



BULLETIN

ST. RAYMOND CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 23, 2020



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PARISH EVENTS

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020

3:00 pm R.C.I.A. in Parish Hall
7:00 pm Young Adult Dinner

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2020

7:00 pm Men's Ministry

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020

9:00 am Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2020

8:15 am Ash Wednesday Mass
(with school)
10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
12:15 pm Ash Wednesday Mass
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2020

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Holy Hour (Adoration & Confession)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross
6:45 pm Soup Supper

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020

8:45 am Adoration after morning Mass
9:00 am Leap Into Lent: Men's Ministry Retreat

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020

7:00 pm Taizé Prayer Service

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 21-22, 2020

St. Raymond 9th Annual World Famous Rummage Sale (p.5)

MARCH 29, 2020

50/50 Party (p.5)

ON THE COVER: On February 15, 2020, Victoria Rose Colorado was baptized by Fr. Jerome in front of friends and family.

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Feb. 22, 5:15 pm Christopher Mirano †

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Feb. 23, 8:00 am Angelita Valencia † & Daniel Valencia †

10:00 am Helen Pflaum †

12:00 pm Luisa Passetti †

6:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Feb. 24, 8:15 am Donald L. Lucas †

Tues., Feb. 25, 8:15 am Harold Curtis †

Wed., Feb. 26, 8:15 am Donald Alexander Lucas †

Ash Wednesday

12:15 pm Dana Renée Harned †

7:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Thur., Feb. 27, 8:15 am Lillian Duzanica †

Fri., Feb. 28, 8:15 am Tony Galvez

Sat., Feb. 29, 8:15 am Lupe Lina Alvarez †

5:15 pm Aurelio Maestrini †

First Sunday of Lent

Sun., Mar. 1, 8:00 am Toni Ann Papara (Birthday) & Ralph Ruocco †

10:00 am Anthony Onyeneho †

12:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

6:00 pm Harold Ero Meconi †

S—Solemnity F—Feast M—Memorial m—Optional Memorial

Mass intentions are now available through 2021. Please visit or call the parish office.

MINISTRY CORNER

BIBLE STUDY is every Wednesday at 10:00 am in the parish hall. All are welcome.

LEGION OF MARY meets every Tuesday at 9:00 am in the parish hall. Join us!

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) meets Sundays at 3:00 pm in the parish hall.

STOCK DONATION / MATCHING GIFTS

I have been asked if the parish has the ability to accept stock donations. Yes! So, if you have stocks you would like to donate, we would love to receive them. Also, please check to see if your company does matching gifts. Last year one company matched its employee's gift 2 to 1.

—Fr. Jerome



THIS WEDNESDAY! Masses will be held at **8:15 am** (School Mass), **12:15 pm**, and **7:00 pm** on Ash Wednesday, February 26.



NEXT WEEKEND! Join us for a day of prayer, discussion, and reflection led by Deacon Tom Kelly. The Retreat will be early Lenten day of reflection and peacefulness. **It will be focused on discerning our busy lives, re-establishing or finding a peaceful dialogue with God and our individual particular calls that God is giving us.** Lunch will be provided, and there will be a Mass as part of the Retreat.

Please mail your check in advance to Ronnica Hagy at the St. Raymond parish office, or you may pay electronically online at straymond.org/donate.

Vallombrosa Retreat Center, 250 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, CA. Registration Fee \$65

LENLEN SMALL GROUPS

LENLEN SMALL GROUP FAITH SHARING will begin meeting soon! Come together to reflect on scripture, share experiences through the lens of faith, and pray together. Join Mary McCarty on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm or Christine Galvez on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am; contact Mary at mhmccarty@gmail.com or Christine at chrisgalvez@aol.com to join. All are welcome!



Stations of the Cross will be held **every Friday** from February 28 to April 3 at 6:00 pm in the Church.

Soup Suppers will be held following the Stations of the Cross.

On **April 3**, Stations of the Cross will be followed by the **2nd Annual Men's Ministry Fish Fry** in the Kennedy Center (school gym). Details to follow.

STEWARDSHIP 3

COLLECTIONS THROUGH FEB. 16, 2020

Sunday Collections	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	+ / -
At Mass	\$155,643.99	—	—
E-Giving	\$114,868.00	—	—
Total Offertory	\$270,511.99	\$312,675.00	(\$42,630.01)

COLLECTIONS THROUGH FEB. 16, 2019

	YTD Actual	YTD Goal	+ / -
Fall Campaign	\$419,990.49	\$600,000.00	(\$180,009.51)



During Lent, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available the following times:

Thursdays: 7:00 pm–8:00 pm during Holy Hour

Saturdays: 3:45 pm–4:45 pm before the Saturday evening Mass

A communal reconciliation service will be held **Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 pm.**

Confession is also available by appointment. To schedule an appointment, call the parish office or email Fr. Jerome at jcudden@straymondmp.org.

FAST & ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection. Source: usccb.org



WE ARE CALLED

Join our faith community—and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the challenge of global hunger and how it affects our human family.



Rice bowls are now available at the church entrances.

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOKS ARE BACK!

Look for the Little Black Books in baskets at the church entrances. One per family please. Thank you.



Help save lives this Lent with 40 Days for Life. All are welcome to join in peacefully praying for an end to abortion.

The 40 Days for Life campaign runs from **February 26 to April 5** at the public right-of-way outside of the Planned Parenthood location at 2907 El Camino Real, Redwood City. You may sign up for vigil hours on the website 40daysforlife.com/redwood-city.

A kick-off rally will be held Sunday, February 23, 2020, at 2:00 pm, rain or shine.

For more information on these events, please email themunns@yahoo.com.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday:	April 5	Regular Sunday Schedule
Tenebrae:	April 9-11	8:15 am with the Dominican Community
Holy Thursday:	April 9	7:00 pm Mass
Good Friday:	April 10	7:00 pm Service
Easter Vigil:	April 11	8:00 pm Mass
Easter Sunday:	April 12	8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm (no 6:00 pm Mass)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

MARCH 3, 2020 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
IN SAN MATEO COUNTY

All Vote Centers in San Mateo County open
from Feb 29 – March 3.

“We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern.” – Pope Francis, September 16, 2013

Voting is the fundamental right of every US citizen. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops asks us to participate in our democracy by voting our conscience, informed by the key principals of Catholic Social Teaching: the dignity of the human person; the common good; our call to family, community, and participation; and solidarity as one human family. The March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election is an All-Mailed Ballot – Vote Center Election in San Mateo County. Every eligible voter will be mailed a ballot and can vote by mail or cast their ballot in person at a Vote Center during the times and days specified below. Each Vote Center will contain English, Spanish and Chinese ballots as well as ballots in other languages for certain precincts. For a complete list of Vote Centers, Assistance for Voters with Disabilities, and more information on Voter Registration visit smcvote.org or call 1.888.762.8683.

VOLUNTEER TUTORS are needed at Catholic Charities Youth Club at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in East Palo Alto in the afternoons. Adults and students ages 15 and up can volunteer independently and students younger than 15 can volunteer with a parent. To apply, contact Amy Hafter, director of the program at ahafter@catholiccharitiessf.org or call her at 650-327-7432.

TAIZÉ SERVICE Taizé prayer is a simple form of Christian prayer in which we gather around the cross in candlelight to share scripture, chants, silence, and prayer.

St. Raymond's Taizé prayer service is the **FIRST Monday** of each month at **7:00 pm** in the chapel. If you have not experienced it before, give yourself the gift of prayer and peace by trying it— all are welcome!



Next service: Monday, March 2, at 7:00 pm in the Chapel.

RUMMAGE SALE

Our 9th Annual, World Famous, St. Raymond Rummage Sale will take place the weekend of **March 21-22**. This year's sale will benefit parish ministries. To help you begin cleaning out your closets and garages, lightening your load, and simplifying your life, we are introducing the **8 Week Purge Challenge! Week 5 focuses on the LINEN CLOSET:** Tablecloths, sheet/comforter sets, towels, placemats, napkins, decorative pillows, etc.

Each week you will be given a suggested area of the house to focus on to collect GENTLY USED - LIKE NEW - BRAND NEW items your family wishes to donate. The storage container is now located in the faculty parking lot at the school and will be open Monday-Friday from 8:00-3:15, and Sundays from 10:00-11:30 a.m. We want to make it easy for you donate anytime throughout the day.

SUPER DONATION WEEKEND: We ask that small furniture or large quantities of donations be delivered directly to the school gym on **Super Donation Weekend March 14-15** or the week of March 16th. All donations are tax deductible. We also need non-wire hangers, plastic and paper bags and cardboard boxes, so please begin setting these aside. Please let us know if you have wagons we can borrow for helping to deliver sold merchandise to peoples cars. A reminder of a few things we can't accept: Mattresses, sofas, large furniture, children's car seats, cribs. For a complete list, please see flyers in the church.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! We have only 7 days this year to prepare for the sale so please consider volunteering by going to our online sign-up: signup.com/go/vnspeTX as we need help with set-up, organizing, merchandising (prior to sale), check out, cashiering, security, be a runner, and clean-up on the last day. Not sure? You'll be able to sign up for general help too. It is a lot of fun and a great way to connect with so many wonderful people in the parish community. Thank you in advance for generously donating gently used merchandise AND for volunteering your time to make this year's sale our biggest one yet.

Look for additional details to come. Questions? Contact: Karyn Leahy at leahyfamily@msn.com.



SAVE THE DATE

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50/50 PARTY

In March, Fr. Jerome will turn the big 50! In June, Fr. Carl Schlichte, O.P., will also turn the big 50! To celebrate we will be having a celebratory Mass at the Sunday, 10:00 am Mass on **March 29** followed by a picnic. Please mark your calendars. Special guest stars scheduled to appear include St. Raymond alums Fr. Christopher and Fr. Augustine. More details to follow.



STARS SENIOR MASS & BINGO

Speaking of seniors...Please join us on **Wednesday, March 4** for a special St. Patrick's gathering of STARS Senior Bingo. We will begin in the church at 12:15 for a senior Mass. Following Mass, the beautiful sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be available for those who wish to participate. We will then move to the Parish Center for a light lunch and delicious treats. Bring a friend or two to join in the fun with this wonderful group - all are welcome!! If you have any questions, contact Karyn Leahy at leahyfamily@msn.com.



YOUNG ADULTS

MONTHLY DINNER THIS SUNDAY

The next monthly dinner will be this Sunday, **February 23 after the 6:00 pm Mass!** If you're reading this right now in Mass, there's still time to join!

Join our Facebook group for the latest details and new event announcements: bit.ly/yastraymond.



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FEATURED CONTENT

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MATTER?
WITH FR. JEROME

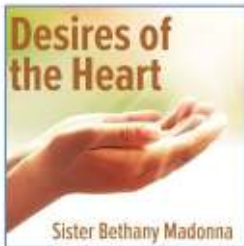


IN THE OPWEST APP, SEARCH FOR "JEROME"

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

Desires of the Heart
by Sister Bethany Madonna



Sr. Bethany Madonna, vocations director for the Sisters of Life, shares how God not only wants us to know him, but also to give us the desires of our heart and gifts that bring purpose, meaning, and hope.

LISTEN ON FORMED.ORG

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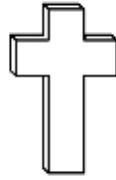
FORMED is free to parishioners of St. Raymond Parish. To register for FORMED, visit straymondmp.formed.org and follow the instructions on the screen.

WINTER COLD AND FLU SEASON —As always, you are reminded to use common good sense in the reception of Holy Communion during the annual cold and flu season.

If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should refrain from partaking of the Blood of Christ from the communal chalice. In the same way, you should refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace. Likewise if you are not comfortable sharing the sign of peace or receiving Holy Communion from the communal chalice for fear of infection, you should feel no pressure to do so.

All of us must be aware of such sensitive matters in the intimate life of the Christian community and we should expect that some will refrain from the sign of peace and the communal chalice out of care for our well being and not out of unkindness or a lack of piety. —Source: Archdiocese of San Francisco

CHOIRS AT ST. RAYMOND



LITURGICAL CHOIRS FOR
ALL AGES AND ABILITY
LEVELS ARE BEING
FORMED FOR AN INSPIRED
OFFERING AT ALL MASS TIMES.



From professional musicians to those who only sing in the car... and no matter how busy you already are...

All are encouraged to make a gift of your time and talent!

Children in our school and Religious Education Programs are especially encouraged to participate.

Call, email, or introduce yourself to find out how you can make a contribution. Call 650-323-1755 or email Lauri Hofstrom at music@straymondmp.org.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Arthur Ang, Balvina Gonzalez, Bernice Corcoran, Candy Hernandez, Celeste Green, Diane Mojtehed, Emmanuel Barbariol, Gayland Hagy, GB, Janice Hagy, Lorraine Macchello, Lynn Bacon, Lynn Cintron, Margaret McSweeney, Modesta Cintron, Penny Bantug, PN, and those who wish not to be named. Please contact the parish office if you wish to have a name added to this list.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS are available at each Mass. Go to Father's line during Communion and ask for a low-gluten host. To avoid contamination, please take a host from the low-gluten pyx.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK Do you know of anyone who is homebound or ill? If so, we want to hear from you. Please contact the parish office at (650) 323-1755 or email office@straymondmp.org and help us get in touch with those who need ministry.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS If you have a notice for the bulletin, please send it to bulletin@straymondmp.org. Submissions are due by Friday two weeks before the publication date. You can also send any St. Raymond event photos that you would like to share with the community to the same address.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

If you are a visitor to St. Raymond Parish, we want you to know you are welcome here—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or another parish in the Archdiocese. Say hello to any of our parishioners! For information about our parish or to register, please contact us at office@straymondmp.org or register online at www.straymondmp.org/register.

ST. RAYMOND PARISH

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS ⁷

MASSES

Saturdays 5:15 pm Vigil

Sundays 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 Noon,
6:00 pm

Weekdays 8:15 am (Mon.-Sat.) in the Chapel

Holy Days 8:15 am, 12:15 pm & 7:00 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturdays after the 8:15 am Mass (Chapel)

Thursdays 7:00 pm—8:00 pm at Holy Hour

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

1st Thursdays after 8:15 am Mass (Chapel)
or by appointment

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:45 pm—4:45 pm or by
appointment

Thursdays 7:00 pm—8:00 pm at Holy Hour

HOLY HOUR (ADORATION & RECONCILIATION)

Thursdays 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Mon.-Sat. 7:25 am (Office of Readings and
Morning Prayer) in the Chapel

ROSARY

Mon.-Sat. 8:00 am in the Chapel

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755 or
email office@straymondmp.org.

VISION STATEMENT St. Raymond Parish is a family. As disciples of Jesus, we are “children of God” and “brothers and sisters in Christ.” Jesus himself says, “Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother” (Matthew 12:50). We welcome all to belong to our Catholic family and to inherit with us in Christ the mission to preach the Gospel!

MISSION STATEMENT St. Raymond Parish is a community united by our Catholic Faith as disciples of Jesus Christ. We seek communion with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through ongoing personal and communal conversion to Christ and a deeper commitment to the mission Jesus gives each of us to preach the Gospel. The sacred scriptures and sacraments of the Church sustain us. We dedicate ourselves to Truth and strive to grow in love of God and neighbor through community, prayer, study, and service, as we work by grace to build up in one another and share freely with others the abundance of magnificent gifts God has given.