



Welcome to St. Raymond of Peñafort Roman Catholic Church

8750 Pohick Road Springfield, VA 22153

#### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm

#### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday through Friday: 8:30 am Saturday: 9:00 am

#### EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASS (LATIN)

1st and 3rd Fridays 7:00 pm

Rev. John C. De Celles, Pastor Elisabeth Turco, Director of Liturgical Music Jeanne Sause, Director of Youth Apostolate Mary Salmon, Director of Religious Education Vince Drouillard, Religious Education Secretary Joe Marquart, Plant Manager Kirsti Tyson, Office Manager Mary Butler, Secretary Virginia Osella, Parish Secretary

#### **PARISH OFFICE:**

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#### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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#### Website

www.straymonds.org

**TUITION ASSISTANCE:** Please inquire with our office about the availability of partial scholarships for the children of active St. Raymond parishioners attending local Catholic grade schools and high schools.

#### Angelus Academy 7644 Dynatech Ct, Springfield, VA 22153 703-924-3996

Angelus Academy is a fully-accredited pre-K through 8th grade Catholic School affiliated with the Diocese of Arlington. Although it has no official connection with St. Raymond's, the parish has a longstanding close relationship with Angelus Academy. Many of our parish children already happily attend school there.

#### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Reconciliation/Confession) Wednesday Evening

6:00-6:55 p.m. (during Exposition)

Saturday Morning 8:00 - 8:45 a.m. Saturday Afternoon

3:00 - 5 p.m.

#### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

**MARRIAGE:** Couples wishing to marry must contact a parish priest at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. Couples who are living together will be expected to live separately at least during the 3 months prior to the wedding.

**RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults (and children who have reached the age of reason) are instructed in the Doctrine of the Church and are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If you or someone you know, would like to inquire about becoming a Catholic, please call the Parish Office.

**BAPTISM:** Parents are requested to make arrangements with the Parish Office ONE MONTH in advance. Parents must participate in a one-session pre-Baptismal program and are encouraged to do so before the birth of their child. You must be REGISTERED in the Parish 3 MONTHS prior to the Baptism.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Please submit announcements in writing 10 days prior to publication.

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Mark 9:2,3

@Diocesan

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

Special Lenten Event: "ROE v. WADE," The Movie. I am very pleased to announce that St. Raymond's will sponsor a special screening of the new movie, "Roe v. Wade." It tells the dramatic story behind the infamous Supreme Court decision that established a constitutional right to abortion. As the website says: "The True Untold Story. Dr. Bernard Nathanson and Dr. Mildred Jefferson square off in a national battle in this untold conspiracy that led to the most famous and controversial court case in history." It stars Oscar Winner (Best-Actor and four-time nominee) Jon Voight, as well as other well-known actors including John Schneider, Stacey Dash, Steve Guttenberg, Corbin Bernsen, Wade Williams, and William Forsythe.

Our screening will be on Sunday, March 14, in the afternoon at Cinemark Theater-Fairfax Corner 14. More details to follow—watch your emails and the website. Parishioners attend FREE, but donations are accepted to help cover the cost.

Lenten Podcast. I hope you are benefiting from my new Lenten Podcast. It's a new medium for me, so please bear with me as I figure the best way for me to handle it. As of this writing, in the first 3 days of its launch we've had over 500 listeners. I'm open to feedback (email me), but please be charitable. To listen to the Podcast you can go to our website and click the link on the opening popup menu, or you can search for my name (or "fatherjohndecelles' podcast") on your podcast app (Apple Podcasts/iTunes, Spotify, Google Podcasts, etc.) on your smartphone.

**Prayer in Lent: Stations of the Cross.** One of the three principal forms of Lenten penance is <u>prayer</u> (the others being almsgiving (acts of charity) and sacrifice). So I encourage all of you to "pray more" during Lent, either adding some extra prayer (s) to your daily and/or weekly routine, or praying the prayers you already pray with more attention, devotion and time.

One excellent form of prayer during Lent is the **Stations of the Cross** (or Via Dolorosa, Via Crucis, Way of Sorrows, Way of the Cross), which can be prayed at home, but is most beneficially prayed in a place where "Stations" are physically erected, as they are in our church, and also along the perimeter of the woods behind our church.

Historically, this devotion goes back to the earliest days of the Church: tradition tells us that the Blessed Mother used to visit the places of her Son's Passion every day. By the beginning of the 4<sup>th</sup> century the route from Pilate's praetorium up the hill to Calvary was well worn and marked with the key stations of his suffering, and pilgrims came from all over the nascent Christian world to walk the "Via." By at least the 5<sup>th</sup> century the devotion spread outside of the Holy Land, as monasteries, chapels and churches erected their own set of Stations. The devotion particularly expanded in popular piety through the work of the Franciscans, and some say St. Francis of Assisi himself, beginning in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. The erection of Stations of the Cross in churches became widespread in the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Today, virtually every Catholic church has a version of the 14 Stations. And while the devotion may be fruitfully practiced throughout the year, it is particularly fitting to Lent. So please, consider praying the Stations, especially in the church, either by yourself or with your family, and/or joining other parishioners on Friday evenings in Lent at 6:30.

There are many different booklets available to guide

you in praying the Stations. The one we use here on Friday evenings is found in a small violet covered paperback entitled, "The Way of the Cross: According to the Method of St. Alphonsus Liguori," which is available for purchase in our gift shop or on Amazon (listed there, for some reason, as "The Way of the Cross by Alphonsus de Liguori"). Of course, copies are available for use on Friday evenings for all participants.

It should be noted that a *plenary indulgence* is gained by those who make them before Stations lawfully erected (e.g., in a church), while devoutly meditating upon the passion and death of the Lord, while moving from one station to the other (at least the leader must move during public Stations), and fulfilling the other usual requirements for a plenary indulgence (i.e., the person must 1) be free of all attachment to sin, even venial, 2) go to confession and receive Communion within several days before or after, and 3) pray for the Pope's intentions).

Finally, I'd like to point out 2 very beautiful prayers found in the "method" of St. Alphonsus that can be very helpful during Lent, and year-round. The first is a very short but powerful prayer composed by St. Francis of Assisi: "We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, because by Thy Holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world." The second is what I call the "Prayer of St. Alphonsus," which is repeated in slightly different forms at each station: "I love Thee, Jesus my love; I love Thee more than myself; I repent of having offended Thee. Never permit me to separate myself from Thee again. Grant that I may love Thee always, and then do with me what Thou wilt." Consider praying these every day during Lent.

**Morning Offering.** Another excellent prayer to pray during Lent, and throughout the year, is the "Morning Offering." I thank God and my parents for teaching me this habit—by imitating their own practice.

Offer this prayer first thing every morning, as soon as you wake up, consecrating your whole day, everything you do, to Jesus. There are lots of different versions of this prayer, but they point to the same thing: offering Jesus

"all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day." And when you begin the day with this, even the insignificant moments of the day can open up as opportunities to give back to God the great love He has given us.

This is the version of the prayer I pray: "O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives, friends and parishioners, all those I pray for and all who have asked me to pray for them. Amen."

Some use an alternative of that last part as follows: "in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father. Amen."

A Slight Change in Severe Weather Closings Policy. We will no longer be following Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) for cancellations in case of weather or other emergencies. From now on when it comes to the question of how the weather will affect events at St. Raymond's, ignore FCPS and consult the email sent out from the parish office or the parish website.

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Monday March 1st

8:30 am Allie Schweitzer

#### Tuesday, March 2nd

8:30 am Bianca Spinelli

#### Wednesday, March 3rd

8:30 am Sr. Catherine Therese

### Thursday, March 4th

8:30 am Charles Allen Bowling +

#### Friday, March 5th

8:30 am Sr, Jeanne Johnson + 7:00 pm EFM (Latin)

#### Masses to be said Privately

March 1 Eugene Rodrick +

March 2 Zora Zaloumis

March 3 Kevin Reilly +

March 3 Lauren Hornsby

March 4 Raymond Hassett +

March 5 Alexis Gloninger

March 7 Mike Lyons +

#### Saturday, March 6th

9:00 am Sr. Francine Aimee

#### Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

Gertrude Seiberling +

#### Sunday, March 7th

7:00 am

Natalia Golinowski +

9:00 am

Parishioners

11:00 am

The Berger Family

1:00 pm

Johanna Healey

**Extraordinary Form / Traditional Latin Mass at St. Raymond Church This Friday, March 5th.** 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.

# 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)

**Wednesdays:** 6:00 pm - 6:55 pm

**Saturday:** 8:00 am -8:45 am, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

#### **Additional Confession times for Lent!**

Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30 pm - 7:00 pmFridays at 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm

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

<u>Face masks</u> are expected at all Masses unless you are exempt.

The 1:00 pm Sunday Mass is "Masks Mandatory".

Sign ups are required for 9 am and 11 am Sunday Masses.

Visit our website or 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.

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** 

Brandon Skiba Colleen McFadden

### Please pray for the sick of our parish

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Glenn Bliss Tom Dietz Michael O'Neill Cindy Laird Patricia Lewis Barbara McGinn Mai Pham Joan Opiela Donald Zacherl Leonora Ramos Jason Saenz Phyllis Zitnik Mary K Randazzo	Patricia Del Buono Michael Malachowski Juanita Boarman Angela Colom John Florio Debra Henkel Daniel Moore Maria Daugherty Lauren Hornsby Gaudencio Dizon Antoinette Baptist Margaret O'Neill	Ada Prabhavat Julia Oaks Paul Haynes Minnie Taylor Dwayne Taylor Bernadette D'Agostino Judy Knight Christopher Quan Al Piombo Ted Tolpa Dennis Kruse			

**Luminaries of Holy Mary:** Come join us on March 6th 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, March 6. For more information, call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

#### **Fasting and Abstinence**

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of both fasting and abstinence, and every Friday in Lent is a day of abstinence. Failure to "substantially" keep these penances is grave matter (e.g., potentially a mortal sin). The <u>law of</u> abstinence requires that no meat may be eaten on these days, and binds all Catholics who are 14 years old or older. No other penance may be substituted. The <u>law of fasting</u> binds those who are between the ages of 18 and 59. The Church defines "fasting," for these purposes, as having only one full meal a day, with two additional smaller meals permitted, but only as necessary to keep up strength and so small that if added together they would not equal a full meal. Snacking is forbidden, but that does not include drinks that are not of the nature of a meal. Even though these rules do not bind all age groups, all are encouraged to follow them to the extent possible. Children in particular learn the importance of penance from following the practice of their older family members. The sick, pregnant or nursing mothers, and other folks with special physical circumstances may be partially or totally exempt from these rules—use good judgment and take care of yourself.

#### **GOSPEL MK 9:2-10**

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves.

And He was transfigured before them, and His clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.

Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus.

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here!

Let us make three tents:
one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."
He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified.
Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them;

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him."
Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone
but Jesus alone with them.

from the cloud came a voice,

As they were coming down from the mountain, He charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

Roe vs. Wade Movie: Please join us for a private viewing of the 2020 movie, Roe vs. Wade, on Sunday March 14th, with showings at 3:00pm and 5:30pm at the Fairfax Cinemark Theater (11900 Palace Way, Fairfax). Tickets are required but free and available on the parish website. Donations accepted. This movie is rated PG-13. To learn more about the movie, visit: www.roevwademovie.com/about-the-movie

**ANNUAL FIVE-CAR RAFFLE:** Thanks to all those who have returned their car raffle tickets—special thanks to those who have requested extras to sell to their relatives, friends, co-workers, bowling team, etc. Sales are off to a great start! Please note that raffle tickets must be processed at All Saints. Please mail directly to All Saints in the envelope provided. Questions? Contact Larry Saenz at <a href="mailto:lsaenz1@verizon.net">lsaenz1@verizon.net</a> or 703-832-1042.

Knights of Columbus – Polar Plunge: The annual Virginia Knights of Columbus Polar Plunge is just a little different this year. If anyone wants to take part in their own created and virtual polar plunge you are most welcome to do so in order to raise funds for the mentally and physically handicap of our state. Come up with your own polar plunge idea, get sponsors to financially support, record your "plunge", and then upload the video on the Virginia Polar Plunge website. The Polar Plunge is ongoing through March 15. For more info <a href="https://www.polarplunge.com/">https://www.polarplunge.com/</a> or text or call John Crennan at 339-223-0887

Support Trail Life Troop 0683 - buy mulch and topsoil! Trail Life Troop 0683, the troop sponsored by St. Raymond of Peñafort, is kicking off its annual mulch and topsoil sale to help parish families prepare for spring lawn and garden care. Your support will help our growing troop buy camping gear, advancement and recognition badges and instructional material. You can mail in your order or order online. You will find instructions for ordering at: <a href="https://straymonds.org/trail-life/">https://straymonds.org/trail-life/</a>. We offer home delivery for an extra donation. Questions? Contact Eric Michael at 703-372-1240. *Thank you very mulch!* 

#### SAINT RAYMOND'S RESPECTS LIFE

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Thank you for your continued generosity to the MaRiH Pregnancy Care Center. Your generosity - accompanied by your prayers - is so very much appreciated. Our next support weekend is **NEXT WEEKEND** March 6-7. God bless you!

Please see the parish website for updated information regarding COVID-19 Vaccines and their relation to aborted fetal cell lines. <u>You can speak up!</u>

40DAYSFORLIFE Spring Campaign Feb 17-Mar 28. Our Parish Witness Weekend will be March 20/21. Sign Ups are in the narthex and on the parish website.

**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

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 distribution at Pregnancy Care Centers or for use by sidewalk counselors – wherever we find a need. God bless you for your efforts. Blankets may be delivered to the parish office or 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 <a href="https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife">www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife</a>. For more info, contact them at 1-866-444-3553 or <a href="mailto:GabrielProject@arlingtondiocese.org">GabrielProject@arlingtondiocese.org</a>.

## Home Repair Needed?

Our High School Youth Apostolate is looking for opportunities to help St. Raymond's parishioners with intermediate skill projects and manual labor this summer, June 21st-25th. Could you use help? We are looking for projects involving basic carpentry, landscaping, hardscaping, and home maintenance. Examples include:

deck repairs, fence repairs, walkway/patio repairs, staining, painting, power-washing, gutter work, etc.

- All work must be outdoors.
- Project cannot require a county building permit.
- Projects higher than one story (including gutters and roofs) will not be considered.
- Projects that expose volunteers to mold, lead based paint, or asbestos will not be considered.

If you or someone in the local area that you know could use help, contact Jeanne <a href="mailto:youth@straymonds.org">youth@straymonds.org</a> 571-334-9890 by March 1<sup>st</sup> with your/their name and contact information.

## St. Raymond's Youth Apostolate

#### <u>Junior High (7th-8th Grade) Youth Group</u> 5-6:30pm Sunday, February 28th (Parish Hall)

Come eat pizza, make new friends and have fun all while growing in your faith! All 7th-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. If possible, please RSVP by emailing Jeanne, to give an idea of how much pizza we will need.

#### <u>High School Youth Group</u> 8-9pm Sunday, February 28th (Parish Hall)

All students grades 9-12 are invited to join us to grow in faith & fellowship! No RSVP required. Make sure forms (below) are on file before coming.

#### WorkCamp (June 19th-25th) Update!

Due to a variety of factors, St. Raymond's will be holding our own version of WorkCamp this summer. WorkCamp is open to current 9th-12th graders. See "Home Repair" note above. We will have daily Mass, work in crews on projects, have evening program etc. but sleep at home. More details coming soon!!

#### Talitha Koum: High School Girls' Group 7-8:30pm Monday, March 1st (Parish Hall)

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. You are welcome here! Make sure forms (below) are on file before coming.

#### Youth Apostolate Participation 2 REQUIRED Forms

Forms can be found online at <a href="http://bit.lv/YAforms">http://bit.lv/YAforms</a>

#### Jeanne Sause

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

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## **ATTENTION 8th Grade parents:**

- 1. Confirmation Retreat will take place on Saturday March 13th. Please drop your child off at the Parish Hall at 8:30 a.m.
  - Your child will need to bring their lunch with them.
  - Please pick your child up at 4:45 p.m.
- 2. Sponsor Eligibility letter (from sponsor's home parish) is due no later than March 19th,
- 3. Statement of Sponsor form due no later than March 19th.
- 4. Confirmation Gown Order form due by April 15th.

**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 <a href="mailto:jpebtp@verizon.net">jpebtp@verizon.net</a> or by calling the parish office at 703-440-0535.

**Catholic Book Club:** The next Parish Book Club meeting is on Friday, March 12th in the Maurer Room at 10:00 am. There is limited space but virtual attendance is possible... The book for discussion is: *Dangers to the Faith: Recognizing Catholicism's 21st-century Opponents* by Al Kresta (208 pgs.) Newcomers welcome. If you have any questions or to register, please contact Jim Mault at bookclub@straymonds.org.

**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 nonperishable 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. The St. Martin de Porres committee thanks all of the parishioners for your food donations. Your generosity really makes a difference in helping the needy, especially during the pandemic.

**Legion of Mary:** The Legion of Mary weekly meeting is held Virtually on Monday evenings at 7:30 pm. All auxiliary members and anyone interested in joining the Legion of Mary are welcome. For more information, please contact Tom Delaney at 703-690-1930 or by e-mail at tdelaney51@verizon.net

**Home School Group:** for more information visit our website <a href="https://www.homeschool-life.com/va/straymondhsg/">www.homeschool-life.com/va/straymondhsg/</a>. Contact: Katherine Bogacki or Malia Cameron at <a href="mailto:straymondhsg@gmail.com">straymondhsg@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Church Persecuted**

Marist College has conducted an annual survey of American attitudes toward abortion since 2008. Significant in the poll is that while over 90% of Democratic members of Congress claim to be pro-choice, the poll shows that only 25% of the population are in favor of abortion in the third trimester or up to birth. The remainder of the population (76%) favor restrictions on abortion. See last week's column for some of the initial data from the survey. The link below shows the entire Power Point summary and the raw data which further breaks down the data.

- Recently the U.S. Senate voted down the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, introduced by Senator Ben Sasse. prohibiting the killing of a baby who is born alive due to a failed abortion. The legislation needed 60 votes to proceed but came up 8 votes short with a 52 48 in favor of it. The Marist poll showed that over three in four Americans who identify as pro-choice (77%) or who identify as Democrats (78%) believe laws should protect both the mother and her unborn child.
- The poll also showed that 70% of Americans oppose or strongly oppose abortion if the child is diagnosed with Down Syndrome. This includes 56% of those who identify themselves as pro-choice.
- Finally, 65% of those polled either want *Roe v. Wade* reinterpreted to send the issue to the states or to stop legalized abortion.

http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/news-room/polls/kofc-americans-opinions-on-abortion012021.pdf http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/news-room/polls/kofc-national-survey-with-tables012021.pdf

## **FORMED**°

#### **Get In-Formed!**

The Search Episode 3 - Why a God? Today we seem to think we've moved beyond the idea of God, but this secular view of life is a very new and unusual idea to humanity. All through human history man has looked to something outside himself for the answers to life. Why have we given up on God? Do we think science has disproven Him? Do we think society is better off without him? We talk with astrophysicists, chemists, Harvard professors, and more to make the case that it's not only reasonable to believe in God, it's essential if you want to have a truly amazing life. Our souls seek their creator, and we'll never be truly happy unless we seek Him out. As St. Augustine famously said, "You have made us for Yourself O Lord, and our hearts are restless. until they rest in Thee."

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**The BLA** provides an opportunity to unite as a Catholic family and support programs, ministries, and services that no single individual or parish could offer by itself. After reflecting upon the many blessing that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a BLA pledge. Every donation is vital to the success of the BLA. You may go online to www.arlingtondiocese.org, or text "BLA" to 703-260-9800 tp make a donation. Please help our parish reach our BLA goal!

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 <a href="https://www.straymonds.org">www.straymonds.org</a> to join online or call directly at 866-507-8757.

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 FEBRUARY 2021

Sunday Offertory	\$ 46,185.00
Family Assistance	\$ 2,379.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 5,981.00
Diocesan Newspaper	\$ 1,304.00
<b>Church in Central &amp; Eastern</b>	

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1,189.00

Europe (Ash Wednesday) \$

Sunday Offertory	\$	9,381.00
Family Assistance	\$	494.00
Maintenance Fund	\$	992.00
Church in Central & Eastern		
Europe (Ash Wednesday) \$		1,335.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$	1,636.00





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