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THIRD Sunday

I, the Lord, am your God . . . You shall not have other gods besides me. — Exodus 20:2a, 3

March 7, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Thursday at 12:00 p.m. (Noon)

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. (live streamed and communion service immediately following)

Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday at 11:00 a.m. (live streamed and communion service immediately following)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday, from 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Bulletins are available outside the entrances of the Church and PMC.

DAILY READINGS

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn3:25,34-43;Ps25:4-5ab,6-7bc,8-9;Mt18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt4:1,5-9;Ps147:12-13,15-16,19-20;Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab,14,17;Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6;

Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 | Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]



This may take time...

"Love is patient..." the start of one of the most well-known passages from 1 Corinthians 13. We have heard this verse applied to our relationship with others, but do we ever pause to consider how it also applies to our relationship with ourselves?

As we continue our Lenten journey this year (a year in which most of us may feel that we have sacrificed so much already), let us remember to be patient with ourselves. Without patience, there is the temptation to throw in the towel and give up, "Oh well, there goes another failed Lent!" Well, dear one, we are about halfway through Lent 2021, so we still have time.

While this may be obvious for some, it is with hope to also reach and to form others who are not familiar with the hallmarks of Lent:

Frager a conversation with God (check out Ways to Pray on our website)

shifting the focus away from something, and onto your faith and spirituality instead (for example, spending less time on social media, and filling that time in prayer, reading the Bible or book on spirituality)

Alwsgiving No, the Church is not out for your money – this is freely giving something (such as money or food) to help relieve the poor or those who are struggling

How can we be patient with ourselves (and teach our children to be patient with themselves) this Lent, and beyond? Let's change our internal dialogue: when we stumble, instead of saying, "This is too hard," replace those words with, "This may take time."

Pope Francis offered a <u>Lenten prayer</u> to encourage us to fast from something negative, and feast on the fruit instead. I would like to add to the Pope's prayer, and echo the reflections from Sister Valerie Kulbacki (<u>2/14/21</u>) and Deacon John Lorbach (<u>2/28/21</u>). We are called to love... to love our neighbor... to do all things with love.

Whether you have had a fruitful Lent thus far, or you are just trying to keep your daily schedule and tasks in order (without spilling coffee all over your table), try to replace the word "love" with your name in 1 Corinthians 13:4-6:

_ is patient,	_ is not rude,
_ is kind.	_ does not seek their own interests,
_ is not jealous,	_ is not quick-tempered,
_ is not pompous,	_ does not brood over injury,
_ is not inflated,	_ does not rejoice over wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

Lent is not a race, a competition, or a test, but it is also not a small task. Shifting our daily habits and practices add up, and will have a huge impact in the long run. Be patient with yourself, and watch those little gains add up.

My prayers continue with you and yours, St. Raymond Parish Family! You are loved.

In Christ.

Cheryl Haluczak | Director of Formation for Children & Sacraments



WEEKDAY MASS

Wednesday—9:00 a.m. (in-person & livestream)

Thursday—12:00 p.m. (in-person only)

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday | 4:00—4:30 p.m. | Church

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday—5:00 p.m. (in-person & livestream with communion outside after mass)

Sunday—8:30 a.m. (in-person only)

and 11:00 a.m. (in-person & livestream with communion outside after mass)

LENTEN PARTNERSHIP

Catholic Relief Services - Operation Rice Bowl

Rice bowls will be available for pick-up in any location our bulletins are offered. More information about CRS Rice bowls can be found through the bulletin and social media.

(Donations can also be made online through https://crsricebowl.org)

LENTEN SCRIPTURE SERIES

Podcast with Fr. Scott | Weekly | Website: https://st-raymond.org

Offered for the 6 weeks of Lent beginning on Sunday, February 21, 2021

Learn more about our history and identity as People of God through reflections on the covenants.

You are invited to carve out some time to listen and learn more about who we are as Church.

AN EVENING OF LENTEN TAIZE PRAYER

Monday, March 8 | 7:00 p.m. | Church

(In-person only through pre-registration on the website: https://st-raymond.org)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent | 7:00 p.m. | Church and Livestream

February 19: Gathering of Women | view online under past recordings

February 26: Men of St. Raymond/CHRP | view online under past recordings

March 5: Bereavement Ministry | view online under past recordings

March 12 and March 19: Youth Ministry
March 26: Deacon Dave and Monica Babczak

In-person registration can be found under Mass Information and Registration at st-raymond.org or call the Parish Ministry Office (PMC) 847-253-8600

live stream available on the following platforms

our website at https://www.st-raymond.org/live-stream-mass/
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WE'RE TAKIN' IT ON THE ROAD! **EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT**



COVID-19 has changed everything. This year we're partnering with the Downtown Merchant's Association and several local restaurants to take our fish fry ON THE ROAD! On Fridays during Lent, these restaurants will donate a percentage of sales when customers mention St. Raymond's when ordering (dine-in or take-out).

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And don't forget the reason for the season...

STATIONS OF THE CROSS | 7PM | ONLINE & IN-PERSON (REGISTER ONLINE AT ST-RAYMOND.ORG FOR IN-PERSON)

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 emembering us. *Infant

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Novak, Jeanne

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† We Remember †

Monday—March 8, 2021 Saint John of God, Religious

Tuesday—March 9, 2021 Saint Frances of Rome, Religious

Wednesday—March 10, 2021 9:00 am † Odean (Jack) Johnson

Thursday—March 11, 2021 12:00 pm † Rita Grabinski

Friday—March 12, 2021

Saturday—March 13, 2021 5:00 pm † John Jaworowski

Sunday—March 14, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 am † Jim Russell

Beshara Youakim

11:00 am † John Dunn

Monica & William Filstead

Marguerite King Donald A. Lett Dan Neugebauer

† Ed Wade (21st anniversary)



Charlie Carroll, Grandfather of Todd Schmitt, and Great Grandfather of Erika and Charlie

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 or at Sr.Val@St-Raymond.org.

Wilson, Irene

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SRS Celebrates Random Acts of Kindness Week

We celebrated #RandomActsofKindnessWeek at St. Raymond School by enjoying a "color week". Each day focused on a specific color that represented an area of kindness. Our faculty and students wore colored shirts and accessories to remind ourselves to carry out the theme, and we continued adding to our Kindness Trees project that started during Catholic Schools Week. That Friday, students ended the week wearing red to show their Saints pride and to always remember to be #SaintsStrong.





We wore blue to show that little acts of kindness are cool, like holding the door open for someone



Students wore green for encouragement and to show there are greener days ahead

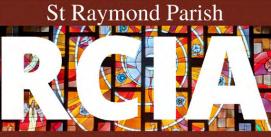


The Rite of Election CATECHUMEN, MELISSA, AND HER SPONSOR, SHANE,

On Sunday, February 21, 2021, The St. Raymond RCIA team presented our catechuman and candidate at Holy Family for the Rite of Election. Please read more about them in this bulletin and pray for them as they finalize their journey at the Easter Vigil. Jim Meagher was not able to complete his journey last year and looks forward to this year's Easter Vigil as well.

Please keep them all in your prayers.

AT HOLY NAME CATHEDRAL ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA is a process of companioning people as they come to greater faith. It is designed for men and women who:

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

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



Welcome Melissa





My name is Melissa Violetto. I am 28 years old and am currently a Senior Accountant for a corporation in the healthcare industry located in downtown Chicago. Originally from Tinley Park, Illinois, I moved up to Arlington Heights over 3 years ago. I am engaged to my wonderful fiancé and RCIA sponsor, Shane Hahn. We are set to get married at St. Raymond's in August 2021.

Although my grandparents were practicing Catholics, my parents chose not to baptize my sister and I in an effort to let us find our own spiritual journey. Growing up, I had attended many youth group and church events with friends of several different religions. However, I kept feeling drawn to the Catholic faith. As most of my family were confirmed Catholics, I grew up with the beliefs and values of the Catholic church. As I entered my twenties, I kept having this feeling that something was missing, but couldn't quite figure out exactly what it was. Earlier this year, I finally pieced it together that it was these values and beliefs that made me the person I am today. Being recognized as part of the Catholic church was exactly what had been missing.

When I started to look into the RCIA program, I was apprehensive to go through the process of receiving my sacraments as an adult. However, after speaking with Deacon Dave earlier this year, I instantly knew that I had made the right decision and was eager to begin the program in the fall. I am very appreciative of Deacon Dave and the RCIA team, along with my sponsor, for guiding me on this spiritual journey. I am looking forward to receiving my sacraments next year and getting to know the St. Raymond's community!

Welcome Brad

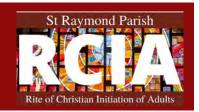


Bradley Paulus
Candidate



My name is Bradley Paulus. I am a 41 year old and a Pipe Fitter for local 597 in Chicago. I was born and raised in Chicago and have spent the last I1 years in Mount Prospect. I am newly engaged to my fiancé, Esmeralda Martinez and we are looking forward to a wedding this year. I did grow up going to church. Going to mass was something that was always a part of me and always will be. I grew up spending my Sundays at the Lutheran Church. While at the Lutheran Church, I have always had the feeling that something was missing. I was not sure what it was until I met my fiancé last year. She took me by the hand and introduced me to the Catholic Church. She was able to show me the way and also their teachings. Every time we attend mass on Sundays the church became more and more meaningful to me. This is where I decided that I wanted the Catholic church to be a part of my everyday life. I reached out to Saint Raymond and was in contact with Deacon Dave to obtain my sacraments. I am currently in the RCIA program and I am thankful for all of the additional teachings offered through the program. I would like to send a special thank you to Deacon Dave Babczak, John Semerau, Warren Sandberg, and Dan Colon for all of the time they have invested in myself and the program. I would like to thank Saint Raymond for the opportunity to be a part of this journey. I am forever thankful for the lessons I have learned through the RCIA program and the ones I will learn in the future. This opportunity has made me a better, stronger person and I will share my teachings with many, many others.

Please keep Jim in your prayers as we welcome him back to complete his journey.



My name is Jim Meagher and I have been interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church for many years. My wife and children are Catholic and I attended Catholic grade school as a child. My wife and I were high school sweethearts and in our 41 years of marriage we have raised 4 beautiful children. I grew up in Chicago and moved to Des Plaines before our children started school. We have been a part of St. Raymond Parish for 3 years and my wife sings in the choir.

I was a truck driver for many years and currently drive a Corporate bus. I have been thinking about officially becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Faith and specifically St Raymond's for years, but for some reason I just was not ready until now. I am excited to continue my Faith journey with the help and support of the wonderful people of St. Raymond's.



James Meagher—Catechumen

Feb. 19 Feb. 26 Mar. 5

Mar. 12

Mar. 19

Mar. 26

ST. RAYMOND DE PEÑAFORT STATIONS - OF THE -

FRIDAYS DURING LENT AT 7:00 P.M.

> In-person registration and live stream available on online at st-raymond.org

Responsorial aid will be available online for each Stations. You may download and print out or use your device to follow along in person.



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OF GOD

Connect with us for a 1/2 hour of prayer.

WEDNESDAY | 7:00 P.M. MARCH 10, 2021

ZOOM: https://zoom.us/join

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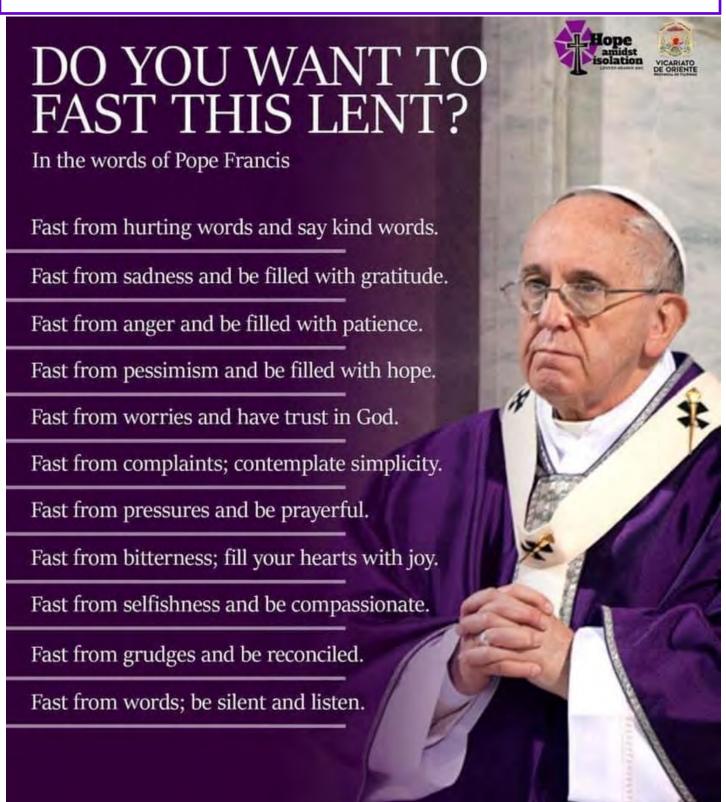
Scripture Series

Podcast with Fr. Scott

Learn more about our history and identity as People of God, through reflections on the covenants. You are invited to carve out some time to listen and learn more about who we are as Church.

Free Lenten Sing-A-Long with John Burland and Miss Heidi!
Join Catholic composer, John Burland, and Miss Heidi for a new sing-a-long special called "Songs to Journey with Jesus during Lent." This free children's video introduces children to the

season of Lent and invites children to sing along to some of John's special songs for this prayerful liturgical season. (Brought to you by Pflaum Publishing Group!) You can access the 40 minute video here: https://youtu.be/V4hbrOc9cpA



ST. RAYMOND DE PEÑAFORT 2021 TRIDUUM WORSHIP SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 1, 2021

7:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

Procession of the Eucharist and 20 minutes of adoration to follow the liturgy.

Please join us in-person with pre-registration or livestream through our website.

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 2, 2021

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 7:30 p.m. Veneration of the Cross and Communion Service

Please join us in-person with pre-registration or livestream through our website.

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 3, 2021

1:30 p.m. Easter Basket Blessing of Food

(Offered through livestream only)

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

Please join us in-person with pre-registration or livestream through our website.

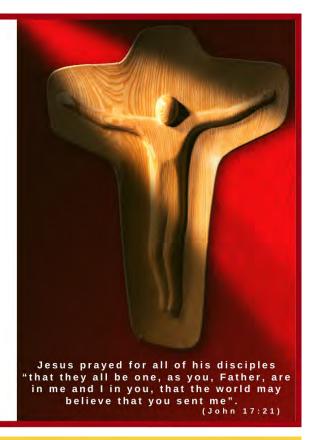
EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 4, 2021

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

Please join us in-person with pre-registration or livestream through our website for the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. with communion immediately following outside the church front doors.

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This schedule is subject to change. In-person registration through the website is limited to 50 pews. Please call the PMC Office for assistance.



Easter Basket BLESSING OF FOOD

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BULLETIN UPGRADES!

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We hope you're enjoying the changes.

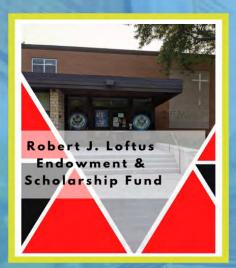
Starting this week, viewing the bulletin online will allow you to click on items to take you right to the event or topic of discussion. Not everything has an action, but most do.

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