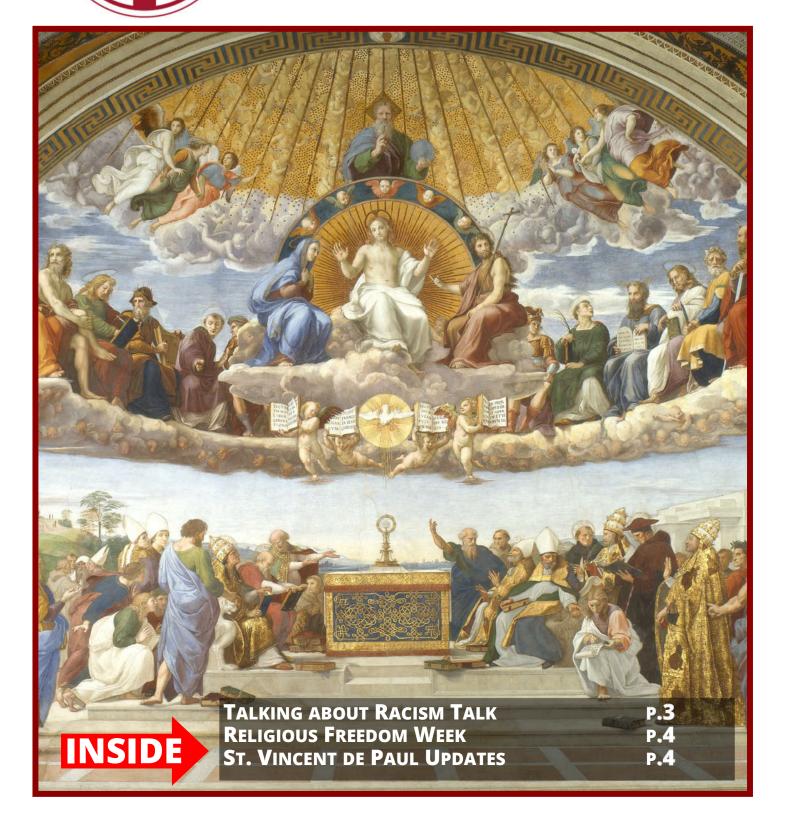


JUNE 14, 2020



ONLINE SCHEDULE

ALL EVENTS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED ON FACEBOOK www.facebook.com/fatherjerome.cudden/live AND YOUTUBE straymondmp.org/youtube

* Unless Noted as St. Raymond's Facebook Page which is: www.facebook.com/straymondmp/live

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

8:15 am Mass

9:15 am Scripture Reading *

1:30 pm Rosary *

3:00 pm Prayer Opportunity (Various) *
6:40 pm Rosary with Fr. Jerome (Monday

to Wednesday)

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2020

12:00 pm Laudato Si' Book Club 6:00 pm Fr. Ken Hamilton's Talk (p. 3)

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2020

6:40 pm Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2020

8:15 am Morning Mass 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2020

8:00 am Sunday Mass

10:00 am Sunday Mass (livestreamed)

6:00 pm Sunday Mass

** Please check straymondmp.org for the latest schedule for the day.

MORNING MASS RETURNS

Morning Mass is now being held outdoors Monday to Saturday at **8:15 am** on the school lawn. No reservation is needed.

Morning Mass will still be livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., June 13, 5:00 pm Lippi & Marlow Families, *Corpus Christi* Both Living & Deceased

Sun., June 14, 8:00 am Beverly Vignau †

10:00 am Charles Galdes †5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., June 15, 8:30 am Crescencia Cachola Lagrande †

Wed., June 17, 8:30 am Steve Herle †
Thur., June 18, 8:30 am Mary Tu Nguyen †
Fri., June 19, 8:30 am Michael Stewart †

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (S)

Sat., June 20, 8:30 am St. Raymond Legion of Mary, Both Living & Deceased Members

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

5:00 pm Eleanor Jekot †

12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sun., June 21, 8:00 am The Ruocco Family, Both

Living & Deceased

10:00 am Dr. Kamal Abusief †5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

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

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from
You. Amen.

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.

ARCHBISHOP'S STATEMENTS ON THE DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD AND THE AFTERMATH

Most Rev. Salvatore J. Cordileone June 3, 2020

"I can't breathe." George Floyd's final words haunt us, horrify us, as he was senselessly suffocated to death.

"I can't breathe." What a contrast to these days in Church time, when we are still basking in the light of Pentecost. God's gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church harkens back to the very beginning, when the Spirit of God moved over the waters at the creation of the world. In Biblical language and mentality, "spirit" is synonymous with "breath." What a contrast: when we celebrate the infusion of God's life breath into the Church, a defenseless man has his life breath snuffed out of him.

George Floyd is the latest, and most brazen, example of a pattern of injustices and discrimination against people of color in our country. The violence in response to this act of violence reveals the extent to which the outrage over this has become unbearable. And yet, it does not change the perennial truth that violence begets violence. The many peaceful protests that have been held properly honor George Floyd's life and denounce the racism that has become systematic in our society. But we must understand the need for "systemic" change in a broad sense, for structural change alone will only go so far. We need cultural change, a transformation of the cultural mentality – ultimately, a spiritual metanoia. And that change of mind, heart and soul cannot even begin without the admission of sin, personal as well as societal.

"I can't breathe." Many people are feeling spiritually suffocated in so many different ways. As Catholics, we are called to walk in the light of Christ and follow the Spirit's lead, so that God's life breath might infuse all sectors of our society with justice for the oppressed, compassion for the vulnerable, and reverence for human life in all of its stages and conditions.

I call upon all Catholics, and all people of goodwill, to live lives that manifest the spiritual metanoia so needed in our society at this time, and to join together in prayer for an end to racism in all its pernicious manifestations and an end to the deadly violence that is taking place in many cities across the country at this time.

TALKING ABOUT RACISM

UNDERSTANDING THE CURRENT CRISIS THROUGH THE EYES OF FAITH

This Thursday, June 18, at 6:00 pm, Fr. Ken Hamilton, SVD, will be presenting on how we understand racism in the United States through the "eyes of faith." He will help us take a closer look at the Black Lives Matter Movement, what a



Gospel response to issues of race and class looks like, and how we can respond with compassion and action to this issue that has challenged our country for so many years.

Fr. Hamilton holds a PhD in Religious Studies and has worked with the Bowman-Francis Institute for 40+ years to more deeply evangelize Black Catholics through their own spirituality and cultures. Join us for this timely and important discussion, sponsored by St. Raymond Parish in Menlo Park, on Zoom this Thursday, June 18 at 6 pm.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86482188677 Meeting ID: 864 8218 8677

COOKIES WITH LOVE

Thank you to all of our St. Raymond bakers for so generously providing "cookies with love" for the Table of Plenty (TOP) Meal on the coast! As of now, St. Raymond has donated over 1,200 cookies, brownies and other treats for meals for those without homes and low income individuals and families. We appreciate the time and care you have given to baking and packaging these bags of goodies, some of you doing this with your children. Your treats have been enjoyed and appreciated by many TOP clients during these challenging times and add a little spot of sunshine to their week.

We will be making cookies two more times this month. We are still in need of two more bakers for June 17 and four more bakers for June 24. If you are able to bake 48-60 cookies or brownies for either of these dates, please email Amy at ajobin@straymondmp.org. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



June 22-29 marks **Religious Freedom Week** in the United States.

WEBINAR ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN CHINA

The Office of Human Life & Dignity has invited a special guest to offer a free webinar live from Rome on the Church in China.

June 25, 2020 at 10 am (PT)

Fr. Bernardo Cervellera is a journalist and a missionary with the Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions (PIME). Currently, he heads the AsiaNews press agency. From 1997 to 2002 he was editor of Fides, the Vatican international press agency. Between 1995 and 1997 he lived in Beijing where he taught History of Western Civilization at Peking University (Beida). He is contributor of various papers, magazines, and other publications and collaborates with radio and TV news programs.

The church in China, official and unofficial, is suffocated by the government: every priest and bishop is obliged to sign their adherence to the "Independent Church" if they want to perform their service. But this makes those who do not sign it declare themselves as acting illegally. The mission of the Church is therefore impoverished. But the Church lives thanks to many witnesses (including many bishops and priests) who resist signing and, thanks to the daily witness of the faithful, their love and truth attracts many new faithful. The disaster of the coronavirus pandemic in China is linked with the lack of freedom of religion and of speech.

To register, please visit www.sfarch.org/china.

FREE RFW RESOURCES

Join in praying, reflecting, and taking action on religious liberty, both here in this country and abroad. Resources are available at the USCCB website, www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week/index.cfm. The theme of this year's initiative is "For the Good of All."

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County (SVdP) reports:

- Help Line operators have seen a 143% average daily increase in requests for food and rental assistance. SVdP's Board has approved a resolution to triple the normal budgeted amount for direct assistance, particularly rent assistance.
- SVdP's Our Lady of the Pillar Conference in Half Moon Bay continues to operate their food pantry three days a week, during evening hours, to serve families outside of regular business hours; and Conferences all along the Peninsula are delivering groceries and gift cards to families in need.
- Since March, SVdP's Homeless Help Center in San Mateo has served more than 3,600 meals, more than double the amount served in normal circumstances.

SVdP is on the frontlines helping the homeless and the needy in this pandemic. Your donations can help them succeed there. For more information, visit https://svdpsm.org/. To donate to the St. Raymond chapter of SVdP, visit: straymondmp.org/donate and look for "St. Vincent de Paul".

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



PRESENCE

The Story of the Eucharist

Jesus' teachings and actions throughout his ministry prepare for the moment he offers himself for, and to, each of us, fullling his promise that "My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed" (John 6:55).

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FAITH FORMATION

How can we honor the body and blood of Christ when we can't receive communion?

By Jaime L. Waters

Today is the solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. With many people still unable to physically receive Communion, we should seek alternative ways to honor this day while looking forward to receiving the sacrament in the future.

In Deuteronomy, Moses speaks to his community of God's saving acts that liberated them from slavery. Moses reminds the Israelites that God has provided nourishment and care for them along their journey, sending manna, quail and water to sustain them (Exodus 16:1-17:7). Manna, the bread from heaven, emerges under a layer of dewfall; it is similar to flaky wafers with the taste of honey, highlighting the sweetness of God's gift. Manna from heaven has beautiful parallels to the Gospel of John, where Jesus calls himself the bread of life.

In John, Jesus alludes to manna when describing himself as living bread from heaven. John's Gospel does not contain a Last Supper story, with the institution of the Blessed Sacrament, as is found in the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:15-20). However, in today's reading, we hear John's language of sacramentality with Jesus identifying his body and blood as heavenly gifts that are true food leading to eternal life.

During this period of social distancing, most people have been physically unable to receive the body and blood of Christ. How, then, can we celebrate this feast that is so tangible in nature? Pope Francis has suggested a prayer for spiritual communion that acknowledges this challenge:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

The psalms can also help us express this sense of loss and longing. The psalms of Korah (Psalm 42-49, 84, 85, 87 and 88), connected with a group of Temple personnel, are particularly apt. At times, the Korahites were isolated and separated from

the Temple. Some of their psalms express desire to be near to God, and they emotionally and sometimes angrily request God's help during moments of crisis: "As a deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God" (Psalm 42:2); "How lovely is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord. My heart and flesh cry out for the living God" (Psalm 84:2-3); "Awake! Why do you sleep, O Lord? Rise up! Do not reject us forever! Why do you hide your face; why forget our pain and misery?" (Psalm 44:24-25). Reading the psalms can help us to reflect on our emotions and struggles while helping us draw nearer to God.

As we continue along this journey, Scripture provides us with a wealth of texts that can sustain us. Like the Israelites, we might need to be reminded of the blessings we have already received from God. Like the Korahites, we might need to vent our angst and frustration while expressing our desire to be physically reunited with God and one another. And, as we see in the Gospel and in Pope Francis' prayer, we should continue to look forward to receiving the body and blood of Christ again.

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EVENTS

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JOURNEY

<u>Update</u>: Journey has been **RESCHEDULED** for Thursday, June 25 at 6:00 pm (via Zoom).

We invite you to join us on day. **Journey** is a forum where all age groups (12-39) are invited. We will have music from up and coming artists and singers, discussion, and the Holy Word to guide us on this Journey towards God and his path for all of us. Discussions will be divided in the meeting by age group.

Register at https://sfarch.flocknote.com/signup/120. You must RSVP to participate.



Fr. Jerome's Talks



Fr. Jerome's FIVE talks— May Marian Talks (3 parts), The Miracles in the Gospel of Mark, Near Death Experiences, The Characters of the Passion (3 parts), and The Three Stages of Christian Life (3 parts)— are available online at straymondmp.org/fr-jerome-talks.





A panoramic photo of the first public Mass at St. Raymond since the pandemic began. Xs were marked on the field 6 feet apart. Each family/household was asked to occupy a 6 ft. by 6 ft. square while keeping a square away from other groups.

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

OUTDOOR MASSES ON SCHOOL LAWN

Saturdays 5:00 pm Vigil

Sundays 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm

Weekdays 8:15 am (Mon.-Sat.)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

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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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Balvina Gonzalez, Bernice Corcoran, Candy Hernandez, Celeste Green, Diane Mojtehedi, Emmanuel Barbariol, Gail Blach, Gayland Hagy, Janice Hagy, Lorraine



Macchello, Lynn Bacon. Lynn Cintron. Margaret McSweeney, Michael Stewart, Cintron, Penny Bantug, Modesta suffering from the coronavirus, and those who wish not to be named. Please contact the parish office if you wish to have a name added to this list.



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