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ST. RAYMOND CATHOLIC CHURCH

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 23, 2020

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SCHEDULE

ALL EVENTS ARE STREAMED ON FACEBOOK AT [facebook.com/straymondmp/live](https://www.facebook.com/straymondmp/live)

ALL MASSES ARE ALSO STEAMED ON FACEBOOK [facebook.com/fatherjerome.cudden/live](https://www.facebook.com/fatherjerome.cudden/live) and YouTube [straymondmp.org/youtube](https://www.youtube.com/straymondmp.org/youtube)

* UNLESS NOTED AS ST. RAYMOND'S FACEBOOK PAGE WHICH IS: www.facebook.com/straymondmp/live

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

8:15 am	M-Sat.	Mass
9:15 am	M-F	Scripture Reading
1:30 pm	T&Th	Rosary with Lauri
3:00 pm	M-F	Prayer/Devotional
6:40 pm	M&Th	Rosary with Fr. Jerome

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2020

8:15 am	Morning Mass
10:00 am	Confirmation Mass
5:00 pm	Vigil Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020

8:00 am	Sunday Mass
10:00 am	Sunday Mass
5:00 pm	Sunday Mass

RSVP for weekend Masses at www.straymondmp.org/eventbrite

** Please visit [straymondmp.org](https://www.straymondmp.org) for the latest schedule for the day.

BIBLE STUDY


The St. Raymond Small Group Bible Study meets on **Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am** on Zoom. The group discusses the readings for the upcoming Sunday. If you would like more information, please contact Christine Galvez at chriscalvez@aol.com.



LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Aug. 22, 5:00 pm

 Dawid & Monika Dąbrowska (6th)

The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun, Aug. 23, 8:00 am

Johnathan Reyes & Lu Yujuico (Birthday)

10:00 am

Lilian Duzanica †

5:00 pm

St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Aug. 24, 8:15 am

Harold Curtis †

St. Bartholomew, Apostle (F)

Tue., Aug. 25, 8:15 am

 Fely Moore

St. Louis (m); St. Jose Calasanz, Priest (m)

Wed., Aug. 26, 8:15 am

Fr. James Purfield †

Thur., Aug. 27, 8:15 am

Marie Pilling †

St. Monica (M)

Fri., Aug. 28, 8:15 am

Aurelio Maestrini †

St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (F)

Sat., Aug. 29, 8:15 am

Special Intentions of the Vuong & Haarmann Families

The Passion of St. John the Baptist (M)

Sat., Aug. 29, 5:00 pm


Armando Maestrini †

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun, Aug. 30, 8:00 am

Otis Cochran †

10:00 am

 Mia Locsin

5:00 pm

St. Raymond Parish

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

To request a Mass Intention, please contact the parish office.

COOKIE MINISTRY

Our next cookie drop off is this coming week on **Wednesday, August 26**. If you are able to bake 48-60 cookies, please email Carol at office@straymondmp.org.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

SUNDAY READINGS

August 23, 2020 (21st Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Isaiah 22:19-23

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

Reading II: Romans 11:33-36

Alleluia: Matthew 16:18

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/082320.cfm

August 30, 2020 (22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

Reading 2: Romans 12:1-2

Alleluia: Matthew 11:29Ab

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/083020.cfm

PARISH SURVEY

ST. RAYMOND CHURCH & SCHOOL WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN A PARISH-WIDE SURVEY!

Our parish will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute!

The survey will be available from **Sept. 1 – Oct. 15** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow in our faith. **Please watch the bulletin for an online link in the coming weeks.** All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Father Jerome, our Pastoral Council, and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results late fall at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

If you don't use the computer - there will be opportunities to complete the survey after weekend Masses, and you can obtain a paper copy by contacting Ronnica in the parish office at 650-323-1755.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the 2020-2021 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) beginning **Sunday, Sept. 13, 12:30 p.m.** Classes will be held via Zoom until further notice. We may change the day and time depending on class preference.

RCIA is a faith formation series for adults who have never been baptized, or were baptized in another faith and are now considering becoming Catholic. It is also for Catholic adults who never received First Communion and Confirmation. We also welcome those who've been away from the faith and who wish to return, and those who just want to "brush up" on their faith.

The classes are led by Deacon Tom Kelly and Charlotte Pace from Nativity Parish. For more information, contact Charlotte Pace at 650-799-9164 or charmenlo@outlook.com.

SCHOOL NEWS

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BACK TO SCHOOL, BUT NOT BACK TO CAMPUS

The 2020-21 school year is underway at St. Raymond. Teachers are in their classrooms leading Zoom meetings with their students. A virtual Back-to-School night was held by grade level and supplies are being distributed to every student. The faculty and administration, parents and students have been working together to ensure that we have a smooth start to a very different back to school experience. Ms. Mattei kicks off each school day with a live message from campus which goes out to all families. It's a great way to start the day!



TAKE A WALK WITH THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Join Fr. Xavier Lavagetto, O.P., from the Catholic Community at Stanford, for small group discussions and information on the 1st century cultural world. We will be asking **What does Mark have to say to our situation and world?**

Please join any classes or all on Zoom at [bit.ly/ TakeAWalkGospelofMark](https://bit.ly/3k1v1v1)

- Aug. 25th**—Mark 1:14-3:6, Authority & Power
- Sept. 1st**—Mark 3:7- 6:13, Jesus in the Galilee
- Sept. 8th**—Mark 6:14-8:21, The Feeding Cycle
- Sept. 15th**—Mark 8:22-10:52, Jesus's Predicts His Death
- Sept. 22nd**—Mark 11:1-12:44, Jesus in Jerusalem
- Sept. 29th**—Mark 13:1-37, End Times
- Oct. 6th**—Mark 14-16:20, Last Supper Passion, Death & Empty Tomb

FAITH FORMATION

THE ROCK OF THE CHURCH

BY ELEONORE STUMP

In the Gospel Reading (Matthew 16:13-20), Christ tells Peter that the rock on which he will found his church is exactly, Peter. The gates of hell will not prevail against him or against the church which is built on this rock. This seems a deeply comforting thought.

The problem is that it so often looks as if the gates of hell have prevailed against Christ's church. The problem actually begins with Peter. The apostle who is the rock of the Church betrayed the Lord he loved in Jesus' worst need. A betrayal like that seems to have something hellish about it, doesn't it?

In fact, wasn't Peter's betrayal of Christ just like the betrayal of Judas? But the Gospels say that Satan entered into Judas before Judas betrayed Christ (John 13:27). There is something hellish about the betrayal of Judas, then. Why not think that the gates of hell prevailed against Peter too?

What is left of that deeply comforting thought about Christ's Church and the rock that it is founded on being safe from Hell?

But there is a difference between Judas and Peter. It is not that Peter repented and Judas didn't. The Gospels say that Judas repented, too (Matthew 27:3). Rather, the difference is this. When Judas saw the sin of his betrayal for what it was, he killed himself. He threw himself away as irredeemable. Peter came back to Christ. He cleaved to the Lord he loved even in the face of his own brokenness.

And that is why Peter is the rock on which the Church is founded. The Church is not a collection of the sinless, and it was not meant to be. The Church was founded on Peter, who loved, and sinned, and held on to the Lord anyway.

The gates of Hell cannot prevail against this kind of love. This is a deeply comforting thought.

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É-TAIZÉ!

Join Ronnica and Lauri for our Taizé prayer service on **Monday, September 14 at 7:00 pm** (date corrected!) on the St. Raymond Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/straymondmp/live

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Saturday, August 9, 2020

Mila Kubat

Andrew Kubat

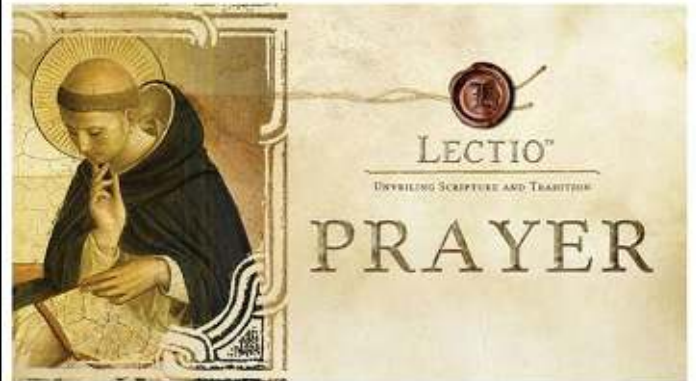
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FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK



Lectio: Prayer

With the clear teaching and artistry of the Augustine Institute's Lectio series, Dr. Tim Gray masterfully uses the discipline of Lectio Divina to show you how to make prayer an effective effort of love and intimacy.

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ARCHDIOCESEAN NEWS

STORM HEAVEN WITH PRAYERS

In his most recent update to priests on the status of church reopenings, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone asked them to help their parishioners engage in focused prayer and penance as we endure all of the difficult conditions that Coronavirus has caused.

“It is my conviction that, with all that is going on in our society at this time, we need to redouble our efforts on the spiritual level. In particular, in addition to adoration, we have to reclaim an authentic and serious spirit of fasting. Fasting has traditionally been understood to mean no more than one meal in the course of a day. I am asking you to join me in observing Friday as a day of fast (unless your health condition cannot allow for it): please abstain from at least one meal on Fridays, and more than one if possible. Let us storm heaven with prayer and fasting for a restoration of public worship unhindered, for a swift end to this pandemic, for health care workers and researchers, and for government officials who must make very complicated decisions for the overall well-being of our communities.”

Visit sfarch.org/prayers for prayers and resources.

ARCHBISHOP CORDILEONE AND METROPOLITAN GERASIMOS MAKE JOINT PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone and Metropolitan Gerasimos of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco spoke with one voice on several recent occasions. In June, they denounced the killing of George Floyd and the ensuing civil unrest and protests. On July 31, they asked Speaker of the House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi to support HR49, a House measure in solidarity with persecuted Coptic Orthodox Christians in Egypt. Also on July 31, they expressed dismay at the decision to convert the Hagia Sofia Cathedral in Turkey from its use as a museum to an Islamic mosque. Read a summary of the July statements in *Catholic San Francisco* at the link above; read all three statements in full at sfarch.org/letters-and-statements.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ⁵

CENSUS 2020

Catholic Charities is a trusted messenger to our vulnerable populations as well as the wider community to complete the 2020 Census. Taking just 10 minutes of your time to answer 9 questions yields 10 years of public benefits to our families and our community. Now is the time to complete the Census. There's only a month and a half left to stand up and be counted. The deadline to complete the Census has been shortened by 4 weeks to Sept 30 to allow enough time for the Census Bureau to report the results by Dec. 31, the Bureau's statutory deadline. A complete count for Census is at risk with the shortened deadline. It will mean fewer resources for our clients, our families, our communities - and we risk losing seats in Congress - if there is an undercount. So stand up and be counted!

Please complete the Census if you haven't already, and invite your friends and neighbors to do so as well! Learn more about Census 2020 by visiting my2020census.gov

Want to volunteer from home to help with Census? Catholic Charities is recruiting volunteers to call individuals to encourage them to complete the Census. Contact Carol Laughlin, at CLaughlin@CatholicCharitiesSF.org for more information.

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.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS—Low-gluten hosts are available at each Mass. Go to Father's line during Communion and ask for a low-gluten host.

SOLEMN VOWS: A COMMITMENT OF SERVICE UNTIL DEATH

Priestly ordination is often seen as the climax of one's life as a Dominican friar. But actually it's the profession of solemn vows which unites a man to the Order of Preachers until death.

For many people it's easier to understand when explained in terms of a marital relationship. The novitiate (first year of formation) is a period of courting, during which a man learns more about Dominican life. First vows, sometimes referred to as simple vows and made at the end of one's novice year, are an occasion of engagement, at which a man makes a commitment to our way of life for a certain number of years. Solemn vows is the time at which a man professes his commitment until death, as one would in marriage.

The profession of solemn vows usually takes place within the context of Mass. After the proclamation of the Gospel, the brothers are called forward and asked to declare their willingness to live in accord with the evangelical counsels. After the homily, each brother approaches the altar, kneels and then places his hands in the Provincial's hands atop the Book of Constitutions of the Order of Preachers, while making his profession of obedience until death.

When one thinks about the vowed life of a religious brother or sister, the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience usually come to mind. So many are surprised to learn that Dominicans only take one vow – the vow of obedience.

According to the Constitutions of the Order of Preachers, it is "by obedience [that] a person dedicates himself totally to God, and his actions approximate to the goal of profession, which is the perfection of charity. Everything else, too, in the apostolic life is included under obedience" (LCO, 19).

Obedience – the offering up of one's very self in service to God – gives unity to the life of the brothers, and it is the means by which they grow in charity and love. Along with obedience, poverty and chastity are expected.

Poverty means renouncing the possession of private goods and the power to acquire new ones. Like the first apostles, Saint Dominic and his companions held everything in common. This kind of poverty frees a friar from a desire to have more than what is necessary. It also allows a brother to grow in his sense of dependency on the Lord. The friar learns to trust in God's providence and care.

Chastity, in the case of a Dominican, refers to a life of celibacy. Without the responsibilities of family life, a friar is able to devote himself ceaselessly to the life of preaching and the proclamation of the Gospel. But this is not a lonely endeavor, for the brethren have one another. They work, pray, study and live together, supporting each other in all things.

Along with this lifelong commitment, the transition from simple to solemn vows means that a brother now enjoys certain responsibilities, such as voting rights in chapter and the possibility of being elected to various offices. But more than that, a brother's religious consecration allows him to grow in love of God and neighbor. Thus he is driven to proclaim Jesus Christ to the world.

Source: opwest.org/untilddeath/

BR. JOHN TO PROFESS SOLEMN VOWS AUGUST 29

The Dominican Friars of the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus joyfully announce the Solemn Profession of their Brother **John Winkowitsch, O.P.** into the hands of The Very Reverend Christopher Fadok, O.P., Prior Provincial.



**Saturday, August, 29, 2020
at 10:30 a.m.**

The event will be livestreamed at youtube.com/opwest.

MISSION WEST NEWSLETTER

One of the best ways to stay updated with the Dominicans is to get their quarterly Newsletter.

Inside you'll find all kinds of great content, such as inspiring quotes from Dominicans, fun facts about the order, notices of some incredible jubilees being celebrated, and more.

The latest edition is available at opwest.org/multimedia/newsletter/ and printed copies are available at the parish office.

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

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. in the
courtyard outside the Parish Hall)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Balvina Gonzalez, Bernice Corcoran, Bill Pflaum, Candy Hernandez, Celeste Green, Diane Mojtehed, Emmanuel Barbariol, Gail Blach, Gayland Hagy, George Wilson, Janice Hagy, Lorraine Macchello, Lynn Bacon, Lynn Cintron, Margaret McSweeney, Modesta Cintron, Penny Bantug, those suffering from the coronavirus, the homebound, 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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