flowers during the Christmas season. We will remember, throughout the year, all those in whose name these donations were made.

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Gathering of Women January 20, 2018 BRIDGET SPERDUTO

FINDING PEACE IN THE CHAOS

All women are invited to join us for St. Raymond's Gathering of Women on Saturday morning, **January 20, 2018** for Mass, breakfast, good company and a wonderful speaker. We begin with mass at 8:00 am, presentation at 9:00 am, and end at 11:00 am.

We are entering a new year on the heels of the season of "Peace and Goodwill for all." Do you feel it, or are you in knots over the social and cultural divides in our country? Has the state of our planet plunged you into unrest? Has the holiday season left you painfully aware of the rifts in relationships with those you love? Chaos throws us into an unbalanced, ungrounded state. Whatever is stealing your peace, this time together may be just what you need to reawaken to your true essence as love and your true vocation as joy.



Bridget Sperduto, M.Ed., is Director of the Well, a center for our sacred unity with God, Earth and one another. She is committed to cultivating and participating in the Christic field of inclusive, outpoured and communing love. Weaving storytelling, scripture, theological, and scientific concepts, Bridget invites adults and children into the profound presence and mystery of God around and within. Bridget is an associate of the Congregation of St. Joseph, is a spiritual director, educator director, educator and retreat facilitator.

TO REGISTER: Please call or submit the form to the PMC (847-253-8600), drop in the Sunday collection basket **OR** email: Darlene.mack@st-raymond.org

Registration for the Gathering of Women January 20, 2018

NAME:	
PHONE OR EMAIL:	
NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING:	



Through Our Alms We Touch the World



SPRED

Special Religious Development at St. Raymond's



For more than 20 years St. Raymond's has welcomed adult persons with developmental and intellectual challenges, as well as other special needs to learn and participate in our mutual Catholic faith. All of the "Friends" welcomed at St. Raymond's live in special group homes. A number of other parishioners are welcomed in other SPRED or other program around the Archdiocese.

The goal of SPRED is to help these adults with physical and intellectual developmental disabilities increase an awareness of God in their lives, and a sense of belonging to a loving community at St. Raymond's. This is accomplished through meaningful one-on-one relationships with our parishioner volunteer catechists. Our Friends and catechists participate in the sharing of the Word and what it means in our lives through a sacred circle discussion, song, and a meaningful activity. Towards the end of each session our Friends and catechists participate in the sharing of food, agape. Our Friends always are sent home with a message of love and a few stems of fresh cut flowers.

Please make the donations payable to St. Raymond's SPRED. If you are interested in learning more about the St. Raymond's SPRED program, or are interested in becoming a SPRED catechist at St. Raymond's please contact one of the following people:

Sue Rudnick at rudsmc@comcast.net or (847) 818-1906 Kathleen Jensen at jjensen118@yahoo.com or (847) 398-1686 Val Roppolo at vroppolo@roppolorealtors.com or (847) 577-2457

Please place your donations for St. Raymond's SPRED in the green alms envelopes. Thank you for any donation you are able to make.

The St. Raymond Alms Committee searches for organizations which reflect the needs of the "least of our brothers." If interested in joining us, please contact the Parish Ministry office at 847-253-8600. All Are Welcome!

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Our Eyes as Windows to our Souls Ron Rolheiser, OMI

Most all of us worry about aging, especially in how it affects our bodies. We worry about wrinkles, bags under our eyes, middle-age fat, and losing hair where we want it only to find it on places where we don't want it. So every now and then, when we look in a mirror or see a recent photograph of ourselves, we are shocked at our own faces and bodies, almost not recognizing ourselves as we see an old face and old body where we are used to seeing a young one.

But examining ourselves for signs of aging isn't a bad practice, except that we should be looking for things other than wrinkles, loose skin, hair loss, and weight gain. With these bodily things, nature eventually has its way. Where we should be looking for signs of aging is in our eyes. It's there where the real signs of aging and senility reveal themselves.

If we were to set up a mirror and stare straight into our own eyes, what would we see? Are our eyes tired, unenthusiastic, cynical, lifeless, dead? Do they radiate mostly anger and jealousy? Is there any fire there? Are they so deadened so as to be incapable of being surprised? Have they lost their innocence? Is there still a child buried somewhere behind them?

The real signs of senility are betrayed by the eyes, not the body. Loose skin merely reveals that we are aging physically, nothing more. Bodies age and die in a process as inevitable and natural as the changing of the seasons, but dead eyes signify a more deadly senility, something less natural, a fatigued spirit. Spirits are meant to be forever young, forever childlike, forever innocent. They are not meant to deaden and die. But they can die through a lack of passion, through the illusion of familiarity, through a loss of innocence and wonder, through a fatigue of the spirit, and through practical despair.

Despair is a curious thing. Mostly we despair not because we grow weary of the shortcomings and sufferings in life and, at last, find life too much to take. Rather we despair for the opposite reason, namely, we grow cynical of joy. Joy lies in experiencing life as fresh, as novel, as primal, as a child does, with a certain purity of spirit. This type of joy is not pleasure, though there's pleasure in it. Pleasure of course can be had without joy but that kind of pleasure is the product of a lack of wonder and reverence in experiencing. That kind of pleasure is initially experienced as a victory, as a throwing off of naiveté, as liberation; but it soon turns into defeat, into dullness, boredom, and a deadened eros. Our palate loses its itch for tasting. Our

enthusiasm dies and a certain fatigue of the soul sets in. There is nothing left in us that's fresh and young, and our eyes begin to show this. They lose their sparkle, their childlikeness.

In her poignant novel, Stone Angel, Margaret Laurence describes her heroine, a despairing lady named Hagar, looking into a mirror and saying to herself: "I stood for a long time, looking, wondering how a person could change so much...So gradually it happens. The face – a brown and leathery face that wasn't mine. Only the eyes were mine, staring as though to pierce the lying glass and get beneath to some true image, infinitely distant."

A good look in the mirror for most of us, sadly, reveals much the same, a lifeless face that's not really ours and dull eyes, our own, but hidden beneath a lying glass. Somewhere the fire has gone out; our eyes and face are devoid of wonder and innocence.

What's to be done? We need to take a good long look at ourselves in a mirror and study our eyes, long and hard, and let what we see shock us enough to move us towards the road of unlearning, of post-sophistication, of wonder, or renewed innocence. Here's the counsel: Go to mirror and stare into your eyes long enough until you see there again the boy or girl who once inhabited that space. In that, wonder will be born, a sparkle will return and, with it, a freshness that can make you young again.

Our eyes don't grow tired, rather they get buried. That's what causes the blank, passionless stare. Bodies tire, but eyes are windows to the soul and they are forever eager to see. One of the contrasts between Christianity and Buddhism has to do with the eyes. The Buddhist saint is always depicted with his or her eyes shut, while the Christian saint always has them open. The Buddhist saint has a sleek, harmonious body, but his or her eyes are heavy and sealed with sleep. The Christian saint's body is wasted to the bone, but his or her eyes are alive, hungry, staring. The Buddhist's eyes are focused inwardness. The Christian's eyes are staring outwards, hungry, full of wonder.

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Human Dignity & Solidarity—Immigration Ministry

National Migration Week Mass

Many Journeys, One Family

Presided by Cardinal Blase J. Cupich

Feast of the Epiphany 5:15 p.m. | January 7, 2018

Holy Name Cathedral

730 North Wabash, Chicago, IL 60611

For more information: José Torres, Arturo Gonzalez, or Raymundo Valdez at 312.534.8103 or jtorres@archchicago.org, agonzalez@archchicago.org, or rvaldez@archchicago.org or visit: www.catholicsandimmigrants.org

St. Raymond School Open Houses



Early Childhood PK-K Open House

Sunday, January 21st 10:45am-12:45pm

All School Open House Sunday, January 28th 10:45am-12:45pm

St. Raymond offers an education that combines Catholic faith with academic excellence and service to others. Come see why so many families have chosen St. Raymond School for their children. Registration for the 2018-19 school year begins on **January 21st**, 2018.

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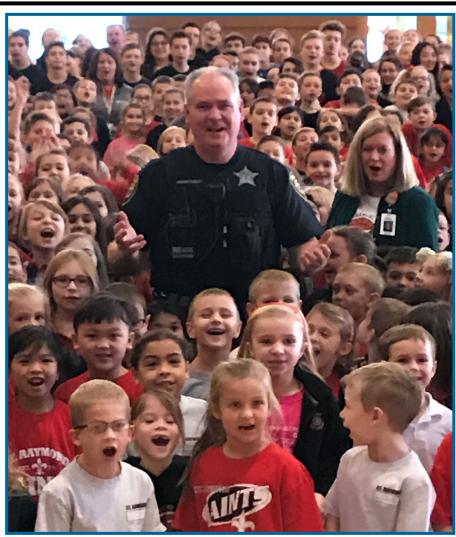
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As we say goodbye to 2017, we reflect on the many blessings we have been given this year at St. Raymond School. One blessing celebrated this month was the friendship and support that Officer Tom Hoskinson shared with St. Raymond School. The school honored him at mass this month where students presented cards and gave a special blessing to Officer Tom on his retirement from the Mt. Prospect Police Department. His smiling face and his constant positive attitude will be missed in our hallways. Congratulations and best wishes to Officer Tom on his new adventures.

We wish you and your family best wishes for a new adventure, much happiness and many blessings in 2018.

Happy New Year!

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Office of Human Dignity & Solidarity-Immigration Ministry



National Migration Week: "Many Journeys, One Family" January 7–14, 2018 "I feel compelled to draw attention to the reality of child migrants, especially the ones who are alone... I ask everyone to help those who, for various reasons, are forced to live far from their homeland and are separated from their families." -Pope Francis

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the US has celebrated National Migration Week to reflect on the circumstances confronting immigrants, refugees and victims of human trafficking. Today, more than 65 million people are forcibly displaced around the world, and more than 22 million are refugees. The US is the cornerstone of the international humanitarian system. We must maintain our leadership and protect life-saving U.S. humanitarian assistance.

ACTION: Respond to the call and urge your legislators to protect poverty-reducing international assistance and include passage of the Dream Act (H.R. 3440/S. 1615). Visit the USCCB website: www.JusticeforImmigrants.org.

For additional ways to advocate for immigrants and refugees visit: www.CatholicsAndImmigrants.org

MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE GROUP

Did you know that the Mens Bible study group has met in Coggins Hall every Saturday morning for over twenty years? It's a lively yet reflective group of guys that read and discuss the scriptures for the coming Sunday Mass. What do we get out it? An appreciation of God's word coming from many perspectives. Somtimes as we listen to scripture in church it doesn't make sense, but going in having discussed the coming readings brings things into a better light. There's just one catch, we meet at 6AM on Saturday morning. Too early you say? We find it to be the best time of day to reflect and talk before the world really gets cranked up. We end by 7:30 so you have the rest of the day to meet the many activities we all have. We hope you'll join us and see how we help each other appreciate the beauty of God's word and the beauty of the life he has given each of us. For more information?

Call John Ruskuls at 847-394-5693 or Brian Murphy at 847-298-5186.

Moms Rosary Group January 2nd at 7pm in the PMC

The Moms' Rosary group meets once a month in the PMC. They pray the rosary for their adult children, their intentions and concerns. New members are most welcome. For information contact Kathi Szott at either 847-226-6369, or katsz928@yahoo.com.



THE AFGHAN MAKERS GROUP

All women, young and not-so-young, are invited to join the Afghan Group on the 1st and 3rd Mondays each month in the Parish Ministry Center from 9:00 a.m. to

Noon. If you like to knit or crochet (or would like to learn), come join us. Yarn is provided. While we are using our hands to create items for the needy, we also enjoy each other's company. This is a wonderful ministry of caring and sharing. WON'T YOU CONSIDER JOINING US? Please call Barbara Klett at (847)255-3147 or just come to the Parish Ministry Center on the dates and times listed above. Donations of yarn are welcome! Please bring your donation to the PMC.

MAC (MEN OF ACTION AND CONTEMPLATION)

MAC is a group of five or six men who commit themselves to meeting twice a month for one hour to dialogue, support and encourage each other to live the Gospel message more fully in their daily lives. A resource book, based on the daily scripture readings is used. Each daily reflection contains a part of a scripture reading, a contemporary story, a question for one's own life application and a concluding thought for the day. Each man is asked to find ten minutes each day to reflect and pray over the daily reflection. The men involved find that this experience helps them in their daily lives. For more information please contact Johnny Burnett at yibidee63@gmail.com or 847-707-3360.



ST. RAYMOND ROSARY MAKERS

Founded in 1996, this ministry has grown to over 20 male and female members of all ages, who have lovingly hand made and distributed over 230,000 rosaries free of charge to local ministries

and mission fields worldwide. These **'Gospels on a string'** have been shipped all across America, as well as to the following 27 countries overseas:

Belize, Brazil, China, Ecuador, Germany, Haiti, Honduras, India, Ireland, Italy, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Kenya, Latvia, Mexico, New Guinea, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, The Philippines, Puerto Rico Solomon Islands, Switzerland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, and Vietnam.

ROSARY MAKERS GROUP meets virtually every Tuesday from 1 - 3 pm year round in our Community Room. In addition, many members choose to make rosaries at home in their spare time. If you wish to participate in this artistically creative and spiritually fulfilling ministry which enables the global poor to pray for peace, please contact Evelyn Mutzabaugh at mutzyclan@yahoo.com or 847-392-4554.

Come join the ladies of St Raymond's Women's Club for Fun and Fellowship.

- Tuesday, January 16th, 7:00 pm.
- Fleece Pillows Assembly for Breast Cancer

Our January Charity will be cash donations for 'To Africa with Love' Feel free to bring a beverage and maybe some to share if you would like.

All women 21+ yrs. are welcome.

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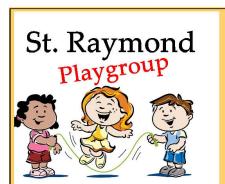
New Catholic School Scholarship Opportunity for 2018/19 School Year Through the "Invest in Kids Act," the state of Illinois has created a new way to fund scholarships for children from low-income households who want to attend private schools. This program provides an opportunity for more students to receive a quality Catholic education. The tax credit scholarships offered through this program could cover up to 100 percent of tuition and fees for eligible, low-income students. Not all families will be eligible for the new scholarships, but we want to make sure all families are aware of the program.

Program details are still being finalized, but you can find information on the scholarships, the application process and the "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) on the Archdiocese of Chicago's website, archchicago.org/tcs. If you have any questions about tax credit scholarships, please contact the Archdiocese at InvestInKids@archchicago.org or 312.534.5321.



Whether you are new to knitting or crocheting and wish to learn, brushing up on skills that you haven't used in a long time or are experienced in these crafts, please consider joining our recently-formed Prayer Shawl Ministry. The purpose of our ministry is to create shawls to gift to those in our parish who are in need of our prayer, love and support. It is a wonderful way to meet new friends while creating a meaningful reminder of our concern for our fellow parishioners. Meeting take place on the last Thursday of the month from 7-9 P.M. at the PMC.

If you, a loved one or someone you know would benefit from the comfort of a prayer shawl or if you are interested in joining our group please contact Mary Klostermann at (847) 342-3453 or by email at maryklostermann@comcast.net.



Mondays 9:00-10:00am

Nov. 6th & 13th Dec. 4th & 11th Jan. 22nd & 29th

No Registration necessary

Come join us for fun and play!

The St. Raymond Playgroup offers an opportunity for children ages 0-4 years old to have fun and make friends while moms, dads, grandparents or caregivers share ideas and conversation. (Adults must stay with their child.)

Playgroup will be held in the St. Raymond School Gym On the corner of Lincoln & I-Oka; enter door #26

Questions: contact Amy Somary, at amy.somary@st-raymond.org or contact the school office at (847)253-8555.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42 Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11

or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Village of Mt. Prospect Nursing Services

2018 Health Screening Clinics

Residents of Mount Prospect may be screened for: blood pressure, height, weight, pulse, fasting blood sugar, non-fasting total cholesterol. There is a \$1 fee for fasting blood sugar and a \$4 fee for total cholesterol tests.



Walk-In Health Screening Clinics are held:

9:00-11:00am Community Room at Village Hall Mondays

50 S. Emerson Street, Mount Prospect

Mondays 1:30-3:30pm Community Connection Center

1711 W. Algonquin Road, Mount Prospect

Fourth Tuesday 10:15-11:15am Stay Fit Physical Therapy

Of the Month 127 W. Prospect Avenue, Mount Prospect

First Thursday 8:30-9:30am Weiss Center River Trails Park District Of the Month

1500 E. Euclid, Mount Prospect

PADS Shelter Program

This season at PADS we have seen a rise in the number of guests. Our pantry needs constant replenishment. We have groups that donate, prepare and serve dinner every Monday evening. Every week we need many "extra" items for our meals. We reach out to people as yourself to purchase the items and drop them off at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Mt. Prospect on Monday evening between 5:00pm and 6:00pm. If this time is not good I will arrange some other time to meet you. The "extra" items include but are not limited to milk, juices, fresh fruit, lunch meat, cheese, bread, snack size chips, and granola bars. We usually call on Tuesday for the following Monday. If you are not able to help, no worries, we will call again another week. Please consider helping us. Email your information to me or call me. Thanks in advance for your support. Our quests are very grateful.

If you would like to be part of a group that donates, prepares and serves dinner please send me your information also.

Maura Reschke 847-253-0271 mreschke2732@wowway.com

MATS FOR THE HOMELESS MINISTRY

The purpose of this new ministry is to provide sleeping mats to homeless persons. Clean, plastic grocery bags are cut, knotted into "plarn" (plastic yarn) and crocheted into mats (it keeps the plastic out of our landfills, too).

If you are a crocheter, or would like to learn, if you are interested in cutting the plastic, or would like to be involved in this ministry in some way, please consider joining us.

We gather on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Formation Room for camaraderie, sharing and fun, while doing something worthwhile.

For further information, please contact Kathi Szott, (847) 226-6369, katsz928@yahoo.com

Individual commitment to a group effort - that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work." ~ Vince Lombardi



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Support us when you shop this holiday season

Buy your gifts and holiday essentials at smile.amazon.com. You shop. Amazon donates.







Seeking Volunteer Home Delivered Meals Drivers

Please help by delivering hot noontime meals Monday through Friday to homebound seniors in Mount Prospect. Meal pick-up is at the Elk Grove Township Building at 2400 South Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights. The route takes about one hour to complete. At this time, we are in need of weekly, bimonthly, and substitute drivers.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities call: **Colette Young, Volunteer Coordinator** (847) 524-8800 ext. 182

www.kennethyoung.org

St. Raymond SCRIP Program Ordering InformationOrders placed by 10:00 am Monday morning will be available Thursday after 1:00 pm.

There will be no orders placed the week of January 1st. Regular ordering will resume on January 8, 2018

SCRIP Program Purchase Form	Date:	Check #
Email Address:	Phone:	DD/check/cash

Name: **Amount Due:**

Cards	Value	%	Total \$	# of	Cards	Value	%	Total \$
Ace Hardware	\$25/\$100	4%			Jewel Foods Gift Card	\$25/\$100	4%	
Amazon.com	\$25/\$100	2.5%			Joann Fabric Store	\$25	6%	
AMC Lowes Theatres	\$25	8%			Kohl's	\$25/\$100	4%	
Applebee's	\$25	8%			Landry's Rest. (Group)	\$25	9%	
Barnes & Noble	\$10/\$25	8%			Lettuce Entertain You	\$25/\$100	12%	
Bass Pro Shop	\$25/\$100	9%			Limited (The)	\$25	9%	
Bath & Body Works	\$10/\$25	18%			Lou Malnati's Pizza	\$10	8%	
Bed, Bath & Beyond	\$25/\$100	8%			Lowe's	\$25/\$100/\$500	4%	
Best Buy	\$25/\$100	4%			Macy's	\$25/\$100	10%	
BP Gas Card	\$50/\$100	1.5%			Marathon	\$25/\$100	3%	
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$10/\$25	8%			Marianos Fresh Market	\$25/\$50/\$100	4%	
Buona Beef	\$10	8%			Mario Triccoci's	\$25/\$100	7%	
Burger King	\$10	4%			Meijer	\$25/\$50/\$100	3%	
Cabella's	\$25	11%			Menards	\$25/\$100/\$500	3%	
California Pizza Kitchen	\$25	8%			Noodles & Company	\$10	8%	
Carson Pirie Scott	\$25/\$100	8%			Nordstrom	\$25/\$100	6%	
Cheesecake Factory	\$25	5%			Oberweis	\$10	8%	
Chili's Rest. (Group)	\$25	11%			Office Depot/Office Max	\$25/\$100	5%	
Chipotle	\$10	10%			Outback Rest. (Group)	\$25/\$50	8%	
Crate & Barrel	\$25/\$100	8%			Panera	\$10/\$25	8%	
CVS Pharmacy	\$25/\$100	6%			Red Robin	\$25	8%	
Dairy Queen	\$10	3%			Regis Salons	\$25	10%	
Darden Rest. (Group)	\$25	8%			Shell	\$25/\$50/\$100	2%	
Dennis Uniform	\$20	5%			Speedway	\$25/\$100	4%	
Dicks Sporting Goods	\$25/\$100	8%			Staples	\$25	5%	
Domino's Pizza	\$10	8%			Starbucks	\$5/\$10/\$25	7%	
Dunkin Donuts	\$10/\$25	3%			Steak 'n Shake	\$10	8%	
Express	\$25	10%			Subway	\$10/\$50	6%	
Exxon/Mobile	\$50	1%			Target GiftCard	\$25/\$50/\$100	2.5%	
Fannie May	\$10	25%			TGI Fridays	\$25	8%	
GAP/Old Navy(Options)	\$25/\$100	14%			TJMaxx/Marshalls	\$25/\$100	7%	
GameStop	\$25	3%			VISA	\$50/\$100/\$250	1.5%	
Hallmark Gold Crown	\$25	4%			Walgreens	\$25/\$100	6%	
Home Depot (The)	\$25/\$100/\$500	4%			Walmart/Sam's Club	\$25/\$50 /\$100/\$250	2.5%	
iTunes	\$15/\$25	5%		П	Whole Foods Market	\$25/\$100	3%	

Complete listing of participating retailers at shopwithscrip.com Participaing retailers and rebates are subject to change without notice.

<u>Support Groups for Those Suffering with</u> Addiction and Their Loved Ones

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Closed Step Meeting

Parish Ministry Center Coggins Hall Wednesday 7:30 pm

Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACA)

Parish Ministry Center Living Room Thursday 7:30 pm

Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA)

Parish Ministry Center Living Room Saturday 10:15 am

Drug, alcohol and gambling addiction is a disease which is chronic, progressive and treatable, but terminal if untreated. Recovery is possible if the person is willing to ask for help and work toward that goal. Families with addicted family members also need help and understanding. Worry, fear and anger destroy both relationships and the family unit. The Substance Abuse Team is available to reach out with support and care. CONFIDENTIALITY AND ANONYMITY are the very essence of our ministry.

Please call our team members for help:

Dan Sullivan 847-9862-5208; Jill Bergner 847-228-6073 Kathy & Warren Goldberg 847-483-0443; Marie McGarry 847-398-0415; Bob O'Donnell 630-400-9479. For assistance with ACA contact Dan Lapinski 847-259-4645.

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.

MISS FOUNDATION -

Perinatal and Infant loss support group 2nd Thursday of each month 7 - 9 pm Parish Ministry Center (PMC)

This is a peer support group for mothers and fathers that have lost a child in pregnancy or shortly after birth. Any questions or to RSVP (encouraged, but not necessary) please contact Jeannie Jordan at 847-217-1548 or jeannie.jordan@missfoundation.org Julie Levandoski at 708-280-5698 or juie.levandoski@missfoundation.org

GRANDMOTHERS IN PRAYER

Grandmothers In Prayer is a ministry which gives Grandmothers a special way to connect with their grandchildren: by praying for them. These women come together on two Wednesdays every month (from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon) to pray for their grandchildren, their schools and teachers. For further information please call Donna Czajka at (847) 228-6360.



Seamless Garment/ Respect Life Committee

As people who respect all life from conception to natural death, we pray for those on death row scheduled for execution during the month of December. Let us also hold in prayer their families, and most especially their victim's families.

12/1 Bobby Wayne Stone South Carolina (Stayed)
12/14 Juan Castillo Texas

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY CIRCLES

Women's Spirituality Circles are small groups of 8-18 women who gather once a month to nourish, reflect upon and share their own spiritual lives. A resource book is used, which enables the women to come to a deeper understanding of themselves and their own unique spirituality. Through reading, discussion and prayerful reflection, the women experience a deeper prayer life and the invitation to share their gifts in service to God's people. They gather strength, insight and a sense of gratitude from one another. Each group has a facilitator. For further information please contact Kathy Hemler at either 847-427-1472 or chuck.kathy.hemler@comcast.net.

MINISTRY OF PRAISE

Volunteers in this ministry pray daily for the needs of the community and the world. Many in this ministry are homebound. The goal of this ministry is to con-



nect those who are no longer physically able to join us for worship, but can offer prayer for the community. They have meaningful gifts to offer through their service of prayer. A monthly letter is sent asking the ministers to pray daily for the intentions mentioned. If you know a homebound person who would like to be part of this ministry, please call the PMC. Contact: Sr. Valerie Kulbacki at 847-253-8600 x143 / sr.val@st-raymond.org.

THE LEGION OF MARY

Are you called to go deeper into our faith? Come on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm to the PMC to pray and cooperate in the Virgin Mary's and Church's work by participating in the Legion of Mary. The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics who, with the sanction of the Church serve the Church and the neighbor on a voluntary basis in about 170 countries. To learn more please email Mariloren Bell @ mariloren @gmail.com

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

Counseling Services

Counseling services are available for those experiencing the loss of a loved one, a relationship, job, and other challenging life situations through our Human Concerns Commission. If you would like to talk with a counselor, please contact Sr. Valerie Kulbacki, Director of Care Ministries, at 847-253-8600 x 143 or at Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org.

Pray for our Military

Heavenly Father, we pray for the people of this nation and every nation that we might work to bring liberty, justice and peace to all. We ask that you care for the men and women who serve our country in the military that they might know of our prayers and be blessed and protected through your ever loving presence. Amen.

"All Are Welcome"

Please know that everyone is invited to bring up the gifts of bread and wine at mass ... that means a family of 6 or a family of 1 Please- simply let us know!

Name:	
Telephone Number:	
Email:	
Preferred Date:	Mass time:

Just drop in the offering basket, call or email us at 847-253-8600 x 145 or worsihpoffice@st-raymond.org.

Oplatki is available in church or at the Parish Ministry Center (PMC) Suggested Donation \$ 2 **Pray for Our Sick** As Members of the Parish Faith Community, it is our responsibility to remember both in concrete and spiritual ways those who cannot celebrate with us each week because they are ill. Those who are sick in turn, remember all of us daily in their prayers and in their sufferings. We experience many blessings because of their remembering us. And so ... please remember in your prayers the people listed,

Abplanalp, Esther Adam, Jon & Renee Adamo, James Adamo, Mary Jane Adams, Kathie Adams, Robert Baker, Robert Baldassano, Dina Banadera, Leonida Banas, Virginia Becker, John Blatnick, Carol Bonk, Catherine Boss, Jim Brady, Lois Brandson, Jeanne Brinkman, Cheryl Brown, Gerald L. "Chip" Buchberger, Greg Burke. Don Bychowski, Mike Bychowski, Steven Caulfield, Jim Cavage, Adeline Cigrang, Bob Cole, James Comanici, Coca Crafton, Dean Crooks, Richard Cyrier, Ruth Dauer, Elizabeth Anne DelGiudice. Rita DeLorenzo, Albert Demonte, Frank Denten, Patricia Dini. John Doell, Ruth Dombkowski, Daniel Dougherty, Chris Dowling, Beau Eichberger, Mary Ann Engelson, Mildred Fardella, Rosa Felderman. Reese Fisher. Charles

Flerlage, Diana Gadomski, Jan Gallo, Cynthia Gelinas, Mark Gierszewicz, Patricia Glynn, Rosemary Gruter, Alicia Hampton, Janet Heidkamp, Josh Hunt. Ann Hurley, Jim Iannello, Jennifer Janas, Becky Johnson, Margaret H. Juell, Cathy Karnes, Mitchell Keane, Carol King, Tom Kotowski, Bernice Kramer, Eleanor Kricke, Jaclyn LaCosse. Marv Lapinski, Louise Linkman, Jim Lonafellow. Dorothy Maffenbeier, Joanne Magiera, Lillian Martinelli. Gloria Matheson, Rosemarie McDonald, Steve McGinn. Catherine T. McGinn. Fred McGuire, Pat McMorrow. Marion Mendoza, Leo Moisan, Connie Monson, Dorothy & Clarence Munao, Kenneth Nelson, Gregory Nelson, Jane Nitkiewicz, Tonv Nolan, Patricia Noncek, Ed Nykiel, Antonina

Olsen, Julia Oshgan, Angeline Osiol, Robert Papievis, Shirley Peterson, Marion Philbin, Hilda Pietrzak, Irene Pinto, Sandra Pitzele, Mark Quid, Emma Randant, Paula Reising, Donald E. Riley, Barbara Ruskuls, Mary Ann Schieble, Liz Schreiner, Amy Schultz, Rosemary Shea, Dorothy Sheehy, Eleanor Shillington, Dee Simon, Marilyn Skillman, John Skowron, Blake Slack, Patricia Smith, Debbie Stell, Kathie Stiver, Mary Swedo, Eugene Theisen, Florence Thelander, Mary Jo Todesco, Ben Tortorello, Carol Ullrich, Andrea Urban, Rose Vais, Joseph Vecchio, Helen Victoria, Beatriz Wayrowski, OSF, Sr. Anne White, Shirley Wilson, Irene



† WE REMEMBER †

Monday—January 1, 2018

Mary, Mother of God

11:00 am † For the People of Saint Raymond Parish Both Living and Deceased

Tuesday—January 2, 2018

Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

8:15 am † Jean Skrzynski

Wednesday—January 3, 2018

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:15 am † Lauren Graver

Thursday—January 4, 2018 Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

7:00 am + Communion Service

8:15 am † Romeo Julian

Friday—January 5, 2018

Saint John Neumann, Bishop

8:15 am † Mary McGough

† Amanda Dombrowski

Richard Dombrowski

† Eugene Perkins

Saturday—January 6, 2018

Saint André Bessette, Religious

5:00 pm † Betty Blasingame

† Ed & Betty Conlon

† Edward J. Conlon III

† Ed & Rose Gardula

† Charlie Giraud

† Janet Marek

Sunday—January 7, 2018

The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 am † Adello Bartolucci 9:30 am † Jim & Mary Feeney

† Charlie Giraud † Edward McNeela

† Barbara Todesco

11:30 am † Robert Bush

† Natalina Nicolosi

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, January 1, 2018

Parish Office Closed

11:00 am Mary, Mother of God, Holy Day Liturgy CHU

Tuesday, January 2, 2018

1:00 pm CR Rosary Makers Meeting 9:30 pm Men's Basketball Drop In **PLC**

Wednesday, January 3, 2018

Parish Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm CHU 7:30 pm AA Weekly Meeting CH

Thursday, January 4, 2018

6:30 pm **Branches Leaders Meeting** BR 7:30 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics Meeting LR 9:00 pm Men's Basketball Drop In **PLC**

Friday, January 5, 2018

Saturday, January 6, 2018

6:00 am Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study CH 8:00 am SPRED Meeting CHU Co-Dependents Anonymous Meeting 10:15 am LR

Sunday, January 7, 2018

1:00 pm Parish Baptisms CHU 7:30 pm Men's Basketball Drop In **PLC**

. With Sincere Sympathy

Lauren Graver, Daughter of Amy and Dan, and Sister of Connor. Claire and Emma Kathleen Pecci, Grandmother of Nick Jean Skrzynski, Mother of Karen Kozlowski

Parish Office Hours for New Year's Holiday:

Sunday, Dec. 31st Office is closed Monday, Jan. 1st Office is closed Tuesday, Jan. 2nd Regular Office Hours **Buhrfeind Room** BR Leadership Room **LDR** Church CHU Living Room LR Community Room **Rectory Basement** CR RB Coggins Hall CH Parish Life Center **PLC** DR Dining Room Formation Room FR



WEDDING BANNS:

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: Mass of Anticipation 5:00 PM Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:15 AM

Morning Mass Hours

Monday - Friday - 8:15 AM
Thursday Morning Communion Service - 7:00 AM
Eucharistic Prayer Chapel Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 7:30 AM - 9:00 PM*
Thursday - 6:30 AM - 9:00 PM*
Saturday - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM*
Sunday - between Masses - 2:00 PM

*The chapel is closed whenever a Mass is being celebrated.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday -13 Hour Adoration - 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday Adoration - 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays (individual) 4:00 - 4:30 PM

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Parish Registration: To enter into our faith community as a member of St. Raymond Parish, we invite you and your family to attend one of our Welcoming Sessions. Our next gathering and registration will be Sunday, January 14, 2018. Our session begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Buhrfiend Room, located in the Parish Ministry Center at 301 S. I-Oka Avenue, followed by the 9:30 a.m. liturgy. No pre-registration is needed. For more information or questions, please contact Pam and Bill Doucette at 847-894-3645.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: If you or a family member are in a local hospital or are homebound, and would like a visit from a minister of care or a priest, please call Sr. Valerie Kulbacki (x143), Director of Care Ministries

BAPTISM: Our Baptismal Ministry is pleased to help your family prepare for the special event of your child's entrance into our faith community. Through our Baptism Ministry, you are welcomed to meet with other new parents as well as a host couple with the goal of better understanding your role as a Christian parent and also to help plan the Baptism liturgy. Our goal is to make your child's entrance into our Faith Community a rich and rewarding experience. Baptisms are scheduled on the 1st and 4th Sunday at 1:00 p.m., the 2nd Saturday at 12 noon, except during the season of Lent. Parents and Godparents are encouraged to prepare themselves for this Sacrament through a preparation meeting at least two months in advance of the celebration. Please call the Worship Office (x145) for more information.

ADULT CHRISTIAN INITIATION: If you are looking for a place to belong or for a church community with whom you can share your questions and beliefs, perhaps you would like to find out more about what it means to be a Catholic Christian. The Faith Community of Saint Raymond has something quite special to offer and we would love to share the gift of faith with you. Please call the parish office at 847-253-8600 for more information regarding the RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*).

MARRIAGE: If you are planning to be married at St. Raymond, your preparation process should begin approximately one year prior to your wedding date. Please call the Worship Office 847-253-8600 (x145) to secure a date as soon as possible. Membership at St. Raymond is *not* a requirement. We look forward to helping you during this time of engagement and preparation for the vocation of Christian marriage.

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