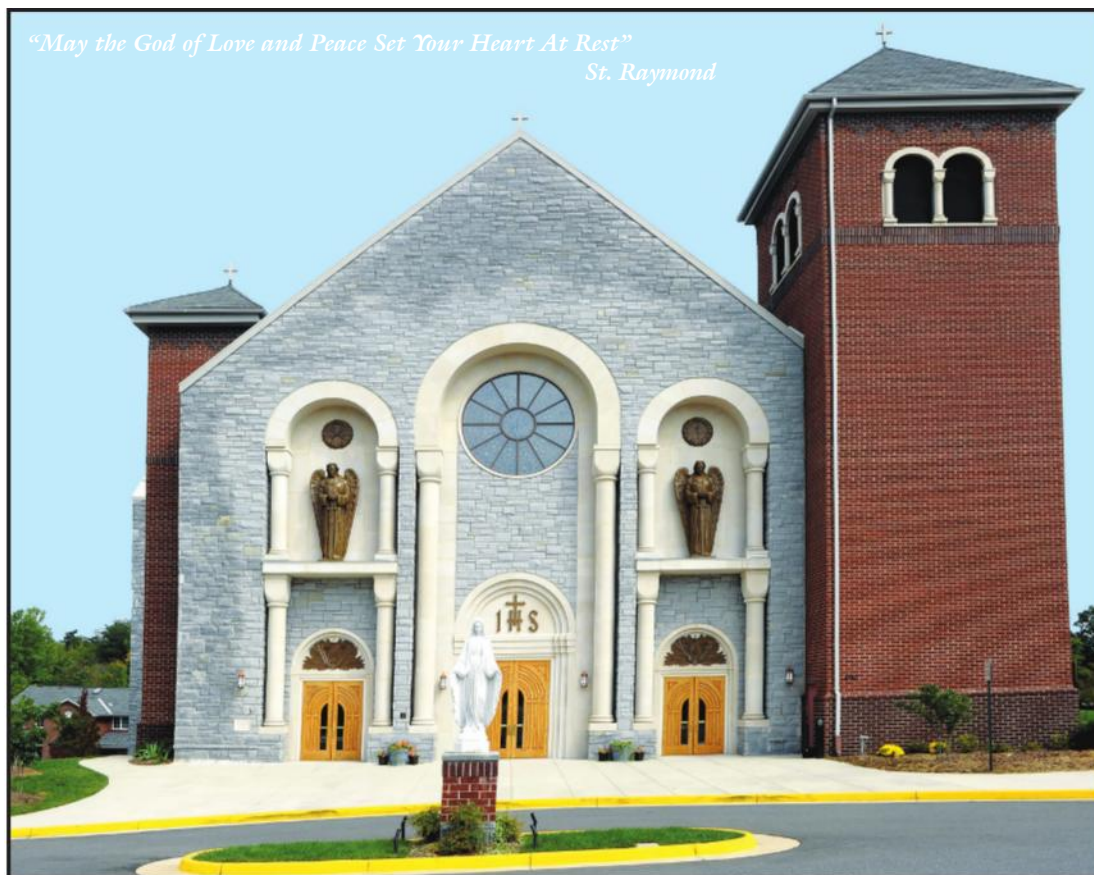


"May the God of Love and Peace Set Your Heart At Rest"
St. Raymond



Welcome to St. Raymond of Peñafort Roman Catholic Church

**8750 Pohick Road
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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:
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
Vince Drouillard, Religious Education Secretary
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Kirsti Tyson, Office Manager
Mary Butler, Secretary
Virginia Osella, Parish Secretary

PARISH OFFICE:

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Choirs: Music@straymonds.org

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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
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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

8:15 - 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

Security After Dobbs. As we celebrated the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* in the Dobbs decision, we also had to cope with concerns over the safety of parishioners and our church as pro-abortion extremist threatened violence against Catholic churches. To address these concerns I employed some emergency measures, including early closings and calling on volunteers to actively assist providing physical security. I was overwhelmed at the scores of folks who stepped forward to help—over 120 of you. Many of those came to stand watch in the middle of the night.

I want to thank all those volunteers. I am confident that your diligence helped keep us safe from any bad actors. I'm also aware that your very presence made it possible for many of your fellow parishioners to worship at Mass in peace, feeling safe under your watchful guard.

Going forward this week, we are stepping back somewhat from the more stringent policies, although we will maintain a heightened level of alert for the next few weeks, in a less intrusive way. For example, we have organized a small security group that will keep physical watch of the grounds during the evenings and nights, and we have cameras that allow for 24-hour live surveillance of the whole property. Those are only two of the instruments we will be using to keep the parish safe.

But as always, the greatest “instruments” of protection are God’s grace and His angels. We pray and trust in Him and them.

Preliminary Financial Picture. I am very happy to report that the very unofficial (“unadjusted,” “pre-closing”) financial numbers for our fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, were very positive. We showed a total offertory collection of \$1,435,000, **up 7.4% from the prior year** (\$1,336,000). And overall offertory and other donations totaled \$2,081,000, **up 12.7% from the prior year** (\$1,847,000). Moreover, net operating income was also increased from the prior year.

Moreover, looking at this year’s total overall offertory and other donations of \$2,081,000, and comparing it to the same number (\$2,121,000) from our last pre-COVID year we find a **decrease of 1.9%**. Not bad, considering we are still recovering from the COVID shutdown.

However, all of us have experienced about 9% inflation rate this year, not including the cost increases of housing and gasoline. This has also directly affected the parish’s expenses. Please consider this when you plan your offertory and other donations to the parish this year: **our costs are up 9%**, are your donations to the parish up 9%?

Patriotism. The 4th of July is a day on which Americans celebrate patriotism. But not all Americans, as we saw in various media reports over the weekend. Does God command us to be patriotic? The answer is yes.

Jesus tells us that the two greatest commandments are first, to love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength, and second, to love your neighbor as yourself. **St. Thomas Aquinas explains** that our first neighbor is our parents (family), but after that our second neighbor is our country, or our “patria” in Latin, and our fellow countrymen.

So that the second great commandment applies first to parents and family and second to country and countryman. We see this specified, if you will, in the 4th commandment: “Honor your father and mother.” God gives you parents and family to love and care for you, and in return calls you to love and care for them—to “honor” them. And in the same way, God gives us our country and fellow countrymen to love and care for us, and so we in turn must love and care for our country and countrymen.

Note however, Patriotism isn’t the same as loving the government, but rather honoring the government and its just laws to the extend it/they are at the service of the people of the country.

Patriotism also involves participation in the life of our nation. This includes everything from working diligently in school or at a job, to raising a good and healthy family, to paying taxes, to participating in the public square and voting.

Patriotism also means defending our country, not only in the military (thanks!) but also simply speaking out publicly to promote what you believe is genuinely good for our country.

And patriotism means truly striving for the good of each other through just laws and a sound economic system that allow each of us to provide for our own needs. But it also requires a safety net for those who truly cannot provide for themselves.

Finally, it includes honoring the symbols our country.

Brown Scapular. Saturday, July 16, is the feast of **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**, and with this in mind, we will be enrolling folks in the Confraternity and investing them with the Brown Scapular after all Saturday and Sunday Masses.

The Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel memorializes the apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite priest, and her gift to him of the “Brown Scapular” on July 16, 1251. “Take, beloved son,” she said, “this Scapular of your order as a badge of my confraternity and for you and all Carmelites a special sign of grace; whoever dies in this garment, will not suffer everlasting fire. It is the sign of salvation, a safeguard in dangers, a pledge of peace and of the covenant.” The Carmelites immediately began to wear this Scapular as part of their regular habit, and very soon many non-Carmelites also began to wear it, usually in a smaller form of two small pieces of cloth bound by two strings, worn around the neck, hanging down in front and back.

From the beginning it was understood that in order to participate in Our Lady’s promises the wearer of the Scapular must be officially associated with the Carmelite order. So the Carmelites established the “Confraternity of the Blessed Virgin of Mount Carmel,” which any Catholic may be enrolled in through a short ceremony conducted by a priest.

Even so, the Scapular is in no way a “a good luck charm.” As St. John Paul II wrote, **it is a sign that evokes** “the awareness that devotion to her cannot be limited to prayers and tributes in her honor on certain occasions, but must become a ‘habit,’ that is, a permanent orientation of one’s own Christian conduct, woven of prayer and interior life, through frequent reception of the sacraments and the concrete practice of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.”

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, July 11th**

6:30 am Alice Gould +
8:30 am John & Julia
Meszaros+

Tuesday, July 12th

6:30 am Joseph Ammirati
8:30 am Catherine Flynn +

Wednesday, July 13th

6:30 am Tony Sehy +
8:30 am Catherine Flynn +

Thursday, July 14th

6:30 am Jacqueline G
Wachter+
8:30 am Catherine Flynn +

Friday, July 15th

6:30 am Nancy & Pat Johnson
8:30 am Catherine Flynn +
7:00 pm EFM (Latin)

Saturday, July 16th

9:00 am Miriam F Watanabe+

Vigil Mass

5:00 pm **Fr. Rippy**
Jean Stankiewicz +

Sunday, July 17th

7:00 am **Fr. De Celles**
Edward Flynn +
9:00 am **Fr. De Celles**
Parishioners
11:00 am **Fr. Rippy**
Grayce Long Hayden +
1:00 pm **Fr. Vaccaro**
RE Students & Their Families

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 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 James Bowling Lupe Bowling Richard Carter
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Upcoming Events at St. Raymond Church

July 11	Family of Jesus Prayer Group 4:30 pm
July 13	Adoration ((9 am—7 pm)
July 13	Legion of Mary 6:30 pm
July 14	Bridge Club
July 15	Adoration (9 am—3 pm)
July 15	EFM (Latin Mass) 7:00 pm
July 16	Men's Prayer Group

Because of security concerns, we temporarily cancelled most events (except Mass, Confessions, and adoration) since June 24. All regularly scheduled events resume this week, subject to the pastor's discretion. Please watch your email and the parish website for any updates. Please note that we will continue to have heightened security for the next few weeks, but in ways that will be less intrusive to the regular life of the parish.

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 1:00 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!**

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.

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, July 15th..

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

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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

Altar Server Training: St Raymond's Parish has a very active Altar Server program. We invite all young men of the Parish to consider becoming an Altar Server. Young men between the ages of 9 and 18, who have received their First Communion are eligible. This is your opportunity to help assist the priest at Mass. **Training begins on Aug. 13th.** Please visit shorturl.at/ccRW3 or contact the Parish Office at 703-440-0535 to sign up.

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 July 16th. 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 Aug 6th. All are welcome.



St. John Bosco Council #12846

Did you know the Knights of Columbus run four program categories?

1. Faith in Action Programs
2. Community Programs
3. Life Programs
4. Family Programs

There is a program for you. We are looking forward to the next Family program - Fredericksburg Nationals baseball in August! If you want to learn more about our Council, call Larry at 703-832-1042 or email lsanzl1@verizon.net

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 Kolakoski at 703-455-3009 bridgeclub402@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us.

Part Time Health Care Coordinator - The Arlington Diocese Office of the Episcopal Vicar for Clergy is looking for a part time Health Care Coordinator to act as an advocate, coordinator and manager of medical services for retired diocesan priests as well as active priests with significant health issues. Required qualifications include: nursing degree, current Virginia RN license, drivers license and five years experience. Flexible hours (20-29 per week) but must be able to support coordination in cases of emergency which may include evening or weekend. Qualified candidates may contact the Human Resources Department at (703) 841-2553 or hr@arlingtondiocese.org.

Catholic Charities Family Services can help if you or someone you know is struggling with anxiety, depression, grief, and marital or parenting concerns. We offer transformational outpatient counseling services to individuals, couples, and families of all faiths and backgrounds. Call 703-447-9402, and for more information, visit <https://www.cdda.net/need-help/medical-and-counseling/counseling/>

St. Raymond's Young Adult Group. Are you 21-40 years old? (Single or married, with or without kids) Contact youngadults@straymonds.org to be added to our email list and hear about upcoming events!

Youth are invited to participate in the Parish Library Summer Reading Program! Check out the Parish Library collection and spend hot summer afternoons reading about our Faith, our saints, our traditions, etc. Complete the participation form found in the narthex or on the parish website and be eligible to win a prize! Questions? Contact Liz Hildebrand: hildebrandseven@gmail.com

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.

SAINT RAYMOND'S RESPECTS LIFE

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in LOVE*

***"The authority to regulate abortion is returned
to the people and their elected representatives."
SCOTUS***

PRAISE GOD!

***Abortion is no longer federally protected in the USA.
However, nothing in VA has changed. Abortion in VA, MD,
and DC is still legal.***

***If any legislative changes are to take place, Virginians need
to pray and work to change the State Senate in the Nov 2023
election. We have a long way to go in making abortion
unthinkable. Pray for conversion of hearts and minds and a
renewal of a Culture of Life in our country. Are YOU
registered to vote?***

"America, choose life!" Saint Pope John Paul II

Join Bishop Burbidge for **Holy Mass in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life** on Saturday, July 16, 2022, at 8 a.m., at Saint Rita's Catholic Church in Alexandria, VA. Holy Mass will be followed by a rosary at the abortion facility at 5999 Stevenson Ave, Alexandria.



**University. Now's the time to learn
more! [40daysforlife.com/en/
university](http://40daysforlife.com/en/university)**

The MaRiH Center is a Pro Life Pregnancy Support Center in Alexandria. Material donations of diapers and baby items up to 2T welcomed in the narthex. Collection box is near the elevator. **Presently, there is a particular need for size 5 and 6 diapers.**

Thank you for your continued generosity throughout the summer!

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.

Women often regret the desperate decision to take the abortion pill. If you know of someone who needs help reversing that decision, please call the abortion reversal helpline 855-209-4848. **It may not be too late. abortionpillreversal.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 women and men who are carrying the grief and sorrow of a past abortion. (888)456-HOPE. Confidentiality always respected. www.helpafterabortion.org. Men: (703) 841-3833.

Give a Gift for Life! No woman should ever feel that she is alone or that abortion is her only choice. **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

Please pray for our 18 teens & 4 adults attending the Steubenville Youth Conference at Franciscan University in Ohio this weekend!



Thank you for all of your prayers and support of our parish WorkCampers! We had a very blessed and successful week with loads of grace and no injuries! We were among over 600 teens and a few hundred adults who helped 84 families improve their living conditions while growing in faith and fellowship! We could not have done it without your help and prayers!

High School Service Project: Friday July 22 (8am-3pm)

Last summer St. Raymond's WorkCampers did an incredible job demolishing and rebuilding a rotted out deck for one of our parishioners. Now that the wood has had time to dry out, we need to go back to power wash and stain the deck. We are looking for FIVE teens to commit to helping from 8am-3pm. If interested, please contact Jeanne.

Thursday Gatherings for ALL College Students (including rising freshmen):

George Mason University's Catholic Campus Ministry is hosting weekly summer events for college students and graduating high school seniors every Thursday night in June and July at the St. Robert Bellarmine Chapel (4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax). It's a great way to meet college students from different schools who are home for break and/or meet future classmates before school starts! Like us on Facebook: College Summers with GMU CCM. Find out more at www.gmuccm.org or email ysierral@gmu.edu.

ATTN: Class of 2022!

Associates of St. John Bosco College Nights!

Attention Class of 2022: This summer, The Associates of St. John Bosco invites rising college freshmen to attend a College Night at one of the following parishes.

All events begin at 7:00 pm and end around 9:00 pm

July 20, 2022: Basilica of St. Mary, Alexandria
(held at St. Mary's Lyceum)

July 27, 2022: St. Mary's Fredericksburg
(held at Holy Cross Academy)

College Nights help rising college freshmen and transfer students to network with other Catholics heading to college, and give students the tools to navigate the often difficult transition of faith life in college. Students hear from upperclassmen who give their **personal testimonies** about how they transitioned to college and maintained a strong faith life. There are **small groups divided by students' universities** and students walk away with a free bundle of **Catholic books** to bring to college that will help them deepen their faith while away at school. The events come with a free pizza dinner.

Student registration & More Info. at www.asjb.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 2022-2023 Religious

Education year is ongoing. You can pick up one of the bright blue 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.**

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.

We have classes for high school students on Sundays (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.**

****We are in need of the following volunteers for the 2022-2023 Religious Education year:**

Sunday Grade 3 Teacher
Grade 3 Assistant teacher
Sunday Grade 4 Teacher
Monday Kindergarten high school aide
Monday Grade 7 Assistant teacher

Please contact the Religious Education office if you are interested in filling one of the positions listed above.

Join the Legion of Mary! The Legion of Mary makes its members better Catholics through prayer, service and evangelization. "Active" members meet weekly for prayer, planning and discussion. In pairs, we perform several hours of apostolic work each week. (At St. Raymond's works include working with/teaching youth, sponsoring the Pilgrim Virgin statue visits at parishioner homes, and taking the bulletin and sacramentals door-to-door.) "Auxiliary" members of the Legion of Mary offer their daily prayers to Our Lady so that she can apply them where they are needed. The Active Legion group meets on Wednesday nights, 6:30 – 8:00pm, in the Maurer Room. If you are interested in joining the Legion or have any questions, please contact Judy Mayer, jmayer9014@aol.com, or call / text 703-627-7320.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue Visitation of Our Blessed Lady. The Legion of Mary organizes one-week visits of the Pilgrim Virgin (Our Lady of Fatima) Statue. Those who have welcomed this traveling statue in their homes have reported many graces. The rosary or Divine Mercy chaplet is said when bringing and picking up the statue. Additionally, the family may request the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which is another joy. Please contact Judy Mayer, jmayer9014@aol.com, or call / text at 703-627-7320 to arrange a visit.

Want to strengthen your marriage? Join us for "The Good, the Messy, and the Beautiful" with Edward & Beth Sri on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Aldie, VA. The retreat will be 9:00 am - 3:00 pm and costs \$125 per couple. Takeaways include: How to avoid pitfalls and overcome marital struggles; lessons learned through 20+ years of marriage; tips, mindsets, and reminders for when reality hits; hilarious and relatable stories of real married life! Register at arlingtondiocese.org/goodmessybeautiful.

Church Persecuted

While newspapers are blaring headlines of the massive numbers of murders in the streets of cities such as Chicago, Philadelphia, and New York, and the mass murders in town and cities across the U.S., the continued murdering and kidnapping of Christians in Nigeria are not making the front pages of the newspapers and internet sites.

Several weeks ago, we wrote here about the murder of over 50 Catholics attending Pentecost Sunday Mass in southwestern Nigeria. A local update to this report comes from the Institute of Catholic Culture (ICC), an educational institute located here in the diocese, where an online bioethics course is in progress with several of our parishioners in attendance. The ICC reports that several of those taking the course were victims of this attack on Pentecost.

Terrorists struck again on June 19th at Maranatha Baptist Church and Saint Moses Catholic Church located in the state of Kaduna, in central Nigeria. The attackers kidnapped 46 people (mostly from the Baptist Church) and killed three (from the Catholic Church). The terrorists arrived on motorcycles, surrounding both churches and ransacking local businesses while taking the hostages. The attackers normally hold hostages until a ransom is paid. It is presumed that Fulani Muslims are responsible for this attack.

(www.aciafrica.org, 6.20.22, "Catholic, Baptist Churches in Kaduna State, Nigeria, Attacked During Sunday Worship.")

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 20 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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Hostia: The Power and Presence of the Eucharist – This powerful and inspiring film begins with the Gospel accounts of how Jesus Christ instituted the Eucharist. It explains how the sacrifices and offerings in the Old Testament prefigured the perfect and final sacrifice in Jesus Christ Himself—the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. The constant belief of Christians in the Real Presence throughout history is clearly demonstrated along with examples of heroic witnesses for the Faith. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is explained as the center of the Christian life where Jesus becomes truly present in the Eucharist. The practices of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction are presented as the real power behind any evangelization and essential to reviving faith in every Catholic parish.

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Questions? Need help? Email us at: formed@straymonds.org



Angelus Academy

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The fun at Angelus Academy doesn't end in June. We are bringing back our Summer Program for 2022!

Join us for August 1-5

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/tkterehf>

We continue to accept applications for 2022-23.

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

Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

www.AngelusAcademy.org

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St. Martin de Porres Committee - collects 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). **Our Annual Back to School Sock & Underwear Drive will take place July 30-August 7th.**

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.

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

Sunday Offertory	\$ 12,925.66
Family Assistance	\$ 1,330.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 2,792.00
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic School Scholarship Donations	\$ 5,784.00

The Second Collection this week is for the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

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