



ST. RAYMOND DE PEÑAFORT CATHOLIC CHURCH

WE ARE A CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Welcome. Love. Serve.

Merry Christmas

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

— 1 John 3:2a



The Holy Family

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
December 26, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday at 8:30 a.m.	Saturday at 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday at noon	Sunday at 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.	Sunday at 11:00 a.m. (live stream 11AM)
Thursday at noon	2nd Sundays at
Friday at 8:30 a.m.	6:30 p.m. (teen led)

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

CHAPEL HOURS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday (13 Hour Adoration) 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Prayer
Tuesday - Saturday
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

DAILY READINGS

Monday:	1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Tuesday:	1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
Wednesday:	1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Friday:	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Saturday:	Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

While our parish staff will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners and guests should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 any time they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.



ST. RAYMOND DE PEÑAFORT

Dear St. Raymond Family and Friends:

In Jesus, God comes to share our human life. The life of Jesus fills us with hope.

His life was the light of the human race. He gave power to become children of God to those who believe in his name. (John 1:4, 12)

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, we look forward in hope that our Church, our parish, and our families will find new life on the other side of the pandemic. The power of renewal has been given to us to grow as children of God, as we allow ourselves to be filled with the light of Christ.

In this Christmas season, may God inspire all of us to live our faith more sincerely, to allow the light of Christ to shine through us more brightly, and to make ourselves a gift to others through our love and service.

May your homes be filled with the joy of Christmas!!

Peace be with you,

Fr. Scott Hebden



ST. RAYMOND DE PEÑAFORT

FROM THE STAFF OF ST RAYMOND

Merry Christmas
WISHING YOU
a safe and healthy holiday!

New Years Holiday Office Hours

Friday, December 31st Office closed
Saturday, January 1st Office closed
Sunday, January 2nd 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Phone messages will be checked regularly



ST. RAYMOND DE PEÑAFORT

Please join us for Mass to celebrate

the Solemnity of Mary,
The Holy Mother of God
January 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

On this solemnity we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. This day signifies an important mystery of our Catholic faith - Mary is the mother of Jesus, Jesus is really God, so Mary is the Mother of God.

As we start the new year let us celebrate Mary's faith and trust in God alone, who in her "yes" to God brought our Savior, our Light, into the world to save us.



ADVENT/CHRISTMAS

Greeting ^{from} **ST. RAYMOND
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Celebrations

*Wedding
Announcements*



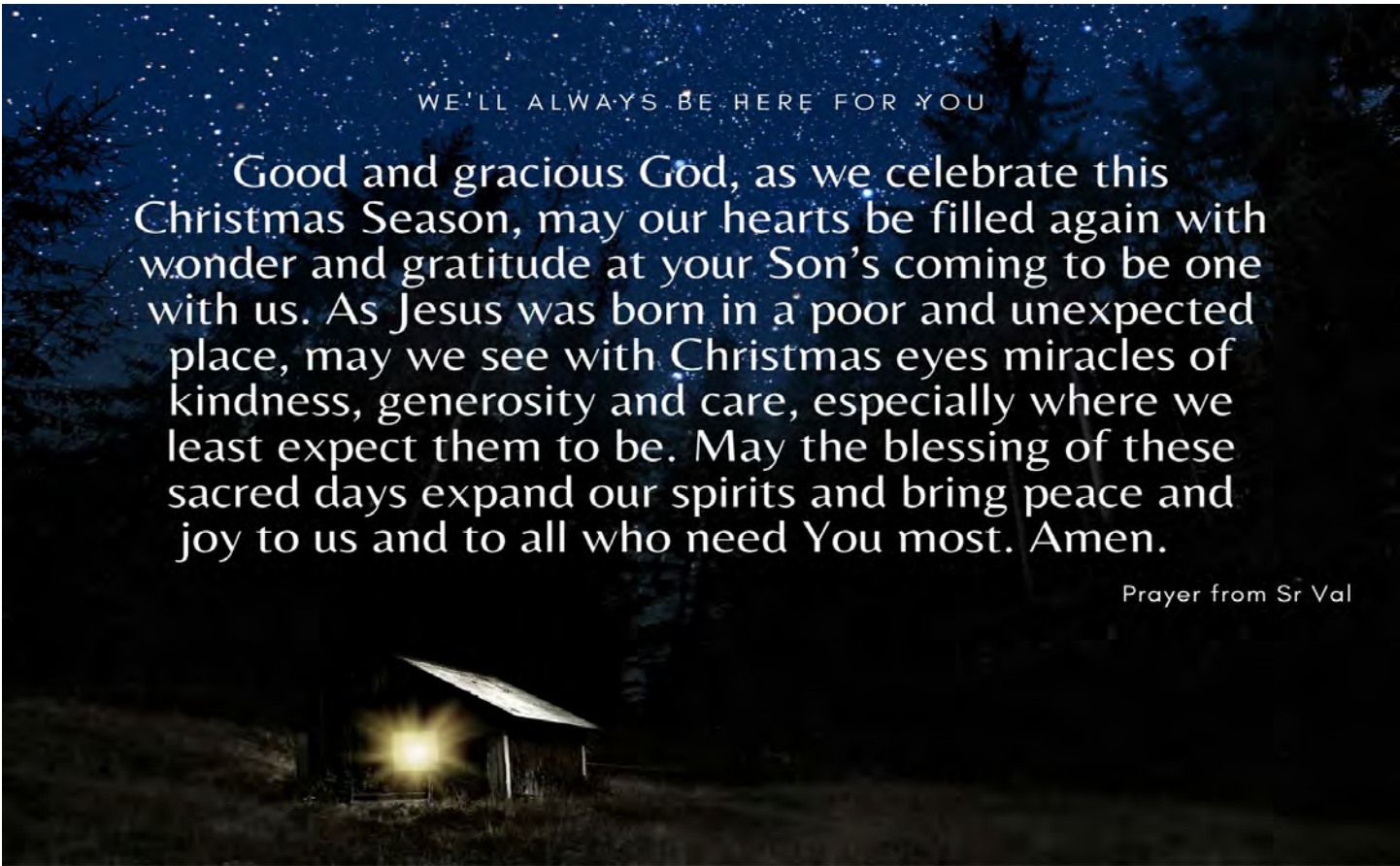
Wedding Banns

Erin Murphy & Brannon Simmons



*Celebrating an
Anniversary*

**Dave and Lore Levene
50 years**



WE'LL ALWAYS BE HERE FOR YOU

Good and gracious God, as we celebrate this Christmas Season, may our hearts be filled again with wonder and gratitude at your Son's coming to be one with us. As Jesus was born in a poor and unexpected place, may we see with Christmas eyes miracles of kindness, generosity and care, especially where we least expect them to be. May the blessing of these sacred days expand our spirits and bring peace and joy to us and to all who need You most. Amen.

Prayer from Sr Val



Thank You!

As we approach the end of the calendar year, here are a few thoughts and reminders, for maximizing the benefit of your generous contributions to St. Raymond.

Online Giving – For those of you that participate in online giving through Give Central and had a payment end date on your ongoing contributions, please review your account and adjust the date in order to continue your contributions for the “event” into the new year. Also, if you utilize credit card payment, please make sure your card number and expiration date are up to date.

Gifts from IRA Accounts - For donors 70½ or older, gifts up to \$100,000 can be made directly from an IRA account to the parish. These gifts not only count toward meeting minimum required distributions, they are not subject to income tax and can lower a donor's total income.

Gifts of Stock - Gifts of appreciated stock are among the best ways to give, since those gifts are not subject to capital gains tax, saving you up to 20% on your gift.

Please consult your tax and financial planning professionals to determine the best charitable giving strategy for you and your family. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Parish Ministry Center at 847-253-8600 or email Mary Siefke (m.siefke@st-raymond.org) or Bill Stark (b.stark@st-raymond.org).



Merry Christmas



May your holiday season be filled with
peace, joy and love.

*The St. Raymond School
Faculty & Staff*

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

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.

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By Ginny and Family

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By Patricia Lacey

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By Kathleen Jensen

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The Humbert Family
By Laura Humbert

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By Mary Kirby and Family

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The Meyer Family
By Charlie and Pauline Meyer

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By His Loving Family

Harold and Vera Campbell
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By Elaine Campbell

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By Diane Mazeski

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Ed Lukowicz
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By Cheryl Costello

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The Walsh Family
By John and Pat McGlynn

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The Pollizze Family
The Jose Family
The Cacioppo Family
By Anthony and Helen Pollizze

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By Carole Bolger

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By Dave and Kathy Murray

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Robert Welker
By The Dospod Family

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By Mike and Sue Schuman

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By Craig Cinotto

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By Edwina Henkel

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By Maria Muszynska

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Nick Anderson
By Dave and Virginia Anderson

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Beverly Tumberger
Helen and John Klages
By The Atwood Family

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By Ann Cole

Jim Drain
By Barbara Drain

Scott Pulaski
By Mom, Dad, Julia and Brian

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

Curtis B. Thomas
Walter and Eleanor Brennan
Curtis and Virginia Thomas
By Jerome and Patricia Thomas

Richard W. Shaughnessy
Valeria Shadis Shaughnessy
By Anne V. Shaughnessy

John Edward Waters
The Vincent Masterson Family
By Ruth Waters

Felicia, Francisco, Juan Garcia
Fr. Joseph Peplansky
Martin J. Smialek
By Gloria Herrick

George D'Amico
Melissa M. Hanacek
By Wayne and Dolores Grubaugh

William M. Corcoran
Patrick W. Corcoran
Randall Knefel
By Ellen, Joanne, Katie

Lorraine and Fred Babczak
Joan and Matt Madej
By David and Monica Babczak

Don Smith
By Florence Smith

Edward Dowling
By The Dowling Family

Gene and Michael Myszkowski
By Rita Myszkowski

Nora and Dan McRedmond
Marita and Francis Dolan
By Patrick and Mary Dolan and
Daniel J. McRedmond

Bruce Berman
Magdalena and Paul Lauber
Stanley Witek
By Wesley and Monika Witek

Stanley and Bernice Komparda
By Mary Komparda

Rose Ocwieja
By Don and Kathy Ocwieja

Ken Bonder
By Dorice Bonder

Marilyn Bailey
Bill Foreman
Ken Welter
By Nancy Foreman

John Wurbia
By Anita Wurbia

Anita and Tom Pendergast
By Anne Pendergast

Rosemary Gleason
By Patricia Bertucci

Gilbert, Janet, and Wayne Gongaware
Theresa Schmid
By Their Family

Brigid O'Donnell
Thomas Campbell
Jan Cornelius
By A Friend

Diane Masini
Mark Etchason
Paul Johansson
By Marc and Christine Masini and Family

Alex and Rita Lopotko
By The Family

The Ludwig Family
The Peterson Family
By Paul and Mary Jo Peterson

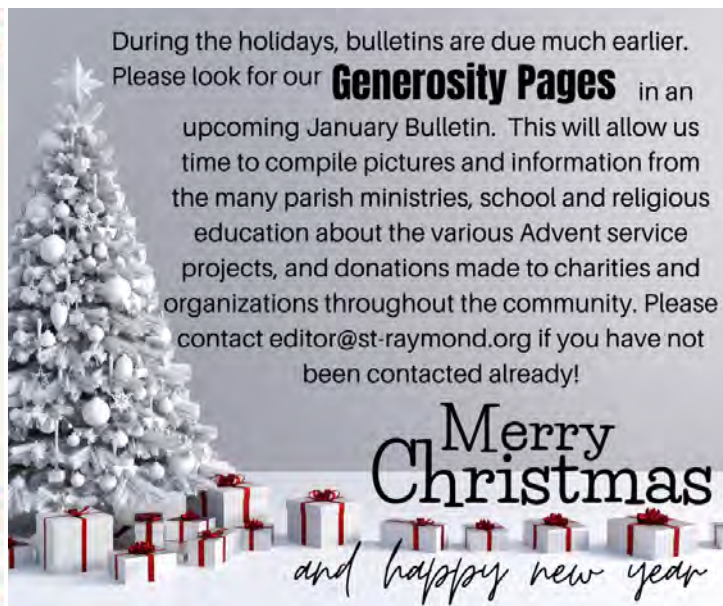
Jack and Margaret H. Johnson
Don and Joan Maycan Sr.
By Karen and Don Maycan Jr. and
Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

John Hanning
Monica and William Filstead
John and Ora Hanning
By Betty Hanning

Joseph and Charles Rath
Dan and Mary Jane Usalis
By Robert Rath



During the holidays, bulletins are due much earlier. Please look for our **Generosity Pages** in an upcoming January Bulletin. This will allow us time to compile pictures and information from the many parish ministries, school and religious education about the various Advent service projects, and donations made to charities and organizations throughout the community. Please contact editor@st-raymond.org if you have not been contacted already!



HOMILIES *on line*

Did you know the homily is pulled from mass and put online for you? Listen to the homily again, or for the first time. Found on the top menu bar of our website.

Go Explore!

- online bulletins
- parish calendar

So much more on the home page too.



WWW.ST-RAYMOND.ORG

St. Raymond School Class of 1968



The Class of 1968 is trying to organize a class reunion. Please email Debbie Stephen at deb.stephen@gmail.com or Dan Sennett at dsennett2016@yahoo.com if you are a graduate (or know anyone who is a graduate) of this class.

A SATURDAY MORNING FOR MEN *with Father Rodlin*

DECEMBER 11, 2021

What a wonderful turn out for this Saturday morning gathering.

Be on the look out for our next gathering and join us!



HOSTED BY THE MEN OF ST. RAYMOND



Pray for our Sick

*infant

Abplanalp, Esther	Herling, Liam	Richards, Joan
Adamo, Mary Jane	Heslinga, Kathy	Riley, Liz
Adams, Kathie	Hill, Ron	Rodriguez, Irma & Julio
Adams, Robert	Hunt, Ann	Ryan, Thomas
Allen, Tyler	Janas, Becky	Sadeghloo, Donna
Baines, Melissa	Juell, Cathy	Sadeghloo, John
Baldassano, Dina	Kamaryt, Becky	Sanchez, Claire
Banadera, Leonida	Kamaryt, Donald	Sanders, Rosemary
Barrett, Joshua	Karson, Steve	Schmitt, William
Benden, Jeff	Kegermann, Jack	Schreiner, Amy
Bina, Steven	Kenny, Mary	Shea, Dorothy
Brown, Gerald L. "Chip"	King, Marianne	Shubert, Sylvia
Buchberger, Greg	Koszyk, Christopher	Siefke, Michelle
Bychowski, Mike	Kramer, Eleanor	Sineni, Brody*
Cabanski, Karen	Kuzniak, Krzysztof	Skonicki, Jim
Carr, Patrick	Lapinski, Louise	Skowron, Blake
Comanici, Coca	Leuzzi, Angela	Smerek, Kate
Concannon, Sean	Lopatkowicz, Christine	St. Louis, Paula
Cotto, Mason	Maher, Elena	Swietek, Evelyn & Chester
Cox, Marty	Maslon, Emilija	Tabbert, Cindy
Crooks, Richard	Mathews, JoAnn	Theis, Tim
Czajka, Donna	McDermott, Eddie	Tilpe, Hans
Czajka, Frank	Monson, Dorothy & Clarence	Tortorello, Carol
Dauer, Elizabeth Anne	Murphy, Aria*	Walkowiak, Gloria
David, Pauline	Murphy, Bill	Waters, Ruth
DeRoche, David	Ne Collins, Martin	Wilson, Irene
Doheny, Gini	Nitkiewicz, Tony	Withey, Michael
Donna, Dorothy	Norman, Margaret	Wyman, Bonnie
Drain, Daniel	Nowak, Thomas J.	Zabawski, Alice
Dzurisin, John	Nykiel, Antonina	Zlabis, Zachary
Flores, Philip	Nykiel, Linda	
Froelich, Roy	O'Keefe, Debbie	
Hackney, Cynthia	Olsen, Julia	
Hauswirth, Joseph	Payne, Laura	
Hauswirth, Ruth	Reynolds, Mary Jo	

† We Remember †

Monday—December 27, 2021

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

8:30 am † Connie Rigney

Tuesday—December 28, 2021

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

12:00 pm † June Seymour

Wednesday—December 29, 2021

Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

8:30 am † Marge Nagle

Thursday—December 30, 2021

12:00 pm † Tamara Murtha

† John Peterson

Friday—December 31, 2021

Saint Sylvester I, Pope

8:30 am † Sylvester Wyorski

Saturday—January 1, 2022

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10:00 am † For the People of Saint Raymond

Parish both living and deceased

5:00 pm † Joseph Gadzinski

Sunday—January 2, 2022

Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 am † Julian & Stanislaw Bator

† Piotr & Stanislaw Bator

† Tim Gruensfelder

† Ellen Nowickas

11:00 am † Virginia Banas

† Dolores Miske

† Thomas J. O'Brien

† Scott Pulaski

Good and gracious God, you soothe our lives when you remind us of your ever-present care for us and for all who suffer. In your compassion, bring all your people healing in body, mind and spirit.

Grant our sisters and brothers who are in great need; comfort in their suffering, courage when they are afraid, patience when afflicted, hope when dejected, and assure them of the support of your holy people when they are alone.

Grant comfort and peace to all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Dolores Miske, Mother of Mann, Todd, Terry, Deborah, Darlene and Bonnie

June Seymour, Wife of William

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, at 847-253-8600

ST. RAYMOND YOUTH MINISTRY

1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS 6:30PM-8PM HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

2ND SUNDAY MASS AT 6:30PM FOR ALL AGES

JANUARY

Jan. 9- Teen Mass

Jan. 16- Session

*Jan. 30- Session

FEBRUARY

*Feb. 6- Teen Mass

Feb. 20- Session

*note adjustment for
Super Bowl

MARCH

March 6- Session

March 13- Teen Mass

March 20 -Session

APRIL

April 3- Session

April 10- Teen Mass

April 24- Session



Join us from 6:30pm-8pm in the Community Room and bring a friend!



All teens in grades 9-12 are welcomed to join us for youth ministry gatherings. Come and meet others, learn more about our faith, and have fun! Entry through courtyard door or main church doors. No registration required.

The 2nd Sunday of each month is a teen led and teen focused mass. Everyone is welcome to join us for Mass at 6:30PM!

Mass is not just for high school. Contact Diana to participate as a lector, or Brian for Choir.

EMAIL DIANA IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AT
D.ARIZMENDI@ST-RAYMOND.ORG

ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS



MUSIC CHOIR AREA AUDIO MIXERS

The music area sound was not included in the initial install of 2018, but was always a part of the upgrade plan at a later date, once we became more familiar with how to operate the rest of the system.

The music area was controlled by 2 analog mixers that had to be adjusted by going over to the closet and turning the knobs manually, not ideal in the middle of a liturgy. Like the rest of the previous sound system, the mixers were a few decades old. When it recently became clear that there were problems with buzzing, particularly on the livestream, and the mixers needed to be replaced, the planned upgrade for the music area was implemented.



DIGITAL MIXERS INSTALLED

We were able to use the same area for cabling which saved a ton of time and money. Some microphone and ports that haven't been working in years are now active just from the upgrade.

In addition, the mixers are in a proper rack and away from the lighting to keep any interference from occurring (buzzing).



SOUND MIXER PANELS

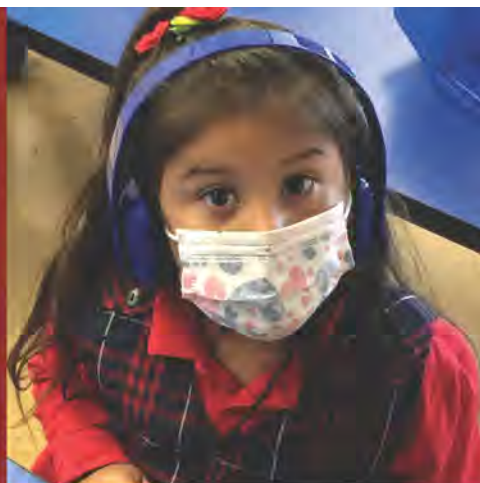
The digital mixers allow for digital control! We can now adjust all the mics on the fly in the music area to improve our in-person, recorded and live streaming experience.

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TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Fund a Child's Future



Donate now, reduce your state income tax and invest in our children's future! Take advantage of a limited time 2-for-1 matching gift.

Looking for a way to decrease your Illinois state income tax liability? What if you could decrease what you owe to the state and potentially increase your state tax refund, while also helping fund scholarships for low-income students to attend the Catholic school of their choice?

The Illinois Invest in Kids tax credit scholarship program awarded scholarships to more than 9,300 students in the first four years. This year, as a global pandemic has created so many uncertainties in our society, you can still invest in a brighter future for children from our most vulnerable communities. By contributing through the Illinois **Invest in Kids** program you can make the lifelong advantage of a Catholic school education possible.

Thanks to the generosity of several donors, between Dec. 1, 2021 and Feb. 28, 2022, you can take advantage of a 2-for-1 matching gift program that will triple the impact of your gift! Limitations apply. A donation can be made using cash, check, appreciated stock or credit card.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

The Garcia family makes \$50,000/year and pays \$2,475 in Illinois state income taxes.

Family Income \$50,000/year	Option A	Option B	Option C
Illinois state taxes at 4.95%	\$2,475	\$2,475	\$2,475
Invest in Kids donation	\$500	\$1,000	\$3,300
Tax refund	\$375	\$750	\$2,475
Total taxes paid to Illinois (after refund)	\$2,100	\$1,725	\$0
Cost of donation to family after refund	\$125	\$250	\$825
2-for-1 matching gift program triples impact and provides three times the scholarships	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$9,900

Each option provides a refund to the family; however, **Option C** completely eliminates the family's tax burden and provides nearly \$10,000 in scholarships for students to attend Catholic schools.

For more information please contact the TCS hotline at **312.534.2617** or **tcs@archchicago.org**, or visit **archchicago.org/tcs**.
<https://schools.archchicago.org/tax-credit-scholarships>



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all of these and
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drivers needed



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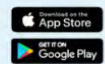
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Upcoming dates

WOSR 1/4 7PM
PRAYER SHAWL 1/20 6:30PM
RACIAL JUSTICE 1/21 8PM

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The Women's Centers of Greater Chicago and
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Diaper bags Baby towels
Baby swings
Exersaucers Single Strollers
High Chairs
Boys winter clothes size 14/16 and under
Girls clothes size newborn-24 months & 4T-14/16
Infant car seats/carriers (by law all car seats must be less than 7 years old)

seeking NEW donations

Enfamil "Gentlease" baby formula
Baby towels and washcloths
receiving blankets baby toys
Lanolin nursing pads
Hygiene products (toothpaste, etc.)
Baby boy clothes sizes 3-6 & 6 months and 9-12 & 12 months
Baby girl sizes 0-12 months sleepers and outfits

LET US UNITE AS A COMMUNITY IN PRAYING FOR RENEWAL AND GUIDANCE...

**Lord Jesus, you came into the world to bring new life.
Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us.
Enable us to imagine our future boldly,
to discern your direction wisely,
to embrace the greater good generously, to remain
united in the bond of peace, so that we may hand on
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