

Liturgical Schedule: Weekdays: Mon, Tues, Wed 6:30am | Thurs, Fri, Sat 8:00am | Weekends: Sat. 5:00pm and Sunday 8:00 & 10:30am

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CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS

Welcome! We are truly blessed by your presence with us today.

United by baptism, our parish family gathers together for worship and support. Empowered by the spirit of God's Love, we will preach, teach and live the Good News of Jesus Christ.

If you are new to the parish, we invite you to register by calling us at 815-722-6653 or visiting our website straymond.net.

Sign up for our weekly Flocknote email blast for information about upcoming events within our parish community and ministries by texting CSRN to 845-76 from your smartphone or visit csrn.flocknote.com to subscribe.

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Download Our Parish App text APP to phone number 55321 or visit myparishapp.com to download.

Explore our Parish Website straymond.net for sacramental preparation, ministry opportunities and contact information.

#### Calendar of Events

- Feb. 25 Respect Life Gift Return Weekend Baptisms—Cathedral—12:00pm Parish Mission with Dn. Darrell Kelsey—see next page
- Feb. 26 Religious Education Classes—Grade School—4:45pm Basketball Practice—Gym—6:30—9:30pm
- Feb. 27 Basketball Practice—Gym—4:30—9:30pm
- Feb. 28 Youth Choir Rehearsal—Cathedral—3:15pm Adult Choir Rehearsal—Cathedral—6:30pm Basketball Practice—Gym—4:30—9:30pm
- Feb. 29 8:00am Mass with Bishop Ronald A. Hicks, presider Basketball Practice—Gym—4:30—9:30pm
- March 1 8:00am Mass—First Responders Mass—School Mass Stations of the Cross—Cathedral—7:00pm
- March 2 Adoration following-Cathedral—8:30am Funeral—Schultz—Cathedral—11:30am Be Formed—Tower—1:00pm
- March 3 Choir—Cathedral—10:30am Mass
- March 4 Religious Education Classes—Grade School—4:45pm
- March 5 GS Confessions—Cathedral—1:30pm
- March 6 Youth Choir Rehearsal—Cathedral—3:15pm Adult Choir Rehearsal—Cathedral—6:30pm Ordination Rehearsal—Cathedral (4pm Holy Hour) 5:00pm HSA Meeting—Commons—6:00pm SVDP Meeting—Tower—6:15pm
- March 7 GS Spaghetti Dinner—11:00am—7:00pm GS Stations of the Cross—Cathedral—2:30pm
- March 8 No School—Parent Teacher Conferences Stations of the Cross—Cathedral—7:00pm
- March 9 Transitional Diaconate Ordination—Cathedral—11:00am Christian Sinclair All are Welcome!
- March 10 Daylight Savings—Spring Forward 10:30am GS Family Mass
  - GS Easter Egg Hunt—Commons—following 10:30am Mass
- March 11 Religious Education Classes—Grade School—4:45pm March 12 Eucharistic Adoration—Cathedral—5:00—7:00pm
  - Baptismal Prep Workshop—Cathedral—7:00pm

### Sacramental Information

### Anointing of the Sick

To arrange a pastoral visit or for those that would like their name added to the bulletin please call the parish office.

#### **Baptism**

Please call the parish office to make arrangements or visit our website to complete a Baptism Request Form. First time parents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Workshop. In order to serve as a Catholic Godparent, one must be a practicing Catholic who has been confirmed.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are held Saturdays at 4:00pm or by appointment.

#### Wedding

Couples requesting a wedding must be registered for a minimum of six months before the date can be reserved . Please contact the parish office a year in advance.

### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact us for further information regarding the instruction for those discerning whether to become members of our Catholic community and how to begin the process.

### Join Us For Prayer!

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Join us Tuesday, March 12 from 5:00—7:00pm or every second Tuesday of the month for Eucharistic Adoration in the Cathedral.

#### St. Peregrine Devotion

Join us in praying for those who suffer with cancer or incurable disease or condition Monday, March 19 at 7:00pm or every third Monday for St. Peregrine Devotion in the Cathedral.

#### Prayer Connection

Have a special need for prayer? The Cathedral Prayer connection will assist by praying for your intention. Please call Yvonne Callans 815-723-4495 with your requests or your desire to join the prayer ministry.

### Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30am—4:30pm, Friday 8:30am—3:00pm & Saturday 9:00am—12:00pm.

### St. Raymond Grade School

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Friday, March 1, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus 604 N Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL

The public is welcome to join us in prayer.



RSVP by Feb. 26th. Please register using the QR code if you would like to join us for refreshments after Mass

## Lenten Mission 7:00pm Sunday, February 25 Parish Commons

## You Who Come to Me Shall Not Hunger

A Reflection on the Eucharist
According to John

with
Deacon Darrell Kelsey
Come early for fellowship
and refreshments at
6:30pm





With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Diocese of Joliet-in-Illinois joyfully announces and requests the honor of your presence at the ordination of

#### Mr. Christian Sinclair

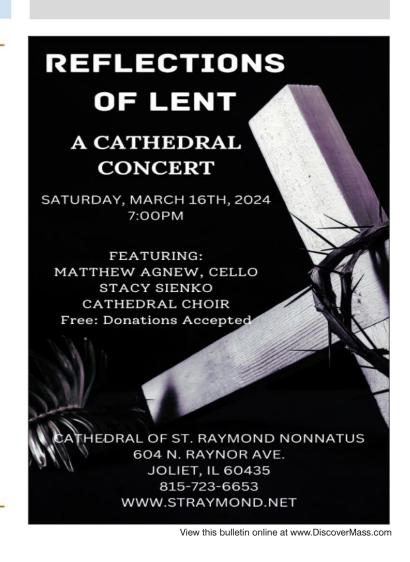
to the Sacred Order of the Diaconate through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by His Excellency,
The Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks,
Bishop of Joliet-in-Illinois.

Saturday, the ninth of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty four at eleven o'clock in the morning.

The Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus 604 N. Raynor Avenue Joliet, Illinois 60435

A reception will follow.





# Cathedral Senior Luncheon Welcome members and friends

Join us **Thursday March 21, 2024** 12:00 NOON All's Steakhouse, Joliet, II

#### MENU

St Patrick's Day
Corn Beef, Cabbage, Carrots, Potatoes,
Ice cream and cookies, rolls and butter, coffee, tea
\$25.00 pp

Cash bar for alcohol drinks, beer, wine and pop

Reservations due by Sunday, March 17

Entertainment: Mary Pfeifer, Singer

Please place reservations in Sunday collection basket, drop it off at the Parish Office or mail it to the Parish Office by Sunday, March 17.

#### **Split the Pot and Door Prizes**

Questions please call or email Laura Orr @ 815-722-6754 or ljorr55@gmail.com

#### SAVE THE DATE

Thursday April 18, 2024 in the Parish Commons Entertainment Peter Oprisko Award Winning Singer Sensation

## **Our Church Directory is Online!**

Are you in it?

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE TAKEN THE TIME TO SIGN UP!

Many of you are listed in our church directory, but we're missing your picture!

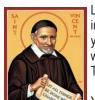
Please don't be shy: many of us rely on pictures to put names to faces.

There are many ways to have your photo added to the Directory:

- 1. Drop off your photo at the parish or school office. We will scan and return your photo to you the same day.
- 2. Drop your photo in the Sunday collection with your name and contact number on the envelope.
  - We will call you to pick up your photo once uploaded.
- 3. Email your photo to karen@straymond.net
- 4. (please include family name/s).



If you need someone to take a current photo of you or your family, stop by the parish office and we will be happy to assist you.



Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. Those in need call us. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

Your almsgiving in the St. Vincent de Paul will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families, providing food, help for utilities, rent and other bills. THANK YOU!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Cathedral Conference relies on the generosity of the donations received through St. Raymond Parish. 100% of the money that we receive goes to the support of our less fortunate neighbors! Thank you for your continued support!

SVDP is a Catholic lay organization supported solely through donations. We meet 1-2x a week, usually at St. Raymond, and are always looking to expand and diversify our membership to better reach those in need. Please consider joining us and experience the joy of being the hands and feet of Christ! For more information contact us at 815-773-4167 or email at SVDP@straymond.net and one of our members will contact you.

In need of assistance, or know someone who is, leave a message at 815.773.4167 or SVDP@straymond.net. A volunteer will return your inquiry within 48 hours. Calls are returned "private/ blocked" to protect the privacy of the caller.

Just a reminder to bring donations of non-perishable food or hygiene items to any of our daily or weekend Masses and place them in the donation baskets. All donations collected help to restock the micro pantry and through our St. Vincent de Paul Society are used to support the local food pantries.





If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we sincerely thank you! If we all join together, we can meet our parish's goal of \$GOAL. Each and every gift, regardless of size, truly matters and makes a difference.

If you still plan on making your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how best you can support the CMAA this year to help those in need throughout our diocese, For the Glory of God. Pledge envelopes are still available in the church, or you can use the envelope you received in the mail from the diocese. We also welcome online gifts at jolietdioceseappeal.org

Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return 70 percent of the amount over goal to us to reinvest in our own parish. This is an incredible opportunity and blessing!

Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support our annual appeal and help our parish reach its \$ 77,100 goal. To make a gift, complete and return on of the pledge envelopes in church today. Thank you in advance for your support!



## RECONNECT THIS LENT

Ash Wednesday, is the beginning of the season of Lent, when we will spend 40 days preparing for Easter with prayer, fasting and almsgiving. This season reminds us to retrace our steps and focus on things that lead us toward GOD, to love our neighbor and fulfill our mission that Christ entrusted to us. We invite you to enter this Lenten season with a contrite heart and a desire to reconnect.

Here are some ways to reconnect this Lent:

#### † Lenten Mission

We invite you to join us for our Parish Mission on Sunday, February 25, "You Who Come To Me Shall Not Hunger" A reflection on the Eucharist, according to John with Deacon Darrell Kelsey.

#### † Mass, Confession and Adoration

The Holy Mass is the highest form of prayer! This Lent, we encourage you to rededicate yourself to attending Mass, perhaps during the week as well as Sunday.

Confession is available every Saturday beginning at 4:00pm. Deanery wide confessions are scheduled for Friday, March 22 from 3:00—7:00pm here at the Cathedral.

Adoration will be offered following our Saturday 8:00am Mass on February 17 & 24 and on March 2, 16, 23. Come sit in silence with our Lord and spend time with Him, free from distraction.

#### † Attend Reflections of Lent—A Cathedral Concert

Saturday, March 16 at 7:00pm in the Cathedral. Featuring Matthew Agnew, Cello, Stacy Sienko and the Cathedral Choir.

### † Pray the Rosary

One way we can grow in holiness this Lent is by incorporating the Rosary into our daily practices and Lenten observances. Meditating on the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary will assist you in your love for Jesus and His sacrifice.

#### † Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent at 7:00pm in the Cathedral. Good Friday stations will be prayed at 6:00pm.

#### † Community Care and St. Vincent de Paul

Almsgiving and caring for those in need are part of our Christian Lenten Discipline. We encourage you to make this a habit by sacrificing nonessential spending for a greater good. Consider volunteering and financially supporting our St. Vincent de Paul Society, our micro pantry or by volunteering at one of our local food pantries.

#### † Hallow



Just as we did in Advent, we have partnered with Hallow to present "Lent Pray40 Prayer Challenge." Pray each day, be in spired by meditations, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.



#### How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

#### Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit usccb.org





#### Eat In

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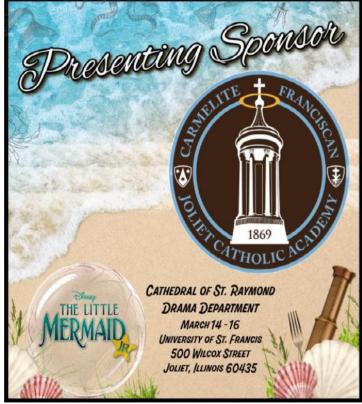
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### **Respect Life Baby Shower**

This year, the St. Raymond Respect Life Ministry and Birthright of Joliet have chosen to begin the New Year standing up for life.

This week, donations can be dropped off at any of our Masses or at the Parish office during business hours.

All proceeds will help the newly born babies and mothers in our community who receive services at Birthright of Joliet.

Collection bins will be located at all entrances.

Donations can also be made online at straymond.net through our online platform or checks can be made out to Birthright and placed in the Sunday Collection.

#### **Items Most Needed:**

Baby Wash Baby Lotion Baby Bottles—Small and Large Size 3 Diapers Diaper Wipes



Thank you for helping young mothers give life to their babies. God bless you for providing for "the least among us."

Adoration will be offered for one hour following 8:00am on the following Saturdays:

March 2nd, 16th, and 23rd.

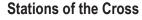
Adoration



One of the classic items you'll see around church as we are in the Lenten season are the CRS Rice Bowls. Please help yourself to one at the exits of the church. Rice Bowls are often thought to be a project for

younger kids, but the bowl now comes with a calendar of useful activities that can be done by anyone or with a little creativity, adapted into something for adults as well.

Even if you don't start the rice Bowl right at the beginning of Lent, no problem, pick on up at any time and get started. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



Fridays of Lent @7:00pm Good Friday @ 6:00pm



### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, February 26, 2024

6:30 AM George Voitik, req. Gordon and Mary Kinzler

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 6:30 AM Melody Baxter

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

6:30 AM Joseph Hornicak, req. Bill and Kathy Starasinich

Dr. William Robinson, req. Fran Naal

Thursday, February 29, 2024

8:00 AM Kathy Buck and Ray Meader, req. Mary Meader

Friday, March 1, 2024

8:00 AM George Voitik, req. Bill and Karen Speckman

Saturday, March 2, 2024

8:00 AM Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sochan, req. Sochan Family

5:00 PM Donna Arnold, req. Chuck and Jane Corso

St. Raymond Parish Family

Sunday, March 3, 2024

8:00 AM Eduvijes and Ildefonso Legayada, req. Adventa Legayada10:30 AM Domenico Coladipietro and Family, req. Maria and Family

Mass stipends are due in January / February for any annual Mass requests for 2024. The fee remains \$ 10.00 per Mass. Please indicate the following with your Mass request: Name, Contact Number, Requested Date, email address. Intentions can be emailed to mary@straymond.net, mailed to the Office or placed in the collection basket. Please mark envelopes "Mass Intention."

### Please Pray For...

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Dominic Joseph Marzano

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

John Avon Patricia Schultz

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Megan Arnold Lillianna Peylo Charlotte Frieh Dorothy A Brown Patrocino Fernandez Lvnda Scheuber Patricia Buchwald Aurelie Hagstrom Bernie Spieler Tyler Centorbi Jim Louch Chuck Sroka Colleen Cler Maria Masterson David Stahl Mari Condon Joseph Stiech Tim Goolsby Lvdia O'Donnell Sharon DelRose

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

2LT Nicholas Zelehovitis PFC CAPT Faith C.E. Moore D.O. Brandon Vasquez, PFC Ryan Grill, SSG 2nd Lieutenant Isabel Izquierdo Midshipman Victor Izquierdo PFC Ryan Vander Tuuk

Reporting Sexual Abuse: Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report their suspicions to civil authorities. Contact: Illinois Department of Children and Family Services: 1-800-25ABUSE or local police. The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims/survivors of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church. The Victim Assistance Coordinator will report to Bishop Hicks and coordinate efforts of pastoral support and outreach to assist in the healing process. The Victim Assistance coordinator can also assist in making a report to civil authorities. Contact the Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-815-263-6467.

### Liturgical Ministers of the Mass

#### Saturday, March 2 • 5:00pm

Lectors: Mary P Barney

EM's: TBA

Servers: Maggie Jakovich, Scarlett Sullivan, Annie Homolka

#### Sunday, March 3 • 8:00am

Lectors: Peg Schauer

EM's: TBA

Servers: Anthony Choudhary, Maria Choudhary, Joe Schertz

#### Sunday, March 3 • 10:30am

Lectors: Dora Sanchez

EM's: TBA

Servers: Sarah Benaitis, Allison Benaitis, Michael Benaitis

Stewardship		
Date	2/18	YTD
Collection Offering	\$ 13,757	\$ 556,361
Budgeted	\$ 17,570	\$ 597,380
Overage / Shortage \$	(\$3,813)	(\$ 41,019)
Overage / Shortage %	(21.7%)	(6.9%)
Annual Budget	\$ 896,000	

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** To request your annual contribution statement for 2023 please send an email to danielle@straymond.net or call the parish office at 815-722-6653. Statements can be mailed, emailed or picked up Monday-Friday during regular office hours. Donors using our online giving program who wish to pull their own statements in the OSV Online Giving Portal can log into their online account and click on "My Online Giving History. Thank you for your generous support of St. Raymond throughout this past year!

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