



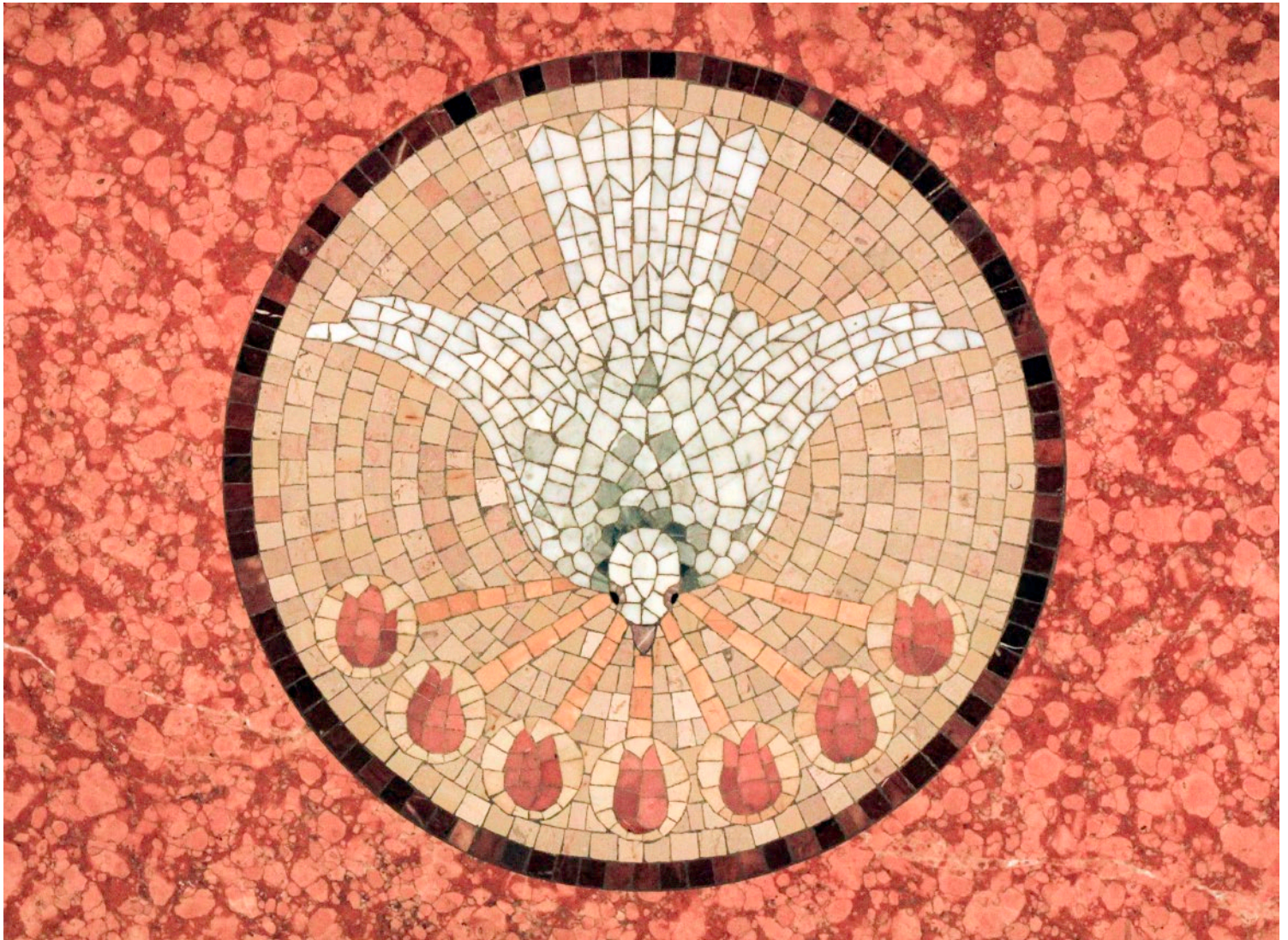
ST. RAYMOND

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY DOMINICAN FRIARS



6th Sunday of Easter - May 25, 2025



Town Hall Meetings

June 1, 2025 after 10 am & 5 pm Masses

SURVEY RESULTS, Q&A & MORE



This Week

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration & Confession until 9:15 am
5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

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

MONDAY-SATURDAY

8:15 am Mass

MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025

Parish Office Closed
11:00 am Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery Menlo Park
6:00 pm Legion of Mary (Hall)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025

10:00 am Bible Study
7:00 pm Catholic in Recovery (p. 7)
7:00 pm Mercy Night (Confession & Adoration)

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration & Confession until 9:15 am
10:00 am Mary's Retreat (p.6)
5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

8:00 am Mass
10:00 am Mass
11:00 am Town Hall Meeting (Hall)
5:00 pm Mass
6:00 pm Town Hall Meeting (Hall)

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Fr. Eugene Sousa, O.P.

He resided at the Dominican community at Arbor House until a few years ago. His funeral will be Tuesday, June 3, 2025 at 10:30 am at St. Dominic's Catholic Church, Benicia.

Mass Intentions

Sat., May 24, 5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sun., May 25, 8:00 am Teleisia † & Kuea Liti
10:00 am Judy Nord †
5:00 pm Fr. Reginald Martin, O.P. †

Mon., May 26, 8:15 am George Habit †
St. Philip Neri, Priest (M)

11:00 am Lynn Bacon †

Memorial Day Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery Menlo Park

Tue., May 27, 8:15 am Fr. Christopher Fadok, O.P. 🎂
St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (m)

Wed., May 28, 8:15 am Luke DuRussel †

Thu., May 29, 8:15 am St. Michael in thanksgiving
St. Paul VI, Pope (m)

Fri., May 30, 8:15 am Fr. Christopher Fadok, O.P. 🎂

Sat., May 31, 8:15 am Hugo & Lorraine Macchello ††
The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (F)

Sat., May 31, 5:00 pm Audrey Froehlich †
The Ascension of Our Lord (World Communications Day)

Sun., June 1, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish
10:00 am Veronica & Clarence Wallace ††
5:00 pm Sharon Kennedy Gerlach †

S - Solemnity; F - Feast; M - Obligatory Memorial; m - Optional Memorial;
L&D - Living & Deceased

PRAYERS

As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Jackie, Nony & Penny Bantug, Anda-Louise Bozda, John Caletti, Modesta Cintron, William Cintron, Alessandra Colorado, Beverly Crawford, Andrea Edwards, Grace Cunningham, Ella DeLaMare, Maureen DeMoss, Esther Falsario, Anthony Galdes, Estela Gallegos, Anna Greco, Janice Hagy, David Huntzinger, Sandra Lecha, Bonnie Morey, Red Morrow, Anjuli Nunn, Glenn Olsen, Leo Paule, Nora Semaan, Mary Shepherd, Joli Stieber, Connie Sutton, Karel Sykora, Connie Williams, the homebound, those in our local hospitals and skilled nursing facilities, and those who wish not to be named.

We also pray for the recently deceased Fr. Reginald Martin, O.P.

To add a name, please contact the Parish Office.



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Memorial Day Mass 2025

Monday, May 26
11 am

Holy Cross Cemetery
Menlo Park

Join us under the big tree for our annual Memorial Day Mass. Parking is very limited so come early.

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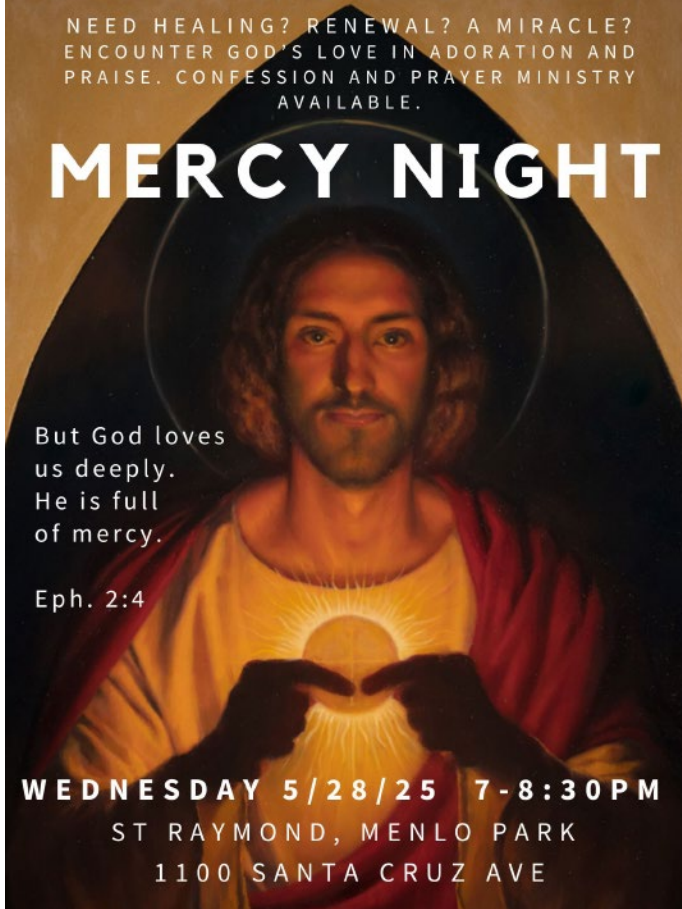
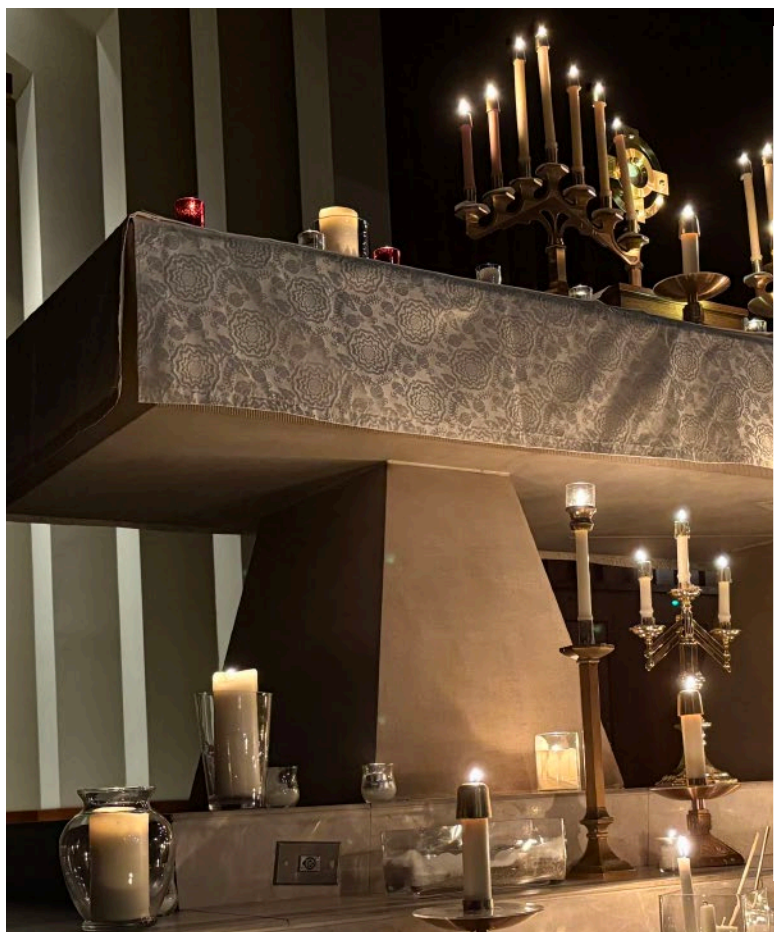
NEED HEALING? RENEWAL? A MIRACLE?
ENCOUNTER GOD'S LOVE IN ADORATION AND
PRAISE. CONFESSION AND PRAYER MINISTRY
AVAILABLE.

MERCY NIGHT

But God loves
us deeply.
He is full
of mercy.

Eph. 2:4

WEDNESDAY 5/28/25 7-8:30 PM
ST RAYMOND, MENLO PARK
1100 SANTA CRUZ AVE

What is Mercy Night?

Ever have trouble praying? Feel like you don't know what to do or say? **Mercy Night** is a beautiful evening guided prayer with music and Scripture. It is a great event to invite people who have been away from the Church or who are curious about Christianity. After several years of running these, I can attest that God works incredible miracles through them. At our Lenten Mercy Night, a man heard the music as he was walking down Santa Cruz and he walked in and asked what was going on. The parishioner explained "this is a time of prayer where you can enjoy the peaceful presence of God by going to the altar to light a candle and pick a Bible verse. You could also take off a burden through confession, or share what you are going through with a prayer team." He responded, "I'm going to do it all!" and he did. During the social gathering afterwards he said that this was the best night of his life. God is generous; he wants to work miracles in your life. Come to Mercy Night with expectant faith and bring a friend. - Br. John Paul.

DOMINICAN CORNER

PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU

Do we truly believe that Jesus has given us His peace? Br. Peter Pius Chu, O.P., reflects on the Gospel for the Sixth Sunday of Easter.

There are many things to be worried about—from those smaller, maybe insignificant concerns such as what to wear, what to say, to those maybe larger concerns such as how to get by, how to feed the family, how to pay the bills, and even the grave injustices and social ills that are present all around us. In the face of life's many trials and tribulations, do we truly believe that Jesus has given us His peace?

We can imagine that, for the Apostles, this question would've been quite relevant too.

This Sunday's Gospel comes from Jesus' final discourse with his friends just before His suffering and death. In the face of the messianic expectation of deliverance and salvation, Jesus' humiliating death could only mean disappointment and despair. Were not the Apostles afraid, too, because they could have been next?! Peace, really, was the last thing they had.

And yet, Christ's peace is a legacy and a gift that doesn't depend on 'what's out there'—that would be to think of peace as the world thinks of it. Jesus says, 'Not as the world gives, do I give it to you.' Truly, Christ's peace comes from the indwelling of the Triune God in us: the Father who sends the Spirit in the Son's name. This divine peace, since it is something so intimate to us, is therefore able to withstand the very real trials of our lives. Just as Christ was able to endure His Cross because the Father was always with Him, it is this very peace—Christ's very peace—that has been given to us.

So, in the face of the world's trials, we are, as He said, to neither let our hearts be troubled nor afraid. The peace of Christ does not take away our hardships, but it can help us to bear it, just like him. Take courage then, my friends! Christ has conquered the world!

Br. Peter Pius Chu O.P. is from Houston, TX, and earned a B.A. in Philosophy from the University of St. Thomas.

THE BROTHER REPORT

Miss your weekly 2-minute teaching (aka The Brother Report)? Visit delivr.com/2n5hv or use the QR code to view the playlist on YouTube. Like and Subscribe!



Presbyterate Ordinations



The Dominican Friars of the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus joyfully announce the Ordinations of their Brothers

Elias Guadalupe Ford, O.P.
Antony Augustine Cherian, O.P.
Nathaniel Maria Mayne, O.P.
John Peter Anderson, O.P.

to the Order of the Priesthood through the Imposition of Hands and the Prayer of Ordination by

The Most Reverend Steven Maekawa, O.P.
Bishop of Fairbanks

Friday, May 30, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.
St. Dominic Church, 2390 Bush Street, SF

Help! Cabhair!

John Sanchez is going to be away from May 31 to June 11 (**Ireland**). He needs your help while he's away. Help is needed with:

Collections: Weekends of May 31/June 1 and June 7-8

Offertory Candles: Remove the wax from the bottom of each holder and replace with new candle. This is usually done 3 times a week: Sunday morning, Monday morning, and sometime later in the week. Training provided!

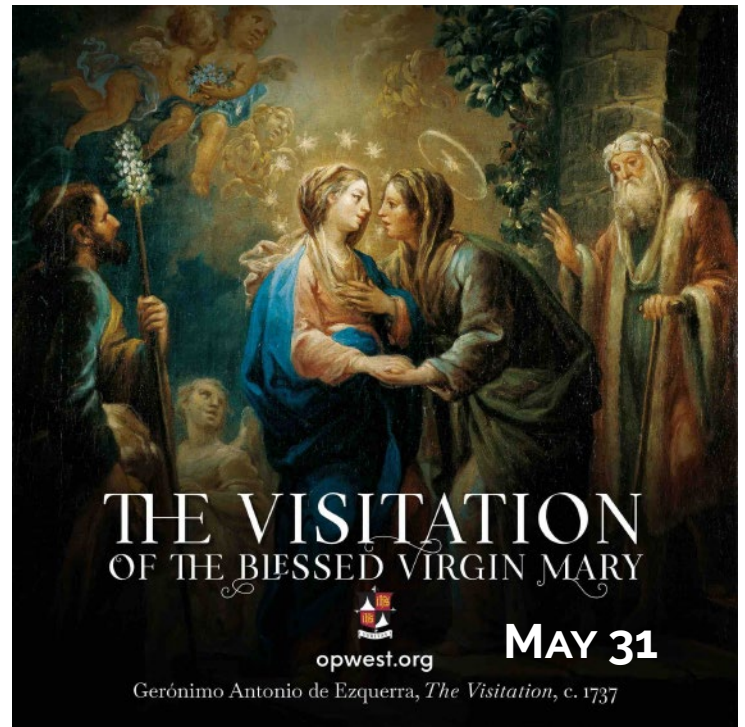
To help, email jsanchez@straymondmp.org or call the Parish Office during the week.

Confirmation

May 17, 2025

Adrianna Ananyi
Alessandra Colorado
Andrew Coyle
Anthony Braccia
Ariane Hartandi
Audrey Altick
Autumn Remotti
Beau Cassel
Blake Danielewicz
Brooke Klemens
Caleb Sala
Camila Rojas de Leon
Camila Sanchez
Caroline Kofford
Catherine Fusz
Catherine Williams
Cruz del Rio
Devin Mahon
Elizabeth An
Eloise Eisenberg
Emilie Curtiss
Enzo Lawant
Ethan Bannon
Eva Andrew
Faith Vriones
Gregory Haining

Harper Johnson
Henry Husak
John Andeen
Jorge Conde
Justina Hamill
Kaden Gross
Kyle Lindeman
Lucas Marcin
Marysol Gamez-Diaz
Matteo Dal Poggetto
Matthew Stevens
Naia O'Hanlon
Nicholas Baker
Owen Still
Quincy Quattlebaum
Quinn Mahon
Roan Bache
Samantha Prabhu
Sean Moritz
Siena Winegar
Sofia Visser
Sofia Yujuico
Sophia Rodgers
Thomas Kane
Tommaso Farronato
Tristan Goudey
William Palao-Ricketts



Second Joyful Mystery: The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth

By Fr. Samuel Burke, O.P

After hearing the Angel's news, Our Lady carries Our Lord in her womb "with haste" into the "hill country" to visit Elizabeth, her cousin (Luke 1:39-56). Her selfless act of making such a journey is both a corporal and a spiritual mercy.

As a result, John the Baptist leapt in Elizabeth's womb, and Elizabeth spoke words of praise to her cousin that now form part of the Hail Mary, which forms the Rosary, and The Magnificat which we pray at Vespers. In this remarkable encounter, the Lord Jesus was present physically in nascent human form.

I was recently asked to take communion to a gentleman who couldn't get to Mass on account of his illness. The gentleman and his wife were incredibly grateful but it was I who had the greater debt to them for sharing with me their peace – a God-given grace in great adversity. I was very moved by the experience. When we undertake such tasks, in a modest way, we follow Mary's example.

When praying this decade, a good intention is to remember those who are unable to attend Mass, that heavenly banquet on earth.

Lord, help us to make known your presence. Help us to carry you, and be carried by you.

SPECIAL EDITION OF 4D

discernment of charisms and mission

THURSDAY JUNE 5TH
6-7 PM DRINKS AND DINNER FOR
YOUNG ADULTS
7-8:30 PM TALK AND SMALL GROUPS
OPEN TO ALL AGES

ST RAYMOND
PARISH HALL



WILL SWAIM, PRESIDENT OF CALIFORNIA POLICY CENTER

LANCE CHRISTENSEN, VICE PRESIDENT OF CALIFORNIA POLICY CENTER

A DIALOGUE ABOUT RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN CALIFORNIA

 **TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025 | 7:00 PM**

 **St. Raymond's Parish Hall**
1100 Santa Cruz Avenue,
MENLO PARK, CA 94025

During this year's Religious Freedom Week, we invite you to come learn how California restricts religious freedom both legislatively and administratively, as well as ways to push back.

For more information and to RSVP, please visit:
sfarchdiocese.org/event/a-dialogue-about-religious-freedom-in-california/




Office of
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ST. RAYMOND
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Healing Retreat

for Adult Children of Divorce

May 30 – June 1, 2025

Vallombrosa Retreat Center
250 Oak Grove Ave, Menlo Park, CA

Weekend retreat will include Holy Mass, opportunities for Confession and Adoration.

For more information / registration visit:

www.sfarch.org/LGW

or contact Ed Hopfner HopfnerE@SFArch.org




"JESUS OF NAZARETH" SUMMER CAMP

DATES: August 4th-8th, 2025, 9am-3pm, Mon-Friday
At Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 3233 Cowper St

We have put together the best program ever, all prepared and tailored for your kids by our Faith Formation Director, Florence de Bretagne. We have only 30 spots available, first-come, first-serve. Friends of STA kids are welcome as long as we have open spots.

A FEW EXAMPLES TO LOOK FORWARD TO:
 Building the biggest Babel tower possible with cardboard, acting the Gospel story of Jesus healing a blind man, praying in Adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament, baking chocolate, muffins and French madeleines from scratch, and/or packing food for the needy.

REGISTER NOW

This camp will fill up very fast. Hurry!
 For more information,
 email florence.debretagne@dsj.org



Blooming

with Mary's Retreat

Saturday May 31st, 2025
10am - 9pm

St Raymond Catholic Church
Menlo Park, CA



*A day to bloom into the woman
 God created you to be*

Swipe to learn more 

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Register at marysretreat.com/RSVP

Catholic in Recovery St. Raymond Church

1100 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park | PARISH HALL

WEDNESDAYS @ 7:00 p.m.

Catholic sacramental recovery and fellowship for those seeking freedom from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments.

For more information visit:
www.catholicinrecovery.com or contact
Fr. Jerome at jcudden@straymondmp.org



Faith | Freedom | Fellowship

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary meets every Monday at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall). Feel free to join us and learn more about the Legion of Mary.



EMOTIONAL & MENTAL WELLNESS MINISTRY

If you or a loved one is experiencing mental or emotional wellness challenges, please contact our St. Raymond Emotional & Mental Health ministry at (650) 899-0370. This is a dedicated line and only co-leads of the ministry team will hear your message. You may also email the ministry team at emwm@straymondmp.org.

ST. RAYMOND LITTLE LIBRARY

We have had some wonderful items in our Little Library and they have been very happily received. However, we have had very few donations. Please consider dropping off some books your children have outgrown. Others would love to read some of those treasures that you have finished with.

And be sure to drop by and see if there are things there to keep little ones entertained in Mass or to enrich your own faith.



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 are available at each Mass. Please visit the presiding priest's Communion line to receive the low-gluten host.



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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 Bay Area. 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 straymondmp.org/register.

WEEK 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 (except 5/10) & 3:30-4:30 pm;
Wednesday 7-8 pm, or by appointment

ADORATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am (except 5/10), Wednesday 7-8 pm

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK, BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, & FUNERALS - Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755 or email office@straymondmp.org.

MISSION STATEMENT St. Raymond is a Catholic parish where we Pray, Serve, and Socialize together as we live out our faith in Jesus Christ.

VISION STATEMENT St. Raymond Catholic Church is a vibrant parish in which every parishioner is engaged in ministry and all parishioners pray-serve-socialize together to keep the fire of our faith growing.

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