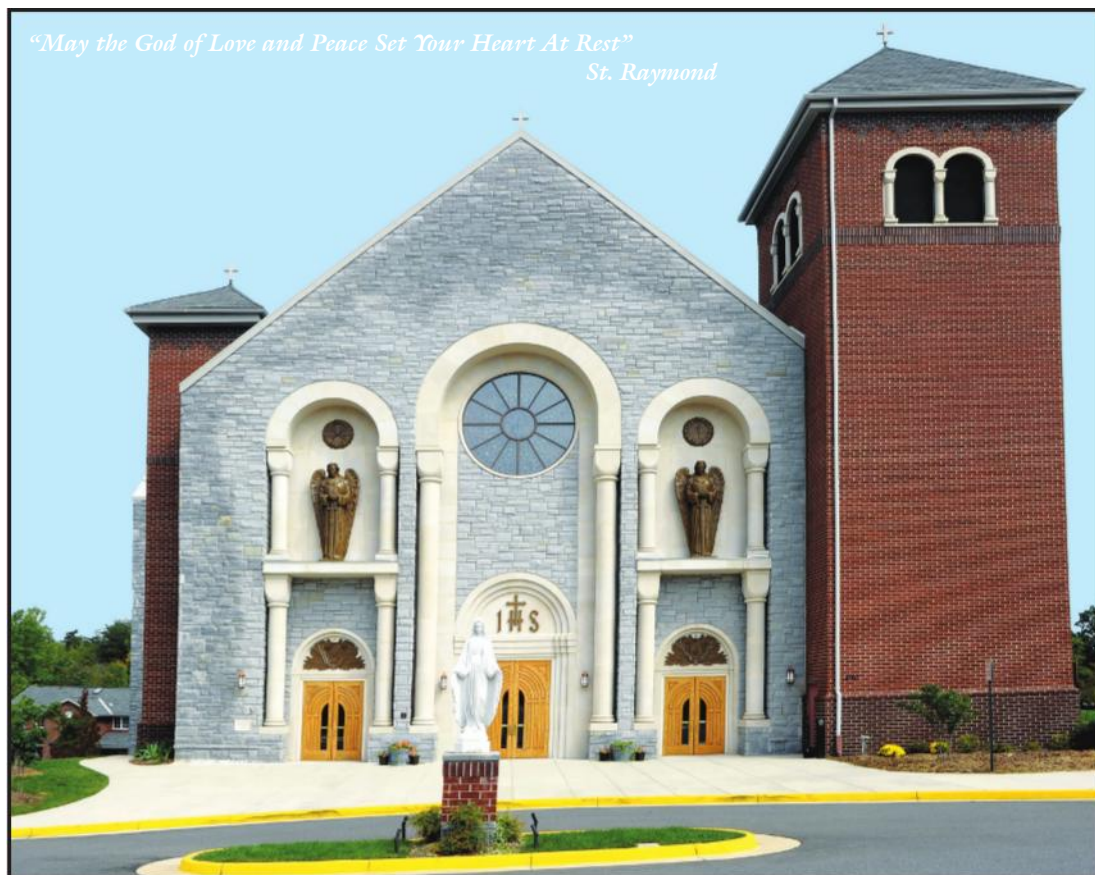


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WEEKEND MASSES:

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
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EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASS (LATIN)

1st and 3rd Fridays 7:00 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

6:15-6:55 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

PPP Loan Income. During the pandemic we took advantage of the Federal government's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), borrowing **\$158,200**. Thanks be to God, last week we were notified that the entire loan amount was forgiven—so **we don't have to pay it back**. I normally don't like the idea of taking money from the government, but in the end I figured it was your money anyway (from your taxes) so I'll accept it in your name, so to speak.

Brown Scapular. Friday, July 16, was the feast of **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**. I'm out of town this weekend, so next weekend (July 24-25) I'll be enrolling folks in the Confraternity and investing them with the Brown Scapular after the Saturday Vigil Mass and the 9 and 11 Sunday Masses.

St. Raymond's "Different" Liturgy—Part II. As I wrote last week, I've decided to dedicate the next few columns to answering the question many of our newer parishioners have about our liturgies: "Why do you do it that way?" This week I'll be talking about why we celebrate some Masses facing "ad orientem"—i.e., the priest not facing the people.

The practice of celebrating Mass "ad orientem" ("facing East") with the priest facing the same direction as the people goes back to the early Christians' practice of facing East when they prayed, symbolically waiting for the second coming of the Son of God, like the rising of the Sun in the East. This was soon incorporated into the Mass of the early Church and became the norm for most of Christian history, until the 1960s. Note, it is completely consistent with the norms of Vatican II and the current liturgical rules.

The most important reason for facing "ad orientem" is not, however, that the priest faces East, but rather that he turns with the people to face toward and pray to God together with them. As the second half of the Mass begins, the "Liturgy of the Eucharist," the priest is no longer *talking* to the people as he does when he proclaims the Gospel and homily, but rather now he *turns with them and leads them in prayer toward God*. All this emphasizes the *prayerful nature*—the adoration and reverence—of the Mass, especially during the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

In contrast to this, as Pope Benedict XVI would often explain, when the priest faces the people there is a natural tendency for the people to focus on the priest, and so for him to become the focal point of the celebration. This leads to an overemphasis on the role and importance of the priest, rather than focusing our full attention on God, and, especially, Our Lord in the Eucharist.

Still, some people will insist on seeing this as the priest "turning his back to the people." Physically, that is accurate. But isn't it also accurate that almost everyone in the church turns their back on the people sitting behind them? Should we *all face each other*? But that's a physical impossibility, so we can't and don't. Then why must the priest and people face each other? In reality, if you were all facing each other you'd constantly be distracted by each other. But more importantly, if you faced each other with your eyes and bodies during Mass, you would have a very hard time praying to God with your hearts and minds. Yes, we are there together, but facing each other naturally draws us first to each other, rather than first to God. When we all turn together, our eyes help us to look together at the Lord.

And the same can be said of the priest. If he is facing you during the prayers, it is easy for him to look at you, and 1) be distracted by you and what you're doing (or not doing), and 2) not to look at the Lord with his heart and mind. But don't you want him looking at the Lord at the most holy parts of the Mass—don't you want him to pray for you to Him?

Some would argue that by seeing every little thing that the priest is doing they are able to draw closer to what he's doing, and to understand it better. There is something to that. But I would make two points in response. First, you see what the priest does at all the many Masses you've attended where he celebrates facing you, so when he is *not* facing you, you still know what he's doing. But more importantly, I would suggest that sometimes when we watch every *little* thing the priest is doing we can be distracted from seeing the *COLOSSAL* thing *Christ* is doing: by focusing on the minutia of the priest's movements we can lose sight of the *enormity of Christ's movements*.

In this regard, as I mentioned last week when I discussed the use of Latin at Mass, some things at Mass can be understood as a veil that sets these sacred actions and prayers apart from the mundane things of this world. Ad orientem celebration serves this purpose, as you cannot see all the minute actions of the priest as he turns toward the Lord. This veil (in effect, his body) "serves not to hide the Eucharist from us but to set it apart as sacred." Rather than hiding the actions of the priest, it can draw our attention to the hidden actions of Christ, and enable us to see and hear something beyond what we would normally. "So that through faith, we can pierce the veils of appearances...and truly see...the Lord."

So, my main reason of introducing "ad orientem" at Masses is to help enhance the sense of prayerfulness and focus on God. And isn't that what we want at Mass?

Finally, let me quote Cardinal Robert Sarah, who was the Prefect of the Vatican's Congregation for Worship until his recent retirement:

"To convert is to turn towards God. I am profoundly convinced that our bodies must participate in this conversion. The best way is certainly to celebrate — priests and faithful — turned together in the same direction: toward the Lord who comes. It isn't, as one hears sometimes, to celebrate with the back turned toward the faithful or facing them. That isn't the problem. It's to turn together toward the apse, which symbolizes the East, where the cross of the risen Lord is enthroned.

"By this manner of celebrating, we experience, even in our bodies, the primacy of God and of adoration.... The Liturgy of the Word justifies the face-to-face...dialogue and the teaching between the priest and his people. But from the moment that we begin to address God — starting with the Offertory — it is essential that the priest and the faithful turn together toward the East....

"...A Church closed in on herself in a circle will have lost her reason for being. For to be herself, the Church must live facing God... One must not allow God reason to complain constantly against us: 'They turn their backs toward me, instead of turning their faces!'" (Jeremiah 2:27)."

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, July 19th**

8:30 am Caroline Ganthier

Tuesday, July 20th

8:30 am Katherine Kilonzo

Wednesday, July 21st

8:30 am Michael Berger

Thursday, July 22nd8:30 am Gregory
Skuzniewski, Jr. +**Friday, July 23rd**

8:30 am Martha Riedel +

Saturday, July 24th

9:00 am John F. Burnett +

Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

Chris & David Quan

Sunday, July 25th

7:00 am

Buz Buczacki

9:00 am

Parishioners

11:00 am

Edward Murphy +

1:00 pm

Family of Jesus Prayer Group

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

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Tom Dietz

Michael O'Neill

Cindy Laird

Patricia Lewis

Barbara McGinn

Mai Pham

Joan Opiela

Leonora Ramos

Jason Saenz

Phyllis Zitnik

Patricia Del Buono

Michael

Malachowski

Juanita Boarman

John Florio

Debra Henkel

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Monday - Friday Daily Mass at 8:30 am

Saturday at 9:00 am

Sunday Mass at 9:00 am & 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 office@straymonds.org to verify your email address.

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.

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 exposition of the Blessed Sacrament? We are in need of weekly adorers **especially at 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, and 6:00 pm on Wednesday, and 11:00 am and 2:00 pm on Friday.** We also need volunteers to be on our substitute list. If you are interested in Wednesdays, please call Leslie Schratz at 703-569-1940 or email spoiledk9s@verizon.net. If you are interested in Fridays, please call Virginia Osella at 703-440-0535 or email virginia.osella@straymonds.org. Drop-ins are always welcome!

.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). **This year the need for food is greater than ever. Please be generous.**

Upcoming Events at St. Raymond Church

July 19

Legion of Mary - 5:00 pm

July 21

Adoration 12:30 pm- 7:00 pm

(Please note time change for this week)

July 22

Bridge Club -12:00 pm

July 23

Adoration 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

July 24

Parish Library Re-Opens

Aug. 6

EFM (Latin Mass) -7:00 pm

Aug. 7

Men's Prayer Group - 7:30 am

Aug. 7

Luminaries of Mary -9:00 am

Aug. 29

Parish Picnic

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, Aug. 7th. For more information, call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary weekly meeting is held on Monday afternoons at 5:00 pm in the Maurer Room. 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.

Parish Christ House Committee delivers a bagged meal to Catholic Charities Christ House in Alexandria on Friday, July 30. You can volunteer to make bagged meals to include Turkey and Cheese Sandwiches or donate side dishes and toiletry items. To get involved or for more details write to the Committee at ChristHouseCommittee@StRaymonds.org or check out the Perfect Potluck page. Link:

<https://www.PerfectPotluck.com/PBXH1380>

"He had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd." Will you respond to the needs of Christ's sheep as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org or 703-841-2514.



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 Larry Saenz (703-832-1042) or go

to www.KofC.org/JoinUs to become a Knight today!

St. John Bosco Council #12846 Knights of Columbus: Did you know your parish Council has a Facebook page? Indeed, go to <https://www.facebook.com/KofC12846>. Check out the activities the Knights are involved with to see where you might want to pitch in. Our primary goal is to assist our Pastor and promote our parish community.

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.

Luminaries of Holy Mary: Come join us on August 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.

Book Club News: We are pleased to announce that the parish Book Club will once again be meeting face-to-face, in person, in the parish Library for the 2021-2022 year. Our first meeting will be on Friday, September 10, at 10 AM. We will be discussing the "Consecration to St Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father" by Fr Donald Calloway. The schedule for the full year can be found on the parish website: <https://straymonds.org/ministries-and-groups/book-club/>. New members are welcome. If questions, please contact Jim Mault at bookclub@straymonds.org.

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.

Volunteer Teachers Needed! ESOL (English for Speakers of other Languages), Computer Literacy, and GED teachers are needed to teach virtually or in person. Teachers are only asked to teach one class period per week but may teach more if desired. We allow teaching in pairs for those who wish to teach with a friend or spouse. No experience or foreign language ability necessary and all materials and training provided! If interested, please email volunteer.newcomer@ccda.net or call 571-208-1572.

Arlington Catholic Diocese has two full time positions open in their Communications Office. The "Digital and Social Media Specialist" for the ACH could be someone right out of college or with less than 2-3 years of experience. The "Digital and Social Media Manager" for the Diocese, however, will need to be someone with at least 3-5 years of experience. Below are links to the respective positions.

Digital and Social Media Manager:

<https://jobs.jobvite.com/arlingtondiocese/job/oQgCffwH>

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Join Terry Beatley on Tuesdays in July and August at 7pm as she explains organized efforts to destroy America's historical protection of the unborn child by undermining the Catholic Church, intimidating bishops and manipulating Catholic Voters. Tune in to the live Zoom presentations here: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87395576329>. **For more information, visit Hosea4you.org.**

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.



Fall Campaign: Stay tuned for details. 22 September – 31 October.

EVERY SATURDAY MORNING from 8:00am - 12:00pm join with others to pray 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

Humanae Vitae (Of Human Life). Written by Saint Pope Paul VI in July of 1968. Read the Encyclical and meditate on God's design for married love. Easily accessible online.

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 amomspacelife.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

High School Daily Mass Challenge! (July 19th-23rd)



Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God and others? Have you ever wondered how you can get more out of the Mass? Rising 9th graders through rising college freshmen are invited to join us Monday-Friday this week, July 19th-23rd, for Daily Mass at 8:30am, followed by a light breakfast and fellowship in the parish hall. We will wrap up by 9:45am, but feel free to leave whenever you need to. Look for us in the back section of the church. Can't make it every day? Come whenever you can! Bring a friend!

"With all the strength of my soul I urge you young people to approach the Communion table as often as you can. Feed on this bread of angels whence you will draw all the energy you need to fight inner battles. Because true happiness, dear friends, does not consist in the pleasures of the world or in earthly things, but in peace of conscience, which we have only if we are pure in heart and mind." - Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

"If we only knew how God regards this Sacrifice, we would risk our lives to be present at a single Mass." - St. Padre Pio

If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy. ~ Saint Jean Vianney



Class of 2021: College Night! The Associates of St. John Bosco invites rising college freshmen to attend a College Night at one of the following parishes beginning at 7pm:

July 21 - St. Mary's Basilica

July 28 - St. Mary's Fredericksburg

College Nights are free & provide resources and support for keeping your Catholic faith when entering college. Catholic students from several private and public schools will be on hand to share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. This is a great opportunity to network with other Catholic students and to receive resources for the transition to college. To register or for more info: www.asjb.org

College Students — 7pm Every Thursday in July

The Campus Ministry at George Mason University is hosting events for all college students (including rising freshmen) on Thursday nights in July starting at 7pm. Like them on Facebook: ["College Summers with GMU CCM"](https://www.facebook.com/CollegeSummerswithGMUCCM). More info at www.gmuccm.org.

Jeanne Sause

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for the 2021-2022 Religious Education year is ongoing. Pick up one of the bright yellow forms in the Narthex of the church, in the Parish Office or outside the Religious Education Office. Online registration is available on the parish website. **Class enrollment is on a first come, first served basis so register early to get the session you want.**

SUNDAY CLASSES are filling up - the grade 7 class is full.

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

Attention HOME SCHOOL parents: if you have a child in a sacramental preparation year (grades 2, 7-8) **you need to register your child with the Religious Education Office.**

We have classes for high school students on Sunday (5:30-7 p.m.) The goal of the high school program is to deepen the students' understanding of the Faith so they can meet the challenges they face in the culture in which they live. Our high school team of teachers is top notch and **there is no fee to participate in the program.**

2021-2022 Religious Education volunteers needed: 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

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

Grade 7 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

Grade 8 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

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

Grade 3 Assistant Teacher

Grade 6 Assistant Teacher

Grade 7 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

Grade 8 Teacher

Assistant Teacher

RCIC Teacher (sacrament preparation)

Home School Group: for more information visit our website www.homeschool-life.com/va/straymondhsg/
 Contact: Katherine Bogacki or Malia Cameron at straymondhsg@gmail.com.

Church Persecuted

Much has been written in the bulletin over the past three months on topics and activities directly contrary to the social and moral teachings of the Catholic Church and the parish's response. Much of this is happening in our own backyard, and we must be educated and proactive in combating these evils. The links to the bulletins can be found at <https://straymonds.org/about-the-parish/bulletins/>. Unless otherwise noted, the (dates) below correspond to the "Pastor's Corner" page of the parish bulletin. All the dates are in this year (2021).

Black Lives Matter (6/20)
Cancel Culture (Church Persecuted column (6/20, 6/27, 7/4, & 7/13)
Critical Race Theory (5/9 & 6/27)
Disruptions to the Nuclear Family (6/20 & 6/27)
Fairfax County School Education (5/9, 6/13 & 6/20)
Freedom of Religion (6/13)
Police Abuse (5/9)
Racism (5/9)
Scholarships for Catholic Education (6/13 & 6/20)
Scholarships for Catholic Education, Funding of them (6/13 & 6/20)
School Board Recall Elections (6/20)
School Vouchers (6/20)
Transgender Pronouns (6/6)

ENCOURAGE - a Catholic support group for parents, family and friends of loved ones experiencing same-sex attraction. Meetings involve prayer, discussion, and fellowship. Meets monthly at St. Michael's Parish in Annandale, VA. Call Jim at (703) 765-2751.

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 jmayer9014@aol.com.

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.

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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). <https://angelusacademy.org/admissions-overview/applying/>.

**Thank you for your prayers and support.
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Scholarships to Catholic Schools. St. Raymond's will again offer a **one-time \$2,000 scholarship** for each parish child who is **switching from public school (K-12) to Catholic school this year**. Fr. De Celles has 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. You need to be a parishioner and send a request for the scholarship to Fr. De Celles. 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.

St. Mary of Sorrows' Yard Sale: St Mary of Sorrows' yard sale, formerly known as the White Elephant Sale, will start on Thursday, July 22nd, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m., with a \$5 entrance fee for a "First Chance Sale" and continuing with free entrance on Friday, July 23rd, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Saturday, July 24th, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m., and Sunday July 25th, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

As you are traveling this summer you can find a Mass near your destination by going to Masstimes.org. Also, please remember that our parish expenses continue while you are away.

Now that the pandemic is over, please review your weekly donations. Your donations may be mailed, dropped off at the parish office, or given online through Faith Direct. Please visit our website www.straymonds.org to join online or call directly at 866-507-8757.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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Family Assistance	\$ 1,227.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 2,070.00
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