

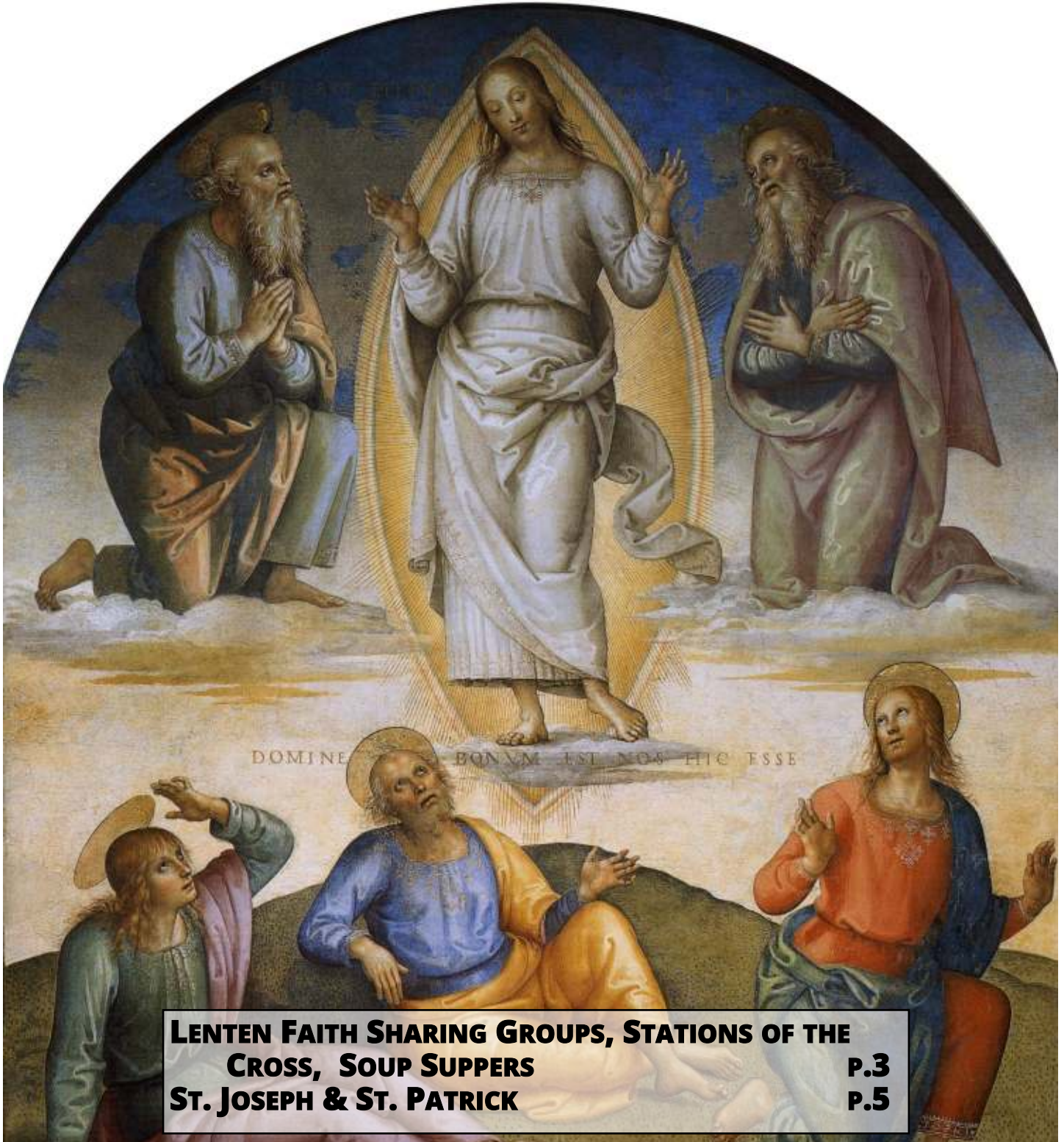


# ST. RAYMOND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 13, 2022



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# This Week

## MONDAY TO SATURDAY EACH WEEK

8:15 am Mass (Church)

## MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2022

12:00 pm Lenten Small Group (p.3)

## TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022

9:00 am Legion of Mary (p.4)  
7:00 pm Matthew Bible Study (p.3)  
7:00 pm Lenten Small Group (p.3)

## THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2022

12:00 pm Laudato Si' Group Zoom (p.6)  
7:00 pm Holy Hour (Adoration & Confession)  
9:00 pm Lenten Small Group (p.3)

## FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2022

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross followed by  
Soup Supper

## SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2022

8:15 am Mass (Church) followed by Adoration  
& Confession  
5:00 pm Mass (Church)

## SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022

8:00 am Mass (Church)  
10:00 am Mass (Outdoors), followed by donuts  
5:00 pm Mass (Church)

**LIVE STREAMING**—Each 8:15 daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) will be livestreamed at [straymondmp.org](http://straymondmp.org), our Facebook and YouTube channels. On the weekend, the Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 10:00 am Masses will be livestreamed.

## WEEKLY EVENTS

**WEEKLY SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY** meets on Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am on Zoom. The group discusses the readings for the upcoming Sunday. For more information, contact Christine at [chriscalvez@aol.com](mailto:chriscalvez@aol.com).

**THURSDAY HOLY HOUR** is held weekly each Thursday from 7:00–8:00 pm inside the Church. Holy Hour consists of Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available.

**SATURDAY ADORATION & CONFESSIONS** following the 8:15 am morning Mass (approx. 8:45 am to 9:15 am). Confessions will also be held at this time.

# Liturgy

**Sat., Mar. 12, 5:00 pm** St. Raymond Parish

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

**Sun., Mar. 13, 8:00 am** The Ruocco Family, Both  
Living & Deceased

**10:00 am** Jean Geraghty †

**5:00 pm** Aisake Papa †

**Mon., Mar. 14, 8:15 am** Jackie Bartok †

**Tue., Mar. 15, 8:15 am** Bob Ferrando † and the  
Ferrando Family, Both Living  
& Deceased

**Wed., Mar. 16, 8:15 am** Beverly Marci †

**Thu., Mar. 17, 8:15 am** Gail Blach † & the Blach &  
Derry Families, Both Living &  
Deceased

*St. Patrick, Bishop, Principal Co-Patron of the Archdiocese  
of San Francisco (S)*

**Fri., Mar. 18, 8:15 am** Lily & John Duzanica ††

*St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (m)*

**Sat., Mar. 19, 8:15 am** The Nelson Family, Both  
Living & Deceased

*St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (S)*

**Sat., Mar. 19, 5:00 pm** William Jekot †

*3rd Sunday of Lent*

**Sun., Mar. 20, 8:00 am** Anthony Gutierrez †

**10:00 am** Armando & Caterina  
Maestrini ††

**5:00 pm** St. Raymond Parish

*S—Solemnity F—Feast M—Memorial m—Optional Memorial*

To request a Mass Intention, please call the parish office.

## GET PARISH NEWS VIA TEXT, EMAIL

St. Raymond Parish is adopting a new and improved communication platform that will make it much simpler for you to get information from the parish. The service is called Flocknote and allows you to choose to receive messages via email or text or both.

**Text “Raymond” to 84576 or join online  
at [straymondmp.flocknote.com](http://straymondmp.flocknote.com).**

**Support St. Raymond Church on Amazon Smile.** Currently, there are still only 22 supporters! Add St. Raymond as your charity at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-1156739>.

## LENTEN FAITH-SHARING SMALL GROUPS

Looking to deepen your relationship with God this Lent? Consider joining a Faith-Sharing small group. Groups will meet weekly throughout Lent and will have an opportunity to grow in prayer and deepen one's personal relationship with God during this time of preparation before Easter. We look forward to journeying with you this Lent! Contact Tina Augustine to sign up: [taugustine@straymondmp.org](mailto:taugustine@straymondmp.org) or 650-656-0505.

All groups will meet in the St. Raymond Parish Hall.

Mondays at 12-1:15pm  
Tuesdays at 7-8:15pm  
Thursdays 9-10:15am

## Bible Study

### MATTHEW: THE KING & HIS KINGDOM



Tuesday, March 15, 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

Video: Session 20  
Workbook: 251-255, then 143-147  
Bible Reading: Matthew 24-25

### GIVING: ONLINE AND IN PERSON

eGiving provides an opportunity to simplify your stewardship donations through secure automatic giving. You can pay with a credit/debit card or your checking or savings account. Schedule or update recurring donations at [straymondmp.org/giving](http://straymondmp.org/giving).



## FR. JEROME'S 50<sup>TH</sup> ST 52ND BIRTHDAY FOOD TRUCK FEST

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022  
FOLLOWING THE 10 AM MASS



WITH ALL THE STRUGGLES AND  
CHALLENGES IN OUR WORLD, LET'S  
TAKE A FEW HOURS AS A COMMUNITY  
TO CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF LIFE AND FAITH.

COME & JOIN THE FUN!

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Discover the Catholic faith! Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). A schedule will be announced in the upcoming weeks. For more information or to sign up, please contact Deacon Tom Kelly at [tfk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tfk@sbcglobal.net) or 650-670-2200. We look forward to welcoming you.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS 6:00 PM, OUTDOORS

### LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

IN THE PARISH HALL  
FOLLOWING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



## GIVE TO HELP THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE

On Ash Wednesday, the St. Raymond community donated over \$12,000 to help support the efforts in Ukraine. Thank you.

Our Polish Dominican brothers are working tirelessly to provide food, clothes, medical care, and housing in their priories for refugees streaming across the border from Ukraine. Our brothers in Ukraine are also at work providing food and medical supplies to Ukrainians who remain in their homeland.



If you're inspired to also help, please make a gift as soon as possible, and join us in working to alleviate the suffering from the war in Ukraine.

God bless you for your kindness! Donate at <https://opwest.org/ukraine>.

## UPDATES FROM UKRAINE

Visit <https://opwest.org/ukraine> for messages from Fr. Jaroslaw Krawiec, O.P., in Kyiv, Ukraine.

## SUNDAY READINGS

March 13, 2022 (2nd Sunday of Lent)

Reading 1: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Resp. Psalm: Psalms 27: 1, 7-9, 13-14

Reading 2: Philippians 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1

Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

[bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031322.cfm](https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031322.cfm)

## HALLOW APP

I have been exploring the Hallow app which was recommended to me by a priest after I expressed my struggle in finding time to further deepen my faith given my busy work and family schedule. In the last year I've found Hallow to be exactly what I needed. Whether it's starting my day with the ten-minute Daily Gospel reflections which set the tone for the day and give me something to think about during quiet moments between meetings, or the Morning Psalms, Daily Saints, or Nightly Routine, the app offers meaningful guided short prayers for any time of day. And I've only begun to scratch the surface with respect to the app's various offerings. The homilies are also thought provoking and inspirational. I still want to try the music, novenas, and Bible stories. There's even something for children. This app has been a powerful tool, one that is helping me infuse my faith more fully into all aspects of my day to day activity. I don't know how many other parishioners have discovered Hallow, but I think almost all would benefit from it. It's particularly timely now as we are entering Lent.

- Colleen Foraker

<https://hallow.com>



SPRING 2022  
Campaign

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE/ REDWOOD CITY

March 2 - April 10, 2022

PRAYING FOR AN END TO ABORTION

Daily: 7am - 7pm

Planned Parenthood Redwood City  
2907 El Camino Real, Redwood City (on sidewalk)

(650) 918-9119

Sign up: [40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity](https://40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity)

## LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday at 9:00 am in the Legion of Mary conference room opposite the Parish Hall. Feel free to join us and learn more about the Legion of Mary.



St. Raymond Emotional &  
Mental Wellness Ministry  
[straymondmp.org/emwm](https://straymondmp.org/emwm)



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# Saints of the Week

## ST. PATRICK, ST. JOSEPH, AND THE CONVERSION THAT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON, MARCH 22, 2017

I am always pleased when the feasts of St. Patrick and St. Joseph roll around every year, the first on March 17th and the second on March 19th. Joseph is especially dear to the Italian people, who celebrate him with festive meals, and Patrick, of course, is specially revered by my own people, the Irish, who celebrate him with parades, parties, and (often) too much drinking. Though separated by four centuries and though hailing from extremely different cultures, Patrick and Joseph have a great deal in common, spiritually speaking. For both stubbornly situated their lives in the context, not of the ego-drama, but the theo-drama, and therein lies their importance for the universal church.

Let's consider Patrick first. A Roman Briton, born in the early fifth century, Patrick, while still a young man, was kidnapped by raiders and brought to Ireland, where he lived the brutal life of a slave. One can only imagine the darkness of these years: torn away from family, friends, and home, compelled to learn an unfamiliar language, treated with disdain, forced to do the most disagreeable work. How often he must have wept. How often he must have cried out to God, wondering how he could have been so thoroughly abandoned. After six years in Ireland, Patrick finally managed to escape and return home. Some accounts have it that he then sojourned in France, doing his theological studies there and becoming ordained as a priest.

Looking at this life from a purely natural or psychological perspective, one would readily conclude that still youthful Fr. Patrick would never want to journey again to the place where his life had hit rock bottom. Or perhaps, he would want to return there as chaplain to an invading army! Instead, he decided to go back to Ireland in order to carry the Gospel to those who had enslaved and persecuted him. How can we explain this? We have to move beyond a merely natural and psychological framework and understand his life theologically. Stated differently, we have to appreciate that Patrick, like all of the saints, saw his life as ingredient in a drama that God was directing and producing. He appreciated that the whole awful experience of being a slave was not simply dumb suffering, but was, strangely, a preparation for the work that God had for him. During those terrible years, he learned a great deal about the history, topography, and language of the Irish; he came, perhaps, to love some of their lore and religious customs. Like Moses among the Egyptians, he came to understand the "enemy" culture

from the inside and hence was able, with special skill and creativity, to engage it. Now think of the worst moment of your life, the time when you hit bottom. How do you read it? Pointless pain—or a moment of particular grace?

Now let us look at St. Joseph. Every episode of his life recounted in the Bible is a crisis. He discovers, to his dismay, that the woman he loved and to whom he was betrothed to marry, was pregnant. How lost and confused he must have been. The Mosaic law permitted him to hand Mary over to be stoned to death, but his native decency prevented him from taking that path. Instead, he resolved, undoubtedly with a broken heart, to divorce her quietly. But then the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream and explained the anomalous pregnancy. Placing his own fears and preoccupations to one side, Joseph understood what was happening in the context of God's providence and he took Mary as his wife.

Next, discovering that the child was in mortal danger, Joseph took mother and baby on a perilous journey, across hundreds of miles of trackless desert, to an unknown country, an unknown village, an unknown people. Anyone who has ever been forced into exile, compelled to leave his homeland, or even obliged to move to a new city to take up a job knows the anxiety that Joseph must have felt. Now add to it the keen sense that your baby is being pursued by agents of the government, intent upon murder. But Joseph went because God had commanded him.

Finally, we hear of Joseph desperately seeking his lost twelve-year old son. Speak to any parent who has gone through a similar experience—looking for a child who has wandered away or been taken—and you will hear of a fear beyond measure. And this anxious search went on for three days. Did Mary and Joseph sleep? Did they eat? What did they say to one another? Thus we fully understand Mary's reaction when, having finally discovered Jesus among the doctors in the Temple: "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety?" And they received that devastatingly understated response: "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know I must be in my Father's house?" Quietly taking the child home, Joseph once more put aside his human feelings and trusted in the purposes of God. The little we know about Joseph is that he experienced heartbreak, fear unto death, and a parent's deepest anxiety, but each time, he read what happened to him theo-dramatically and not ego-dramatically.

This shift in attitude, this re-orientation of the heart, this conversion is what made Patrick the patron of the Irish and Joseph the patron of the universal Church.





## THIS IS MY SON; LISTEN TO HIM

The scriptures this Sunday speak of God's mercy and willingness to meet us where we are.

- Abram had lost hope in God's promise to make him and Sarai the ancestors of a great nation. God reminds him of that promise through the shining stars in the night sky, but Abram still struggles to trust God. Rather than responding with anger, God gives him an awesome display of His powerful divine presence with fire. God meets Abram in his doubts and helps him to receive the gift of faith in God's promise.
- Paul strengthens the faith of the Philippians through his steadfast fidelity to Jesus.
- In the gospel, Jesus took the leaders among the apostles to the mountain. He knew they would be tested in the coming days and even abandon Him. Yet, they were allowed to see the transfigured Jesus. They were totally confused, - YET He didn't cast them aside. Instead, he loved them deeply and let them glimpse His glory to give them hope and so they could eventually lead in spreading His light to the world. The apostles, like Abraham, were given a vision to help them wake up to realize who Jesus truly is.

Today, Pope Francis has heard and embraced God's warning of the dangers of climate change and is trying to wake up the world. There are too many who, as Paul writes, are occupied with trivial things and discouraged by the changes required to allow the planet to heal. As Catholic people of faith, this Lent, pray about opening yourself to the call of Pope Francis and Archbishop Cordileone and register to work on the Laudato Si' Action Platform. <https://www.sfarch.org/laudato-si-action-platform/>

The goal is to respond to God's love for the earth, and for us, by taking concrete steps to care for our common home.



The task is overwhelming, but God will not abandon us. He will meet us where we are and bless our sincere efforts.

*God, who calls us to generous commitment and to give him our all, offers us the light and the strength needed to continue on our way. In the heart of this world, the Lord of life, who loves us so much, is always present. He does not abandon us,*

*he does not leave us alone, for he has united himself definitively to our earth, and his love constantly impels us to find new ways forward. Praise be to him. (Laudato Si' 245)*

Want a little inspiration? Join us for our Thursday Noon Zoom meetings (<http://bit.ly/LaudatoSiZoom>) during Lent where we are discussing *Wild Hope*, a beautifully written book unveiling the magnificence of several of God's creatures and their current struggles. You will grow in awe of God's creation and His love for us.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK** As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Balvina Gonzalez, Bernice Corcoran, Bonnie Morey, Connie Alvidrez, Diane Mojtehed, Erik Olsen, Gayland Hagy, Janice Hagy, Larry, Luis Mederos, Lynn Bacon, Modesta Cintron, Mary Shepherd, Nony & Penny Bantug, NM, William Cintron, those afflicted with COVID, the homebound, and those who wish not to be named. To add a name to this list, please contact the parish office.



**HOPE & Healing**

**MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE**

Sponsored by Archdiocese of San Francisco

For anyone interested in learning more about mental health challenges and how to support those struggling with mental health issues

**MAIN SESSIONS:**

- MENTAL HEALTH 101**  
Anne Fischer, Executive Director NAMI, San Francisco
- COPING SKILLS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS**  
Vic Mazzmanian, Mind Heart Soul Consulting

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS:**

- PSYCHOLOGICAL HARDINESS AND THE SPIRITUAL LIFE**  
Robert Walters, Ph.D.
- SPIRITUAL RESPONSE TO AN UNHEALTHY CULTURE**  
Gabrielle Lau, Psy.D.
- ADDICTION/SUBSTANCE ABUSE**  
Scott Bolshaw, MA, LMFT
- SUICIDAL PREVENTION**  
StarVista
- MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES IN CHILDREN & YOUTH**
- DEPRESSION, ESPECIALLY RELATED TO COVID**

**9:00AM TO 4:00PM**  
(CHECK IN BEGINS AT 8:15AM)

Questions: Contact Dick Collyer at 415-614-5593 or collyern@sfarch.org

**Our Lady of Angels Parish**  
1721 Hillside Drive, Burlingame, CA 94010  
\$35 (includes lunch) - Scholarships available  
Register at: [https://sfarchdiocese.org/event/mhc\\_2022](https://sfarchdiocese.org/event/mhc_2022)

Space is limited: preregistration is required  
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 5, 2022

**April 9th 2022**

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**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS** If you are a visitor to St. Raymond Parish, we want you to know you are welcome here—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or another parish in the Archdiocese. Say hello to any of our parishioners! For information about our parish or to register, contact us at [office@straymondmp.org](mailto:office@straymondmp.org) or register online at [www.straymondmp.org/register](http://www.straymondmp.org/register).

## CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays 5:00 pm Vigil (Church)

Sundays 8:00 am (Church), 10:00 am (Outdoors), 5:00 pm (Church)

Weekdays 8:15 am (Mon.-Sat. Church)

Ash Wednesday 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 8:45-9:15 am & 3:30-4:30 pm,

Thursdays 7:00-8:00 pm, or by appointment

### ADORATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am & Thursday 7:00-8:00 pm

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

*Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755.*

### BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

*Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755 or email [office@straymondmp.org](mailto:office@straymondmp.org).*

**VISION STATEMENT** St. Raymond Parish is a family. As disciples of Jesus, we are “children of God” and “brothers and sisters in Christ.” Jesus himself says, “Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother” (Matthew 12:50). We welcome all to belong to our Catholic family and to inherit with us in Christ the mission to preach the Gospel as we pray-serve-socialize in His Name.

**MISSION STATEMENT** St. Raymond Parish is a community united by our Catholic Faith as disciples of Jesus Christ. We seek communion with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through ongoing personal and communal conversion to Christ and a deeper commitment to the mission Jesus gives each of us to preach the Gospel. The sacred scriptures and sacraments of the Church sustain us. We dedicate ourselves to Truth and strive to grow in love of God and neighbor as we pray-serve-socialize together, and work by grace to build up in one another and share freely with others the abundance of magnificent gifts God has given.