#### **Pastor's Corner**

**Holy Days.** With all the attention on the election this week, many Catholics will forget the 2 great feasts we celebrate today and tomorrow: All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day. These days are particularly important because they remind us that the Church of Jesus Christ is more than just the people we see at Mass, or even the 2 billion plus Christians on Earth. Because countless numbers of Christians have lived and died before us, and many of those are in Heaven or on their way there.

This is what the Church means when it speaks of the <u>"Communion of Saints"</u>—using the word "saint" as it is most commonly used in Scripture, to refer to all Christians, both those living and those who have died in Christ. And so, the one Church of Christ has three states, or parts: <u>first</u>, all Christians on <u>Earth</u> ("The Pilgrim Church" or "The Church Militant"), <u>second</u>, all those in <u>Heaven</u> ("The Church in Glory" or "The Church Triumphant"), and <u>third</u>, all the souls in Purgatory ("The Church Being Purified" or "The Church Suffering").

All Saints' Day, today, November 1, is normally one of the five Holy Days of obligation, not including every Sunday, but of course this year we are dispensed from that obligation by our Bishop due to the Covid restrictions. Even so, All Saints remains one of the most important days of the Catholic year, especially because it reminds us of our unity with the Church in Heaven. Throughout the year we celebrate the feasts of particular "saints" whom the Church officially recognizes as now living in Heaven-these are "canonized saints." But on ALL Saints' Day we also remember ALL the other countless numbers of souls who have gone to Heaven, including, hopefully, many of our deceased parents and grandparents and so many of our little children who have gone before us. This is their feast day! So, we honor them, and pray to them, asking the whole multitude in Heaven to assist us on our way to join them.

All Souls' Day, tomorrow, November 2, remembers our unity with the Church in Purgatory. Unfortunately, nowadays even the mention of Purgatory often triggers reactions of disbelief or even ridicule—even among Catholics. Yet this dogma goes back to the Old Testament, as 2 Maccabees 12:39-46 makes very clear:

"But under the tunic of each of the dead they found amulets sacred to the idols of Jamnia, which the law forbids the Jews to wear. ...Turning to supplication, they prayed that the sinful deed might be fully blotted out. The noble Judas ... then took up a collection among all his soldiers, amounting to two thousand silver drachmas, which he sent to Jerusalem to provide for an expiatory sacrifice. In doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way, inasmuch as he had the resurrection in mind; 44 for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again, it would have been superfluous and foolish to pray for the dead. ...Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be absolved from their sin."

Some see Purgatory as a place of horrible torture, or even a part of Hell, and the thought that their deceased loved ones could be there seems disrespectful, or even unbearable: they want to think of them as being happy in Heaven.

But remember, St. John tells us in Rev. 21:27 that <u>"nothing imperfect shall enter into" Heaven</u>. The thing is, who do you know that is perfect? Almost all of us have at least

some venial sin we cling to, or have some inordinate attachment to earthly things. Does that mean that all of us imperfect people will not enter Heaven, and so go to Hell? Not at all. In His great love and mercy, the Lord takes all of us who die with any imperfections on our souls (but having, before dying, properly repented of any *mortal*—"deadly"—sins) and He perfects, or purifies, us. Another word for purification is "purgation," so this time/place/state of purification is called "Purgatory."

It is true that <u>Purgatory is a place of suffering</u>, hence it is referred to as the "Church Suffering." One way to understand this suffering is in the light of the suffering that comes with any change. For example, when we try to get into better physical shape, or when we try to learn a new subject, it's difficult, "painful" ("no pain, no gain"). But this pain is not something we should shun—in fact, the pain becomes a source of joy, as we begin to recognize it as a sign of change to a better state.

So, is it a surprise that the change from imperfect to perfect will be painful? Or that in spite of their suffering, St. Catherine of Genoa, after receiving a vision of Purgatory from Our Lord, wrote: "I believe <u>no happiness can be ...compared</u> <u>with that of a soul in Purgatory</u> except that of the saints in Paradise." The souls in Purgatory suffer, but they rejoice as it brings them closer to Heaven.

Even so, we must pray for the Souls in Purgatory because they do suffer. Just as we try to help those we love on Earth by praying for them, we should continue to pray for them after death to help them on their way to perfection. Even if we hope or think they're already in heaven, we still owe them whatever help, in prayer, we can give them in death. So, even though it is not a day of obligation, the Church encourages us to attend Mass on All Souls' Day to offer that greatest prayer possible for the "Holy Souls."

Vote Like a Catholic. This Tuesday, November 3, Virginians go to the polls to elect our President, Vice-President, one U.S. Senator and all our U.S. Representatives (and to vote on some local referenda). Sadly, many, including many Catholics, will vote for candidates who embrace abortion, "same-sex marriage," and the undermining of religious liberty, common sense and reason. Many others will not vote at all. But as the Church teaches, not only must Catholics vote, they must vote like Catholics. This means placing priority on the most, "regarding fundamental values, such as respect for human life, its defense from conception to natural death, the family built upon marriage between a man and a woman, the freedom to educate one's children and the promotion of the common good in all its forms (230). These values are not negotiable" (Pope Benedict XVI, Sacramentum Caritatis, 83).

Adoration and Prayer for the Election. I invite all of you to attend our 50 Hours of Adoration to pray for God's will to prevail in the election. Adoration and Exposition begins in the church immediately after the 1pm Mass today (Sunday) and continues, throughout the night (except during Masses) until 7pm on Tuesday (election day). Please sign up online on our website to make sure we have all the hours covered (2 people need to be present at all times), but you can come anytime without signing up. <u>I also ask you all to pray the Rosary</u> today, tomorrow and Tuesday.

#### Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov. 7th

Vigil Mass

9:00 am Vernon Butler

5:00 pm Fr. De Celles

Elizio Fajardo +

Sunday, Nov. 8th

7:00 am **Fr. Rippy** Lourdes Centeno +

Parishioners

1:00 pm **Fr. Daly** 

9:00 am Fr. De Celles

11:00 am **Fr. De Celles** Joseph Healy, Jr.

Richard Pietraszko +

<u>Monday, Nov. 2nd</u> <u>All Souls Day</u> 8:30 am All Souls Triduum + 7:00 pm All Souls in Purgatory+

<u>Tuesday, Nov. 3rd</u> 8:30 am All Souls Triduum +

<u>Wednesday, Nov. 4th</u> 8:30 am All Souls Triduum +

Thursday, Nov. 5th 8:30 am Eugene & Pauline Tougas+

<u>Friday, Nov. 6th</u> 8:30 am Margaret Woodrough + 7:00 pm EFM (Latin Mass)

#### Masses to be said Privately

Nov. 2 All Souls in Purgatory+ Nov. 3 Ed Ward + Nov. 4 James Cade + Nov. 4 For Deceased Children + Nov. 5 Wian Coetzer + Nov. 6 Youth of the Parish Nov. 8 Ella Maureen Bowling +

#### View livestreaming of the Holy Mass at St. Raymond's! https://straymonds.org/view-mass-online/

Monday through Friday Daily Mass at 8:30 am Saturday at 9:00 am SUNDAY MASS at 11:00 am

#### **Confessions in the Church**

*(in the flower room)* Wednesday: 6:00 pm - 6:55 pm Saturday: 8:15 am -8:45 am, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Please see the front of the bulletin for our current Mass, Confession, and Adoration schedules.

<u>Face masks</u> will be expected at all Masses. Sign ups are required for 9 am and 11 am Sunday Masses. Contact the parish office.

Watch for our Constant Contact Updates! If you are not receiving emails from the parish, please contact the parish office at 703-440-0535 or office@straymonds.org to verify your email address.

**Extraordinary Form/Traditional Latin Mass at St. Raymond Church This Friday, Nov. 6th.** St. Raymond's offers the Mass according to the Roman Missal of 1962, also known as the "extraordinary form of the Roman Rite" (EFM), at 7:00 pm on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of every month. For more information on this form of Mass, visit: http://www.sanctamissa.org.

Altar Rail Project Update: Still no news —the marble is still on the ship just outside of Miami! We still do not know yet when the marble will arrive at St. Raymond's, but hopefully soon... Please pray for our parishioners serving in Combat Zones and their families. If you have a relative serving in harm's way and would like to have his/her name included in our prayer list, please contact the parish office. Also, please be sure to let us know when they return home.

#### Anthony Nsekela

#### Please pray for the sick of our parish

Glenn Bliss	Leonora Ramos	Daniel Moore
Tom Dietz	Jason Saenz	Maria Daugherty
Michael O'Neill	Phyllis Zitnik	Lauren Hornsby
Cindy Laird	Mary K Randazzo	Gaudencio Dizon
Christine B	Patricia Del Buono	Antoinette Baptist
Petitti	Michael	Chris Quan
Patricia Lewis	Malachowski	Brenda Starr
Barbara McGinn	Juanita Boarman	Donald Hale
Mai Pham	Angela Colom	Margaret O'Neill
Joan Opiela	John Florio	Paul Rinn
Donald Zacherl	Debra Henkel	

#### <u>Please pray for the outcome of the 2020 Elections</u> 50 Hours of Adoration – November 1st -3rd:

Please sign up for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament ALL Day and ALL Night (except during Masses) to **pray for our country and the outcome of the elections.** Hourly slots are available from 2 pm on Sunday, Nov. 1st until 7 pm on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd. Two adorers are required per hour so that Our Lord will not be left alone, but you can come at anytime. Come spend time with Our Lord, sit or kneel quietly, and pray. Bring your Rosary, your Bible or some other good spiritual book. But mainly come be with Jesus and pray for our country and all those voting in this year's election. SIGN UP for an HOUR (or More) on the Parish Website <u>http://straymonds.org</u>. Please contact the Parish Office at 703-440-0535 or email <u>office@straymonds.org</u> with any questions.

ALL SOULS' DAY, Nov. 2nd: St. Raymond's will again be offering a Triduum of Masses for All Souls. The Masses will be said on Nov. 2nd, Nov. 3rd and Nov. 4th at 8:30 am. To have your departed loved ones remembered in these Masses, please complete one of the All Souls envelopes in the narthex and place it in the collection basket today! There will be an additional Mass on Monday, Nov. 2nd at 7:00 pm.

We are Looking for Families for our Christmas Giving **Tree.** Each year, St. Raymond's "adopts" families who need help with Christmas. This year with the COVID-19 virus and the closures it has caused, there are more families in need than ever! If your family or someone you know could use help providing gifts for their children, please let Kirsti in the parish office know. The information is kept completely confidential! Office phone number is 703-440-0535 or email <u>straychurch@aol.com</u>.

**Catholic Book Club:** The Parish Book Club meets next on Friday, Nov. 13th in the Maurer Room at 10:00 am. There is limited space but virtual attendance is possible.. The book for discussion is: *"Hope to Die" by Scott Hahn.* Newcomers welcome. If you have any questions or to register, please contact Jim Mault at <u>bookclub@straymonds.org</u>.

**Brandon Skiba** 

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### GOSPEL MT 5:1-12A

When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up the mountain, and after He had sat down, His disciples came to Him.

He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness. for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of Me.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

**Luminaries of Holy Mary:** Come join us on Nov. 7th to honor the Blessed Mother's request for making the 5 First Saturdays: Mass at 9am, then meet in the Parish Hall for Rosary, meditation and Gospel reflection. All are welcome.

**Men's Prayer Group:** On the first and third Saturdays of each month a group of men meet in the parish hall to pray and read the scriptures. They are neither theologians, philosophers, nor great scholars. Just some guys, coming together to pray, read, and share a simple breakfast. Everyone is welcome. Please join us at 7:30 am Saturday, Nov. 7th. For more information, call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

**Family of Jesus Prayer Group:** Though our weekly meetings are currently canceled - we are still praying! If you have any prayer requests, please let us know by emailing Elaine Perricone at <u>jpebtp@verizon.net</u> or by calling the parish office at 703-440-0535.

**St. Raymond 2020-21 Snow Team: Your Parish needs your HELP!** St, Raymond's is seeking industrious, able-bodied persons to join the 2020-21 Snow Removal Team. The Snow Team will work with the Plant Manager to clear and de-ice the sidewalks and paved walkways around the property during ice and snow events. Equipment is provided; sidewalks and aprons must be cleared no less than 30 minutes before the first Mass of the day (and as needed thereafter). Snow Team members must have reliable transportation that enables them to get to the church in bad weather. \$20.00 per hour. For more information or to apply, please contact Mary Butler at the Parish Office, at 703-440-0535 during office hours. SAINT RAYMOND'S RESPECTS LIFE Learn the TRUTH. Live the TRUTH. Spread the TRUTH... in LOVE



By participating in the political process as faithful citizens, we can give voice to the voiceless and remind our society that life is the foundation upon which all other rights are based. Bishop Michael Burbidge, Diocese of Arlington



THIS WEEKEND <u>Oct 31/ Nov 1</u> See the parish website for Sign Up Genius – or the SIGN-UP SHEETS IN THE NARTHEX 900 S Washington Street Falls Church

Next MaRiH Support Weekend: November 7-8. Thank you!

Bring a friend!!!

**Tepeyac Pro Life OB/GYN: Transforming Hearts Through Healthcare.** tepeyacobgyn.com 703-273-9440. Thank you for your referrals and your support.

**Natural Family Planning.** A gift to your marriage. For more info visit: ccli.org

**Vaccines** are in the news as one way for scientists to strive to find relief from the COVID19 virus. Many vaccines presently in use for various diseases have been derived from aborted fetal cell lines. Catholics should educate themselves on the pertinent concerns that fact presents. The National Catholic Bioethics Center can answer many questions. <u>https://www.ncbcenter.org/resources/</u>. Visit cogforlife.org for info regarding ethical vaccines.

Do you have extra time on your hands? Special thanks to those who have been making such beautiful blankets!! Our Wrapped In Love program is up and stitching. Pray for the mothers and babies who will be wrapped in love by your efforts as you create baby blankets for mothers and babies wherever we find a need. God bless you for your efforts. Blankets may be delivered to the MaRiH collection box in the narthex.

**Has** the sorrow of miscarriage or still birth touched your life? Or perhaps you know someone in this situation. *A Mom's Peace*, A Lay Apostolate for Mothers of Miscarried and Stillborn Souls offers discreet support to families with bereavement, burial and remembrance assistance. For more information visit amomspeace.org

*To those who have suffered an abortion* **Project Rachel** can help someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of a past abortion. (888)456-HOPE. Confidentiality always respected. www.helpafterabortion.org .

*Give a Gift for Life! Gabriel Project* helps pregnant moms welcome their babies. Please consider donating at <u>www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife</u>. For more info, contact them at 1-866-444-3553 or <u>GabrielProject@arlingtondiocese.org</u>.

# St. Raymond's Youth Apostolate

## Junior High (7-8th Grade) Youth Group!

**5-6:30pm on Sundays beginning Nov. 1st (Parish Hall)** We are super excited to be starting a weekly junior high youth group! Come eat pizza, make new friends and have fun all while keeping Jesus at the center of it all! All 7-8th graders are welcome! You do not have to be a parishioner, or even Catholic for that matter, in order to attend. There is no charge, however, we do need the forms (below) on file before you come.

#### <u>HS Youth Group</u> 8-9pm Sunday, November 1st (Parish Hall)

Every Sunday night all students grades 9-12 are invited to join us for faith, fun & fellowship! Meet in the parish hall. Dress for the weather as we will try to stay outside until it gets too cold to do so. Make sure forms (below) are on file before coming.

# <u>All New High School Girls' Group!</u>

St. Raymond's Youth Apostolate is starting a new high school girls' group! Mark your calendars! We will meet IN-PERSON from 7-8:30pm on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month in the parish hall. This group will be led by an outstanding trio of young adult women, recent college graduates, who are super pumped for this opportunity to witness to and grow in holiness alongside our young women. Join us as we cultivate and witness authentic community, friendships, and space to share our faith, learn and encourage one another in ways to practically apply the faith to our daily lives. If you have questions or find yourself disagreeing with some teaching of the Church, this group is for you! If you are gung ho about your faith, this group is for you! If you are looking for authentic friendships, a place to search, a place to grow in understanding, a place to practice defending the faith, a place to laugh, to cry, to be authentically you, to have fun...and so much more...come! You are welcome here! Make sure forms (below) are on file before coming.

#### <u>Sons of Thunder High School Boys' Group</u> 7-8:30pm Tuesday, November 10th (Maurer Room)

Come join the brotherhood! Sons of Thunder will meet regularly IN-PERSON from 7-8:30pm on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month in the Maurer Room. All 9-12th grade guys are invited! Come learn more about your faith, deepen your relationship with Christ, and hang out with other guys in a chill atmosphere. Make sure forms (below) are on file before coming.

#### Youth Apostolate Participation 2 REQUIRED Forms

**2020-2021 YA Info. Sheet** is to be completed annually for every child *prior* participating in any Youth Apostolate function. **Youth Ministry Participant Waiver**, a one-time form is to be signed and turned in for every youth *prior* to participating in any St. Raymond's Youth Ministry activity/event on or off site. **Forms can be found online at <u>http://bit.ly/YAforms</u> and should be emailed to Jeanne at <u>youth@straymonds.org</u> or turned in to the main office.** 

#### Jeanne Sause

Director of the Youth Apostolate (Grades 7-12) youth@straymonds.org Call/Text: 571-334-9890 http://bit.ly/youthapostolate

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

<u>PARENTS please note:</u> Even though FCPS has student holidays scheduled for November 2-3, there <u>WILL BE CCD</u> classes November 1, 2, and 3.

STUDENTS SHOULD REPORT DIRECTLY TO THEIR CLASSROOM THIS WEEK (Nov 1-3) instead of gathering in the church because Eucharistic Adoration will be taking place in the church.

<u>Parents</u>: after you drop your children off for CCD, please consider spending time in the presence of Our Lord to pray for our country and the providential outcome of the election.

Planning ahead....there <u>will be</u> CCD class on Sunday November 22nd, but <u>no CCD</u> classes November 23, 24 and 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.



**St. John Bosco Council #12846 Knights of Columbus:** Are you a man of 17 ½ years of more? Are you a practicing Catholic? Then we invite you to join the Knights! Contact Deputy

Grand Knight Stephen Delaney (703-627-8090) or go to www.KofC.org/JoinUs to become a Knight today!

**Virtual Open House, (Oct. 25 – Nov. 7)** Get to know Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School! JP's annual Fall Open House has gone virtual and will be jam-packed with great information for all families with elementary and middle school children! Reserve your spot online at jpthegreat.org today!

**St. Raymond's has Adoration every Wednesday and Friday!** Would you like to spend an hour in silent prayer and reflection with our Lord during weekly exposition of the Blessed Sacrament? We are in need of adorers. If you are interested in Wednesdays, please call Leslie Schratz at 703-569-1940 or email <u>spoiledk9s@verizon.net</u>. If you are interested in Fridays, please call Virginia Osella at 703-440-0535 or email <u>virginia.osella@straymonds.org</u>. Drop-ins are always welcome!

**St. Martin de Porres Committee** - collects food on an ongoing basis for the Springfield Resource Center which services over 250 families in the Springfield area. A collection box is in the Narthex and donations are collected and distributed weekly. Suggested food items are listed, but any non-perishable food donations are welcome. For equitable distribution, smaller packaging is requested ( i.e. 1 lb bags of rice vs. 5 lb. bags, 1 qt. oil vs. 1 gal oil). During this crisis the need for food is greater than ever. Please be generous.

**Wreaths Across America** is an annual national service project that takes place every 3rd Sunday in December. American Heritage Girls troops from around the D.C. area meet at the US Soldiers' & Airmen's Home National Cemetery to lay wreaths on the graves of the veterans in honor of what they have given to our country. After Masses on Nov. 7th & 8th, our St. Raymond's troop, VA0683, is going to be collecting donations to help sponsor wreaths for this event. A wreath sponsorship is \$15, but all donations are welcome! In person donations may be made by cash or check. For check payments, please make them payable to St. Raymond's and in the memo line, write "AHG". If you wish to donate by credit card, please go to our fundraising website at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/VA0683WAA">https://tinyurl.com/VA0683WAA</a>. Thank you for your support!

#### **Church Persecuted**

Last week we cited a reflection by Bishop Emeritus Loverde where he listed the moral priorities guiding our decisions when entering the voting booth. These included: 1) protecting human life, (2) promoting family life, (3) pursuing social justice, and (4) practicing global solidarity. We continue with excerpts from his talk.

"We cannot simultaneously commit ourselves to human rights and progress while eliminating or marginalizing the weakest among us" (*Living the Gospel of Life*, U.S. Bishops, 1988, #20) For example, how can we expect a political candidate to protect a society from injustice, if he or she supports the taking of the life of a nearly born child, in a procedure known as partial-birth abortion?

"While we must support each of the four tiers...the  $[2^{nd}, 3^{rd}, and 4^{th}]$  are meaningless without the first: the respect for the dignity of each human person... 'Human life must be defended in all places and at all times.' (*Living the Gospel of Life*, U.S. Bishop's Conference, 1988 #33). By electing those who defend human life, we will be faithful citizens, caring for the most important of God's creation – the human person – in the womb, in the family, in society, and in the world."

Abortion is front and center in the voting booth next Tuesday.

(Arlington Catholic Herald, 11/2/2000, p. 3)

**FAITH DIRECT**: Although public Masses are limited and many parish events have been canceled, **our parish is still in need of your donations. We have operating costs (utility, maintenance, service contracts, supplies and staff payroll and benefits) that must continue.** Now more than ever we have requests for FAMILY ASSISTANCE to support those members of our parish who are in need of help. Please visit our website <u>www.straymonds.org</u> to join online or call directly at 866-507-8757.

**K of C Blood Drive**: The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive on behalf of Inova Blood Donor Services on Saturday, Nov. 14, here at St. Raymond's parish hall from 7:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Please consider signing up for a 15 minute time slot within that period and giving the Gift of Life. You may sign up either online at <u>www.inovabloodsaves.org</u> or in the Narthex after all Masses this week or next. If you have any questions or difficulty signing up, please contact Mark Maslyn of our parish at (703) 690-7285 or by email at <u>mam7253@msn.com</u>.

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To donate, please go to <u>AngelusAcademy.org</u> and click on "donate" or mail a check directly to the school: 7644 Dynatech Court, Springfield, Virginia 22153.

Please remember that our parish's expenses continue during this crisis! Your donations may be mailed, dropped off at the parish office, or given online through Faith Direct.

## FAITH DIRECT OCTOBER 2020

Sunday Offertory	\$48,568.00
Family Assistance	\$ 3,018.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 6,231.00
World Missions	\$ 1,164.00

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Sunday Offertory	\$10,010.00
Family Assistance	\$ 1,158.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 385.00

The second collection next week is for Retired Religious. Please give generously to those who have lived their lives in service to our Lord.