



ST. RAYMOND

CATHOLIC CHURCH

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020



SCHEDULE

ALL EVENTS ARE STREAMED ON FACEBOOK AT facebook.com/straymondmp/live

ALL MASSES ARE ALSO STEAMED ON YOUTUBE AT straymondmp.org/youtube

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14-18, 2020

8:15 am M-Sat. Mass

9:15 am MTuF Scripture Reading 10:00 am W Bible Study (below) 3:00 pm MTuF Prayer/Devotional

M-Thur Rosary 6:40 pm

6:40 pm Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 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 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 chrisgalvez@aol.com.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Send in your prayer requests to the Rosary Center at <u>www.rosarycenter.org/homepage-2/</u> request-prayers/

Low-Gluten **HOSTS**—Low-gluten hosts are available at each Mass (even weekdays). Go to Father's line during Communion and ask for a lowgluten host.

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS

Armando Maestrini † Sat., Sept. 12, 5:00 pm

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

🚣 Dn. Charles Seagren Sun., Sept. 13, 8:00 am

> Eleanor Jekot † 10:00 am

5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Sept. 14, 8:15 am 🚣 Julian Rhodes

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (F)

🚣 Micah Michaels Tue., Sept. 15, 8:15 am

Our Lady of Sorrows (M)

Fri., Sept. 18, 8:15 am

Wed., Sept. 16, 8:15 am Armando Maestrini †

Sts. Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (M)

Thur., Sept. 17, 8:15 am James Evora †

St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (m)

🚣 Armando Maestrini †

St. Juan Macias, OP, Religious (m)

Mrs. Eveleen Johnston Lopez † Sat., Sept. 19, 8:15 am

St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr (m)

The Nelson Family, Both Sat., Sept. 19, 5:00 pm

Living & Deceased

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Ruocco Family, Both Sun., Sept. 20, 8:00 am

Living & Deceased

Dr. Kamal Abusief † 10:00 am

St. Raymond Parish 5:00 pm

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

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

SUNDAY READINGS

Sept 13, 2020 (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Sirach 27:30—28:7

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

Reading 2: Romans 17:7-9 Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/091320.cfm

Sept 20, 2020 (25th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Isaiah 55:6-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

Reading 2: Philippians 1:20C-24, 27A

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16A

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/092020.cfm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION 2020-2021 NOW OPEN!

We look forward to serving our Parish families through a distance-learning Religious Education (RE) program for 2020-2021. Registration is now open at: straymondmp.org/re/registration/

You can also register at the Parish Office. The RE program will begin the first weekend of October. For more information, please contact the parish office at office@straymondmp.org 650-323-1755 or the Religious Education Coordinator, Camilo Colorado, at ccolorado@straymondmp.org. Thank you and God Bless You!

PARISH SURVEY

SURVEY AVAILABLE NOW

Please help us learn how our parish can best grow our community's faith lives by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible.

- Go to <u>www.disciplemakerindex.com</u>
- 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 us at 650-323-1755.

The survey will only be **available from now to October 15.** All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole. This information will be invaluable to Father Jerome, our Pastoral Council, and our various ministries as we plan for our church's future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results later this year at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

WELCOME BR. JOHN!

Br. John Winkowitsch, O.P., arrived at St. Raymond this past week. Watch for him online on our St. Raymond Facebook and YouTube.

On the cover, Br. John made his solemn vows into the hands of Fr. Christopher Fadok, O.P. A video of the Mass is available at https://youtu.be/k97RkbUArrU.

COOKIE MINISTRY

Thank you to all of those who have made cookies and helped support the Table of Plenty Ministry in Half Moon Bay. Since we began baking in March, St. Raymond Parishioners have baked over 4,400 cookies for our homeless and low-income brothers and sisters on the coast! Providing beautiful and delicious cookies and bars baked with love has been a special treat for folks during these challenging times.

We have two more dates coming up when we will provide cookies again: **September 16**, **and September 23**. If you are able to bake 48-60 cookies for either of these dates, please email Carol at office@straymondmp.org.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS SCHEDULE

Due to COVID, many of the yearly collections have been rescheduled. Below is the current schedule of upcoming special collections:

Sunday, Sept 13—Holy Land (Good Friday) Sunday, Sept. 20—Priests' Retirement Fund Sunday, Oct. 4—Rosary Sunday

Donations for special collections will be accepted at our outdoor Masses and online at straymondmp.org/donate/

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 or all classes or on Zoom!

Sept. 15th, 7:30 pm—Mark 8:22-10:52 Jesus Predicts His Death

Sept. 22nd, 7:30 pm—Mark 11:1-12:44, Jesus in Jerusalem

Sept. 29th, 7:30 pm—Mark 13:1-37, End Times

Oct. 6th, 7:30 pm—Mark 14-16:20, Last Supper Passion, Death, & Empty Tomb

To join on Zoom, email <u>xavierop@stanford.edu</u> for the password and visit: https://bit.ly/TakeAWalkGospelofMark.

⁴ CATHOLIC CHARITIES

CATHOLIC CHARITIES REFLECTS ON RECENT PROJECT TO HELP LOCAL IMMIGRANTS IMPACTED BY COVID-19

They are the cleaning crews and housekeepers who quietly disinfect our homes and offices, the dishwashers and bussers of our favorite restaurants. They are the gardeners who manicure our lawns, and the nannies who love and care for our children. They are also the 7,800 resilient undocumented immigrants residing in San Francisco, Marin, and San Mateo Counties who <u>Catholic Charities Center for Immigration Legal & Support Services</u> helped apply for and receive nearly \$4 million dollars in coronavirus aid through the State of California's historic Disaster Relief Assistance for Immigrants (DRAI) project.

These are the people in our community who leave no footprint. Yet without them, our economies would collapse. Catholic Charities' tireless employees spent



countless hours on the phone during six intense weeks ending last month, answering more than three million calls from people who lost their jobs and incomes because of COVID-19. In each case,

the callers were struggling undocumented immigrants desperate and lucky enough to get the right verifying documents to us by text or email to qualify for the \$500 in aid allocated to each qualified adult by the State.

The DRAI funding is just a drop in the bucket. No matter how hard we worked on this project, we will serve less than 10 percent of the undocumented in our communities.

We know there are many more undocumented individuals and families struggling under the worry and financial and health burdens of COVID-19. At Catholic Charities, these vibrant neighbors do not live in the shadows. We see, hear, and are committed to them. Our work continues every day – now and beyond the pandemic.

Learn more about California's DRAI project, the people in need, and hear from Marirose Piciucco, General Counsel of <u>Catholic Charities Center for Immigration Legal & Support Services</u> in this <u>KTVU FOX2 News</u> online article and news segment.

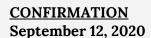
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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Saturday, September 5, 2020Molly Grace Moriarty



Vivian Alfonsi Will Avina Kaitlyn Ball Mara Bantug Andrew Bernadicou Patrick Boyd Sophie Castaillac Brooke Dunsby Laura Ferrari Calem Filipek Iosla Finn Isis Adali Gamez Monica Michelle Gamez James Gray Nelson Harris

Trevor Heinz
Lena Hofstrom
Rowan Kelly
Jackson Lipscomb
Nicolas Locsin
Marina Madrigal
Michael McGrath
Noelle Mendoza
Henry Rydberg
Gianna Schembri
Tatum Schultz
Isabel Seniawski
Kate Ward
Naomi Watson
Faith Wurster

CONGRATULATIONS!



The baptism of Molly Grace Moriarty.

É-TAIZÉ!

New Date! Join Ronnica and Lauri for our Taizé prayer service on Monday, September 21 at 7:00 pm on the St. Raymond Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/straymondmp/live



GOSPEL COMMENTARY

BY ST. AUGUSTINE

The Lord puts the parable of the unforgiving debtor before us that we may learn from it. He has no desire for us to die, so he warns us: "This is how your heavenly Father will deal with you if you, any of you, fail to forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Take notice now, for clearly this is no idle warning. The fulfillment of this command calls for the most vigorous obedience. We are all in debt to God, just as other people are in debt to us. Is there anyone who is not God's debtor? Only a person in whom no sin can be found. And is there anyone who has no brother or sister in his debt? Only if there be someone who has never suffered any wrong.

Do you think anyone can be found in the entire human race who has not in turn wronged another in some way, incurring a debt to that person? No, all are debtors, and have others in debt to them. Accordingly, God who is just has told you how to treat your debtor, because he means to treat his in the same way.

There are two works of mercy which will set us free. They are briefly set down in the gospel in the Lord's own words: "Forgive and you will be forgiven, and Give and you will receive." (Mt 6:14) The former concerns pardon, the latter generosity.

As regards pardon he says: "Just as you want to be forgiven, so someone is in need of your forgiveness." Again, as regards generosity, consider when a beggar asks you for something that you are a beggar too in relation to God.

When we pray we are all beggars before God. We are standing at the door of a great householder, or rather, lying prostrate, and begging with tears. We are longing to receive a gift—the gift of God himself.

What does a beggar ask of you? Bread. And you, what do you ask of God, if not Christ, who said: "I am the living bread that has come down from heaven"? Do you want to be pardoned? Then pardon others. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Do you want to receive? Give and you will receive.

If we think of our sins, reckoning up those we have committed by sight, hearing, thought, and countless disorderly emotions, I do not know whether we can even sleep without falling into debt.



Join us as we Zoom into RCIA Sunday, Sept. 13 at 12:30 pm

Discover the Catholic faith! 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 or Confirmation. We also welcome those who've been away from the faith and who wish to return, and those who just want to rediscover their faith.

The classes are led by Deacon Tom Kelly and Charlotte Pace from Nativity Parish. After a few weeks of informal inquiry, we will embark on several months of study, prayer and discussion in preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil, Saturday evening, April 3 (dependent on pandemic protocol). We will accept new participants throughout September and October.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Deacon Tom at 650-670-2200 or tkelly@straymondmp.org. We will need your email address to send you a Zoom invitation. We look forward to welcoming you.

And so, every day we pray; every day we beat upon God's ears with our pleas; every day we prostrate ourselves before him saying: "Forgive us our trespasses, as we also forgive those who trespass against us."

Which of our trespasses, all of them or only some? All, you will answer.

Do likewise, therefore, with those who have offended you.

This is the rule you have laid down for yourself, the condition you have stipulated. When you pray according to this pact and covenant you remember to say: "Forgive us, as we also forgive our debtors."

Sermon 83, 2. 4: PL 38, 515-516

LAUDATO SI'



Helping to Care for Our Common Home By the St. Raymond Laudato Si' Group

Last week, our *Laudato* Si' group suggested that you walk to discover the beauty of the earth around you. It's Monday afternoon and the temperature is 107 degrees. The phone icon has wavy lines indicating the air is smoky.

Instead of walking, I'm looking out my window at the lemon tree with birds flitting in and out, butterflies winging past and other trees and flowers. Thankfulness for the gift of creation, and prayers for it and those I love, come to me.

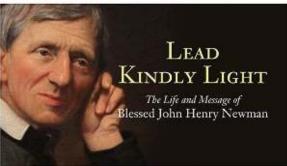
Thinking about reaching this point of prayer while not able to be out walking, made me reflect back on last week's article. I realized that some reading the suggestion to walk, even around their yard, might not be able to. If this is you, please enjoy the wonder of creation in a way that fits you; maybe looking out a window on the beauty, drawing a picture, enjoying a nature program, or asking a friend to share their walking experience with you. However you connect with the beauty of God's creation is wonderful! If we suggest an activity you are not able to do; please do one you can or pray for those participating in the activity.

Today we invite you to participate in helping to actively care for our common home. If not for the pandemic, this would be the annual beach cleanup - California Coastal Cleanup 2020. The event on Saturday September 19th is called Protect Your Happy Place. The idea is to pick up trash in Your Neighborhood or local area (not the beach), by yourself or with your family group. Get your mask, sunscreen, water, a bag, and gloves. Enjoy God's creation while helping to clean it up (or praying for those cleaning up our earth).

Registration is offered (though not needed) so you can feel part of a larger event and so the organizing groups know how big a difference we all helped to make. One place to sign up is https://www.savedbynature.org/event-info/coastal-cleanup-day-2020.

PRAY, REFLECT, ACT





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VIRTUAL SEASON OF CREATION MORNING PRAYER

SATURDAY, SEP 26 12:30PM - 3:00PM THE JESUIT RETREAT CENTER OF LOS ALTOS

The Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home.

More information and registration available at https://jrc.retreatportal.com/events/.

VALLOMBROSA RETREAT CENTER

Homilies by Zoom—30-minute reflections or homily with various presenters. Every Tuesday, 10:00 am

"Living the Ups and Downs of Our Faith" A 1-Day Zoom Retreat with Ron Rolheiser September 26, 2020, 9:00 am—4:00 pm. \$25. Recording available for ticketholders who cannot attend.

Register at <u>vallombrosa.org/calendar</u>

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 Mojtehedi, Emmanuel Barbariol, Gail Blach, Gayland Hagy, 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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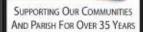
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