



CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAYMOND NONNATUS

604 N. Raynor Avenue | Joliet, Illinois, 60435

We are community linked together by our faith and our mission.

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.



William G. Dewan
Very Reverend

Dear St. Raymond Parishioner's,

Welcome to our new digital Parish Pictorial Directory! It is my pleasure to present this directory to the parishioners of St. Raymond!

This Pictorial Church Directory is a great way to connect names and faces within our church family which in turn, will be a tremendous way to connect on a more personal level.

I thank everyone who has participated in taking the time to help make this directory possible!

May God Bless us and keep us in His care.

Rev. William G. Dewan

Our Staff



Very Reverend William G. Dewan

Rector

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Fr. Bill was born and raised on the Southside of Chicago. He has two brothers and a sister. Fr. Bill spent 13 years in formation with the Augustinians—including earning an undergraduate degree from Villanova University and a graduate degree from Catholic Theological Union—before coming to the Diocese of Joliet.

In the summer of 1985, he was assigned to St. Raymond. For a year, he worked at the Cathedral as the final phase of his formation, being ordained to the diaconate in November, 1985 and to the priesthood in June, 1986. During his first time on staff, he worked closely with Deacon Ed Petak. In fact, they shared an office and continue to be close friends more than 30 years later.

After ordination, Fr. Bill spent 13 years at various parishes as parochial vicar before being assigned his first pastorate at St. Joseph in Bradley. That assignment was followed by six years as pastor at Holy Family in Shorewood until he was named Vicar for Priests in 2007.

As Vicar for Priests, Fr. Bill serves as the personnel director for the priests in the Diocese. He's done this demanding job for 11 years. Since 2016 he has also served as pastor for Sacred Heart Parish in Joliet. He'll continue as Sacred Heart pastor along with being the Cathedral rector.

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About: Born and raised in Bourbonnais, Fr. Michael is the only child of Todd and Deb Groth. He attended St. Martin of Tours Parish in Kankakee, where he also attended grade school. He then attended and graduated from Bishop McNamara Catholic High School in 2011 and continued to Kankakee Community College, where he was pursuing a degree in accounting with hopes of transferring to the University of Illinois. The Lord had other plans. Fr. Michael graduated from St. John Vianney College Seminary in 2016 and virtually “graduated” Mundelein Seminary in 2020. Bishop Pates ordained him to the priesthood of Jesus Christ on June 20, 2020.

His first two years of priesthood, he was assigned as a parochial vicar at Ss. Peter and Paul in Naperville and chaplain at Benet Academy in Lisle. In 2022, he was assigned full-time as the parochial vicar of St. Joseph in Downers Grove. He is also the founding member of the Companions of Christ, a priestly association in the Diocese of Joliet. Established in 2020 Companions of Christ is based on the model that exists in two other dioceses, with the central hallmark being priestly support and fraternity. While at St. Raymond Fr. Michael will remain a member of this association while taking up residence at the Cathedral rectory. Further information about our association is available on our website: companionsofchristjoliet.org.



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Deacon

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Deacon



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Deacon



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Religious Education Program

Our Religious Education Program approach to faith formation interweaves the teaching of virtues, worship, prayer, community, and service.



Students are guided by adults using appropriate teaching techniques for each grade level. Students grow in knowing Jesus Christ, living the Catholic faith, understanding the sacraments, forming a life of prayer, and learning the teachings of the Church.

We Love Our Catechists!



Vacation Bible School (VBS) FUN!



Cathedral of St. Raymond Grade School

Our core values, together with our mission and philosophy, form the culture that guide us in our daily practices. They shape our students to live a principle-centered life; a life that shares Christ's light and love with the world.

These core values shape us to be God-centered people:

Respect: We recognize the dignity of all people and things.

Integrity: We do what is right and courageous.

Service: We give selflessly to the world.

Excellence: We commit to hard work and strive to go further.



Cathedral of St. Raymond Grade School Staff

Our Mission: At the Cathedral of St. Raymond School, we uniquely challenge every student with an education of unparalleled quality, but more importantly, we teach children to be kind, compassionate, and to share Christ's love with the world.

First Day of School!!!



Cathedral of St. Raymond Grade School

Rocket Walk is a yearly pledge-based walk-a-thon for students in Pre-School through 7th grade. Taking place on the day of our annual Field Day in May, students raise funds for the school.



Annual Oktoberfest held every year in the month of October. All proceeds from the dinner will benefit Cathedral of St. Raymond School. Thank you to our parents and sponsors!

Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Winter Raffle held every year in the month of March. All proceeds from the dinner will benefit Cathedral of St. Raymond School. Thank you to our parents and sponsors!



Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism



Sacrament of Reconciliation & First Holy Communion



Sacrament of Confirmation



Worship

Altar Servers



Lector



Eucharist Ministers



Parish Life

Annual Pet Blessing held annually around the Feast of St. Francis. Patron Saint of Animals.



Cathedral Senior Club enjoying some quality time together.

Bereavement Ministers



Cathedral Choirs

The Cathedral Children's Choir, under the direction of Stacy Sienko, Director of Music, is a children's choir that performs at select weekend Masses throughout the school year, including Christmas, Catholic Schools Week, Easter, and more. All children through 8th grade are welcome to join!



The Cathedral Adult Choir

Youth Choir



Service & Outreach

Saint Vincent de Paul Society



Northern Illinois Food Bank

Daybreak and Shepherd's Table



Service & Outreach

Annual Undy Sunday Collection.



Each Advent the Giving Tree Ministry coordinates the needs of partnering organizations with the generous spirit of our parishioners in order to provide gifts and the necessities to those in need in our neighborhood and beyond.

**"Take what you need. Leave what you can"
Micro Pantries Help neighbors Help Neighbors!!**



Diocesan Events

Ordination to the Priesthood



Ordination to the Diaconate

Celebrating Persons with Disabilities Mass



Promised Land Gardens

Volunteer gardeners adopt the beds and cultivate the crop. All food harvested from the gardens is donated to local food banks, shelters, soup kitchens and other social agencies that provide for people in need.



It feeds the poor and is a visible witness to the community.

Volunteers are responsible for deciding what to plant, acquiring plants or seeds and maintaining their bed fully throughout the growing season.



July Rummage Sale - A huge THANK YOU to all those who donated, volunteered and shopped our Rummage Sale!!



Donut Sunday Fun!

Each month, one of our ministries will host a Donut Sunday to highlight their work and connect with parishioners. We truly appreciate our ministries and, of course, donuts!



Fellowship Events

Fostering Community and Connecting with Friends

Bunco



Paint N Sip

Bingo



Pet Blessing

Thank you all who joined us for the 2024 Annual
Pet Blessing.



Lego and Fellowship Event

A huge thank you to Matt Siegel, St. Raymond Grade School class of 2001, for sharing his creation with us! Matt wanted to build something he was familiar with and that he had never seen built in Lego before. He was also looking for a building that would present a higher level of difficulty to build that would provide new building challenges.



The build took about 4 months to collect all the pieces and build the display. Approximately 20,000 pieces were used to complete the build.

Matt's creation was on display at Brickworld, a traveling Lego convention, held every June, in Schaumburg, Illinois.



Summer Music Night

An unforgettable evening of music and joy!



Performers:

Sarah Benaitis
Dominic, Mia & Paul Bertino
Rory Bianchetta
Kaleb DeFabio

Jack Michener
Alfred Meyer
Kevin O'Donnell
Stacy Sienko
John Spesia and
the Woodfired Boys



Alumni Celebration 2024



Diocese of Joliet 75th Anniversary Opening Mass





ARNOLD, James & Renee Arnold
Ryan, Nicole, Megan



BAILEY, Robert & Kellie Bailey



BALOG, Elvira Balog



BARNEY, William & Mary Pat
Barney



BATIS, James & Susan Batis



BAUTISTA, Gustavo & Melody
Bautista
Michael, Angel, Nicolas, Maritza



BAYCI, Natalie Bayci



BELL, James & Kimberly Bell



BENTLEY, Franklin & Erica Bentley
Shannon, Margaret, Franklin IV



BERNHARD, Jayne Bernhard
John Armington, Lauren Armington,
Mrs. Butterworth



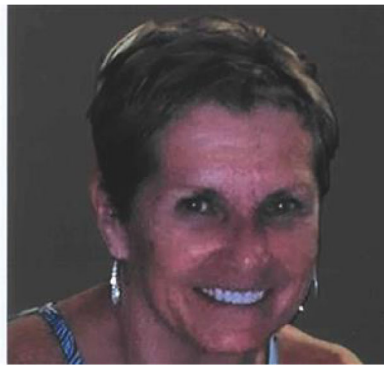
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BOOTHE, Duayne & Lora Boothe



BROPHY, Timothy Brophy



BUCHAR, Pat



BUCHWALD, Patricia Buchwald & Patrick Jakubowski



BYRNE, James



CALLANS, Yvonne Callans



CANTU, Phil Cantu & Mallory Hewlett-Cantu



CASSINERI, Linda Cassineri Snow



CASTAGNA, Carmela Castagna



CEMPEL, Anthony & Mary Cempel



CHOVANEK, Paul & Marissa Chovanec Noelle



CIRRICIONE, Karen Cirricione



COCKREAM, Mary Ann Cockream



**COLADIPIETRO, Marco & Lynn
Coladietro**



CONRAD, Jeff & Peggine Conrad



CORBETT, Nancy Corbett



CORSO, Chuck & Jane Corso



**CZAJKOWSKI, Brian & Patricia
Czajkowski**



DAOUST, Steven & Nancy Daoust



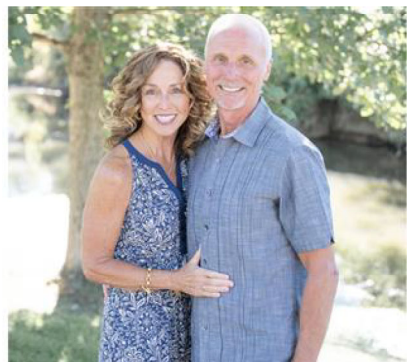
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Dewan**



EMBLING, Carol Embling



**FRANZEN, Richard & Sandra
Franzen**



GALE, Michael & Madonna Gale



GARAVALIA, Bridget Garavalia



GARAVALIA, Colette Garavalia



GRADY, Michael & Mary Grady



GRAHAM - HENDERSON



GRIZZLE, Melody Grizzle



GRUENDER, Jerome Gruender



GUMINA, Felix & Glenda Gumina



HEALY, James & Madonna Healy



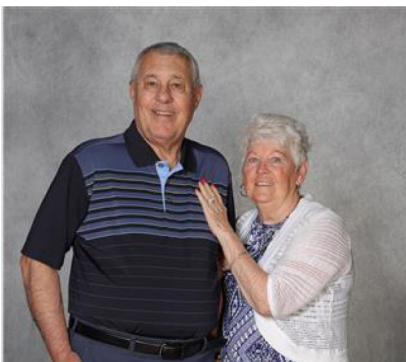
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HUEBNER, Karl and Paula Huebner



HUNTING, Diane Hunting



JACKSON, Doug and Shirley



JOHNSON, Jeff & Nicole Johnson
James, Natalie, Lauren, Emily



JOHNSON FAMILY



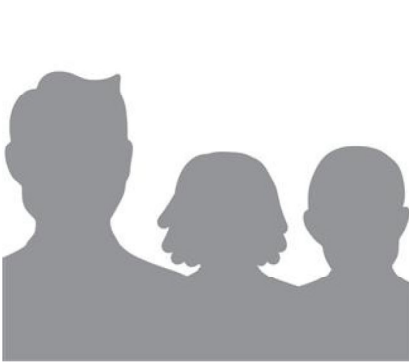
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KAZAK, Gregory & Emily Kazak



KINSELLA, Justin & Lisa Kinsella
Evelyn, Nicolette, Vivian



KOBAL, Richard & Amanda
Zora



KOCIMSKI, Maribeth



KOPMAN, Bryan & Jan Kopman



LANTERMAN, Stephen Lanterman
& Sandra Kath-Lanterman



LEMKE, Brian



LEMKE, Roberta



LENNON, Nicholas & Sarah Lennon
Christopher, Julia



LIBURDI, Lou & Carla Liburdi



LOUCH, Margaret Louch



LUDVIGSEN FAMILY



MARIOTTO, Richard and Sandra



MARTELL, Vicki Martell



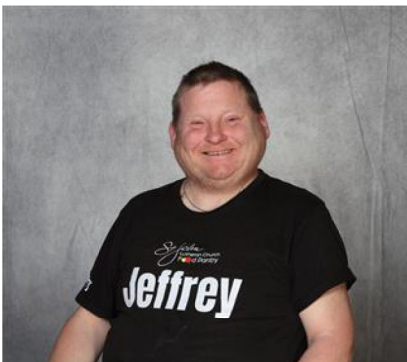
MARTINEZ FAMILY



**MARZANO, Anthony & Nicole
Marzano**



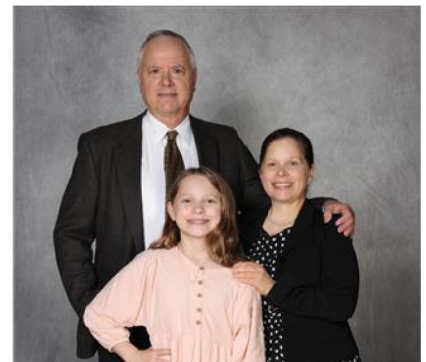
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Matakumba**



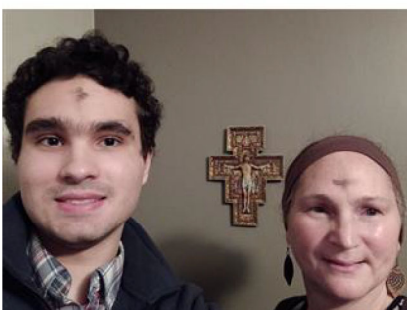
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**MCCAFFERTY, Ken & Christine
McCafferty**



**MCCAFFREY, Robert & Katherine
McCaffrey
Sophia**



**MCDONALD, Sharon McDonald
Johnny DiGuido**



MCGIRR, Vincent McGirr



MCGRATH, Joan



MCGRAW, Cailee



MEADER, Mary (Hayes)



MILLER, Jeffrey & Mary Miller



MISAK, John Misak



MISSIG, James & Jean Missig



MUNDAY, Scott & Jennifer Munday
Katelyn, Kyle, Corey



MURPHY, James & Jane Murphy



NANCY JAMNIK, Nancy Jamnik



O'CONNOR, TJ & Linda O'Connor
Róisín, Cíaran



OROZCO, Ralph & Nallely Orozco



ORR, Laura Orr



PAPINEAU, Katelynn Papineau & Jeffrey Weiss
Jameson Weiss-Papineau



PAVLIS, Jill Pavlis



PELAYO, Pedro & Karri Pelayo
Dominic, Erik, Lillianna



PERSHEY, Marcella Pershey



PETAK, Edwin & Bernadette Petak



PETER, Ryan and Dakota Peter
Maddon



PLESE, Arlene Plese



REGGANIE, Brian & Bernadette Regganie



REISER, Thomas & Linda Reiser



RENZ, Judie Renz



RODRIGUEZ, Adan & Felicia Rodriguez



RYCHALSKI, Janine Rychalski



SANCHEZ, Fidel & Dora Sanchez



SCARCELLI, Thomas & Lisa
Scarcelli
 Mario, Sage



SCHAUER, Margaret Schauer



SCHERTZ, Joseph & Aimee Schertz
 Alana, Alivia, Joseph, Jameson



SCHMITZ, Michael & Kay
Pesavento Schmitz
 Kaylee



SCHULTZ, James & Linda Schultz



SHANKLAND-LAWSON, Mary



SHAWMEKER, Patricia



SIEGEL, Arthur & Joan Siegel



SIENKO, Corey & Stacy Sienko
 Brody, Quinn, Cameron



SKELLY, Larry & Marilyn Skelly



SLAPE, Michele Savant - Slape



SLATTERY, Timothy & Amy
Slattery
 Gabriel, Evelyn, Elliott



SOLTIS, Dan & Raquel Soltis



STEFANI, Aldo & Mary Stefani



STONICH, William & Margaret Stonich



STUKEL, Matthew & Heidi Stukel
Matthew, Andrew, Madeline



SULLIVAN, Connie Sullivan



SWANSON, David Swanson



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Leah Schoenherr, Logan Schoenherr, Lincoln Schoenherr, Loretta Schoenherr, David Schoenherr



VITAS, Joseph & Julie Vitas
Joey, Tony, Cody



VOIGTS, Carol Voigts



WHEATON, Becca Wheaton



WHEATON, Ben Wheaton



WHEATON, Ken & Mary Wheaton



WIERS, Lawrence Wiers



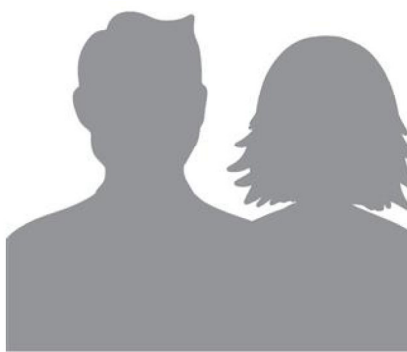
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Wojciechowski**



WOLCOTT, Ryan and Kelly



WOLLGAST, Mary Wollgast