

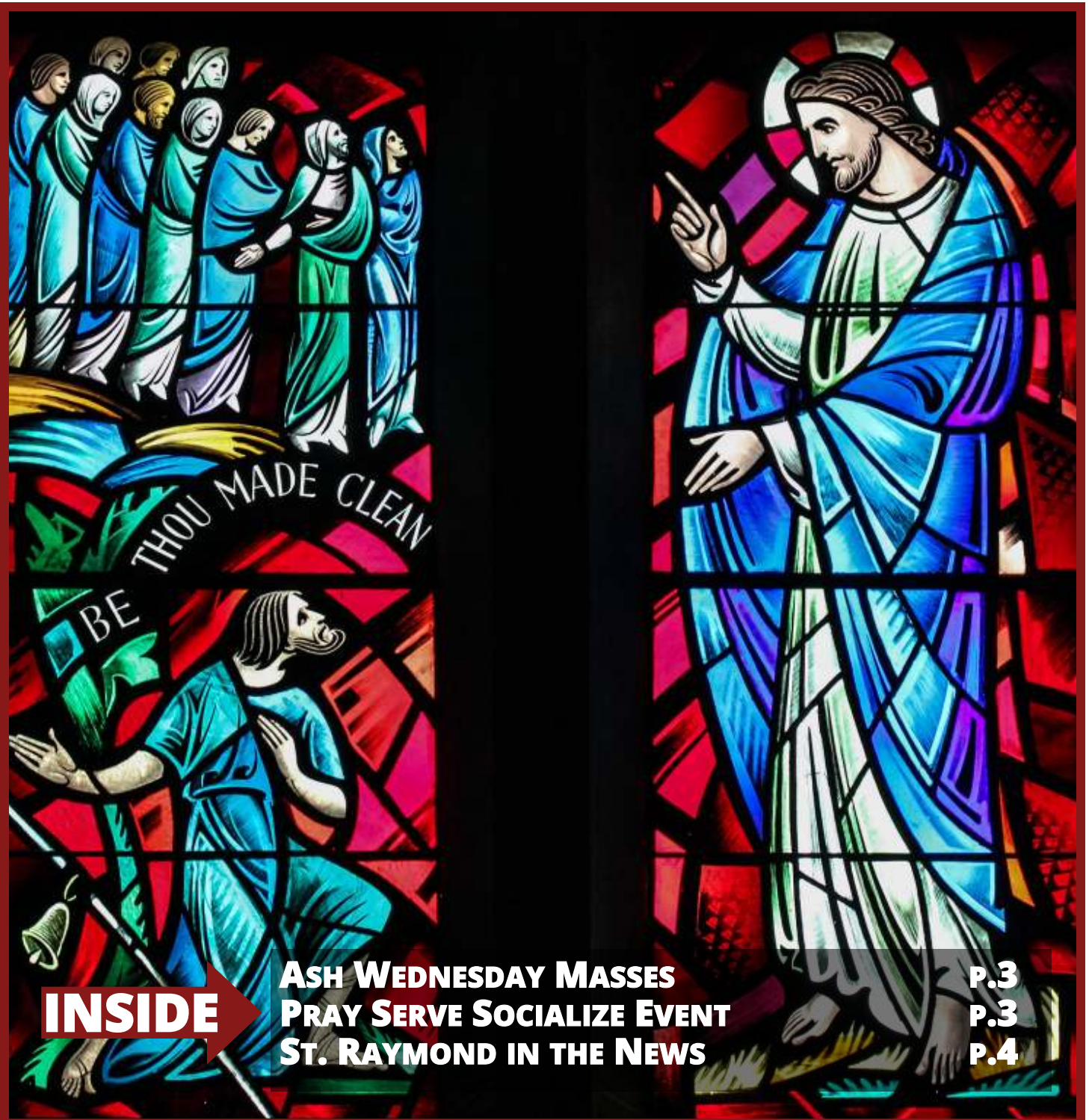


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SCHEDULE

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straymondmp.org/youtube

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, FEBRUARY 15, 2021

President's Day—Office Closed

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021

9:00 am Ash Wednesday Mass (Rose Garden)
10:00 am Zoom Weekly Bible Study (p.6)
12:15 pm Ash Wednesday Mass (Rose Garden)
5:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass (School Lawn)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021

12:00 pm Laudato Si' Group Zoom (p.6)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2021

7:15 pm Laudato Si' Pot Luck (p.3)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2021

9:00 am Mass (Outdoors)
3:00 pm Confessions in Rose Garden
3:30 pm Vigil Mass (Outdoors)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2021

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

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2021

RSVP for weekend Masses at straymondmp.org/eventbrite.

Please note: beginning the first weekend of March (Saturday, March 6 and Sunday, March 7), both of the evening Masses will move to 5:00 pm and will still be held on the school lawn.

LITURGY

Sat., Feb. 13, 3:30 pm St. Raymond Parish

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Feb. 14, 9:00 am The Ruocco Family, Both Living & Deceased

10:00 am Armando Maestrini †

3:30 pm Milagros Landero †

Mon., Feb. 15, 9:00 am Mother Cabrini (In Thanksgiving)

Tue., Feb. 16, 9:00 pm William "Bill" Farrar †

Wed., Feb. 17, 9:00 am Sosefo Afu Veatama †

Ash Wednesday

12:15 pm Lori Ann Doughty †

5:00 pm Anna Virginia Pessoa L. Cintra †

Thur., Feb. 18, 9:00 am Neno & Maria Castracane ††

Bl. Fra Angelico (John of Fiesole), O.P., Priest (m)

Fri., Feb. 19, 9:00 am Vincent Guzman †

Sat., Feb. 20, 9:00 am The Galdes & Spiteri Families, Both Living & Deceased

Sat., Feb. 20, 3:30 pm St. Raymond Parish

1st Sunday of Lent

Sun., Feb. 21, 9:00 am The Harold Curtis & Leo O'Beill Families, Both Living & Deceased

10:00 am Armando Maestrini †

3:30 pm James Palmer †

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

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

SUNDAY READINGS

February 14, 2021 (6th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 32:-2, 5, 11

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/021421.cfm

February 21, 2021 (1st Sunday of Lent)

Reading 1: Genesis 9:8-15

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 25:4-9

Reading 2: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022121.cfm

ASH WEDNESDAY



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021

9:00 am Rose Garden

12:15 pm Rose Garden

5:00 pm Lawn

From the Archdiocese: As we mark the beginning of Lent, we once again need to adapt our practices to preserve the health of all worshippers, while following the ancient traditions of the Church. Therefore, this year, instead of tracing a cross of ashes on the forehead, ashes will be distributed by the ancient custom of sprinkling over the crown of the head. This practice is used extensively in Europe, and the Holy See has mandated it be used throughout the world this year.

Readings—Joel 2:12-18 || Psalm 51:3-6b,12-14,17 || 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2 | Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/021721.cfm

LAUDATO SI' PRAYER POTLUCK

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 7:15 PM—8:15 PM, ZOOM

Please join the Laudato Si' Group on Zoom to sing and pray about our common home. Bring your prayers, songs, and poems or share ours.

The link will be available at straymondmp.org/zoom/,

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PRAY SERVICE SOCIALIZE

CALLING ALL CREATIVE, ARTISTIC, TALENTED, VISUAL, DESIGN-ORIENTED, FAITH-FILLED PEOPLE!

Do you enjoy the purples of Advent & Lent and the bright whites of Christmas & Easter that adorn our sacred spaces? Or perhaps your love of the outdoors attracts you to our rose garden with shrine to Mary Immaculate. And who doesn't love seeing the Nativity Scene at Christmas and smelling the lilies at Easter?... Plus, videography/livestream have become a new and more widely accepted way to experience the beauty of our faith-- a whole new view!

The PRAY, SERVE, SOCIALIZE model of parish life is taking off, and we have an event planned especially for YOU. You are invited to hear a **special presentation by our Pastor, Fr. Jerome Cudden, OP** and be invited to share with one another about our faith and how beauty inspires us. Whether indoors or out, Christ is present in all his glory. Let's get together to share and be energized in this opportunity to PRAY, SERVE, and yes, even SOCIALIZE together! P.S. If you have ever been, or are interested in learning about, the ministries of Sacristan, Altar Society, Liturgical Art & Environment, Buildings & Grounds, Parish Web-Design, Photography, or Broadcasting/Livestreaming/Audio-Visual (for churches) this one's for you! And even if you've never heard of some of those ministries before, **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Two Options:

Monday, February 22, 7:00 pm—8:30 pm on Zoom

Saturday, February 27, 9:45 am—11:15 am LIVE and on Zoom (simultaneously in-person and virtual, your choice of mode of participation).

Register:

Monday, February 22—www.eventbrite.com/e/141058057447

Or

Saturday, February 27—www.eventbrite.com/e/141058721433

ST. RAYMOND CHURCH IN THE MERCURY NEWS

St. Raymond was recently featured in a *San Jose Mercury News* article published on February 7, 2021 regarding the reopening of indoor church services in California. The article (“Bay Area churches exercising caution after Supreme Court ruling”) can be viewed at <https://www.mercurynews.com/2021/02/07/bay-area-churches-exercising-caution-after-supreme-court-ruling/>. (Sorry for the paywall.)

Photos from the article are below.



ST. RAYMOND LIGHTS UP DOWNTOWN MENLO PARK

In a December 17, 2020, article by Lina Hubbard of *InMenlo*, the Christmas lights at St. Raymond were featured. The short article is available at <https://inmenlo.com/2020/12/17/fremont-park-and-st-raymond-church-trees-light-up-downtown-menlo-park/>



PARISH BIBLE STUDY GROUPS



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!

Sign Up

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. You will receive a PDF version of the workbook in the meantime.

Did you miss this week? It's not too late. Watch a recap of Session 1 at straymondmp.org/parish-bible-study with Fr. Jerome.

Session 2 begins the week of February 22.

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS & CRS RICE BOWLS

Now Available



The Little Black Books are back. The books contain daily six-minute meditations on the Sunday Gospels of Lent (Cycle B).

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls

Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition affect our human family, and on the need to take action to end this global injustices. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

COOKIE MINISTRY

Thank you to all of those who have made cookies and helped support the Table of Plenty Ministry in Half Moon Bay. St. Raymond Parishioners have baked over 8,400 cookies for our homeless and low-income brothers and sisters on the coast since we began baking in March! Providing beautiful and delicious cookies and bars baked with love has been a special treat for folks during these challenging times.

We will provide cookies again on **Wednesday, February 17 and February 24**. 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!

LENTEN RESOURCES

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What is Lent? From the USCCB. Includes a Lent Calendar. www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/lent

IgnatianSpiritual.com's Lenten Resources. Includes The Ignatian Workout: An Online Retreat, Living Lent Daily, Lenten Read-Along, and more. www.ignatianspirituality.com/lent/

Lenten Resources for Teachers from the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA). bit.ly/NCEALentenResources

BustedHalo's Lenten Calendar and Resources at lent.bustedhalo.com/

Fr. Jerome's Characters of the Passion talk in 3-parts at https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLy6rEABhCIRSJPdLS8UC_zMgu4rc1cUUUp

SPEAKER SERIES TALKS

View previous Speaker Series talks at www.straymondmp.org/speaker-series/. Previous talks include:

- Praying in a Time of Anxiety: The Way to Christian Hope
- Psychology and Beyond: The Unique Value of Prayer in Chaotic Times
- Forgiveness: Healing the Darkness of Resentment
- Christmas Conspiracies
- The Eucharist in the Life and Faith of the Church
- From Hard Science Ph.D to Religious O.P.
- Meeting Jesus Christ at Mass
- And more....



I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. Psalm 63:1

"Access to safe drinkable water is a basic and universal human right, since it is essential to human survival and, as such, is a condition for the exercise of other human rights," Pope Francis had said, quoting from his encyclical on the environment, *Laudato Si'*.

As we stated in last week's bulletin, we believers have an obligation to thank God for the gift of water and "to praise him for covering the earth with the oceans," but we also have an obligation to work together to keep the oceans clean instead of allowing them to be "littered by endless fields of floating plastic." *National Geographic video* www.nationalgeographic.org/video/ocean-plastics/

"Care for water sources and water basins is an urgent imperative," Pope Francis said, drawing special attention to the more than 600 million people who do not have regular access to clean drinking water, many of them right here in America.

"In considering the fundamental role of water in creation and in human development," he wrote, "I feel the need to give thanks to God for 'Sister Water,'" as St. Francis of Assisi said. Water is "simple and useful for life like nothing else on our planet."

Fulfilling the Gospel mandate to give the thirsty something to drink involves more than individual acts of charity, although those are important, he said. It also involves "concrete choices and a constant commitment to ensure to protect all the primary good of water."

For reflection:

What concrete choices can I make to monitor and conserve my own water use? learn.eartheasy.com/guides/45-ways-to-conserve-water-in-the-home-and-yard/



How can I work to protect water sources around the country and the world? www.worldvision.org/clean-water-news-stories/global-water-crisis-facts

Action:

Learn about our local water sources and distribution... deeply.thenewhumanitarian.org/water/articles/2016/02/24/how-reliable-are-silicon-valley-water-sources.

...and plans to utilize recycled water in Menlo Park. www.almanacnews.com/news/2020/11/04/menlo-parks-first-recycled-water-system-officially-launches-in-sharon-heights

Send a letter supporting clean water policies to your representatives. actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-biden-administration-to-protect-clean-water-2/

LAUDATO SI' WEEKLY ZOOM

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>.

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.



HOMELESS FAMILY FUND

Please consider making a reoccurring monthly e-donation or a lump sum to help support the Homeless Family Fund. Please make donations payable to St. Raymond Homeless Family Fund. They may be placed in the collection basket, sent to the parish office or through the St. Raymond website at www.straymondmp.org/donate. Questions or want to get involved? Please reach out to: HFF@straymondmp.org

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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 Mojtehed, 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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Redwood City campaign of 40 Days for Life will be held **February 17 to March 28**. A rally will be held Sunday, February 14 at 2:00 pm.

Complete information is available at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity>.

GET PARISH NEWS VIA EMAIL

Sign up for our parish email newsletter at straymondmp.org/newsletter/.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS—Low-gluten hosts are available at each Mass. Father will announce which line has the low-gluten host.

IMAGE CREDITS

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REQUIESCE IN PACE

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of the following members of our parish community.

Remo “Ray” Ferrari

Darrell Dorfmeier

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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