

First Sunday of

Advent

December 2, 2018

Saint Raymond de Penafort

A Catholic Faith Community

Our Joyful Response to Living Stewardship

"Welcome. Love. Serve."

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Some thoughts at the beginning of Advent....

Cold dark skies greet us almost every morning, yet the evening stars glimmer with a renewed vibrancy. The glory of autumn has faded and the world around us is quite stark, yet we people of faith cut down green branches and trees and bring them in to our homes. What a strange ritual! A good understanding of Advent is that it is about contrasts: the light against the darkness, paradise amidst desolation, and vision in a time of blindness. This time of year is charged with expectation, but an honest inquiry asks just what are we expecting as people of faith? Of course we answer Jesus, but what is this Jesus going to do? Before we answer let us reflect on the images used in the scriptures. The scriptures announce prophets speaking oracles and sharing visions of what God will do.



Do you recall the vision from Isaiah? 'God invites all people to the holy mountain, to the temple and there they will be instructed in the ways of the Lord.' They make plows and harvesting equipment from the metal of weapons that kill and destroy. (IS 2, 1-5) Can we grasp these realities through words as powerful and innocent as those from Isaiah: to lay down one's hatred and take up life-giving attitudes! A certain wisdom teaches that, as we age, people can become increasingly resentful. How often we wield the sword of resentment and slay all that may be possible in life. Do you ever hear that voice which echoes put away your pride, expectations, and limits and welcome what is new and possible? Welcoming the unfamiliar is quite scary.

These biblical images reflect a time of harmony and created order much like in Genesis when the world is as God intended it to be. Think of the image from Jeremiah, a shoot that springs forth from a barren stump, a leader will come with justice as God has promised! (JER 33, 14-16) We see this prefigured in the person of Jesus who not only revealed the compassion of God for the vulnerable but also confronted the adversaries of God's dream for humanity. With faith, we believe we can welcome God's designs and powerful words, and what is impossible becomes real. (LK 1, 37-38) The wisdom of God is poured out: trust in God's promise. As we make our way through it all, we face obstacles and challenges which can impede the promise or its fulfillment. Too often the adversaries of fear and death in their many forms threaten our capacity to see, welcome, rejoice in God's promise.

Many people seek the <u>substance of vision</u>. I recall when I arrived here at St. Raymond, some parishioners asked me 'What is your vision for the parish?' I replied that I didn't have one yet as I didn't know the parish well. Over time, and with some help, a few things came forward, like Parish Transformation. Parish Transformation started in Autumn 2015. It served as a parish process which helped us to envision and define some values and directives regarding fulfilling the mission of Jesus. At the heart of the process were discussions about our past and present (for 2015) which considered our reality and opportunities and projected real possibilities for a future created, woven, and fashioned by the community. Truly, it was a beginner's step into that world of creating a vision, a vision which has the ability to imprint itself deep within our hearts and minds and fuel various capacities to make it real through faith/trust. It can be the sole venture of one person or belong to an entire community. Envisioning a future hope (here or anywhere) must be sincere and honest, must be realistic, and must include the best tenets of our faith tradition. We chose two objectives to center our community: good stewardship and evangelization for all.

Perhaps, due to our world today, we lack the possibility of seeing clearly, of being able to dream, or of creatively imagining without falling into the pit of fear. It is often said (and is proven) that the flip side of creative imagination is closed mindedness and deterioration. How many prophets were killed or exiled because people did not like their visions? How many times have leaders turned a deaf ear when trying to solve problems during times of crisis because they could not imagine other possibilities? A vision is different from a direction; envisioning engages our soul and all our senses. It is my sincere hope (and challenge) that, at some time during this holy season of Advent, you can imagine and dream about your lives, families, and organizations with eyes and hearts fully open. In that way the hope and fulfillment of God will find a new home and a new place in our hearts and in the world.

Blessings of Joy during this Holy season.

Fr. Ed Panek

THROUGH OUR ALMS WE TOUCH THE WORLD

FRANCISCAN MISSION SERVICE



As Franciscan followers of Christ, we build partnerships with Catholic women and men who are inspired to live and serve in solidarity with economically poor communities across the globe - and to bring the transformative experience of mission to North American societies and churches as advocates for peace, justice, reconciliation and care of creation. We prepare and support lay Catholics for two-year international, one-year domestic and 1-2 week short-term mission service opportunities in solidarity with impoverished and marginalized communities across the globe.



Becky Kreidler grew up in Mt. Prospect, Illinois and has been a part of the St. Raymond's community her whole life. During her time in college at Loyola University Chicago, she felt a moment of deep consolation that she was being called to go out into the world. Her answer to that call was becoming a missioner with the Franciscan Mission Service. In August, Becky traveled to Washington D.C. for three months of formation in the Franciscan tradition, learning about and discussing topics in preparation for international mission such as lay mission spirituality, power & privilege, sustainable ministry and more. Becky will be living in intentional community and serving in Guatemala City at the Valley of the Angels boarding school for at least the next two years. You can learn more about her call to mission and donate to her time on mission at https://franciscanmissionservice.org/. Here you can also follow her story through blog posts she will write during her time on mission.

Alms collected the weekends of December 1st/2nd and 8th/9th will go to the Franciscan Mission Service. Please use the green alms envelopes located at all of the church entrances. Checks should made payable to St. Raymond with Franciscan Mission Service in the memo. Thank you for your generosity.

Stewardship of Treasure						
Weekly Offering for November 1	Year to Date (21 Weeks)					
Weekly Offering for November 18, 2018	Collection vs. Budget					
Sunday Offering	\$10,295	Year-to-Date Sunday Collection Year to Date Budget	\$427,475 \$495,600			
Direct Debit/Credit Card Offering Grand Total for the Week	\$ 13,351 \$23,646	Difference Year-to-Date	(\$- 68 , 125)			
Amount Needed for Operating Expense	\$23,600	Extraordinary Collections				
Difference	\$46	Watts of Love	\$9,295			
Thank you for your Stewardship	Alms Collections to Date \$2					
And Generosity!		Sharing Parishes	\$9,705			
		Archdiocesan Required Collections	\$13,462			
Weekly Offering for November 2	25, 2018	Year to Date (22 Weeks)				
Weekly Offering for November 25, 2018		Collection vs. Budget				
Sunday Offering	\$14,928	Year-to-Date Sunday Collection	\$447,869			
Direct Debit/Credit Card Offering	\$ 2,528	Year to Date Budget	\$519,200			
Grand Total for the Week	\$17,456	Difference Year-to-Date	(\$-71,331)			
Amount Needed for Operating Expense	\$23,600	Extraordinary Collections				
Difference	-\$6,144	St. Mark Lutheran PADS Program	\$1,785			
Thank you for your Stewardship		Alms Collections to Date	\$27,608			
And Generosity!		Sharing Parishes	\$10,292			
_		Archdiocesan Required Collections	\$14,324			

CONFRONTING THE CRISIS

Dear Parishioners,

The following letter was developed from comments made by those members of our parish who spoke at one of two listening sessions or emailed a response to our crisis email address. Please read this letter, and if you agree with its content, sign one of the signatory sheets in the narthex after Mass, or online by clicking this link: https://sites.google.com/view/sr-crisis-response/home. The letter and signatures will be delivered to Cardinal Cupich, and a copy to the Vicar General and to all bishops in Vicariate 1. Thank you.

Dear Cardinal Cupich,

We, concerned parishioners of St. Raymond de Penafort Parish in Mount Prospect, Illinois have held two separate listening sessions focused on clerical abuse and its cover-up in our Church. The following is a brief summary of the sentiments expressed at these two meetings and emails received from parishioners and others unable to attend the sessions.

First and foremost, we continue to pray for the victims, their families and for all those impacted by these heinous acts. Second, we recognize that there are many good priests who faithfully and tirelessly minister to their communities. Additionally, we know how blessed we are to have had many such priests pass through our parish doors.

However, the revelations highlighted by the Pennsylvania grand jury report, the endless stream of related investigations and court cases and settlements have all caused many of us to question the actions and mindset of certain Church leaders who put their own interests ahead of the innocent children, and other victims with whom they were entrusted.

These repeated actions or inactions by Church leaders, over decades, have led to a significant loss of trust among the faithful of St. Raymond and brings to mind the famous quote of Catholic Church historian, Lord John Acton, who declared, "Power tends to corrupt and absolute power corrupts absolutely." We believe it is time for the hierarchy of the Church to be more open and more accountable and we offer the following suggestions for your consideration and discussion at the upcoming January 2019 Bishops' retreat in Mundelein.

Lay Involvement – Governance

Lay involvement is necessary at all levels of church governance, including the very highest. It is no longer sufficient for church leaders to merely seek counsel and advice from lay women and men. Instead, the Church would be better served by having laity as active and equal participants with the hierarchy in guiding the Church on its path forward in a much more transparent manner.

For years, Catholics have trusted that the Church's leaders held the interests of their flock ahead of all else; unfortunately, the recent revelations have changed our belief. We are anxiously watching to see the Church's actions towards its senior leaders who allowed these misdeeds to perpetuate. The Church's words and actions towards these senior leaders will be telling as to how committed the hierarchy is to invoking true and necessary change. Other churches, having experienced recent scandals of their own, have witnessed the entirety of their senior leadership promptly resign – such action takes an immense amount of courage. We the faithful will be watching.

<u>Lay involvement – Ministry</u>

Expansion of Holy Orders to include women as well as married individuals is optimal. Similarly, women ordination to the Diaconate is consistent with the early Church and essential for today's Church. The grand jury report clearly evidences that the Church's structure of celibate men only has attracted and fostered an unwelcome predatory element. The addition of both women and married individuals would add new talents and gifts, reduce the priest shortage and would bring fresh perspectives, helping the church move forward from this crisis.

In addition to these changes, the Church's compassion and understanding of those divorced and remarried is paramount. Many lead good, Christian lives. They feel abandoned by their Church. The Church needs to reach out to them and recognize them as full members with rights to receive all sacraments. This same consideration needs to be given to those individuals with alternative life styles. "Who am I to judge?" asks Pope Francis.

We are losing an entire generation of young people who were raised to believe in God and the authority of the Church. This generation of youth and young adults no longer sees the Church as a credible source of moral authority or faith formation. We hope and pray that the Church's leadership truly recognizes the gravity of this situation and finds the courage to act with a sense of urgency, and in a fashion that evidences an understanding and appreciation of the faithful's feelings, concerns and loss of trust.

Acting in accord with suggestions contained in this letter would indeed reflect such an understanding and serve to lay the groundwork for moving the Church towards a healthy, positive and transparent future. Cardinal Cupich, you are viewed as a man of courage seeking to move our Church to the fullness of Christ's message. In your words, sir, "Progress requires radicalism." Be that radical change!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The undersigned Parishioners of St. Raymond de Penafort Parish, Mount Prospect, Illinois

cc. Bishop Ronald Hicks
Bishop Alberto Rojas
Bishop George J. Rassas



THE PROCESS OF SELECTING A NEW PASTOR FOR ST. RAYMOND DE PENAFORT PARISH

The process of determining where a priest will serve as a pastor in the Archdiocese of Chicago is prayerfully and carefully facilitated by the Cardinal, the Vicar Bishops of each Vicariate, the Deans, a priest who coordinates priest placement activities full-time and the Priests' Placement Board which consists of eight Archdiocesan priests. Members of the Priests' Placement Board meet weekly from September through June to assess the needs of parishes in light of placing pastors and associate pastors at parishes. Careful attention is given to determine how the Holy Spirit is calling particular priests to serve the needs of specific parishes in the Archdiocese. The process is focused on assessing each prospective pastor's talents and skills and matching them with the needs of specific parishes. The input of the staff, lay leadership and parishioners of each parish is extremely valuable to the process.

The process is outlined in brief below:

- 1. A Parish Consultation has been scheduled at St. Raymond De Penafort Parish for <u>Thursday, December 6, 2018</u>. This will take place in the church. Two members of the Priests Placement Board, the Bishop, and the Dean will have three separate meetings with the following groups in your parish to gather input about the qualities needed in your new pastor:
 - A. **4pm** meeting with the Parish Staff, Permanent Deacons, and School Principal. Teachers are invited to attend the Town Hall meeting <u>only</u>.
 - B. 6pm meeting with parish leadership (members of Parish Council, Finance Committee, etc.)
 - C. **7pm** meeting with all interested <u>parishioners</u> in a Town Hall format to discuss the strengths and challenges of the parish and the qualities needed in their next pastor. Input from parishioners is very important in the process. The present pastor and current staff members are asked not to attend this session so as to allow people to express their opinions openly.
- 2. A Parish Profile is compiled from information received at these parish meetings along with information regarding the parish's mission statement, ministries, finances and other facts about the parish. Prospective pastors who are interested in the parish get a copy of this parish profile to help them in their discernment.
- 3. Priests who are pursuing a pastorate complete a profile outlining their specific talents and skills and how the Holy Spirit is calling them to serve at their next assignment. Members of the Priests Placement Board will interview specific prospective pastors to determine their eligibility for being pastor of St. Raymond De Penafort Parish.
- 4. After sessions of formal prayer and several weeks of discernment the Priest Placement Board will make a recommendation to Bishop Rojas and Cardinal Cupich on which priest they recommend to become the next pastor of St. Raymond De Penafort Parish. In a consultative manner, Cardinal Cupich will make the final decision about who he will appoint as the next pastor of St. Raymond De Penafort Parish. This will happen in the Spring 2019.
- 5. If you have any further questions regarding the priest placement process please contact the Priests' Placement Office at 312-534-5270. Please pray for the continued guidance of the Holy Spirit in the process of selecting a new pastor for your parish. Please know that your input is profoundly needed and will be taken very seriously!

TOWN HALL MEETING AT ST. RAYMOND DE PENAFORT PARISH Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 7:00pm in the church

Officials of the Archdiocese will be at St. Raymond De Penafort Parish to seek input from parishioners on the qualities needed in your next pastor. Please come to this meeting and provide information which will be used to select the next pastor of your parish.

WORSHIP OFFICE



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Friday, December 7, 2018 7:00PM Vigil Mass

Saturday, December 8, 2018 Mass at 9:00 AM

Please note: This Solemnity is always a Holy Day of Obligation in the United States.

Saturday's 5:00 PM will celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Advent.

Oplatki is available at the Parish Ministry Center (PMC) Suggested Donation \$ 2



When they met, Mary and Elizabeth blessed each other as they each prepared for the birth of a holy child.

So too, shall we, as a faith community, bless all women who are pregnant and are awaiting the birth of their holy child.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22 AND 23
AT ALL MASSES

During this Holy Season...we remember those whose lives reflected the light of the Son

The Advent and Christmas seasons are filled with hopeful anticipation and joyful celebration at the birth of Jesus Christ. It is the time of the year when families and friends make a special effort to be together and share with one another their Joy and Peace! It is also the most poignant when we miss our loved ones who have died.

Each year, the Art & Environment Ministry invites the St. Raymond Community to assist in creating a tangible remembrance of their family and/or friends by helping to fund the Advent and Christmas decorations in our worship spaces. We suggest a donation of \$20.00 per memorial but we will be glad to honor your remembrance at whatever level works for you.

To participate, please fill out the form below and return it with your donation. There are also Flower Donation envelopes located on the tables in church. Please make your checks payable to St Raymond Church. Donations may be deposited in the Sunday collection (Please be sure the envelope is marked Advent and Christmas Memorials) or drop it off at the Parish Ministry Center during office hours. Thank you for your generosity.

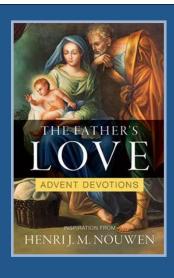


Christmas Remembrance

In Memory of (Please Print)

Donation from (Please Print)

Art & Environment Ministry 2018



To assist in our parish's Advent journey, copies of the reflection booklet *The Father's Love* will be available at all the church exits. Be guided through daily prayer and reflection as you gain a better sense of how the Father loves us and why he sent his only Son to dwell among us. We hope this booklet will be an aid in our individual journeys to Christmas.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SEASON

2018 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Monday, December 3 - Advent Taize Prayer Service

7:00 PM Taize prayer originated from an ecumenical community in France. It involves beautiful music, singing, and a quiet reflection. Taize is a wonderful way to begin the Advent Season.

Saturday, December 8 - The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception – Holy Day Vigil Liturgy on Friday, Dec. 7 at 7:00 PM – And a Special Holy Day Mass at 9:00 AM Saturday, December 8 - 5:00 PM Mass is the Second Sunday of Advent

Monday, December 10 - A Midpoint Rest Stop on Our Advent Journey

7:00 PM A time for prayers, singing and a discussion regarding our Reclaiming Jesus Initiative.

Monday, December 17 - Advent Communal Sacrament of Reconciliation

7:00 PM Welcoming All Mt. Prospect Parishes at St Emily 1400 E. Central Road, Mt Prospect

11:15 AM

Monday, December 17 – the St Raymond School Nativity Performance

1:30 PM & 7:00 PM the Students of St Raymond School celebrate the Nativity of Jesus

Saturday & Sunday, December 22/23 (normal weekend mass times)

4th Sunday of Advent 5:00 PM 7:30 AM 9:30 AM

Monday, December 24, 2018 - Christmas Eve

2:00 PM Christmas Vigil Liturgy - Children's Choir

4:30 PM Christmas Vigil Liturgy - Teen Choir

11:40 PM Music Prelude

12:00 AM Midnight Mass - Festival Choir & Instrumentalists

Tuesday, December 25, 2018 - Christmas Day

8:30 AM Christmas Liturgy - Piano, Violin & Cantor

11:30 AM Christmas Liturgy - Young Adult Ensemble & Instrumentalists

Saturday & Sunday, December 29/30 (normal weekend mass times)

The Feast of the Holy Family 5:00 PM 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM

Monday, December 31, 2018 - Mary, Mother of God - (New Year's Eve)

8:15 AM Morning Mass - the Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

4:00 PM Mary, Mother of God, Holy Day Vigil Liturgy

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 – Mary, Mother of God – (New Year's Day)

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

An Invitation to Reclaim the Good News of Jesus

On Pentecost Sunday, a statement of beliefs to Reclaim the Good News of Jesus at this time in the history of our nation was published in the bulletin and affirmed by members of our parish staff and council.

That Statement of Beliefs is now posted in the narthex. As the faith community of St. Raymond, you also are invited to affirm these beliefs by signing the book so that together we might find a common voice to speak to the challenges of our time.

- 1. WE BELIEVE each human being is made in God's image and likeness. (Genesis 1:26)
 THEREFORE WE SHALL treat all people with respect from conception until natural death.
- 2. WE BELIEVE we are one body. (Galatians 3:28)
 THEREFORE WE SHALL welcome, protect and bless all races, genders, classes, orientations and faiths.
- 3. WE BELIEVE how we treat the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the stranger, the sick and the prisoner is how we treat Christ himself. (Matthew 25: 31-46)
 THEREFORE WE SHALL uphold and care for the vulnerable in our midst, drawing people close through Christian hospitality.
- 4. WE BELIEVE that truth is morally central to our personal and public lives. (John 14:6)
 THEREFORE WE SHALL uphold truth-telling in our culture, beginning with our children and families.
- 5. WE BELIEVE that Christ's way of leadership is servanthood, not domination. (Matthew 20:25-26)
 THEREFORE WE SHALL support democracy not because we believe in human perfection, but because we do not.
- 6. WE BELIEVE Jesus when he tells us to go into all nations making disciples. (Matthew 28:18-19) THEREFORE WE SHALL live in awareness of the needs of the global community.
- 7. WE BELIEVE the Eucharist is the body and blood of Christ and that we are called to be nurtured each week at the table of the Lord. (John 6:48-51)

St. Raymond Family Mass Ministry

The St. Raymond's Family Mass Ministry offers parents and children the opportunity to actively participate in the Mass. Participating helps children and adults develop an understanding and appreciation for the Mass and Catholic traditions.

Since every family is different and unique, there are several opportunities to participate in the St. Raymond's Family Mass.

Dress the Altar – Prepare the altar for mass by bringing up the linens and dressing altar.

Bread and Wine – bringing up the gifts is an acceptance of Christ's blessings for ourselves and our parish community.

Intercessions – Where our community hears the prayer requests for the parish. Adults are asked to read community member names, while children are invited to read the remainder of the prepared script.

Ready to Join?

For more information please visit:

https://tinyurl.com/StRaymondFamilyMass or contact Julie Rognstad at 847-363-6277.





Join friends & family as we celebrate the 70th Anniversary of St. Raymond

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 9

CHEVY CHASE COUNTRY CLUB | 1000 North Milwaukee Avenue | Wheeling Tickets are \$135 per person

New this Year!

You can reserve your tickets now and pay for them in installments. Begin making payments now and by February they'll be paid for!

If you are interested in setting up a payment plan contact Roberta Nichols at 847.253.8600 or r.nichols@st-raymond.org.

Special Anniversary Pricing!

If you are a member of the parish and you are 70 years old or over your ticket is only \$70!

TICKETS

GALA or TUITION RAFFLE tickets can be purchased at www.st-raymond.org or at the PMC. For more information call 847.253.8600 or email r.nichols@st-raymond.org.

EVENT CHAIRS I Kathy Nuelle, Laura Gustis, Krissy Olson, Lisa Eckert Aliprandi, Kendra Pollizze & Trent Bohacz



Upcoming Religious Education Class Dates

December 5: class December 12: class

December 18: class



A "GRACIAS" Thank you to St. Raymond Parish Community

We wish to thank Fr. Ed Panek, the staff, Agnes Knott, Cheryl Haluczak, custodians Dan and Jose, as well as the entire St. Raymond Parish Community with their overwhelming support and generosity for the GRACIAS Fair Trade Market. This wonderful event took place on November 24th and 25th.

Thanks to your efforts the Artisans from Central America, South America and the Philippines will be receiving a "FAIR PRICE" for their crafts. Your efforts and contribution help bring us into Solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the WORLD.

We would especially like to thank those who shared their time to make this Worthy and Deserving Event happen.

Those who helped unload and set up on Saturday morning: Grace Bailie, Michaelene, Grace and Kenny Behles, Kevin Bopp, Martin Clary, Gary Hanafee, Joe Hanafee, Taylor Knott, Danny Martinez, Lauren Mueller, Cate Murawski, George Sullivan Sr. and George Sullivan, Jr.

Parishioners who helped wrap the craft items: Isabel Gibson, Sally Murphy, Pam Valentino and Judy Velen.

On Sunday afternoon after all the Masses we wish to thank the dismantling and loading crew. Among the adults were: Michaelene and Steve Belles, Joe Hanafee, Rosemary Hinkemeyer, Krista Karrabin, Robyn McCluskey, Sister Dee Peppard, Dina & David Petricca, Pam Valentino, & Judy Velen. Among the students were: Grace and Kenny Behles, Luke Karrabin, Eva and Isabelle Kadlubowski, Ryan McCluskey, Alexa, Danny, Joseph and Patricia Petricca, Amaris Santiago, & Maya Sokolowski. Thanks to their quick and efficient work everything was packed and loaded before the big storm arrived. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH; we could not have done it without you.

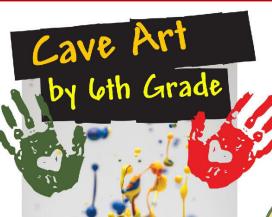


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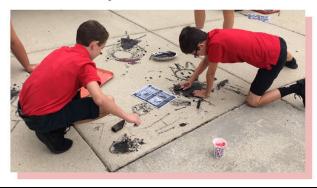




Sixth graders learned how cave art was made through a hands on experience that simulated the creation of cave art.

"I liked getting by hands dirty!"

The students created their own paints by mixing various concoctions using berries, mud, chalk, and ash. They used tools like sticks and small stones to grind and mix ingredients. Students then got their hands dirty while using their homemade paints to make nature inspired art.







ADULT FORMATION

Rite of Christian of Adults

The **RCIA** -- **R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation of **A**dults -- is a process of companioning people as they come to greater faith. It is designed for men and women who:

- have never been baptized
- ◆ were baptized in another Christian denomination and are considering becoming Catholic
- were baptized Catholic but have never received Eucharist or Confirmation

St. Raymond's Parish is a wonderful faith community with a strong tradition of warmth, inclusiveness and outreach to those who are hurting. We find strength, love and support in this parish -- and we invite others who might be searching for a faith community to consider joining us.

If you would like more information, or if you wish to join with others who are exploring the Catholic faith, please contact Deacon David Babczak at 847-253-8600, D.Babczak@St-Raymond.org). Our *meetings* are held on Monday evenings.

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 who read and discuss the scriptures for the coming Sunday Mass. What do we get out of it? An appreciation of God's word coming from many perspectives. Sometimes, 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. Call John Ruskuls at 847-394-5693 or Brian Murphy at 847-298-5186 for more information.

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. Please contact Johnny Burnett at yibidee63@gmail.com or 847-707-3360 for more information.

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY CIRCLES



Women's Spirituality Circles are small groups of 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 information please contact Kathy Hemler at either 847-427-1472 or chuck.kathy.hemler@comcast.net.

Attention Young Adults!



Young Adult Ministry—Northwest Chicago is gathering young adults in their 20s and 30s for the following upcoming events. Come out and join us for a great time and meet other young adults in the area!

Blanket Service Project for Catholic Charities

December 6, 2018, 7:00 pm St. Julian, Elk Grove Village

Advent Reflections Bible Study

Wednesdays in Advent Queen of the Rosary, Elk Grove Village

Christmas Party

December 8, 2018 Location TBD

Sponsored by the DEF Ministry Commission of Vicariate 1 of the Archdiocese of Chicago. For more info about any of these events, find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/yamnwc/ or email us at yamnw.suburbs@gmail.com.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;

Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4;

Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11;

Lk 3:1-6

RESCUE/RECYCLE RELIGIOUS ITEMS MINISTRY

Have you wondered what to do with religious items that you no longer want to use or keep? There is a "Rescue and Recycle Program for Religious Items" ministry at St. Raymond's Parish. This ministry was started some years ago by Ruth Hauswirth as a resource for people to be able to re-purpose their religious items that are no longer being used . In past years, thousands of items have been donated and re-purposed. All items are treated in a respectful manner by going to those people or organizations who would again have use for them. The Rescue Ministry will take any type of Catholic religious items: religious statues in any condition, pictures, medals, rosaries, crucifix's, holy cards, blessed candles, scapulars, religious books, holy water/holy oils, Saint relics, Catholic books, cd's or dvd's, and unwanted jewelry (beads and jewelry will be re-purposed and made intorosaries). Items that are broken but fixable are also accepted but we cannot accept Mass or greeting cards from religious organizations. Rescue items that you would like to donate can be brought to the PMC. Information or questions please contact Ruth Hauswirth

at 224-558-3618 or ruthhauswirth@yahoo.com.





UMW Cookie Walk and Craft Sale 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. to raise funds for missions

A goodwill offering will be taken to benefit Journeys from Pads to Hope

Trinity United Methodist Church
605 West Golf Road • Mount Prospect, Illinois 60056
847.439.0950 • www.trinitymp.org

Santa Claus will be there and help with the concert.



50's Plus Breakfast Hour







Join your Village Team for Information, Coffee, & Breakfast Sandwiches

Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 9:00 am

Village Hall, Community Room, 50 S. Emerson St

Help Around the House

Learn about services around town that help you to remain at home while you age. Speakers from Escorted Transportation and Northwest Housing Partnership will present. The MP Chamber of Commerce will share holiday events, specials and savings around town.





Breakfast provided by Le Peep Sponsored by the Knee Law Firm









HUMAN CONCERNS

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Office of Human Dignity & Solidarity-Immigration Ministry



Photo: USCCB Justice for Immigrants

"Let us think of the tragedy of those migrants and refugees who are victims of rejection and exploitation". Pope Francis

Support of critical funding for migrants and refugees overseas. The final figures for this life-saving aid have yet to be determined, and Congress has until December 7th to pass a final bill. It will help migrants and refugees around the world meet their basic needs, and addresses factors, like violence, hunger, and lack of economic opportunity, that force people to migrate. Your voice makes a difference. Raise it today!

ACTION: Visit the USCCBs site https://www.confrontglobalpoverty.org for ways to contact your officials to oppose cuts to foreign aid.

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

Office of Human Dignity & Solidarity – Immigration Ministry 3525 S. Lake Park Ave. Chicago, IL 60653 312-534-5333 esegura@archchicago.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 December. Let us also hold in prayer their victims and most especially their victim's families.

12/4 Joseph Garcia Texas
12/6 David Earl Miller Tennessee
12/11 Alvin Braziel Texas
12/13 Jose Jimenez Florida

Moms Rosary Group November Meeting - December 4TH, 2018

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.

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 more information please call Donna Czajka at (847) 228-6360.

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

♦ 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; 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 Mondays 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



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.

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 connect 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.



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 Ministry are experienced in these crafts, please consider joining our

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 prayers, love and support. It is a wonderful way to meet new friends while creating a meaningful reminder of our concern for our fellow parishioners. Meetings 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) 606-0719 or by email at maryklostermann@comcast.net.

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 28 countries overseas: Belize, Brazil, China, Ecuador, Germany, Haiti, Honduras, India, Ireland, Italy, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Kenya, Latvia, Mexico, Namibia, 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 please contact Evelyn Mutzabaugh mutzyclan@yahoo.com or 847-392-4554.

MATS FOR THE HOMELESS MINISTRY

The purpose of this ministry is to provide sleeping mats to homeless persons on lower Wacker Drive. Clean, plastic grocery bags are cut, knotted into plarn" (plastic yarn) and crocheted into mats.

We need people to: 1) sort and flatten the plastic bags; 2) cut the plastic into strips; 3) knot the strips and roll into balls of plarn; 4) crochet the mats.

Be involved in this ministry from home; it is not required to attend meetings. If you want to learn how to crochet, we can show you how. If you want to gather for camaraderie, sharing and fun, we get together on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Formation Room.



If you'd like to be involved in this ministry, please call or text Kathi Szott at 847-226-6369, or mail katsz928@yahoo.com



St. Raymond SCRIP Program Ordering Information

We order cards every week. Orders placed by 10:00 am Monday morning will be available for pick up Thursday after 1:00 pm. The order form below is only a partial listing of the vendors. Please visit www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list. We also have order forms and a list of vendors available at the PMC.

Low Denomination Gift Cards available to <u>ORDER</u> through December 14th *while supplies last* go to shopwithscrip.com for list of available cards

Christmas: Monday, December 17th will be the last day to place orders that will be received before Christmas. Order will be available at the PMC during business hours.







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

Name: Amount Due:

of Cards	Value	0/0	Total \$		# of Ca	rds	Value	%	Total S
Amazon.com	\$25/\$100	2.5%		П		Marathon	\$25/\$100	3%	
BP Gas Card	\$50/\$100	1.5%		П		Marianos Fresh Market	\$25/\$50/\$100	4%	
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$10/\$25	8%		П		Meijer	\$25/\$50/\$100	3%	
Chipotle	\$10/\$25	10%				Menards	\$25/\$100/\$500	3%	34.5
CVS Pharmacy	\$25/\$100	6%		П		Outback Rest. (Group)	\$25/\$50	8%	
Darden Rest. (Group)	\$25/\$100	8%		П		Panera	\$10/\$25/\$50	8%	
Dennis Uniform	\$20	5%		П		Shell	\$25/\$50/\$100	2%	
Dunkin Donuts	\$10/\$25	3%		П		Speedway	\$25/\$50/\$100	4%	
Exxon/Mobile	\$50	1%		П		Starbucks	\$10/\$25/\$50	7%	
GAP/Old Navy(Options)	\$25/\$100	14%		П		Subway	\$10/\$50	6%	
Home Depot (The)	\$25/\$100/\$500	4%		П		Target GiftCard	\$25/\$50/\$100/\$250	2.5%	
Jewel Foods Gift Card	\$25/\$100	4%		П		TJMaxx/Marshalls	\$25/\$100	7%	
Kohl's	\$25/\$100	4%		П		VISA	\$50/\$100/\$250	1.5%	
Landry's Rest. (Group)	\$25	9%		П		Walgreens	\$25/\$100	6%	
Lettuce Entertain You	\$25/\$100	12%		П		Walmart/Sam's Club	\$25/\$50 /\$100/\$250	2.5%	
Lowe's	\$25/\$100/\$500	4%		П		Whole Foods Market	\$25/\$50/\$100	3%	

	Liturgical Ministries Schedule — Christmas & New Year's 2018							
Time	Mass Coordinator & Eucharistic Ministers							
Christmas Eve—Monday, December 24								
2:00 PM	P&CMeyer, JRuskuls, BBlau, J&BBrandt, DConlon, JGeraci, KHigginson, M&MHigginson, M&MHigginson, DMack, JMaher, KMurphy, SMurphy, KNuelle, DPetricca, JScala, CSemerau, JSemerau, JTabbert, LZajac							
4:30 PM	DCole, MMcGarry, JThomas, ECole, NDaly, DMartin, K&DMurray, DRusk, FSchafer, KSchafer, NSciurba, T&JSkonicki							
Midnight Mass	AArceo, TTheis, MBabczak, JMetken, KMizwicki, SMoreno, GNeugebauer							
Christmas Day– Tuesday, December 25								
8:30 AM	<u>TDrangines, SHaut,</u> J&BBergner, DBorris, CBoss, TBrandenburg, Sr Elaine, DCoppola, B&DHollis, HMatecki, KPawlowski, AWurbia, PZabawa							
11:30 AM	KGoldberg, ABriggs, CBuchberger, DCzajka, BGabzdyl, MKendall, LKnaus, JLink, DMazeski, MKMcMahon, DO'Keefe, LOlsen, SRendino, KRitchie, KSchultz, SSmedinghoff							
Mary, Mother of God– Vigil– Monday, December 31								
4:00 PM	TDrangines, CGrango, K&RCummings, SMoreno, DO'Keefe, JTabbert, LLuxem, MMasini, GNeugebauer							
Mary, Mother of God– Tuesday, January 1								
11:00 AM	1:00 AM MKirby, BKlaus, JBergner, MMcGarry, MKMcMahon, SMurphy, SRendino							

St. Raymond Parish Domestic Violence Outreach Awareness-Services-Prevention

AWARENESS

Domestic violence is a pattern of behavior. It is used to exert power and control over another person. It is found in the context of a dating, family or household relationship.

Questions to ask:

- Does your partner isolate you from family and friends?
- Are you being physically, psychologically, economically or sexually abused?
- Is your partner attempting to destroy your self-esteem and self-confidence?

Domestic violence victims often report:

"I didn't know it was abuse.", "I thought
I could fix it.", "I didn't tell anyone."

These are traps that keep people bound.

Domestic violence. Dating Violence. No Excuse

You are loved and you are not alone.

SERVICES GET HELP! IN AN EMERGENCY, DIAL 911.

For individual or group counseling, please contact Teresa Gielczynski LCSW, ICDVP at Barrington Youth and Family Services 847-381-0345 ext 14 or teresa.gielczynskibyfs@outlook.com.

Help is also available from:

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233) and/or www.ndvh.org

National Sexual Assault Hotline: 1-800-656-HOPE(4673) and Wings Housing/Emergency Shelter: 847-221-5680

PREVENTION

Healthy Relationship Characteristics

- Trust
- Mutual respect
- Good communication/open and honest communication
- Partners work together to make decisions.
- Belief in nonviolent conflict resolution/ anger control
- Ability to negotiate and adjust to stress
- Belief in partner's right to autonomy
- Individuality
- Honesty
- Compromise
- Fighting fair
- Empathy

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Source: CDC, Liz Claiborne Dating Matters

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Visit the Archdiocese of Chicago Domestic Violence Outreach webpage at https://www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network http://www.rainn.org Veto Violence—Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): www.vetoviolence.org/datingmatters



HUMAN CONCERNS

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.

A Message to our Parishioners who use a Special Host.

We have relocated the container of special hosts from the sacristy to just inside the vestry door. We hope this will save you steps and make it easier for you! <u>Pray for Our Sick</u> 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,

*Infant Abplanalp, Esther Adamo, James Adamo, Mary Jane Adams, Kathie Adams, Robert Amodio, Antoinette Baker, Robert Baldassano, Al Baldassano, Dina Balmes, Evann Banadera, Leonida Banas, Virginia Becker, John Brandson, Jeanne Breitsameter, Barbara Brinkman, Cheryl Broeren, Sue Brown, Gerald L. "Chip" Brown, Robert Buchberger, Greg Bychowski, Mike Caulfield, Jim Cavage, Adeline Cigrang, Bob Comanici, Coca Cotto, Mason Crafton, Dean Crooks, Richard Cyrier, Ruth Czajka, Donna Dauer, Elizabeth Anne Denten, Kate Kelly Dhein, Donna Doell, Ruth Dombkowski, Daniel Dowling, Beau Egart, Jean Eichberger, Mary Ann Engelson, Mildred Fardella, Rosa Felderman, Reese Fisher. Charles Ford, James

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Pietrzak, Fr. Bernie Pietrzak, Irene Pinto, Sandra Pitzele, Mark Reising, Donald E. Rilev. Barbara Riley, Liz Ruskuls, Mary Ann Sadrakula, Irene Savage, Evelyn Schreiner, Amy Schultz, Rosemary Shea, Dorothy Sheehy, Eleanor Simms-Shade, Paula Skillman, John Skowron, Blake Slack, Patricia Stell. Kathie Stevens, Isabell Theis. Tim Thelander, Mary Jo Torello, Rick Tortorello, Carol Trapani, Amelia Ullrich, Andrea Urban, Rose Vais, Joseph Vecchio, Helen Waters, John White, Shirley Wilson, Irene











Penze. Denise

Peterson, Marion







† WE REMEMBER †
Monday—December 3, 2018 Saint Francis Xavier, Priest 8:15 am † Michael Kolbaba † Timothy Murphy † Barbara Schemmer
Tuesday—December 4, 2018 Saint John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church 8:15 am † Robert Doyle
Wednesday—December 5, 2018 8:15 am † Suzanne Raya
Thursday—December 6, 2018 Saint Nicholas, Bishop 7:00 am † Communion Service 8:15 am † Charlie Giraud (1st anniversary) † Harry O'Dell
Friday—December 7, 2018 Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 8:15 am † John Hanning † Mary McGough † Amanda Dombrowski † Richard Dombrowski † Eugene Perkins 7:00 pm † Catherine Bonk
Saturday—December 8, 2018 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9:00 am † Marion Smiglee 5:00 pm † Natalina Nicolosi † Samuele Nicolosi
Sunday—December 9, 2018 Second Sunday of Advent 7:30 am † Rev. Gerard Christianson 9:30 am † Judith Beaumont † Cathy Bonk † Dan Cobry † Tim Gruensfelder † Jason Saccone 11:15 am † Mary Costello † Shawna Daro † Kathleen M. Gillman † Richard Malinowski † John Paulsen

WEEKLY CALENDAR								
Monday, December 3, 2018								
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	Wednesday, December 5, 2018							
7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Parish Choir AA Weekly I		CHU CH					
Thursday, December 6, 2018								
7:00 pm 7:00 pm 9:30 pm	Town Hall M Part Time C Men's Bask	CHU CR PLC						
Friday, December 7, 2018								
7:00 pm Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass								
	Saturda	ay, Dec	ember 8, 2018					
6:00 am 9:00 am 10:15 am 12:00 pm	CH CHU LR CHU							
Sunday, December 9, 2018								
8:00 am 8:30 am	Sunday Hos Newcomer V		ng Session	CR BR				
Buhrfeind Room Church Community Room Coggins Hall Dining Room		BR CHU CR CH DR	Leadership Room Living Room Rectory Basement Parish Life Center Formation Room	LDR LR RB PLC FR				



Robert Doyle, Father of Michelle Doyle Catherine E. Bonk, Wife of James Vincent Di Fatta, Husband of Marie, and Father of Michael

Robert O'Shea, Father of Ted, and Grandfather of Patrick

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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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Monday—Thursday: 8:30 AM—7:45 PM 8:30 AM --6:30 PM Fridavs: Weekdays Closed: Noon-1:00 PM 9:00 AM—1:00 PM 9:00 AM—12:30 PM Saturday: Sunday:

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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, December 9, 2018. Our session begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Buhrfeind Room, located in the Parish Ministry Center at the corner of S. I-Oka Avenue and Milburn Avenue, Door #4, 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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