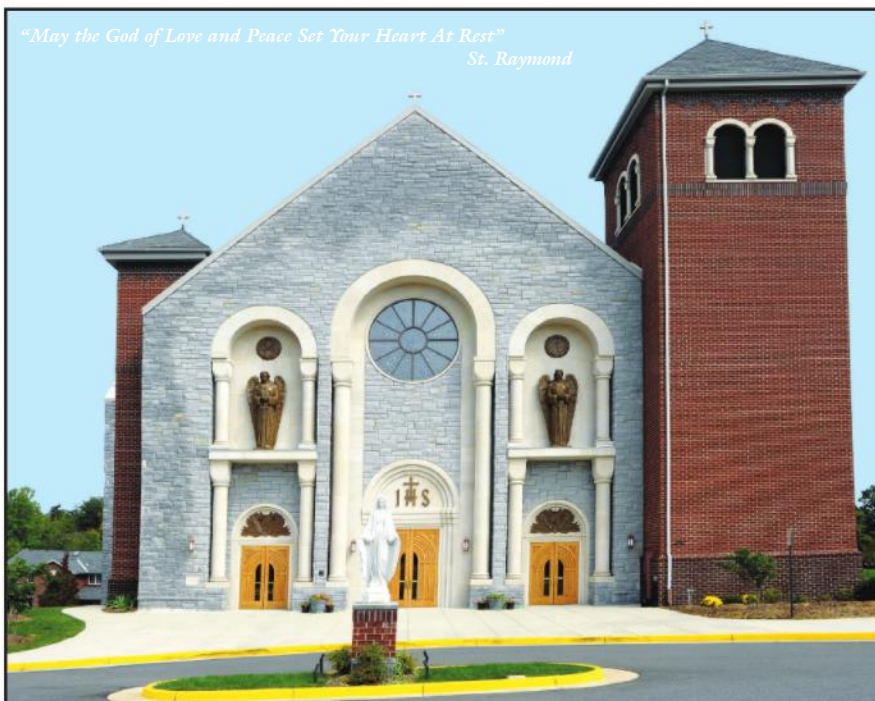


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Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
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TUITION ASSISTANCE: Please inquire with our office about the availability of partial scholarships for the children of active St. Raymond parishioners attending local Catholic grade schools and high schools.

Angelus Academy

**7644 Dynatech Ct, Springfield, VA 22153
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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.

Pastor's Corner

Pray for Father Jerry Daly. As I informed you in an email on Easter Sunday, Fr. Daly is back in the hospital. He is in ICU with a gravely life-threatening infection, and I ask for your continued prayers. Pray especially to St. Raymond, Our Lady of Ransom, and my dear friend St. Mary Magdalene. But please DO NOT try to visit Father: the hospital does not normally allow any visitors, but has made exceptions for brief visits by 3 close priest-friends. I'm afraid that if more people try to visit they will not allow even these priests to visit. So no attempted visits, but lots of prayers!

Blessed and Happy Easter! I hope you all had a blessed and happy Easter day, and I pray that the joy of Easter has been sustained in you throughout this week, and will continue through the rest of the Easter Season.

I'd like to thank so many of you who worked so hard to give our parish such a special Lent and Triduum this year. First of all, I give thanks to Our Lord Jesus for his great love for us, poured out on the Cross and made glorious in the Resurrection. I also give thanks to all of you took part in all the Lenten and Triduum events and liturgies in the parish, either in person or through livestream, or through my podcasts. It was great to have "full" houses (considering capacity limits) for ALL the Triduum and Easter liturgies.

In particular I want to single out the Altar Servers, especially those who served Stations of the Cross and the three great liturgies of the Triduum. I purposefully assigned fewer servers than in the past, but still enough to provide us with a well-served liturgies. Thanks especially to Lewis Bliss who did an outstanding job as Master of Ceremonies.

I also want to recognize the hard work of Elisabeth Turco, our Music Director, and our parish cantors. With our choir on sabbatical this year, Elisabeth organized our cantors, all professionals, into a schola of 6 to provide beautiful music, especially for the Triduum and Easter. They were amazing.

Thanks also to the folks who decorated the church, especially Julie Mullen and her flower committee. Thanks also to Nena Brennen and her family, for taking care of the sanctuary and sacristy. Thanks to all the lectors, headed by Phil Betwy. Also, thanks to the ushers, headed by Patrick O'Brien, who did an extraordinary job this year, and to the volunteers who served as porters and counters. Thanks also to our cleaning crew for keeping us sanitized. Special thanks to the parish staff for all their good work, requiring particular flexibility this year.

And **congratulations to our RCIA folks.** We baptized and confirmed two adults, welcomed into full communion and confirmed four former Protestants, and confirmed five adult Catholics. Congratulations and welcome to them all, and let us commit to keep them in our prayers. Also, thanks to Bob and Bev Ward for their dedication in teaching them so thoroughly and faithfully week after week for the last months.

Divine Mercy Sunday. This Second Sunday in the Octave of Easter is also known as "Divine Mercy Sunday," established as such in 2000 by Pope St. John Paul II, in recognition of the mercy that flows to all mankind from the Paschal Mystery of Christ's suffering, death and resurrection. The Pope was inspired by the claims of St. Faustina Kowalska that Jesus Himself had requested this during His private

apparitions to her during the 1930s. The Lord reportedly also told St. Faustina: "I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain the complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened."

Although private apparitions/revelations such as this need not be believed by Catholics, this one, as with many others, has been recognized by the Church as "worthy of belief" (i.e., it is consistent with the Catholic faith). Moreover, the Church which has established a plenary indulgence for this Sunday: "...granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!)." You may go to confession "within several days (about 20) before or after the indulgenced act." For a brief explanation of indulgences, see the Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1471ff.]

Easter Continues. Of course, the Season of Easter continues until Pentecost Sunday, May 23. This extended liturgical season reminds us of the ongoing importance of the Resurrection to all of us throughout the year: Christ has truly risen, and lives today in our midst, may we always live as if we believe that!

Triduum Sacrilege. I'm sure you've heard by now that there were several incidents around the world involving police trying to shut down or interfere with Christian services or liturgies during the Triduum. One took place at Christ the King Catholic Church in South London, when Metropolitan Police officers entered the sanctuary during the liturgy of the Veneration of the Cross on Good Friday and announced:

"You are not allowed to meet inside with this many people under law. At this moment in time you need to go home...Failure to comply.... ultimately could lead to you being fined £200 or, if you fail to give your details, to you being arrested...It's Good Friday and I appreciate you would like to worship, but it is unlawful."

Well, no it was NOT unlawful. But it is unlawful—a gross violation of the basic right to worship—for the government to enter into the actual sanctuary, the holy of holies of a Catholic church, during a Catholic Liturgy and just take over.

I know our local cops would never do such a thing—they are our friends and neighbors, patriots and heroes, and we love them. And if one of their superiors ever gave them such an order I know they would defy it. But on the very remote chance the government found someone to try something like this at St. Raymond's, they'd better be prepared to forcibly remove me in handcuffs if they think I'd ever let them desecrate our church or defile our religious liberty like this.

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday April 12th**

8:30 am Ruth Delaney +

Tuesday, April 13th

8:30 am Rev. James Altman

Wednesday, April 14th8:30 am Sam & Charlotte
Roberts**Thursday, April 15th**

8:30 am Justin Elmore

Friday, April 16th8:30 am Bernie Crum +
7:00 pm EFM (Latin Mass)**Masses to be said Privately**April 12 Mary Kuta +
April 14 Miquelina Rodriguez +
April 15 Peter Siefken +
April 16 Pope Emeritus
Benedict XVI**Saturday, April 17th**

9:00 am Rev. Larry Kutz

Vigil Mass5:00 pm
Walter Jr Seiberling +**Sunday, April 18th**7:00 am
Jane Zmudzinski +
9:00 am
Parishioners
11:00 am
Linda Pasternak +
1:00 pm
Larry Smith +

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**Glenn Bliss
Tom Dietz
Michael O'Neill
Cindy Laird
Patricia Lewis
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Extraordinary Form / Traditional Latin Mass at St. Raymond Church This Friday, April 16th. 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>.

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**Monday through Friday Daily Mass at 8:30 am
Saturday at 9:00 am
Sunday Mass at 11:00 am**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES**Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm**

Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm
Sign ups required for the 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses
Masks Mandatory for the 1:00 pm Mass

**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**

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

**Face masks 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.

Volunteers Needed! St. Raymond's is looking for additional volunteers to read at Mass. Being a lector is very inspiring and helps you become more involved in the Mass. You will only be scheduled for the Masses you request. Please consider this awesome opportunity and if interested, contact Phil Bettwy by phone at 703-690-6379 or by email at PBettwy@aol.com

Welcome New Members: St. Raymond's Parish extends a warm welcome to the following 11 adults who joined the Church at the Easter Vigil on April 4, 2021 after completing the 2020-2021 RCIA program: Anthony V. Edivan, Elizabeth A. Frazee, Kierra B. Harris, Adrian Lopez, Dahlia Lopez, Nathaniel B. Michael, Gopal D. Sharma, David Simmons, Isabella E. Taylor, Sofia E. Taylor, Lenina M. Yanez

Spring/Summer 2021 Class to enter the Catholic Church (RCIA) - will be offered at St. Raymond's Parish on **Monday evenings 7:30 to 8:30 pm April 12, 2021 until August 30, 2021 (except for Memorial Day, May 31, and July 5, 2021).** This program is based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and designed to prepare 1) *baptized adult non-Catholics* to enter the Catholic Church, and 2) *baptized adult Catholics* seeking First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. **Also, anyone who desires a better understanding of Catholic teachings and practices are welcomed.** No advanced registration is required. The standard RCIA program will be offered beginning in September 2021. If you have questions call Bob or Bev Ward 703-644-5873 or via e-mail at rew6710@gmail.com.

GOSPEL JN 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,
for fear of the Jews,

Jesus came and stood in their midst
and said to them, "Peace be with you."

When He had said this, He showed them His hands and
His side.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent Me, so I send you."

And when He had said this, He breathed on them and
said to them,

"Receive the Holy Spirit.

Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve,
was not with them when Jesus came.

So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the
Lord."

But he said to them,

"Unless I see the mark of the nails in His hands
and put my finger into the nailmarks
and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

Now a week later His disciples were again inside
and Thomas was with them.

Jesus came, although the doors were locked,
and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you."

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see
My hands,

and bring your hand and put it into My side,
and do not be unbelieving, but believe."

Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my
God!"

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because
you have seen Me?

Blessed are those who have not seen and have
believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His
disciples

that are not written in this book.

But these are written that you may come to believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,

and that through this belief you may have life in His
name.

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 jpebtp@verizon.net or by calling the parish office.

CAR RAFFLE UPDATE: Thanks to all those who have returned their car raffle tickets and to those who have requested extras to sell to their relatives, friends, co-workers, bowling team, etc.—special thanks to all of the volunteers who continue to help each week!! This is our last push, so if you need extra raffle tickets or did not receive them please email me and I will drop them off at the Parish Office for you. Lsaenzl@verizon.net or 703-832-1042. **Please note that raffle tickets should be returned to All Saints by April 20th!** Please mail directly to All Saints in the envelope provided. Checks should be made payable to All Saints. **Drawing takes place April 24th.**

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my face and turn from their
wicked ways, then I will hear
from heaven, and I will for-
give their sin and will heal
their land." 2 Chronicles
7:14

The MaRiH center
An Alternative to Abortion

Volunteers needed! The MaRiH Center is a Pro Life Pregnancy Support Center operating on Duke Street in Alexandria since 1974. We are seeking volunteers! Spanish language skills are especially desirable but not required. The MaRiH Center, entirely volunteer run and donation based, is open Monday-Thursday from 10-3 and on Sat. from 10-1. Please call 703-370-4774 or email marihcenter@gmail.com for additional information and a tour. Or visit marih.org. We look forward to volunteering with you! This is **our Parish Support Weekend for baby items. Donations welcomed in the narthex.** May God bless you for your continued support!

Join Bishop Burbidge for Holy Mass in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life on Saturday, April 24 at 8 am at Queen of Apostles Catholic Church. Immediately following Mass, Bishop will lead a rosary on the sidewalk in front of the abortion facility at 5999 Stevenson Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. For more information, please contact respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org.

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

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: celi.org

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.

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

St. Raymond's Youth Apostolate

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

5-6:30pm Sunday, April 11th 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.

High School Youth Group

8-9pm Sunday, April 11th (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.

Sons of Thunder High School Boys' Group

7-8:30pm Tuesday, April 13th (Parish Hall)

9th-12th Grade Guys, come join the brotherhood! 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. New folks always welcome!



WORKCAMP June 19th & 21st-25th

REGISTRATION DUE APRIL 18TH!

St. Raymond's will be holding our own version of **WorkCamp this summer, June 19th & June 21st-25th. Teens must commit to the full day for all 6 days in order to participate.** We will have daily Mass, work in crews on projects, have fun, eat dinner & have an evening program etc. but will sleep at home. **WorkCamp is open to current 9th-12th graders.** We will be helping several families with some pretty exciting projects! No prior WorkCamp, construction, or tool knowledge is necessary as everything will be taught on site and supervised by our contractors. **Cost is \$100**, but we would never want cost to be the reason someone does not participate, so please contact Jeanne if this is an issue. Go to the website <http://bit.ly/workcamp2021> for more info. and/or to register.

Youth Apostolate Participation 2 REQUIRED Forms

Forms can be found online at <http://bit.ly/YAforms>

Jeanne Sause

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD classes resume this week - beginning TONIGHT (April 11-13).

Parents of children preparing to receive the Holy Eucharist for the first time in May:

First Holy Communion Mini-Retreat will be held April 24th from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. You should have received an email last week with specific information. If you did not receive an email, please contact the Religious Education Office.



Catholic Book Club: The next Parish Book Club meeting is on Friday, **May 14th** in the Maurer Room at 10:00 am. There is limited space but virtual attendance is possible... The book for discussion is *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary: Unveiling the Mother of the Messiah* by Brant Pitre (240 pgs.). Newcomers welcome. If you have any questions or to register, please contact Jim Mault at bookclub@straymonds.org

Gift Shop: Our next Sale in the Narthex will be on the weekend of April 17/18 after all the Sunday Masses. You can also make an appointment to visit the Shop during the week by calling the parish office. **Thinking about gifting a sacramental item for that special sacramental occasion?** The shop carries a variety of gifts: Baptism frames and baby medals, simple to elegant Rosaries, simple to sterling silver and pewter medals and chains, bracelets, wood crucifixes, St. Joseph statues, and many other gift ideas for First Holy Communicants, Confirmandi, and RCIA candidates. The gift shop also has gift item ideas for Mom on Mother's Day. **Note:** future Sales Dates: **April 18 and April 25** after the weekend Masses.

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

ART, DRAMA, MUSICAL THEATRE CAMPS for K-12:

Into its 17th summer hosted by All Saints & Nativity Churches, instructors for these camps combine their professional arts backgrounds and faith to create a marvelous experience in July for high school teens, middle school, and elementary youth.

Broadway Spotlight and Drama Bootcamp include presenters from the *Kennedy Center*, *Off-Broadway*, *Ringling Brothers*, and a *VA Teacher of the Year*. **Art Camps** are taught by *Diocesan Catholic School Art Teachers* with *award winning backgrounds*. Young people from various experience levels are welcome. Camps are designed to both be fun and challenging with a goal to aid campers in their growth in the arts. This month, **all camps are \$20 off plus everyone gets a free t-shirt.**

Learn more and register at www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com

Church Persecuted

Saints are not always pious monks or contemplative nuns in monasteries or abbeys. Some are ordinary people. Take for instance Saint Nicholas Owens. He lived in the 16th century Elizabethan England. Living his faith in an anti-Catholic regime that made Catholicism illegal was a challenge that he freely accepted. Nicholas, a devout Catholic, was also an extraordinary craftsman.

Known as "Little John" because of his short stature, in 1588 he was hired by the Jesuits in England for a secret mission. He was to construct "priest holes" in the homes of Catholic families in England to hide priests. He did it for the next 18 years working undetected alone and at night. He constructed "holes" under floorboards, in attics, and between walls. He hid the entrances behind fake walls, floors, and fireplaces for hundreds of priests.

In 1597, he and Jesuit Father John Gerard were captured and imprisoned in the Tower of London. After a wealthy Catholic paid a ransom to release Owens, the latter then returned to the Tower to dramatically free Father Gerard. Finally in 1606, the anti-Catholic police came knocking again. Hidden in the home were Owens and two other priests. Owens gave himself up in order to successfully protect the other priests and to not betray his secret "holes." He was tortured and died in captivity. He was just an ordinary person doing extraordinary things.

(Source: *Columbia Magazine* March 2021, pg. 5)

Angelus Academy is celebrating 20 years!

Please join our Gala celebration on the afternoon of Sunday, May 2 at Springfield Golf & Country Club. To purchase tickets, be a sponsor, or make a donation please visit www.charityauction.bid/AngelusAcademy

"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." If you are considering a to be a priest, sister or brother who proclaims the truth and peace of Jesus Christ?

Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg,
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Looking for a gentle introduction to school for your 3-4 year old? Our Little Messengers program, held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, includes Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium).

Thank you for your prayers and support. With God, nothing will be impossible!

www.AngelusAcademy.org

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SHREDDING May 1. The Knights of Columbus and Marian Homes will run a Shredding event from 10 am to 1 pm on Saturday, May 1st. Donations will support housing for the intellectually disabled and vocations. Bring your old documents, cancelled checks and such. No 3-ring binders, hard drives or metal objects other than staples and paper clips please. For more information call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

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, April 17th. For more information, call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

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 www.straymonds.org 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.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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Family Assistance	\$ 1,620.00
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