



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
Rev. Edward R. Horkan, In Residence
Elisabeth Turco, Director of Liturgical Music
Jeanne Sause, Director of Youth Apostolate
Mary Salmon, Director of Religious Education
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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

Holy Days. Tomorrow, Monday, November 1, is the Solemnity of **All Saints**. This year, because it falls on a Monday, the rules provide it is not a Holy Day of Obligation (you don't have to go to Mass). Even so, All Saints remains one of the most important days of the Catholic year, because it reminds us of our unity with the Church in Heaven. It remembers not just the *canonized* saints, but ALL the other countless numbers of souls who have gone to Heaven, including many of our deceased parents and grandparents, and so many of our little children who have gone before us. So, I encourage you to go to Mass tomorrow and join them in praising God, and praying for our troubled world.

The next day, Tuesday, November 2, is the Commemoration of **All Souls**. Catholics believe that if a person dies with any sins or imperfections on their soul (having, before dying, properly repented of any *mortal*—"deadly"—sins) our Loving Lord Jesus mercifully perfects, or purifies, them so they can enter into the perfection of Heaven. To help them along in this purification He calls us to pray for them—because we love them. So, the Church encourages us to go to Mass on All Souls Day to offer that greatest prayer possible for the "Holy Souls."

Election. I keep thinking, "This is the most important election in years." And then I remember, every election we've had recently has been just that! And next year's election will be too!

Because in all these elections, the very foundation of our nation, families and the Church is under attack. The rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are on the line. The right to life is obvious: abortion is the foundation of the culture of death. The right to liberty is also obvious: freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of ideas, freedom of religion and the basic freedom of self-governance are all under attack. And the right to the pursuit of happiness: not the right to do as you please, but the right to freely pursue the basic things that bring happiness to human beings. That includes the right to have and raise a happy family as you see fit, the right to pursue work and prosperity, and the right to strive to become the best human being you can be.

All of these are under attack, and very close to being lost. Twenty years ago, ten years ago, who would have thought today we'd have same-sex marriage, transgenderism normalized, Catholic Masses cancelled by the government, suppression of free speech in the media (e.g., Twitter, Facebook, etc., suppressing all sorts of people and news), forced experimental vaccinations, re-segregation of the races, and Marxism rising in popularity. And yet, that is what we have.

On the one hand this could be very depressing, even leading to despair. But on the other hand this can be invigorating. We are in an historic time, which will have a dramatic impact on the future of our state, our nation and our world. And most importantly, on our children and their futures, both in this world and the world to come. And we can choose to be -not just bystanders watching the parade of history pass us by- but participants. And not just participants, but protagonists. We can take an active role in shaping events, determining the future.

We can demonstrate and speak out, as well as motivate and educate our friends and colleagues. And most importantly, WE CAN VOTE.

Which is why I beg you, if you are eligible, and if you haven't already, **YOU MUST VOTE THIS TUESDAY.**

If you want some guidance on who to vote for, I suggest you look at my Column in last week's Bulletin for some guidance.

And Pray! Another way to shape history is to invoke the power of the Creator and Author of all Life and History: God. So, pray for Virginia, asking God to shower His grace on voters, and give us the elected officials He wants for us.

A great way to do this is to join in **Eucharistic Adoration this Monday and Tuesday**, beginning after 8:30am Mass on Monday (Nov. 1) and ending before 7pm Mass on Tuesday (Nov. 2). Exposition of the Blessed sacrament will be continuous throughout the day and night—34 hours straight, interrupted only for Holy Masses. Please sign up on the parish website, or just come.

FCPS Teaches Racial Hatred. An excerpt from "Critical race theory is a 'frame' for 'our work,'" Fairfax County Public Schools told teachers," By James Varney, *The Washington Times*, October 26, 2021:

"A slide presentation this summer instructed social studies teachers in Fairfax County Public Schools that 'critical race theory is a frame' for their work, even though officials in Virginia's largest school system say the pedagogy is not a part of the curriculum...."

"In the 2-hour, 45-minute presentation, critical race theory is listed as one of the 'community engagement and communications' tools teachers should understand in the upcoming school year.Lisa Williams, the school district's chief equity officer, ...explains... 'Critical race theory as a frame is no less or more valuable than any other frame we might put on our work,' she said.

"When asked Thursday about critical race theory in the curriculum, a school system spokeswoman said, 'FCPS does not teach critical race theory.'"

"A Marxist-based theory first developed in graduate schools, critical race theory posits that racism is a fundamental element of American government and life and calls for dismantling institutions to create an equitable society...."

"The nonprofit group Parents Defending Education... released a database Friday showing that Fairfax County taxpayers have spent more than \$5.5 million on contracts with critical race theorists and diversity, equity and inclusion specialists...."

"Ms. Williams explains how teachers' work is 'framed' by critical race theory, which she says is interchangeable with 'multicultural,' 'diversity' and 'cultural competency.'..."

Transgender Ideology Overrides Rape. Excerpt from an October 26, 2021, article published on *Yahoo!News*, by Caroline Downey:

"Ruling on a case that has seized national attention and reinvigorated debate over parental rights in public education, a Virginia juvenile court judge concluded Monday that a transgender teenager sexually assaulted a female student in a Loudoun County high school in May...."

"The decision comes after the Daily Wire spoke to the victim's father, who said the male student forcibly sodomized his ninth-grade daughter in a school bathroom while wearing a skirt. When the father attempted to describe and protest the incident at a local school-board meeting, he was arrested for disorderly conduct, allowing the sexual abuse to stay underground for months.

"After the assault, the perpetrator was transferred to another school where he allegedly assaulted a second female student in early October.

"In the interim, the Loudoun County School Board passed a sweeping gender-inclusivity policy allowing students to use restrooms and locker rooms, as well as compete in sports, according to their gender identity rather than biological sex.

....[A]ccording to the New York Times, ...court documents confirm the offender was wearing a skirt when the assault took place. ..."

Oremus pro invicem, et pro Virginia. Fr. De Celles

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, Nov. 1st****All Saints Day**

6:30 am Paul Haynes
8:30 am David P. Collins +
7:00 pm Michael Allman +

Tuesday, Nov. 2nd**All Souls Day**

6:30 am All Souls Triduum+
8:30 am All Souls in Purgatory+
7:00 pm All Souls in Purgatory+

Wednesday, Nov. 3rd

6:30 am All Souls Triduum+
8:30 am Ed Ward +

Thursday, Nov. 4th

6:30 am All Souls Triduum +
8:30 am Eugene & Pauline
Tougas +

Private Masses

11/7 RE Students & their
families

Friday, Nov. 5th

6:30 am Fr. Jerome Daly
8:30 am Forgotten Souls +
7:00 pm EFM (Latin)

Saturday, Nov. 6th

9:00 am Mary Hildebeidel +

Vigil Mass

5:00 pm **Fr. De Celles**
Mike Krosnick +

Sunday, Nov. 7th

7:00 am **Fr. Horkan**
Corinne Benson +
9:00 am **Fr. Rippy**
Parishioners
11:00 am **Fr. De Celles**
Vernon Richard Butler
1:00 pm **Fr. De Celles**
Christine Petitt +

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 Erick Reeder Adelina Milagros Curcio Allison Harper Brady Thomason
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Upcoming Events at St. Raymond Church

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. 1-2	Adoration from 9 am Monday to 7 pm Tuesday to pray for the outcome of the elections.
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

Please pray for the outcome of the 2021 Elections

Joining with all the Saints to pray for the Holy Souls and for God's will in the 2021 election. Please sign up for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament ALL Day and ALL Night (except during Masses) to pray for our country and the outcome of the elections. Hourly slots are available following the 8:30 am Mass on Monday. Nov. 1st until 7 pm on Tuesday, Nov. 2nd. Two adorers are required per hour so that Our Lord will not be left alone, but you can come at any time. Please come and pray. You can bring your Rosary, your Bible or some other good spiritual book. But mainly come be with Jesus and pray for our country and all those voting in this year's election. SIGN UP for an HOUR (or More) on the Parish Website <http://straymonds.org>. Please contact the Parish Office at 703-440-0535 or email office@straymonds.org with any questions.

REMINDER– Time Changes Nov. 7th: Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend! Please do not forget to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night.

Extraordinary Form / Traditional Latin Mass at St. Raymond Church will be available Friday, Nov. 5th. St. Raymond's normally 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. Because of the Motu Proprio Tradiciones Custodes we are unsure if we will be able to continue this practice. As of now, the Bishop is allowing us to do so, but we are still waiting for his final decision. We will plan on going ahead as scheduled, but please see the website for any updates before each scheduled EFM.

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.

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.

Scholarships to Catholic Schools are still available!

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

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.



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.**

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 online 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.

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. You may also write down your prayer requests and drop them in the "Prayer Box" on the table in the narthex of the church.

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.

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.

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).

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 of diapers and baby items up to 2T welcomed in the narthex. Our next support weekend is November 20-21. 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.



THANK YOU to all who participated in this fall campaign. We were a beautiful peaceful prayerful presence all weekend long in a place that is so disgraced by the scourge of abortion. *For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

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/dmegaladonate 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 Mom's 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

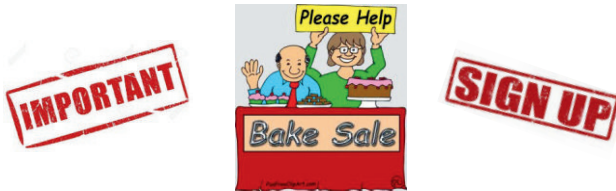
Reminder: There is CCD this Sunday 10/31!

NO Youth Group this weekend 10/31

In order to give those who want to go trick-or-treating before or after CCD, we have decided to cancel both the Jr. High and High School youth groups for this Sunday. We will meet up again next week on 11/7!

Talitha Koum: High School Girl's Group! 7-8:30pm Monday, November 1 (Parish Hall)

All 9-12th grade girls are invited to join us from 7-8:30pm on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month in the parish hall as we cultivate authentic community, friendships, and space to share our faith, and learn and encourage one another in ways to practically apply the faith to our daily lives. If you have questions or find yourself disagreeing with some teaching of the Church, this group is for you! If you are gung-ho about your faith, this group is for you! If you are looking for authentic friendships, a place to search, a place to grow in understanding, a place to practice defending the faith, a place to laugh, to cry, to be authentically you, to have fun...and so much more...come! You are welcome here! Make sure forms (below) are on file.



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 2 bake sales. Going forward, **in order to hold the bake sale each month, we need to know 2 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 ALL Masses are not covered by Monday 11/1, we will have to cancel the bake sale for November.** If you can commit to helping, please sign up at <https://bit.ly/ManTheTable> by Monday 11/1.

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

PARENTS: THERE WILL BE CCD classes this SUNDAY 10/31 and also Monday 11/1 and Tuesday 11/2

ATTENTION Parents of Home school or Catholic school students in grades 2, 7 or 8 who are preparing to receive sacraments at St. Raymond parish, **you must register your child with the Religious Education Office.** Please pick up a bright orange registration form at the Religious Education Office or at the Parish Office and return it to the RE Office as soon as possible. If you do not register, you will not receive important notices related to the reception of the sacrament.

****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.

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 12:00 pm or 4:00 pm on Wednesdays and at 12:00 pm or 2:00 pm on Fridays.** 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!**

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

Religious persecution extends far beyond just Christians. For years, the Chinese government has detained ethnic and religious minorities. Complaints were filed with the International Criminal Court last year against the Chinese government by two groups of exiled Uyghur people: East Turkistan Government in exile and the East Turkistan National Awakening Movement. The Court dismissed the charges due to lack of jurisdiction because the "alleged crimes appear to have been committed solely by nationals of China within the territory of China, a State which is not a party to the Statute." This is even though Turkistan and Cambodia are signatories. In doing so though, the Court did not conclude that the charges were false, but that they lacked jurisdiction.

"Re-education camps" for members of the Uyghur population have been seen on satellite imagery as early as 2017. In 2018 the Chinese government admitted to the existence of the camps. Estimates vary about the total number of detainees, but the numbers run as high as 3 million, not counting about 500,000 children who are in special boarding schools for "re-education."

Recall that "re-education" is a technique that the Chinese government uses against Catholic bishops and priests who refuse to recognize the government-sponsored "Catholic" church in China.

Those who have escaped from the camps have reported forced abortions, beatings, forced labor, torture, and indoctrination.

<https://www.catholicworldreport.com/2020/12/15/international-court-declines-to-investigate-china-for-uyghur-persecution/>

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.

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John XXIII: The Pope of Peace – An inspiring feature film on Saint Pope John XXIII, starring Edward Asner in an acclaimed performance as the beloved pontiff, who came from common stock and was known for his simplicity, courage, and love for humanity. Shot on location in Rome and Italy, and produced by the Italian film company Lux Vide, makers of Pope John Paul II and Saint Rita, this movie tells the whole life story of John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as Pope. Elected supposedly as an "interim Pope" who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council. This film also underscores his wonderful sense of humor and great charity towards others, especially the poor, downtrodden, and the outcast. Shot in widescreen, with excellent acting and beautiful cinematography, the film also stars Claude Rich, Sydney Rome, Massimo Ghini, and Franco Interlenghi.

Watch now at www.straymonds.formed.org

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Questions? Need help? Email us at:

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We are now accepting applications for 2022-23.

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

Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

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ECHO is always in need of volunteers to collect and sort 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!

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!

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.

OCTOBER 2021 FAITH DIRECT

Offertory	\$ 48,594.50
Family Assistance	\$ 1,510.34
Maintenance Fund	\$ 5,304.34
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic	
School Scholarship Donations	\$ 12,845.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 1,084.00

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Offertory	\$ 12,742.00
Family Assistance	\$ 375.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 525.00
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic	
School Scholarship Donations	\$ 10,476.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 2,543.00

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