

Masses

Saturday Eve 5:00PM
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM,
12Noon and 4:30PM

Daily 7:15, 8:45 AM
Saturday 8:45 AM

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The Parish of St. Raymond

A Eucharistic Community of Faith, Love and Friendship

Sunday, January 26, 2025

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He said to them,
“Today this Scripture passage is
fulfilled in your hearing.”

-Luke 4:21



January 26, 2025

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome To Our Parish Family!

Not registered? Please stop by our rectory during office hours to be included in our parish family.

Rectory

Office Hours are Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm;
Saturdays from 9:30am-4pm. Sundays 9am-5pm

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Pastoral Care Of The Sick

Holy Communion—Available to the homebound;
call the rectory to schedule a visit

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays from 1-4pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

Nocturnal Adoration

First Fridays from 7:30pm-8:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following 8:45am Mass.

Confessions

Saturdays from 3:30-4:30pm, or call for appointment.

Baptisms

Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays of
the month. Please call the rectory to schedule.

Bereavement Support Group

Call the rectory office for meeting times.

Marriages

Engaged couples are encouraged to call the rectory a
year in advance of their wedding date to assure adequate
time to participate in preparation programs for the
Sacrament of Marriage.

Prayer Groups

Men's Prayer Group: Every Monday at 10:00am in the
Rectory Basement.

Music Ministries

Choir (Adult): Sings at 10:30am Mass on Sundays
from September—June; practice on Wednesdays at
7:30pm in the church.

Folk Group: Sings at 12 Noon Mass on Sundays from
September—June; practice on Sunday at 10:30 in the
Rectory Basement

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Interested in becoming a Catholic or an adult Catholic
seeking Eucharist or Confirmation? Call the rectory and
ask for Fr. Chuck Romano



Please Pray for Our Sick

Baby Faith Madison

Mary Lynch

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Jodi Neckles

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Patrick Dunning

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Caroline Saporito

Cara

Billy (Tri-Cycle)

Ginny Honerkamp

Anthony Campanile

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Names are printed for 3 weeks unless
the rectory is notified otherwise



*Always keep our
Service Men & Women
in your prayers ...*

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**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR
WOUNDED SOLDIERS.**



Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time! We are in the jubilee year of 2025 which is a time for rejoicing and festivity. Today's readings are all about rejoicing. In the first reading from the prophet Nehemiah, the people of Israel have finally been freed from their 50-year exile by the Babylonians. They are sad and weary, but the prophet tells them that today is a holy day to God. **"Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the Lord must be your strength."** Then in the second reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, the people of Corinth are encouraged to be supportive of each other and united in being one body in Jesus Christ. Joys and sorrows should all be shared by each person. Unity is the key. **"For in one spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one spirit."** And finally, we have the beginning of Luke's gospel where Jesus, having grown up, returns to Nazareth, and reads the scripture in the temple that proclaims the jubilee that is to come someday. But when finished reading, Jesus surprises everyone when he adds his own words: **"Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."**

Unity is not an easy thing to achieve. Nor is it an easy thing to maintain. It can be hard to maintain in families, workplaces, on teams and in all sorts of interactions. Just look at our country. The United States has struggled to live up to its name (the *United* States), and not just recently. From the very beginning it has been a struggle, once boiling over into a civil war of tremendous cruelty and hatred. And we're still fighting the same battle over 150 years later. Unity is a lot more difficult than it might seem in theory. The Jewish people spoken about in the first reading relied on their trust in God, no matter what was happening, that would unite them, as a nation, a people, a faith. This same bond of unity remains for many Jewish people to this day.



But what about Catholics? Are we united? We should be, shouldn't we? We all claim to follow the same God, the same Lord, the same Savior. We all accept Jesus as the **"anointed one"** the person we are to know, love and follow. **"Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."** Yet somehow, we find a way to have all sorts of ideas as to who this Jesus is, what he was about, and what he expects from us. We sort of make him whoever we want him to be, whatever fits our worldview, our biases, our politics. It's the only way I can explain all the divisiveness, the deep mistrust, the contempt, the ridicule and judging. We often act as if we are not on the same team, on the same mission, in the same family. Indeed, we often don't seem very united.

Unity comes about only when we value one another, recognize each other's gifts, and join the best in each of us together—all in service to God as a whole, as his body, as a faith community. Embracing this truth will get us to realize the foolishness in always judging each other, believing our ways are the best, the wisest. Our attitudes must more truly resemble that of God, who sees us the same, graces us the same, challenges us to the same, and loves us the same. Maybe then true unity won't be that far off.

Please remember to take home a copy of the bulletin when you leave Mass today. It contains many items of interest and invitation, with something for everyone. Of special note is news and needs from *Parish Social Ministry*, info from *Religious Education* (Faith Formation), a registration form for the *Valentine's Sweetheart Mass and Dance* on Saturday, February 8th, an ad for the celebration of *World Marriage Day* on Sunday February 9th, invitations to join our *St. Raymond's Adult Choir* and *St. Raymond's Folk Group*, the *Eucharistic Revival Centerfold*, the *Communal Prayer Before Mass* (found on the inside back cover), an invitation to join *FORMED* (your Catholic Faith on demand) and much more. To keep informed, keep a copy of the bulletin at home each week for quick and easy reference.

Have a great week. **Smile, share, strive for real unity. Plus remember: If only we fought just as hard to understand as we fought to disagree.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck

WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

JANUARY 26, 2025-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,**

**we give you thanks for your great
glory, Lord God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father, You take away the sin of the
world, have mercy on us;**

**You take away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer; You are seated
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord.**

**You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father.**

Amen

Penitential Act

**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,**

**[Pray while striking the breast 3 times.]
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
with the Father; through him all things
were made. For us men and for our
Salvation he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under**

**Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father. He will come again in
Glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the
Son, who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church. I confess one
Baptism for the forgiveness of
Sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead and the
life of the world to come.**

Amen.

READINGS FOR TODAY'S MASS

JANUARY 26, 2025-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand. Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Water Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion. He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it—for he was standing higher up than any of the people —; and, as he opened it, all the people rose. Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised high, answered, "Amen, amen!" Then they bowed down and prostrated themselves before the LORD, their faces to the ground. Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. Then Nehemiah, that is, His Excellency, and Ezra the priest-scribe and the Levites who were instructing the people said to all the people: "Today is holy to the LORD your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep"—for all the people were weeping as they heard the words of the law. He said further: "Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared; for today is holy to our LORD. Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength!"

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27

Brothers and sisters: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. Now the body is not a single part, but many. You are Christ's body, and individually parts of it.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15

R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; The decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The command of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eye.

R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; The ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just.

R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my heart find favor before you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

GOSPEL

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received. Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.* Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION-FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director



Congratulations to our 4th grade for leading all of their fellow students in a Living Rosary last week. The entire student body recited the Luminous Mysteries. It was a wonderful week, and the students now have an awareness of just how vital saying the Rosary is to their growing faith.

Attention 1st grade Parents

The third 1st grade parent/student meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 26th, 2025, at 10:30am in the St. Raymond auditorium. Please remember to bring your child's workbook, pencil and folder. We will meet in the auditorium at 10:30am and then we will all go to the 12 Noon Mass. If you would like your child to have a snack between the meeting and Mass, please bring it with you.

A logo with the text "GOD IS GOOD" in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font. Below it, "all the time" is written in a smaller, black, cursive font. A small heart icon is positioned above the word "GOD". The entire text is enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.





4th Grade Students Continue to Pray The Living Rosary



WORLD *Marriage* DAY



VALENTINE'S DAY

IS APPROACHING! LET YOUR SPOUSE KNOW YOU WOULD DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN. WITNESS THE SMILES ON YOUR CHILDREN'S FACES AS THEY SEE MOM AND DAD SAY, "I DO!"

CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY!



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2025

12:00PM MASS

WE WILL GIVE SPECIAL HONOR AT MASS TO THOSE COUPLES WHO ARE CELEBRATING AN EARMARK ANNIVERSARY! ENDING WITH A "0 OR 5" DURING THE 2025 YEAR. EARMARK ANNIVERSARY COUPLES, PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY 516-593-5000 WITH YOUR INFORMATION ASAP.

FAITH & FRIENDSHIP

WILL HOST A CELEBRATORY RECEPTION IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MASS FOR ALL - ESPECIALLY THE COUPLES WHO RENEWED THEIR VOWS. COME AND JOIN US AS WE REJOICE IN CELEBRATING AND COMMEMORATING THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY!



Throughout these winter weeks and months, be at service to those in need. Give donations of heavy clothing to your parish pantry, assist the elderly with outdoor work and help shovel snow in front of your neighbor's house.



THE ROSE FOR LIFE

*In Memory of
Lorraine Guerin
Happy Birthday in Heaven
Donated by Hope Kostyra*

*For Dedications call
Mary Healy 887-4062*



ST. RAYMOND'S HUMAN LIFE COMMITTEE

MONTH 7 - Developing Baby

"I can look around!"

Spiritual Adoption Program

You are in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. Beginning this month the baby uses all four senses. He can see, hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. He now recognizes his mother's voice. During this time he will also receive antibodies from his mother protecting him from a wide variety of diseases.

Prayer for the Baptism of Aborted Babies

Heavenly Father, Your love is eternal. In Your ocean of love, You saved the world through Your only begotten Son. Now look at Your only Son on the Cross Who is constantly bleeding for love of His people, and forgive Your world. Purify and baptize aborted children with the precious Blood and Water from the Sacred Side of Your Son, Who hung dead on the Cross for their salvation, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. May they, through the Holy Death of Jesus Christ gain everlasting life, through His Wounds be healed, and through His Precious Blood be freed. There to rejoice with the Saints in Heaven. Amen

There are prayer cards for the above prayer in the literature racks located in the rear of the Church. Please take one and share it with others.

Spiritual Adoption Of An Unborn Child



Jesus. Mary and Joseph. I
love you very much.
I beg you to spare the life of
the unborn baby that I have
spiritually adopted who is in
danger of abortion.
-Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

STEP BY STEP WALK THROUGH THE MASS
DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME
FATHER LUKE SPANNAGEL
NATIONAL EUCHARIST REVIVAL BLOG

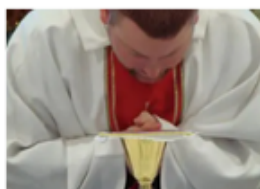


Preparation of the Priest – Part 1



As we continue our final preparation for receiving Communion, we may notice another time when it looks as if the priest may be talking to himself at the altar. Actually, he is praying! After the “Lamb of God,” the congregation kneels down in adoration of THE Lamb of God present on the altar—Jesus Christ really, truly, and substantially present. Meanwhile, the priest joins his hands, perhaps bowing slightly, speaks quietly to himself, genuflects, and then gets ready for the next part of the Mass. What is he doing?

This part of the Mass is called the private preparation of the priest for receiving Holy Communion. As is often the case, the name of this part of



the Mass tells you exactly what is happening! Before Communion, the priest takes a few moments to prepare to receive Our Lord. According to the Diocese of Peoria, after the fraction rite, “the priest prays a prayer quietly to himself. This is done quietly because it is a personal prayer of the priest as he prepares for communion.

The sacrament of the Eucharist is the only Sacrament a priest can administer to himself. This private prayer asks the Lord to forgive any faults and to keep him faithful to the teachings of the Church... After this private preparation, the priest genuflects in adoration” (A Study of the Mass, p. 19).

The Two Prayers of Preparation

The Roman Missal actually gives the priest two options for this private prayer, both equally beautiful and prayerful:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, through your Death gave life to the world, free me by this, your most holy Body and Blood, from all my sins and from every evil; keep me always faithful to your commandments, and never let me be parted from you.

Or ...

May the receiving of your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus Christ, not bring me to judgment and condemnation, but through your loving mercy be for me protection in mind and body and a healing remedy.



Fr. Guy Oury observes that “the first of the two prayers begins the reminiscence of Peter’s confession at Caesarea Philippi and alludes to the Passion, which Christ foretold shortly after. The Eucharist is offered to us as an antidote to sin. It is, by Christ’s own will, the favored means of union with him” (The Mass, p. 116). The second prayer, while shorter, also reminds the priest just how much he needs our Lord in the Eucharist and calls him to strive to be a worthy and holy priest.

For Reflection: Watch for the private preparation of the priest when you participate in Mass. Receive this moment as an opportunity to pray for the celebrant, for yourself, and for all present as you prepare for Communion.

Next Week: Preparation of the Priest – Part 2

St. Raymond Church

Opportunities for a Holy Hour

Each Day, the Church is open for personal prayer until 5:00
Each Thursday - Eucharistic Exposition from 1-4:00 PM
Each First Friday - Nocturnal Adoration 7:30-8:30 PM



“He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.” Luke 4:18-19

Eucharistic Revival -The Year of Mission July 21, 2024 - Pentecost (June 8th) 2025

Practical suggestions to apply the Four Pillars of Mission.

PILLAR 3 – EUCHARISTIC LIFE



Encouraging missionary disciples to be strengthened and renewed in their Christian identity through the Eucharist, realizing that, as we love Christ more, our lives are configured to His.

Sharing Personal Testimonies

“From the Eucharist comes strength to live the Christian life and zeal to share that life with others.” –Saint John Paul II

Sharing personal testimonies about the Eucharist can be an impactful way to witness to the real presence of Christ and how the Eucharist shapes one's life. Here are some suggestions to share your personal Eucharistic testimony:

- **Living a Eucharistic Life Daily:** Your acts of charity, forgiveness, and service to others, inspired by the Eucharist, can serve as living a testimony to the power of the sacrament.
- **Inviting Others to Encounter the Eucharist:** Speak from your personal experience, explaining how the Eucharist has become a source of comfort, strength, and healing in your life, and encourage others to discover the same.
- **Eucharistic Adoration and Prayer Groups:** Your witness in the intimate setting of Eucharistic Adoration can encourage others to approach the Eucharist with a renewed sense of reverence and love.
- **Personal Reflection and Sharing in Small Groups:** By participating in or organizing small faith-sharing groups, you can share the significance of the Eucharist in your life, perhaps inspiring others in their own faith journey.

The Jubilee Year - Pilgrims of Hope December 24, 2024 - January 6, 2026 Participating in Pilgrimages



Catholics have a unique opportunity to renew their commitment to live as faithful disciples during the Jubilee Year–Pilgrims of Hope–by participating in a pilgrimage, either in person or virtually. A pilgrimage is a powerful way to deepen one's spiritual life, strengthen faith, and grow in community with others. Here are several participate:

- **Participate in Local Pilgrimages to Sacred Sites:** There are several sacred places on Long Island that Catholics can visit as part of a pilgrimage, such as: The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island in Manorville.
- **Virtual Pilgrimages and Online Spiritual Events:** Online events may also include virtual retreats, webinars, and prayer groups focused on the themes of the Jubilee Year.
- **Pilgrimage of the Heart through Eucharistic Adoration and Prayer:** Engage in a spiritual pilgrimage by setting aside time for Eucharistic adoration, prayer, and reflection.
- **Pilgrimage through Service and Charity:** Volunteering at a local shelter or at charitable events, working with the poor, or visiting the sick, embodies the Gospel's call to love and serve others, and it mirrors the journey of discipleship by following the example of Christ.

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the holy Spirit.” –Romans 15:13



Jubilee 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

*Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us in
your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.*

*May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds
of the Gospel. May those seeds
transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation of a new
heaven and a new earth, when, with
the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.*

*May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of
heaven. May that same grace
spread the joy and peace of our
Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen*

SAVE THE DATE!!

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2025

**OUR LADY OF THE ATONEMENT
SECULAR FRANCISCAN FRATERNITY
PRESENTS**



BAGELS AND BE ATTITUDES IV
BE a person of Gratitude



DVD Presentation by: Fr. Albert Haase, OFM

What are you grateful for ?

*How confident are you of your own
path to holiness?*

Join us.....

Morning Mass at St. Anthony Church 9:00am
Tabor House + Bagels and Beatitudes
9:45am - Noon

Seating is limited

Reservations required: RSVP deadline February 7th
Mary Cammarato ofs - text or call 516-503-1600
Jane Magno D'Anna ofs - call or text 516-425-2768
Free Will Offerings Gratefully Accepted



**Ocean Financial
Federal Credit Union
Supports
St. Raymond!**

We have received our quarterly revenue sharing check from the Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union Parish revenue Sharing Program. Since its inception, our parish has received a total of \$20,986! The amount we receive each quarter is determined by the number of our parishioner who are members of the credit union and their usage of the Ocean Financial Federal Credit Union VISA credit and/or debit card. Therefore, I want to especially thank each of you—your credit card usage benefits our parish and that's great! For those of you who are not yet members, I encourage you to consider joining. Visit their branch at 45 Atlantic Ave.in Oceanside, or for information call 516-620-8100

visit their website at: www.oceanfinancial.org.

OPEN HOUSE




**SUNDAY,
JANUARY 26TH
AT 11 A.M.-1 P.M.**

**REGISTRATION:
JANUARY 28TH, 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. & 7:00-8:00 P.M.
JANUARY 29TH, 9:30 - 10:30 A.M.**

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St. Raymond's Parish Social Ministry

The Ryan House
"The Heart of the Parish"
12 Roosevelt Avenue, Lynbrook, NY 11563
516-887-9197



**FOOD PANTRY HOURS OF OPERATION
MONDAY THRU WEDNESDAY FROM
10AM TO 3PM**
(Suggested to call for an appointment)

"The generous will themselves be blessed for they share their food with the poor,"
- Proverbs 22:9

The Parish Social Ministry would like to thank the students of St. Raymond's Religious Education Program, and their parents, for the abundant donations to the food pantry this past week. Numerous bins of food were brought to the Ryan House and the pantry shelves were restocked. A special thank you to the staff of the Religious Education Ministry for organizing this food donation project which reminds our young people about helping those in need and their generosity will assist us in serving our clients.

During the month of December, the Parish Social Ministry assisted 78 households with food, personal care and household items and provided them with other services they needed. Also, one new client was welcomed into our Outreach Program and the client received food assistance and information on organizations that might be able to assist them with other services, such as DSS, Catholic Charities and St. Vincent de Paul.

Pantry items still needed: Rice or Pasta Side Dishes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, White Rice, White Canned Potatoes, Canned Beets, Grape Jelly, Canned Mat, Tuna, Cold Cereal and Snacks.

Food donations can be brought to the Ryan House during its open hours or non-perishable food can be left in the bin on the Ryan House porch or in the Altar Server's Sacristy.

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**Meetings are being offered conveniently
at three locations in our diocese:**

Saturday, January 25th

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception,

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Tuesday, January 28th

St. Elizabeth, Melville

7:00pm to 9:00pm

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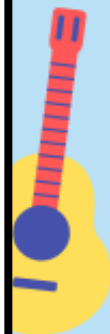
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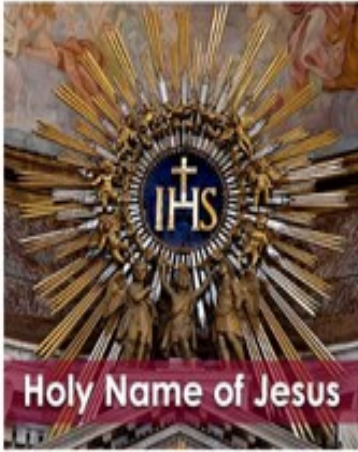
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The food pantry is currently open from Monday through Wednesday from 10am to 3pm.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, January 27th

St. Angela

7:15am Lorraine Guerin

8:45am Vincent & Geraldine Malone

Tuesday, January 28th

St. Thomas Aquinas

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Walter J. Ligarzewski

Wednesday, January 29th

7:15am Vera & Barney Rosalie

8:45am Patricia Finken

Thursday, January 30th

7:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:45am Salvatore Darmetta

Friday, January 31st

St. John Bosco

7:15am St. Raymond Parish

8:45am Richard McInerney

Saturday, February 1st

8:45am Marie Martorana

5:00pm Erin Gallagher Clifford

Sunday, February 2nd

7:30am Elizabeth Ann Stewart

9:00am Joseph McCarthy

10:30am Edward O'Connell

12:00pm Susan Perillo, Joseph

Ninivaggi, Ken Finnerud,

James Robert Layng,

Richard Mautner,

Michael Lenahan

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Hebrews 9:15, 24-28/Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday

Hebrews 10:1-10/Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday

Hebrews 10:11-18/Mark 4:1-20

Thursday

Hebrews 10:19-25/Mark 4:21-25

Friday

Hebrews 10:32-39/Mark 4:26-34

Saturday

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19/Mark 4:35-41

Sunday

Malachi 3:1-4/Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32



REST IN PEACE

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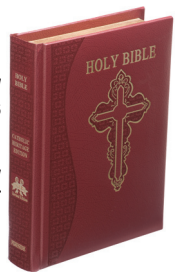
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