

# Saint Raymond of Penafort Catholic Church

October 22, 2017 – 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time



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**Mass:** Monday - Thursday at 8:00am  
Saturday at 8:00am & 5:00pm  
Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

**Confession:** Saturday from 4:30pm - 4:50pm  
Sunday from 9:10am - 9:50am  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month at Noon

**Those who are interested in joining our Church or learning more about the Catholic Faith, please call the Parish Office. You are most welcome because we need your gifts to enrich our Parish Family!**

Saint Raymond Church: Where God is Glorified & His People are Sanctified  
*We will use our Passion for Christ and Hope for Humanity to inspire and serve  
so that the gospel is proclaimed and we live as disciples of Jesus.*

## Meetings for the Week

**Monday:** Join us for Mass at 8am  
**Tuesday:** Join us for the Holy Rosary after Mass;  
Bible Study at 1:30pm (SRR)  
**Wednesday:** Join us for Morning Mass at 8am  
**Thursday:** Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-4pm;  
Advent Small Group Leader Training Session at  
6:30pm (SRR)  
**Friday:** Gospel Choir Practice at 7pm  
**Saturday:** Weight Watchers at 10am; Moms n Tots  
at 10am (Dining Room)  
*Catholic Call to Prayer continues at 6:30am, Monday  
to Friday. Call 1-857-232-0158, Enter Code 336656  
and join us in prayer each day!*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Mon., Oct. 23** 8am Fr. Chris (Birthday)  
**Tues., Oct. 24** 8am Ernest Gallashaw  
**Wed., Oct. 25** 8am Mason Ferra  
**Thurs., Oct. 26** 8am People of The Parish  
*Eucharistic Adoration from 8:30am – 4:00pm*  
**Sat., Oct. 28** 8am Fr. George Boyle  
5pm Frederick & Frances Sturm  
**Sun., Oct. 29** 8am Ronny Jackson  
10am Elouise Earle  
**Can you join us for Mass one day? Jesus is waiting for  
you to experience His love and mercy!**

Dear Friends in Christ,

At the end of September Pope Francis launched a global campaign in support of refugees throughout the world called **Share the Journey**. It seeks to make our Church more intentionally aware of the 65 million men, women and children leaving homelands simply because staying is not a viable option for themselves and their family.

Our parish has certainly had the opportunity to support Irene throughout the past 4 months and I know that once he is fully on his own R.E.S.T. hopes to extend a welcome to another refugee (or refugee family). Pope Francis urges us to: (1) continue to learn the story of refugee families; (2) use **#sharethejourney** in your Social Media posts about refugees; (3) being equipped in some way to serve those arriving in Philadelphia (as we have learned, helping someone learn English is an essential yet exhausting process; get equipped); (4) PRAY! We continue to pray that through an act of God Irene's family will someday join him. Until then he, like so many, remains separated from family.

As Christians, we can't forget the command of Jesus to "love our neighbor". In some cases, we also have to love the one who will someday be our neighbor as well!

*Father Chris*

**Prayer for the Global Migration Campaign**  
*Adonai, Lord and Master, Many are the journeys your people have taken: Abraham's journey led from fear to understanding; Moses' journey led from bondage to liberty; the disciples' journey led from death to new life. Even today, your people journey immigrants and refugees, pilgrims and nomads, searching for hope, searching for opportunity, searching for peace, searching for you. Lord, I know that I too am called to journey. Yet too many times, I have heard your call, and my feet have remained unmoved. Continue to call me beyond my comfort and into encounter; and when I meet a companion on the road, may we find you in each other's embrace. Let us share the journey. Amen*

***Notes from the Sunday Eucharist***

*Inspiration from the Word Proclaimed:* Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalm 23:1-6; Philippians 4:12-20; Matthew 22:1-14.

*Inspiration from Preaching:*

*Inspiration from Music and Song:*

*Inspiration from Quiet Prayer:*

*As a Disciple of Christ who seeks to give God Glory and also seeks my own sanctification, in the week to come I am moved to...*

Why not begin preparing for next week when the Scripture Passages will be: Exodus 22:20-26; Psalm 18:2-51; 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40  
**AMEN – AMEN – AMEN – AMEN – AMEN**

**Jesus loved small groups!** It was how He did ministry and wants to continue it in you and through you with one of our small groups (starting the week of November 5<sup>th</sup>)! There are flyers in the back of church. You can contact Minta Brown today at 610-329-7256 or email her at [mintabrown@saintraymond.net](mailto:mintabrown@saintraymond.net) for more information!



Are you new to our area or have you visited St. Raymond as a visitor? You are most welcome and we hope that you feel welcome too! If you would like to talk with someone about faith, our parish, or Catholicism, we want to be of service! Contact Richara, our Pastoral Associate at [richara@saintraymond.net](mailto:richara@saintraymond.net) or at 215-549-3760.

*Have you ever thought that God might use YOU to save the life of an unborn child? Do you know someone who is pregnant and needs help deciding what to do? Have them contact the Community Women's Center of Phila. (1202 Locust Street; 267-239-0753). There are people ready to help right now!*

**Our Discipleship Team has set a new goal: we want to welcome 18 new people into the Church by Pentecost 2018. In order for this to happen, we need to have at least 500 NEW people visit St. Raymond for Mass on a weekend. Who will you bring?**



Tangela Randolph (18<sup>th</sup>), Noah Mathis, Tyler Cooper & Endiya Dodd (22<sup>nd</sup>), Fr. Chris, Marilyn Lamore, Tamiko Stanley & Jason McKenzie (23<sup>rd</sup>), Obi Odey, Connor Williams, Keigan Marion & Katrice Adams (24<sup>th</sup>), Shelly Young-Airey & Katherine Bielarski (25<sup>th</sup>), Mary L. Jones & Fredric Rosemeyer (26<sup>th</sup>), Dorothy Davis (27<sup>th</sup>), Lynette Gordon & Jermaine Lawrence (28<sup>th</sup>). If you would like to be remembered by our parish community, please sign the book in the back of church. Good Samaritan Ministry

**Mom's Café:** a chance for moms with kids to gather on the last Saturday of the month (October 28<sup>th</sup> - 10am until Noon) for conversation and coffee. Call Richara in the Parish Office for information.

**Pope Francis has repeatedly asked us to pray for him and his ministry. With that in mind...** *Lord, I pray that You will be with our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and continue to fill his heart with Your wisdom and strength. Inspire him that he may continue to lead the Church through these changing times with a steady head, resolute spirit and loving heart. Father God, protect his mind, body and spirit and grant him many years in your holy service. Amen*

**School Hall Renovation:** We gave our School Hall a serious makeover. Consider purchasing a "Leaf on our Giving Tree" (in the Church Lobby) in honor of or in memory of a loved one or friend. Leaves cost \$1000 and can be paid all at once or over three years. **We have had 19 leaves purchased so far – will you be next?** Call the Parish Office for more information.

The Sacred Hearts Sisters Day Care (160 W. Carpenter Lane) is accepting new enrollments. If you want your little one to be nurtured in a wholesome, safe and loving environment, contact the sisters today! They serve children from ages 2-5. For more information visit: <http://www.sacredheartssisterschildcare.net> or call 215-843-2266.

**United Way at St. Raymond** - Help support St. Raymond Social Ministry in your United Way Campaign (ID# 8689) as well as St. Raymond School (ID# 50960) and let your employer match your gift in a way that is a true blessing to St. Raymond and those we serve.



*Join the Lord Jesus in quiet Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays from 8:30am until 4:00pm in the Chapel. He is waiting for you...so come and let us adore Him! This hour will be a blessing!*

*In addition, you can Adore Jesus on Mondays at the Miraculous Medal Shrine, Tuesdays at St. Athanasius and Wednesdays at St. Benedict. Come and let us adore Him!*



**You can make a difference**

**Change the future – become a FOSTER PARENT!** Catholic Social Services is in need of foster parents to care for the needs of children in a time of crisis. Please call 267-331-2502 for more information. There is financial compensation – but more importantly there is the blessing of God who rejoices in your care for His little ones!

**ATTENTION**

**Parents of Children Attending Public School  
PREP Classes began Sunday, September 17, 2017**

A most precious gift a parent can give their child is the gift of faith formation. Parents are the primary educators of their children, which includes their spiritual formation. We are here to assist you in the process.

Children who do not attend Catholic School and have not received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist or Confirmation must attend Sunday morning PREP Classes in order to receive the Sacraments. PREP classes range from Pre-K, through seventh grade.

Candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation must attend Confirmation classes for an 18 Month program in order to be confirmed in the Fall of 2018. This year we launch a new Confirmation Formation Program that will guide our youth in becoming lifelong disciples of Jesus. For more info call 215-549-3760.

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### All Saints Day & All Souls Day

We begin November praying for those who are in glory and those suffering in purgatory. Please join us for All Saints Day Mass on November 1<sup>st</sup> at 8am, 10:30am or 7pm. We will pray for our beloved dead on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at the 8am Mass. Please plan to join us or worship at Church close to your home or office.

Have you logged into "FORMED" yet? This wonderful faith formation tool will allow you and your family to experience our faith in a new way through e-books, audio recordings and a great variety of movies and video teachings.

1. Visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)
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3. Follow instructions to set up your own account and be formed in Christ!

**Did you know...** Formed has Bible Studies you can use at home? **YOU CAN ALSO DOWNLOAD THE "FORMED" APP TO MAKE YOUR ACCESS EVEN EASIER.**

### Liturgical Ministers for Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>:

**Saturday at 5pm:** The **Readers** are Brandy Weir & Sr. Sharon Horace; **Euch. Ministers** are Deacon Bill, Chris & Marsha Bradley; **Altar Servers** are Sean & Donovan Bradley.

**Sunday at 8am:** The **Reader(s)** is/are Richara Krajewski; **Altar Servers** are Antonio Hunt & Daniel Blackstock.

**Sunday at 10am:** The **Readers** are Kim & Jaden Callands; **Euch. Ministers** are Deacon Bill, Joyce Osoo, Jerome Outtarta, Kelli Renn & Dorothy Robinson; **Altar Servers** are Cyan Simmons, Sarah & Aidan Marion.

*Please be faithful to your service; we need you!*

### B.A.T.T.L.E. Youth Ministry at Saint Raymond Become All That The Lord Expects.

St. Raymond Day of Service is after the 10am Mass on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. Jr. and Sr. High Youth are invited to help prepare and enjoy lunch with our neighbors at the Sr. Raymond House!

Sr. High Youth Group will meet on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> after the 10am Mass. There will be Food (besides applesauce), fellowship and more! Stay

**For 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys:** La Salle College High School (8605 Cheltenham Ave.) scholarship and entrance exam will be held at the school on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30am. For questions or additional information, please contact the Admissions Office at 215-402-4800 or [admissions@lschs.org](mailto:admissions@lschs.org). Information can also be found on the school's web site at [www.lschs.org](http://www.lschs.org)

### A word of Thanks

Fr. Norbert Maduzia and the Parish of St. Ignatius in Spring, TX sent us a letter of thanksgiving for our donation following the damage to their Church caused by Hurricane Irene. They will remember us in prayer during a day of Thanksgiving on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

### Aid for Friend Is In Need for Meals!



Why not package them for Aid for Friends? Containers are located in the Sacristy. We are in constant need of a variety of meals for ailing seniors. Frozen meals can be dropped off at the Rectory between the hours of 8:30am – 5pm. For more information, contact Arleen at 215-549-3760.

**Remember our sick brothers & sisters in prayer....** Pope Benedict XVI, Glenn Adams, Robert Adams, Joan Baran, Rhonda Beasley, Lorraine Beauparlant, Johanna Bender, Juanita Berry, Ethel Black, Barbara & Oscar Bowen, Larina Brooks, Margaret W. Brown, Maria Burrell, Gladys Callan, Cora Caviness, Gloria Crittenden, Joyce Coleman, Lillian Cooper, Valdez Coston, Cheryl Crockett, April DeMatto, Denise Derrick, Anne Durham, Marcellus Edwards, Carolyn Ervin, Joann Evans, Lonna Evans, Margaret "Peggy" Evans, Cayna Ford, Dorothy Foust, Patricia Gaither, Tina Glickman, Tyrone Harris, Meg Hayes, Jr., Marjorie Henry, Willa Hill, Pat Hughes, Maria Isaacs, David Johnson, Mary Jones, Valerie Jones, Yvonne Jordan, Jack Kollmer, Martin Lentz, Delores Mason, Florimel Mitchell, Towanda Mays, Amara MacPhee, Sherri McCullough, Samuel McKenzie, Jewel McLendon, Darlene McMillian, Lee McQueen, Elizabeth Miller, Henry Mills, Berta Morris, Darryl Myers, Altamesecarolye Neal, Rahniya Nealand, Msgr. John O'Brien, Emma Pajil, Tyrone Palmer, Richard Pickett, Iris Pugh, Barry & Joan Quinn, Tracie Ragin, Totlyn Ricketts, Lillian Scott, Mary Shambor, Zonder Anthony Simmanton, Martha Smith, Dr. Pete Smith, Jim & Vera Sousa, Mary Steward, Anne Thomas, Maureen Unger, Claudette Williams, Johnnie Williams, LaToya Williams, Jennifer Wright, Carolyn Wylie, and all those recovering from injuries sustained in combat, those suffering from Alzheimer's Disease, Diabetes, Cancer, AIDS and Addictions.

### Our Lady of Lourdes, Heal our Sick and Suffering

**Thank you for the bottle caps that you have saved. At this time, we don't need any more bottle caps. Please use your recycling containers at home to dispose of them properly!**



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**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Almighty and eternal God, in your unfailing love you provide ministers for your Church. **We pray for those whom you call to serve the Church of Philadelphia as priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters.** Inspire in them a generous response. Grant them courage and vision to serve your people. May their lives and service call your people to respond to the presence of your Spirit among us, faithful to the Gospel and hope of Jesus the Christ, we may: announce glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, set prisoners free and renew the face of the earth! *There are currently three young adult African American men discerning a call to the priesthood, please continue to pray for young people from our community to be raised up in service to the Church!!!*



The parish remains so grateful for your continued generosity and goodness. Our collection for October 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> was \$7756 including \$23 from our youth. Our weekly average is now \$8509. We have collected a total of \$1832 for our Annual Stewardship Collection. Thank you for your generosity that allow us to be a presence of hope in our neighborhood! ***Did you know that St. Raymond offers electronic giving? Visit our website and go to Stewardship section.***

***The Parent Café*** – Once a month we invite parents of school age children (and all members of the parish) to join us on a Sunday morning from 9am to 10am (during our religious education session) to participate in a conversation on a particular faith topic. Connie Mikell will lead the next session on November 12<sup>th</sup> on the topic of “The Human Journey of Faith”. Join us!

***Marriage Ministry...Missed out on the Paint Party?*** Join us for ***Couples Game Night on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm!*** There will be games (for the pros and not so pro), fellowship and refreshments. The cost is \$10 per couple. RSVP and payment is due by November 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions contact Richara at richara@saintraymond.net or at the rectory office at 215-549-3760.

**For 8<sup>th</sup> Graders...** We invite you to the Bishop McDevitt High School Scholarship Days! This is an opportunity to apply for over 100 merit based scholarships. The dates to choose from are October 21st and October 28th. Please contact Ms. Megan Gerhard at 215-887-5575 to sign up.

**Feast of St. Martin de Porres**

The Black Catholic Community will celebrate the Feast of St. Martin de Porres on Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm. The Mass will be at St. Athanasius Church and Archbishop Chaput will celebrate with us. The Choir will begin their Prelude at 6:30pm. Since there is limited parking, please consider parking at St. Raymond and being shuttled on our bus at 6:15pm and 6:30pm. There will be a reception following the Mass.

**TRAVEL WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY!**

**“Christmas Spectacular” starring the Radio City Rockettes, at the Radio City Music Hall in NY, on Saturday, December 16, 2017.** The cost is \$130 which includes: transportation, show, and shopping and lunch on your own. There will be three non-refundable payments (1st deposit of \$50 is due on Oct 20<sup>th</sup>; 2<sup>nd</sup> deposit of \$50 due on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> deposit of \$30 due on Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. The bus will leave our school parking lot at 8am and return around 7:30pm. For more information contact Nicole Crumpler at 301-606-0931 or Michelle at the Parrish Office at 215-549-3760.

The Kimmel Center Presents **A Soulful Christmas**, on Tuesday, December 12, 2017. The cost is \$35 which includes: transportation and the show. There will be one non-refundable payment of \$35 which is due by Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> (40 tickets only). The bus will leave our school parking lot at 5:30pm. This annual Christmas show returns this winter with an inspiring, uplifting communal gathering of regional choristers, performing holiday spirituals and gospel favorites! This year lineup is as follow (the lineup is subject to change): A.M.E. 1<sup>st</sup> District Mass Choir, Citywide Praise Dance Collaborative, Deliverance Evangelistic Church Mass Choir, Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church Mass Choir, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church Mass Choir, New Covenant Church of Philadelphia Mass Choir, **Philadelphia Catholic Gospel Mass Choir**, Philadelphia Heritage Chorale and Philadelphia Heritage Chorale Youth Choir. With special guests: Evelyn Simpson Curenton on the Fred J. Cooper Memorial Pipe Organ and Honoree, Lady Tramaine Hawkins.

**Payment methods** for any of our trips are: cash, credit card (3% processing fee and \$1 usage fee) or check payable to St. Raymond Church. Payments are made at the Parish Office Mon-Fri from 9 am – 4 pm to Michelle.



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