

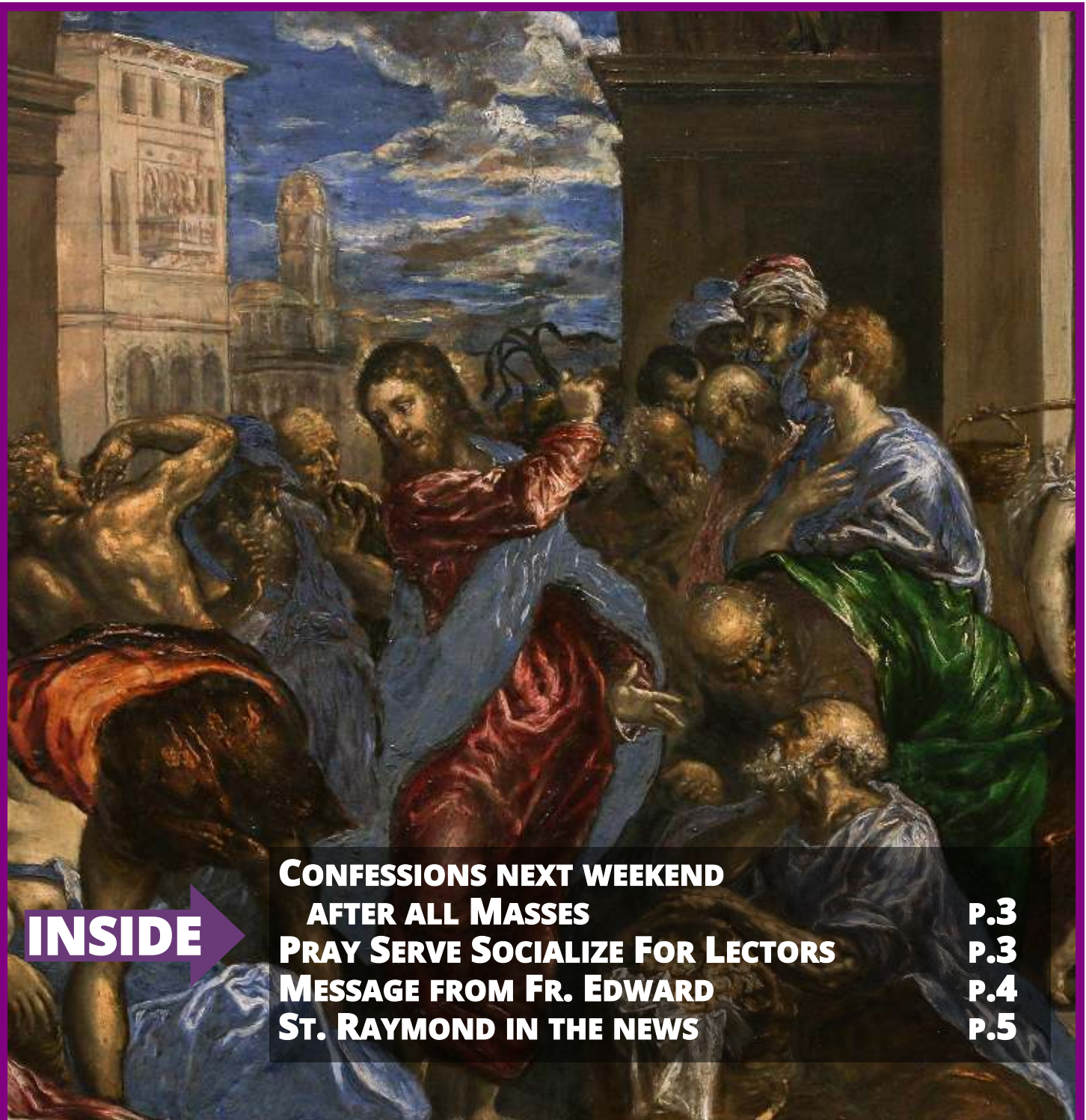


# ST. RAYMOND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## SCHEDULE

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ALL MASSES ARE ALSO STREAMED ON YOUTUBE AT  
[straymondmp.org/youtube](https://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)\*

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021

10:00 am Zoom Weekly Bible Study (pg. 6)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021

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

### SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2021

9:00 am Mass (Outdoors)  
3:30 pm Confessions in Rose Garden  
**5:00 pm** Vigil Mass (Outdoors)

### SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021

9:00 am Sunday Mass (Outdoors)  
10:00 am Sunday Mass (Outdoors)  
**5:00 pm** Sunday Mass (Outdoors)

### PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021

### EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2021

RSVP for weekend Masses at [straymondmp.org/eventbrite](https://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.

## EGIVING: GIVING MADE EASY

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## LITURGY

**Sat., Feb. 27, 3:30 pm** The Mijares Family

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

**Sun., Feb. 28, 9:00 am** Aurelio Maestrini †

**10:00 am** Armando Maestrini †

**3:30 pm** St. Raymond Parish

**Mon., Mar. 1, 9:00 am** Ralph Ruocco † & Toni Anne Papara

**Tue., Mar. 2, 9:00 pm** Charles Galdes †

**Wed., Mar. 3, 9:00 am** Dr. Neil Andrew Englehart †  
*St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin (m)*

**Thur., Mar. 4, 9:00 am** The Onyeneho Family, Both Living & Deceased

*St. Casimir (m)*

**Fri., Mar. 5, 9:00 am** Ivo Castracane †

**Sat., Mar. 6, 9:00 am** St. Raymond (in Thanksgiving)

**Sat., Mar. 6, 5:00 pm** St. Raymond Parish

*3rd Sunday of Lent*

**Sun., Mar. 7, 9:00 am** The deceased members of the Macchello Family

**10:00 am** Aurelio Maestrini †

**5:00 pm** The Ferrando Family, Both Living & Deceased

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

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

## REQUIESCE IN PACE

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

**Mike Brown**

(husband of Kathy Brown)

**Mary Coyle**

(mother of John Coyle)

**Marjorie Wagstaffe**

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.

## CONFESSIONS NEXT WEEKEND

Confessions will be held next week following each weekend Mass (March 6 & 7). Multiple priests will be available to hear confessions.



Note: Beginning March 6, 2021, our regular weekly confession times will move to 3:30 pm through 4:30 pm on Saturdays.

## PRAY SERVE SOCIALIZE

### CALLING ALL WHO LOVE THE WORD OF GOD, AND INCLUDING LECTORS!

The PRAY, SERVE, SOCIALIZE model of parish life has taken off, and it's your turn in this new 2021 calendar year to enjoy an event for *all* lovers of the Word of God, and especially if you've ever served as a Proclaimer of The Word/Lector. Connect for the very first time, or re-connect after any amount of lapsed time, with the joy of the Word and the fellowship of one another! We will hear a special presentation by our Pastor, Fr. Jerome Cudden, OP and be invited to share with one another our own perspectives. See old friends, new faces, and be energized in this opportunity to PRAY, SERVE, and yes, even SOCIALIZE together! Nota Bene: This is NOT a repeat of previous Pray, Serve, Socialize meetings, but is an event centered on our love for The Word as we move forward into (may God grant it!) the post-Covid era. ALL ARE WELCOME (Lectors and non-Lectors alike).

#### Two Options:

Tuesday, March 9, 7:00 pm–8:30 pm on Zoom. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/143395318257>

Saturday, March 13, 1:30 pm–3:30 pm LIVE and on Zoom (simultaneously in-person and virtual, your choice of mode of participation). Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/143397312221>

## Meet the Dominican Novices Next Weekend



Next weekend, the Dominican Novices from St. Dominic's Priory in San Francisco will join us at each of our weekend Masses to share their vocation story.

From top left:

- Br. Anselm Dominic LeFave (Portland, OR)
- Br. Anthony Maria Akerman (Salem, OR)
- Br. Peter Augustine Hoang (Houston, TX),
- Br. Peter Pius Chu (Houston, TX)
- Br. Cassian Smyth (Polonia, WI)
- Br. Jordan Martin (Longueuil, Canada)
- Br. John Vianney Russell (Pasadena, CA).

Please pray for these new novices as they spend the coming year learning more about the Dominican life and striving to be more deeply conformed to Christ in accord with the charism of the Friars Preachers.

February 16, 2021

Dear Parishioners of St. Raymond

Grace and peace of Christ be with you.

I write on behalf of the entire parish community of St. Patrick Uburu-Amachi to express our joy and deep appreciation to you all for your generous gift of \$5,000.00 donated to us through the Mother of Mercy Charitable Foundation, USA. We expect to receive the money soon from the Foundation.

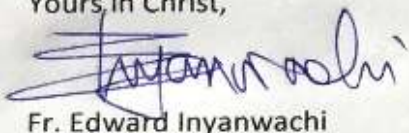
This community is overjoyed and excited that our brothers and sisters at St. Raymond Parish have reached out in this kind and compassionate gesture to assist us during this covid-19 crisis. We are deeply grateful. And Scripture sums up our thought for you as it says: "The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." (Proverbs 22:9)

This gift is truly a lifesaver as the pandemic has created untold hardship in the lives of many of my parishioners. The lockdown has meant that many who could no longer engage in their farming or small business in order to sustain their families. As a result many are no longer able to send their children back to school or enroll to learn a new skill. We thank God that things are beginning to open up and return to some form of normalcy, but the after effects of the long period of the lockdown is still being felt in our community. So you can see why we are excited and joyful about this generous donation.

We intend to use the funds to provide for scholarships for your boys and girls especially of very poor families. We intend to start with 2 girls and 2 boys in High School. Some of your donation will also be used to provide training to acquire new skills for some young women and men. This will help them be independent and able to take care of their basic family needs. We will also use part of the money to buy medicines especially multi vitamins, pains medications and some first aid to the needy among us.

Once we receive the money I will send you more detailed information of how the money is being used with pictures and testimonies of the parishioners. Thanks so much for your generosity. May the Lord bless and reward you abundantly.

Yours in Christ,



Fr. Edward Inyanwachi

## PARISH BIBLE STUDY GROUPS



**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!**

**Correction! Session 3 begins the week of March 8!**

### Sessions:

- 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

### Schedule

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

### 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](http://straymondmp.org/parish-bible-study) with Fr. Jerome.

**To make a donation to help Fr. Edward's parish in Nigeria,** visit [www.mmcharitablefoundation.org/undesigned-donation.html](http://www.mmcharitablefoundation.org/undesigned-donation.html).

You can also make a check out to **The Mother of Mercy Charitable Foundation** and send it to 361 Gonzalez Drive, San Francisco, CA 94132-2345.

## IN THE NEWS



St. Raymond was visited by a photographer from the *San Jose Mercury News* on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021. Fr. Michael Augustine Amabisco, O.P., landed on the front page. Photos by Randy Vasquez of the Bay Area News Group.

The article and picture appear at <https://www.mercurynews.com/2021/02/17/photos-ash-wednesday-ceremonies-across-bay-area-have-different-look-due-to-covid-19/>

## JUST BAPTIZED!

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Congratulation to the Nowak Family for the baptism of Andrzej Tadeusz Nowak on Sunday, February 21, 2021 during the 10 am Mass.

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WITH FR. JEROME





## WHAT IS THE STATE OF YOUR SOIL?

Have you decided if you are going to start home composting or add something pre-prepared? Do you have a spot of soil you've decided to plant in? Have you churned the soil so it can get nutrients and be enriched?

How is your "soul soil" coming? Have you gotten a chance to begin Lenten practices, to see how God wants to churn the soil of your soul so you can get nutrients and be enriched? God will speak to you in your own special way. Just like we might add missing minerals to the soil for different needs, so too reading, praying, and listening to different things tends our soul soil.

The soil has been prepared. Have you gotten a chance to plant a seed or put a seedling in the ground? For your soul, that might mean continuing with something you tried last week, or you might still be looking for what 'seed' will work for you, what might 'grow you'. You might try [franciscanmedia.org/franciscan-spirit-blog/lent-with-st-francis-take-up-your-cross](http://franciscanmedia.org/franciscan-spirit-blog/lent-with-st-francis-take-up-your-cross) or [ignatiansolidarity.net/steadfast-lent-2021/](http://ignatiansolidarity.net/steadfast-lent-2021/). Please feed your soul. So too your soil.

In your soil, you have a couple of options regarding what seed to put in also. If you choose food, pick something you enjoy eating and fits the season. Many online sites list what grows each time of the year. See [garden.org/apps/calendar/?q=94025](http://garden.org/apps/calendar/?q=94025) or [commongroundinpalto.org/planting-calendar/](http://commongroundinpalto.org/planting-calendar/).

If you are planting for beauty instead of food, try native plantings. Grass may be lovely, but takes a lot of water while not feeding wildlife or absorbing carbon or other damaging things from the air. Native plants require less water, and they are what the birds, insects and animals in an area naturally desire. To find native plant suggestions go to [audubon.org/native-plants](http://audubon.org/native-plants).

To learn more, a quick introductory course can be found at: [gardengatemagazine.com/freegardeningcourses/gardenorganic/](http://gardengatemagazine.com/freegardeningcourses/gardenorganic/).

Enjoy what is around you - look, plant if you can, feed your soul soil, continue to 'Lent along' as you prepare for Easter's Resurrection.

## 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](http://www.straymondmp.org/donate). Questions or want to get involved? Please reach out to: [HFF@straymondmp.org](mailto:HFF@straymondmp.org).

## SPEAKER SERIES TALKS

View previous Speaker Series talks at [www.straymondmp.org/speaker-series/](http://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....

## 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](mailto:chrisgalvez@aol.com).



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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](mailto:tkelly@straymondmp.org) or 650-670-2200. We look forward to welcoming you.

## CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS <sup>7</sup>

### MASS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE MARCH 6, 2021

Saturdays 5:00 pm Vigil (Outdoors)

Sundays 9:00 am (Outdoors), 10:00 am (Outdoors), 5:00 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](mailto: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](mailto:office@straymondmp.org) or register online at [www.straymondmp.org/register](http://www.straymondmp.org/register).



The Redwood City campaign of 40 Days for Life is being held from now to **March 28**.

“For the last few years my husband, Bob, and I have been praying in Redwood City at 40 Days for Life. It has been a prayerful time with a couple of interesting people stopping by to ask what it is all about. We have met some devout Catholics, living out their commitment to the unborn and their mothers.

We invite all of you to join us in the effort to protect the most vulnerable unborn babies and the expectant mothers. You can join us in person, or by offering prayers, sacrifices, and fasting to support the effort. Sign ups are for 1 or more hours as often as you choose.”—Judy

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

## SUNDAY READINGS

February 28, 2021 (2nd Sunday of Lent)  
Reading 1: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18  
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 116:10, 15-19  
Reading 2: Romans 8:31b-34  
Gospel: Mark 9:2-10  
[bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022821.cfm](http://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022821.cfm)

March 7, 2021 (3rd Sunday of Lent)  
Reading 1: Exodus 20:1-17  
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 19:8-11  
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25  
Gospel: John 2:13-25  
[bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/030721-YearB.cfm](http://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/030721-YearB.cfm)

## GET PARISH NEWS VIA EMAIL

Sign up for our parish email newsletter at [straymondmp.org/newsletter/](http://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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