

Saint Raymond de Penafort A Catholic Faith Community

Our Joyful Response to Living Stewardship "Welcome. Love. Serve."

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 28, 2018



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Dear St. Raymond Parish Community,

Sunday, January 28, 2018 marks the beginning of National Catholic Schools Week. St. Raymond Parish School, along with Catholic schools across the nation will celebrate a week of events recognizing the importance of Catholic education. This year's theme is **Catholic Schools: Learn, Serve, Lead, and Succeed.**

At St. Raymond School, we are living out this theme as it is at the core of our motto-*Faith, Academic Excellence & Service*. We emphasize the importance of learning as well as serving one another. Each year, the school participates in a number of school-wide service projects. This year, our students showed us what it means to Lead & Serve when they initiated a service project to help the hurricane victims at St. Catherine of Siena, a school in Houston, Texas. They organized and collected materials to help the school prepare to reopen. In addition, we shared some of our Scholastic Book Fair resources with them. During this week, the student body will collect items and create "Vet Kits" to support homeless Veterans. In conjunction with Military Outreach, USA, the kits will assist homeless Vets with the transition to apartment living. Through these experiences, our students show empathy and gratitude for the greater good.

Catholic Schools Week allows us the opportunity to thank our parents, volunteers, students, teachers, parishioners and all members of our St. Raymond community. We are especially grateful for our parents who know the benefits of a Catholic education and have made the commitment and sacrifices necessary to send their children to St. Raymond School. This weekend, we pay special tribute to all of our St. Raymond School alumni who have returned to this parish community. Many alumni have enrolled their own children at St. Raymond School because they value the Catholic education they received and are committed to giving their children the gift of a faith-filled, academically excellent education. We thank our alumni and in particular, the second & third generations of alumni for their continued support of our parish and school.

The success of St. Raymond Parish School is due to our partnerships with parents and the support of Fr. Ed Panek, our dedicated faculty and parish staff, and the incredible generosity of the parish community. We are grateful for a parish community that supports us through our endeavors. We believe together, as a parish and school, we can prepare our children not only to be academically successful, but also to be responsible faith-filled young men and women who will lead and succeed in life.

We have so much to celebrate at St. Raymond School and hope you will visit us today, Sunday, January 28th for the St. Raymond School Open House from 10:45am-12:45pm. Please bring your friends and neighbors, particularly those who may be considering Catholic education for their children. Hope to see you there!

Respectfully,

Ms. Mary Eileen Ward

Principal

Mrs. Catherine Hart Assistant Principal

Catholic Schools

If you are unable to join us and would like to schedule a tour or observation of a classroom, please contact us at: (847)253-8555 or at Nadine.Scheller@St-Raymond.org.

St. Raymond School

Faith ~ Academic Excellence ~ Service

300 S. Elmhurst Avenue, Mount Prospect, IL 60056

Open House

Preschool through 8th grade Sunday, January 28th 10:45am-12:45pm



Come join us as we begin our celebration of **Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 28th-Feb. 3rd.** We invite you to attend the 9:30am mass and immediately following visit our classrooms, meet our fantastic staff or take a tour of the school.

Now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year!

For a tour or observation call (847) 253-8555 or email Nadine.Scheller@St.Raymond.org/school

Catholic Schools
Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed



SAINT RAYMOND INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR A CHICAGO WOLVES FAMILY DAY!

SUNDAY, MAR. 11, AT 3 PM VS ROCKFORD ICEHOGS

COME OUT AND ENJOY A DAY OF FUN WITH ST. RAYMOND FAMILY AND FRIENDS. A SPECIAL BLOCK OF SEATS HAS BEEN RESERVED SO THAT WE WILL ALL BE SITTING TOGETHER. EACH TICKET PURCHASED THROUGH THIS OFFER WILL ALSO RECEIVE A CHICAGO WOLVES HAT!

Payments & Ticket Info-Please go to http://wall.st-raymond.org/school/ and select "Payment Portal." There you will see the icon for the Wolves Family Day

DEADLINE – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17 $^{\rm th}$ (ALL PAYMENTS ARE FINAL) TICKETS – ALL TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AND DISTRIBUTED STARTING FEB., 26 $^{\rm th}$



Monday 9:00-10:00am

January 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.





St. Raymond Catholic School Day of Giving

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30TH

In celebrating National Catholic Schools Week, we invite you to participate in NCEA's Many Gifts, One Nation: A Day of Giving event. To show your support of St. Raymond School, go to https://wall.giving.factsmgt.com during the 24-hour period beginning at 8:00AM CST, 1/30-1/31 to donate. For questions, please contact Nadine Scheller at Nadine.Scheller@st-raymond.org

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 lnvestlnKids@archchicago.org or 312.534.5321.

Evening of Mourning; Evening of Healing

Monday January 29th at 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.

Anyone grieving the loss of a loved one is most welcome to come together with others for this special time of supporting your journey of grief.

Hospitality will follow in the Community Room

All Men in the Parish and Current Members of MAC (MEN OF ACTION AND CONTEMPLATION) are Invited to Attend the

"10th ANNUAL MAC GATHERING"

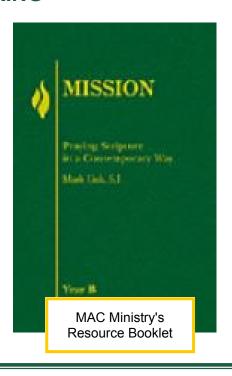
Saturday, February 3, 2018 9:00 - 11:00 AM in the Formation Room

Guest Speaker - Fr. Gilbert Mashurano *Continental Breakfast *Reflection Time/Sharing

If your are looking for a group to join or a ministry to participate in, come to this meeting!

It's only once a year!

Email or call Johnny Burnett for more information yibidee63@gmail.com or (847)707-3360



Through Our Alms We Touch the World

St. Raymond's and St. Mark Lutheran's PADS SHELTER PROGRAM

Since 1990 St. Raymond's parish and St. Mark Lutheran church have partnered in providing hospitality, food and overnight emergency shelter to the homeless between October 1 and April 30, every Monday evening through Tuesday morning (including holidays). The site is physically located at St. Mark's and is staffed entirely by volunteers from St. Raymond's and St. Mark's who prepare, supervise and clean sleeping accommodations as well as prepare and serve dinner, breakfast and a sack lunch.

This season at PADS there has been a rise in the number of guests coming to the St. Raymond's/St. Mark's PADS site. The Alms collected will be used to directly by the PADS Shelter that St. Raymond's and St. Mark's host. The Alms will be used to replenish the pantry and provide the many "extra" items needed every week for the meals provided.

Please make any cash donations payable to St. Mark PADS. If you are able to provide any of the "extra" items, the following is a list of the items needed. You can drop them off at St. Mark's community center located at 205 S. Wille St., Mt Prospect, IL 60056 on any Monday evening between 5:00pm and 6:00pm. Or if you would like to be part of a group that donates, prepares and serves dinner, please contact Maura Reschke at 847-253-0271, or email her at mreschke2732@wowway.com.

The "extra" items needed every week are: milk, juices, fresh fruit, lunch meat, cheese, bread, snack size chips and granola bars

Thank you for your help and support, our guests are very grateful. Please place your donations for St. Mark PADS 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!

Stewardship of Treasure				
Weekly Offering for January 14, 2018		Year to Date (29 Weeks)		
Weekly Offering for January 14, 2018 Sunday Offering Direct Debit/Credit Card Offering Grand Total for the Week Amount Needed for Operating Expense Difference Thank you for your Stewardship And Generosity!	\$17,183 \$1,143 \$18,326 \$22,837 (-\$4,511)	Collection vs. Budget Year-to-Date Sunday Collection Year to Date Budget Difference Year-to-Date Extraordinary Collections Alms Sharing Parishes	\$648,109 \$662,283 (-\$14,174) \$30,261 \$15,265	
Weekly Offering for January 2	1, 2018	Year to Date (30 We	eks)	

Weekly Offering for January 21, 2018		Year to Date (30 Weeks)	
Weekly Offering for January 21, 2018 Sunday Offering Direct Debit/Credit Card Offering Grand Total for the Week Amount Needed for Operating Expense	\$14,491 \$10,400 \$24,891 \$22,991	Collection vs. Budget Year-to-Date Sunday Collection Year to Date Budget Difference Year-to-Date Extraordinary Collections	\$672,999 \$689,717 (-\$16,718)
Difference Thank you for your Stewardship And Generosity!	\$1,900	Alms Sharing Parishes Archdiocesan Required Collections	\$31,061 \$15,995 \$21,860

A CATHOLIC FAITH COMMUNITY

SAINT RAYMOND DE PENAFORT



YOUTH MINISTRY



Kairos 3 was an amazing experience for the 50 juniors & seniors who came on retreat. Thank you to all of the participants, the K3 team, and the St. Raymond Parish community for your prayers and support.



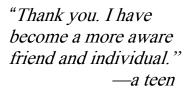
This Kairos experience shaped me into being a more positive person and able to connect more with God." - a teen



"I loved my Kairos experience; I grew so much." — a teen



The Kairos 3 Team







BENEFIT GALA

\$5,000 prize guaranteed to one lucky winner!

Prize can be applied to any tuition account at any school, a tuition savings account or to pay off student debt!

The \$5,000 prize can be used to pay tuition at St. Raymond or any private school, high school, college or university accredited in the United States. Proceeds can also be deposited into a 529 tuition savings plan or used toward any outstanding student loan debt.

Only \$50 per ticket!

You will receive an email confirmation once ticket purchase has been processed. Prize earnings are subject as taxable income. Drawing will be held at the Benefit Gala on February 24. Winner does not need to be present to win.

Questions | Contact Roberta Nichols at 847 253 8600 or r.nichols@st-raymond.org
TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT WWW.ST-RAYMOND.ORG AND AT THE PMC.

SAINT RAYMOND DE PENAFORT

BLACK SHIT GALA

Join our parish community for a lively evening of good food, good friends & good fun!

SATURDAY I 24 FEBRUARY 2018 I 6 PM
Rolling Green Country Club
2525 EAST RAND ROAD I ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

\$135 per person | \$50 will go directly to Saint Raymond

The evenings activities will include cocktails & hors d'oeuvres, a delicious 4-course dinner, open bar, live & silent auctions, paddle raise and dancing the night away!

PLEASE RSVP BY 16 FEBRUARY 2018

QUESTIONS | 847 253 8600 or r.nichols@st-raymond.org EVENT CHAIRS | Kathy Nuelle, Laura Gustis, Silvana Bonomo, Lisa Eckert Aliprandi & Kendra Pollizze

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT WWW.ST-RAYMOND.ORG AND AT THE PMC.

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SAINT RAYMOND DE PENAFORT

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STELLING GREEN

COUNTRY CLUB

The GALA COMMITTEE needs your help!

The LIVE AUCTION is a large part of our fundraising efforts at the Gala every year, and every year we try to come up with new and creative packages. We need your help to do this! We're looking for parishioners who might have any of the following items that they would be willing to donate:

- 1 WEEK AT YOUR CONDO IN A FABULOUS LOCATION
- 1 WEEK OR A WEEKEND AT YOUR TIME-SHARE

HOTEL POINTS

FREQUENT FLYER MILES

VISA, MC OR AMEX GIFT CARDS

If you can help us with any of these items (or anything else you may think of) please contact Roberta Nichols at 847 253 8600 or r.nichols@st-raymond.org

Thanks so much! We hope to see you at the Gala!

EVENT CHAIRS | Kathy Nuelle, Laura Gustis, Silvana Bonomo, Lisa Aliprandi & Kendra Pollizze



You Are Invited... Coming Attractions...

Discover God in Books and Movies



View the movie with us on February 11, 2018---7pm Join the discussion on February 18, 2018---7pm to 9pm (Both events in the Community Room) Sponsored by the Adult Formation Commission

Altar Server Appreciation Mass and Party

Who: Weekday Grade School Altar Servers and Families

What: Altar Server Appreciation Mass at 11:15 am

Followed by Pizza Lunch

When: Sunday, February 11

Join your fellow weekday servers at the 11:15 am Mass on Sunday, February 11, where we will honor our dedicated weekday servers.

After Mass, join us in the Parish Life Center where we will enjoy pizza and "pot-luck" desserts and have fun playing Bingo.

Kindly bring a dessert to share. We are also asking each server to bring a healthy item for the Backpack Ministry (such as small-size canned fruit or vegetables, individual applesauce cups, individual bags of dried fruit or boxes of raisins).

Please do not respond if you have already rsvp'd to the evite. Otherwise, please rsvp to Dina Shaw at bdashaw@comcast.net. Be sure to state how many people are coming. There is no charge for the party.



FEBRUARY 16 | MARCH 2 | MARCH 16 | 5-8PM

ADULTS \$12 | SENIORS \$11 | KIDS \$7

ST. RAYMOND PARISH LIFE CENTER (Gym)

Enter on Lincoln Street (near I-Oka)

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FEBRUARY 16 | MARCH 2 | MARCH 16

Time

5-8PM

Senior/Adult Seating

Senior/Adult Seating will be available in the Community Room with restaurant style service (no buffet).

What's on the menu?

MAIN COURSE Fried cod or shrimp Cheese pizza

PICK 2 SIDES Mac 'n cheese French fries Cole slaw Apple sauce

ALL MEALS INCLUDE Salad , rolls, dessert Complimentary coffee, tea & lemonade

CASH BAR

St. Patrick's Day

- 💃 Eat, Drink & Be Irish with us!
- 😕 Harrington's Corned Beef & Cabbage
- 🧚 Traditional Fish Fry & Sides
- Trinity Irish Dancers
- 🌲 Irish Beer, Music & Festivities!

AS ALWAYS... TAKE OUT IS AVAILABLE!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! ADULTS AND JR. HIGH STUDENTS....SIGN UP AT ST-RAYMOND.ORG

DON'T FORGET THE REASON FOR THE SEASON...STATIONS OF THE CROSS | 7PM

Saint Raymond Youth Theatre Production of



A Musical based on the stories of P. L. Travers and the Walt Disney Film

Grades 5 through 8

Auditions for the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Students of Saint Raymond Parish (Day School & Religious Education) will be held in the Community Room on Saturday, February 17th (10 AM until noon), and on Sunday, February 18th (1:30 until 3:00 PM) in the PLC. Once you turn in your form you will be contacted with your scheduled audition day and time. All who audition will be cast in the show. Audition forms should be returned to the school office or the PMC marked "Spring Musical" by February 15th.

If you would like to try out for a solo singing part (a major or featured role), please come prepared with a show tune ready to perform in the character that you would like to portray. There will be select songs from the show (both music and lyrics) available from the school office or the PMC. It is recommended that you prepare a show tune so you can demonstrate your acting ability by singing your song in character. You do not have to sing at the audition in order to be in the show. Everyone who auditions will do one or two readings from the show. It is strongly advised that you learn as much as you can about the characters.

Grades 2 through 4

Students in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade will be cast in the ensemble. There are no auditions for those grades. However, 2nd through 4th graders interested in being in the show need to fill out a sign-up sheet and return it to the school office or the PMC marked "Spring Musical" by February 15th.

Rehearsals and Performances

Mary Poppins Jr will be performed Thursday, May 24th, Friday, May 25th, Saturday, May 26th and Sunday, May 27th, in the PLC (Memorial Day Weekend). Rehearsals for grades 5 through 8 will usually be after school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning February 27th from 3:30 until 5 PM in the PLC. Rehearsals for grades 2 through 4 will usually be on Fridays. However, the first rehearsal is scheduled for Thursday, March 1st, from 4 until 5 PM in the Community Room.

	Mary Po	oppins Jr.	
Cast and Crew: Grades 5 th to 8 th fill out the e or guardian sign the form, and ret			he first five lines. Have parent "Spring Musical" by Feb. 15 th .
Name			
Address			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Parent home phone	Parent cell phone _	Pare	ent Email
SchoolGra	ndeHeight	In School Band? Ye	s NoChoir? YesNo
Parents or Guardian Signature _		VIF	RTUS Trained? YesNo
	Auditions for 5 th , 6 th	¹ 7 th and 8 th Grade	re
Audition Date Preferred: Feb. 17 th (10 - noon) CR _	·		
Please list conflicts (sports, schoo	l choir, dance, vacation, ε	etc.) you may have with	rehearsal/performances:
Mary Poppins Jr. is a very of Therefore, since I have No considered for a major role Since I have few conflicts, I Since I have conflicts with re Do you have an older sibling Theatrical and/or Dance Experience	conflicts and am able to would like to be consider chearsals, I would like to graduating from Hig	fully commit to the proc red for featured role. be cast in the ensemble	е.
Cast members will be given as:	sistance but are mainly r	esponsible for obtaining	u their own costumes
Stage Crew-If interested in bein	·	•	
**All adult volunteers working with Protecting God's Children by conform and have attended a VIRT Coordinator, at 847-253-8600 x	mpleting all of the follow US training session. Any	ving: Background Check viquestions, please con	k, CANTS form, Code of Conduct
Office Use Only			
Background Check CAN			
Approved:	Da	te:	
Parents of 5 th to 8 th grade child	en in this production a	re asked to help in on	e of the following:

Costumes ____lighting ____rehearsal assistant ___ticket sales ____ props ___ refreshments ____



Sunday, February 18, 2018 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Parish Life Center

To schedule an appointment contact<u>brightenlives.org</u> or Michelle Allen at <u>allemchlll@aol.com</u> or <u>847-226-5837</u>.

Walk-ins Welcome!

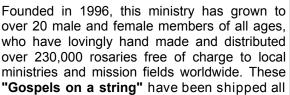
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Whether you are new to knitting or crocheting and wish to learn, brushing up on skills that you haven't used in a long time or are experienced in these crafts, please consider joining our recently-formed Prayer Shawl Ministry. The purpose of our ministry 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.

ST. RAYMOND ROSARY MAKERS



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.

Moms Rosary Group February 6th 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.

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.

Support Groups for Those Suffering with 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 847-962-5208; 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.

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

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.



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 January. Let us also hold in prayer their families, and most especially their victim's families.

1/2 Sheldon Hannibal Pennsylvania (Stayed)
 1/3 John Stumpf Ohio (Rescheduled)
 1/3 William Montgomery Ohio (resecheduled)

1/18 Anthony Shore Texas1/25 Vernon Madison Alabama1/30 William Radford 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.

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.

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

Understanding Grace more Deeply Ron Rolheiser, OMI

The mark of genuine contrition is not a sense of guilt, but a sense of sorrow, of regret for having taken a wrong turn; just as the mark of living in grace is not a sense of our own worth but a sense of being accepted and loved despite our unworthiness. We are spiritually healthy when our lives are marked by honest confession and honest praise.

Jean-Luc Marion highlights this in a commentary on St. Augustine's famous *Confessions*. He sees Augustine's confession as a work of a true moral conscience because it is both a confession of praise and a confession of sin. Gil Bailie suggests that this comment underlines an important criterion by which to judge whether or not we are living in grace: "If the confession of praise is not accompanied by the confession of sin it an empty and pompous gesture. If the confession of sins is not accompanied by a confession of praise, it is equally vacuous and barren, the stuff of trashy magazines and tabloid newspapers, a self-preening parody of repentance."

Gil is right, but doing both confessions at one and the same time is not an easy task. We generally find ourselves falling into either a confession of praise where there is no real confession of our own sin; or into the "self-preening parody of repentance" of a still self-absorbed convert, where our confession rings hollow because it shows itself more as a badge of sophistication than as genuine sorrow for having strayed.

In neither case is there a true sense of grace. Piet Fransen, whose masterful book on grace served as a textbook in seminaries and theology schools for a generation, submits that neither the self-confident believer (who still secretly envies the pleasures of the amoral that he's missing out on) nor the wayward person who converts but still feels grateful for his fling, has yet understood grace. We understand grace only when we grasp existentially what's inside the Father's words to his older son in the parable of the prodigal son: My son, you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.

The older brother would not be bitter if he understood that everything his father owns is *already* his, just as he would not be envious of the pleasures his wayward brother tasted if he understood that, in real life, his brother had been dead. But it takes a deeper grasp of what grace is to intuit that, namely, to grasp that life inside God's house dwarfs all other pleasures. The same is true for the convert who has given up his

wayward life but still secretly rejoices in the experience and sophistication it brought him and nurses a condescending pity for the less-experienced. He too has not yet really understood grace.

In his book, *The Idea of the Holy*, now considered a classic, Rudolf Otto submits that in the presence of the holy we will always have a double reaction: fear and attraction. Like Peter at the Transfiguration, we will want to build a tent and stay there forever; but, like him too before the miraculous catch of fish, we will also want to say: "Depart from me for I am a sinful man." In the presence of the holy, we want to burst forth in praise even as we want to confess our sins.

That insight can help us to understand grace. Piet Fransen begins his signature book on grace, *The New Life of Grace*, by asking us to imagine this scene: Picture a man who lives his life in mindless hedonism. He simply drinks in the sensual pleasures of this world without a thought for God, responsibility, or morality. Then, after a long life of illicit pleasure, he has a genuine deathbed conversion, sincerely confesses his sins, receives the sacraments of the church, and dies in that happy state. If our spontaneous reaction to this story is: "Well, the lucky fellow! He had fling and still made it in the end!" we have not yet understood grace but instead are still embittered moralizers standing like the older brother in need of a further conversation with our God.

And the same holds true too for the convert who still feels that what he's experienced in his waywardness, his fling, is a deeper joy than the one known by those who have not strayed. In this case, he's come back to his father's house not because he senses a deeper joy there but because he deems his return an unwanted duty, less exciting, less interesting, and less joy-filled than a sinful life, but a necessary moral exit strategy. He too has yet to understand grace.

Only when we understand what the father of the prodigal son means when he says to the older brother: *Everything I have is yours*", will we offer both a confession of praise and a confession of sin.

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RELATIONSHIP GOALS:

Values, Respect, Problem-Solving A TEEN GUIDE

Open to the Whole Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018 - 7:15 to 9:00 PM

Our Lady of the Wayside Fr. Mackin Center (Middle School Gym)

Corner of Park Street & Ridge Street, just west of OLW Church Facilitated by Sabrina Rodriguez, LPC, PEL & Revita DeChalus, Amita Health Chaplain All Are Invited to 6:00 Pm Teen-Ministered Mass in the Gym Questions? Contact Sean Norris: 847-350-8008 or youthmin@olwparish.org

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Calling all Young Adults!
Come join us for our
Winter Wine Series.
YAM-NW is hosting a speaker
program just for you!

Dr. Mary Deeley
The Psalms: The Prayerbook for all
Life's Situations

Wednesday – January 31, 2018 7pm-9pm Saint Julian Church, 601 Biesterfield Rd, Elk Grove Village

Fr. Matt Jamesson
40 Days in the Desert: Preparing for Lent
Wednesday – February 7, 2018 7pm-9pm
St. Theresa Church, 455 N Benton St, Palatine

Young Adult Ministry-Northwest (YAM-NW) ministers to young adults in their 20s and 30s. Wine will be available to those 21 and older.

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MEMORY LOSS CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Groups provide emotional, educational and social support for family and friends of individuals with Alzheimer's

family and friends of individuals with Alzheimer's disease, other dementias or memory loss conditions.

First meeting is Wednesday, February 7th at 7 pm

Subsequent meetings are the Second Wednesday of Each Month at 7 pm (3/14, 4/11, 5/9, 6/13, 7/11, 8/8, 9/12, 10/10, 11/14, 12/12)

Autumn Leaves Arlington Heights 1625 S Arlington Heights Rd (just north of Golf) Arlington Hts, IL 60005

For more information, call the Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter at 1-800-272-3900 or go to alz.org/illinois and click on 'Support Groups'.



Save The Date! Tuesday, February13th

Time: 7:00 pm.

Community Room

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





OUR JOYFUL RESPONSE OF STEWARDSHIP: TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

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.

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 Flerlage, Diana Adamo, James Ford, James Adamo, Mary Jane Gadomski, Jan Adams, Kathie Gallo, Cynthia Adams, Robert Gelinas, Mark Gierszewicz, Patricia Baker, Robert Baldassano, Dina Glynn, Rosemary Balmes, Evann Gruter, Alicia Banadera, Leonida Hampton, Janet Banas, Virginia Heidkamp, Josh Becker, John Hunt. Ann Blatnick, Carol Hurley, Jim Bonk, Catherine lannello, Jennifer Boss, Jim Janas, Becky Brady, Lois Johnson, Margaret H. Brandson, Jeanne Juell, Cathy Brinkman, Cheryl Kamaryt, Donald Brown, Gerald L. "Chip" Karnes, Mitchell Buchberger, Greg Keane, Carol Bychowski, Mike King, Tom Bychowski, Steven Kotowski, Bernice Caulfield, Jim Kramer, Eleanor Cavage, Adeline Kricke, Jaclyn Cigrang, Bob LaCosse, Mary Cole, James Lapinski, Louise Comanici. Coca Linkman, Jim Crafton, Dean Longfellow, Dorothy Crooks, Richard Maffenbeier, Joanne Cyrier, Ruth Magiera, Lillian Dauer, Elizabeth Anne Martinelli, Gloria DelGiudice, Rita Matheson. Rosemarie DeLorenzo, Albert McDonald, Steve Denten, Patricia McGinn, Catherine T. Dhein, Donna McGinn. Fred Doell. Ruth McGuire, Pat Dombkowski, Daniel McMorrow, Marion Dougherty, Chris Mendoza. Leo Dowling, Beau Moisan, Connie Eichberger, Mary Ann Monson, Dorothy & Engelson, Mildred Clarence Fardella, Rosa Munao, Kenneth Felderman, Reese Nelson, Gregory Fisher, Charles Nelson, Jane

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6 Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13 Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

† WE REMEMBER †
Monday—January 29, 2018 8:15 am † Ercole Canghiari
Tuesday—January 30, 2018 8:15 am † Wayne Hult
Wednesday—January 31, 2018 Saint John Bosco, Priest 8:15 am † Stanley Sampson Thursday—February 1, 2018 7:00 am † Communion Service 8:15 am † Joe Kerr
Friday—February 2, 2018 The Presentation of the Lord 8:15 am † Mary McGough † Amanda Dombrowski † Richard Dombrowski † Eugene Perkins
Saturday—February 3, 2018 Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop 5:00 pm † Jean Monaco
Sunday—February 4, 2018 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am
11:15 am † John Burkel † Ann Caldini

WEEKLY CALENDAR				
Monday, January 29, 2018				
9:00 am 4:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Afghan Group Meeting Children's Choir Rehearsal Evening of Mourning/Evening of Healing RCIA Weekly Meeting	LDR CHU CHU FR		
Tuesday, January 30, 2018				
9:30 pm	Men's Basketball Drop In	PLC		
Wednesday, January 31, 2018				
7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal AA Weekly Meeting	CHU CH		
Thursday, February 1, 2018				
7:00 pm 7:30 pm 9:00 pm	Men's CRHP Meeting Adult Children of Alcoholics Meeting Men's Basketball Drop In	LDR LR PLC		
Friday, February 2, 2018				

Saturday, February 3, 2018

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Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study

Co-Dependents Anonymous Meeting

Sunday, February 4, 2018

10th Annual MAC Gathering

Interfaith Union School

Men's Basketball Drop In

SPRED Meeting

Parish Baptisms

6:00 am

8:00 am

9:00 am

9:00 am

1:00 pm

7:30 pm

10:15 am



† Geraldine Reising

† Anna Swiderski

Buhrfeind Room	BR	Leadership Room	LDR
Church	CHU	Living Room	LR
Community Room	CR	Rectory Basement	RB
Coggins Hall	CH	Parish Life Center	PLC
Dining Room	DR	Formation Room	FR

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Catherine Oglesbee, Mother of Keith and Margaret Klein
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Laura Presz

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If you park on the street rather than the parking lot, please park legally and not block our neighbors' driveways. Please note that the Mt. Prospect Police Department will leave a reminder on the windshields of those who have forgotten "the rules of the road!"

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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, February 11, 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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