



ST. RAYMOND

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 10, 2022



This Week

MONDAY TO SATURDAY EACH WEEK

8:15 am Mass

TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022

9:00 am Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2022

10:00 am Weekly Bible Study (Zoom)

THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022

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

SATURDAY, JULY 16, 2022

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

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022

8:00 am Mass
10:00 am Mass (Daschbach Field), followed by
Coffee & Donuts
5:00 pm Mass

WEEKLY EVENTS

WEEKLY 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 and the Zoom link, contact Christine at chrisgalvez@aol.com.

THURSDAY & SATURDAY HOLY HOUR is held weekly each **Thursday** from **7:00–8:00 pm** inside the Church and following the Saturday 8:15 am morning Mass (approx. 8:45 am to 9:15 am). Holy Hour consists of Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available.



Liturgy

Sat., July 9, 5:00 pm Puz Nelson †, and the Nelson Family, Both Living & Deceased

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., July 10, 8:00 am Richard Bonino †

10:00 am Bob Ferrando †

5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., July 11, 8:15 am The Galdes & Spiteri Families, Both Living & Deceased

St. Benedict, Abbot (M)

Tue., July 12, 8:15 am Gail Blach † & the Blach & Derry Families

Wed., July 13, 8:15 am Dale MacRunnels †

St. Henry (m)

Thu., July 14, 8:15 am The Galvez, Herboren, & Ritzen Families, Both Living & Deceased

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin (M)

Fri., July 15, 8:15 am Marian Devincenzi

St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (M)

Sat., July 16, 8:15 am Tatafu, Ofa, Watson, and Lolohea † † † †

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (m)

Sat., July 16, 5:00 pm The Caletti & Cormick Families

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., July 17, 8:00 am Doug Walsh †

10:00 am Armando & Caterina Maestrini † †

5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

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

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

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.



MEMORIAL MASS FOR JEAN ASHLEY

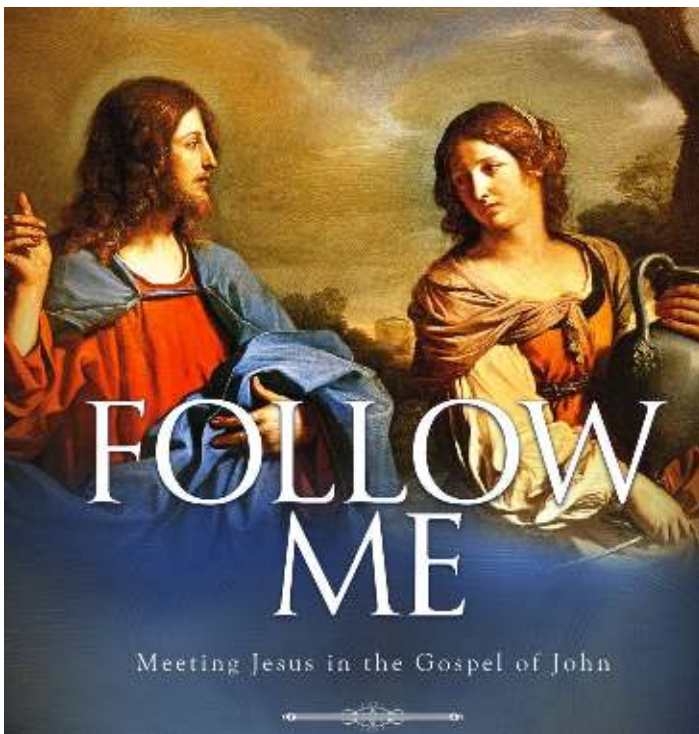
Tuesday, July 26, 2022, 10:30 am, St. Raymond

For information regarding the reception, please contact Mary Ashley at 510-919-7331.

Bible Study

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN IN 4 SESSIONS

Join Fr. Jerome and Fr. John this summer for a 4-session Bible study of the Gospel of John. We will be using *Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John* to guide our study. The *Follow Me Study Set* can be ordered from <https://ascensionpress.com/collections/follow-me-meeting-jesus-in-the-gospel-of-john> for \$24.95 and includes a physical book and digital access to all materials, including 8 session videos.



We will meet **Tuesday evenings** at 7pm every other week on **July 19, August 2, 16, and 30**, covering 2 sessions per meeting. To prepare for the first session on July 19, please read Chapters 1 & 2 of the Gospel of John, up to page 22 in the workbook, and watch the online videos for Sessions 1 & 2. Join us for some summer faith-building discussions on the Gospel of John!

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry 3

St. Raymond Faith Formation and Youth Ministry are in need of the following volunteers:

Religious Education

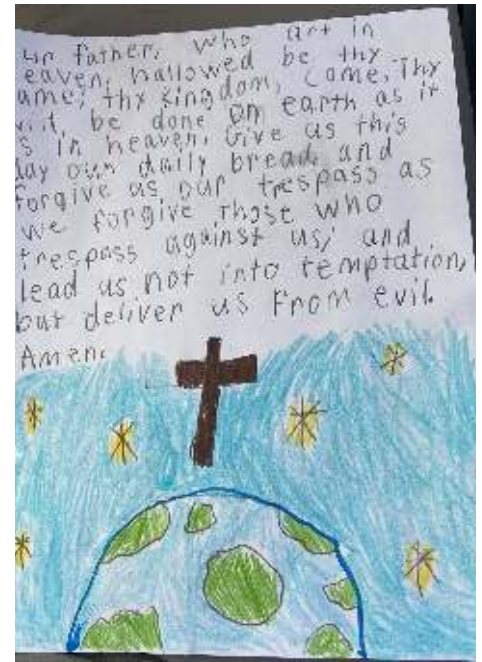
- Catechists
- Assistant Catechists
- Substitute Catechists
- Student Catechists

Youth Group

- Facilitators
- Helpers

Children Liturgy

- Facilitators
- Student Volunteers
- Helpers



Ephesians 2:10 says, "We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."

We serve and volunteer confidently, knowing that God has prepared the way for us!

Please email Neri.Miranda@straymondmp.org if you are interested.



4 Dominican Corner

MERCIFUL LOVE

BY FR. MARTIN GANERI O.P.

Luke's account of the giving of the great double commandment to love God and to love neighbor leads on to the parable of the Good Samaritan. The parable of the Good Samaritan answers the question, which the lawyer poses: 'Who is my neighbor?' And the answer that is given is that our neighbor is anyone to whom we should and do show mercy. When Christ asks the lawyer which of the three, who encountered the man who was beaten and robbed, is his neighbor, he correctly replies: 'The one who showed mercy on him.'

In the Latin language of the Catholic Church the term that is used for mercy is *misericordia*. In the Latin translation of the Bible this is the term that is used in places where either the Hebrew or Greek scriptures talk of the loving kindness, or the mercy and pity, of God for humanity – that inexhaustible love of God that comes to be the hallmark of human experience of God as the life of God's people unfolds in the course of salvation history. And it is *misericordia* that the Latin text has in its version of the parable of the Good Samaritan.

The word, *misericordia*, is often just translated as 'mercy,' but a better way of expressing the relationship it conveys would be the richer phrase of 'merciful love.' The merciful love of God for humanity and hence the merciful love that men and women should have for each other in imitation of their God.

St Thomas Aquinas, says of *misericordia*, of 'merciful love,' that:

A person is said to have merciful love when he has sorrow in his heart, being affected by sorrow at the misery of another, as though it were his own. Hence it follows that he endeavors to dispel the misery of the other person, as if it were his own, and this is the effect of merciful love (*Summa Theologiae* 1.21.3)

Merciful love is then a twofold action. On the one hand, it is to be 'affected by sorrow at the misery of another, as though it were his own.' On the other hand, it does not just stop at the feeling of sorrow or pity for another. Rather, it moves on to 'dispel the misery of the other.' Merciful love is a

powerful force that acts to relieve the misfortunes of others, to dispel the things that compromise their welfare, and to bring about their full flourishing as human beings.

The parable of the Good Samaritan identifies the neighbor as the one to whom we should and can show this merciful love through this twofold action. In all probability the priest and the Levite had compassion on the man in the first sense of feeling sorrow at his sufferings, but it is only the Samaritan who moves on to undertake to alleviate his sufferings and to free him from them.

Now, in the traditional interpretation of the Parable of the Good Samaritan – the Good Samaritan becomes a figure of Christ. And in Christ we see the supreme example of what love of God and love of Neighbor mean. Above all in his Passion, Christ feels all the suffering of humanity as his own, but also works to free us from that suffering and bring us to the fullness of life. Christ embraces our humanity with his divinity. He embraces the hatred and violence that are so much a part of the way human beings treat each other, with his love and self-sacrifice. He embraces death with his life. And in that act of compassion overcomes violence and hatred and death, by means of self-sacrifice, love and life.

So, a richer answer to the Lawyer's question is that our neighbor is the one to whom we should and can show the same merciful love that God shows to all of humanity in Christ. Christ is both the exemplar and the cause of the merciful love that we should show ourselves. Our own experience of God's merciful love for us through the presence of the Spirit of Christ within us is what should then radiate out to our fellow human beings. We become Good Samaritans when our lives become conformed to that of Christ so fully that we do become the instruments of Christ's own mercy in the world.

Fr Martin Ganer, O.P., is the Prior Provincial of the Dominican Province of England.

St. Raymond Emotional & Mental Wellness Ministry
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ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

The blood of martyrs is the seed of saints. Nine years after the Jesuits Isaac Jogues and Jean de Lelande were tomahawked by Iroquois warriors, a baby girl was born near the place of their martyrdom, Auriesville, New York.

Her mother was a Christian Algonquin, taken captive by the Iroquois and given as wife to the chief of the Mohawk clan, the boldest and fiercest of the Five Nations. When she was four, Tekakwitha lost her parents and little brother in a smallpox epidemic that left her disfigured and half blind. She was adopted by an uncle, who succeeded her father as chief. He hated the coming of the Blackrobes—Jesuit missionaries—but could do nothing to them because a peace treaty with the French required their presence in villages with Christian captives. She was moved by the words of three Blackrobes who lodged with her uncle, but fear of him kept her from seeking instruction. Tekakwitha refused to marry a Mohawk brave, and at 19 finally got the courage to take the step of converting. She was baptized with the name Kateri--Catherine--on Easter Sunday.

Now she would be treated as a slave. Because she would not work on Sunday, Kateri received no food that day. Her life in grace grew rapidly. She told a missionary that she often meditated on the great dignity of being baptized. She was powerfully moved by God's love for human beings and saw the dignity of each of her people.

She was always in danger, for her conversion and 5 holy life created great opposition. On the advice of a priest, Kateri stole away one night and began a 200-mile walking journey to a Christian Indian village at Sault St. Louis, near Montreal.

For three years she grew in holiness under the direction of a priest and an older Iroquois woman, giving herself totally to God in long hours of prayer, in charity, and in strenuous penance. At 23, Kateri took a vow of virginity, an unprecedented act for an Indian woman whose future depended on being married. She found a place in the woods where she could pray an hour a day—and was accused of meeting a man there!

Her dedication to virginity was instinctive: Kateri did not know about religious life for women until she visited Montreal. Inspired by this, she and two friends wanted to start a community, but the local priest dissuaded her. She humbly accepted an “ordinary” life. She practiced extremely severe fasting as penance for the conversion of her nation. Kateri Tekakwitha died the afternoon before Holy Thursday. Witnesses said that her emaciated face changed color and became like that of a healthy child. The lines of suffering, even the pockmarks, disappeared and the touch of a smile came upon her lips. She was beatified in 1980 and canonized in 2012.

Courtesy of <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-kateri-tekakwitha>

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Balvina Gonzalez, Bonnie Morey, Connie Alvidrez, Diane Mojtehed, Erik Olsen, Eugene Baciocco, Fely Moore, Irene Sarmiento, Janice Hagy, Joan, Luis Mederos, Lynn Bacon, Modesta Cintron, Mary Shepherd, Nony & Penny Bantug, 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.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Rosary Center: <https://rosarycenter.org/request-prayers> Corpus Christi Monastery: opnunsmenlo.org/request-prayer St. Jude Shrine: <https://stjude-shrine.org/prayer-request>.



Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the first born of all creation. For in Him were created all things, and in Him all things hold together. [Col. 1:15-17]

For this command that I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you...No, it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out. [Deut. 30:11, 14]

This summer we hope many of you are able to enjoy the magnificence of God's creation, whether on a vacation trip, or in just taking time to wander our nearby parks, or the notice the small beauties of your neighborhoods.

We hope it causes you to be in awe of God's generous love for us. Jesus was present at the first creation, and He continues to care for it.



Moses, when telling the people that keeping God's commandments will lead to blessings, comforts them saying the commands are already in our hearts. The core of all commandments is to love God with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself. Jesus teaches that anyone, especially those in need, is our neighbor.

Pope Francis tells us that we need care especially for the poor who are being displaced by climate change. He says we all need an 'ecological conversion' whereby our love and gratitude for Jesus, and all things created through Him, changes our relationship with the most vulnerable of our country and the world, and with all creation. (LS217)



We pray for the grace to reverence all Creation and to foster a spirit of generous care, full of tenderness, and even self-sacrifice, in our efforts to care for the vulnerable of this world and for the precious gift of God's glorious creation which we are called to tend.



LAUDATO SI' WEEKLY ZOOM

Please join our Zoom meetings **each Thursday at noon** to pray, learn, socialize & serve. To join the Zoom Meeting, click here: <http://bit.ly/LaudatoSiZoom>.

GIVING: ONLINE AND IN PERSON

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SUNDAY READINGS

July 10, 2022 (15th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Reading 1: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Resp. Psalm: Psalm 15:2-5 Reading 2: Colossians 1:15-20 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/071022.cfm

July 17, 2022 (16th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Reading 1: Genesis 18:1-10a Resp. Psalm: Psalm 66:1-7, 16, 20 Reading 2: Colossians 1:24-28 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/071722.cfm

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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

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

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

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.