



# ST. RAYMOND

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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2nd Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2023



# Upcoming Events

## MONDAY TO SATURDAY EACH WEEK

8:15 am Mass

## SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023

8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm Mass  
9:00 am Faith-Sharing Group (8th Grade Classroom)

## MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023

9:00 am Legion of Mary (Library)

## TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023

7:00 pm Faith-Sharing Group (Parish Hall)

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023

9:30 am Faith-Sharing Group (Youth Center)  
10:00 am Weekly Bible Study  
12:15 pm Senior Mass (Church)  
1:00 pm Senior Bingo & Lunch (Parish Hall)  
7:00 pm Holy Hour

## THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023

12:00 pm Laudato Si' Group Zoom  
7:00 pm Men's Ministry Kickoff (Youth Center)

## FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Church)  
6:45 pm Soup Supper

## SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration and Confession  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm Super Donation Weekend for Rummage Sale  
3:30 pm Confession  
5:00 pm Mass

## SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023

8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm Mass  
9:00 am Youth Jam - Heal Your Brokenness with Tim Harris  
9:00 am Faith-Sharing Group (8th Grade Classroom)  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm Super Donation Weekend for Rummage Sale

## WEEKEND OF MARCH 18-19, 2023

10th Annual St. Raymond Rummage Sale

# Mass Intentions

Sat., Mar. 4, 5:00 pm Puz & Harold Nelson  
† †, & Family L&D

## *2nd Sunday of Lent*

Sun., Mar. 5, 8:00 am The Papa Family, L&D  
10:00 am Armando & Caterina Maestrini † †  
5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Mar. 6, 8:15 am Sr. Joan Derry †, & the Derry Family L&D

Tue., Mar. 7, 8:15 am The Lopez Family, L&D

## *Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs (m)*

Wed., Mar. 8, 8:15 am Anthony Della Morte †  
St. John of the Cross, Religious (m)

12:15 pm Lorraine Macchello

Thu., Mar. 9, 8:15 am The Spiteri & Galdes Families, L&D

## *St. Frances of Rome, Religious (m)*

Fri., Mar. 10, 8:15 am Jane Bjork

Sat., Mar. 11, 8:15 am Alice Pickard 100th 

Sat., Mar. 11, 5:00 pm David Dioli †

## *3rd Sunday of Lent*

Sun., Mar. 12, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish  
10:00 am Guido & Florence Budelli † †

5:00 pm Sr. Joan Derry †, & the Derry Family L&D

**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, Grace Cunningham, Janet Jurian, Connie Williams, the homebound, and those who wish not to be named. To add a name, please contact the Parish Office.

# The Good Life

Mondays 7 pm in the Chapel, March 6-27

God made us and knows us better than we know ourselves. And he has given us instruction on how to live our best life in accordance with the way he made us. This law is written on the heart of every person, but sometimes it can become confused or distorted.

Br. Anthony Maria Akerman, O.P., will guide us through God's Word and the timeless wisdom of St. Thomas Aquinas to uncover how to live happily in harmony with God's design.



Mark your calendars for all four parts of our series:

- 3/6 The Law of Liberty: How the Ten Commandments Lead us to True Freedom
- 3/13 What Do You Worship?: Understanding Universal Truths about Religion
- 3/20 Holy Family, Happy Family: God's Guidance for Spouses, Parents, and Children
- 3/27 Building a Better Society: Catholic Principles for Making the World a Better Place

Presentations are **Monday evenings at 7pm** in the Chapel. All are welcome!

## Holy Week 2023

**PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023**

**APRIL 6-8, 2023**

8:15 am Tenebrae

**HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023**

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2023**

12:00 pm Tre Ore  
7:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023**

10:00 am Blessing of the Easter Food

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

**EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023**

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



St. Thomas Aquinas



# Lenten Bible-Based Faith-Sharing Groups

This Lent, the St. Raymond community will be embarking on a journey together. Over the course of five weeks, we will be offering several opportunities to join a faith-sharing group and to learn together the best way to simply understand and to share our faith.

Who is Jesus? What does his life, death, and resurrection mean for me? How can I be in the right relationship to God? These questions and more will be discussed and answered in clear and compelling ways. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to dig deeper, this series offers you an opportunity to get back to the basics.

Groups will be held at the following times:

Sundays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays
9 am 8th Grade Classroom with Br. Anthony	7 pm Parish Hall with a Dominican	9:30 am Youth Center with Tina Augustine
3/5 3/12 3/19 3/26	3/7 3/14 3/21 3/28	3/8 3/15 3/22 3/29

## Legion of Mary

**New Day!** The Legion of Mary meets every Monday at 9:00 am in the parish library adjacent to the parish hall. Feel free to join us and learn more about the Legion of Mary.

The Legion of Mary is a world-wide organization of the lay apostolate, in which Catholic men, women and youth sanctify themselves through prayer and apostolic work in union with Our Lady under the guidance of a priest.

The Legion of Mary was first organized in Dublin, Ireland, on September 7, 1921.

St. Dominic

# Men's Ministry Kickoff

Thursday, March 9, 7:00 pm  
Youth Center

We'll begin meeting again on Thursday, March 9, at 7:00 PM in the Youth Center - across the courtyard from the Parish Center. Our mission, as before, is to grow spiritually, serve the parish and community, and hang out! Come hear our plans to continue this wonderful ministry - we hope to see you there!

## Are you over 35?

St. Raymond is excited to announce a new ministry coming soon. If you are over the age of 35 and looking for like-minded Catholics to have great fellowship and conversation, this is the group for you! We will begin meeting right after the Lenten season starting April 12 at 5:30. More details to follow, but please come and join us and feel free to stay for holy hour at 7 pm! Email [Hallie@straymondmp.org](mailto:Hallie@straymondmp.org).

## Under 35?

No problem, St. Raymond also has a young adult group. Please reach out and we will get you connected! [Hallie@straymondmp.org](mailto:Hallie@straymondmp.org).

## Way over 35?

# Senior Bingo

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

12:15 pm - Senior Mass  
1:00 pm - Bingo &  
Lunch

Please join us on Wednesday, March 8 for a special Mardi Gras gathering of STARS Senior Bingo. We will begin in the church at 12:15 pm for a senior Mass. Following Mass we will offer the beautiful sacrament of the anointing of the sick for those that wish to participate. We will then move to the Parish Center for a light lunch and delicious treats. Bring a friend or two to join in the fun with this wonderful group - all are welcome!! If you have any questions, please contact Karyn Leahy [leahyfamily@msn.com](mailto:leahyfamily@msn.com)



The 10th Annual, World Famous, St. Raymond Rummage Sale will be held the weekend of **March 18-19**. We are currently collecting GENTLY USED - LIKE NEW - BRAND NEW items in the Cool Box donation container located in the school's faculty parking lot. It is open Monday-Friday from 8:00-3:30 making it easy for you to donate anytime from drop off to pick up, or on Sunday mornings between 10:00-11:30. Proceeds benefit parish ministries.

### SUPER DONATION WEEKEND

Super Donation Weekend is March 11-12 between 11-3, when you can drop off small furniture or large quantities of donations directly into the school gym. We also need non-wire hangers, plastic/paper bags, lidded plastic storage containers, packing material, and cardboard boxes. Unfortunately, we can't accept mattresses, sofas or other large furniture, children's car seats, or cribs. For a complete list of desired donations, please see the attachment or fliers in the church. All donations are tax-deductible.

### WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Looking for a fun way to get to know fellow parishioners and serve our parish community? Sign up to volunteer and help make this year's Rummage Sale a HUGE success! We have lots of dates and time slots available, so grab some friends and volunteer together! Simply CLICK HERE: <https://delivr.com/2sqep> We REALLY need help the weekend of the Rummage Sale, March 18-19. You could also help on Super Donation Weekend, March 11-12, and by helping to set up and organize merchandise during the week leading up to the sale. We look forward to working with you at the largest fundraiser and community builder in the parish. Thank you in advance for generously donating items AND for volunteering your time to make this year's sale our biggest one yet!

# St. Vincent de Paul

A huge thank you to the St. Raymond community, which came together to donate over \$3,000 to the St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) St. Raymond Conference during the last weekend of January.

SVDP's main source of funds come from "Fifth Sunday" donation weekends throughout the year, of which there are usually four. The conference uses these funds to provide rental assistance, food, food vouchers, clothing, and many other goods and resources for local residents in need. Thank you and may God bless you all!

Our next 5th Sunday is April 30, 2023, but you can always donate online at <https://straymondmp.org/donate>.



Thank you parishers for helping collect \$2,900 on our Ash Wednesday special collection benefitting Catholic Relief Services' efforts in Turkey and Syria. On February 6, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake devastated large areas of central Turkey and northwest Syria.

To support the effort, you can donate at <https://support.crs.org/donate/earthquakes>.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION MARCH 19



### ST. RAYMOND YOUTH JAM

# HEAL YOUR BROKENNESS

*with Tim Harris*

Sunday, March 12, 2023, 9 am  
Fenced Patio Area

Open to All Kids Grades 7-12



**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.

**LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS**—Low-gluten hosts are available at each Mass. Please visit the presiding priest's Communion line to receive the low-gluten host.

# Ash Wednesday 2023



## Fish Fry 2023

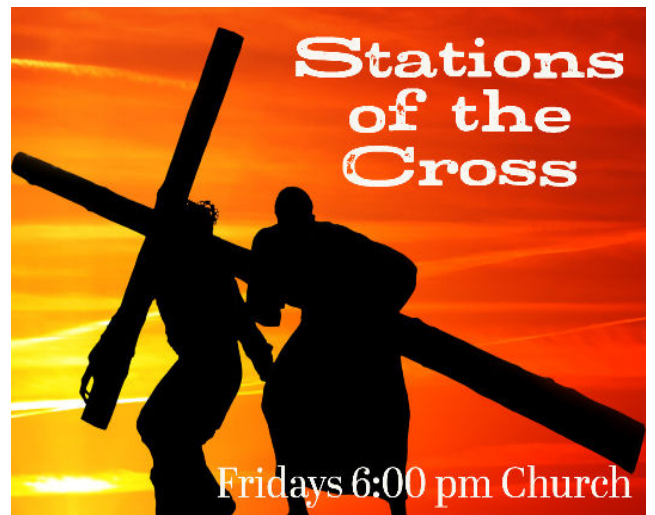


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As a parish community, we pray for those preparing for their First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

First Communion Mass: Saturday, May 20, 2023, 10:00 am

Confirmation Mass: Saturday, April 29, 2023, 5:00 pm

### First Holy Communicants

Adrianna Colorado  
Ainhoa Ruiz-Guzman  
Alvaro Menendez  
Annie Breslin  
Augustus Simkins  
Brooks Given  
Casey Heffernan  
Chloe Kenny  
Cooper Albrecht  
Dante Delfino  
Easton Morrison  
Ellie Johnson  
Emma Gundling  
Emma Salas Garcia  
Gianna Harter  
Grace Mount  
Grayson Supinski  
Henry Padrez  
Jake Ananyi  
Jameson Wright  
John Fee  
Maddison Russo  
Madeline Howard  
Madison Holder  
Maria Niewiadomska  
Matthew An  
McKenna Murfit  
Mila Green  
Noah Johnson  
Palmer Evans  
Patrick Low Ah Kee  
Pierce Howard

Piper White  
Rafael Rodrigo  
Reagan Danielewicz  
Stella Arata  
Waverley Blosser  
William Hesting  
William Kostal

### Confirmation Candidates

Allison Bernstein  
Alberto De Bernardis  
Amelia Letsinger  
Anabelle Baban  
Andrew Radzilowski  
Annalia Hood  
Caitlyn Kavanaugh  
Caroline Craig  
Caroline Selna  
Cate Hansen  
David Sala  
Dylan Fluharty  
Dylan Glanville  
Elizabeth King  
Emily Lara  
Emme Linthwaite  
Fiona Lempres  
Gabriela Colorado  
Gia Cevasco  
Grant Curtis  
Hadley Mahon  
Jack Hansen  
Jack Merkert  
Jamie Johnson

Kaitlyn Frauenhofer  
Katherine King  
Kiernan Hogan  
Kiley McGibben  
Kyle Sweeney  
Luca De Bernardis  
Luca Sikaffy  
Luke Brodeur  
Luke Coyle  
Maddie Slocum  
Nellie Cassel  
Nora Still  
Olivia Capasso  
Olivia Suarez  
Preston Henry  
Samantha White  
Sean Merrick Ward  
Sophia Jurian  
Teddy Parrett  
Tinsley Perica  
Victoria Sanchez



# DOMINICAN CORNER

## Cultivating a Healthy Sense of Shame

### Can shame be healthy?

By Br. Elias Guadalupe Ford, O.P.

Shame has a bad rap these days. If you're Catholic, or were raised so, you're probably familiar with the idea of "Catholic guilt." Typically, the term refers to a feeling of shame caused by a Catholic upbringing. Sometimes, this shame is treated as an emotion to be avoided at all costs, a psychological handicap to be healed from. This is sometimes true. Many feel a disproportionate sense of shame, and this is often the result of abuse or scrupulosity. In these cases, professional help might be needed. But like many things in our society, where there's an excess in one part, there's a deficiency in another. And if Aristotle was right to say that virtue is the mean between these two extremes, perhaps this Lent we can put the emotion (or "passion") of shame in its rightful place.

First, a definition. St. Thomas Aquinas defines shame (*verecundia*) as a subcategory of the passion of fear, specifically, of the disgrace for having done something.[1] Now, like any passion, shame can be rightly-ordered, or wrongly-ordered. If you feel shame at school lunch for sitting at the nerdy table rather than the preppy table, that's probably a bad kind of shame. But if you feel shame after cheating on your spouse, that's the good kind!

Shame, like any other emotion such as anger or joy, can direct us to the good. What good is that? God. The New Testament refers to repentance with the

word *metanoia*, "changing one's view." [2] If we take Thomas' description [3] of sin as a "turning away" from the Eternal Good, and towards finite goods, shame can help to change our view, to turn our gaze away from distracting idols, to the enduring, fulfilling Good that is God.

Having said that, we're not meant to perpetually have a feeling of shame. Shame wasn't part of the picture when God first made Adam and Eve. [4] The Psalms remind us of this: "O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed." [5] God does not want us to feel shame. He wants to free us from it. What's the best way to shake off those bad feelings? Scripture tells us: "I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all thy commandments." [6]

So if we don't have our eyes fixed on God's commandments, let's "change our view." If you feel shame after gossiping, or indulging in too much food, or not keeping custody of your eyes, maybe it's time to confess and make amends. Let's change our gaze, turning away from the idols that distract us, and towards God, especially as he manifests himself to us through our neighbor, for "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." [7] Then we can say with confidence: "The Lord God will help me... and I know that I shall not be ashamed." [8]

[1] ST I-II q. 41 a. 4 [2] e.g. Matthew 3:2, John the Baptist says, "Repent!" [3] e.g. De Malo IV a.1 [4] Genesis 2:25 [5] Psalm 25:2 [6] Psalm 119:6 [7] Matthew 25:40 [8] Isaiah 50:7

**Taizé prayer** is a simple form of Christian prayer in which we gather around the cross in candlelight to share scripture, chants, silence, and prayer. It is based on the daily prayer of the ecumenical religious community in Taizé, France, which was founded in the aftermath of World War II to promote reconciliation and peace.

We are restarting our program with a Lenten service. If you are familiar with it, enrich your celebration of Lent by sharing this prayer in our parish community. If you have not experienced it before, give yourself the gift of prayer and peace by trying it – all are welcome!! **Thursday, March 23, 7:15 pm in the chapel.**

The Taizé Prayer Service is: "...a meditative common prayer with, as its high point, singing that never ends and that continues in the silence of one's heart when one is alone again...awakening us to heaven's joy on earth." -- Brother Roger of Taizé

Parish Craft Group  
2nd & 4th Mondays  
11 am

Email [michele\\_otte@hotmail.com](mailto:michele_otte@hotmail.com) for information.



In his letter to Timothy, Paul encourages him to be strong in doing the work that God gave him. As Christians, we are called to work to protect God's creation, especially to relieve the

suffering of those whose lives are most vulnerable to climate change. This is a work of love. It isn't easy, but it can help protect "our common home" for generations to come.

As "Laudato Si" continues our reading of Betsy Painter's *Christian Guide to Planet Earth*, especially chapter 2, on endangered species, we were introduced to the concept of haecceity: the traits and essence of a created thing that are unique to that particular being, its divinely given originality. Romans 1:20 says, "For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made." Each species is a part of the puzzle of God's manifested glory in nature and should be safeguarded and cherished as such. (p.23)

During the season of Lent, we are invited to focus our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Each can be a catalyst for renewal and growth in our love of God and care for His Creation.

**Prayer:** Loving Lord of heaven and earth, Thank you for the diversity of all you have made. Help us to love all your creatures and care for them with love, wisdom, and gentleness.



**Fasting:** perhaps from meat, due to the high use of resources to produce meat, or "fasting" from single-use plastics, unnecessary energy usage.

**Almsgiving:** You can contribute financially to an organization that strives to protect endangered animals and habitats. Or give TIME instead of money to participate in local habitat clean-ups or renewal projects.

Join us Thursdays at noon during Lent as we discuss *The Christian's Guide to Planet Earth, Laudato Si'* - Zoom <http://bit.ly/LaudatoSiZoom>.

## HEY BUDDY, CAN YOU SPARE \$20?

In December, we mailed you our financial report for the 2021-2022 year. If you did not get your copy, please stop by the parish office to pick one up. Our report detailed how well we did financially the last fiscal year. For instance, we finished our fiscal year \$81,611 in the black, with healthy reserves in our savings. Praise God! Keep in mind, we accomplished this fiscal reality in a semi-COVID world, while adding staff members to serve you better, and with no Fall Drive. Giddy up! Thank you for your generosity.

At the end of December, we closed our financial books for the first half of the 2022-2023 fiscal year. For the first six months of our fiscal year, we ran a deficit of \$17,769 or \$2,961 a month overall. Our annual budget is \$1,620,670. Thus, our current deficit is a mere 1%. While this deficit is small, it is still a deficit, and I strongly dislike deficits.

I am writing to ask each family to consider adding \$20 a month to their monthly donation. This would eliminate our deficit and give us a little cushion. If you are able to do more, then we have more money to serve you better.

Also, if you are not already, please consider signing up for recurring, monthly electronic donations at [straymondmp.org/giving](http://straymondmp.org/giving) or use the QR code below. Electronic donations allow us to have a dependable income and budget more precisely to serve you better.

Thank you for considering my requests and all you do for our community. See you at Mass!

God bless,  
Fr. Jerome



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**Now until Palm Sunday, April 2,  
2023, Redwood City**

The Redwood City campaign of 40 Days for Life has begun. It is being held at the public right-of-way outside of Planned Parenthood, 2907 El Camino Real, Redwood City.

For those unacquainted with this program, it is a peaceful prayer and fasting vigil in front of an abortion business where we gather and visibly pray for 12 hours per day for 40 straight days, rain or shine. There must be at least TWO people present at all times. We hold signs (a variety are provided), to indicate the reason for our presence. Two chairs are provided for those needing to sit. We have brochures for a nearby pregnancy care center for those who ask us for information or help. We also sign a form indicating that we will be peaceful and obey the laws as any good citizen would.

Complete information is available at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity> or you can contact Jessica at [themunns@yahoo.com](mailto:themunns@yahoo.com).

# WELCOME



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 [straymondmp.org/register](http://straymondmp.org/register).

If you enjoy helping others and enjoying making others feel welcome, please join our Welcome Committee! Email Hallie Colorado at [hallie@straymondmp.org](mailto:hallie@straymondmp.org).

## 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 (Holy Half-Hour)  
& 3:30-4:30 pm  
Wednesday 7-8 pm (Holy Hour), or by  
appointment

## ADORATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am (Holy Half-Hour)  
Wednesday 7-8 pm (Holy Hour)

## 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.