

# Saint Raymond de Penafort

A Catholic Faith Community

*Our Joyful Response to Living Stewardship*

*"Welcome. Love. Serve."*

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2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 8, 2019

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# **ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SEASON**

## **2019 WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

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### **Monday, December 9 - 8:15 AM Mass celebrating The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

Please note, this year, The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, December 8<sup>th</sup> falls on a Sunday, therefore, the Solemnity is transferred to Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> however, it is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation

### **Monday, December 16 - Advent Communal Sacrament of Reconciliation**

7:00 PM     *Welcoming All Mt. Prospect Parishes at St Thomas Becket Church, Mt Prospect*

### **Tuesday, 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*

### **Tuesday, December 24, 2019 - 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*

### **Wednesday, December 25, 2019 - Christmas Day**

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

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

### **Saturday & Sunday, December 28/29 (normal weekend mass times)**

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

### **Wednesday, January 1, 2020 – Mary, Mother of God – (New Year's Day)**

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

## THROUGH OUR ALMS WE TOUCH THE WORLD

### Viator House of Hospitality



Many children seek to enter the U.S. without adult accompaniment each day. These minors seek protection from the despair of their homelands and through the Office of Refugee Settlement, are housed in juvenile detention facilities where they are cared for and given opportunities for education while they await the outcome of their legal proceedings. Most children seek “asylum,” which means they must prove they have a well-founded fear of persecution in their homeland. Unfortunately, nearly 60% of these children do not have attorneys to represent them at their hearing. When these children turn 18, they are sent to an adult detention facility, where they may wait months until their hearings.

Grounded in the Viatorian commitment to support young people who are accounted by some in society as “being of little importance,” the Viator House of Hospitality (VHH) provides compassionate accompaniment to undocumented young adult male immigrants who have been released from federal detention. While worked with the Interfaith Committee for Detained Immigrants (ICDI), founding Br. Michael Gosch, CSV saw the need for a support program targeted toward young immigrant men “aging out” of juvenile detention facilities. VHH opened in January 2017 with the support of the Clerics of St. Viator and several northwest suburban communities of faith. Viator House of Hospitality provides a supportive living environment where these young men can attend school, grow spiritually and emotionally, receive medical attention, even work while they await court proceedings that determine if they can become U.S. citizens.

When Br. Gosch receives notice from a juvenile detention facility or a child’s attorney, he and his staff go into action. Each young man is interviewed to see if VHH can meet his needs. VHH surrounds these young men with relationships and opportunities which help them discover their unique gifts and how they can best share them with the community. VHH hosts 20 young men at a time to live at the home and allows each to stay until it is determined they can thrive on their own.

VHH hopes to continue this important community ministry far into the future. The alms collection on the weekend of December 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> will provide VHH the financial resources necessary to continue operating. Please use the green Alms envelopes located on the tables at the back of the church to contribute.



**GIVE THE GIFT OF A  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION**

#### The best opportunity of the year to support Catholic schools

To increase the funds available for tax credit scholarships\*, several donors partnered to create a **matching gift pool**. Every dollar donated to this program through the scholarship granting organization Empower Illinois between Dec. 1, 2019 and Feb. 29, 2020 and designated to a school operated by the Archdiocese of Chicago will be matched with two dollars from this pool (limitations apply). The program will end when all matching funds have been depleted or on Feb. 29, 2020, whichever comes first.

**Example:** A taxpayer donates \$2,000 to Empower Illinois through the match program. The taxpayer will be eligible to claim a \$1,500 tax credit when he/she files their previous year's taxes. The donation creates \$6,000 in scholarship support (after the \$4,000 match). For the net cost of \$500 (\$2,000 donation less \$1,500 tax credit), this donor will provide a student with a \$6,000 scholarship to attend a Catholic school of his/her choice.

To take advantage of the matching gift program, follow the steps at [empowerillinois.org/donors](http://empowerillinois.org/donors). For additional information, contact the Archdiocese of Chicago's Tax Credit Scholarship Office at [tcs@archchicago.org](mailto:tcs@archchicago.org) or 312.534.2617.

\*The Illinois tax credit scholarship program provides a 75 percent state income tax credit to individuals who contribute money to fund scholarships for students from low-income families to attend private schools. Eligible students may use these scholarships to attend a non-public school of their choice, including the more than 200 Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic schools in Cook and Lake counties.



## 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. *Art & Environment Ministry 2019*



### Christmas Remembrance

In Memory of (Please Print)

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Donation from (Please Print)

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We are looking for a spirited group of people to be

## **CHRISTMAS HOSPITALITY MINISTERS!**

Please contact Lorelei McDermott at [loleimcd@gmail.com](mailto:loleimcd@gmail.com) or 847-818-0448 if you would like to join the Christmas Greeters at one (or more!) masses.

Sign up on [ivolunteer.com](https://ivolunteer.com) using the link below:

[https://straymondparish.ivolunteer.com/christmashospitalityministers\\_003](https://straymondparish.ivolunteer.com/christmashospitalityministers_003)

Christmas Eve: 2:00 pm, 4:30 pm and midnight

Christmas Day: 8:30 am and 11:30 am







Olivia Josephine, child of Piotr and Jasmine (Toussaint) Bielanski  
 Allison Marie, child of Jason and Meghan (Casey) Dvorak  
 Hudson Edrick Gannon, child of Robert and Brittany (Hoskins) Gannon  
 Henry Michael, child of Michael and Isabel (Flores) Wukowitch



Samantha Ann, child of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Herbst) Josephs  
 Nicholas John, child of Mark and Laura (Fosco) Raymond  
 Dennis John, child of Brian and Janine (Ciemny) Schoen  
 Daniel Michael, child of Michael and Amy (Marsh) Vitale



A CATHOLIC FAITH COMMUNITY  
**SAINT RAYMOND DE PENAFORT**  
YOUTH MINISTRY



**ST. RAYMOND JUNIOR BRANCHES GROUPS MEET TOGETHER  
FALL 2019**

Our St. Raymond Junior Branches students have come together this Fall outside of their regular group meetings to explore their faith and serve others. The Junior Branches groups are led by Patty & Rich Murawski, Terri & Terry Harmon, and Carolyn & Marty Mueller.

In October the Juniors met with Sr. Valerie Kulbacki to hear firsthand about the Minister of Care role and the services provided to our community. Our students were able to learn & discuss with Sr. Val about the care & praise ministries, bereavement, counseling/psychological services, domestic violence outreach, Emmaus Walk & other vital ministries at our parish. Thank you Sr. Val for meeting with our students!!



**Religious Education  
PROGRAM**



**Coming Up:**

Wednesday, December 11: Class, FAMILY EVENT "A Very MARY Time of Year"

Wednesday, December 18: NO ON-SITE CLASS; complete the At-Home Family Lesson

**HELP NEEDED FOR BRANCHES!**

We currently have 9 high school freshmen who are still waiting to belong to a Branches group. We are in need of two adults who can journey with these youth. Please call the PMC for more information: (847)253-8600.







# ST. RAYMOND SCHOOL

## Fourth Grade Kicks Off their Journey Across the U.S.



Recently the fourth grade traveled to Palatine to see a production of "50 States in 60 Minutes." The play runs through the history of the United States in only an hour.

Students were excited to see topics they've learned about brought to life, such as the three branches of government and the Founding Fathers.



This experience was a great way to spark the students' curiosity and interest in the social studies units throughout the rest of the year.



I liked that it explained things I didn't know and that I'm going to learn about. It helped me learn more about our country and its history.





# St. Raymond Kairos #5

January 17-20, 2020

Registration deadline is January 2, 2020

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

How would you like your name to appear on your name tag? \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

School attending \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of St. Raymond? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If you belong to another parish or church community, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

## Mother

## Father

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Important: Please watch your email for pertinent retreat details as the retreat date draws closer.**

Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_

To register for Kairos, please submit this form, the Permission Form, the Participant Agreement, and your payment of \$300 (made payable to St. Raymond) to the following address. If you are St. Raymond parishioner, please pay on [www.GIVECENTRAL.org](http://www.GIVECENTRAL.org).

**St. Raymond Youth Ministry, c/o Agnes Knott, 301 S. I-Oka Ave, Mt Prospect, IL 60056**

**All registration forms and payment must be received by January 2, 2020.**

Registration is on a first-come basis with priority given to St. Raymond Parishioners.

Please do not let finances be an obstacle to your teen's participating. Scholarships can be available.

Contact Agnes Knott at [agnes.knott@st-raymond.org](mailto:agnes.knott@st-raymond.org) for more information.

*No refunds can be made after January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020.*

## **Scholarship or Donations:**

I am able to help with a scholarship of \_\_\_\_\_ (enter amount) for a teen to participate in the Kairos retreat.

Your name \_\_\_\_\_ Email or phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please contact Agnes Knott at (847) 253-8600 ext 150 or [agnes.knott@st-raymond.org](mailto:agnes.knott@st-raymond.org) for information.**



# St. Raymond Kairos #5

January 17-20, 2020

## Frequently asked questions:

### What is Kairos?

Kairos, which means “God’s time,” is a 3-night, 4-day retreat experience for juniors and seniors in high school that enables them to spend time with peers, teen and adult leaders in order to get to know themselves, others, and God more deeply. Teens leave with a deeper understanding of themselves, their values, and their relationship to God.

### Why go?

This is a good question. There are so many reasons that others who have been on Kairos might share with you about why you should go. Thousands of teens go on Kairos each year. They discover who they really are and how they want to live. They gain a better sense of themselves, what is important to them, and their relationship with God. Kairos is an experience of a lifetime. Many teens who attend say it was life-changing for them, or at the very least, a powerful and positive experience. Participants often leave with new and/or deeper friendships. Talk to past Kairos participants to learn more.

### Who leads the retreat?

Each specific Kairos has a teen leadership team comprised of seniors who have previously attended a Kairos retreat. Leader application and selection began last year in April for this year’s retreat. The team completes over 20 hours of training and team building. Adult volunteers from the parish also attend as retreat facilitators. The power of the retreat is that it is student-led, but adult-guided.

### Where is it?

Kairos #5 will be held at Cabrini Retreat Center in Des Plaines. Teens gather at St. Raymond on Friday afternoon, take a bus to retreat center, and return to St. Raymond on Monday afternoon. We will leave on Friday, January 17th around 3:30 p.m. and return in the afternoon (around 4:00 p.m.) on Monday, January 20th. Students will NOT have to miss school on Monday because it is the Martin Luther King Jr Holiday.

### How much does it cost?

The cost for the 4 day/3 night retreat is \$300. This includes all meals, lodging, supplies, and transportation. **However, finances and cost should not deter any teen from attending.**

Please contact **Agnes Knott** at [agnes.knott@st-raymond.org](mailto:agnes.knott@st-raymond.org) if you need financial assistance. Scholarships are available.

Application available on the parish website : <http://www.st-raymond.org/youth-ministry/kairos/>

# Join the St. Raymond Yoga Playgroup!

The St. Raymond Yoga Playgroup is a great opportunity for moms, dads, grandparents or caregivers and their little ones to connect through songs, yoga poses, breathing techniques, and mindfulness practices. Come join us for fun and community building every other Monday from 10:15-11:00am. *Adults must stay with their child.*

Our very own Molly Kranovich, St. Raymond Class of 1997 alumna and parent of four, will facilitate the fun. Molly is a 200-hour certified yoga teacher through YogaFit, as well as certified through Kidding Around Yoga.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Sessions will be held in the  
Buhrfeind Room in the PMC.  
Enter Door # 1 at the  
St. Raymond School Office to check in.  
(corner of Milburn and Elmhurst Avenues)



**Mondays**  
10:15-11:00am  
December 16th  
*No reservation is necessary*

Questions: Call the school office at  
(847)253-8555 or email Colleen Cunningham  
at [Colleen.Cunningham@St-Raymond.org](mailto:Colleen.Cunningham@St-Raymond.org).  
St. Raymond School  
300 S. Elmhurst Ave., Mt. Prospect, IL 60056  
[www.st-raymondschool.org](http://www.st-raymondschool.org)



## St. Raymond's SPRED Program

SPRED is a religious education program specifically intended to meet the spiritual needs of persons with developmental disabilities. St. Raymond's SPRED Program is designed for adults with special needs (21 years of age and older) whom we call Friends. Through the experience of friendship in a one-to-one relationship with a volunteer catechist, each of our Friends discovers a place where they belong and are able to develop a sense of personal dignity as they are helped to realize their own giftedness.

Through participation in a SPRED community of faith, Friends and catechists alike share how God has touched our lives and lives through us. Through prayer, activities, and fellowship/agape, our Friends develop a sense of the sacred, a sense of the Church, and a sense of God. As a result, our Friends are better able to enter into the worshipping experiences of the whole Church. We meet at St. Raymond every other Saturday morning from 9:00-11:00am during the school year (October through April).

If you have an adult person with developmental needs in your life, and you are interested in learning more about St. Raymond's SPRED Program, please contact either Sue Rudnick at [rudsmc@gmail.com](mailto:rudsmc@gmail.com) / 773-350-0354 or Kathleen Jensen at [kjensen118@yahoo.com](mailto:kjensen118@yahoo.com) / 847-398-1686. We are anxious to meet new Friends and grow our SPRED faith community.

Note: Nearby parishes may have programs for younger-aged persons. If interested, we can assist by putting you in contact with those parishes.



**Back By Popular Demand  
Men of St. Raymond Presents  
In-By-8:30-Out-By-11**

**AN ADVENT MORNING FOR MEN  
WITH FR. SCOTT HEBDEN**

**On SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2019**

We'll gather at 8:30 AM in the St. Raymond Community Room with a prayer service then continental breakfast at about 8:45. The presentation should start at approximately 9:15 followed by questions and table sharing. We should be done by 11:00.

Come prepared with questions that you would like to ask Father Scott; these could include questions about Advent, his faith journey, St. Raymond's Parish, changes, improvements, or whatever you have on your mind.

Hopefully this will be a spirit-filled time for us all to prepare for Christmas. If you have any questions you can email George at [MenOfStRaymonds@gmail.com](mailto:MenOfStRaymonds@gmail.com).

**Gracias Fair Trade Giving Thanks - "It Takes a Village"**

The phrase is taken from an African proverb that says: "It takes a village to raise a child". The same could also be true for what was needed to host the recent fair trade market in the Community Room on the weekend of November 30-Dec 1. It was an extremely successful weekend with sales of \$13,780. The artisans are paid as soon as they deliver their orders. Your purchases in turn, enable us to now submit more orders to our artisans, thus maintaining long-term relationships with them. The women from the Princesses Knitters will be especially pleased to hear about how well their hand-knit winter wear sold.

This event would not have been possible without the support and hard work of so many people giving generously of their time and energy. We had an incredible turn-out to help with unloading, set-up and tear down at the end. Thanks also to all our 'wrappers' who are becoming more professional in their tasks every year.

We hope you and your loved ones enjoy the gifts you purchased. God willing, we look forward to seeing you all again in 2020.

*Vincent and Susanne Donoghue*

Gracias Fair Trade.



### **Ministry for Our Homebound Parishioners**

Are you aware that any parishioner who finds it difficult to attend Mass, or who is recuperating following an accident, illness, or surgery is welcome to receive the Eucharist at home? If you or a loved one is homebound and would like a visit from a Minister of Care, please contact Sr. Val at 847-253-8600 x 143 or email [Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org](mailto:Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org) to make arrangements. We are happy to bring St. Raymond to you!

### **Patients at Northwest Community Hospital**

In late October we received word from the Spiritual Care Services Department at Northwest Community Hospital that they will no longer send the daily patient census to the Ministry of Care Coordinators at the parishes. Up to this time, Sr. Val received a private listing of St. Raymond parishioners at NCH, enabling us to offer the pastoral care that we want to provide for our parishioners experiencing illness requiring hospital care. Due to this change in policy, there is no way to know if any of our parishioners are at NCH without going to the hospital daily to check the parish lists at the reception desk. Therefore, if a loved one has been hospitalized at NCH, we would deeply appreciate a call or email with this information. This is also true for patients at Lutheran General, Alexian Brothers, and Resurrection Hospitals. Please contact Sr. Val at 847-253-8600 x 143 or [Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org](mailto:Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org) when a loved one is hospitalized so that we can continue to provide pastoral care during a time of illness. Thank you.

## **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.**

**Help is also available from:**

National Domestic Violence Hotline:

1-800-799-SAFE (7233) and/or

[www.ndvh.org](http://www.ndvh.org)

National Dating Abuse Helpline (For Teens)

1-866-331-9474

Accessible via text "LOVE IS" to 77054 to talk to peers 24 hours - confidential.

[www.loveisrespect.org](http://www.loveisrespect.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

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](http://www.vetoviolence.org/datingmatters)





### 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 by Ruth Hauswirth as a resource for people to be able to re-purpose their religious items that are no longer being used. 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 into rosaries). Items that are broken but fixable are also accepted but we cannot accept Mass or greeting cards from religious organizations. Items that you would like to donate can be brought to the PMC. If you have questions or need information please contact Ruth Hauswirth by 224-558-3618 or at [ruthhauswirth@yahoo.com](mailto:ruthhauswirth@yahoo.com).

### THE LEGION OF MARY

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. To learn more please email Mariloren Bell @ [mariloren@gmail.com](mailto:mariloren@gmail.com)



The Prayer Shawl Ministry creates hand crafted shawls for those in our community who are in need of our prayers, love and support. We also make hats for chemotherapy patients.

As you create shawls and hats for others, your handiwork becomes an expression of your love and concern for our community and the loving care of God who works through you.

Please consider joining us to put your skills to good use or to learn a new skill. It is a fun way to meet new friends and to help those in our community in need of comfort.

Meeting take place on the last Thursday of the month from 6:30PM-8:30PM. in the PMC dining room.

For more information or are interested in joining our group, please call Judi Muniz, phone #847 293-5134, or email, [judimuniz@hotmail.com](mailto:judimuniz@hotmail.com) or Francie Wilcox at [tfbsw@hotmail.com](mailto:tfbsw@hotmail.com) or phone #847 398-0309.

### "Baby Aromatherapy" Hearts for Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Northwest Community



Do you enjoy sewing? Would you like to be an angel of love for babies (and their parents) in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Northwest Community Hospital? Baby Aromatherapy Hearts created

from cotton flannel or microfleece prints and solids are now being accepted at Northwest Community Hospital to help these babies bond with mom and dad as they become familiar with their scent. Because of the babies' fragility and sensitivity it's important to follow the pattern and specific instructions provided by NCH in the creation of these hearts. If you would like a copy of the instructions and pattern, please contact Sr. Val at 847-253-8600 x 143 or [Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org](mailto:Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org). Thank you for being an angel of love!



### 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](mailto:chuck.kathy.hemler@comcast.net).

### 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.





## WIDOWS CIRCLE MINISTRY MEETING DATES & LOCATION CHANGE

The Widows Circle Ministry is for widows who are moving forward with their lives. This ministry is not for widows who have recently lost their spouses or need a grief support group.

The meetings are the last Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm at Outback Steakhouse at Randhurst. Please email us one week prior if you are attending or if you have questions at [widowscircle56@gmail.com](mailto:widowscircle56@gmail.com).

Upcoming meetings: 12/29, 1/26, 2/23, 3/29, 4/26

Thank you, Theresa Drangines & Harriet Malinowski

### 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 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. Contact the Parish Office with questions or additional information at 847-253-8600.

### 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 LONG GOODBYE

### A GATHERING OF HUSBANDS TO SUPPORT EACH OTHER WHILE WALKING THE DIFFICULT JOURNEY WITH A SPOUSE AND DEMENTIA

ANY PLANS AND DREAMS FOR OUR FUTURE HAVE BEEN SUDDENLY SWEEPED AWAY. OUR LIVES ARE FOREVER ALTERED. THE ONE I LOVE AND ONCE KNEW IS NOW DIFFERENT. THE WAY IT WAS WILL NEVER BE THAT WAY AGAIN. HOW DO I MOVE FORWARD WHEN SHE IS FORGETTING ME?

WHERE CAN WE HUSBANDS, WHO NOW FIND OURSELVES TO BE CAREGIVERS, TURN TO WHEN WE ARE FRIGHTENED OR FRUSTRATED, OR ANGRY AND FEELING ALONE? HOW CAN WE STOP OVER-BURDENING OUR CHILDREN WHO ARE ALSO DEALING WITH THIS? HOW DO WE ADDRESS ISSUES OF RELATIONSHIPS AND INTIMACY WHEN DEMENTIA ENTERS INTO THE LIVES OF A HUSBAND AND WIFE? HOW CAN I HELP HER WHEN I, TOO, NEED HELP? HOW CAN WE TRY TO GRASP THOSE PRECIOUS MOMENTS ON THIS JOURNEY IN ORDER TO SHARE THE LONG GOODBYE?

WE CAN TURN TO ONE ANOTHER; TO OTHER HUSBANDS WHO ARE FORCED TO WALK THIS JOURNEY TOO. WE CAN SUPPORT EACH OTHER, LISTEN TO EACH OTHER, AFFIRM AND LEARN AND CHALLENGE EACH OTHER IN ORDER TO GET THROUGH THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK AND THE REST OF THIS UNPLANNED AND UNWANTED JOURNEY. BY TELLING OUR STORY, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP THE OTHER HUSBANDS WHO ARE GATHERED WITH US.

THIS IS A GATHERING OF HUSBANDS WHO FIND THEMSELVES IN THIS SITUATION. IF THIS IS WHERE YOU FIND YOURSELF NOW IN LIFE, PLEASE JOIN US. COME TO LISTEN AND HOPEFULLY SHARE BECAUSE YOUR SHARING MIGHT BE WHAT I NEED TO HEAR TOO. THERE IS NO NEED TO REGISTER AND NO NEED TO CALL IN ADVANCE ... JUST SHOW UP.

WE MEET ON THE 2ND WEDNESDAY EVENING OF EVERY MONTH  
AT 5 PM AT THE RACKHOUSE KITCHEN & TAVERN  
222 E. ALGONQUIN ROAD, ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL  
(ALGONQUIN RD JUST EAST OF ARLINGTON HTS ROAD)

YES, IN A CASUAL SETTING WE CAN SHARE OVER FOOD & DRINK  
(FOR MORE INFORMATION—VOICEMAIL—847-804-5026)

*"TELL ME HOW OTHERS DO IT?  
THERE'S SO MUCH TIME BETWEEN NOW AND THEN  
TELL ME HOW WE GET THROUGH IT?"*

### 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.



### 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 quarter-million 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 28 countries overseas.



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 Rob Glowacki at 847-981-1481 or [robglow27@gmail.com](mailto:robglow27@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 Cheryl Zalinski 847-818-9901 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.

### Did you know St. Raymond has a weekly newsletter?

Interested in receiving all the latest parish news, then please send us your current email address. We will add you to our Constant Contact system and keep you updated!

Please forward your information to [t.kneisel@st-raymond.org](mailto:t.kneisel@st-raymond.org)



**Parking  
Advisory**

As good neighbors in our community, we ask St. Raymond parishioners and their guests to observe the Illinois state parking laws when parking on the streets around the parish. Parking a vehicle, whether occupied or not, blocking even partially a public or private driveway, within 15 feet of a fire hydrant, or within 20 feet of a crosswalk is prohibited by law. St. Raymond has a spacious parking lot for our worshipers and visitors. The Village of Mount Prospect graciously grants us permission to close Lincoln Street on Sundays to make our parking lot even more user friendly. However, we do not have permission to violate street parking laws. Anyone who does not observe these laws may be ticketed.

# We Pray...

## Seamless Garment/ Respect Life Ministry

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

12/5	Lee Hall Jr.	Tennessee
12/9	Daniel Lee Lewis	Federal
12/11	James Hanna	Ohio (Reprieved)
12/11	Lezmond Mitchell	Federal (Stayed)
12/11	Travis Runnels	Texas
12/13	Wesley Ira Purkey	Federal
12/13	Jakeem Towles	Pennsylvania

### 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](mailto:sr.val@st-raymond.org).



### MOMS ROSARY GROUP

The Moms' Rosary group meets the first Tuesday or the 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](mailto:katsz928@yahoo.com).

# CAN YOU HELP??

## MATS FOR THE HOMELESS MINISTRY

**Attention All Crocheters: If you know how to crochet, are you able to commit to making ONE mat in the next couple of months? If several crocheters could make one mat, we'd have several more Chicago street folk protected from the frozen ground. (Plarn can be provided.)**

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. We do gather on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday (6:30pm-8:30pm) of every other month for camaraderie, learning, sharing and fun in the PMC Formation Room. Next meeting: Wednesday, January 15, 2020. **There is NO December meeting.**

For more information, please call or text Kathi Szott at 847-226-6369, or email [katsz928@yahoo.com](mailto: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*



## MEMORY LOSS CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

### GUIDING FAMILIES THROUGH THE JOURNEY

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Groups provide emotional, educational and social support for family and friends of individuals with Alzheimer's disease, other dementias or memory loss conditions.

**Meetings are the Second Wednesday of the Month at 7 pm**  
(12/12, 1/8, 2/12, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10, 7/8, 8/12, 9/9)

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

For more information, please email Sandy at [sandy1supp9@gmail.com](mailto:sandy1supp9@gmail.com) or call the Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter at 1-800-272-3900 or go to [alz.org/illinois](http://alz.org/illinois) and click on 'Support Groups'.

St Raymond de Penafort Parish

## BACKPACK MINISTRY

Feeding Children One Backpack at a Time



## CANNED FOOD DRIVE



*Down the street from the train!*

*Hey Neighbor!!*

Please help us collect food for their ministry for #GivingTuesday

We will gladly accept all canned chili, soup, stew, fruits, vegetables, meats, and tuna fish.

Standard size cans are best: no larger than 15 oz. All brands and varieties accepted.

Thank you so much for your support.

**DROP OFF DATES:**  
**12/2 thru 12/13**

At National Catholic Society of Foresters (NCSF)  
320 S. School Street,  
Mount Prospect, IL 60056



**#GIVING TUESDAY**



# Northwest Choral Society

Kevin Kelly,  
*Artistic Director*

PRESENTS:

## LAUDA

### *Laud to the Nativity*

by Ottorino Respighi

SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 15, 2019

St. Raymond de Penafort Church  
Mt. Prospect, IL

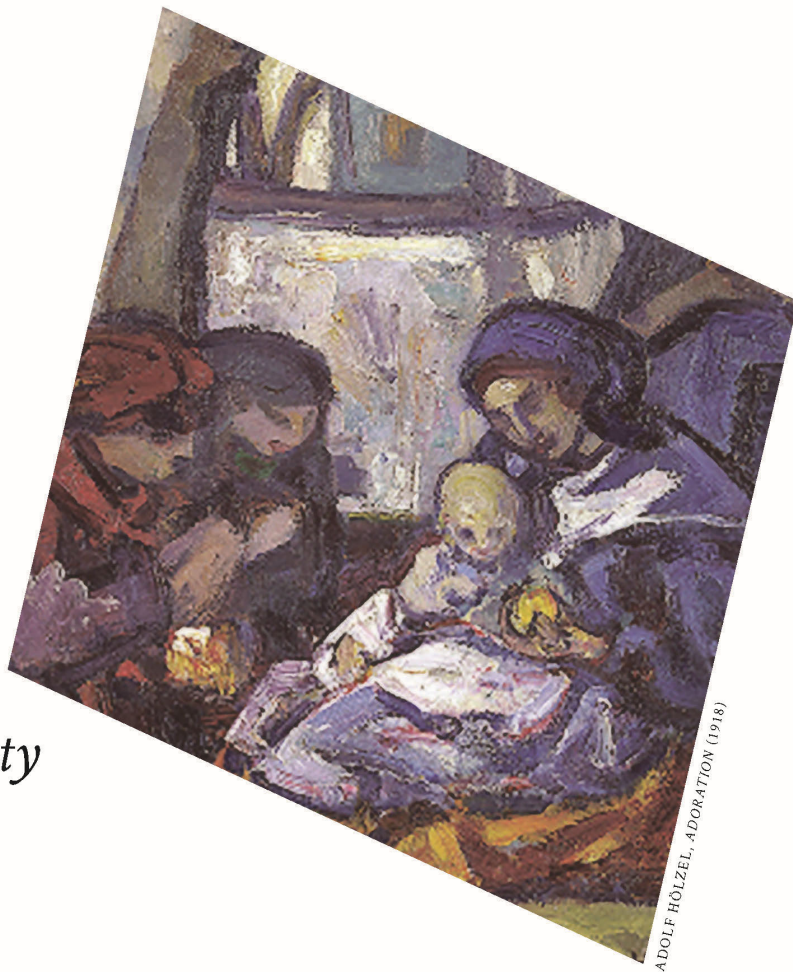
**Pre-Concert Chat** 3:30 p.m.

**Concert** 4:00 p.m.

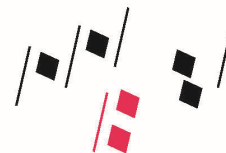
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and popular songs for Christmas*

**General:** Advance \$20,  
At the Door \$25  
**Student/Sr.:** Advance \$15,  
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To purchase tickets  
call **224-585-9127**  
or visit:  
**nwchoralsociety.org**



ADOLF HÖLZEL, ADORATION (1918)



**Northwest**  
**Choral Society**

*Giving Voice with Joy*

**ORDERS PLACED BY 10 AM MONDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AFTER 1 PM THURSDAY**

**ORDERS PLACED AFTER 10 AM MONDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE THE FOLLOWING THURSDAY**

**SCRIP Program Purchase Form**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Check #
DD/check/cash

**Name:**

**Amount Due:**

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

*Complete listing of participating retailers at [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com)*

*Participating retailers and rebates are subject to change without notice.*

## ST. RAYMOND PARISH SCRIP PROGRAM NEWS

### MARIANO'S AND ROUNDY'S RELOADABLE CARDS NO LONGER AVAILABLE

Unfortunately, *Mariano's and Roundy's Reloadable cards are no longer available*. Roundy's has decided to stop offering this option. We understand this is an inconvenience. Roundy's \$25, \$50, and \$100 physical gift cards are available to order.

### \$5 & \$10 GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE TO ORDER WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

A handful of your favorite brands are offering \$5 and \$10 gift cards. They're perfect as holiday gifts for kids, teachers, mail carriers, and more people who deserve a special treat. For a complete list of cards go to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com).



### CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

ShopWithScrip is now accepting credit cards as an online payment option. **This is available only for online payments. We will not accept credit cards at the parish office.** When you place your order online you now have the option of using a credit card to pay. VISA and MasterCard are accepted, St. Raymond still receives the full rebate on your purchase, there is 2.6% transaction fee for each purchase.



### CHRISTMAS ORDERS

The last order before Christmas will be Monday, December 16th. There will be no order placed on Monday, December 23rd. There will be an order placed on Monday, December 30th.

If you have any questions, need assistance, or more information regarding the program please call Mary Siefke at the PMC 847-253-8600. Thank you very much for your continued support of this program.



A simple and automatic way to support St. Raymond Parish making everyday purchases.

### What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when customers shop on AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers.

### How does AmazonSmile work?

When first visiting AmazonSmile, customers are prompted to select St. Raymond Parish from over one million eligible organizations. In order to browse or shop at AmazonSmile, customers must first select a charitable organization. For eligible purchases at AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the customer's selected charitable organization.

### Is there any cost to charitable organizations or to customers?

No. There is no cost to charitable organizations or to AmazonSmile customers. The shopping experience is identical to Amazon.com with the added benefit that the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate to the charitable organizations selected by customers.



# 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](mailto: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](mailto:worsihpoffice@st-raymond.org).*

## Parishioners who use a Special Host.

The container of special hosts is located just inside the vestry door. We hope this will save you steps and make it easier for you!

**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,

*Infant	Eichberger, Mary Ann	Murphy, Aria*
Abplanalp, Esther	Fardella, Rosa	Murphy, Bill
Adam, Richard	Felderman, Reese	Nacht, Dora
Adamo, Mary Jane	Ford, James	Nitkiewicz, Tony
Adams, Kathie	Froelich, Roy	Nolan, Bill
Adams, Robert	Gierszewicz, Patricia	Nowickas, Ellen
Amodio, Antoinette	Glynn, Rosemary	Nykiel, Antonina
Archibald, Rosetta	Goetz, Richard	Oerter, Judy
Baker, Robert	Heidkamp, Josh	O'Keefe, Debbie
Baldassano, Al	Hochmuth, Sue	Olsen, Julia
Baldassano, Dina	Hodyl, Jerry	Oshgan, Angeline
Balmes, Evann	Hofmann, Dr. Lorenz	Penze, Denise
Banadera, Leonida	Hofmann, Victoria	Peterson, Marion
Benden, Jeff	Hunt, Ann	Reising, Donald E.
Berg, Edward	Iannello, Jennifer	Riley, Barbara
Brandson, Jeanne	Janas, Becky	Riley, Liz
Breitsameter, Barbara	Johnson, Margaret H.	Russell, Jim
Brown, Gerald L. "Chip"	Juell, Cathy	Sadeghloo, Donna
Buchberger, Greg	Kamaryt, Donald	Sadeghloo, John
Burns, Fr. Tom	Karnes, Mitchell	Sasiadek, John D.
Bychowski, Mike	King, Marguerite	Schreiner, Amy
Campbell, Sr. Elaine	Klein, Ann	Scialo, Patrick
Carr, Patrick	Kramer, Eleanor	Shea, Dorothy
Caulfield, Jim	Kurka, Peg	Sheehy, Eleanor
Cavage, Adeline	Kuzniak, Krzysztof	Skillman, John
Chojnowski, Edward	LaCosse, Mary	Skowron, Blake
Comanici, Coca	Lapcewich, Polly	Slack, Patricia
Commare, Nancy	Lapinski, Louise	Smith, Jack C.
Cotto, Mason	Leuzzi, Angela	Sommers, Georgia
Crafton, Dean	Lillquist, Evan*	Swider, Frances
Creeden, John	Linkman, Jim	Swietek, Chester
Crooks, Richard	Longfellow, Dorothy	Theis, Tim
Cyrier, Ruth	Lopatkowicz, Christine	Torello, Rick
Czajka, Donna	Maffenbeier, Joanne	Tortorello, Carol
Czajka, Frank	Magiera, Lillian	Ullrich, Andrea
Dauer, Elizabeth Anne	Maher, Elena	Vecchio, Helen
DeRoche, David	Martinelli, Gloria	Walkowiak, Gloria
Donald, Clifton	Maslon, Emilija	Wilson, Irene
Drain, Daniel	Mendoza, Leo	Zabawski, Alice
Dzurisin, John	Moisan, Connie	
Egart, Jean	Monson, Dorothy & Clarence	

## Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11



## † WE REMEMBER †

**Monday—December 9, 2019**

*The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:15 am † Vincent Connelly

**Tuesday—December 10, 2019**

8:15 am † Fred & Lillian Beaudoin

† Irene Bush

**Wednesday—December 11, 2019**

*Saint Damasus I, Pope*

8:15 am † Mildred Engelson

**Thursday—December 12, 2019**

*Our Lady of Guadalupe*

8:15 am † Catherine Holbrook (25th anniversary)

**Friday—December 13, 2019**

*Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr*

8:15 am † Vivian Kosic

**Saturday—December 14, 2019**

*Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church*

5:00 pm † Margaret & Bernard Namovic

**Sunday—December 15, 2019**

*Third Sunday of Advent*

7:30 am † Ray & Margaret Bartolucci

† Joseph G. Sebastian, Jr.

9:30 am † Daniel Cobry

† Esther Cobry

† Larry Hinkemeyer

† Geoffrey Lee

† Hilda Philbin

† Fred Schafer

† John Wurbia (13th anniversary)

† Mieczyslaw Zajac

11:15 am † Gene Myszkowski

† Michael Myszkowski

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Monday, December 9, 2019**

4:00 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal	CHU
7:00 pm	RCIA Meeting	FR
7:00 pm	School Advisory Commission Meeting	LDR

**Tuesday, December 10, 2019**

1:00 pm	Rosary Maker Meeting	CR
1:30 pm	School Christmas Band Concert	PLC
4:00 pm	Teen Choir Rehearsal	CHU
6:30 pm	Liturgical Dance Practice	CHU
7:00 pm	School Christmas Band Concert	PLC
9:30 pm	Men's Basketball Drop In	PLC

**Wednesday, December 11, 2019**

8:00 am	FSA Board Meeting	School
7:00 pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal	CR
7:30 pm	AA Weekly Meeting	CH

**Thursday, December 12, 2019**

4:30 pm	Liturgical Dance Practice	CHU
7:00 pm	MISS Support Group Meeting	BR
9:30 pm	Men's Basketball Drop In	PLC

**Friday, December 13, 2019**

4:30 pm	Liturgical Dance Practice	CHU
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**Saturday, December 14, 2019**

6:00 am	Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study	CH
8:00 am	Men of St. Raymond Morning for Men	CR
10:15 am	Co-Dependents Anonymous Meeting	LR
12:00 pm	Parish Baptisms	CHU

**Sunday, December 15, 2019**

9:00 am	Interfaith Union School	Café
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*With Sincere Sympathy*

Irene M. Curtin, Wife of James  
Vincent Connelly, Father of Vincent

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



*Wedding  
Announcements*

**WEDDING BANNS:**

Stephanie Collins & Vincent Ferro

### Parking Notice:

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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**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 on January 12, 2020. Our session begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Buhrfiend 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.

### **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

#### **Eucharistic Prayer Chapel Hours**

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 7:30 AM - 9:00 PM  
Saturday - 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Sunday - between Masses - 1:00 PM

#### **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

### **PARISH LEADERSHIP PARISH COUNCIL**

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**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. 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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