

"May the God of Love and Peace Set Your Heart At Rest"
St. Raymond



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:
6:30 am & 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
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Jeanne Sause, Director of Youth Apostolate
Mary Salmon, Director of Religious Education
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Mary Butler, Secretary
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Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

E-Mail

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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

8:15 - 8:45 a.m.

Saturday Afternoon

3:30 - 5:00 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

Time to Catch-Up, and More. As usual, Lent and Easter were a very busy time for me. And with the extra attention paid to the special activities of Lent and the Triduum, I found myself postponing or overlooking some of the ordinary “business” of the parish, especially since, even with Fr. Horkan’s help, I’m still short one Vicar. Because of this, I will be playing catch up, going back and discovering all the things I didn’t do during Lent.

At the same time, I know that I need to take some extra time off this summer. Last week I took off for my Spring golf vacation with some priest-friends, and in June I’ll be off to Alaska for a week or so. In between, this coming week, all the priests of the diocese will come together for our annual convocation: half the priests will go the first 2½ days this week, and half the second. And then later in the summer I’ll also take another week or so off.

So I ask you for your patience with me. If I owe you a phone call or email, please remind me: I consider that an act of kindness. And thanks for your continuing patient charity.

Pray for a New Vicar. Next month Bishop Burbidge will be ordaining 8 new priests for the Diocese of Arlington. Praised be Jesus Christ, this is the most we’ve ordained in years, since the heyday of the 90’s when, under the leadership of Fr. James Gould and Bishop John Keating, we averaged almost 8 new priestly ordination *a year* for a decade (when the diocese was half as large as it is today).

Maybe it’s wishful thinking, but with 8 new priests, it seems to me St. Raymond’s should be on the list for a new Parochial Vicar this year. After all, we are the largest parish in the Diocese without a PV. (Just so you know, if we got a new PV, he wouldn’t be one of these newly ordained priests—they normally go to larger parishes with schools).

But who knows? We may not get a PV. There are lots of larger parishes with great need for priests, and the Diocese did lose 4 priests last year from active ministry.

So, with the Bishop working on making his decisions about new assignments **right now**, **PRAY NOW** that he gives us Vicar!!!

Month of May. There are a lot of other special activities in May in the parish. One very important “event” in May is always **First Holy Communion** for the 2nd graders. But this year, like last, I’ve decided to allow the children to receive FHC at any Mass in May their parents choose. I do this for many reasons, but the main one is to spread the FHC’s around to various Masses so that all of you can share in this gift—and so not only pray for the children, but be reminded of your own First Communion, and perhaps be renewed in that childlike faith and love for the Blessed Sacrament.

Please keep these little ones in your prayers, as this is a huge day in their lives. Pray that they may prepare worthily and understand what they are doing and Who they are receiving. Pray that it will be a truly happy, holy and

memorable day for them, and that it will lead them and their families to a long life of intimacy and fidelity with Jesus.

Later in May, on Tuesday the 24th, our 8th graders will receive the Sacrament of **Confirmation**. I ask you to keep them in your prayers also, as they prepare to be strengthened (“confirmed”) in their baptismal graces and receive the fullness of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Surely they will need these graces as they enter a world that is more and more hostile to Christians. So, pray for them, and encourage them, that they may receive this sacrament worthily and efficaciously.

Mary’s Month. Now, of course, the entire month of May is “Mary’s Month,” dedicated to honoring and renewing our filial devotion to and love for the Mother of Jesus. Some are confused by the way Catholics honor the Blessed Mother. The simplest, clearest response to this is: shouldn’t we all try to love Jesus’s Mother as much as Jesus loves her? After all, on the Cross He gave her to us to be our Mother also: “son, behold your mother.”

So we will mark this month of Marian piety next Sunday, May 8, with the **“May Crowning”** after the 9am Mass. This year I’ve asked our teenagers in the Youth Apostolate to help us with the ceremony paying homage to the Blessed Mother. As the Congregation for Divine Worship wrote of this pious custom in 1987:

“The queen symbol was attributed to Mary because she was a perfect follower of Christ, who is the absolute ‘crown’ of creation. She is the Mother of the Son of God, who is the messianic King. Mary is the Mother of Christ, the Word Incarnate ... ‘He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High; the Lord will give Him the throne of His father David; and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His kingdom there will be no end.’ Elizabeth greeted the Blessed Virgin, pregnant with Jesus, as ‘the mother of my Lord.’ Mary is the perfect follower of Christ. The maid of Nazareth consented to God’s plan; she journeyed on the pilgrimage of faith; she listened to God’s Word and kept it in her heart; she remained steadfastly in close union with her Son, all the way to the foot of the Cross; she persevered in prayer with the Church. Thus, in an eminent way, she won the ‘crown of righteousness,’ ‘the crown of life,’ ‘the crown of glory’ that is promised to those who follow Christ.”

I also encourage all of you to keep this Marian month by praying the Rosary—even every day in May. I especially encourage all families to pray the Rosary together at least once a week. As St. John Paul II once wrote: *“The family that recites the Rosary together reproduces something of the atmosphere of the household of Nazareth: its members place Jesus at the centre, they share his joys and sorrows, they place their needs and their plans in his hands, they draw from him the hope and the strength to go on”* (Rosarium Virginis Mariae, 41).

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, May 2nd**

6:30 am Bob Laird
8:30 am Joe Mendillo +

Modified Mass Schedule**Tuesday, May 3rd**

8:30 am Brad Hoopes

Wednesday, May 4th

8:30 am Eileen & Frances
Healy +

Thursday, May 5th

8:30 am Tien Pham +

Friday, May 6th

8:30 am Michael Allman +
7:00 pm EFM (Latin)

Masses to be said Privately

May 3 Thomas Hall +
May 4 Helen Donovan +
May 5 Gerri Laird
May 6 Johnny Laird

Saturday, May 7th

9:00 am Joseph Maines +

Vigil Mass

5:00 pm Fr. De Celles
Irene Krosnick +

Sunday, May 8th

7:00 am Fr. Rippy
Helen McKendell +
9:00 am Fr. De Celles
Parishioners
11:00 am Fr. De Celles
RE Students & their families
1:00 pm Fr. Horkan
Mother's Day Triduum

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.**

Peter Collins

Please pray for the sick of our parish

Glenn Bliss Tom Dietz Michael O'Neill Cindy Laird Patricia Lewis Mai Pham Joan Opiela Jason Saenz Phyllis Zitnik Patricia Del Buono Juanita Boarman John Florio	Michael Malachowski Debra Henkel Daniel Moore Lauren Hornsby Gaudencio Dizon Paul Haynes Dwayne Taylor Christopher Quan Ted Tolpa Nena Brennan Serrin Foster	Fr. Jerry Daly Tom Swengros Ellie Garcia Margaret O'Neill Christina Cautero Christine Rawls Marianne Kelly Vanus Priestly Holly Osella
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Upcoming Events at St. Raymond Church

May 1	Donut Sunday
May 3 - 6	Modified Weekday Mass Schedule No 6:30 am Mass Tues - Fri
May 6	EFM Mass (Latin) 7:00 pm
May 7	Men's Prayer Group
May 7	Luminaries of Mary
May 7	KofC Shredding Event 10:00 am-1:00 pm
May 8-10	Mother's Day Triduum
May 8	May Crowning at 9:00 am Mass
May 13	Book Club
May 14	Spring Senior Luncheon

Donut Sunday Today, May 1st after the 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 AM Masses. Stop by the Parish Hall after Mass and enjoy some treats and drinks, and meet your fellow parishioners. This month's Donut Sunday is being hosted by our Legion of Mary & our Lectors.

Lost and Found Items will be displayed in the Parish Hall during Donut Sunday. If you are missing something & may have left it in the church, please be sure to check the table! Items not claimed by May 3rd will be donated or disposed of, as appropriate.

Mother's Day Triduum- Sunday, May 8th is Mother's Day. We will be honoring mothers with a Triduum of Masses on May 8-10. If you would like to include the special mothers in your life (ie. Mother, Grandmother, Godmother, etc.), cards are available in the narthex of the church or at the parish office.

The Knights of Columbus will have a bulk shredding truck in the south parking lot on Saturday, May 7th, from 10 AM to 1 PM. Bring your old files, receipts, and tax papers for quick secure disposal. Your donations will be used to support vocations and provide homes for the intellectually disabled. No hard drives, 3 ring or spiral notebooks or binder clips please. For more information call or text Dave Wilson at 703-966-5327.

Extraordinary Form / Traditional Latin Mass at St. Raymond Church. 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. Our next EFM Mass is this Friday, May 6th.

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

straymonds.org

Monday - Friday Daily Mass at 8:30 am
Saturday at 9:00 am
Sunday Mass at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

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. Our next meeting will be on May 7th. For more information, call Dave Wilson, 703-966-5327.

Luminaries of Holy Mary: Come join us 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. Our next meeting is on May 7th. All are welcome.

2022 Fatima Pilgrimage, July 17-28. You are invited to join a pilgrimage to Portugal and Spain organized by the Luminaries of Holy Mary. The spiritual director will be Fr. Townsend, the Parochial Vicar of the Basilica of Saint Mary. There are 40 spaces available on a first-come basis. Request more information and register by emailing Frank praydailyrosary@gmail.com or Mary mary.sample3@gmail.com, or call 571-334-5925.



St. John Bosco Council #12846 Knights of Columbus: Are you a man of 17 ½ years or 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. Raymond's has Adoration most Wednesdays and Fridays! 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 4:00 pm on Wednesdays and 12:00 pm and 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!

Bridge Club: All levels of players are welcome. We play Bridge cards each week in the Church Hall. Contact Lois Kotlowski at 703-455-6567 dancertoo2@yahoo.com or James Kolakowski at 703-455-3009 bridgeclub402@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us.

Spring/Summer 2022 Class to enter the Catholic Church (RCIA) will be offered at St Raymond's Parish on Monday evenings 7:30 to 8:30 pm. Classes will run until August 29, 2022 (except for Memorial Day, May 30, and July 4, 2022). This program is based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and designed to prepare 1) *baptized adult non-Catholics* to enter the Catholic Church, and 2) *baptized adult Catholics* seeking First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. Also, anyone who desires a better understanding of Catholic teachings and practices is welcomed. No advanced registration is required. The standard RCIA program will be offered beginning in September 2022. If you have questions call Bob or Bev Ward 703-644-5873 or via email at rew6710@gmail.com.

Family of Jesus Prayer Group: Weekly meetings are in the Church 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.

Annual Spring Senior Luncheon

For Seniors 55+

Where: Church Parish Hall

When: May 14th

Time: 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

R.S.V.P. to Parish Office 703-440-0535

Or complete below & drop in the collection basket.

Name _____

Number of Guests _____ (Bring a Friend!)

Hosted by our American Heritage Girls and Trail Life Troops

SAINT RAYMOND'S RESPECTS LIFE

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April is known nationally as **Safe Haven Month**, a time to recognize safe alternatives to infant abandonment by promoting **Safe Haven laws**. See fliers in the narthex or visit: nationalsafehavenalliance.org

Thank you to all who traveled to Richmond for the 4th Annual Virginia March for Life. We must continue to be a voice for those who have no voice.

The MaRiH Center is a Pro Life Pregnancy Support Center on Duke Street in Alexandria. **Material donations of diapers and baby items up to 2T welcomed in the narthex.** Thank you for your continued generosity!

Donation collection spot is now near the elevator in the narthex.

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.

Abortion reversal helpline 855-209-4848. *It may not be too late.* reverseabortionpill.com
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? ***A Mom's Peace***, offers discreet support to families with bereavement, burial and remembrance assistance. For more information visit amomspeace.org.

To those who have suffered an abortion: Project Rachel can help someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of a past abortion. (888)456-HOPE. Confidentiality always respected.

www.helpafterabortion.org.

For Men: (703) 841-3833.

Email: info@helpafterabortion.org or info@ayudadespuesdelaborto.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.

Looking for something worthwhile to do this summer or next? Check out crossroadswalk.org or bikingforbabies.com/national-ride

Are you a seamstress in search of a special project? Forever Angels turns donated wedding gowns into funeral gowns for infants. For more info, visit foreverangelsofvirginia.com or contact Kim at 540-664-2601 or kimviolet@gmail.com

St. Raymond's Youth Apostolate

*All are welcome to participate in Youth Apostolate events.
Make sure forms are signed and on file. <http://bit.ly/YAforms>

Congratulations to the winners of our WorkCamp Corn Hole Raffle: Ms. Theresa Tolpa & Mr. Brad Hoopes!! **Our raffle brought in a grand total of \$3,031!** To all who supported us by buying tickets and to those who so generously donated to support our 14 WorkCampers and 3 Adult Crew Leaders...**Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!** You may not be joining us in person, but it is because of you that we are able to go out and spread the Gospel and share our gifts in helping to make the homes of our neighbors in need warmer, safer & dryer. Thank you for being a part of our mission!! Special thanks to our adult leaders Dave Murray, Rose Jarvis & Alex Kayser for giving so much of their time to be with the WorkCampers this weekend, as well as to the Hansens for helping to keep our teens fed this weekend! And to the teens themselves, who were present before, during and after every Mass, never once complaining!

BAKE SALE NEXT WEEKEND!!

High School Bake Night: 7-9pm Fri. May 6th (Parish Hall)

Come bake with us! Help us make some goodies for the bake sale! And make some new friends while you're at it! RSVP is required as space is limited. <https://bit.ly/BakeNightSignup>

Bake Sale Table Help Needed After Masses May 7-8

Compliant adults and teens are needed to sign up to "man the table" for our Bake Sale after each Mass. If you can commit to helping, please sign up <http://bit.ly/BakeSaleTable> Thank you!

Donations of individually wrapped, unpriced, baked goods

May 7-8 are greatly needed & appreciated. Drop off in parish hall 7-9pm on Friday or in the Narthex from 4-4:45pm on Saturday. Please sign up <https://bit.ly/bakeforsale> so we don't have too much of the same thing. Thank you!

Youth Group & CCD this Sunday, May 1

Jr. High Youth Group is canceled this Sunday due to BASH

5:30-7pm Religious Education/CCD

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

Talitha Koum: High School Girls' Group!

7-8:30pm Monday, May 2nd (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.

High School Fri. 6:30am Mass & Breakfast 5/13

Our next Mass & Breakfast gathering will be 5/13 since the 6:30am Mass is canceled this week. Join us Friday mornings for Mass followed by breakfast with Fr. Horkan in the parish hall. RSVP by Wednesday if you need a ride to school.

Food Contributions Needed & Appreciated!

Are you able to support our youth by picking a few items from the links below to contribute toward Friday breakfasts or Sunday dinners for our teens? Their hungry bodies thank you!

<https://bit.ly/FridayBfast> & <https://bit.ly/DinnerDonations>

Thank you for supporting our youth!

Jeanne Sause

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Final Exams will be administered May 9, 10 and 15: Parents, please work with your children in learning the material in the Second Semester section of the Basic Study Questions booklet for their grade level.

2022-2023 Religious Education Registration Forms are available in the Narthex of the church, in the Parish Office, outside the Religious Education Office and on the Parish website. Class assignment is made on a first come, first served basis with class sizes limited to 15 students. Register early to get your first choice!!

PLEASE NOTE: there will only be RCIC and Good Shepherd classes on Tuesdays for the 2022-2023 academic year!

Volunteer teachers/catechists, assistant teachers and aides (high school students) are needed for the 2022-2023 Religious Education year. If you would like to help, please fill out a gray Volunteer Registration form which can be found in the same locations as the student registration forms. Please complete and return the form to the Religious Education Office.

For parents of students preparing for Confirmation in 2023: your child's Saint report was due April 28th. Please check the Confirmation Supplement which you received in September for due dates of other paperwork

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!

American Heritage Girls: Did you know we have an American Heritage Girls troop here at St. Raymond's? AHG is a fun Christian scouting group for girls from Kindergarten to 12th grade. Our troop, Troop VA0683, meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at St. Raymond's. Coming up soon for our troop is our campout in May, which will be at Pohick Bay Regional Park and take place over three days. We are also looking forward to our World Heritage Day, which will help us earn the World Heritage badge. We will be learning about and enjoying food from different countries on this day. We would love for you to join us at a meeting with your daughter(s)! Please contact our troop coordinator, Bea Frey, at ahgva0683@gmail.com or visit our website, <https://straymonds.org/ministries-and-groups/american-heritage-girls-troop/>, for more information. We hope to see you soon!!

Book Club: Our next meeting will be on Friday, May 13th at 10 am in the Parish Library. We will be discussing *The Secret of the Rosary* by Louis De Montfort and Mary Barbour (152 pgs.). The schedule for the full year can be found at <https://straymonds.org/ministries-and-groups/book-club/>. New members are welcome. If you have questions or plan to join us for the first time, please contact Jim Mault at bookclub@straymonds.org.

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

Christian persecutions continued after the death and resurrection of Christ. From Easter to Pentecost, we are reading the Acts of the Apostles, a first-hand account of the early days of the Church in Jerusalem. We read that Peter and John were arrested and put into custody because the Jewish leaders were “annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead” (Acts 4:2). After listening to the apostles and “finding no way to punish them,” they let them go (Acts 4:21).

Later the high priests “arrested the apostles and put them in a common prison.” The apostles were let out that night by an angel (Act 5:17-18), after which they were brought before the counsel again. This time the Jewish leaders charged them not to teach in the name of Jesus (Acts 5:27), Peter and the apostles talked their way out of confinement by telling the leaders that they were only preaching what they were witnessing and that, “We must obey God rather than men” (Acts 5:29). Finally, Stephen was arrested and then later stoned, becoming the first Christian martyr (Acts 6:8 – 7).

The persecution of Christians is nothing new, dating back to the very first days of the Church. This is a good time to pull out the Bible and read Acts, following along from the early days of the Church through to the travels of Paul. As our candidates for Confirmation begin their final preparation for the sacrament, read first-hand what happened to the Apostles after their Confirmation – fearlessly proclaiming the Gospel.

Legion of Mary: Do you want to develop a closer relationship with our Mother Mary and her Son, Jesus? The Legion of Mary weekly meeting is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm in the Maurer Room. All auxiliary members and anyone interested in joining the Legion of Mary are welcome. Point of Contact: Judy Mayer, jmayer9014@aol.com, or phone 703-627-7320.

MARRIAGE IS A JOURNEY!! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience can help you enrich your marriage and add some pizzazz to your journey. Whether you’ve been married 1 year or 50, a Marriage Encounter Experience may be just the thing you need to put a breath of fresh air into your relationship.

Our next in-person experience is:

September 23-25, 2022 at the Crowne Plaza in Herndon, VA

Only 30 spots available so sign up early! To register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for Herndon, Virginia. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with any questions.

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

Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

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St. Martin de Porres Committee - collects 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).

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.

APRIL FAITH DIRECT

Sunday Offertory	\$ 45,059.00
Easter	\$ 3,187.00
Family Assistance	\$ 2,397.34
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,960.00
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic	
School Scholarship Donations	\$ 5,537.34
Holy Land Shrines	\$ 1,554.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 1,191.00

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION

Sunday Offertory	\$12,497.00
Easter	\$ 1,175.00
Family Assistance	\$ 248.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 784.00
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic	
School Scholarship Donations	\$ 230.01
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 1,883.00

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