

### 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

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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
6:15-6:55 p.m. (during Exposition)
Saturday Morning

8:00 - 8:45 a.m. **Saturday Afternoon** 3:00 - 4:45 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**

**Summer Begins.** Praised be Jesus Christ! I hope that with this "re-opening summer" we can all take some time to travel and/or rest, relax and enjoy ourselves a bit. I'll be taking a couple of short trips myself, although I don't plan any long vacations.

Even so, there are many things to think about this summer, and many things to do.

**Fairfax County Public Schools.** We need to do something about the abuse of our children being planned by our government schools. While we have all been worried about how best to guide and educate our kids through and past the pandemic shutdown, our government school ideologue-bureaucrats have been planning and scheming on how to effectively warp your children's minds and hearts with homosexual, transgender, Marxist, woke and Critical-Race-Theory propaganda in the coming year.

WE MUST ALL STAND AGAINST THIS. So, this summer we, especially FCPS parents but also all taxpayers, need to organize to fight this abuse. In particular, we must stand together against school board members', administrators' and teachers' particular efforts. We must also work to change the board itself: did you know there is an active recall effort afoot? See <a href="https://openfcpscoalition.org/">https://openfcpscoalition.org/</a>.

We must also work to support school vouchers in Virginia, so that parents, not the government, can choose where their children will be educated. This will necessarily involve replacing our representatives in Richmond, including the governor, in **this November's elections**. From what I can tell, the only candidate for governor who currently supports vouchers/school-choice is Glenn Youngkin (R).

This will all require some organizing and coordinating, something I think is the duty of the laity. So I ask parishioners who are interested in leading or helping in this effort to contact me or Mary Salmon, our Religious Education Director

Now some would say this is the Church, or at least the Pastor, interfering in politics. Let me assure you I make every effort to NOT do that, unless politics interferes with the Church. And since you and your children are part of my flock, and these leftist ideologues have so radically joined in a war against our children, parents and the Church itself, I see a positive duty to fight back—especially by encouraging the laity to do so.

Remember, freedom of religion is a God-given right, and is guaranteed in the Constitution. Moreover the Constitution does not protect government from religion, but rather protects religion, and the religious freedoms of the people, from the government.

Also, do not forget that the actions of the school board and teachers unions during the pandemic clearly revealed that their priority is not the best interests of your children, but are directed mainly by their own ideologies or self-interest. Remember how when polled, 60% of parents chose in person learning, but this board ignored the majority vote and went completely remote instead? Remember, what the Washington Post reported in June, 2020: "A day after [FCPS] announced its proposal for fall learning, teachers [unions] within Fairfax County Public Schools rose in revolt and refused to teach inperson, as the plan demands, until officials revise their strategy..."

Think of how our children suffered so unnecessarily from the school shutdowns and online "learning," while Catholic schools operated successfully, happily and healthy in-person.

Finally, remember to pray for and support good teachers—and administrators— who are trying to fight the good fight for our kids in our government/public schools. None of what I have written above should in any way be misunderstood to undermine them or their good work. God bless them.

Scholarships to Catholic Schools. A month ago I wrote about the question of whether it is immoral to send children to the FCP schools. "Is it immoral—a grave sin? I'm afraid it just might be." But at the same time I recognized that, "Many parents... believe they simply can't afford, financially or otherwise, the alternatives." While many parents recognize the problem and dedicate themselves to offsetting the nonsense of the schools by aggressively countering these errors at home and in the parish, I'm afraid that doesn't work for most parents, for various reasons.

So, last year I offered a one-time \$2,000 scholarship for each parish child who switched from public school (k-12) to Catholic school. I have decided to renew that offer to families who make that change in the 2021-2022 school year.

I have also decided to raise the amount of the scholarship we have available to all qualified parishioners who attend Catholic grade school from \$500 to \$1,000 and Catholic high school from \$1,000 to \$2,000. This amount is renewable every year, and is subject only to minimal qualification terms.

Also, additional financial aid is available if a family truly can't afford Catholic school, even with the above scholarships. These decisions are made on a case by case basis.

Finally, assistance to cover direct educational costs is also available to folks who **homeschool**.

Let me know if you're interested.

<u>Funding Scholarships</u>. To fund the above scholarships I am asking all parishioners to consider donating whatever they can to the cause. Last year I had two families donate the funds to cover the full tuition for two children at Angelus Academy. But you don't have to give that much: if you can give \$5 or \$50,000, please consider doing so.

Right now you can do this by mailing a check to the parish, and writing on the "memo" line something like "Scholarship Fund Donation." You can also give through Faith Direct (there is a special fund set up there on the "my gifts" page).

I especially appeal to those folks who don't have children in school anymore. What charitable donation is more worthy than supporting the salvation of the children of our parish? What outreach program, or what "evangelization" effort, would be more effective? **PLEASE**, **GIVE GENEROUSLY!** 

**Regular Offertory Collection.** As you can imagine, offertory giving has been way off during the pandemic—about a **17% decline** per week from pre-pandemic weeks. Fortunately, with various special donations received along with some declining expenses, we've been able to just about break even so far this year.

But with the post-pandemic re-opening, I need you to reconsider your regular offertory donations. I know many of you have continued to be very generous, and many of you have simply been unable to give. But with things changing for the better now, I do hope and expect the offertory to soon return to its pre-pandemic levels.

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Monday, June 14th

8:30 am Edward Murphy +

#### Tuesday, June 15th

8:30 am Phil Ciarlo Family +

#### Wednesday, June 16th

8:30 am Natalie Marie Butler

#### Thursday, June 17th

8:30 am Isabel Santos +

#### Friday, June 18th

8:30 am PFC Benjamin Park+7:00 pm EFM (Latin)

#### Masses to be said Privately

6/15 Poor Souls in Purgatory + 6/16 Dennis Spiegel + 6/16 Bishop Michael Burbidge

#### Saturday, June 19th

9:00 am Joe Riedel +

#### Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

Julian Santos +

#### Sunday, June 20th

7:00 am

Arsenio Veneracion, Jr. + 9:00 am

Parishioners

11:00 am

Emily Severn

1:00 pm

Father's Day Triduum

**Extraordinary Form / Traditional Latin Mass at St. Raymond Church This Friday, June 18th.** 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.

#### **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

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

#### Confessions in the Church

**Wednesdays:** 6:15 pm - 6:55 pm **Saturday:** 8:00 am - 8:45 am, 3:00 pm - 4:45 pm

### View livestreaming of the Holy Mass at St. Raymond's!

https://straymonds.org/view-mass-online/ Monday - Friday Daily Mass at 8:30 am Saturday at 9:00 am Sunday Mass at 11:00 am

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 <a href="mailto:office@straymonds.org">office@straymonds.org</a> to verify your email address.

**Good News!** The Parish Library will be reopening on July 24! Open hours are scheduled to be Saturdays from 1-5 and Sundays from 10-2. The Library can only be open if we have volunteer librarians. Would you like to join our ranks? No experience necessary! Spend two hours a month in the company of the saints and some of the greatest Catholic minds throughout history! If interested, please contact Liz Hildebrand at hildebrandseven@gmail.com.

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.

**Brandon Skiba** 

Colleen McFadden

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

Glenn Bliss
Tom Dietz
Michael O'Neill
Cindy Laird
Patricia Lewis
Barbara McGinn
Mai Pham
Joan Opiela
Leonora Ramos
Jason Saenz
Phyllis Zitnik
Mary K Randazzo

Patricia Del Buono Michael Malachowski Juanita Boarman John Florio Debra Henkel Daniel Moore Maria Daugherty Lauren Hornsby Gaudencio Dizon Antoinette Baptist Paul Haynes
Minnie Taylor
Dwayne Taylor
Bernadette
D'Agostino
Christopher Quan
Ted Tolpa
Nena Brennan
Fr. Jerome Daly
Donald Hale
Christina Cautero
Serrin Foster
Judy Knight



Knights of Columbus Annual KOVAR Collection this weekend: KOVAR is a Virginia Knights of Columbus Charity established in 1971 to

provide financial assistance to people with intellectual disabilities. The Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations for KOVAR outside the main entrance of the Church after each Mass the weekend of June 12/13. Please be generous in your support. Donations can be cash, check or via debit/credit card using this link:

https://knightsofcolumbusstjohnbosco.givingfuel.com/kovardonations-kofc-st-john-bosco-council

**Bridge Club:** We will play Bridge every Thursday at 12 noon. New members welcome. Contact Lois Kotlowski 703-455-6567 or James Kolakoski 703-455-3009.

**Father's Day Triduum:** Sunday, June 20th is Father's Day. We will be honoring fathers with a Triduum of Masses on June 20-22. If you would like to include the special fathers in your life (i.e. Father, Grandfather, Godfather, etc.), cards are available in the narthex after all Masses this weekend.

**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 on Saturday, June 19th. For more information, call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

**St. Raymond's Wedding Assistant Committee** has openings for women of the parish to join this joyful ministry. We offer guidance to couples with their liturgical choices, assist with the wedding rehearsal and offer support the day of the wedding. For more information, please contact Pam Rinn at 703-690-4420 or at prinn@verizon.net.

#### **GOSPEL MK 4:26-34**

Jesus said to the crowds:

"This is how it is with the kingdom of God;
it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land
and would sleep and rise night and day
and through it all the seed would sprout and grow,
he knows not how.

Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come."

He said.

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it?

It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the

is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants

ground.

and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade."

With many such parables

He spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it.

Without parables He did not speak to them, but to His own disciples He explained everything in private.

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 <a href="https://www.Kofc.org/JoinUs">www.Kofc.org/JoinUs</a> to become a Knight today!

**Luminaries of Holy Mary:** Come join us on July 3rd 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.

Blessed Carlo Acutis First Class Relic and the Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit. This exhibit is the result of three years of research, compilation and design by Blessed Acutis. It will be on display at Saint Timothy Parish in Chantilly on Friday, June 25 from 1-8 pm. The day will conclude with a Eucharistic Holy Hour from 7-8 pm with preached meditations from Father Searby.

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue / Sacred Heart Home Enthronement:** The Legion of Mary will once again be bringing the Pilgrim Virgin statue to parishioner homes. You can sign up by contacting Judy Mayer at imayer 9014@aol.com.

**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 tdelanev51@verizon.net

#### SAINT RAYMOND'S RESPECTS LIFE Learn the TRUTH. Live the TRUTH. Spread the TRUTH... in LOVE

2021 National Right to Life Convention. 25-26 June. During this two-day educational and training event, national experts gather in one place to equip the pro-life grassroots with the knowledge and skills they need to advance the pro-life cause. Register now at: <a href="https://nrlconvention.com/">https://nrlconvention.com/</a> Early registration ends June 18. Bishop Burbidge will give the invocation at the prayer breakfast on Friday 6/25.

Do you know that there is a **Memorial to the Unborn** on parish property? Please feel free to visit the Memorial in the corner of the parking lot near the Parkway and Pohick Road to pray for the Unborn and for a return to the sanctity of life in our nation.

The MaRiH Center is a Pro Life Pregnancy Support Center operating in Alexandria since 1974. We are seeking volunteers! Spanish language skills are desirable, not required. Please call 703-370-4774, email <a href="mairicenter@gmail.com">marih.com</a> or visit marih.org for additional info. <a href="Material donations">Material donations</a> welcomed in the narthex. Our next support weekend will be next weekend June 19-20 in honor of Father's Day. God bless you for your continued generosity!

Please see the parish website for info regarding COVID-19 Vaccines and their relation to aborted fetal cell lines. You must speak up! Sample letter to pharmaceutical companies urging ethical practices available in the narthex and on the parish website.

Get the TRUTH ABOUT THE EQUALITY ACT. Learn about its dangerous implications. arlingtondiocese.org/equalityact

EVERY SATURDAY MORNING from 8:00am - 12:00pm you have an opportunity to pray with others from Northern Virginia at the Falls Church Women's Healthcare Center (900 S. Washington St.). Your united prayers and physical presence are powerful deterrents to those entering the facility for abortion. Be part of the year-round movement to save lives and souls.

Natural Family Planning: A gift to your marriage. ccli.org

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

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 <a href="https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife">www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife</a>. For more info, contact them at 1-866-444-3553 or

### St. Raymond's Youth Apostolate St. Raymond's 2021 WorkCamp Needs YOUR help!

20 parish teens & 12 adult volunteers will be working on projects to help 4 parish families from June 21st-25th. They will be very busy each day from 7am-8pm working full days in the heat, praying, recreating, participating in an evening program each night & growing in faith & fellowship with one another. In order to make this week a success, we need of your support!

#### How can YOU help support St. Raymond's WorkCamp?

#### WorkCamp Adult Volunteer Sign-Up:

We need volunteers to help with breakfast and dinner set-up, serving and clean-up so the campers can focus on getting to worksites and the evening programs. VIRTUS compliant adults are also needed for security monitoring on the parish grounds during dinner and recreation times each day. Sign up and/or find more information at <a href="http://bit.ly/volunteer4WC">http://bit.ly/volunteer4WC</a>

#### **WorkCamp Food Contribution Sign-Up:**

It's amazing how much food/drink is needed to keep 30 teens & adults fed and hydrated while doing manual labor for 5 full days out in the sun! Can you help by donating breakfast, snack and/ or dinner items? Go to <a href="http://bit.ly/WCdonations">http://bit.ly/WCdonations</a> to see items needed and to sign up to contribute if you are able.

#### WorkCamp \$\$ Fundraiser:

The total cost of St. Raymond's WorkCamp will be around \$13,000-\$15,000. Due to COVID, we were unable to hold our monthly bake sakes this year. Our one and only fundraiser this year will be our raffle. We are raffling off 3 multi-purpose outdoor tables, 1 to each of 3 winners. Pics in bulletin insert! Tickets can be purchased (\$5/1 ticket; \$10/3; \$20/7) in the narthex after each Mass this weekend or online from now through June 15th at <a href="http://bit.ly/WCraffle21">http://bit.ly/WCraffle21</a>

#### If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to support WorkCamp, outside of the raffle fundraiser, you can do so via check or online:

- Make checks out to "St. Raymond's" with WorkCamp or Youth Apostolate on the memo line
- Or donate online at <a href="http://bit.ly/WCdonation21">http://bit.ly/WCdonation21</a> just make sure to note "for WorkCamp" in the notes section if you want to ensure the \$ is only used for WorkCamp & not other Youth Apostolate needs/events.



#### Can You Lend Us Your 7 Passenger Vehicle June 21-25?

Do you have a minivan or other 7 passenger vehicle that you would be willing to lend to one of our compliant adult crew leaders to drive his crew of 5 teens for the week of June 21-25? We could rent a van for the week, but that would cost us \$500+, so before doing that, wanted to see if any generous parishioner would be willing to let us borrow their vehicle for the week, as several folks have done for us in the past. Please contact Jeanne <a href="mailto:youth@straymonds.org">youth@straymonds.org</a> or 571-334-9890 ASAP if you can help.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS & SUPPORT!!

College Summers with GMU CCM The Campus Ministry at George Mason University is hosting events for all college students (including rising freshmen) on Thursday nights in June and July starting at 7pm. Like them on Facebook: "College Summers with GMU CCM". Find out more at <a href="https://www.gmuccm.org">www.gmuccm.org</a> or email <a href="mailto:gmuccm@gmail.com">gmuccm@gmail.com</a>.

#### Jeanne Sause

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

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for the 2021-2022 Religious Education year has begun. You can pick up one of the bright yellow forms in the Narthex of the church, in the Parish Office or outside the Religious Education Office. Class enrollment is on a first come, first served basis so register early to get the session you want.

<u>PARENTS please note:</u> there is a two-year preparation process for the Sacraments of Penance/Holy Communion and Confirmation: grades 1-2 and grades 7-8 respectively.

2021-2022 Religious Education volunteers needed: volunteer teachers/catechists, assistant teachers and aides (high school students) are needed for the 2021-2022 Religious Education year. If you would like to help, please fill out a green Volunteer Registration form, which can be found in the same locations as the student registration forms, and return the form to the Religious Education Office. We are in need of the following:

#### SUNDAY (5:30-7:00 p.m.)

Grade 4 Teacher

Grade 5 Teacher

#### MONDAY (4:45-6:15 p.m.)

Grade K Assistant Teacher High school aide

Grade 1 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

Grade 3 Assistant Teacher

Grade 6 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

Grade 7 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

Grade 8 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

#### TUESDAY (6-7:30 p.m.)

Grade 1 Assistant Teacher

Grade 2 Assistant Teacher

Grade 3 Assistant Teacher

Grade 5 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

Grade 7 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

Grade 8 Assistant Teacher

RCIC Teacher (Sacramental Preparation)

St. Martin de Porres Committee - collects non-perishable 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 all donations are welcome (no clothing). For equitable distribution, smaller packaging is requested (i.e. 1 lb bags of rice vs. 5 lb. bags, 1qt. oil vs. 1 gal oil). During this crisis the need for food is greater than ever. Please be generous.

**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**

The Biden administration supported by activist groups are attempting to cancel our cherished First Amendment rights of speech and religion. Let's review some examples: Brenden Eich was the CEO of Mozilla, but when the California state government *intentionally* leaked the names of those who donated to Proposition 8 (defining marriage as a union of one male and one female), the employees and board of directors were pressured into forcing Eich to resign.

Ryan Anderson's book, *When Harry Becomes Sally:* Responding to the Transgender Moment was cancelled by Amazon after the House Democrats passed the Equality Act. You can still purchase it at <a href="https://www.barnesandnoble.com">www.barnesandnoble.com</a>.

Jack Denton, a student at a public university, was removed as Student Senate President because he shared his beliefs in a Catholic group chat. His words were distorted and taken out of context where he was labeled as "vile, "cult mindset," "transphobic," and "racist."

In 2019 the Students for Life chapter at Georgia Tech invited Alveda King, the niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to speak on campus. She was cancelled by the Student Government Association because she was "inherently religious."

...and what about the 60 U.S. bishops (Arlington bishop is not on the list) that want to cancel an upcoming discussion dealing with pro-abortion politicians receiving the Eucharist?

The cancel culture cannot allow free expression of issues because they know that their culture is based on lies.

John Paul the Great Returns to In-Person Learning: Saint John Paul the Great looks forward to bringing students back into the building full-time for Fall 2021! Applications are being accepted for the 2021-2022 school year, and we look forward to getting to know your family! Visit <a href="mailto:ipthegreat.org">ipthegreat.org</a> for more information, to schedule a tour, or to begin your application today!

**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:ipebtp@verizon.net">ipebtp@verizon.net</a> or by calling the parish office.

**Save the Date!** Our Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, August 29th. More details will follow.



**Sacred Art: The Visitation** - Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down with different pieces of Sacred Art to discuss their theological meanings and how they can speak to us today. You can also view episodes of Sacred Art here.

Watch now at <a href="https://www.straymonds.formed.org">www.straymonds.formed.org</a>
The best Catholic content in one place - movies, programs, talks, dramas, & ebooks—just one click away!

Questions? Need help? Email us at: <a href="mailto:formed@straymonds.org">formed@straymonds.org</a>



## Angelus Academy Pre K—8th

Offering a liberal arts education in the classical tradition.

Do you love a rising 6th, 7th or 8th grader? Will their current learning community and curriculum help them to build the spiritual armour and academic skills they need for high school and beyond? Call or email us to discuss enrollment for the 2021-22 school year.

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). <a href="https://angelusacademy.org/admissions-overview/applying/">https://angelusacademy.org/admissions-overview/applying/</a>.

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

www.AngelusAcademy.org 7644 Dynatech Ct., Springfield, VA 22153 703-924-3996

Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps for K-12 held at Catholic Parishes Register by June 30th and receive a free Camp T-Shirt! Into its 17th summer hosted by All Saints and Church of the Nativity, 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 Learn more and at www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com

**Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) Pledges:** Thank you to everyone who pledged to the BLA! This appeal funds Seminarian education and formation, Youth Ministry, Catholic Schools, Catholic Charities, Religious Education programs as well as many others. If you mailed in a pledge that is being paid in installments, you should be receiving monthly reminders statements. Or, you also may go online to make a payment at <a href="https://www.arlingtondiocese.org">www.arlingtondiocese.org</a>. For questions, please call the BLA office at 703-841-2570.

Please remember that our parish's expenses continue during this pandemic! Your donations may be mailed, dropped off at the parish office, or given online through Faith Direct. Please visit our website <a href="https://www.straymonds.org">www.straymonds.org</a> to join online or call directly at 866-507-8757.

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

End Week's Coeffection		
Offertory	\$	16,679.00
Family Assistance	\$	2,291.00
Maintenance Fund	\$	2,522.00



6201 Old Keene Mill Court, Springfield, VA 22152





### KINGSTOWNE ORTHODONTICS

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