

SCHEDULE

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MONDAY TO FRIDAY EACH WEEK

9:00 am Mass (Outdoors) 3:00 pm Prayer/Devotional*

6:30 pm Rosary (M-Th) / Stations of the

Cross (F)*

Monday, January 25, 2021

7:00 pm Praying in a Time of Anxiety: The Way to Christian Hope—Zoom

Speaker Series (p. 3)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021

7:00 pm Pray Serve Socialize (p. 5)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2021

10:00 am Zoom Bible Study (below)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2021

9:00 am Mass (Outdoors)

9:45 am Pray Serve Socialize (p. 5)

3:00 pm Confessions in Rose Garden

3:30 pm Vigil Mass (Outdoors)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021

9:00 am Sunday Mass (Outdoors) 10:00 am Sunday Mass (Outdoors) 3:30 pm Sunday Mass (Outdoors)

RSVP for weekend Masses at straymondmp.org/eventbrite.

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.



LITURGY

Sat., Jan. 23, 3:30 pm St. Raymond Parish

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Jan. 24, 9:00 am Harold Curtis †

10:00 am Armando Maestrini †
3:30 pm Hsueh-Teng Lee †

Mon., Jan. 25, 9:00 am The Galvez, Herborn, & Ritzen

Families, Both Living & Diseased

The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle (F)

Tue., Jan. 26, 9:00 pm George Moises

Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops (M)

Wed., Jan. 27, 9:00 am Special Intentions of the

Vuong & Haarmann Families

St. Angela Merici, Virgin (m)

Thur., Jan. 28, 9:00 am Sosefo Afu Veatama †

St. Thomas Aquinas, OP, Priest & Doctor of the Church (F)

Fri., Jan. 29, 9:00 am Aurelio Maestrini †

Sat., Jan. 30, 9:00 am In Thanksgiving & Special

Intention

Sat., Jan. 30, 3:30 pm The Galdes & Spiteri Families,

Both Living & Deceased

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Jan. 31, 9:00 am St. Raymond Parish

10:00 am Armando Maestrini †

3:30 pm John Tuttle †

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

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

SUNDAY READINGS

January 24, 2021 (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Jonah 3:1-5

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 25:4-9 Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/012421.cfm

January 31, 2021 (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9 Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

PARISH BIBLE STUDY GROUPS



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I would like to invite our entire community to undertake a Bible study course entitled, "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible!"

This course, which will be streamed online, consists of eight 30-minute talks. After each talk, there are discussion questions for small group sharing. The small groups could be a family unit or an existing Saint Raymond group. There will be new small groups formed solely for this purpose on:

- Mondays 7:00 pm with Deacon Tom
- Tuesdays 7:00 pm with Fr. Jerome
- Wednesdays 10:00 am with Cheri Girardot and Maria Cornell (Women's Meeting)
- Wednesdays 7:00 pm with Deacon John
- Fridays 3:30 pm with Lauri Hofstrom

You will be able to join any of these groups by going to www.straymondmp.org/zoom and clicking on the link; no RSVP necessary.

Schedule

Session 1	Week of Feb 8	Session 5	Week of April 5
Session 2	Week of Feb 22	Session 6	Week of April 19
Session 3	Week of March 2	Session 7	Week of May 3
Session 4	Week of March 22	Session 8	Week of May 17

To sign up for this course, please visit: https://ascensionpress.com/collections/unlocking-the-mystery and choose the "Unlocking the Bible Study Set" for \$24.95. Please order now because it will take about two weeks for the print material to arrive.

Thank you for your feedback from the parish survey (see page 4) that is allowing us to grow together in Jesus Christ as we Pray, Serve, and Socialize.

God bless, Fr. Jerome

SPEAKER SERIES

PRAYING IN A TIME OF ANXIETY: THE WAY TO CHRISTIAN HOPE

Mon. Jan. 25, 2021, 7:00 PM on Zoom

So many people are suffering great anxiety about the present COVID crisis. Some people say that they do not even know how to pray at this difficult time. Our Catholic tradition offers wisdom during times of great distress. This talk is based on this wisdom and intends to offer a way to the true peace and hope that is Christ's gift for us.

Fr. Luke Buckles O.P. is a member of the Western Dominican Province, the Holy Name of Jesus. He has taught at the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology and for the last 17 years in Rome. Before returning to the Dominican School in Berkeley he is teaching this spring semester at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans.

To join in the talks, visit straymondmp.org/zoom/ for Zoom details. Did you miss one of our latest Speaker Series Zoom Talks? Visit the same link to view such talks as: Psychology and Beyond: The Unique Value of Prayer in Chaotic Times, Christmas Conspiracies with Fr. Jerome, Forgiveness: Healing the Darkness of Resentment with Dn. John, The Eucharist in the Life & Faith of the Church with Fr. Ambrose Sigman, O.P., From Hard Science Ph.D to Religious O.P., and Meeting Jesus Christ at Mass with Fr. Augustine Hilander, O.P.

SVDP CORNER

5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend is the **5th Sunday of September!** Please be as generous as you can. Clear collection boxes will be available next weekend for your contribution.

You can also donate online at straymondmp.org/giving and enter the amount you wish to donate under "St

Vincent de Paul".



PASTOR COUNCIL CONNECTIONS

AND THE SURVEY SAYS....

Thank you to everyone who participated in our parish life survey conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute (CLI)—we received 248 responses which is way over the industry average of 15-20% of Mass-going Catholics per parish who typically participate!

Fr. Jerome and the Pastoral Council have been spending a great deal of time discerning and discussing what we have learned so that we can act on your feedback. We are particularly focused on discipleship--understanding what helps our parishioners on their faith journey to grow spiritually as Catholics. The survey highlighted our top five strengths as believing that Jesus died and rose, believing the Eucharist is Christ's Body and Blood, and having a highly recommended pastor, parish, and school!

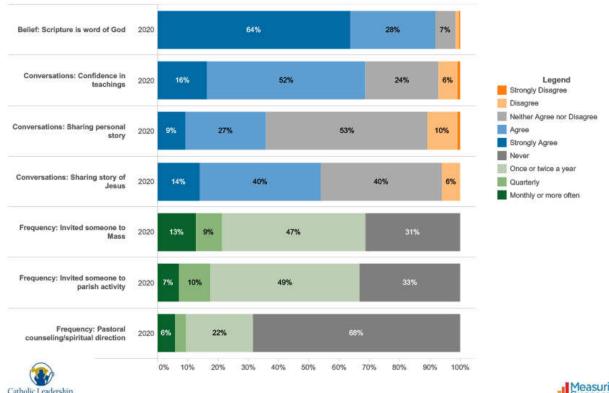
The survey identified our top five opportunities for improvement as:

- To help parishioners to share their personal faith story,
- to hold conversations about Jesus with others,
- to grow from teachings of the bible,
- to grow via small groups,
- and to provide events that facilitate conversations about our faith.

Based on these learnings, we have already launched two events that will address all five areas--a new Bible study series, "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible," which starts in February and our all new 2021 series of Pray-Serve-Socialize mini-retreats to help all of us with sharing the story of Jesus and our personal faith in small groups which will run monthly for all ministry groups. (The first one will be on January 26 and 30 for Eucharistic Ministers and anyone interested in that ministry).

What Drives a Parishioner to Share a Personal Witness Story

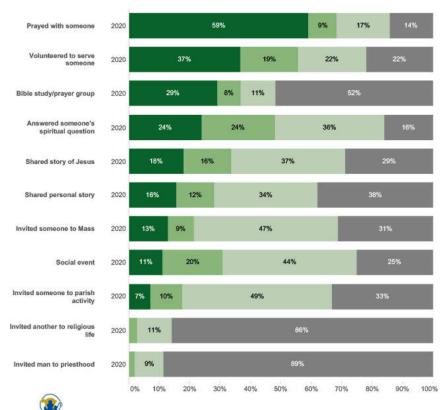
The factors displayed below have the most impact on a parishioner to share a personal witness story.



For those interested in more background on the survey: CLI serves the Catholic Church and has surveyed over 1.200 Parishes in 37 dioceses in the US and Canada to date. They launched the Disciple Maker Index survey eight years ago; it is a 75question electronic survey instrument, grouping questions into Attitudes & Beliefs, Relationship & Satisfaction, Participation, and Demographics, and is offered in 13 languages. The survey is based on the Tableau data visualization platform, and CLI runs regressions to identify what attributes correlate with parishes that are thriving. Promoter Scores allow us to identify areas of strength as well as opportunities for improvement. With this information, we are now able to assess where we are in comparison with other parishes that have participated over the past eight years; comparing top-scoring parishes, parishes of a similar size, or parishes classified as urban, suburban, or rural.

For more information, please contact Lori Mirek, Pastoral Council Chair: <u>pastoralcouncil</u> @straymondmp.org. Blessings, all!

Frequency of Participation in Missionary Discipleship



PRAY SERVE SOCIALIZE 5

CALLING ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

THIS WEEK

TUES., JAN. 26, 2021, 7:00-8:30 PM (ZOOM) SAT., JAN. 30, 2021, 9:45-11:15 PM (LIVE & ZOOM)

The PRAY, SERVE, SOCIALIZE model of parish life is starting off the new 2021 calendar year with an event especially for EMoHC's. Connect for the very first time, or re-connect after any amount of lapsed time, with the joy of Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion! We will hear a **special presentation** by our Pastor, Fr. Jerome Cudden, OP and be invited to share with one another our experiences of the past year and more.

TWO OPTIONS:

- Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2021, 7:00-8:30 pm on Zoom RSVP: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/135590929119
 - Saturday, Jan. 30, 2021, 9:45-11:15
 pm Live & on Zoom RSVP: https://www.eventbrite.com/
 e/135591338343

All registrants will receive a Zoom link the day before the event.

For **Sat.**, **Jan. 30**, you may use the link, or you may participate live, in-person; exact outdoor location will be announced the day before the event.







Greetings from your St. Raymond Laudato Si' Ministry Team!

With the new year, we wanted to reintroduce ourselves and invite any of you who are interested to join our team. Last year a number of us studied Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter, Laudato Si' (On Care for Our Common Home) together. We were inspired to form a ministry group to pray together, learn together, and help our church community become more aware of our responsibility to help care for and protect creation. We have learned our common home is in trouble, and we have power to affect change.

If you haven't yet read Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si*', you can get a free pdf here: https://bit.ly/FratelliTuttiENpdf.

Our goal is to inspire people to open up to the wonder of creation and to develop a deep love of what God has given us. We also hope that as a deep sense of awe and gratefulness for this precious gift of creation grows in us, it leads us also to a place of deeper connection and concern for the most vulnerable among us and across the planet. As St. John Paul II forcefully reminded us, "God gave the earth to the whole human race for the sustenance of all its members, without excluding or favoring anyone" [Centesimus Annus - May, 1991]

Pope Francis exhorts, "A deep sense of communion with the rest of nature cannot be real if our hearts lack tenderness, compassion, and concern for our fellow human beings".[LS 91].

Our ministry will work together, following the parish model of "pray, serve, and socialize" through personal eco-conversion, interpersonal sharing, and community action:

- to contribute a column to this bulletin to share what we continue to learn;
- to prepare educational materials for our school and religious education programs that can help seed a love for creation, grateful hearts, and a sense of advocacy for our earth and caring for those around them, especially those less fortunate;
- to meet for activities where we can contribute to our broader community and care and take joy in creation together (when we are able to gather in person again)

Please join our Zoom meetings **each Thursday at noon** to pray, learn, socialize, and serve and care for creation together. To join Zoom Meeting, click here: http://bit.ly/LaudatoSiZoom.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Social Teaching calls us to welcome the stranger. We invite you to use your talents, skills, compassion and commitment to answer that call and join our Volunteer Corps for Catholic Charities Center for Immigration Legal and Support Services (www.catholiccharitiessf.org/what-we-do/immigration/). We are actively seeking four types of

immigration/). We are actively seeking four types of volunteers to help serve vulnerable migrants in San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin Counties, as described below:

- Lawyers, in partnership with dedicated staff attorneys, will work with clients in deportation or in guardianship proceedings.
- Application assistants, under the supervision of expert staff, will prepare DACA and Naturalization applications.
- Office volunteers will assist with mail sorting and filing, phone calls and other office tasks.
- The Center is also in need of Spanishspeaking bilingual translators and interpreters.

For more information, call Carol Laughlin, Volunteer Manager, at 415.972.1236 or email at CLaughlin@CatholicCharitiesSF.org.

THE SHROUD OF TURIN AND SCIENCE A TALK WITH DR. ANDREW SILVERMAN

Vallombrosa is opening our Online 2021 season with Dr. Andrew Silverman speaking on his recent book, A BURST OF CONSCIOUS LIGHT. Dr. Silverman will present his 30 years of research and amazing conclusions on Sunday, Jan 31, 2021 from 10am-11:30 am PST with a Q&A and a recording made for ticket holders!

Drawing on his work as one of the leading experts on the Shroud of Turin as well as research by scientists from NASA and Los Alamos, he will show how the image on the Shroud could only have been produced by a flash of light as intense as a nuclear explosion—a burst of light that occurred after the body was in the tomb.

Integrating extensive scientific research from three seemingly unrelated fields of study—quantum mechanics, near-death experiences, and the Shroud of Turin.

Registration is \$25: https://www.eventbrite.com/ e/136137359507

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INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Discover the Catholic faith! Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Classes will be held via Zoom until further notice.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Deacon Tom at tkelly@straymondmp.org or 650-670-2200. We look forward to welcoming you.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS 7

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays 3:30 pm Vigil (Outdoors)

Sundays 9:00 am (Outdoors),10:00 am

(Outdoors), 3:30 pm (Outdoors)

Weekdays 9:00 am (Mon.-Sat. Outdoors) Holy Days 9:00 am, 12:15 pm, 3:30 pm

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 as we pray-serve-socialize in His Name.

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 as we pray-serve-socialize together, and 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, Janice Hagy, Lynn Bacon, Modesta Cintron, Penny Bantug, William



Cintron, 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.

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.

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

OPEN HOUSE AT ST. RAYMOND SCHOOL • SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

Please join us Sunday, January 31 from 11:00AM; Community Mass 10:00AM

House Open opportunity for families to become familiar with St. Raymond School and all that our academic, social and spiritual programs have to offer.

Our faculty will be available for questions in an outdoor, socially distanced setting. Attendees will be able to view our school on a self guided tour. By appointment only.

More information is available at https://www.straymond.org/.





COOKIE MINISTRY

Thank you to all of the amazing holiday bakers as well as the children who created colorful greeting cards with kind messages for guests of the Table of Plenty Ministry in Half Moon Bay. The beautiful knit scarves & hats were also appreciated! Since we began baking in March 2020, St. Raymond Parishioners have baked over 7,600 delicious cookies and bars for our homeless and low-income brothers and sisters on the coast!

We have one more date coming up this month when we will provide cookies again: January 27. If you are able to bake 48-60 cookies, please email Carol at office@straymondmp.org.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

IMAGE CREDITS

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