

St. Raymond of the Mountains

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A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust and A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg



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Online Giving Service

(web base electronic contributions, safe & secure)

Visit www.straymondchurch.org, select the Online Giving link and follow the commands

Catholic Charities Help Line 1-866-409-6455

In the event of inclement weather: Please check our parish activities of cancellations at KDKA channel 2



BAPTISMS:

Please contact the Parish Office for Baptism.

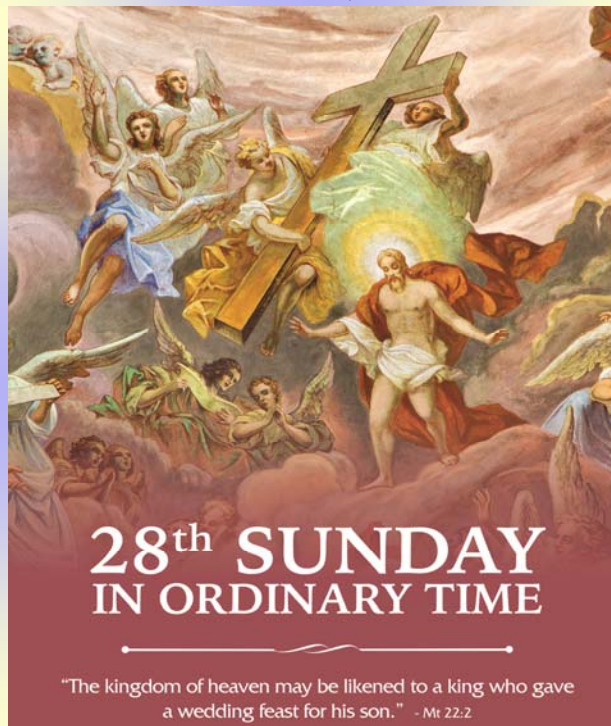


CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:30 PM.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements should be made with the Pastor at least one year in advance.



MASSES:

Saturday (Vigil): 4:30 PM.

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM.

Daily Mass: 8:00 AM at St. Raymond Chapel (under office) Except Friday.

An Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction:

Every First Friday of the month

after the 8:00 AM Mass until 10:00 AM.

Holy Days: See bulletin

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesdays at 10:30 AM.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Closed Friday.



St. Raymond of the Mountains Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish of St. Raymond of the Mountains (Donegal, PA) are situated in a resort area and comprised of many rural communities. We come together to share and strengthen our faith in God and each other by celebrating the sacraments and striving to follow God's teaching. We are called to be open to the Holy Spirit and to build a stronger Faith Community by serving the needs of others, by educating, and by welcoming all.

Scripture of the Week

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come." Why? What made the king's invitation so distasteful to these guests? According to the parable, either the guests were too busy with their farms and their businesses, or else they were downright hostile to the entire idea: they "laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them." What could possibly explain this resistance?

Perhaps we have a clue in the puzzling conclusion of today's Gospel. One of the second-string guests pulled in from the streets came to the feast "not dressed in a wedding garment." The man knew he was guilty, hence his silence. And the king's punishment suggests that the fellow ought to have known better. This "wedding garment" calls to mind the preparation of our souls necessary to join in the great "wedding feast of the Lamb" (Rv 19:9), that is, heaven. This man was apparently just too lazy to get ready. He presumed that having received an invitation to the banquet was enough, that nothing was required of him. Not so. He should have demonstrated his gratitude by dressing appropriately. And what of the first-string guests? Some were too busy to bother coming; others were furious that they had been invited at all. Now, where do we fit in? Are we more concerned with worldly work than with spiritual growth? Are we offended by the very suggestion that we might need to "dress up" our souls? Or are we the disinterested Christian, willing to feast but too lazy to foster his faith? Jesus gave his life to open the gates of heaven for us. Let's show our gratitude by preparing radiant, beautiful souls worthy of the heavenly wedding feast.



Faith is a gift. As human beings created in the image of God with an intellect and will we are free to accept or refuse this gift. "Faith" has several meanings. Firstly, it is belief based on someone else's words or writings as opposed to a conviction based on direct observation. Accordingly, we believe that our mothers and fathers are our parents because they told us so or it is written on our birth certificates; we believe in the resurrection of Jesus because it is written in the Gospels. Secondly, "Faith" is understood to be a system of beliefs or a set of truths. Also, it has the meaning of a trust in God or another person.

Our Catholic Faith envelopes all these meanings. The Truths of our Catholic Christian Faith are written in the Bible, the Nicene Creed, the Catechism of the Catholic Church and in our liturgical traditions. The effects of accepting this gift by Baptism is that we are freed from sin, adopted as God's children and given the promise of happiness in eternal life. Those who accept this gift of Faith are required to live accordingly and to share it.

Readings for the Week of October 15, 2017

- Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10
- Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1-4/Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Lk 10:1-9
- Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-6ab/Lk 11:47-54
- Friday: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7
- Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-9, 42-43 Lk 12:8-12
- Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10 1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21



Please remember in your prayers:

Pam Balow, Beth Brown, David Budinsky, Ginger Cairns, Terry Cavicchio, Mary Cauley, Dan Deplama, Dave DeWitt, Francis Ernesty, George Estochin, Laura Estochin, Mildred Estochin, Albert G, Bill G., Patty Gadek, Gerald, Rose Henrickson, Barry Huey, Mitchell Johnson, Elivita Jones, Jim Kalp, Carol Kelly, Ryan Kelly, Flo Kinneer, Frank Kuhns, Namon Lilly, Juanita Miller, Theresa Miller, Margaret Mollick, Courtiney Mastowski, Mindy O., Bill O'keefe, Greg Petrucci, Rhonda Porterfield, Madeline R., Karen Rega, Bernie Rusinko, Bill Schulte, Ted Shaulis, Helen Sparks, Ernestine Stanton, Mike Terretti, Theresa, Colleen and sons, Jane Waite, and Dewayne Wallace.



The Second Collection next weekend is for The World Mission Sunday

We are called to pray and to support the missions in order that the love of the Lord may be made known, thank you in advance for your generosity and your prayers.

Lottery Calendars from St. Anne Home

Lottery calendars will be sold here at St. Raymond's Church before and after Mass next weekend, October 21 & 22 to benefit St. Anne Home. The cost is \$25 per calendar with 365 days to win! In the past, your generosity has made this fundraiser successful and we hope you will support St. Anne Home again this year.

God bless you!

St. Pius X Christian Mothers is sponsoring their Annual Bingo, Sunday, October 29, 2017 at the St. Pius Social Hall, Doors open at 12 noon

Tickets are \$25 which includes 1st package and lunch. Only 250 tickets sold. \$1,000 Jackpot, 50/50, Instants, Chinese Auction and much more. Please call Connie at 724-547-5269, Pam at 724-454-5917 or Margie at 724-331-2546. Tickets also available in the parish office!



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A special thanks to Joe, Rose, Jeff, Kelly, Jeffrey, Robbie, Lisa, and all the Sarnelli family for their time, talent and treasure for the St. Raymond Spaghetti Dinner. It was a huge success. Over 370 dinners served! We at St. Raymond truly appreciate all the contributions you have made toward the Spaghetti Dinners. God Bless All of You!

Kudos to all the volunteers that have helped with the Spaghetti Dinner. Fundraising events would not be possible if no one volunteered to give their time, talent and treasure. Thanks to all for set-up, clean-up, serving, baking, preparing, and simply pitching in to help. And thanks to all who came and supported the event.



**Congratulations
to the Sarnelli Family**



SARNELLI'S CORNER
"ONE STOP SHOPPING"

**CELEBRATING
SARNELLI FAMILY
50TH YEAR IN BUSINESS**

**11 years in South Greensburg &
39 years in Jones Mills**

**Bring Lawn
Chairs**

**Wine Tasting
Beer Tasting
Moonshine Tasting
Refreshments & Music
Prizes**

**Sunday, October 22nd 2017
Noon to 5pm**

Corner of Routes 31 & 711 South, Jones Mill, PA 15646

Fall decorations are needed to help decorate the Church and grounds as we enter into the spirit of the Harvest and to remind us of God's blessings in our lives. Anyone who can donate Mums, Gourds, Pumpkins, please call the Parish Office at 724-593-7479, or everything can be dropped off by St. Raymond's kitchen door. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF ST. RAYMOND

Name _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Child (ren) Name(s) _____

FRIENDS OF ST. RAYMOND

If you are not a member of this parish but enjoy coming here and feel connected to us because you regularly come to visit in this area, please register as a Friend of St. Raymond. Simply fill out this coupon or a registration form and drop it into the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. Being registered as a Friend of St. Raymond allows us to let you know what is happening in the parish throughout the year so that you continue to feel connected. Another advantage of being a Friend of St. Raymond is that we can keep track of any donations you make to the parish and provide a statement for tax purposes. Simply put your donation in an envelope with your name and the amount on it and put it into the collection. After January 1, call and request a tax statement and we will mail it to you.

This Week in the Parish

This Sunday, October 15 - 8:00 a.m. Morning Mass
 - 9:00 a.m. St. Raymond
 Religious Ed. Classes (CL)
 - 10:30 a.m. Morning Mass

Wednesday, October 18 - 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice (CH)

Saturday, October 21 - 4:00 p.m. Pray the Rosary (CH)
 - 4:30 p.m. Evening Mass

Next Sunday, October 22 - 8:00 a.m. Morning Mass
 - 9:00 a.m. St. Raymond
 Religious Ed. Classes (CL)
 - 10:30 a.m. Morning Mass

(RC) = Rectory Chapel (RM) = Rectory Meeting Room
 (CH) = Church (CL) = Classrooms (PH) = Parish Social Hall



Our Weekly Offering

OFFERTORY - October 7 & 8, 2017

(97 out of 388 envelopes used which is 25%)

Envelopes	\$2,868.75
Loose	951.00
Monthly	120.00
Youth	00.00
Total	\$3,939.75
Needed for Expenses	\$4,600.00
Difference	- \$660.00
Seminary & Clergy	\$140.00

Many thanks and may God Bless you
 for your generosity!!!

 * The flowers on the Altar last weekend were donated *
 * by **The Duffy Family** *
 * Thank you and God bless you for your generosity. *



Choir Practice

Choir practice will begin on Wednesday
 evenings at **6:30 p.m.** at St. Raymond Church.
 If anyone is interested, you're all invited to join us.



The 6th Annual Verna Montessori School (VMS) Italian Dinner

The 6th Annual Verna Montessori School (VMS) Italian Dinner is Sunday, November 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Saint Pius X Social Hall in Mount Pleasant.

Come and enjoy Sister Lucy's famous meatballs, authentic Italian sauce, spaghetti, salad, fresh-baked DeLallo's Italian bread, homemade dessert and beverage, all for just \$10 per dinner and \$5 for children ages 8 and under. A 50/50 and fabulous basket raffle will take place during the dinner. Please join us for delicious food and a fun-filled time with VMS students. Take-out dinners are available.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat. - October 14 - Vigil: Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. + Andrew J. Jenca (Tidwell Family)

Sun. - October 15 - Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. + Frank & Helen Sparks (Bob & Patty Sparks)

10:30 a.m. Our Parish Members

Mon. - October 16 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Michael Werthman (Ray Werthman) (Chapel)

Tues. - October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop

8:00 a.m. Special Intention for Cheryl & J.W. Cupps
(Chapel)

Wed. - October 18 - St. Luke, Evangelist

8:00 a.m. + Jane Good (Dorothy Potosky & Family)
(Chapel)

Thurs. - October 19 - St. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues

8:00 a.m. + James Parrish (Laura Parrish) (Chapel)

Fri. - October 20 - Weekday

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Sat. - October 21 - Vigil: Twenty-Nine Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. + Barbara Spates (Lou Ritenour)

Sun. - October 22 - Twenty-Nine Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Our Parish Members

10:30 a.m. + Jim Mollick (Cathy Korzen)



In your charity please pray for the soul of
Frank M. Pegnato who passed on
October 9, 2017. May his soul and
the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SERVERS

Sat. Oct. 21 4:30 p.m. - Tim Pisula

- Nico Pisula

Sun. Oct. 22 8:00 a.m. - Cameron Wojnar

Sun. Oct. 22 10:30 a.m. - Dakota Cook

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sat. Oct. 21 4:30 p.m. - Karen Nedley

- Patty Sparks

- Susan Waite

Sun. Oct. 22 8:00 a.m. - Kathleen Smith Mizik

- Noreen Brady

- Mary DeLose

Sun. Oct. 22 10:30 a.m. - Jack Kinsey

- **Volunteer Needed**

- Mary Mastowsky

READERS

Sat. Oct. 21 4:30 p.m. - Tim Pisula

Sun. Oct. 22 8:00 a.m. - Peg Schafer

Sun. Oct. 22 10:30 a.m. - Diane Kinsey



St. Raymond's January Calendar Ticket

January Calendar Tickets are available to sell or
purchase. If interested, contact Cathy Korzen,
724-593-7508 or Toni Terretti, 724-593-4593.

Thanks for your support with this fundraiser.

