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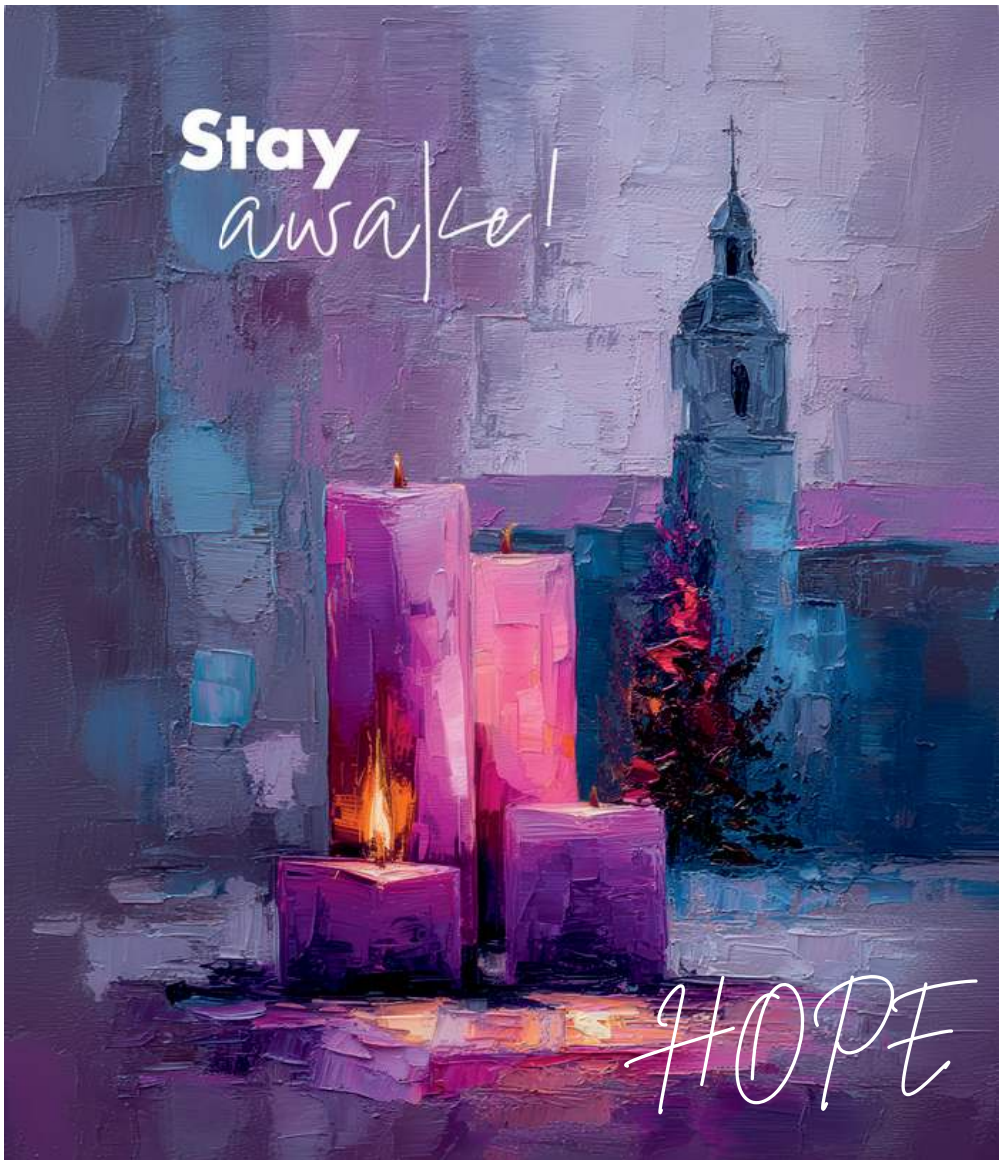

First Sunday of Advent
November 29, 2026

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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Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday	8:30am—4:30pm
Friday	8:30am—3:00pm
Saturday	9:00am -12:00pm

St. Raymond Grade School

608 N. Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL | 815-722-6626

Sacramental Information

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a loved one is in need of the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office to arrange a visit with a priest.

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.

Marriage: Couples requesting a wedding must be registered for a minimum of six months before a date can be secured. 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, December 21 at 6:00pm 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 us.

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Calendar

Nov. 29	First Sunday of Advent Be Formed - Tower - 9:00am No Religious Education Classes OCIA / Adult Formation - Commons - 11:30am
Nov. 30	GS Christmas Market - Bannon Room - through December 4 GS Musical Rehearsal - Common A/C - 3:05 - 5:00pm Basketball Games - Gym - 5:00 - 9:00pm
Dec. 1	Basketbal Practice - Gym - 4:30 - 9:00pm
Dec. 2	GS Musical Rehearsal - Commons A/C - 3:05 - 5:00pm
Dec. 3	Transitional Diaconate Rehearsal - Cathedral - 1:00pm Basketball Games - Gym - 5:00 - 9:00pm Men of Frassati- Tower - 8;00pm
Dec. 4	Transitional Diaconate Ordination Mass & Reception Commons & Gym - 6:30pm - 10:00pm Youth Ministry - Tower - 7:00 - 9:00pm
Dec. 5	CSRN Basketball Tournment Adoration - Cathedral - 8:30am Donuts with Santa - see next page
Dec. 6	CSRN Basketball Tournment Be Formed - Tower - 9:00am Relgioius Education Classes - School - 9:00 - 10:15am First Reconciliation - Cathedral - 9:00 - 10:15am Jr. High Yough Ministry - Gym - 9:00 - 10:15am OCIA / Adult Formation - Commons - 11:30am - 12:30pm
Dec. 7	Funeral - Cathedral - 10:00am Basketball Games - Gym - 5:00 - 9:00pm
Dec. 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception (HDO) Masses 6:30am, 8:00am (grade school) & 7:00pm
Dec. 9	HSA Meeting - Lunchroom - 8:00am Musical Rehearsal - Commons - 3:05 - 5:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym - 4:30 - 9:00pm
Dec. 10	Pre-School Christmas Program Men of Frassati - Tower - 8:00pm

SR Saint Raymond School

Our dream is getting closer to reality!



SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

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Total cost:	Raised so far:	Giving Tuesday goal:
$350,000	Just under $80,000	Raise another $20,000

Donate. Share. Spread the word!

GIVING TUESDAY

Give here:
https://cathedral-st-raymond-school.betterworld.org/campaigns/help-us build-playground

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please join us for the

Transitional Diaconate Ordination of

Matt Bernhard Joseph Nguyen Frank Perrotta Joshua Solarz



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 2026 AT 6:30 PM

CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAYMOND NONNATUS
604 N RAYNOR AVE, JOLIET

Reception immediately following

DONUTS with SANTA

Welcome to GINGERBREAD LAND!

ADMISSION: $5 child/$20 Family

DATE: Saturday, Dec 5th
TIME: 9–10:30am
LOCATION: St Ray Commons

DELICIOUS DONUTS
HOLIDAY CRAFTS
HOT COCOA BAR
PHOTOS WITH SANTA

SANTA STOPS HERE!

DEACON JOSH SOLARZ MASSES OF THANKSGIVING

Saturday, December 12th

4:00 PM



Sunday, December 13th

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS

MEN OF FRASSATI'S INAUGURAL COAT DRIVE



"All around the sick and all around the poor, I see a special light which we do not have."
— Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati

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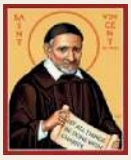

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Thank you!

DON'T FORGET TO FILL THE BINS

Bring non-perishable items to church and place in the bins located at each entrance. All donations are delivered weekly.

Need Assistance?

CALL FOR HELP

In need of assistance, or know someone who is?
Confidential, local help is available.

Call our Helpline:
815-773-4167

A volunteer will return your call within 48 hours.
For security, return calls are from a PRIVATE/BLOCKED line.

Senior Club
Christmas Celebration
All are Welcome!

Thursday December 17, 2026
12:30 pm at Al's Steakhouse
(time change for the restaurant)

$26.00 per person
Reservations due by Sunday December 13, 2026
Circle your menu choice

Broiled Orange Roughy or
Half a broiled Greek Chicken
Salad, mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, rolls,
coffee & tea, Peppermint ice cream
Cash bar for cocktails.
Entertainment: Paula Williams, Vocalist
with Christmas selections.







Split the Pot and Door Prizes.
No meeting/luncheon in January.

PLEASE ADHERE TO DEADLINE

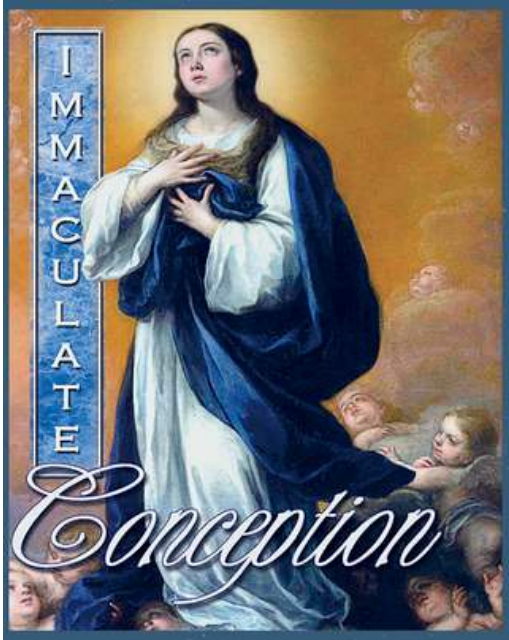
SIGN UP

Name(s) _____

Phone Number _____

Menu Choice Broiled Orange Roughy
or
Half a broiled Greek Chicken

Question please call Glenda Gumina
412-999-8854 or email ggumina04@gmail.com.



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED AT
6:30AM
8:00AM
7:00PM



CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAYMOND NONNATUS

Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule

CHRISTMAS EVE
Thursday, December 24
Nativity of the Lord - Vigil Masses
3:00 PM In the Cathedral
3:00 PM In the Gym
5:00 PM In the Cathedral
Nativity of the Lord - Mass at Midnight
12:00 MIDNIGHT In the Cathedral

CHRISTMAS DAY
Friday, December 25
Nativity of the Lord
8:00 AM Christmas Mass
10:30 AM Christmas Mass

NEW YEAR'S EVE
Thursday, December 31
4:00 PM Vigil Mass

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
Friday, January 1
9:00 AM Mass

All Are Welcome

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All Are Welcome

The Catholic Parishes of the Joliet Area will offer

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Friday,
December 18

3:00 - 7:00pm

For an updated list of confessor times and languages visit straymond.net



November 29-December 24

Advent 2026



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www.straymond.net/hallow
kevin@straymond.net

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



Thank you to all who contributed to the Thanksgiving Food Drive!
We sincerely thank our parishioners for sharing their blessings with those less fortunate.
Kim McCarthy

THE GOSPELS

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS

Dec 6, 11:30am in the Commons

Presented by Fr. Bill

Most Sundays after the 10:30 Mass we gather for a presentation to learn more about our faith. Whether a life-long Catholic, asking questions, or in formation to enter the Church, join us for any of these sessions. No need to rsvp or attend consistently.



Next Topics:
Dec 13- Old Testament Covenants
Dec 20- Old Testament Prophets
Jan 3- Acts of the Apostles
Jan 10- Sacred Liturgy

Learn. Ask Questions. Make Disciples.

Contact kevin@straymond.net 815 722-6653, ext. 217

straymond.net/sundaysaftermass

Heart to Heart Presents



STORIES OF SAINTS FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

Daily Videos Sunday to Friday,
Nov 29 to Jan 3
Fr. Michael Sparough, SJ &
Fr. Radmar Jao, SJ

JOIN NOW AT
HTOH.US/ORNAMENTS

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 30, 2026
6:30 AM John and Rosetta Adams, req. Family

Tuesday, December 1, 2026
6:30 AM Living & Deceased Members of the Tom Buck Family, req. Karen Hatfield

Wednesday, December 2, 2026
6:30 AM Richard Mariotto, req. Family

Thursday, December 3, 2026
8:00 AM Rosemary Giarrante (anv.), req. Family

Friday, December 4, 2026
8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Mazzucco Family

Saturday, December 5, 2026
8:00 AM Peggy Cunningham Fay
4:00 PM Dominic Bucciferro, req. Wife, Lois and Family
Adolph Oberts, req. Bill and Mary Oberts

Sunday, December 6, 2026
8:00 AM Marlene Vidano, req. Norlene Peterson
Pearl DiGregorio-Whiting, req. "MiMi" & Gary Pezza
10:30 AM Michelle Gallagher, req. Family
Jim Slattery, req. Bob and Karen
St. Raymond Parish Family

Please Pray For...

OUR DECEASED

OUR SICK

Megan Arnold
Silvie Belue
Patricia Buchwald
Anne Casing
Tyler Centorbi
Colleen Cler
Mari Condon
Arlene Day
Judy Delaney
Patrocino Fernandez
Robert Greenly
Ernest Hankins
Aurelie Hagstrom
David Hampton
Janet Jurmann
Ross Karraker
Patricia McShaffrey
Lydia O'Donnell
Juan Ochoa
Lillianna Peylo
Bonnie Salamon
Juline Schumacher
Sharon Slavicek
Joseph Spiech
Katherine Spiech
Bernie Spieler
Chuck Sroka
Colleen & Tom Stonis
Kathy Wise

OUR MILITARY

2LT Nicholas Zelehovitis PFC
CAPT Faith C.E. Moore D.O.
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Ryan Grill, SSG
2nd Lieutenant Isabel Izquierdo
Midshipman Victor Izquierdo
Adrianna Soltis SPC
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Pete Pluth, Business Manager
Danielle Schumacher, Admin Asst
Stacy Sienko, Dir of Music
Karen Slattery, Main Office/Baptisms
Mary Wheaton, Bookkeeper

Liturgical Ministers of the Mass

Saturday, December 5 - 4:00pm
Lector: Cyndi Karges
EM: Jeanne Allgood, Tom Novotny, Tom Reiser, Larry Ryan
Servers: Harper Gancarczyk, Jaime Vargas, *sub requested*

Sunday, December 6 - 8:00am
Lector: Charlotte Kics
EM: Judy Botka, Bruno Silva, Rhonda Callans, *volunteer needed*
Servers: Allison Benaitis, Meaghan Russ, Julian Nieves

Sunday, December 6 - 10:30am
Lector: Christelle Tcheukado
EM: Marco & Lynn Coladipietro, Jeanne Lindholm, Kristen Drain
Servers: Kennedy Szafranowski, Scarlette Howard, *volunteer needed*



SECOND COLLECTION
December 12/13

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Stewardship

Date	11/15	Year to Date
Collection Offering	$ 20,699	$ 387,689
Budgeted	$ 20,490	$ 409,800
Overage / Shortage $	$ 209	($22,111)
Overage / Shortage %	1.0%	(5.3%)
Annual Budget	$ 1045,000	

Online Giving from Our Sunday Visitor

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 Cahill 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 Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance at 815-263-6467.

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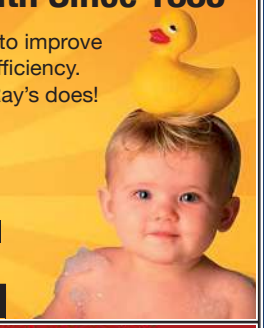
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