



Saint Raymond de Penafort

A Catholic Faith Community

Our Joyful Response to Living Stewardship

“Welcome. Love. Serve.”

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 24, 2017



Sunday, December 24, 2017 - 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*

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

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In 1223, just two years before his death, Saint Francis of Assisi set up a living crèche, a replica of the manger in Bethlehem at the birth of Jesus. He preached and prayed before the scene. His biographer, Thomas of Celano, says that in that moment Francis was “overwhelmed with love and filled with wonderful happiness.” His contemplation of Jesus, the Word made flesh, drew him to experience the depth of God’s love.

We live in a troubled world beset by wars, violence, injustice, broken relationships, and illness. Beyond that, we do believe and are convinced that God loves us and walks with us in Jesus, his Son. As we know, God will heal us and our broken world and bring us into the fullness of life. It is my hope that when you pray before the mystery of the Incarnate Word, as Saint Francis prayed, you will be renewed in hope and confidence and be “overwhelmed with love and filled with wonderful happiness.”

May God bless you with a renewal of faith, hope, and love as we celebrate the birth of the Lord.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Card. Blase J. Cupich

ARCHBISHOP OF CHICAGO



*Christmas 2017
Cardinal's letter to the Faithful
Archdiocese of Chicago*

BAPTISMS



Jamie Robert child of Daniel and Amelia (Kalina) Dodovich
Grace Irinasoa, child of Frederic Ouedraogo and Aina Rafalimanana
Tyler Patrick, child of Eric and Anna Hasik) Ryan

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SEASON 2017 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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Saturday & Sunday, December 30/31, 2017

- 5:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:00 AM *The Feast of the Holy Family*

Sunday, December 31, 2017 - Mary, Mother of God – (New Year's Eve)

- 4:00 PM *Mary, Mother of God, Vigil Liturgy*

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

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



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

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

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



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

Krakow ... Salt Mines ... Auschwitz
 Prague ... Cesky Krumlov
 Salzburg ... Ettal ... Linderhof Castle
 and Oberammergau

THE PROMISE

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

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

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

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Greetings and Merry Christmas!

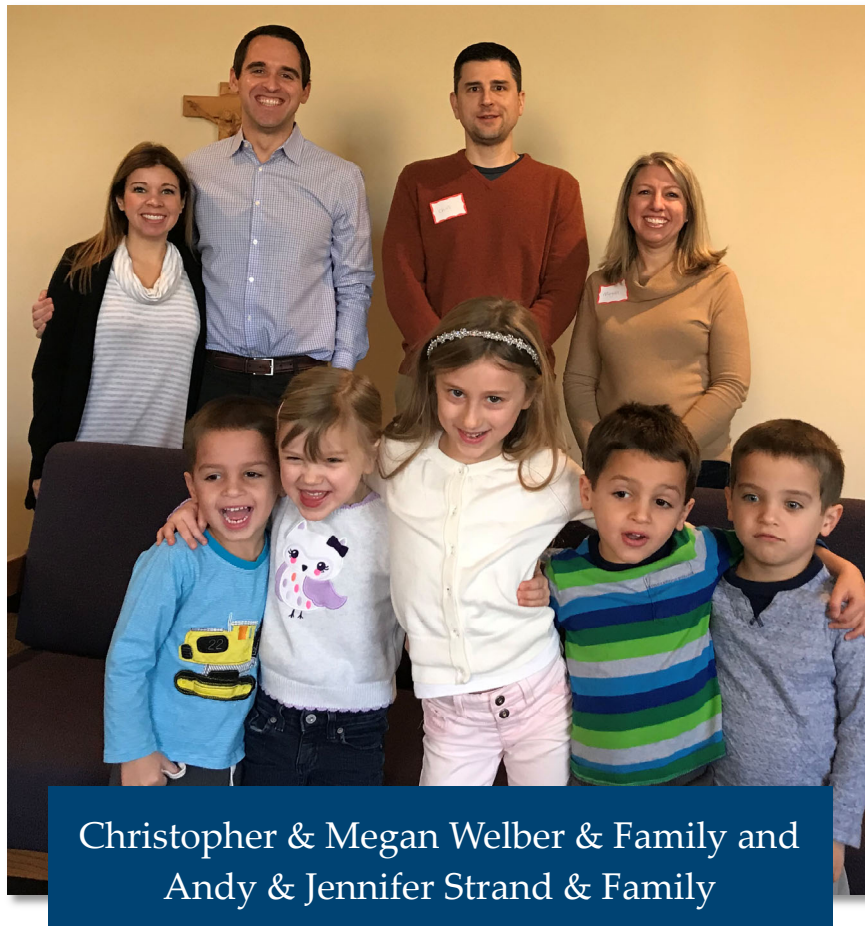
Throughout the years I have encountered many great opportunities to study and learn through what I call “lessons on the ground.” Through traveling and exploring different lands, new worlds are opened to us. Friendships are deepened, and we are strangers no longer when we walk together and are challenged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

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

Fr. Ed Panek

WELCOME TO ST. RAYMOND’S!

We are happy that you have chosen to be part of our community. You will find St. Raymond to be a place where you can grow in faith, share your talents in a variety of ministries and meet many friendly people. We are so glad to have you here!



Christopher & Megan Welber & Family and
Andy & Jennifer Strand & Family



Through Our Alms We Touch the World

St. Raymond Parish Ministries

The entire alms collection next week will go directly to support the over 100 ministries, faith formation programs and the mission of our parish. St. Raymond is a large and dynamic Faith Community which has been blessed over and over by the talents, generosity and treasure of its members.

Without the faithful and continued financial support you offer this faith community, we would not be able to be a parish that continues to respond to the Lord's great commission of ministry and service to all who call this faith community their home, as well as those who grace our doors in need.

Please use the green alms envelopes available at each Church entrance. Thank you for your generosity.

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

Parish Office Hours for Christmas:

Sunday, Dec. 24th Office open 9am to 12noon
 Monday, Dec. 25th Office is closed
 Tuesday, Dec. 26th Office is closed
 Wednesday, Dec. 27th Regular office hours

Parish Office Hours for New Year's Holiday:

Sunday, Dec. 31st Office is closed
 Monday, Jan. 1st Office is closed
 Tuesday, Jan. 2nd Regular Office Hours

SAVE THE DATE!

BLACK & WHITE *Spring Gala*

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 24
ROLLING GREEN COUNTRY CLUB
 DETAILS COMING SOON!

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Offering for December 17, 2017

Year to Date (25 Weeks)

Weekly Offering for December 17, 2017

Sunday Offering	\$18,785
Direct Debit/Credit Card Offering	\$9,247
Grand Total for the Week	\$28,032
Amount Needed for Operating Expense	\$22,743
Difference	\$5,289

***Thank you for your Stewardship
 And Generosity!***

Collection vs. Budget

Year-to-Date Sunday Collection	\$557,571
Year to Date Budget	\$568,583
Difference Year-to-Date	(-\$11,012)

Extraordinary Collections

Alms	\$30,026
Sharing Parishes	\$13,536
Archdiocesan Required Collections	



Gathering of Women
January 20, 2018
BRIDGET SPERDUTO

FINDING PEACE IN THE CHAOS

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

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



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

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

Registration for the Gathering of Women
January 20, 2018

NAME: _____

PHONE OR EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING: _____





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

Leon Lacey, Jr.
By Pat Lacey

Brendan Bolger
By Carole Bolger

Joe Lanckhoff
Mr. & Mrs. Ed Houdek
Mr. & Mrs. C.J. Lanckhoff
By Arline Lanckhoff & Family

Dennis M. Lett
Donald A. Lett
John M. Shaw
By Patrick & Patricia Shaw

Dick Broeren
By Susan Broeren

Tim Murphy
By The Tim Murphy Family

Chuck Dittmer
By Marge Dittmer

Rich Malinowski
By Harriet Malinowski

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Barney & Rosemary Golinski
Roberta & Florence Steacy
By Paul & Michelle Steacy

Mr. & Mrs. Andalina
By The Pio Family

Robert & Marie Raupp
Bill & Verne Atkinson
By Dave & Lynn Atkinson

Ervin J. Perina
Jean Borris
By Les & Dolly Borris

Mary & John Costello
Sharon Lane
By Cheryl Costello

Kenneth Bonder
By Connor, Chase, Cole,
Brock & Quinn

Peter Klett
By Barbara Klett

The Holbrook Family
The Murray Family
By Dave & Kathy Murray

Edward Moisan
By The Moisan Family

John Jarczyk
By Laura Traviolia

William M. Corcoran
By Joanne, Katie, & Patrick

Ann Murphy
By Katie Corcoran

Jim Drain
By Barbara Drain

Stanley & Grace Haptas
Edward & Bernice May
By Conrad & Mary May

Hedy Braun
By Jill & John Maher

Francisco Garcia
Felicia Garcia
Juan Garcia
Rev. Joseph Peplanski CMF
By Gloria Herrick

David VanWassen
By Jim & Mary Barrett

Odean Johnson
Claire Clark
By Margaret Johnson

Gil & Janet Gongaware
By their family

Ernest Pignataro
By Joan Pignataro

Jackie Shillington
Al & Rose Shillington
Louis & Mary Kasprak
By Bill & Dee Shillington

Bob Whitchurch
By Catherine & Lisa Whitchurch

Helen Schimanski
By Leah, Greg, Audrey,
& Elena Sill

John Wurbia
By Anita Wurbia

John Savage
By Evelyn Savage

Antonio & Rina Franceschina
Joseph Lastovich
By The Franceschina Family

Paul Newman
By Mary Newman
Mary Ann & Charley Sankovich

Wilbert & Elaine Peterson
Ross & Josephine Ludwig
John Peterson
By Paul & Mary Jo Peterson &
Family

Rose Ann Barry
Edward & Marie Pernini
By The Barry Family

Michael & Eugene Myszkowski
By Rita Myszkowski

Brian Aerts
By Mary Aerts

George & Wanda M. Beck
By George, Sue, Alex,
& Andrew Beck

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By Michael & Mark Zielinski

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By Nancy Trutwin

Francis Blake
By Carol Blake

Julia Busch
Art Lukowicz
By The Sieburg Family

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Tom & Betty Kehoe
Ed & Rose Gardula
By The Gardula Family

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By Jeff, Kathleen, James,
& Steven Jensen

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The Caron Family
By Charlie & Pauline Meyer

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Ray Chiostrri Sr.
By Mary Kirby

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By Ed Cremerius

Betty W. Dahlgren
William E. Dalgren
By Paul E. Dahlgren

Ken Anderson
Nick Anderson
Barb McNown
By Virginia & Dave Anderson

Michael Koder
Angela Koder
Lillian Koder
Marion Szymczyk
By Virginia Koder

Walter & Eleanor Brennan
Curtis & Virginia Thomas
Curtis B. Thomas
By Jerry & Patricia Thomas

David James
By Marilyn James

Jack Shea
By Dot Shea

Mickey Anne Dzurisin
Elsie A. Dzurisin
By John D. Dzurisin

Robert Matheson
By Rosemarie Matheson

Lorraine Fasso
By The Dospod Family

Chip Crooks
By Fleur Crooks

Anita & Tom Pendergast
By Anne

Margaret Shanahan
By Therese Harmon

Special Intention
By Kathleen Ksiazek

Bob Mathews
By Jeanne Mathews

Paul J. Accurso Sr.
Paul J. Accurso Jr.
Robert Covelli
John Caputo
By The Accurso Family

Edward & Eugenia Morys
Mary Ellen Bogdan
The Belina Family
Edward & Betty Galas
By Edwina Henkel

Nora & Dan McRedmond
By Patrick & Mary Dolan
Daniel J. Redmond

The Haske Families
The Burke Families
John & Gladys Nowicki
By Marge & Don Burke

Walter & Jo Baker
By Sue & Mike Schumer

Reg Jurewicz
The Jurewicz Family
The Leo Miotke Family
By Mary Jurewicz

Daniel Mazurek
Lucy Gibula
By The Mazurek Family

Donald Smith
By Florence Smith

John M. Boylan
By William T. Boylan

Oscar Valenzuela
By Winnie, Rick, &
Preston Radtke

Willard & Besse Anderson
Anna, Virginia & Helen Sheenan
Karen, Florence & Edward Kelleher
By Barbara Herod

Joe & Gloria Saulon
By B-L & Renee Pellicore

The Babczak Families
The Madej Families
By David & Monica Babczak

Fred & Lorraine Voss
Dorothy Kuseck
By The Voss Family

Joe & Katie Corbett
Bill & Marie McCoy
By The Voss Family

Nancy Sassan
By Marie Sassan

Oscar Valenzuelak
By Winnie Radtke

Christine Mueller
By Marty & Carolyn Mueller

Patrick Noel McDonagh
Patrick Nolan Folan
By Abbie McDonagh &
Jennifer Folan

James Neihengen Sr.
James Neihengen Jr.
By Vivian Neihengen

Special Intention
By Conrad & Mary May



St. Raymond School Open Houses



Early Childhood PK-K Open House

Sunday, January 21st

10:45am-12:45pm

All School Open House

Sunday, January 28th

10:45am-12:45pm

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

**For a tour or observation
call 847-253-8555**

St. Raymond School

300 S. Elmhurst Ave. Mount Prospect, IL 60056 wall.st-raymond.org/school



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*The Faculty and Staff
of
St. Raymond School
wish you a very
Merry Christmas!*

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Office of Human Dignity & Solidarity-Immigration Ministry



Share the Journey – Support the Dream Act

"Dear brothers and sisters...the coming months offer a unique opportunity to advocate and support the concrete actions which I have described with four verbs: to welcome, to protect, to promote and to integrate immigrants and refugees" -Pope Francis

The Dream Act of 2017 (S 1615/HR 3440) was recently introduced in Congress. If passed into law, this bipartisan bill would protect immigrant youth, including DACA beneficiaries. The Catholic Bishops have long supported these immigrant youths and their families who are contributors to our economy and exemplify the extraordinary contributions that immigrants provide to our nation. It is both our moral duty and in our nation's best interest to protect them and help them reach their God-given potential.

ACTION: Respond to the call by asking your legislators to pass the Dream Act of 2017. Visit the USCCB website: www.JusticeforImmigrants.org.

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

THE LEGION OF MARY

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

MAC (MEN OF ACTION AND CONTEMPLATION)

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



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.

MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE GROUP

Did you know that the Mens Bible study group has met in Coggins Hall every Saturday morning for over twenty years? It's a lively yet reflective group of guys that read and discuss the scriptures for the coming Sunday Mass. What do we get out 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. For more information?

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



ST. RAYMOND ROSARY MAKERS

Founded in 1996, this ministry has grown to over 20 male and female members of all ages, who have lovingly hand made and distributed over 230,000 rosaries free of charge to local ministries and mission fields worldwide. These **"Gospels on a string"** have been shipped all across America, as well as to the following 27 countries overseas:

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

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

EVENING OF MOURNING; EVENING OF HEALING

MONDAY JANUARY 29TH

7:00 PM

ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

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

**ANYONE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE
IS MOST WELCOME
TO COME TOGETHER WITH OTHERS
FOR THIS SPECIAL TIME OF SUPPORT
IN YOUR JOURNEY OF GRIEF.**



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

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

St. Raymond Playgroup



**Mondays
9:00-10:00am**

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

**No Registration
necessary**

Come join us for fun and play!

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

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

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

Liturgical Ministries Schedule — January — 2018			
Time	Mass Coordinator & Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
January 6-7			
5:00	<u>MKirby, SLentine</u> , JBBBrandt, WBraunsdorf, DConlon, K&RCummings, NDaly, PDarwit, CGrango, MJ&THalpin, MKendall, SAllen	Bruso Cecala	Rbradshaw, RBradshaw, KSipko
7:30	<u>SHaut, JRuskuls</u> , PAdam, DBorris, CBoss, TBrandenburg, DCoppola, MEmigh, IGibson, B&DHollis,	Dzurisin Anderson	KMueller, MSlupski BTuchner
9:30	<u>SMir, JThomas</u> , NBragagnolo, DBurke, GFarry, JGeraci, RGlowski, KHigginson, BKlett, JLink, JMaher, KO'Kane, LZajac, KNuelle, AKowalczyk, DBach, KBach, JBilletdeaux	Fier McDermott	LOchab, JCantieri KCantieri
11:15	<u>BKlaus, DCole</u> , Sr Elaine, ECole, P/BDoucette, VEhret, PLayer, BGabzyl, JMaresso, DMartin, DCzajka, MBell, ABriggs, CBuchberger, S&JBurnett	Barnes Glowacki	JDiblik, KBopp DHarmon
January 13-14			
5:00	<u>MMcGarry, TTheis</u> , JTabbert, JSkonicki, ACole, K&CHemler, RMazanek, BMencywor, SMoreno, K&DMurray, DO'Keefe, JScala, JSemerau	Benden Siefke	JNeuhalfen, Mlnorio TZalinski
7:30	<u>TDrangines, JRuskuls</u> , LLuxem, MMasini, HMatecki, KMizwicki, BMurphy, KMurphy, KPawlowski, GRosean, RiWaters	Chapman Wilcox	AGibbons, AMurray JKeane
9:30	<u>P&CMeyer</u> , DRusk, FSchafer, KSchafer, WSchmitt, TSchmitt, KSchultz, AWurbia, PZabawa, JBernger, BBlau, MMcMahon, MBabczak, DParks, DPetricca, KRecht, KRitchie	Hinkemeyer M. Karnes	KBullock, OBullock JSchwister
11:15	<u>KGoldberg, BKlaus</u> , GNeugebauer, A&VRaimondi, SRendino, JSiefke, DStewart, DKreb, SShubert, KAngerer, LKnaus, DMack, JMatzek, DMazeski, MKMcMahon, SMurphy	Scheller Knott	SOlson, KBuchberger WRadford
January 20-21			
5:00	<u>MKirby, SLentine</u> , JBBBrandt, WBraunsdorf, DConlon, K&RCummings, NDaly, PDarwit, CGrango, MJ&THalpin, MKendall, SAllen	St. Louis Shute	CRaymond, RShute MMcTigue
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128: 1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

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

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

PADS Shelter Program

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

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

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

MATS FOR THE HOMELESS MINISTRY

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

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

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

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

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



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Support us when you shop this holiday season

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Seeking Volunteer Home Delivered Meals Drivers

Please help by delivering hot noontime meals Monday through Friday to homebound seniors in Mount Prospect.

Meal pick-up is at the Elk Grove Township Building at 2400 South Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights. The route takes about one hour to complete. At this time, we are in need of weekly, bimonthly, and substitute drivers.

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

www.kennethyoung.org

St. Raymond SCRIP Program Ordering Information

Orders placed by 10:00 am Monday morning will be available Thursday after 1:00 pm.

****There will be no orders placed the week of December 25th and January 1st.****

Regular ordering will resume on January 8, 2018

SCRIP Program Purchase Form

Date: _____

Check #

Email Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

DD/check/cash

Name:

Amount Due:

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

Complete listing of participating retailers at shopwithscrip.com

Participaing retailers and rebates are subject to change without notice

Support Groups for Those Suffering with Addiction and Their Loved Ones

- ♦ **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Closed Step Meeting**
Parish Ministry Center
Coggins Hall
Wednesday 7:30 pm
- ♦ **Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACA)**
Parish Ministry Center
Living Room
Thursday 7:30 pm
- ♦ **Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA)**
Parish Ministry Center
Living Room
Saturday 10:15 am

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

Please call our team members for help:

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

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

MISS FOUNDATION -

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

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

GRANDMOTHERS IN PRAYER

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



We Pray...

Seamless Garment/ Respect Life Committee

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

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

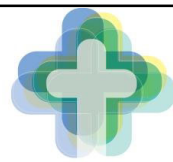
MOMS ROSARY GROUP

JANUARY 2ND AT 7PM IN THE PMC

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

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.



WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY CIRCLES

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

Counseling Services

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

Pray for our Military

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

"All Are Welcome"

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

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

Preferred Date: _____ Mass time: _____

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

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

Pray for Our Sick As Members of the Parish Faith Community, it is our responsibility to remember both in concrete and spiritual ways those who cannot celebrate with us each week because they are ill. Those who are sick in turn, remember all of us daily in their prayers and in their sufferings. We experience many blessings because of their remembering us. And so ... please remember in your prayers the people listed,

Abplanalp, Esther	Gadomski, Jan	Oshgan, Angeline
Adam, Jon & Renee	Gallo, Cynthia	Osiol, Robert
Adamo, James	Gelinas, Mark	Papievic, Shirley
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Banas, Virginia	Hurley, Jim	Randant, Paula
Becker, John	Iannello, Jennifer	Reising, Donald E.
Blatnick, Carol	Janas, Becky	Riley, Barbara
Bonk, Catherine	Johnson, Margaret H.	Ruskuls, Mary Ann
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Bychowski, Mike	LaCosse, Mary	Skillman, John
Bychowski, Steven	Lapinski, Louise	Skowron, Blake
Caulfield, Jim	Linkman, Jim	Slack, Patricia
Cavage, Adeline	Longfellow, Dorothy	Smith, Debbie
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Cole, James	Magiera, Lillian	Stiver, Mary
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Dauer, Elizabeth Anne	McGinn, Fred	Tortorello, Carol
DeGiudice, Rita	McGuire, Pat	Ullrich, Andrea
DeLorenzo, Albert	McMorrow, Marion	Urban, Rose
Demonte, Frank	Mendoza, Leo	Vais, Joseph
Denten, Patricia	Moisan, Connie	Vecchio, Helen
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Doell, Ruth	Munao, Kenneth	Wayrowski, OSF, Sr. Anne
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Dougherty, Chris	Nelson, Jane	Wilson, Irene
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Engelson, Mildred	Noncek, Ed	
Fardella, Rosa	Nykiel, Antonina	
Fisher, Charles	Olsen, Julia	
Flerlage, Diana		



† WE REMEMBER †

Monday—December 25, 2017

The Nativity of the Lord—Christmas

8:30 am † For the People of Saint Raymond Parish Both Living and Deceased

11:30 am † For the People of Saint Raymond Parish Both Living and Deceased

Tuesday—December 26, 2017

Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

8:15 am † John Drangines

† Mickey Anne Dzurisin

† Stephen Stasica

Wednesday—December 27, 2017

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

8:15 am † Edmund Brady (20th anniversary)

Thursday—December 28, 2017

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:00 am † Communion Service

8:15 am † Eugene Kaide

Friday—December 29, 2017

Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

8:15 am † Marie Dunn

† Donna Geraghty

Saturday—December 30, 2017

5:00 pm † Barbara Stefanik

Sunday—December 31, 2017

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00 am † Frank DeMonte

10:00 am † Sylvester Wyorski

Mary, Mother of God, Vigil Liturgy

4:00 pm † For the People of Saint Raymond Parish Both Living and Deceased

Monday—January 1, 2018

Mary, Mother of God

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, December 25, 2017

Parish Office Closed

8:30 am Christmas Liturgy

CHU

11:30 am Christmas Liturgy

CHU

Tuesday, December 26, 2017

Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, December 27, 2017

7:30 pm AA Weekly Meeting

CHU

Thursday, December 28, 2017

7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

DR

7:30 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics Meeting

LR

9:00 pm Men's Basketball Drop In

PLC

Friday, December 29, 2017

Saturday, December 30, 2017

6:00 am Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study

CH

10:15 am Co-Dependents Anonymous Meeting

LR

Sunday, December 31, 2017

Parish Office Closed

8:00 am The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Mass

CHU

10:00 am The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Mass

CHU

4:00 pm Mary, Mother of God, Vigil Liturgy

CHU

Monday, January 1, 2018

Parish Office Closed

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

CHU

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



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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!"

Parish Office Hours for Christmas:

Sunday, Dec. 24th Office open 9am to 12noon

Monday, Dec. 25th Office is closed

Tuesday, Dec. 26th Office is closed

Wednesday, Dec. 27th Regular office hours

Parish Office Hours for New Year's Holiday:

Sunday, Dec. 31st Office is closed

Monday, Jan. 1st Office is closed

Tuesday, Jan. 2nd Regular Office Hours

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

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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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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