

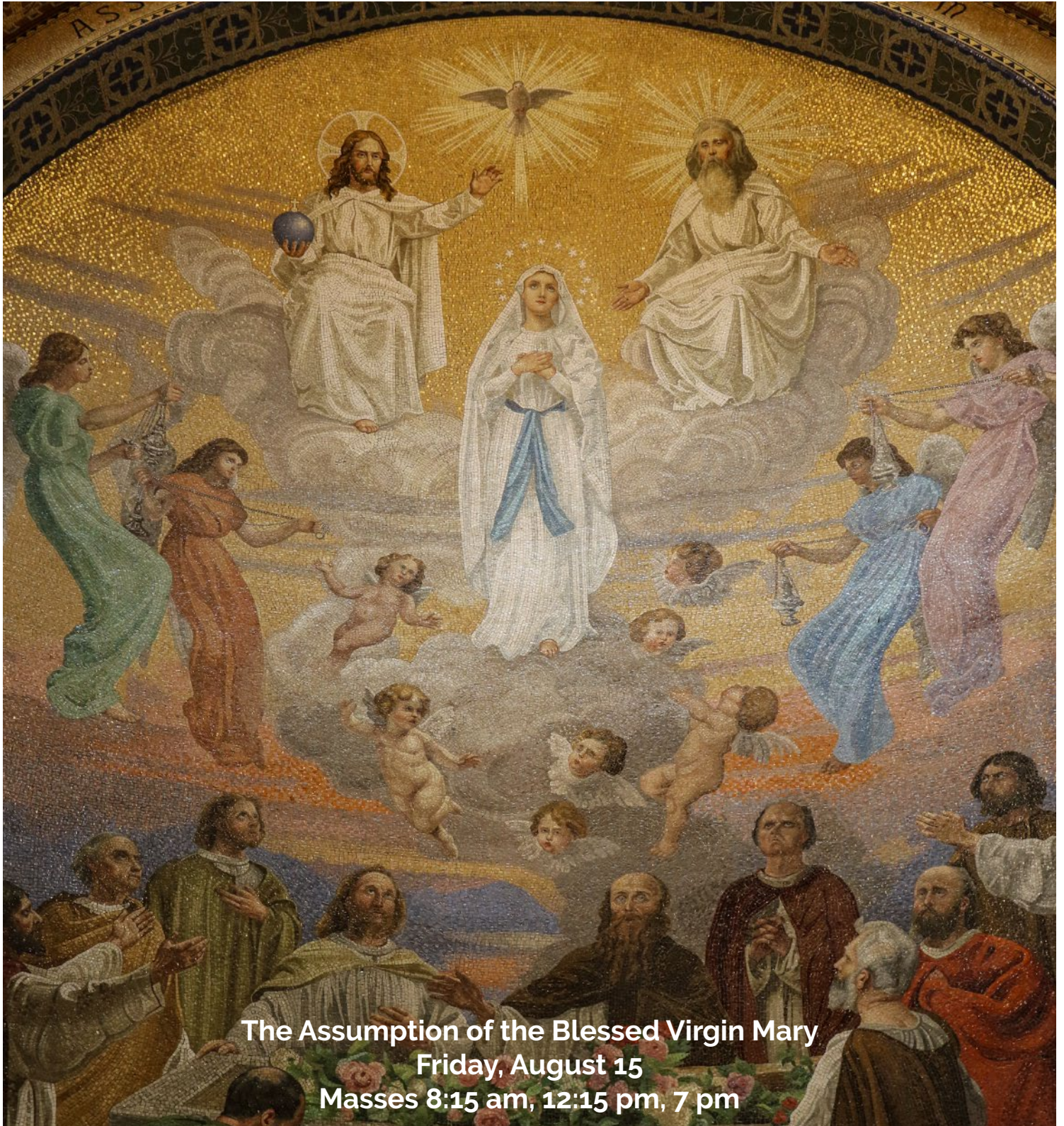


ST. RAYMOND
CATHOLIC CHURCH
SERVED BY DOMINICAN FRIARS



*Happy 102nd,
Rina!*

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 10, 2025



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday, August 15
Masses 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 7 pm

This Week

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration &
Confession until 9:15 am
3:30 pm Confession until 4:30 pm
5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

8:00 am Mass
10:00 am Mass followed by ☕ & 🍰
5:00 pm Mass

MONDAY-SATURDAY

8:15 am Mass

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025

6:00 pm Legion of Mary (Hall)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025

10:00 am Bible Study
7:00 pm Catholic in Recovery (p.5)
7:00 pm Holy Hour (Confession & Adoration)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025

8:15 am The Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary Mass
12:15 pm Assumption Mass
7:00 pm Assumption Mass

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration &
Confession until 9:15 am
3:30 pm Confession until 4:30 pm
5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025

8:00 am Mass
10:00 am Mass followed by ☕ & 🍰
5:00 pm Mass

Mass Intentions

Sat., Aug. 9, 5:00 pm Maurice Galvez †

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Aug. 10, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish
10:00 am Connie Auyeung †
5:00 pm Anthony Gutierrez †

Mon., Aug. 11, 8:15 am Luke DuRussell †
St. Clare, Virgin (M)

Tue., Aug. 12, 8:15 am Blach & Derry Families, L&D
St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious (m)

Wed., Aug. 13, 8:15 am Mary Shelton †
St. Emydius, Bishop & Martyr, Secondary Patron of Archdiocese (M)

Thu., Aug. 14, 8:15 am Fr. John Winkowitsch, O.P. 🍰
St. Maximilian Koble, Priest & Martyr (M)

Fri., Aug. 15, 8:15 am Eleanor Jekot †
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (S)
12:15 pm Joan O'Neill 🍰 & Jeanne
Weseloh 🍰

7:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Sat., Aug. 16, 8:15 am Mehmood Taqui †
St. Stephen of Hungary (m)

Sat., Aug. 16, 5:00 pm Rina Stefani 🍰
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Aug. 17, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish
10:00 am Aurelio Maestrini †
5:00 pm Matthew Tarantino †

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 Archibald, 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, Joli Stieber, Connie Sutton, Karel Sykora, Connie Williams, Ralph Yob, 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 Arthur Ferranti, Mary Shepherd, Frank Helfrich, Margaret Head, Fr. Reginald Martin, O.P. and Fr. Eugene Sousa, O.P.

To add a name, please contact the Parish Office.



Mark your calendars for the Rescue Project!

What is it? An 8-week faith-sharing series on the most essential parts of our faith. Dinner, talks, and small group discussions.

Who is it for? Everyone. Because every one of us can go deeper in our relationship with God. There are small groups for teens (ages 14-18), young adults (19-40), married couples (child care available), and adults of all ages.

When is it? Mondays 6:30-8:30 PM

September 22	October 20
September 29	October 27
October 6	Sat. Nov. 1 retreat. 11 am-5 pm
October 13	November 3

Register at <https://straymondmp.org/rescue>



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

The Religious Education Program will kick off in September. Check the parish website for information about the program <https://straymondmp.org/faith-formation/>. Registration links can be found on this page.

First Communion (2 Year Program) Grades 1 & 2

Register: <https://delivr.com/2hshd>

Religion Classes Grades 3, 4, 5, & 6

Register: <https://delivr.com/2u7vm>



Register

At least two years of Religion classes after First Communion are a requirement before a student can enroll in the parish two year Confirmation program.

Confirmation (2 Year Program) Grades 7 & 8

Register: <https://delivr.com/25tyu>



LIGHT AND DARKNESS: NEWS FROM OUR BROTHERS IN UKRAINE

Over the last few weeks, Fr. Christopher Fadok, O.P., our Prior Provincial, has been in Europe for a world-wide meeting of leaders of the Order in Krakow, Poland.

Before he arrived in the beautiful city of Pope St. John Paul II, Fr. Christopher took the chance to visit our brethren of the Polish province performing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy in Ukraine. What he saw there was both heartbreaking and heartwarming.

Unfortunately, Fr. Christopher quickly experienced the terrible war taking place in the country. During the night

of July 9 into the next morning, the Russian Federation launched about 400 drones and 18 missiles into the country. One of these struck a building across the street from the Dominican community in Kyiv, where Fr. Christopher was taking shelter. Fr. Christopher reported the eerie whine of incoming projectiles, the terrible crash of impact, and the rain of debris on the roof of the priory. After the strike, he captured images of the destruction so close to the beloved home of our brothers.



Fr. Christopher also visited the city of Fastiv, where our Dominican brothers run the St. Martin de Porres Center (sanmartin.center/en/about-us/) to provide shelter for displaced families, rehabilitation for the wounded, and summer camps for children affected by the fighting. After speaking to the children attending the summer camp, Fr. Christopher shared, "They told us the two things they appreciate the most are the friendships and the quiet—meaning no gunfire or explosions from aircraft, tanks, land mines, missiles, drones, and all the weapons of war. That latter part was heartbreaking."

But not all was darkness. With the amazing generosity of friends of our province in 2022, the Dominican friars and lay staff in Fastiv have made immense progress in restoring an abandoned building into a place of mercy and healing. Earlier in the renovation, the Center's staff graciously honored us by including the crest of our province in their chapel's stained glass.

However, during Fr. Christopher's visit, the friars and staff of the St. Martin de Porres Foundation unveiled an even greater honor.

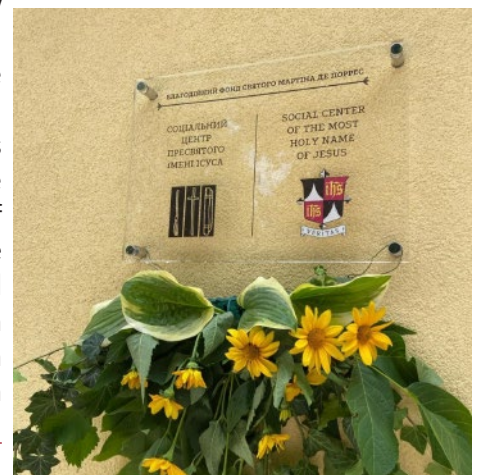
When they asked him to bless the Center, they revealed that they had named the entire new building in honor of our province, calling it the Social Center of the Most Holy Name of Jesus!



We feel so honored and grateful that our brothers and coworkers for the Gospel have chosen to commemorate our beloved province in the course of their crucial work of service.



The building is now 70% complete. If you would like to help the St. Martin de Porres team finish the final details of the project, we invite you to send support through our Dominican Mission Foundation (dominicanmission.org/).



Deaconate Ordination

9/13/25

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

Benedict Mary Bartsch, O.P.

Francis Dominic Nguyen, O.P.

Philip Neri Gerlomes, O.P.

Luke Maria Lee, O.P.

John Paul Puschautz, O.P.

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

The Most Reverend Oscar Cantu
Bishop of San Jose

Saturday, September 13, 2025 at 10:30 am
St. Dominic's Catholic Church
2390 Bush Street
San Francisco, California

Reception to follow at Priory of St. Albert the Great, 6170 Chabot Rd., Oakland, CA 94618

RSVP by August 25 at <https://opwest.org/blog/diaconate-ordinations-2025>.



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.

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



INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Discover the Catholic faith! Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA, formerly RCIA). Did you not receive the sacrament of Confirmation? You're welcome too! For more information, please contact Deacon Tom Kelly at tfk@sbcglobal.net or 650-670-2200.

St. Vincent de Paul

There's 5 Sundays this month!

Want to help out? The volunteer work is very satisfying and does not take a lot of time. Please contact Camilo Colorado (ccolorado2005@gmail.com) to find out what volunteering involves.



God bless you and thank you for your generosity! Donate at straymondmp.org/giving.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE (AUGUST 14)

Maximilian Kolbe was an outspoken Franciscan priest from Poland who was killed for opposing the Nazis.

He was the middle son of three children and was a strain on his parents because he was unruly. When he was 12, he received a vision of Mary while he was praying in front of an image of Our Lady of Czestochowa. She approached him with two crowns, one white and one red. "I asked the Mother of God what was to become of me," he said. "She asked if I was willing to accept either of these crowns. The white one meant that I should persevere in purity, and the red that I should become a martyr. I said that I would accept them both."

He entered the seminary and became a Franciscan priest, taking the name Maximilian. He went on to higher studies at several universities in Europe and earned his doctoral degree in theology—in fact, his ideas about Mary found resonance in the later developments of the Second Vatican Council.

With some friends, he established an "army" for the Immaculate Heart of Mary—a group of people dedicated to conversion and devotion to Mary. He fell ill with tuberculosis, and never fully recovered—he spent the rest of his life in fragile health that would frequently interrupt his work.

He returned to Poland and began a flurry of evangelical activity, establishing a magazine and newspaper, which, at their peak, were publishing close to 1 million copies a day. He also founded a monastery and junior seminary.

He took some companions to evangelize Japan, even though they did not know the language and had no money. Within months, he was publishing 65,000 copies of his magazine in Japanese there and had founded a monastery in Nagasaki. The monastery survived the later nuclear bomb blast there, and continues to serve as a center for Franciscans in Japan.

His poor health forced him to return to Poland in 1936, and he helped his monastery establish a radio station. By 1939, the monastery in Poland held some 800 monks, the largest in the world at the time.

When the Nazis invaded Poland in the fall of 1939, Maximilian was arrested and detained for a time. After his release, his monastery's media continued to publicly oppose the Nazis; they hid some 3,000 Polish refugees, most of whom were Jewish. The Nazis cracked

down on the monastery, shut down the presses, dispersed the brothers, and imprisoned Maximilian.

In 1941, Maximilian was transferred to the concentration camp at Auschwitz, where he became prisoner 16670. His calm demeanor and faithfulness earned him beatings and the most difficult tasks. Once he was beaten and whipped so badly, he was left for dead. Prisoners snuck him into the camp hospital, and he spent his recovery hearing confessions.

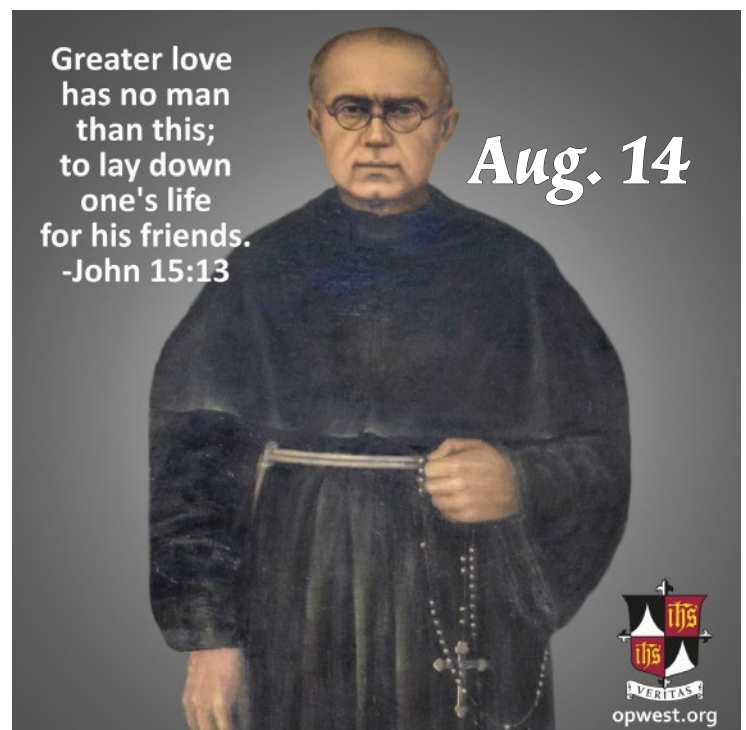
In July of that year, some prisoners escaped the camp. In retribution, the Nazis selected ten men for execution for each man that escaped. One man who was selected for execution exclaimed, sobbing, that he had a wife and young children. Maximilian volunteered to take the man's place.

Maximilian and nine other prisoners were sealed in a chamber without food or water. He survived on prayer for two weeks before he was executed by lethal injection on this day in 1941. The man he saved was present with his family at Maximilian's canonization Mass 40 years later.

Because of the manner of his execution, St. Maximilian Kolbe is the patron saint of drug addicts; he is also patron of political prisoners, families, journalists, and the pro-life movement. His story and image are used by high school students who come to campus for a summer conference with the Notre Dame Vision program.

St. Maximilian Kolbe, you opposed the Nazis and gave your life that another prisoner could live—pray for us!

Source: faith.nd.edu/saint/st-maximilian-kolbe/



**DISCOVER GOD'S PLAN
FOR YOUR FAMILY**



**SEPTEMBER 27, 2025
10:45 AM - 6:00 PM
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
BELMONT, CA**

**Couple \$64
Childcare \$5/child**

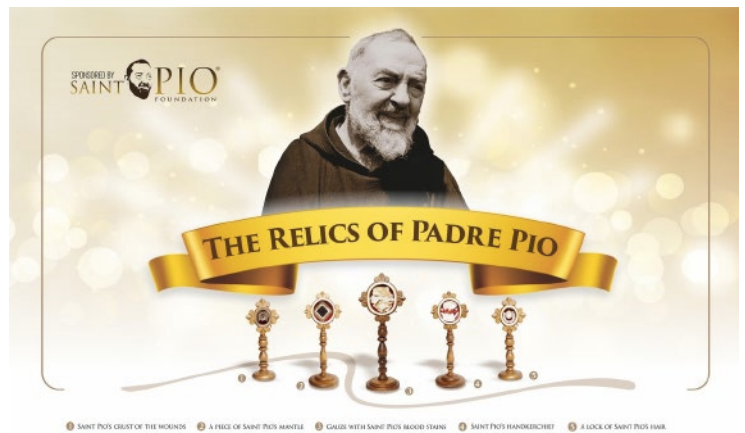
Register by August 11 to grab
an Early Bird discount



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HERE!**

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togetherinholiness.org/sanfrancisco

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Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church
300 Fulton Street, Redwood City, CA 94062

2-day Visit of the Relics of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina
August 15 and 16, 2025

August 15, Friday

- 1:00PM - Starting time of public veneration
- 6:00PM - Healing Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio followed by the imposition of the hands for healing
- 8:00PM - Ending time of public veneration

August 16, Saturday

- 1:00PM - Starting time of public veneration
- 5:00PM - Vigil Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina
- 8:00PM - Ending time of public veneration



**MICHELANGELO'S
SISTINE
CHAPEL
THE EXHIBITION**

IN THE EVENT CENTER AT SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL
1111 GOUGH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA, 94109
**TUESDAYS THROUGH SUNDAYS
JUNE 21 TO SEPTEMBER 14**
TICKETS at: chapelsistine.com/exhibits/san-francisco

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.

FATIMA CELEBRATIONS AT NATIVITY

Mass at 7 pm followed by outdoor rosary process and benediction.

Wed., Aug. 13, Fri., Sept. 12, Mon., Oct. 13.



Friday, August 15, 2025

**ASSUMPTION OF THE
Blessed Virgin Mary**

Masses 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 7 pm

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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays	5:00 pm Vigil
Sundays	8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm
Weekdays	8:15 am (Mon-Sat)
Assumption (8/15)	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

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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