



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
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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

ABOUT THE CANDIDATES. Voting is the most fundamental building block of our nation, and the foundation of all our freedoms. But so many of us don't bother to vote, and when the rest of us do vote, we often vote based on very little knowledge of the candidates, and over secondary issues. Sometimes we even vote based on some irrelevant attribute of the candidate: e.g., their looks, color, education, and especially political party. All this, instead of finding out what the candidates plan to do in office and where they stand on the most important issues on the table.

And by "the most important issues," I don't mean our pet projects, but the issues that are most fundamental in maintaining a moral and free society.

Virginia State and local elections are now only 9 days away, Tuesday, November 2 (although you can still vote-early-in-person). Sadly, many Virginians will not vote in this so-called "off year election," even though it will decide who will write most of the laws and policies that govern our daily lives, especially the lives of our children, as we elect a new Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, and State Delegate.

But where do the candidates stand on the most important issues facing us? Some issues may be very important but are open to debate as to the best solution. So let's consider the issues that are really not up for debate for Catholics in the coming election.

Governor's Race. Let's begin with the race between **Terry McAuliffe** (Democrat) and **Glenn Youngkin** (Republican) for Governor of Virginia.

Abortion. Terry McAuliffe is pro-abortion on demand, even supporting an amendment to the Constitution of Virginia that permanently enshrines the right to abortion. Glenn Youngkin is pro-life, although he supports exceptions for rape, incest and when the life of the mother is at risk.

Parental Rights in Education. McAuliffe says, **"I don't think parents should be telling schools what they should teach."** Youngkin says, "I believe *parents should be in charge of their kids' education*," and advocates school choice for parents.

Critical Race Theory in Public Schools. McAuliffe says that "it's not taught in Virginia" and that it is just "another right-wing conspiracy." Youngkin says, "On day one, I will issue an order banning the teaching of critical race theory in our schools."

Transgenderism in Public Schools. McAuliffe has pledged to "implement the Virginia Department of Education's new model policy to protect and affirm transgender students," which states, "All students are entitled to have access to restrooms, locker rooms, and changing facilities that corresponds to their gender identity." Youngkin opposes these policies. When asked, "As governor are you going to allow male students to participate in girls' high school athletics and shower with them?" Youngkin responded, "No... we've just lost our whole sense of common sense."

Covid Vaccine Mandates. McAuliffe supports requiring the vaccine for students, teachers and health care workers and supports businesses requiring them for employees. Youngkin encourages everyone to be vaccinated but opposes mandates, saying "...individuals should be allowed to make that decision on their own." (Both Candidates have taken the vaccine themselves).

Delegate's Race. Our parishioners live in various Delegate Districts, so it's not practical to give a complete rundown. But let me say this about the Candidates for District 42, in which the church is located. It is safe to say that on the issues above, the incumbent, **Kathy Tran**, holds the same basic positions as does McAuliffe, and her challenger, **Ed McGovern**, holds the same basic positions as Youngkin. You will remember that in her first term,

Kathy Tran introduced a bill that would allow late term abortion, even as "a woman is about to give birth." This is just evil.

Can a Priest Endorse a Candidate? Our Bishop prohibits priests from endorsing candidates. This seems a good idea, since *some priests are nuts*. But, based on the above critical issues, the choices seem obvious. Just vote like a Catholic!

You Must Vote! I am confident in saying, if you are eligible to vote, it is a **grave sin not to vote in this election**: we cannot let the radical leftists and secularists destroy our culture, society and families. We must elect officials who will represent us and the principles that have made our state and nation great.

I THOUGHT THIS COULDN'T HAPPEN... As was reported in multiple media outlets last week (this taken from the Daily Wire):

Loudoun County Public Schools in Northern Virginia is being accused of covering up allegations that a boy in late May sexually assaulted a ninth grade girl in her school's restroom—the nightmare scenario so often described by opponents of radical transgender school policies.

The school system allegedly covered up the incident by transferring the male student to a neighboring school where police said he was arrested after sexually assaulting another student.

In a statement to The Daily Signal on Wednesday, Loudoun County Public Schools defended itself from accusations that it improperly handled two sexual assaults in its school buildings...

"Loudoun County Public Schools is aware of the media and social media reports concerning alleged sexual assaults at two of our high school campuses," the official statement says. "... Loudoun County Sheriff's Office was contacted within minutes of receiving the initial report on May 28" LCPS does not begin its investigation until law enforcement advises LCPS that it has completed the criminal investigation...LCPS has cooperated and continues to cooperate with law enforcement."...

The victim's father, Scott Smith, told The Daily Wire that in late May, a boy dressed in a skirt entered a girl's restroom at Stone Bridge High School in Ashburn, Virginia, and sexually assaulted his ninth grade daughter. The suspect in the case was "gender-fluid," Rosiak reported.

Police arrested Smith during a Loudoun County School Board meeting June 22 where he and others voiced their disapproval of the school system's new policy on transgender students. He eventually was sentenced to 10 days in jail, all of it suspended, for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. Video footage shows police officers dragging the distraught and bloodied father from the school board meeting....

Police confirmed two reports of sexual assaults at Loudoun schools, in May and in October. Smith's attorney...told Fox News that both assaults were committed by the same person, although the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office would not confirm that fact...since the suspect is a juvenile....

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office confirmed...that the Stone Bridge High School assault case was reported to the Loudoun County school resource officer on May 28 by school personnel.

The school district quietly transferred the teenage suspect to Broad Run High School after the alleged assault, Rosiak reported...

That suggests that LCPS Superintendent Scott Ziegler may have lied when he said at the June 22 school board meeting that "the predator transgender student or person simply does not exist," adding: "We don't have any record of assaults occurring in our restrooms."

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, Oct. 25th**

6:30 am Fr. Jerome Daly
8:30 am Mary Hildebeidel +

Tuesday, Oct. 26th

6:30 am Fr. Jerome Daly
8:30 am Corinne Benson +

Wednesday, Oct. 27th

6:30 am Fr. Jerome Daly
8:30 am Joe Perricone +

Thursday, Oct. 28th

6:30 am Fr. Jerome Daly
8:30 am Eva Radel

Friday, Oct. 29th

6:30 am Fr. Jerome Daly
8:30 am James Leo Mault +

Saturday, Oct. 30th

9:00 am Imelda Daly +

Vigil Mass

5:00 pm Fr. Horkan
Virginia Ramona Lowe +

Sunday, Oct. 31st

7:00 am Fr. Rippy
Audrey Mye +
9:00 am Fr. De Celles
Parishioners
11:00 am Fr. De Celles
Ron Linhart +
1:00 pm Fr. Horkan
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.**

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 Patricia Del Buono Juanita Boarman	Michael Malachowski John Florio Debra Henkel Daniel Moore Lauren Hornsby Gaudencio Dizon Antoinette Baptist Paul Haynes Dwayne Taylor Bernadette D'Agostino Christopher Quan	Ted Tolpa Nena Brennan Serrin Foster Fr. Jerry Daly Helen Estabrooks Tom Swengros David Kemp Victoria Gibbons Erick Reeder Adelina Milagros Curcio Allison Harper
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**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 9:00 am & 11:00 am

ALL SOULS DAY, Nov. 2nd: St. Raymond's will again be offering a Triduum of Masses for All Souls. The Masses will be said on Nov. 2nd, Nov. 3rd and Nov. 4th at 6:30 am. To have your departed loved ones remembered in these Masses, please complete one of the All Souls envelopes in the narthex and place it in the collection basket today or bring it to the parish office.

**FEAR NOT, STAND FIRM,
AND SEE THE SALVATION OF THE LORD**

Gentlemen: The cultural chaos, deep political divisions and turmoil over the pandemic in our country continue to increase, presenting a major spiritual challenge for all of us. What is being asked of faithful Catholic men in this time of trial? **The 23rd Annual Christ the King Men's Day of Recollection, directed by The Very Reverend Paul D. Scalia,** will be held on Sat. Nov. 6 from 9:15am--1:15pm at St. Raymond's. There is no charge for this event, **but you must register before Oct. 30 to attend. Donations gratefully accepted. To register go to www.waywomen.com/mensretreat** For more information, contact Robin Maas at rmvmaas@gmail.com.

Scholarships to Catholic Schools are still available!

Please send requests for these scholarships or additional financial assistance to Fr. De Celles.

St. Raymond's Christ House Committee is providing a meal for Christ House this month on Friday, October 29. Volunteers are needed to help with the preparation and/or delivery of food, so those interested in helping should contact us at: christhousecommittee@straymonds.org. Help is always needed for this important ministry.

Upcoming Events at St. Raymond Church

Oct. 25	Family of Jesus Prayer Group 4:00 pm
Oct. 28	Religious Freedom Speakers Panel 7:30 pm
Nov. 1	All Saints Day Masses at 6:30 am, 8:30 am & 7:00 pm (Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)
Nov. 2	Masses for All Souls Day at 6:30 am, 8:30am & 7:00 pm
Nov. 2-4	All Souls Triduum
Nov. 5	EFM (Latin) 7:00 pm
Nov. 6	Men's Day of Recollection
Nov. 6	Men's Prayer Group
Nov. 6	Luminaries of Mary
Nov. 7	Donut Sunday
Nov. 10	Special Pro-Life Mass at 7:00 pm for Our Deceased Children
Nov. 12	Catholic Book Club
Nov. 13	K of C Blood Drive

St. Raymond's Speakers Series presents a Panel Forum with Cathy Ruse, Maria Keffler & the Education Program Manager from the Virginia Project. Their talks will be on Protecting our Children from Government (aka Public) Schools. Thursday October 28th at 7:30 pm in our Parish Hall. Any questions please contact the parish office at 703-440-0535 or office@straymonds.org.

Book Club News: Our next meeting will be on Friday, November 12 at 10 AM in the Parish Library. We will be discussing *Things Worth Dying for: Thoughts on a Life Worth Living* by Archbishop Charles Chaput (272 pgs.) 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 you have questions, please contact Jim Mault at bookclub@straymonds.org.



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. Martin de Porres Committee - collects **non-perishable** food on an ongoing basis for the Springfield Resource Center, which serves 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.**

We are Looking for Families for our Christmas Giving Tree. Each year, St. Raymond's "adopts" families who need help with Christmas. If your family, or someone you know could use help providing gifts for their children, please let Kirsti in the parish office know. The information is kept completely confidential! Office phone number is 703-440-0535.

Blood Drive: The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive on behalf of Inova Blood Donor Services on Saturday, Nov. 13th, here in the St. Raymond's parish hall from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Please consider signing up for a 15 minute time slot within that period and giving the Gift of Life. You may sign up either on-line at www.inovabloodsaves.org or in the Narthex after all masses in the coming weekends. If you have any questions or difficulty signing up, please contact Mark Maslyn of our parish at (703) 690-7285 or by email at: mam7253@msn.com.

Luminaries of Holy Mary: Come join us on Nov. 6th to honor the Blessed Mother's request for making the 5 First Saturdays: Mass at 9am, then meet in the **Maurer Room** for Rosary, meditation and Gospel reflection. All are welcome.

Family of Jesus Prayer Group: Weekly meetings in the Church have resumed on Mondays at 4:00 pm. If you have any prayer requests, please let us know by emailing Elaine Perricone at jpebtp@verizon.net or by calling the parish office.

Thank you so much for the generous donations of baby items and an offer to talk to the mom with "mom-of twins" advice! Everything is greatly appreciated! **Thanks for helping our Gabriel Project moms!**

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, Nov. 6th. For more information, call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

Donut Sunday, November 7th after the 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 AM Masses. Stop by the Parish Hall after Mass to enjoy some treats and drinks and meet your fellow parishioners. November's Donut Sunday will be hosted by our Young Adults Group.

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

October is Respect Life Month



**VOTE
PRO-LIFE**

The MaRiH Center is a Pro Life Pregnancy Support Center operating in Alexandria since 1974. Would you like to volunteer? Spanish language skills are most welcome, but not required. Please call 703-370-4774, email marihcenter@gmail.com or visit marih.org for more info. You'll be glad you did! To help from home... **Material donations diapers and baby items up to 2T welcomed in the narthex.** Thank 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.



Join fellow parishioners and others of Good Will to peacefully and prayerfully witness for life. **This is our Parish commitment weekend!!!** Sign-up in the narthex or on our parish website. Come and See – just drop by. Bring a friend – and your Rosary!

Introducing Olivia!!! Olivia is the world's most realistic and medically accurate animation of a baby's development in her mother's womb. babyolivia.com

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

2021 DIVINE MERCY CARE GALA. In support of **Tepeyac Pro Life OB/GYN.** Top of the Town, Arlington. Wednesday, November 10th. **Tickets are sold out!** **Donations most welcome!** bit.ly/dmccgaladonate or call 703-934-5552.

On Wednesday, November 10th at 7pm, all are welcome to join us for Holy Mass offered for children who have predeceased us, especially those who died before birth. Kara Palladino will share information regarding the mission of **A MOMS Peace** afterwards 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.

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

Youth Group & CCD this Sunday 10/24

Youth Group will be Outdoors; dress accordingly.

4-5:30pm Junior High Youth Group (light meal served)

5:30-7pm Religious Education/CCD

7-8:30pm High School Youth Group (dinner served)

Make sure you have 2021-2022 YA Info. Sheet & COVID Waiver turned in or brought with you. See yellow box below.

Sons of Thunder: High School Guys' Group

7-8:30pm Tuesday, October 26 (Maurer Room)

Come join the brotherhood! All 9-12th grade guys are invited who want to learn more about their faith, deepen their relationship with Christ, and hang out with other guys in a chill atmosphere. Sons of Thunder meets 7-8:30pm on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month in the Maurer Room. Newcomers are always welcome! There will be food! Make sure forms (below) are signed and on file.

Jr. High Yard Work Service Day: 9am-1pm Oct. 30

Service project for 7th & 8th graders, raking along the path on Gambrell Rd. near the church. More details are in the permission slip packet. **Must have forms in by October 28th** to participate. Compliant adults needed to help drive and chaperone. A Truck would be very helpful to get rid of debris. Contact Jeanne if you can help. <http://bit.ly/strayforms>

Bake Sale Table After Masses Nov. 13-14

Compliant adults are needed to "man the table" after each Mass once a month on our bake sale fundraiser weekends. We have had a significant lack of coverage for several of the Masses for each of the past two bake sales. Going forward, **in order to hold the bake sale each month, we need to know two weeks in advance that ALL Masses will be covered. If we do not have enough coverage, we will have to cancel the bake sale.** Other than our WorkCamp raffle, this is the ONLY fundraiser we have for Youth Apostolate activities. If you can commit to helping, please sign up at <https://bit.ly/ManTheTable> by Sunday 10/24.

If you do not receive the Youth Apostolate weekly emails and would like to, please email Jeanne youth@straymonds.org

Youth Apostolate Participation (Grades 7-12)

2 REQUIRED Forms

2021-2022 YA Info. Sheet is to be completed annually for every child *prior* participating in any Youth Apostolate function.

Youth Ministry COVID Waiver form is to be signed and turned in for every youth *prior* to participating in any St. Raymond's Youth Ministry activity/event on or off site.

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

Completed forms can be emailed to Jeanne at youth@straymonds.org or turned in to the main office.

Jeanne Sause

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PLANNING AHEAD: parents please note: Even though FCPS has student holidays scheduled for November 1-2

THERE WILL BE CCD classes 10/31 11/1, and 11/2

****HELP NEEDED****

Assistant Teacher for Grade 4 on Sundays (5:30- 7:00 p.m.)

Assistant Teacher for Grade 5 on Tuesdays (6-7:30 p.m.)

If interested, please contact the Religious Education office

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.

Mothers' Group: Do your young children seem to need a bit more excitement? Are you looking for Catholic friendship with fellow mothers? Come to the moms' meet-up on Wednesday mornings! We alternate between meeting at our church and parks. Email Michelle for more information at mlcastry@gmail.com.

Fall Open House - Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School - Sunday, October 24

Join Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School for their Open House on Sunday, Oct. 24 from 1-4pm! Learn what JP has to offer your child - robust academic programs including STEM, DE courses and Bioethics, vibrant student life and House System, competitive athletics, faith community steeped in Dominican tradition, and more! Visit jpthegreat.org for more information.

NEW Inclement Weather Policy

In the event of Weather or Emergency closings, St. Raymond's Parish will NO LONGER follow Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) decisions.

In the event of Weather or other Emergency situations, notice of cancellations or closings of parish events and/or facilities will be posted to the parish website. If possible/practical the parish will also send out an email to all parishioners notifying them of the closing/cancellations.

There are only TWO exceptions to any closing decisions we make and issue:

1) Regularly scheduled Masses and Confession will NEVER be cancelled due to inclement Weather.

2) Meetings of very small groups that receive the pastor's personal permission, in which case members will be notified of the exception personally by their group leader.

Church Persecuted

This past week, Senate Democrats rolled out their FY 2022 funding priorities. This is a wish list of programs that they desire to fund or restrict the funding of. Missing from the list for the first time in decades are two bipartisan amendments dealing with abortion.

The first is the Hyde Amendment named after Rep. Henry Hyde, a staunch pro-life congressman from Illinois. The Amendment was first enacted in 1976, and it prohibited the use of federal Medicaid funds to be used for elective abortions.

The second is the Weldon Amendment which was introduced by Rep. David Weldon from Florida in 2004. This Amendment protected the conscience rights of health care workers and insurance plans that did not want to participate in certain medical procedures that went against their consciences. These included performing, or participating in the performance of, an abortion or sterilization as well as the administration of contraceptives, sex-change surgery, etc.

Catholic leaders, their bishops and others have denounced the Biden administration's blatant disregard for the dignity of an unborn person. Sadly, this was one of President Biden's major agenda items when he came into office. Ironically, he voted for these Amendments each year when he was in Congress. It has become a litmus test for running for office as a Democrat in virtually every level of government.

The House of Mercy (HOM) is accepting donations of **clothing and small household items that can fit in regular trash bags**. They are also accepting gently used toys and games provided all the parts of the games are included. Halloween and Thanksgiving decorations can be donated from now until December 18 and Christmas decorations can be donated from November 1 until January 22. All donations may be left at St Raymond's (outside the library door inside the church door nearest to the rectory). POC is Jim Mault (jmault1@cox.net).

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Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

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Great news! The popular ECHO Yard Sale is back! Come to St. Bernadette's gym on **Saturday, October 30, between 9:00 am and noon** to find apparel, decorative items and practical household goods at bargain prices. For safety, masking will be required and distancing will be facilitated by limiting the number of people in the gym at one time. Proceeds benefit ECHO. **ECHO is always in need of volunteers to collect and sort the donations.** If you would like to join, please check out the website, or call me, Kathy Siner, at 703-405-8164. ECHO is an amazing place and I would be happy to give you a tour. Thank you and God bless you for your continuing generosity!

NEW: St. Raymond's Young Adult Group. Are you 21-40 yrs old? (Single or married, with or without kids) Contact youngadults@straymonds.org to be added to our email list and hear about upcoming events! Join us at 40 Days for Life on Oct. 24th, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, followed by dinner.

FAITH DIRECT: eGiving lets you continue to support St. Raymond's and the ministries you cherish. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Recurring gifts sustain our parish throughout the year. You'll provide us with consistent support, even if you're away on a Sunday, so the programs, services, and ministries that mean so much to our community will never miss a beat. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA64. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. God Bless You.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Offertory	\$ 12,597.00
Family Assistance	\$ 340.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 949.00
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic School Scholarship Donation	\$ 970.00

Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today is for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. The collection supports the work and witness of the Mission Church as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

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