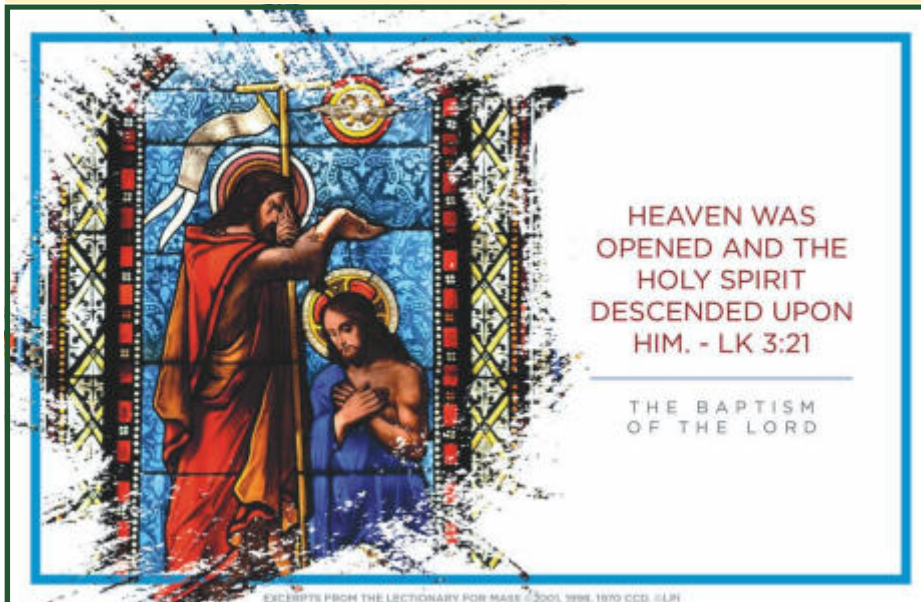


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Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish of St. Raymond of the Mountains 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.

Sunday Masses:

Saturday (Vigil): 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday ~ Friday: 8:00 a.m.
All masses are in the church

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction:

Every First Friday of the month
after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Holy Days:

See bulletin or website

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.

Baptisms:

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Marriages:

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

Ways to Give:

If you are not able to attend mass or are looking to automatically make your offertory contributions, please consider these options for giving.

Parish Online giving:

www.osvhub.com/st-raymond-donegal/funds

or

Contributions may be mailed to the parish office.

Parish Staff:

Rev. Anthony Onoko, Pastor

Email aonoko@dioceseofgreensburg.org

**Bill Pospisil, Coordinator of Faith Formation,
Bulletin, Website and Parish Secretary**

Email bpospisil@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Contact Information:

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Parish Fax 724-593-5934

Website..... www.straymondchurch.org

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline:

Mondays at 12:00 p.m.

Diocese of Greensburg information:

Catholic Charities Help Line 1-866-409-6455

For Matters of Sexual Misconduct:

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

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This years Christmas Flowers are in Honor or Memory of the Following:

Merle Neiderhiser, Walter Faust & Family; Zelensky & Neiderhiser Families; Frank & Helen Sparks; Harold & Mary Grimm; Deceased of the Sparks & Grimm Families; Jeanne & Bob Alvarez; Michael Coyne, Pat McMahon, Frank Shannahan, The Cupps Family; Edmund & Betty Wasil; Bro. Lawrence, Carl Capasso, Vickie, John & Christine Sober; Joshua Martinowski, Nash Huey, William, Trudy & Jim Sparks; Maria B & John F gardiner Jr.; John F Gardiner III, Ruth & Charles Steppe; Dad, Trudy Nash, & Jim; Anna & John Halko; Jane & Joe Sober; Matthew & Agnes Jasek, Allen Jasek, Deceased members of the DeBlossio, Antonucci, Terretti & Baughman Families; Edward & Justina Kopay; The Sarnelli Family & Daiurso Family; Neil & Katherine Kinneer; Thankful Family Blessings, John & Sophie Korzen; Donald (Duck) Korzen, Frank J. DeLose, Andrew F. Jenca, Andrew & Cecelia Jenca; Amelia Jenca, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Miskovich & Harold, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Leeper; Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rega & Mark; Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Farkosh; Staff at Loyalhanna Care Center & Mary Groba; Andrew J. Serbo Sr., Catherine Serbo, Andy Serbo Jr., Pauline Serbo; Dick Barron, Stanley Barron, Helen Barron, Chet Barron. Names are in the order they were received. Thank you everyone who donated to fill our church with beautiful flowers this Christmas Season!

In your charity please pray for the souls of the following member of our Parish Community



Lewis Stanley Ritenour

April 30, 1946 - December 25, 2021

Lewis is survived by his brother Frank L. Ritenour, Jr. and wife Marlene of California, his two nieces Shelly Ritenour and Kristine Hostetter.

David J. Federline

May 29, 1961 - Dec. 31, 2021

Friend of St. Raymond

David is survived by his wife Raissa and their children, Michael, John, Nicholas, Catherine, and Mary Grace.

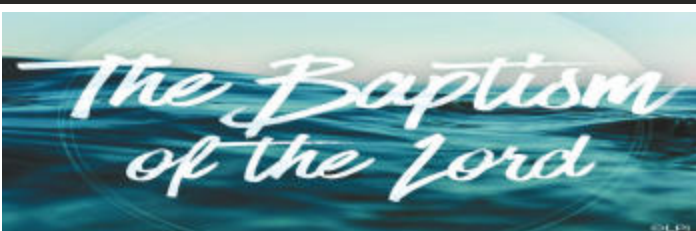
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

More Information About Epiphany and the Blessings of the Doors

This has root in Polish and German customs. It recalls the visit of the Magi and how they were welcomed by Mary and Joseph at the stable in Bethlehem. Doors are chalked with the combination of the initial letters of the Magi and the current year: 20 + C + M + B + 22. The Magi's names were Casper or Kasper (Polish spelling), Melchior and Balthazar. The C + M + B can also be attributed to the Latin words *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross and 2022 is the year.

There are paper banners available for you to take on the back table of the church to place over your door to invite Jesus to be a daily guest in your home for all your comings and goings, conversations, joy and sorrow and work and play.

We invite you to adopt this custom in your family. The family gathers to ask God's blessing on their home and on those who live in or visit the home. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home.



Our Blessed Mother Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is inviting all of St Raymond's parishioners to host a two week stay in your home.



Many many Grace's come to you when she is in your home with your family and friends. Fr Anthony Onoko is eager to meet all of our parishioners and will Bless your Home and Family, and if you like, share a meal or snack with you. Please contact Rachel Burke for the 2022 Schedule now at Kwburke1@msn.com or 724 691-5921; 760 792-0255

Who Are The Christian Mothers?

The Christian Mothers of St. Raymond of the Mountain are caring women from all vocations – single, widowed, divorced, or married, with or without children. These members discuss and pray for the Christian education for their families as well as the needs of the Church and their communities. Their outreach benefits many aspects of Christian life at St. Raymond. Stay tuned for more information about the generous works of our Christian Mothers.

All women are welcome to their monthly meetings and various activities. For more information, please contact Cel 724-454-9105 or Anne 412-389-2626.

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk :13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

2022 MASS INTENTIONS

We are now scheduling Mass intentions for 2022. Each person may request up to 10 intentions for ONE person or ONE family. If you would like to request your intentions, please do so as soon as possible; in writing, and place it in the collection or mail it to the Parish Office. Forms are on the back table of the church. Please indicate your intentions and suggested dates on your written request. The Mass Intentions Policy is posted on the bulletin boards in the Church, and can be provided to you upon request coming to the Parish Office.

GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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“We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ.”

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

Please remember in your prayers

Anna, John Accettola, Josh B., Bonnie Baloga, Sue Brown, Mary C, Terry Cavicchio, Jamie & Justin Chitwood, Eddie Cline, Tara, Eamon, Aedan & Alana Conklin, Shawn Dellgross, Amanda Dennis, George Estochin, Laura Estochin, Heather Faff, The Federline Family, Patty Gadek, Gerald, Bob & Piper Heitzer, David, Gary & Jaylin Heitzer, Jadon Michael & Marlene Kalp, Francis Kantorik, Carrie Keslar, Bill Maddas, Theresa Miller, Regina Nilson, Lisa Maruda, Denise Mastro, Mindy O., David Powers, Larry Powers, Pat Powers, Sabatini Family, Brandy Schurg, Helen Sparks, Tom Sparks, Edie Spell, Ernestine Stanton, Mike & Toni Terretti, Theresa, Colleen and sons, Denise Thomas, Bryce Vargo and Kristin

Please Note: To add someone to the prayer list it is important that you have obtained their permission to do so. Please be sure to keep the office updated on those you have placed on the prayer list. If the office receives no updates after six months, that person will be removed from the prayer list.



Our Offering for Christmas Masses

Envelopes used:	67 of 348 = 19.3%		
Mass Envelopes	Loose	Total	
6:00	\$1755.00	\$434.00	\$2189.00
12:00	\$1320.00	\$317.00	\$1637.00
10:00	\$ 914.57	\$146.00	\$1060.57
Total Offering			\$4886.57

Our Weekly Offering for Dec. 26, 2021

Envelopes used:	66 of 348 = 18.9%		
Mass Envelopes	Loose	Total	
8:00	\$ 836.00	\$168.00	\$1004.00
10:30	\$1153.57	\$1192.00	\$1272.57
Mailed & Weekday Contributions			\$1025.00
Online Contributions			\$ 270.00
Total Offering			\$3571.57

Our Offering for New Years Masses

Envelopes used:	21 of 348 = 6.0%		
Mass Envelopes	Loose	Total	
6:00	\$ 240.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 280.00
10:00	\$ 395.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 440.00
Total Offering			\$ 720.00

Our Weekly Offering for Jan. 1 & 2, 2022

Envelopes used:	83 of 348 = 23.9%		
Mass Envelopes	Loose	Total	
4:30	\$ 765.00	\$255.00	\$1020.00
8:00	\$1237.00	\$130.00	\$1367.00
10:30	\$ 773.57	\$ 64.00	\$ 837.57
Mailed & Weekday Contributions			\$ 840.00
Online Contributions			\$ 375.00
Total Offering			\$4439.57

***Many thanks and may God Bless you
for your generosity.***

MASSES THIS WEEK

Jan. 8 - 16, 2022

Saturday: Vigil of The Baptism of the Lord

4:30 p.m. +Laurie Mae Kraisinger Lipniskis
by Lisa Koval

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 a.m. +Fr. Tom, Jim & David Federline
by Addy Evangeliste & Family
10:30 a.m. Parishioners & Friends of St. Raymond

Monday:

8:00 a.m. +Jack Sharbaugh by Toni Terretti

Tuesday:

8:00 a.m. Clair Lenhart by The Barlock Family

Wednesday:

8:00 a.m. +Fr. Tom Federline
by Jim & Lori Federline

Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. +Fr. Tom Federline
by Lee & Barb Taddonio

Friday:

8:00 a.m. +Fr. Tom Federline
by The Federline Family

Saturday:

4:30 p.m. Parishioners & Friends of St. Raymond

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. +Marry Garrity by The Garrity Family
10:30 a.m. +Pete Findrick by The Zacour Family

Are you new to St. Raymond Parish or has your contact information changed?

We welcome you to our community and ask that you complete the form below.

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.

Please check one:

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