

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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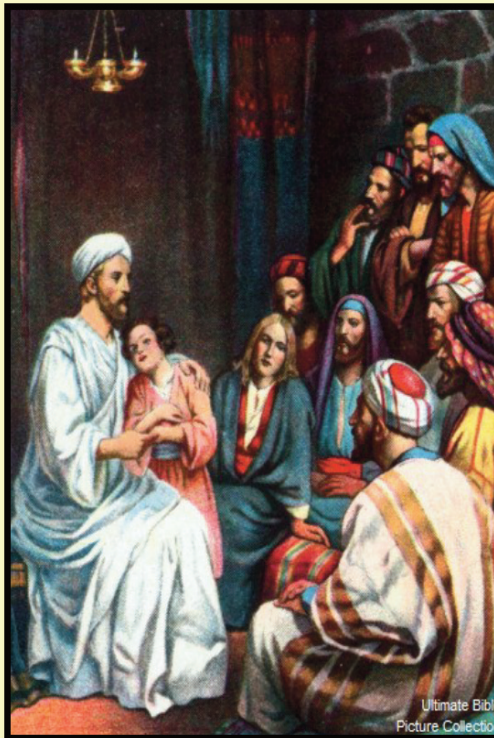
The Parish of St. Raymond

*A Eucharistic Community of
Faith, Love and Friendship*

Sunday, September 22, 2024

263 Atlantic Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518

516-593-5000



“Whoever receives
one child such as
this in my name,
receives me; and
whoever receives
me, receives not
me but the One
who sent me.”

Mark 9:37

September 22, 2024
25th 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;
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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 9:30am 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 Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the rectory lower level.

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



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ST. RAYMOND PARISH, EAST ROCKAWAY
SPIRITUAL AIDS AND INFORMATION WILL
BE POSTED TO KEEP US
ALL CONNECTED**



The Catholic Faith Network (CFN)

Broadcast of the Celebration of the Eucharist:

Daily Mass Celebrated by Pope Francis from the Santa Marta Chapel in Rome

Monday - Friday at 11:00 am, 9:30 pm ET

Saturday at 11:00 am, 9:30 pm ET

Sunday at 1:30 pm, 8:30 pm ET

St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, NY

Monday – Friday at 8:30 am, 12:30 pm ET

Sunday at 11:00 am, 7:00 pm ET

St. Patrick's Cathedral, NY

Monday – Friday at 6:30 pm ET

Sunday at 3:30 pm ET



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

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Lt. Joseph Woloszyn US NAVY
Sgt. Hunter Deets, 10th Mountain Division, US ARMY
TSGT Curt Abdool US AIRFORCE

***Please remember to pray for our
wounded soldiers.***

Father Chuck's Corner

Greetings and God's blessings be yours on the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time! The theme of this Sunday's readings is to emphasize that we are all called to be servants to others. In the first reading from Wisdom, we hear how the wicked will treat the Messiah. They want to test and see if he is the true promised one, even up to death. **"Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him."** Then in the second reading from the Letter of James, the apostle points out the contrast between those who follow Jesus and those who don't. **"Beloved: Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity."** And finally, in Mark's gospel Jesus is trying to teach and prepare the apostles about his impending death, but they are more concerned about which apostles will be treated more favorably. It's a bit frustrating for Jesus. His answer is very direct and has to do with being a servant to others. Jesus is not playing around. **"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."**

We live in a transactional world and certainly live in a country with a transactional economy. Exchanging things of value has been around since the dawn of time. You have something I desire so I make an offer of something in return. We then decide if it is a **"good deal."** A lot of times it has to do with money for a service. Sometimes it is trading some stuff for other stuff. Now these types of transactions spill over into so many areas of our lives. Everything is a deal in the making, with the expectation of something in return. We do a favor for a neighbor and expect the favor to be returned at some point. We give a good sum of money to a charity and expect to be on a donor list. We volunteer for something and look for approval and admiration. We pay more attention to an attractive, rich and powerful person, in hopes we will benefit in some way down the road. Even in romantic relationships which should elicit the best of motivations we can slip into a kind of **"keeping score"** relationship. And then when things get too uneven, resentment seeps in.

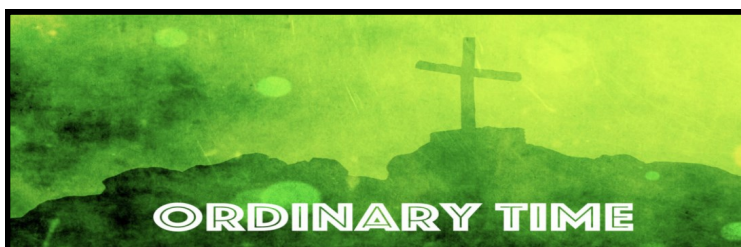
All of us want to be appreciated, to be loved in the way we love others. But God wants more. He expects more desires more and knows we can be more. He wants us to love like we would love a helpless child. Love for the sake of loving and for no other motive. Love people we don't really like. Love those who really can't love us back, who can't trade that love with us. Love even when the exchange rate is zero. That's how God loves, without counting the cost. God never thinks, **"What's in it for me?"** Can't we choose to love for no other reason than to respond to the need before us? It's not going to be easy, but it is definitely worth it.

This Wednesday evening, September 25th, in keeping with the Eucharistic revival, there will be a special **Holy Hour** from 7-8pm in the church. This is a great opportunity to spend time in prayerful adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayer, Reflection, Music and Benediction. Join us for this time to let Jesus speak to your heart in his loving **"real presence."**

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), an invitation to the special **Holy Hour**, this coming Wednesday evening, September 25th, a save the date ad for the upcoming **Parish Blood Drive** that will be held on Sunday, October 6th, 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, look for ways to be of service to others and remember: When you are full of love it confuses people who are full of baloney.** God bless always.

-Father Chuck



WEEKLY MASS PRAYERS

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024-25th 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

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024-25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Wis 2:12, 17-20

The wicked say: Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us; he sets himself against our doings, reproaches us for transgressions of the law and charges us with violations of our training. Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him. For if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience. Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him.

SECOND READING

Jas 3:16-4:3

Beloved: Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

ALLELUIA

Cf. 2 Thes 2:14

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mk 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6 and 8

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, by your name save me, and by your might defend my cause. O God, hear my prayer; hearken to the words of my mouth.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

For the haughty men have risen up against me, the ruthless seek my life; they set not God before their eyes.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

Behold, God is my helper; the Lord sustains my life. Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O LORD, for its goodness.

R. The Lord upholds my life.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - FAITH FORMATION

Lucy Ostermann, Director



Religious Education classes for the 2024/2025 school year begin:

Week of 9/23/2024 – grades 3, 4, 5, 6 – Monday/Wednesday/Thursday 3:30pm-4:30pm

Monday & Tuesday 9/23/2024 or 9/24/2024 – grades 7 & 8 – 7pm-8pm

Tuesday 9/24/2024 – grade 2 – 3:30pm-4:30pm

Wednesday 10/9/2024 – grade 1 – Parent meeting – 7:30pm St. Raymond Auditorium

Sunday 10/20/2024 – grade 1 – Parent & Students – 10:30am-1pm St. Raymond Auditorium/Church

Registration forms can be found on the Parish website. Please fill them out in their entirety and mail to the Religious Education office with full payment. Our address is: 263 Atlantic Ave., East Rockaway, NY 11518. The Registration fee is \$250.00.

ATTENTION 9TH GRADE PARENTS/STUDENTS

Your child's Confirmation date is Tuesday, October 29th, 2024 in St. Raymond Church. The Most Reverend John O. Barres will be administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to the students. There will be two ceremonies that day - one at 11am and one at 2pm. The classes have been broken down into two groups. Please look for the name of the teacher your child had for 8TH GRADE RELIGION CLASS.

Group 1 - 11am Ceremony – Mrs. Joanne Casucci, Mrs. Caitlin Perez/Mrs. Nicole Berke, Mrs. Stephanie Paul

Group 2 – 2:00pm Ceremony – Mr. Damien Becker, Mrs. Melissa Abuin, Mrs. Theresa Gaffney, Kellenberg, St. Joseph

Please note these important dates in your calendar:

9th Grade Commitment Mass - Saturday, September 28th, 2024 5pm Mass for Parent & Student. Appropriate attire is required.

9th Grade Confirmation Retreat - Sunday, September 29th, 2024 - St. Raymond School auditorium. Confirmation Retreats are a Diocesan requirement for all Confirmation students. If your child does not attend this retreat, he/she will need to attend a retreat BEFORE 10/29/2024 at another parish. Group 1 will attend the 10am-12:30pm Retreat session and Group 2 will attend the 1:30pm-4pm Retreat session.

Group 1 Rehearsal - Wednesday, October 16th, 2024 7:30pm St. Raymond Church

Group 2 Rehearsal - Thursday, October 17th, 2024 7:30pm St. Raymond Church

Confirmation Rehearsal and Gown Distribution - Child and Sponsor are to attend their designated rehearsal. If the Sponsor is not able to attend the rehearsal, then we ask that a parent attend in his/her place.



St. Raymond's Catechists celebrate the start of a wonderful year!



*Catechists
receive a five
year award
from the
Diocese*



ST. RAYMOND'S HUMAN LIFE COMMITTEE

"I can suck my thumb!"

Spiritual Adoption Program Three Months

Your baby is quite active in the womb now - - although her mother won't feel her for another couple of months. If her mother's womb had a window, you could watch your spiritually adopted baby squint, swallow and move her tongue. She can make a tight fist if you touch her palm. She is breathing amniotic fluid which continues until birth, although she obtains the oxygen her body needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce.

STAND UP FOR LIFE

DATE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

TIME: 2:00 - 3:30 PM

**PLACE: Along Rte. 110 and Rte. 25
Huntington, L.I.**

As we know, we have a long way to go in many states, especially in our own New York State, to recognize the preborn and the elderly as human beings deserving of LIFE. It is important that we get as many people as possible to join in this 90 minute silent, prayerful vigil. Our silence highlights the seriousness of our efforts to lawfully end the destruction of innocent preborn human life. Signs will be provided. For further information, please call: Jack O'Brien at #516-724-6821.

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

"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service to the Church and to the whole world... Let Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament speak to your hearts. It is he who is the true answer of life that you seek."

-Saint John Paul II



HOLY HOUR

**Wednesday,
September 25th
7:00pm - 8:00pm
ST. RAYMOND
CHURCH**

**To pray for the success of the
EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

**Exposition-Reflection
Music-Benediction**

Thank you!

16TH ANNUAL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK



EVERY step makes
a DIFFERENCE!

Thank you for your generous donations to the St. Raymond's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul last weekend. Your support will go directly towards helping our neighbors in East Rockaway and Lynbrook. For more information, please contact Anthony at (516) 220-2521.

LAMAR PETERS AS "ELVIS"

**IN CELEBRATION OF THE VFW'S
125TH ANNIVERSARY
HOSTED BY ROBERT F. GARRISON
AUXILLARY POST # 3350**



**HOT BUFFET - BEER, WINE, SODA - DESSERT
OCTOBER 5, 2024 - 7-11PM**

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**ST. MARY'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Truly present
in the Holy Eucharist
I place My Trust in You.*

St. Raymond's Choir Can you sing?

Come be part of the
St. Raymond's Choir family!



Practice Wednesday Evenings

7:30-9:00pm in the Church

First practice 9/18/24

Mass with the Choir is @10:30am on Sunday



Marriage "is a marvelous
gift, which contains
the power of God's own
love: strong, enduring,
faithful, ready to start over
after every failure or
moment of weakness."

-Pope Francis

Newly engaged couples who are
interested in finding out more
information on our "at home"

Pre-Cana

program, please contact:
Frank & Ginny Honerkamp
516-887-9212 (evenings)



**No matter what your present status in
the Catholic Church,**

**No matter what your current family or
marital situation,**

**No matter what your past or present
situation,**

**No matter what your personal history,
age, background or race,**

**No matter what your own self image
or self-esteem.**

**You are invited, welcomed, accepted,
loved and respected at**

St. Raymond Church!

We are so happy to have you here!

Saint Names in Eucharistic Prayer I



As we have been reflecting on the Intercessions of the Eucharistic Prayers, perhaps it is a good time to address all those saint names in Eucharistic Prayer I. Who are all those people? Of course, the first list begins with Mary and

Joseph and then the “blessed Apostles and Martyrs,” including Peter, Paul, Andrew (Peter’s brother), James (“the Greater”: the brother of John), John, Thomas, James (“the Lesser”: the son of Alpheus), Matthew, Bartholomew, Simon (“the Zealot”), and Jude (also called Thaddeus).

The First List of Saint Names

Continuing this first list of saints in Eucharistic Prayer I, as the author of Understanding the Mass, Charles Belmonte notes, “Five popes head the list: St. Peter’s first three successors, Linus, Cletus, Clement; then two popes of the third century, Sixtus II and Cornelius; Cyprian, Bishop of



Carthage, the intrepid defender of Catholic unity; the deacon Lawrence, who when his persecutor demanded from him the ‘treasures’ of the Church, showed him hundreds of poor people; Chrysogonus, a Roman priest who carried out the holy work of comforting the Christians who were in prison; two brothers, John and Paul, both officers of the [Roman] imperial palace, who were put to death under [the emperor] Julian the Apostate; and lastly, Cosmas and Damian, two Oriental physicians who gave their aid freely, and at whose graves there occurred ‘yet more cures than they had effected in their lives’” (Understanding the Mass, p. 158).

The Second List of Saint Names

As for the second list of saints in Eucharistic Prayer I, we ask for “some share in the fellowship” of several saints who were martyrs. Belmonte continues, “It mentions, in the first place, John (here obviously St. John the Baptist), and then seven men, followed by seven women, all martyrs. Stephen is the first deacon, whose glorious

martyrdom is recounted in the Acts of the Apostles (6:8-7:60). Two apostles come next: Matthias, elected to take the place of Judas (Acts 1:15-16) and probably left out of the first list so as not to exceed the number of twelve, and Barnabas, St. Paul’s companion in his first missionary journey. Ignatius is the famous bishop of Antioch, sentenced to be fed to the wild beasts in Rome under [emperor] Trajano. Besides their names and the place of their martyrdom, little else is known of Alexander, the priest Marcellinus, and the exorcist Peter, who were all put to death in the great persecution of [emperor] Diocletian. The list continues with the names of the two young girls, Felicity and Perpetua (their names form the expression ‘everlasting happiness’), who confessed their faith at Carthage [in North Africa]; and of Agatha and Lucy in Sicily. It concludes with the names of two young martyrs beloved by the Romans, Agnes and Cecelia; and of Anastasia, martyred at Sirmium and later honored in Rome” (Understanding the Mss, pp. 159–160).



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For Reflection:

- Take time to pray by name for the people in your life who have witnessed the faith to you.
- Next time you hear a celebrant use Eucharistic Prayer I, pay attention to the names in the list of saints and give thanks for their presence with us—as members of the Communion of Saints—at Mass.

Next Week: Doxology



ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

Opportunities for a Holy Hour
Each Day, the Church is open
for personal prayer until 5pm

Each Thursday - Eucharistic Exposition from 1-4pm
Each First Friday - Nocturnal Adoration 7:30-8:30pm
Holy Hour, Wednesday, September 25th 7-8:00 PM

***“But the wisdom from above is first
of all pure, then peaceable,
gentle, compliant, full of mercy
and good fruits ...”***

James 3:17

Eucharistic Revival -The Year of Mission July 21, 2024 - Pentecost 2025

Now that we have introduced the Four Pillars of Mission,
we now offer some ideas how to apply them to your life.

PILLAR 2 – EUCHARISTIC IDENTITY

Practical Suggestions for Practicing the Corporal and
Spiritual Works of Mercy

The Corporal Works of Mercy are
kind acts by which we help our
neighbors with their everyday
material and physical needs.



Clothe the Naked:

- Go through your drawers and closets and find good-condition clothes and shoes to donate to agencies that provide assistance for those in need.
- Volunteer or support the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.
- Coordinate a clothing drive to collect gently used clothing for local shelters or charitable organizations.
- Participate in programs that provide towels and linens for hospitals in distressed areas.
- Sponsor a family by providing them with new clothing items. Work with local charities or schools to identify families in need and deliver clothing directly.
- Assemble care packages containing clothing items like socks, underwear, and outerwear. Distribute these packages to homeless individuals or low-income families in your community.
- Volunteer to work at a clothing drive or at a shelter where clothing is distributed to those in need.
- Contribute to organizations that provide clothing to people in need globally, such as disaster relief organizations or international charities. Donations can be in the form of new clothing items or financial support to purchase and distribute clothing.

“Christ has no body on earth but ours, no hands, but ours, no feet, but ours. Ours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ looks out upon the world. Ours are the feet with which He goes about doing good. Ours are the hands with which He blesses His people.” - St. Teresa of Avila

Pillar 2 - Eucharistic Witness

***“Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses
than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it
is because they are witnesses.” St. Paul VI***

The Corporal Works of Mercy in Real Life

Disciples who see a need and fill need in living the
Corporal Works of Mercy in their life:

Sister Mary Scullion, co-founder of Project HOME in Philadelphia, works tirelessly to provide housing, healthcare, and clothing to the homeless. Her organization is dedicated to restoring dignity to those in need by offering essential clothing alongside other services, helping individuals move from homelessness to stability and self-sufficiency.

Nancy Lublin, the founder of Dress for Success, has provided professional attire and support to women facing economic hardships. Her organization, rooted in a spirit of compassion and empowerment, aligns with Catholic values by helping women enter the workforce with dignity and confidence.

Dr. Paul Farmer, co-founder of Partners In Health, has worked to provide medical care and basic necessities, including clothing, to impoverished communities worldwide. His commitment to addressing the social determinants of health includes ensuring that individuals have access to essential resources for a better quality of life.

Paul and Jane Wilson launched Heart of the City Clothing Fund, a non-profit dedicated to addressing clothing insecurity in New York. Their organization organizes community events to collect and distribute clothing, focusing on providing warm clothing during winter months and school clothes for children in low-income families.

A Christian who is living the mission of a disciple is one who believes in Jesus, who knows Jesus, who can't live without Jesus, and who wants to share with others the love, peace, and joy that he has experienced as a result of living in relationship with Jesus.

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Charities of Brooklyn

Gives Back!

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NEARBY MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUPS SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

St. Raymond / East Rockaway

**Every Monday 10:00am
Rectory Basement**

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Cure of Ars / Merrick:

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**Weekly on Thursdays, 7:30pm-9:00pm
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**First Saturday
Novena
Our Lady of
Fatima
Rosary**

October 5, 2024

8:10am

**St. Raymond Church
Near the Blessed Mother Statue
Make Reparation for sins against
The Immaculate Heart of Mary**



Nocturnal Adoration

The Nocturnal Adoration Society will meet Friday, October 4th from 7:30-8:30pm in the Church for its monthly hour of Adoration. Nocturnal Adoration is fashioned after the Liturgy of Hours, this time of prayer is a blessed way to intensify our walk with Jesus.

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**September 29
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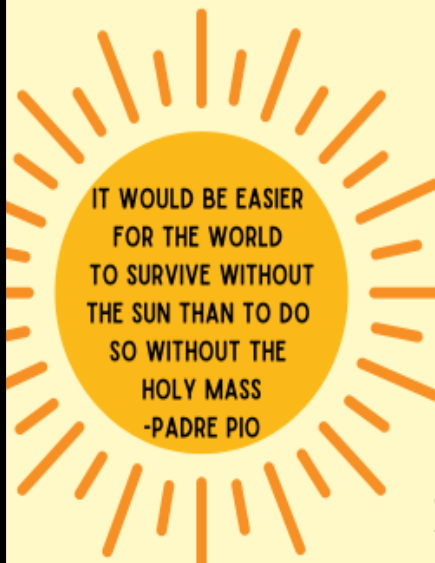
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Ordained in May of 2023, Deacon O'Brien hopes to bring God's message of love, mercy, and hope to others.

"As a Deacon, it is my hope to revitalize the faith of others. I go to nursing homes and the residents hear the Word of God and receive the Eucharist. At wake services, when people have lost a loved one, I hope to revitalize their faith so that people know that they can call on and rely on God to help them through the difficult times. In happy times such as a baptism or a wedding, God is there for them for the rest of their life."

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**FOOD PANTRY HOURS OF OPERATION
MONDAY THRU WEDNESDAY FROM
10AM TO 3PM**

(Suggested to call for an appointment)

*"For even the Son of Man did not come
to be served, but to serve and to give
His life as a ransom for many."*

-Mark 14:31

During the month of August, the Parish Social Ministry assisted 89 households with food, personal care and household items and provided them with other services they needed. Also, during the month of August, 1 new client was welcomed into our Outreach Program and the client received food assistance and information on organizations that could assist with other services, such as DSS and St. Vincent De Paul.

Food assistance is available to those in need who live within our Parish boundaries, including senior citizens who depend on their Social Security benefits as their only source of income.

Pantry items needed this week: Pasta, Jarred Pasta Sauce, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Yams, Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Hot Cereal, Mayonnaise and Jello or Pudding.

If you would like to donate food to the food pantry but you find grocery shopping difficult, the Parish Social Ministry will gratefully accept supermarket gift cards so they can purchase food items needed to help our clients. The cards can be dropped off during our days of operation.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. You are always in our prayers.



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Masses for this week

Monday, September 23rd

St. Pius of Pietrelcina

7:15am Paul Colontino

8:45am Brook Jones

Tuesday, September 24th

7:15am Maura Scully

8:45am Peter Ledwith

Wednesday, September 25th

7:15am Gail Macri

8:45am Nancy Blanton

Thursday, September 26th

7:15am Rory Polley

8:45am Vincent & Geraldine Malone

Friday, September 27th St. Vincent de Paul

7:15am John Keanna, Jr.

8:45am Anna T. Morovich

Saturday, September 28th

8:45am Joan Casey, Dennis Keane

5:00pm Bridie Gallagher

Sunday, September 29th

7:30am John Carver

9:00am Gilbert & Noreen Helmstadt

10:30am Mary Yuan

12:00pm Dec. members of the Tauckus Family,
Marie Dempsey, Arthur Chute,
Mae McGuinness, John Matthews, Jr
Mary Kate Thompson,
James(35yr) & Kathleen(10yr) Ryder

4:30pm St. Raymond Parish

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday

Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

Ecc 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Ecc 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

Ecc 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43B-45

Sunday

Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Please Pray for Our Sick

Baby Faith Madison

Mary Lynch

Maureen McCarthy

Fr. Don Hansen

Linda Dagostino

Karen Pagnotta

Colleen Popp

Jodi Neckles

Michael L.

Diane Minucci

Eileen Appel

Tim Rowland

Anthony Campanile

Baby Cooper Graham

Maureen Condiss

John Beggs

Timothy Murphy

Elizabeth Lacchini

Michael Malone

Noreen Concannon

Jose Colon

(Names are printed for 3 weeks unless
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Rest in Peace

Thomas Joseph Comber

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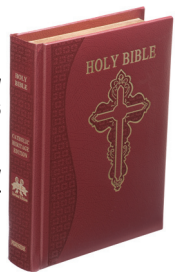
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