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ST. RAYMOND CATHOLIC CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 1, 2020
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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2020

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

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020

7:00 pm Taizé Service
7:00 pm Lenten Small Group Faith Sharing (p. 3)

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020

9:00 am Legion of Mary
7:30 pm St. Vincent du Paul

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020

10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
12:15 pm STARS Senior Mass followed by Bingo

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

8:15 am 1st Thursday Anointing following morning Mass
10:00 am Lenten Small Group Faith Sharing (p. 3)
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Holy Hour (Adoration & Confession)

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2020

8:45 am Adoration after morning Mass

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 21-22, 2020

St. Raymond 9th Annual World Famous Rummage Sale (p.4)

MARCH 29, 2020

~~50/50 Party (p.5)~~

1ST THURSDAY ANOINTING OF THE SICK will take place this Thursday, March 5, following the 8:15 am morning Mass.

ON THE COVER: Ash Wednesday at St. Raymond Parish on February 26, 2020.

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Feb. 29, 5:15 pm Aurelio Maestrini †

First Sunday of Lent

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

10:00 am Anthony Onyeneho †

12:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

6:00 pm Harold Ero Meconi †

Mon., Mar. 2, 8:15 am The Souls in Purgatory †

Tues., Mar. 3, 8:15 am Karen Lundburg †

St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin (m)

Wed., Mar. 4, 8:15 am Puz Nelson (healing)

St. Casimir (m)

12:15 pm Seniors at St. Raymond

Thur., Mar. 5, 8:15 am Gail Blach (healing)

Fri., Mar. 6, 8:15 am Michael & Sarah Gonzalez Family

10:45 am Grandparents/Special Persons Day

Sat., Mar. 7, 8:15 am Elena Loo Kung †

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs (m)

5:15 pm Vitalus Nwogwugwu †

Second Sunday of Lent

Sun., Mar. 8, 8:00 am Lillian Duzanica †

10:00 am Raffaella & Aurelia Maetrini †

12:00 pm Mary Cague †

6:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

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! More details on page 6.

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

EGIVING: GIVING MADE EASY

eGiving provides an opportunity to simplify your stewardship donations through secure automatic giving. You can pay with a credit/debit card or your checking or savings account. Schedule or update recurring donations at straymondmp.org/giving. Thank you!

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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.

LENTEN SMALL GROUPS

LENTEN SMALL GROUP FAITH SHARING are starting now! 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 & SOUP SUPPERS

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

Soup Suppers will be held following the Stations of the Cross. The Soup Supper on March 6 will be hosted by the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**.

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

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COLLECTIONS THROUGH FEB. 23, 2020

Sunday Collections	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	+ / -
At Mass	\$158,735.46	—	—
E-Giving	\$118,070.00	—	—
Total Offertory	\$276,805.46	\$322,150.00	(\$45,344.54)

COLLECTIONS THROUGH FEB. 23, 2019

	YTD Actual	YTD Goal	+ / -
Fall Campaign	\$433,755.49	\$600,000.00	(\$166,244.51)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

HELP IMMIGRANTS

Help young immigrants adjust to and feel welcome in their community. Catholic Charities is seeking mentors for our unaccompanied minors. Commitment of a year, with an average of 6 hours a month spent with your mentee. Please contact Carol Laughlin at CLaughlin@catholiccharitiessf.org for more details.

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.



Feb. 26 - April 5, 2020

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 at 40daysforlife.com/redwood-city.

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



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.



SPEAKER SERIES

AN EVENING WITH AN EXORCIST

How does one become an exorcist? What does an exorcist do? What is the rite of exorcism? What is the difference between temptation, oppression, obsession, and possession? What are the signs of possession? Are haunted houses real? Can animals be possessed? **Fr. Gary Thomas**, the exorcist of the Diocese of San Jose, will answer these and other questions regarding the topic of exorcism when he joins us for a presentation on **Tuesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm** in the Church. Fr. Thomas' journey to become an exorcist is also the subject of the book "The Rite: The Making of a Modern Exorcist" by Matt Baglio.



ELECTION 2020

The Presidential Primary Election is **Tuesday, March 3, 2020**. For San Mateo County, more information can be found at www.smacre.org/current-election.



RUMMAGE SALE

Our **9th Annual, World Famous, St. Raymond Rummage Sale** will be the weekend of **March 21-22**. Proceeds support parish ministries. To help you simplify your life, we are introducing the 8 Week Purge Challenge! **Week 6 focuses on the LIVING ROOM/OFFICE:** Books, framed artwork, decor, craft supplies, lamps, small furniture, area rugs, candles, candle holders, gift items, etc. We hope you collect GENTLY USED - LIKE NEW - BRAND NEW items your family wishes to donate. The storage container located in the school faculty parking lot off Arbor Road and is open Monday-Friday from 8:00-3:15 to make it easy to donate anytime throughout the day or on Sundays between 10:00-11:00.



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

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.



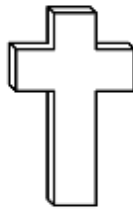
LENTEN TAIZÉ SERVICE Taizé prayer is a simple form of Christian prayer in which we gather around the cross in candlelight to share scripture, chants, silence, and prayer.

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.

ST. RAYMOND CHOIRS ⁵



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.

SVdP CORNER

"Isabel" is a single mother with a teenage daughter who attends Sequoia High School. Her husband died in 2018, followed by three other family members in 2019, leaving her emotionally and financially in crisis. She was able to get by financially until she became ill and had to stop working for several months. She fell behind on the rent and the small family was facing eviction. Isabel sought help from Fair Oaks Community Center who referred her to St Vincent De Paul's Peninsula Family Resource Center (PFRC). Volunteers visited them with bags of groceries and agreed to pay the December rent. Isabel is interviewing for several jobs and is anxious to go back to work full-time. She expects to be able to pay the full rent moving forward.



Isabel and her daughter were extremely grateful to SVdP for helping them at this incredibly difficult time.

Note: There is a 5th Sunday this March!

6 LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary meets every **Tuesday at 9:00 am** in the Legion of Mary conference room opposite the Parish Hall. Feel free to join us and learn more about the Legion of Mary.

A Legionary Tells Her Story:

Her job is to visit a nearby hospital, visit the sick, and bring Holy Communion to the patients, who otherwise would be without the sacraments. She says, "I've been doing this for more than 20 years, and it's always a wonderful experience, and God always gives me the strength to visit every patient on my list - sometimes as many as forty". This Legionary did this Legion work until age 101, and passed away at age 102.



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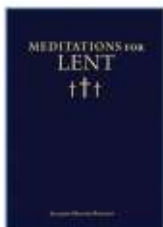
ARE YOU A ZOMBIE?
WITH FR. JEROME



FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

Meditations for Lent
by Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet



Dr. Christopher Blum has selected fifty remarkably powerful meditations from Bishop Bossuet's works that complement the daily readings at Mass during the Lenten season, thus offering to us the perfect companion for a thoughtful and fruitful Lent.

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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	12:00-3:00 pm Tre Ore 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)

THE ROSARY CONFRATERNITY

is a spiritual association of the Catholic Church, the members of which strive to pray the entire Rosary during the course of one week. To join, you must have your name inscribed in the register of the Confraternity. There are no meetings, and no dues. To enroll and learn more, please visit www.rosary-center.org.



HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE HOUR AFTER 8:00 AM MASS Join us after the 8:00 am Mass for Coffee Hour in Parish Hall. Thank you to Ben for filling in for Sr. Judy last Sunday.



COFFEE & DONUTS AFTER 10:00 AM MASS—In case you didn't know, Coffee & Donuts are available after every 10:00 am Mass in our Parish Hall. Come and make a new friend.



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.

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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.