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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | NOVEMBER 6, 2022



*Eternal rest grant  
unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual  
light shine upon  
them.  
May they rest in  
peace. Amen.*

# This Week

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022

8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm Mass

MONDAY TO SATURDAY EACH WEEK

8:15 am Mass

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

9:00 am Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022

10:00 am Weekly Bible Study

7:00 pm Holy Hour (Adoration & Confession)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2022

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

7:15 pm Aquinas 101: What is True Happiness?  
(Chapel) (p.3)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2022

8:15 am Mass followed by Holy Half-Hour  
(Adoration & Conf.) until 9:15 am

5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 5:00 PM MASS

## Thanksgiving Day Mass

Our annual Thanksgiving Day Mass will be held on **Thursday, November 24 at 9:30 am in the Church.**



There will be a Blessing of Food following Mass.

## WEEKLY EVENTS

**Zoom 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, contact Christine at [chrisgalvez@aol.com](mailto:chrisgalvez@aol.com).

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

# Liturgy

**Sat., Nov. 5, 5:00 pm** Cormick & Caletti Families, L&D

*Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Sun., Nov. 6, 8:00 am** Leonore Daschbach †

**10:00 am** Gail Blach †, Sr. Joan Derry †, & the Blach & Derry Families, L&D

**5:00 pm** St. Raymond Parish

**Mon., Nov. 7, 8:15am**  Jonah Rhodes

*All Saints of the Order of Preachers (F)*

**Tue., Nov. 8, 8:15 am** Ethel Schaaf †

*Anniversary of Deceased Brothers & Sisters of the Order of Preachers*

**Wed., Nov. 9, 8:15 am**  Stephanie Lane

*The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (F)*

**Thu., Nov. 10, 8:15 am** Kathleen Jacobson †

*St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church (M)*

**Fri., Nov. 11, 8:15 am** Guido Budelli †

*St. Martin of Tours, Bishop (M)*

**Sat., Nov. 12, 8:15 am**  Fr. Ambrose Sigman, O.P.

*St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr (M)*

**Sat., Nov. 12, 5:00 pm** Puz & Harold Nelson ††, and the Nelson Family, L&D

*Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Sun., Nov. 13, 8:00 am**  Mary Ann Egging

**10:00 am** Leopold Mirek †

**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.



**ON THE COVER—** Word cloud with the names of the deceased in our parish. The names in red are those who have passed in the last 12 months (approximately). Sorry for misspellings or names not included. Placement and size was determined randomly by a computer.

# Aquinas

## HOW TO BE HAPPY

NEXT: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 7 PM IN THE CHAPEL

Happiness is what everyone wants. But how do we achieve it? In this series, we will be digging into the practical wisdom of the wonderful Dominican saint, Thomas Aquinas. Drawing from ancient philosophy and Scripture, Aquinas shows us the timeless path to human flourishing.



This week our series continues with a presentation by Br. Anthony entitled: *What is My Purpose?*



Life is most difficult when we feel lost and aimless. But with the help of St. Thomas Aquinas, we will discuss how to find our God-given purpose. Even in the midst of our sufferings, we can find happiness when we know why we're here and what God has in store for us.

Mark your calendars for the following discussions:

11/10 What is My Purpose?

11/17 The Four Keys to a Good Life

Presentations are **Thursday evenings at 7 pm** in the Chapel and will be hosted by Br. Anthony. All are welcome.



The Book of Remembrance will be available again this November. You can also submit a copy of a photo of your deceased loved one into the office, or email your photo to [jsanchez@straymondmp.org](mailto:jsanchez@straymondmp.org).

# Speaker Series <sup>3</sup>

## THE NAME OF JESUS AS EARLY CHRISTIAN PRAYER

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 7:15 PM, CHAPEL

PRECEDED BY POTLUCK, 6:15 PM, PARISH HALL

For centuries Christian ascetics have struggled to fulfill the Scriptural command to pray without ceasing. One such solution was to turn to the name of Jesus itself as a prayer during times of struggle and difficulty. This talk will examine this tradition, its spiritual and theological foundations, as it was practiced in the early centuries of the Church, and will attempt to offer some insight into how such practices could be adapted for the use of contemporary Christians.



**Fr. Ambrose Sigman, O.P.**, has been a Dominican since 2006. After his ordination to the priesthood, he spent two years as the parochial vicar at St Raymond in Menlo Park before going off for doctoral studies. Having completed his studies at the Pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome, Fr. Ambrose is now a professor at the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology in Berkeley, CA.

There will be a potluck prior to the talk at 6:15 pm in the Parish Hall.

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DETAILS COMING SOON...

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022, 11 AM

**OUTDOORS AFTER  
10 AM OUTDOOR MASS**

# 4 Dominican Corner

## THE PERFECT PRAYER

HOW DO I PRAY WELL, EVEN PERFECTLY? BR. ANTHONY MARIA AKERMAN, O.P. OFFERS A REPLY TO THIS PERENNIAL QUESTION.

What is prayer? The Catechism says it is the raising of the heart and mind to God. (CCC 2559)

To know God is our ultimate purpose. "This is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." (John 17:3) For when the soul sees God in the beatific vision, we are, in fact, united to him. "We shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is," says St. John. (1 John 3:2) And so in this life our highest activity is to fix our attention on God, to meditate upon him in prayer.

Therefore the Rosary, if said well, is the most powerful and effective prayer, because it directs our hearts and minds to God in the most excellent way.

First, the Rosary engages our whole self. With the beads in our fingers, a crucifix before our eyes, and a litany of "Hail Marys" on our lips, all the external senses are engaged. The spiritual powers of the soul (our intellect and our will) are now freed to be directed toward their highest end: God himself.

Everything in the Rosary serves this ultimate purpose, which is to meditate on God who became incarnate in the person of Jesus Christ. Our soul is transformed, it is conformed to Christ, as we unite ourselves to him in prayerful meditation. As St. Paul says, "All of us, gazing with unveiled face on the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image." (2 Cor. 3:18)

This is the hidden treasure of the Rosary. Sadly, many fail to share in its wonderful fruit because they never pass beyond the mere externals of recitation. We often forget that Scripture teaches that the highest form of prayer is not in words but in the wordless work of the Holy Spirit within us. "For we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings." (Rom. 8:26-27)

And the Rosary is especially powerful because it leads us to Jesus through Mary, the perfect disciple. Mary is the model of prayer because she is the one who was constant in her meditation. As she beheld the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, she

continually "cherished all these things in her heart." (Luke 2:19, 51)

We, like Mary, must conceive Christ in our souls and carry him to the world. We, like Mary, must share in his sufferings and be crucified with Christ. And by this path, we too, with Jesus and Mary, will be raised to new life and taken up into glory.

Understood in this way, we can affirm with St. Louis de Montfort: "If you say the Rosary faithfully until death, I do assure you that, in spite of the gravity of your sins you shall receive a never fading crown of glory."

Source: [opwest.org](http://opwest.org)



**GIVE THE GIFT OF WARMTH!**

# COAT DRIVE

St. Raymond families, start your spring cleaning early and drop off all your gently used coats! Please help us collect as many coats as possible!

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- \* Heavy Coats
- \* jackets/pullovers
- \* Rain Coats ...

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## EXPERIENCED GOD RECENTLY?

We would love to add brief, personal, parishioner stories to our weekly bulletin! Titled "God Moments," these short reflections will help our parish family get to know one another better. If you have been blessed by a special grace recently, received an answer to prayer, or experienced a moment of divine peace, please consider sharing it by emailing your "God Moment" to [bulletin@straymondmp.org](mailto:bulletin@straymondmp.org).



Clockwise from top left 1) Joseph Kaufman receives his First Holy Communion on Saturday, October 29, 2022. 2 & 3) Fr. John and Fr. Jerome bless the new church doors following the 10 am Mass on October 30, 2022. 4) St. Raymond students celebrate All Saints with a procession at the morning Mass. 5) Thank you St. Raymond parishioners for supporting our Diaper Drive this October.

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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](mailto:office@straymondmp.org) or register online at [www.straymondmp.org/register](http://www.straymondmp.org/register).

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

Discover the Catholic faith! Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Did you not receive the sacrament of Confirmation? You're welcome too! We meet Sundays at 9 am. For more information, please contact Deacon Tom Kelly at [tfk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tfk@sbcglobal.net) or 650-670-2200.



Today's readings offer **faith** and **hope**, **courage** in suffering, and **trust** in eternal life.

As Pope Francis points out in *Laudato Si'*, our world is suffering at the hands of humans – those actually entrusted with its stewardship. For those of us who lament environmental degradation like climate change, and those who experience it first-hand, it is understandably easy to become discouraged. Yet, as signs of the climate crisis multiply, we turn to the words of St. Paul: “but the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one.” (2Thes. 3:3)

*May our struggles and concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope. God, who calls us to generous commitment offers us the light and the strength needed to continue on our way. In the heart of this world, the Lord of life, who loves us so much, is always present. He does not abandon us, he does not leave us alone . . . his love constantly impels us to find new ways forward. Praise be to him! (L.S.244, 245)*

Let us pray for renewed solidarity between all countries and their leaders, that they, and we, may not become discouraged when faced with complex problems, but work for solutions that will benefit all the inhabitants of the planet.

Please visit the Laudato Si' Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/St.R.MenloPark>



## PRAYERS



As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Bonnie Morey, Connie Alvidrez, Janice Hagy, Lynn Bacon, Mary Shepherd, Modesta Cintron, Nony & Penny Bantug, Jesus Garber, William Cintron, the homebound, and those who wish not to be named.

We also pray for those recently deceased including Elaine Knapp, Guido Budelli, Leonore Daschbach, Ethel Schaaf, Jean Ashley, Bernice Corcoran, Puz & Harold Nelson, Fely Moore, Sr. Joan Derry, Joseph Ni, Gene F. Straube, and Eugene Baciocco.

To add a name to these lists, please contact the Parish Office.

## St. Raymond Children's Choir

**Serving Sundays @ 10:00am Mass;**  
**Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 2022 @ 4:00pm;**  
**Epiphany, Sun., Jan. 8, 2023**

REHEARSALS: THURSDAYS, 5:30 - 6:10pm (40 minutes) in Parish Hall

**...only six (6) rehearsals until Christmas Eve!**

Must be a member and attending rehearsals to participate at Christmas and Epiphany.

A parent/guardian must be present during these 40 minutes; parents may coordinate with another participating family to be one another's proxy as the need may arise. This is for: 1) the protection of minors and; 2) the limited rehearsal time to be uninterrupted by individual children's needs. A space in the Hall will be prepared to accommodate waiting parents. We have wi-fi and a Keurig!

## GIVING: ONLINE AND IN PERSON

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## CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays 5:00 pm Vigil

Sundays 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm

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

Holy Days 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

### RECONCILIATION

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

Wednesday 7-8 pm, or by appointment

### ADORATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am & Wednesday 7-8 pm

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

*Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755.*

### BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

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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.

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