



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 5, 2020



OUR DEEP FAILURE IN CHARITY ARCHBISHOP LEADS PRAYER AT ST. JUNIPERO SERRA STATUE SITE VIRTUAL RETREATS р.3 р.4 р.5

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	M-Sat.	Mass
9:15 am	M-F	Scripture Reading
12:00 pm	Thur.	Laudato Si' Book Club
1:30 pm	M-F	Rosary
3:00 pm	M-F	Prayer/Devotional
6:40 pm	M-W	Rosary with Fr. Jerome
6:40 pm	F	Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, JULY 11, 2020

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

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 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.

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Page 4–St. Junipero Serra, stained glass window in Baltimore Cathedral, photo by Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P. CC BY-NC-ND 2.0.

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., July 4, 5:00 pm The Blach & Derry Families, Both Living & Deceased 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sun., July 5, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish † 10:00 am Charles Galdes † & Family 5:00 pm Barbara Opper † Mon., July 6, 8:15 am Kelly Connelly 🚣 St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr (m) Tues., July 7, 8:15 am Ronnica Hagy 📥 Wed., July 8, 8:15 am Norman A. Lussier † Thur., July 9, 8:15 am Michael Stewart † St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, St. Francis de Capillas, OP. Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (m); St. John of Cologne, OP, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (m) Fri., July 10, 8:15 am Maria Dang Thi Tu † John M. Connors † Sat., July 11, 8:15am St. Benedict, Abbot (M) 5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sun., July 12, 8:00 am Bruno Ferrari 10:00 am Sylvester & Kate Onveneho 📆 5:00 pm Benjamin & Mary Tipton 11

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

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

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.

FAITH FORMATION

OUR DEEP FAILURE IN CHARITY

FR. RONALD ROLHEISER, OMI | IN EXILE

St. Eugene de Mazenod, the founder of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the religious congregation to which I belong, left us with these last words as he lay dying: "Among yourselves, charity, charity, charity." I don't always live that, though I wish I could, especially today.

We are in a bitter time. Everywhere there is anger, condemnation of others, and bitter disagreement; so much so that today we are simply unable to have a reasonable discussion on any sensitive political, moral, or doctrinal issue.

We demonize one another to the point where any attempt to actually reason with one another (let alone to reach agreement or compromise) mostly just deepens the hostility. If you doubt this, simply watch the newscasts any evening, read any newspaper, or follow the discussion on most moral and religious questions.

The first thing that is evident is the naked hatred inside our energy and how we tend to justify it on moral and religious grounds. This is our protest: We're fighting for truth, decency, justice, God, family, Church, right dogma, right practice, for Christ himself, so our anger and hatred are justified.

Anger is justified, but hatred is an infallible sign that we are acting in a manner contrary to truth, decency, justice, God, family, Church, right dogma, right practice, and Christ. It would be hard to argue that this kind of energy issues forth from God's spirit and does not source itself elsewhere.

Looking at Jesus we see that all his energies were directed toward unity. Jesus never preached hatred, as is clear from the Sermon on the Mount, as is illustrated in his great priestly prayer for unity in John's Gospel, and as is evident in his frequent warnings to us to be patient with one another, to not judge one another and to forgive one another.

But one might object: What about Jesus' own (seemingly) bitter judgments? What about him speaking harshly of others? What about him losing his temper and using whips to drive the moneychangers out of the Temple? Indeed, what about his statement: "I have come to bring fire to this earth?"

These statements are perennially misinterpreted and used falsely to rationalize our lack of genuine Christian love. When Jesus says that he has come to bring fire to this earth and wishes it were already blazing, the fire he is referring to is not the fire of division but the fire of love. Jesus made a vow of love, not of alienation.

His message provoked hateful opposition, but he did not self-define as a cultural or ecclesial warrior. He preached and incarnated only love, and that sometimes sparked its antithesis. (It still does.)

He sometimes triggered hatred in people, but he never hated in return. Instead, he wept in empathy, understanding that sometimes the message of love and inclusivity triggers hatred inside of those who for whatever reason at that time cannot fully bear the word love.

As well, the incident of him driving the moneychangers out of the Temple, forever falsely cited to justify our anger and judgment of others, has a very different emphasis and meaning.

His action as he cleanses the Temple of the people who were (legitimately) exchanging Jewish currency for foreign money in order to let foreigners buy what they needed to offer sacrifice, has to do with him clearing away an obstacle in the way of universal access to God, not with anger at some particular people.

We frequently ignore the Gospel. Factionalism, tribalism, racism, economic self-interest, historical difference, historical privilege, and fear perennially cause bitter polarization and trigger a hatred that eats away at the very fabric of community; and that hatred perennially justifies itself by appealing to some high moral or religious ground. But the Gospel never allows for that.

It never lets us bracket charity and it refuses us permission to justify our bitterness on moral and religious grounds. It calls us to a love, an empathy, and a forgiveness that reach across every divide so as to wish good and do good precisely to those who hate us. And it categorically forbids rationalizing hatred in its name or in the name of truth, justice, or right dogma.

The late Michael J. Buckley, looking at the bitter polarization in our churches, suggests that nothing justifies our current bitterness:

"The sad fact stands, however, that it is frequently no great trick to get religious men and women to turn on one another in some terrible form of condemnation. Wars, even personal wars, are terrible realities, and the most horrible of these are often self -righteously religious. For deceived or split off under the guise of good, under the rubrics of orthodoxy or liberality, of community or of personal freedom, even of holiness itself, factions of men and women can slowly disintegrate into pettiness or cynicism or hostility or bitterness. In this way the Christian church becomes divided."

We need to be careful inside our cultural and religious wars. There is never an excuse for lack of fundamental charity.

Source: https://angelusnews.com/voices/our-deep-failure-in-charity/

THE GIFT OF UNDERSTANDING: LOVING OUR ENEMIES

BY BR. JOHN WINKOWITSCH, O.P.

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit originate from the Latin Vulgate of Isaiah 11:2-3, where the prophet lists the qualities of the "Spirit of the Lord." The most insightful treatment I have ever read of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit is by St. Augustine in On Christian Doctrine. Connecting Isaiah 11:2-3 with Proverbs 9:11-"the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom"-St. Augustine presents the seven gifts as steps up a ladder, ascending from the foundation of Fear of the Lord and culminating in Wisdom. In short, (1) Fear of the Lord is the foundation of humility that gets us back to the confessional and into the state of sanctifying grace. (2) Piety is that enthralling first glance of divine Love in Scripture that blossoms into a desire to gain as much (3) Knowledge about that Love as possible, and which forms a foundation bolstered by (4) **Fortitude** to endure tribulation, supported by the (5) Counsel of loving others. This leads to (6) **Understanding** the particular situation and the ability to act in the (7) **Wisdom** of the Truth.

In my opinion, the most surprising step on this ladder is the sixth—Understanding—which St. Augustine describes as "when a person has reached the point of loving his enemy" and "when he purifies the eye itself, which is able to see God." With the gift of understanding, the "holy man will be so simple and pure in heart that he will not step aside from the truth for the sake of pleasing men." Thus, the gift of understanding, which perfects the theological gift of faith, is to be found in truly loving our enemies and in purity of heart so that we can see God.

The practical applications of seeing the gift of understanding in this light are manifold, but I believe they can be summed up in a single point: image St. Augustine's of the gift of understanding makes it clear that the primary gift of the Holy Spirit is love. With the gift of understanding we are led to give that first giftlove-even to our enemies. For we understand that reason is a tool that can be bent to the will of the person. Without an experience of love, without that first of all gifts, then reason itself is untethered from any possibility of finding the Truth. With the gift of understanding, however,

ARCHBISHOP LEADS PRAYER AT ST. JUNIPERO SERRA STATUE SITE

The desecration of St. Junipero Serra's statue Francisco's in San Golden Gate Park has brought the world's attention back to this holy Franciscan priest. On Saturday, June 27, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone led Catholics to the site in the park, and through the Rosary blessing and and а exorcism rite, the Archbishop prayed for forgiveness and healing.



In a statement released June 20, Archbishop

Cordileone condemned the toppling and vandalism done to several statues in Golden Gate Park last Friday, including that of St. Junipero Serra, saying "The memorialization of historic figures merits an honest and fair discussion as to how and to whom such honor should be given. But here, there was no such rational discussion; it was mob rule, a troubling phenomenon that seems to be repeating itself throughout the country."

On June 30, the Washington Post newspaper published an opinion piece by Archbishop Cordileone headlined "Statues of Saint Junipero Serra Deserve to Stay." This piece is available at https://www.sfarch.org/letters-and-

statements along with other recent statements and videos.

A letter from Los Angeles Archbishop José H. Gomez is available at https:// angelusnews.com/voices/letter-to-the-faithful -for-the-memorial-of-st-junipero-serra/

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.

VIRTUAL RETREATS

VALLOMBROSA RETREAT CENTER

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

Homily by Zoom with Ron Rolheiser July 14, 2020 at 10:00 am

The Mystically Inspired Life: Spiritual Wisdom from the Deep Well of Christian Mysticism with Ron Rolheiser July 17, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. \$100

The Embodied Lord's Prayer: The Abba-Imma Practice Online class with Rev. Steve Harms and Kaleo & Elise Ching July 25

Shiny Bits of Scripture

A Three-Day Virtual Retreat with Alice Camille July 31 – August 2

For more information, visit vallombrosa.org/ calendar.

JESUIT RETREAT CENTER OF LOS ALTOS

The Jesuit Retreat Center, El Retiro, has developed an array of spiritual resources that are available online during this time of social distancing requirements. For complete information, visit: jrclosaltos.org/online-resources.



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.

FR. KEN'S TALK

UNDERSTANDING THE CURRENT CRISIS THROUGH THE EYES OF FAITH

Thank you to all who participated in this week's Zoom gathering with Fr. Ken Hamilton, SVD.

To view the recording of the talk, visit https:// youtu.be/j99ssElWxkw.

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we can see that it is only by loving our enemies—only by offering them the first, most necessary of all gifts—that their reason can rest on a sure foundation and they can begin climbing the ladder to our heavenly homeland.

Br. John Winkowitsch, OP was born and raised in Cut Bank, MT. A convert to the Catholic faith, Br. John was baptized during his freshman year at Thomas Aquinas College in Santa Paula, CA. After earning his B.A. in Liberal Arts, he began graduate philosophy studies at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. Upon completion of a Ph.D. in 2016, he promptly joined the Western Dominican Province and has lived happily ever after.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

JUNE 27, 2020



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.)

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, Modesta Cintron, Penny Bantug, those 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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