



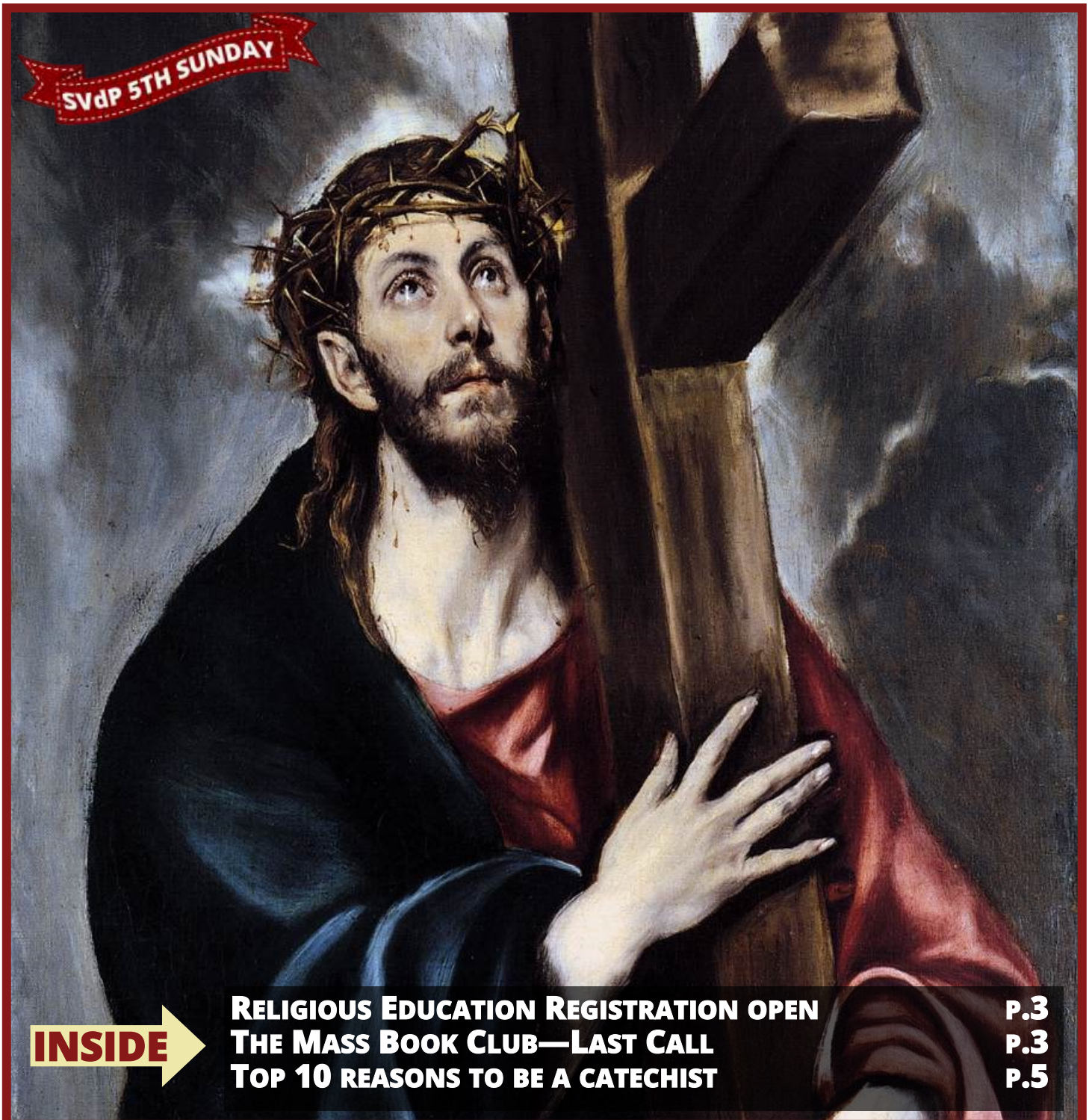
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SCHEDULE

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MONDAY TO SATURDAY EACH WEEK

8:15 am Mass (Church)

MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2001

7:00 pm The Mass Book Club (p.3)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021

9:00 am Legion of Mary (below)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

10:00 am Zoom Weekly Bible Study (below)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

12:00 pm Laudato Si' Group Zoom (p.6)
 7:00 pm Holy Hour: Confession & Adoration (Church)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2021

8:15 am Mass (Church)
 3:30 pm Confessions in Rose Garden
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

8:00 am Mass (Church)
 10:00 am Mass (Outdoors)
 5:00 pm Mass (Church)

SUNDAY READINGS

August 29, 2021 (22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Resp. Psalm: Psalms 15:2-5

Reading 2: James 1:17-18, 21b-22b, 27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/082921.cfm

September 5, 2021 (23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Resp. Psalm: Psalms 146:6-10

Reading 2: James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/090521.cfm

ZOOM WEEKLY 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. For more information, contact Christine at chrisgalvez@aol.com.

LITURGY

Sat., Aug. 28, 5:00 pm

Aurelio Maestrini †

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Aug. 29, 8:00 am

Lillian & John Duzanica ††


10:00 am

Margaret O'Hara †

5:00 pm

St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Aug. 30, 8:15 am

 Helen Lee

Tue., Aug. 31, 8:15 am

Souls in Purgatory †

Wed., Sept. 1, 8:15 am

Patricia Keating Doyle †

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Thur., Sept. 2, 8:15 am

 John Sanchez

Fri., Sept. 3, 8:15 am

Chong & Lurica Lee ††

St. Gregory the Great. Pope & Doctor of the Church (M)

Sat., Sept. 4, 8:15 am

Chong & Lurica Lee ††

Anniversary of Deceased Friends & Benefactors of the Order of Preachers

Sat., Sept. 4, 5:00 pm

Sharon Kennedy Gerlach †

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Sept. 5, 8:00 am

Sosefu Afu Veatama †

10:00 am

The Ferrando Family, Both Living & Deceased

5:00 pm

St. Raymond Parish

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

To request a Mass Intention, please call the parish office. Mass intentions are full for 2021 and now available for 2022.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday at 9:00 am in the Legion of Mary conference room opposite the Parish Hall. Feel free to join us and learn more about the Legion of Mary.

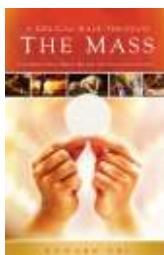




THE MASS BOOK CLUB—LAST CALL!

Why do we say the prayers we do at Mass? Where do they come from? What are we trying to accomplish by saying these prayers?

Zoom & In Person. Zoom links will be available on the parish website the day of the event. Previous classes are available at straymondmp.org/the-mass/.



Discussion Groups

Monday, August 30, 7 pm

Part IV: B. Liturgy of the Eucharist – Eucharistic Prayer.
Part IV: C. The Communion Rite. Part V: Concluding Rites.

SVdP

5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION THIS WEEK!

This is the **5th Sunday of August!** We again are blessed by a donor who will match each dollar we receive up to \$2,500. Please be as generous as you can. Clear collection boxes and envelopes will be available for your contribution this weekend.



In the spirit of love and justice, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County (SVdP) provides person-to-person services of time, talent and resources to help our neighbors in need. SVdP respects the dignity of every person. They provide Safety-Net services for families and individuals in our community who are often suffering, forgotten and deprived – the working poor, the homeless, the incarcerated, and all people living on the margins. They also seek systemic change solutions to move people out of poverty.

You can also donate online at straymondmp.org/giving and enter the amount you wish to donate under “St. Vincent de Paul”.

NEXT WEEK’S SPECIAL COLLECTION will benefit the Catholic University of America.

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 and help us get in touch with those who need ministry.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ³

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

We are now accepting REGISTRATION for our Religious Education Program.

To register, please visit straymondmp.org/religious-education.

PROGRAM BEGINS SEPTEMBER 19

Have questions? Please email Neri.Miranda@straymondmp.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY



REQUIESCE IN PACE

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of the following long-time member of our parish community.

Emmanuel Barbariol

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

4 NOVICE PRAYER PLEDGE

This month, a new class of novice brothers will begin life with the Dominicans as they work through eight years of formation. These men are making a radical choice for Christ and preparing for a new life of service to God and to you! Would you pray for them?

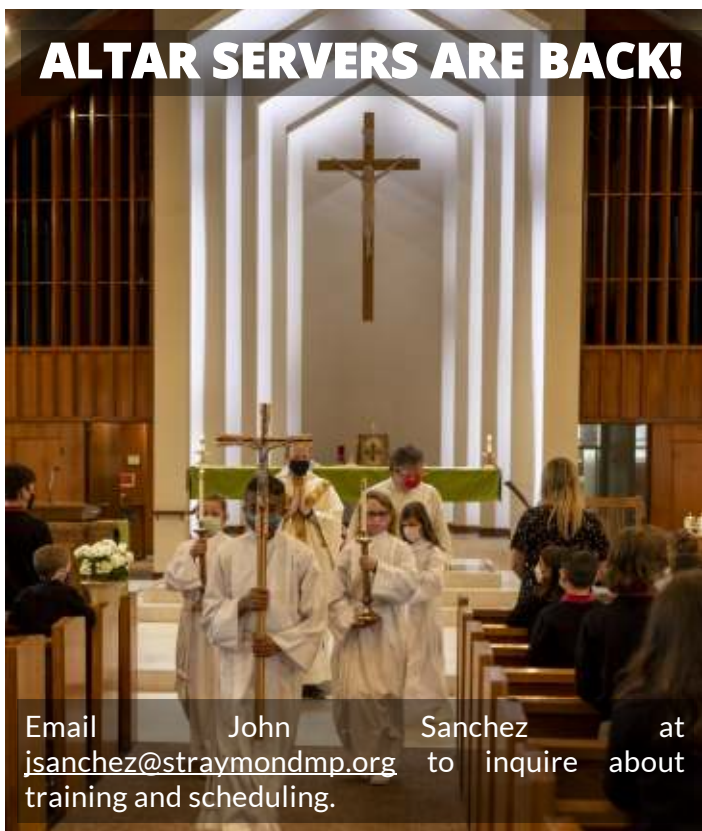
Please sign up for the Novice Prayer Pledge today! As our thanks, your name will be remembered on the Prayer Pledge Honor Roll that will hang throughout the year in the Novitiate, encouraging the new brothers during their formation.

Thank you for keeping the novices in your prayers! To sign-up today, please visit: opwest.org/novicepledge.



DN. TOM'S LOURDES TRIP

If you missed the opportunity to send your prayer Intention with Dn. Tom to Lourdes, you can send intentions online at <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/intention-priere>.



ALTAR SERVERS ARE BACK!

Email John Sanchez at jsanchez@straymondmp.org to inquire about training and scheduling.

MISSIONARY HOUSING NEEDED

To assist our parish with our "Pray, Serve, Social" initiative, our parish is excited to welcome Tina Augustine to serve our parish as a FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) missionary in the Fall. Tina is highly trained in helping individuals grow in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ, small group faith sharing and mentoring Christian leaders.



Tina has served with FOCUS for eight years, having spent the last five in Europe launching FOCUS' first international campus. She has served as a missionary, Team Director and most recently as the Director of Philanthropy in Europe.

Tina, her husband Mychal, and sons Ignacio (4) and Hugo (2) are excited to make Saint Raymond their home and will be moving here from Germany in October. As they make the transition to Menlo Park, **I would love to help them find housing. The Augustine family is looking for a 3-bedroom house in the surrounding area** that can be offered at a family discount. If you can assist, please let me know I am excited about this opportunity and thank you for any assistance you can offer.

BYE FOR NOW



We bid farewell to the Mijares family as they move to Southern California. May the Lord bless you in your journey.

Leaving the parish? Don't leave without saying goodbye! Our email is office@straymondmp.org.

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BY WOODDEEN KOENIG-BRICKER, OUR SUNDAY VISITOR

Let's be honest. Agreeing to teach kids about the faith is a daunting prospect. Not only do you commit to being present every Wednesday night into eternity (OK, not quite that long), but you also have to deal with kids, and worse, their parents! On any given night, you might have Malcolm using the cross bookmark the class made as a sword, Amy's mother complaining that her child doesn't know what the Church teaches, and Kyle using his cell phone as you're trying to teach the Sermon on the Mount. Argh!

10. The best way to learn is to teach.

We all are called to continue to grow in our own faith, and the best way to learn is to teach. When you instruct others, your own understanding increases. If your own faith education ended years ago, the resources and materials you are exposed to as a catechist will surely refresh and expand your own knowledge.

9. Catechists tell the truth.

In today's chaotic world, people are searching for what is real and what isn't. Catechists are like the little boy who told the emperor he wasn't wearing any clothes. Catechists speak the truth about God, faith and morals. The world needs the message of the Gospel and the way to true happiness; as a catechist, you offer a hungry world that sustenance.

8. Sharing the faith is an honor.

It's estimated that fewer than 1 percent of Catholics are catechists. If you've been approached to be a catechist, or if you feel the call, you are being asked to do something special for God, for the Church and for your fellow Catholics.

7. Your own faith will come alive.

By acting on what you believe, you become a participant in building up God's kingdom. After all, Jesus told us not to put our light under a bushel basket, and that means not hiding it behind a missalette either. As a catechist, you will discover that prayer, liturgy and your own relationship with God will become more vibrant and meaningful.

6. You become an active part of the most active part of your parish.

One criticism of Catholic churches is that they don't offer as much "fellowship" as some others. When you join the catechists in your parish, you enter into a community that will support you on your faith journey, pray for and with you and encourage you in your Catholic way of life.

5. A catechist is a role model.

Ask young people who their role models or heroes are, and you'll get a litany of movie and sports stars. While looking good and being athletic are fine qualities, young people also need examples of ordinary people who do the right thing just because it is the right thing. As a catechist, you get to model behaviors young people might not learn anywhere else.

4. You will be practicing stewardship.

In these difficult economic times, families are struggling with rising prices and shrinking incomes. Being a catechist is a way of being a good steward by giving a bit of your most precious resource — your time. You might not be able to donate as much money as you would like, but we all have time and talent to share.

3. You show your own family that you value religious education.

Taking time out of your life to teach the faith shows your own children, grandchildren, siblings and family members that you put a high priority on religious education. You may find you are teaching them as much by your example as you are your students by your lesson plan.

2. It's fun.

Spending time with energetic, enthusiastic young people gives you renewed energy and vitality. Kids remind adults to live and laugh in the moment and get enthused about things like holy days and stories of saints. Not to mention there's nothing like it when a kid "gets" one of the tenets of the faith, like the Real Presence.

1. It's what we are called to do.

At the end of his earthly ministry, Jesus said: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19-20). By teaching the next generation about the Good News, you are fulfilling your part of the Great Commandment. It may be the most important thing you will ever do.

Editor's note:

Interested in becoming a catechist? Contact Neri.Miranda@straymondmp.org.

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BE DOERS OF THE WORD

In this Sunday's 2nd reading from the letter of Saint James he asks us to "humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves". St. James reminds us that we are the first fruits of God's creation, which is to say that we are His most treasured creatures, created in His image. It is into our hands that He gave the stewardship of his creation.

In St. James' time, this meant widows and orphans. Today it means all the poor and those who live in areas that are becoming unlivable. Along with living more simply and taking better care of the environment in our personal lives we can seek to support policies and actions that care for our planet.

For instance, have you ever heard of Afforestation? Afforestation is the establishment of a forest or stand of trees in an area where there was no previous tree cover. Many organizations directly engage in afforestation programs to create forests which remove CO2 from the atmosphere. Forests can also generate flows in atmospheric water vapor that cause or attract rain! The planting of trees in urban areas is also important to reduce air pollution via the trees' absorption and filtration of pollutants. Forests are known to increase the soil quality, stop erosion, and even help stop areas from turning into desert. [Info from Wikipedia and the *Atlantic*]



A web search on "tree planting organizations" will assist you in this noble task.

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 the Zoom Meeting, click here: <http://bit.ly/LaudatoSiZoom>.

HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour is held weekly each Thursday from **7:00–8:00 pm** inside the Church. Holy Hour consists of Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available.



TOGETHER IN HOLINESS™ CONFERENCE SERIES

The St. John Paul II Foundation and the Archdiocese of San Francisco Office of Marriage and Family invite all married and engaged couples to the 5th annual **Together in Holiness** marriage conference on **Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 8:45 am – 4:00 pm** at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Belmont, CA.

Dynamic Presentations | Mass | Childcare
Eucharistic Adoration | Reconciliation

Featuring: Damon Owens, Founder of *Joyfully Ever After*

Registration: \$59/couple and \$35/individual
Early Bird discount available until August 2.

At-home option also available: \$15

Scholarships available upon request.

On-site childcare (4-12yrs); pre-registration required.

For more information, please visit togetherinholiness.org or email erin@forlifeandfamily.org.

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES

There are two listening device options inside our church.

1) LISTEN Assisted Listening Devices

These devices will be located at the side entrances of the church. Please return them after Mass so that we can recharge them. Please bring your own wired headphones.



2) The LISTEN Everywhere App

This app allows you to listen through your phone or tablet through wifi. You can download the app on the Google Play Store or Apple App Store and search for "Listen Everywhere" and look for the icon shown above.

Once you have the app, connect to the wifi network "St. Raymond ALS" while in the church. There is no password required. When you open the app, it will attempt to connect to our audio stream. You can then connect your phone or tablet with your own wired or wireless headphones.

Sometimes these things are easier to show how to do than they are to explain. Please see John Sanchez before or after Mass if you would like assistance with either of these options.

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Balvina Gonzalez, Bernice Corcoran, Diane Mojtehed, Erik Olsen, Janice Hagy, Lynn Bacon, Modesta Cintron, Nony & Penny Bantug, William Cintron, those afflicted with 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, contact us at office@straymondmp.org or register online at www.straymondmp.org/register.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays 5:00 pm Vigil (Church)

Sundays 8:00 am (Church), 10:00 am
(Outdoors), 5:00 pm (Church)

Weekdays 8:15 am (Mon.-Sat. Church)

Holy Days 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 5:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the Rose Garden,
Thursdays 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm during Holy
Hour inside the Church, or by appointment.

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.

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.