



Liturgical Schedule: Weekdays: Mon, Tues, Wed 6:30am | Thurs, Fri, Sat 8:00am Weekends: Sat. 4:00pm and Sunday 8:00 & 10:30am

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CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS

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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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 of Children

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.

Marriage

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!

St. Peregrine Devotion

Join us in praying for those who suffer with cancer or incurable disease or condition Monday, October 20 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.

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.

Like us on Facebook @ CathedralofStRaymond.

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

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

Parish Directory Our online password-protected directory can be accessed anytime, anywhere; upload or change your information within minutes. To access you will need to create a login using your email address on file. https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/signup

Oct. 4 Adoration—Cathedral—8:30am Feast of St. Frances Assisi Pet Bless—9:45am Diocese of Joliet Grandparents Mass—Cathedral—11:00am

1st Communion/Reconciliation Parent Information Meeting—9:00am Oct. 5 Religious Education Classes—School—9:00-10:15am

Be Formed—Tower—9:15am

Family Mass / Youth Choir @ 10:30am Mass

Youth Group—Gym - 11:30am

Sundays After mass—Keep Praying—Cathedral—12:00pm

OCIA / AC-Tower-6:00pm

Alpha Night—Commons—6:00pm Oct 7

Youth Choir Rehearsal—Cathedral—3:15pm Oct 8 Adult Choir Rehearsal—Cathedral—6:30pm

Oct 9 GS Mass—Cathedral—8:00am

Adoration / Confession—Cathedral—6:00pm Speaker, Sal di Leo - Cathedral-7:00pm

Oct 10 No School—Institute

Wedding—Cathedral—4:00pm

Oct 11 Adoration—Cathedral—8:30am

Deaf Community Fellowship—Tower—2:00pm

CSRN @ Daybreak—5:00pm

CSRN @ Daybreak—5:00am Oct 12

Be Formed—Tower—9:15am

Baptisms—Cathedral—11:30am

OCIA / AC-Tower-6:00pm

HOURS FOR PRAYER

Monday 6:30am—4:30pm Tuesday

6:30am—4:30pm Wednesday 6:30am—2:30pm

Thursday 8:00am—7:00pm Friday

8:00am—4:30pm

Saturday 8:00am—5:00pm

Sunday 7:30am—11:30am

CONFESSION

Thursday Starting at 6:00pm (during Adoration)

Saturday

Starting at 3:00pm

Holidays and special events may affect these times.

ADORATION

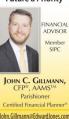


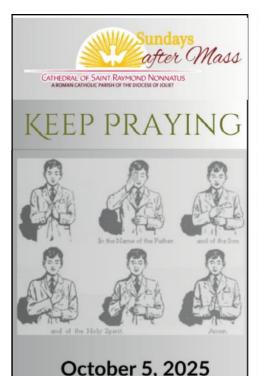
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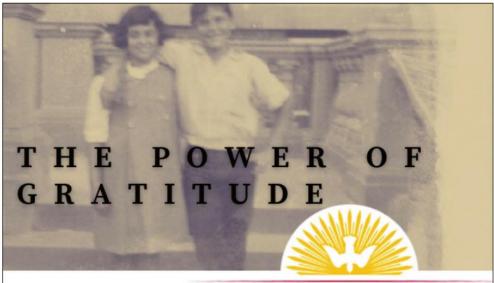




Noon in the Church St. Joseph Transcept

Prayer is communication with God. An active prayer life is essential, not only as an act of obedience but as a means of transformation, comfort, guidance, and praise. Prayer can feel elusive, repetitive, or even daunting. How does one approach prayer with both reverence and authenticity? What methods can sustain a vibrant prayer life, and what pitfalls might hinder its growth? Here, we'll explore a few approaches to prayer, common stumbling blocks, and creative ideas for deepening one's communion with the Divine.

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CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS A ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET

Thursday, October 9, 2025 - 7pm

Abandoned by his father and removed from his mother's custody, Sal di Leo and three of his eleven siblings lived as orphans for several years at the Guardian Angel Home here in Joliet.

Sal is an alum of the Cathedral of St. Raymond Grade school, class of 1968. He will share his story, one of facing significant difficulties several times throughout his life, but overcoming them because of God, good people and gratitude.





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Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least donated, items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty.

St. Raymond Parish is helping Catholic Charities and the individuals and families they serve by collecting NEW items for children and adults living in low-income households. Collection bins will be located at the church entrances October 1—19.

Donation item-ideas (Items should be NEW) Diapers, children's underwear, Pull-ups, pajamas, socks, T-shirts...

Cash donations are also appreciated. Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities and drop your donation in the Sunday collection.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community!





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OKTOBERFEST SILENT AUCTION

Our Oktoberfest committee is excitedly preparing for a wonderful celebration on October 25!

To make this event a success and support our parish, we're asking parishioners to consider donating items for the silent auction.

HERE ARE SOME POPULAR IDEAS:

Gift Baskets

Coffee lovers, chocolate treats, family movie night, spa-at-home, or seasonal themes.

Experiences

Tickets to sporting events, concerts, theatre, or family activities.

Gift Cards

Local restaurants, shops, salons, or services.

Handmade Treasures

Artwork, woodworking, home décor, or jewelry.

"Time & Talent" Gifts

A few hours of skilled help from a carpenter, gardener, tech helper, or handyman.

New Items

Appliances, tools, toys, games, or anything you'd be excited to bid on yourself!

Please bring donations by October 13, 2025,

so we can prepare everything for the auction. Every contribution, big or small, helps bring our parish family together and supports the mission of our church.

If you or your business would like to donate items for the auction, please contact us.

Thank you for your generosity!



Contact Us

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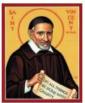


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Our conference is always looking for dedicated members to assist us in serving our community. We typically meet the 2nd Wednesday, of the month in the evenings. If you are interested in joining the group or simply have questions please call the parish office.

Please donate by placing a specially marked envelope in the Sunday collection, by using your provided monthly envelope or online at straymond.net.

In need of assistance, or know someone who is, please call SVDP at 815.773.4167. A St. Vincent DePaul volunteer will return your call within 24 hours. For security purposes, return calls are made from a "private/blocked" line not recognized by caller ID's.



When I arrived as your bishop five years ago, I laid out a vision of catechesis, evangelization, and faith into action, emphasizing that a thriving Church is one where we truly know, love, and serve God. The big question remains: how do we actually do that? How do we move from just having a vision to putting it into real practice

This is why I wrote the pastoral letter *MAKE!* and launched it iust this month.

It builds on Bishop Conlon's 2018 pastoral letter *GO!*, which draws on the Great Commission in Matthew's Gospel (Matthew 28): "Go and make disciples." *MAKE!* vulnerably reflects my heart. I love Jesus, and I want you to love Him too. It expresses my desire to give everyone a practical, loving roadmap to becoming disciples and making disciples, with a hands-on guide for passing our faith from one generation to the next.

Right before publishing it, I have to admit that I was filled with some self-doubt. I wondered, "There are so many other issues I could be writing about: the Eucharist, Pro-Life concerns, Vocations, Care of Creation, Immigration, Violence, and more. Is making disciples really the best topic?"

The Holy Spirit answered that question for me last month during a meeting at the headquarters of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in Washington, D.C. Our committee was presented with the results of a large national survey of thousands of priests across the country. One question asked, "Out of all the issues in the world, which one most needs to be addressed by our Church?" The number one response from priests nationwide was clear: passing the faith on to the next generation.

The statistician went on to explain that this does not mean priests consider the other issues unimportant. Rather, they recognize that if we do not have people in the pews, if this generation and the next are not alive in their faith and participating in the life of the Church, then all of those other issues will eventually lose their voice in the Church. We first need to form disciples who are rooted in Christ, so that they in turn can carry the mission forward and address these other urgent concerns with faith and courage.

This is why MAKE! is so important. It is not just another document, and it is certainly not meant to sit on a shelf and collect dust. It is a living invitation to every Catholic in our diocese to move from simply managing decline to boldly embracing mission. We all want to belong to a Church that is alive, thriving, and centered on the salvation of souls. That future depends on how seriously we take this call to be made into disciples so that we can go out and make disciples.

The letter offers a clear path: conversion, confession, communion, commission, all held together by prayer. These are not abstract concepts but real, concrete steps that anyone can begin today. I both invite and urge you to read the letter. And then read it again. Pray over it, discuss it with your family, your friends, or a group in your parish. Choose one small action and begin.

If each of us takes this seriously, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Diocese of Joliet can become a Church on fire with love for Jesus. Boldly, I want our diocese to be the most evangelizing diocese in the country, not out of competition, but because I love Jesus, and I want you to love Him and be saved through Him too. This is our time, and this is our mission. Let us first be disciples, men and women of all ages who know, love, and serve Jesus, so that together we can go out with joy and courage to MAKE disciples, starting now.

To learn more about my pastoral letter and how to make disciples for Jesus, visit make.diojoliet.org. +RAH



Bishop Hicks has written a new pastoral letter called *MAKE!*

Its title comes from the Great Commission: "Go and make disciples."

In this letter, he offers us a practical roadmap for living our faith through conversion confession communions and commission all rooted in prayer.

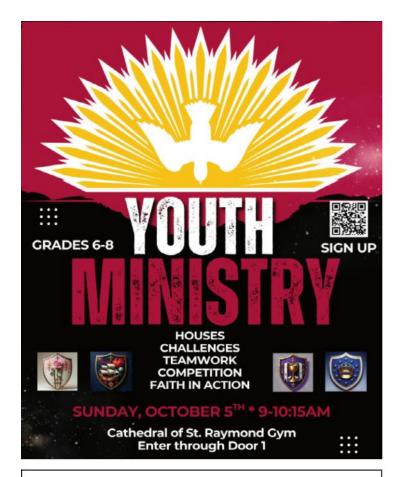
We invite you to read *MAKE!*(QR code below or visit
www.diojoliet.org)
pray with it,
and take one small step to put it
into action so that together we can
be a Church alive, thriving, and centered
on Jesus Christ.

Let's MAKE Disciples for Jesus!

Download and read Bishop
Hicks' new pastoral letter,
MAKE, to discover how you
and your loved ones can live as
disciples and help make other
disciples in your community.



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You are invited to join the F.O.P. Lodge #58 on October 17 to express your appreciation for our local police department and their unwavering commitment to serving and protecting St. Raymond and the broader Joliet community. This is a wonderful opportunity to show your support and gratitude for their dedication to keeping our parish safe. #TYJPD



Cathedral Senior Club

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Thursday, October 16

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Menu

House Salad with Ranch and Italian Vinaigrette Dressings.

Chicken Vesuvius boneless chicken breast lightly floured and sautéed then seasoned with rosemary, garlic and white wine.

Mashed potatoes (no garlic).

Sautéed Green Beans.

Traditional rolls and butter.

Coffee and lemonade at beverage table; water at the table.

Cupcakes for dessert.

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Reservations due by Sunday, October 12, 2025 (Please adhere to deadline since it is at a restaurant)

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cost of raffle prizes,
entertainment, water, party supplies...)

Questions please call or email Glenda Gumina 815-730-1344h, 412-999-8854c or ggumina04@gmail.com



Mass Intentions

Monday, October 6, 2025

6:30 AM Robert Dow, Sr., req. Family

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

6:30 AM Sandra Johnson

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

6:30 AM Jeanne Jacobs, req. Mke Hansen

Thursday, October 9, 2025

8:00 AM St. Raymond School Families

Friday, October 10, 2025 8:00 AM Ida Keegan Meixler

Saturday, October 11, 2025

8:00 AM St. Raymond's Memorial Mass Society

4:00 PM Deceased Members of Spesia and Weisbrook Families, req. Family

Sunday, October 12, 2025

8:00 AM Edward Fowler, req. Hepfinger Family

10:30 AM Fred Rohder, req. Carol Heredia and Family

St. Raymond Parish Family

Please Pray For...

WE PRAY FOR OUR NEWLY DECEASED

Fr. Jack Welch

WE PRAY FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Isaac Alexander Larrinaga Mackenzie Joyce Whiteley Mateo Zapata

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WE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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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

Friday, October 10 ● 4:00pm ● Wedding

Servers: Jack Jaworski and Edward Winarski

Saturday, October 11 ● 4:00pm

Lectors: Kelly Alt

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Sunday, October 12 ● 8:00am

Lectors: Veronica Patino

EM's Sue Batis, Ava Pritz, Veronica Rodriguez, Francisco Rodriguez

Servers: Maria Choudhary, Joey Choudhary, Alex Flood

Sunday, October 12 • 10:30am

Lectors: Dora Sanchez

EM's: Mary Pat Barney, Sophia Anastopoulos, Rosie & Jeff McCune

Servers: Madi Grossklaus, Michaela Bessler, Mason Benson

Stewardship





Date	9/28	YTD
Collection Offering	\$ 16,950	\$ 256,763
Budgeted	\$ 20,098	\$ 261,474
Overage / Shortage \$	(\$ 3,148)	(\$ 4,711)
Overage / Shortage %	(15.7%)	(1.8%)
Annual Budget	\$ 1,025,000	

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