

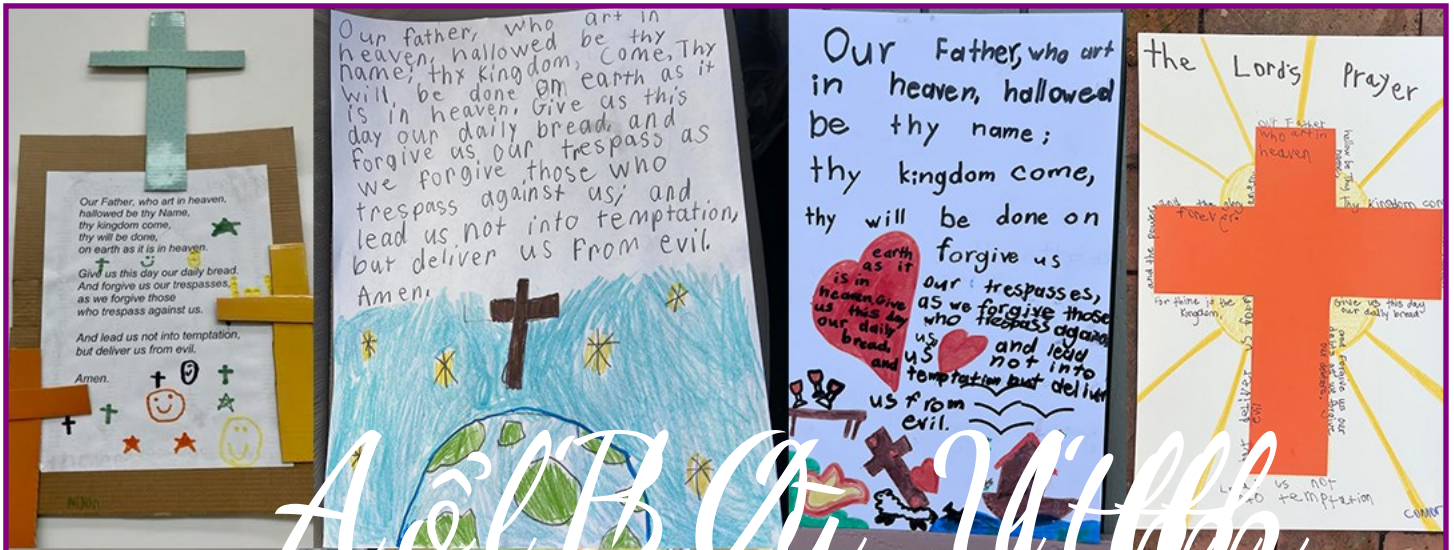


ST. RAYMOND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 20, 2022



A&B On Wheels



**FR. JEROME B-DAY FOOD TRUCK FEST
NEXT SUNDAY
ST. RAYMOND LENTEN RETREAT
EMOTIONAL & MENTAL WELLNESS
SPECIAL EVENT**

OUR FATHER
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thy will be done
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This Week

MONDAY TO SATURDAY EACH WEEK

8:15 am Mass (Church)

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022

12:00 pm Lenten Small Group (p.3)

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022

9:00 am Legion of Mary (p.3)
7:00 pm Matthew Bible Study (p.3)
7:00 pm Lenten Small Group (p.3)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022

10:00 am Weekly Bible Study (Parish Hall)

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022

9:00 am Lenten Small Group (p.3)
12:00 pm Laudato Si' Group Zoom (p.6)
7:00 pm Holy Hour (Adoration & Confession)

FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2022

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross followed by
Soup Supper

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2022

8:15 am Mass (Church) followed by Adoration
& Confession
5:00 pm Mass (Church)

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022

8:00 am Mass (Church)
10:00 am Mass (Outdoors), followed by Food
Truck Fest (p.3)
5:00 pm Mass (Church)

LIVE STREAMING—Each 8:15 daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) will be livestreamed at straymondmp.org, our Facebook and YouTube channels. On the weekend, the Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 10:00 am Masses will be livestreamed.

GET PARISH NEWS VIA TEXT, EMAIL

St. Raymond Parish is adopting a new and improved communication platform that will make it much simpler for you to get information from the parish. The service is called Flocknote and allows you to choose to receive messages via email or text or both.

Text “Raymond” to 84576 or join online at straymondmp.flocknote.com.

Liturgy

Sat., Mar. 19, 5:00 pm William Jekot †

3rd Sunday of Lent

Sun., Mar. 20, 8:00 am Anthony Gutierrez †

10:00 am Armando & Caterina
Maestrini ††

5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Mar. 21, 8:15 am Anthony Gutierrez †

Tue., Mar. 22, 8:15 am Sosefo Afu Veatama †

Wed., Mar. 23, 8:15 am Judy Sinnott †

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop (m)

Thu., Mar. 24, 8:15 am Caterina Maestrini †

Fri., Mar. 25, 8:15 am Harold Curtis †

The Annunciation of the Lord (S)

Sat., Mar. 26, 8:15 am  Fr. Jerome Cudden, O.P.

Sat., Mar. 26, 5:00 pm Gail Blach † & the Blach &
Derry Families, Both Living &
Deceased

4th Sunday of Lent

Sun., Mar. 27, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish

10:00 am Charles Galdes †

5:00 pm Aurelio Maestrini †

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

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

WEEKLY EVENTS

WEEKLY SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY meets on **Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am** in the Parish Hall. The group discusses the readings for the upcoming Sunday. For more information, contact Christine at chrisgalvez@aol.com.

THURSDAY 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.

SATURDAY ADORATION & CONFESSIONS following the 8:15 am morning Mass (approx. 8:45 am to 9:15 am).

Support St. Raymond Church on Amazon Smile. Currently, there are now **23** supporters! Add St. Raymond as your charity at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-1156739>.

LENTEN FAITH-SHARING SMALL GROUPS

Looking to deepen your relationship with God this Lent? Consider joining a Faith-Sharing small group. Groups will meet weekly throughout Lent and will have an opportunity to grow in prayer and deepen one's personal relationship with God during this time of preparation before Easter. We look forward to journeying with you this Lent! Contact Tina Augustine to sign up: taugustine@straymondmp.org or 650-656-0505.

All groups will meet in the St. Raymond Parish Hall.

Mondays at 12-1:15pm
Tuesdays at 7-8:15pm
Thursdays 9-10:15am

Bible Study

MATTHEW: THE KING & HIS KINGDOM



Tuesday, March 22, 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

Video: Session 21
Workbook: 257-260, then 151-154
Bible Reading: Matthew 26

GIVING: ONLINE AND IN PERSON

eGiving provides an opportunity to simplify your stewardship donations through secure automatic giving. You can pay with a credit/debit card or your checking or savings account. Schedule or update recurring donations at straymondmp.org/giving.



FR. JEROME'S 52ND BIRTHDAY FOOD TRUCK FEST

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022
FOLLOWING THE 10 AM MASS



WITH ALL THE STRUGGLES AND CHALLENGES IN OUR WORLD,
LET'S TAKE A FEW HOURS AS A COMMUNITY
TO CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF LIFE AND FAITH.

In lieu of gifts, donations can be made to the Ukrainian relief efforts at opwest.org/ukraine.

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.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS 6:00 PM, OUTDOORS

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

IN THE PARISH HALL
FOLLOWING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



GIVE TO HELP THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE

On Ash Wednesday, the St. Raymond community donated over \$12,000 to help support the efforts in Ukraine. Thank you.

Our Polish Dominican brothers are working tirelessly to provide food, clothes, medical care, and housing in their priories for refugees streaming across the border from Ukraine. Our brothers in Ukraine are also at work providing food and medical supplies to Ukrainians who remain in their homeland.



If you're inspired to also help, please make a gift as soon as possible, and join us in working to alleviate the suffering from the war in Ukraine.

God bless you for your kindness! Donate at <https://opwest.org/ukraine>.

UPDATES FROM UKRAINE

Visit <https://opwest.org/ukraine> for messages from Fr. Jaroslaw Krawiec, O.P., in Kyiv, Ukraine.

SUNDAY READINGS

March 20, 2022 (3rd Sunday of Lent, Year C)

Reading 1: Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

Resp. Psalm: Psalms 103:1-4, 6-8, 11

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/032022-YearC.cfm

March 27, 2022 (4th Sunday of Lent, Year C)

Reading 1: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

Resp. Psalm: Psalms 34:2-7

Reading 2: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/032722-YearC.cfm

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

COVID-19 RENT RELIEF PROGRAM FOR TENANTS AND LANDLORDS

Deadline to Apply Is March 31, 2022

Have you experienced financial hardships due to COVID-19? The CA COVID19 Rent Relief program (https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/) provides free financial assistance to renters impacted by COVID-19 and will pay your landlord for any outstanding rent you owe. DEADLINE TO APPLY IS MARCH 31, 2022. Learn more and apply at HousingIsKey.com or call 833-430-2122.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Discover the Catholic faith! Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). A schedule will be announced in the upcoming weeks. For more information or to sign up, please contact Deacon Tom Kelly at tfk@sbcglobal.net or 650-670-2200. We look forward to welcoming you.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Balvina Gonzalez, Bernice Corcoran, Bonnie Morey, Connie Alvidrez, Diane Mojtehed, Erik Olsen, Gayland Hagy, Janice Hagy, Larry, Luis Mederos, Lynn Bacon, Modesta Cintron, Mary Shepherd, Nony & Penny Bantug, NM, William Cintron, those afflicted with COVID, the homebound, and those who wish not to be named. To add a name to this list, please contact the parish office.



SPRING 2022
Campaign

40 DAYS FOR LIFE/ REDWOOD CITY

March 2 - April 10, 2022

PRAYING FOR AN END TO ABORTION

Daily: 7am - 7pm

Planned Parenthood Redwood City
2907 El Camino Real, Redwood City (on sidewalk)

(650) 918-9119

Sign up: 40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity

ST. RAYMOND PARISH CRAFTERS

Come join us and add your ideas and talents to our group. Our next gathering will be Monday, March 28, at 11 AM. We will again be meeting at the home of Michele Otte on Santa Cruz Avenue.

For more information contact Michele at 650-328-1318 (home) or 650-575-1431 (cell).

ST RAYMOND LENTEN RETREAT CONCLUDES ON EASTER: SAVE THE DATES!

April 14, 15, 16, (Thursday, Friday, Saturday) are the dates of this year's parish retreat, open to all. Join with fellow parishioners—and bring a friend, all are welcome!—to immerse ourselves in the most beautiful moments not only in the life of the Church but in all of Salvation History. Our three-day retreat focuses on:

Day 1: The Last Supper, being Christ's Institution of the Holy Eucharist and the Priesthood;

Day 2: The Passion of Christ, being his suffering and death on the cross;

Day 3: The Resurrection of Christ, being his glorious opening of the gates of heaven to all souls.

These events take place in the evening for ease of access to all:

- Thursday, April 14 @ 7:00 pm in Church
- Friday, April 15 @ 7:00 pm in Church;
- Saturday, April 16 @ 8:00 pm in Church.

Thursday's 7:00 pm Commemoration of the Last Supper/First Eucharist and Institution of the Priesthood ends at approximately 8:15pm and is followed by an "Open House" opportunity for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle until midnight. "Stay with me," our Lord said in the garden as he awaited his greatest trial.

Friday's 7:00 pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion includes Veneration of the Cross, when all the faithful may approach the cross, be quite literally at the foot of the cross to adore it, this "tree on which he died." It ends at approximately 8:15pm in silence, in order that we may carry in our hearts our meditation on his death as we move on into the night.

Saturday's 8:00 pm Commemoration of Christ Our Light begins—no kidding—with a bonfire (you have to see this!), a Great Holy Fire. We bless and light a brand-new Paschal Candle for the first time in this new year, and share the light with all present—every person gets their own candle and bears their own "light of Christ," bringing great light into the evening space of the Church, and signifying the light of the resurrected Christ illumining the whole world. It includes a glorious return in song of The Great Alleluia (a word we have not said for forty days and

nights!) and ends at approximately 9:45pm. 5

If you've been wondering how to embrace more fully this Holy Season of Lent, it's definitely not too late: Mark your calendar for the best retreat you'll ever make!

Register for the Masses at <https://forms.gle/hGRfYm4V6GXFo11o6>.

(Registration is not required! ...but does aid the Parish Office in preparation for these events.)



THE PLACE WHERE YOU STAND IS HOLY GROUND

With these words God called Moses to his prophetic vocation.

- Moses, the man with the fiery temper and the fugitive from the law, seems an unlikely person to receive a summons to intimacy with God and to serve as His spokesman. Moses noticed something unusual (a burning bush) and looked closely, a look that led to a massive change to his life as a peaceful shepherd. And with "Here I am" he begins a new life.
- Paul warns the Corinthians not to imitate the Israelites in the desert and make the mistake of losing faith in God's love and care, and of descending into grumbling.
- Jesus warns his listeners to stop taking God's favor for granted and to repent. The repentance he wants is not self-flagellation or guilt. It's a change in our hearts and consciousness so we can see the world and the Lord himself in a new way. Part of that is the realization that the whole earth is sacred ground, that we must put aside complacency about its future and help the earth, and our souls, bear fruit while we still have the chance. Let's make a *metanoia*, a change in consciousness, part of our Lenten practice – as a step toward caring for our common home.

The bishops of Brazil have pointed out that nature as a whole not only manifests God but is also a locus of his presence. The Spirit of life dwells in every living creature and calls us to enter into relationship with him. Discovering this presence leads us to cultivate the "ecological virtues". (LS 88)

This is the basis of our conviction that, as part of the universe, called into being by one Father, all of us are linked by unseen bonds and together form a universal family, a sublime communion which fills us with a sacred, affectionate and humble respect. (LS 89)

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God appeared to Moses through a bush that was not consumed, but now thousands of acres of the earth's forests are being consumed by fires caused by slash-and-burn clearing for crops like palm oil and grazing for cattle. The trees and bushes that exchange carbon dioxide and oxygen are disappearing due to human consumption, so that our air is more polluted and nature is devastated. NASA has recently published data showing that the earth is trapping heat at an unprecedented rate and that pollution is increasing.

Please join Laudato Si's Thursday Noon Zoom as we learn, discuss and pray for creatures of the earth that are losing their "holy ground" because of human greed and irreverence for God's Creation. <http://bit.ly/LaudatoSiZoom>.

And join us for Stations on the Cross and Soup Supper Friday, March 25.

EMOTIONAL & MENTAL WELLNESS MINISTRY—SPECIAL EDUCATION EVENT!

The Hope & Healing Mental Health Conference being held on **Saturday, April 9th** at Our Lady of Angels Parish in Burlingame, is an opportunity to learn more about mental health challenges and how to support those struggling with mental health issues. The topics that will be discussed include many of the challenges expressed in the parish survey responses. Speakers, including two St. Raymond parishioners, will discuss the ability to manage unexpected changes, depression, psycho-spiritual wellness, suicide prevention, and addictions. **Given that one in five adolescents currently have, or previously had, a seriously debilitating mental challenge, there will be a session about children and youth with the intention of helping parents and loved ones to recognize signs for early intervention.** The keynote session will discuss coping skills and strategies for family members who have loved ones suffering mental health issues.

Members from the St. Raymond Emotional & Mental Wellness Ministry will be attending the conference and there will be opportunities to meet members of the parish and diocese. In addition, there will be mental health organizations that will be providing information at the tables set out during breaks and lunch. We have a few free tickets available for parishioners. Please contact Fr. John or email emwm@straymondmp.org to arrange for a free ticket.

For more information and how to sign up for the conference, please refer to the flyer to the right.



ON THE COVER— Candidates for First Holy Communion show their Our Father prayer posters.



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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)

Ash Wednesday 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 8:45-9:15 am & 3:30-4:30 pm,

Thursdays 7:00-8:00 pm, or by appointment

ADORATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am & Thursday 7:00-8:00 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.