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SOLEMNITY OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI - OCTOBER 4, 2026



## Solemnity of St. Francis of Assisi, Principal Co-Patron of the Archdiocese

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays 5:00 pm Vigil  
Sundays 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm  
Weekdays 8:15 am (Mon-Sat)  
Holy Days 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am & 3:30-4:30 pm;  
Wednesday 7-8 pm, or by appointment

### ADORATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am, Wednesday 7-8 pm

### ANointing OF THE SICK, BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, & FUNERALS

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# This Week

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration & Confession until 9:15 am  
3:30 pm Confession until 4:30 pm  
5:00 pm Mass

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

8:00 am Mass  
9:00 am Religious Education  
10:00 am Mass followed by Coffee & Donuts  
11:00 am Young Adult Meetup (Rose Garden)  
11:30 am Couples' Ministry: Pickleball Tournament  
5:00 pm Mass  
6:00 pm BEaST Youth Group

## MONDAY TO SATURDAY

8:15 am Mass

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

6:00 pm Legion of Mary (Parish Hall)  
7:00 pm Compass College Group (p.5)

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

10:00 am Bible Study  
12:15 pm Senior Mass (All Welcome)  
12:45 pm Senior Lunch & Bingo (Parish Hall)  
7:00 pm Catholic in Recovery (Parish Hall)  
7:00 pm Holy Hour (Confession & Adoration)

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration & Confession until 9:15 am  
3:30 pm Confession until 4:30 pm  
5:00 pm Mass

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:00 am Mass  
~~Religious Education~~ (3-day weekend)  
10:00 am Mass followed by Coffee, Donuts, & Ice Cream Trucks  
11:00 am Young Adult Meetup (Rose Garden)  
5:00 pm Mass  
6:00 pm ~~BEaST Youth Group~~ (3-day weekend)

# Mass Intentions

Sat., Oct. 3, 5:00 pm Rosario Tavora †  
*St. Francis of Assisi, Religious, Principal Co-Patron of the Archdiocese of San Francisco (S)*

Sun., Oct. 4, 8:00 am The Papa & Ruocco Families, L&D  
10:00 am Nina Panichi †  
5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Oct. 5, 8:15 am Maggie Schilke †  
*St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin m; Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest m (27th Week in Ordinary Time)*

Tue., Oct. 6, 8:15 am Rosie Pineda † *birthday*  
*St. Bruno, Priest m; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin m*

Wed., Oct 7., 8:15 am Joseph Iannelli †  
*Our Lady of the Rosary F*

Thur., Oct. 8, 8:15 pm Anne Rauch Smolinski †

Fri., Oct. 9, 8:15 am Franklin Bautista †  
*St. Louis Bertrán, OP, Priest m*

Sat., Oct. 10, 8:15 am Jun

Sat., Oct. 10, 5:00 pm Margarita Pina †  
*Our Lady of the Rosary*

Sun., Oct. 11, 8:00 am  
10:00 am M. Florendo †  
5:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

S - Solemnity; F- Feast; M - Obligatory Memorial;  
m - Optional Memorial; L&D - Living & Deceased  
Mass Intentions are still available for 2026 and 2027.

On Sunday, October 11, we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

## PRAYERS

As a parish community we pray for the sick, including: Jackie Archibald, Nony & Penny Bantug, Howard Benden, Carolyn DeMarce, Maureen DeMoss, Enrique Diaz Salazar, Andrea Edwards, Esther Falsario, Janice Hagy, Richard Hammerud, Mark Head, Pia Jensen, Margaret Kelly, Bonnie Morey, Anjuli & Rashmi Nunn, Roger Pineda, Esperanza Quintanilla, Linda Rasmussen, Miguel Rosa, Enrique Diaz Salazar, Varsha Saxena, Emily Wong, the homebound, those in our local hospitals and skilled nursing facilities, those formerly on the list, and those who wish not to be named.

We also pray for the recently deceased Rosie Pineda and David Fencil.

To add a name or to relist a name, please contact the Parish Office.



## One great preacher can change the world, and you can help!

In the coming weeks, you'll hear more about our annual Rosary Sunday: Dominican Student Appeal, which supports the 42 young men currently in formation to become your future Dominican priests and religious brothers.



[strmp.link/rosarysunday](http://strmp.link/rosarysunday)

Even during these challenging times, God continues to raise up champions of the faith! If your means allow, your financial support is sincerely appreciated. Your generosity will help give the world great Dominicans to preach the Gospel!

Learn more and give securely online at [www.opwest.org/rs](http://www.opwest.org/rs) or use the envelopes in the pews.

## Ice Cream Trucks Sun., Oct. 11

Ice cream trucks will be here next Sunday following the 10 am Mass.



Wednesday, October 7, 2026

Mass: 12:15 pm

Lunch & Bingo: 12:45 pm

Please join us on Wednesday, October 7 for a special Halloween gathering of STARS Senior Bingo. We will begin in the church at 12:15 for a senior Mass. Following Mass we will offer the beautiful sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for those that wish to participate.

We will then move to the Parish Center for a light lunch and delicious treats. Bring a friend, or two, to join in the fun with this wonderful group - all are welcome!! If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Karyn Leahy [leahyfamily@msn.com](mailto:leahyfamily@msn.com).

## Photo of the Week

Fr. John Paul and Bob Ross Fr. Jerome sit in with Wild Child during the 2026 St. Raymond Pumpkin Festival.



## Faith Formation News

All our groups are still open for registration, and we welcome your friends too!

### Family Supported Mass - This Sunday

We'll have our first Family Supported Mass, with children from our Religious Education program taking active roles in the liturgy.

### Prayer Sponsors

Each child preparing for First Communion and each youth preparing for Confirmation will be paired with an elder parishioner who will be their prayer sponsor for the year - a beautiful connection between generations in our parish family!

### Youth Retreat - October 16–18

Thirty of our 8th–12th graders and six chaperones will be heading to Mt. Hermon in the Santa Cruz Mountains for our annual youth retreat. This year's theme is "Jesus Is Calling You by Name." It will be three days of prayer, friendship, fun, and time away with Jesus. Please keep our young people and their chaperones in your prayers!

## CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF ST. JAMES

Discover the Chesterton Academy of St. James, the Bay Area's first Catholic classical high school. We believe your children deserve the best the Catholic faith has to offer - its intellectual tradition, cultural richness and moral formation. Come see how our small classes, rich and integrated curriculum, Socratic seminars, faithful faculty, and sacramental life combine to form not just leaders, but saints! Prepare your child for life, not just college! Upcoming open house: 10-12 noon **Saturday, October 17.** Sign up at: [www.ChestertonStJames.org/Admissions](http://www.ChestertonStJames.org/Admissions) or scan the QR code.



## 40 Days for Life Redwood City

40 Days for Life has already begun and will continue until November 1. Spaces are still available. To RSVP for a spot, or to contact the organizer, visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/redwoodcity> for all the details.

## Young Adult Group

Looking for community and authentic friendship centered on Christ? Hoping to learn more about the Catholic faith? We meet on the 4th Thursday of every month @ 4D Event: Dinner, Drinks, & Discussion w/ Dominicans.

Plug into our growing young adult community by joining our WhatsApp group — scan the QR code!

### Young Adult Mass Meet-Up (YAMM)

Every Sunday, young adults:

- 1) Sit at 10 am Mass together (center-right);
- 2) Greet clergy & one another outside Parish Hall;
- 3) Enjoy FREE coffee, donuts & fellowship @ Rose Garden.



**ST. RAYMOND'S**  
**YOUNG ADULTS** (ages 21-39)  
**4-D: Drinks, Dinner, and Discussion with Dominicans**  
**RSVP in Partiful**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22**  
**6:30–8:30 PM PARISH HALL**  
**1100 SANTA CRUZ AVE. MENLO PARK**  
**LET GO AND LET GOD**  
**FR. JOHN PAUL on surrender**  
**strmp.link/4d**

The poster features a portrait of Fr. John Paul, a QR code, and decorative elements like stars and pumpkins.



Our Last 4D event in September with Fr. Gary Thomas.

## St. Vincent de Paul

### St. Raymond Conference Honored at Ozanam Awards

We're delighted to share some wonderful news from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County! Three members of our St. Raymond Conference, Bob Caletti, Judy Caletti, and Bruno Ender, were honored with the Monsieur Bailly Conference Award at this year's Ozanam Awards celebration, recognizing their many years of faithful Vincentian service.

Congratulations to Bob, Judy, and Bruno on this well-deserved recognition. Thank you for your dedication to serving those in need in our community!



## Wedding Anniversaries

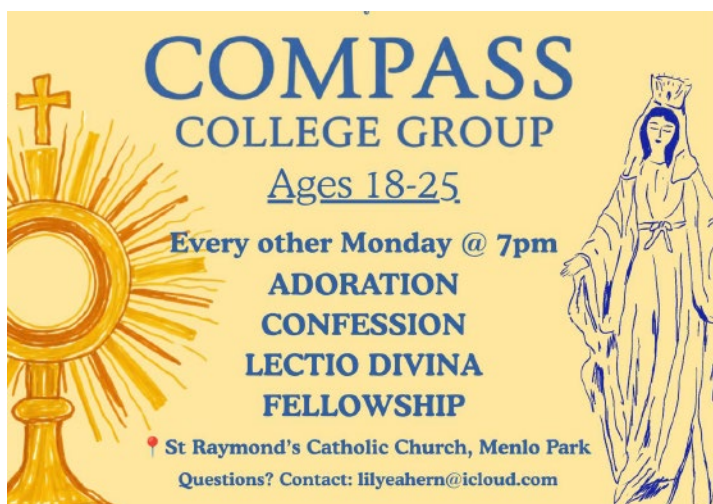
Happy Anniversaries to:

**Hallie and Camilo Colorado (20th)**  
**Mark Brodeur and Mary Abusief Brodeur (20th)**  
**and**  
**Pat & Jaime Slocum (22nd)**  
**(June)**

If you have a milestone anniversary coming up, let the office know at [office@straymondmp.org](mailto:office@straymondmp.org).



62 years of marriage: The Colorados, Slocums, and Brodeurs.



Next Session: Monday, October 5.

# Dominican Corner

## Reflections on the Connection between Dominicans and Franciscans

By Br. Paul Seutter, O.P.

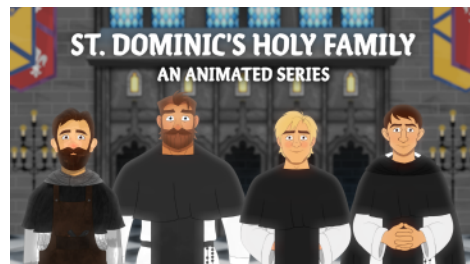
With our Franciscan brothers and sisters, we too call St. Francis of Assisi our Holy Father. Because, like St. Dominic, St. Francis helped to bring about a reform of the Church by his preaching, his religious order, and his holy example of radically living the Gospel. In the year 1205 at San Damiano church outside of Assisi, Francis received the famous call from Christ to “rebuild His Church.” Francis eventually renounced his inheritance and left everything behind from his old life to answer that. He even took the clothes off his back to return them to his father.

Although he first thought that Jesus wanted him to repair the church of San Damiano, the movement that he started brought about a great renewal of holiness in the Church. In the year 1210, just six years before St. Dominic established the Order of Preachers, Pope Innocent III approved the Rule for the Order of Friars Minor and gave Francis and his brothers the blessing to preach their message of peace and repentance. Ten years later there were already 5000 friars throughout Europe.

Nothing could deter Francis from preaching the Gospel. He refused to return to his comfortable and secure life, preferring to trust in God for everything. And this radical trust he had in God was completely united to his desire of becoming like Christ as much as he could. This likeness of Christ was seen in his holy example and in the stigmata that he received from God. Even as Francis was dying, he asked for a loaf of bread so that he may break it and share it with his brothers.

Today on this feast day, Dominicans call to mind the story of St. Francis and St. Dominic meeting each other when they were both in Rome during the year of 1216. Immediately, these two preachers of grace formed a strong friendship. For more than 800 years, Franciscans and Dominicans have kept this friendship. It should come as no surprise that we Dominicans call Francis of Assisi our Holy Father.

Source: <https://www.opcentral.org/news/9028>



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Nov 20-22

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Interested?

**Cover:** *The Meeting of Saint Dominic and Saint Francis of Assisi*, ca. 1427-1429, Bl. Fra Angelico. Legion of Honor, San Francisco.

This small, refined painting depicts an encounter between the founders of the most significant monastic orders in early Renaissance Italy. St. Dominic, wearing a black cloak and white tunic, recognizes the humble, barefoot St. Francis from a dream in which the Virgin presented each of them to Christ. Their hands, joined in greeting, form the focal point of the composition. Fra Angelico, himself a Dominican friar, skillfully employed a convincing perspective system to describe the architecture of the church. This panel was once part of a sequence of five narrative scenes arranged along the bottom edge of a large altarpiece.



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## Annual Rosary Rally

celebrating  
250 years of Misión San Francisco de Asís &  
the Jubilee Year of Saint Francis

**Saturday, Oct. 17**  
**9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

**9 a.m.** Rosary Procession  
from Mission Dolores Basilica  
to the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

**10 a.m.** Sacrament of Reconciliation and  
veneration of relics of Saint Francis  
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

**11 a.m.** Mass celebrated by  
Fr. Bobby Barbato, OFM Cap.  
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption



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More information on the event website.

Scan to learn more



[www.sfarch.org/rosary-rally](http://www.sfarch.org/rosary-rally)

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more & join us

## Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a group of Catholic laypeople who come together each week to pray, grow in faith, and serve others — all under the guidance and intercession of Mother Mary. Members volunteer in a variety of ways, from visiting the sick and homebound to outreach in the community, bringing the love of Christ to those who need it most. Along the way, members find genuine friendship and community with fellow parishioners who share their desire to live the faith.

**The Legion of Mary at St. Raymond meets every Monday at 6 pm in the Parish Center.** All are welcome to join us and learn more about this beautiful apostolate.

## O.C.I.A.

Curious about the Catholic Faith? You're not alone. OCIA brings together adults who are exploring what it means to be Catholic — whether you're new to faith entirely or returning after time away. We'd love to have you join the conversation. Contact Dn. Tom Kelly at [tfk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tfk@sbcglobal.net) or 650-670-2200.

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### HELPLINES FOR CLERGY/CHURCH SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIMS

**(415) 614-5506** This number is answered by Rocio Rodriguez, LMFT, Archdiocesan Pastoral Outreach Coordinator. This is a secured line and is answered only by Rocio Rodriguez.

**(415) 614-5503** If you wish to speak to a non-archdiocesan employee please call this number. This is also a secured line and is answered only by a victim survivor.

**(800) 276-1562** Report sexual abuse by a bishop or a bishop's interference in a sexual abuse investigation to a confidential third party. [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org)

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# WELCOME



If you are a visitor to St. Raymond Parish, we want you to know you are welcome here—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or another parish in the Bay Area. Say hello to any of our parishioners! For information about our parish or to register, contact us at [office@straymondmp.org](mailto:office@straymondmp.org) or register online at [straymondmp.org/register](http://straymondmp.org/register).

## MISSION STATEMENT

St. Raymond is a Catholic parish where we Pray, Serve, and Socialize together as we live out our faith in Jesus Christ.

## VISION STATEMENT

St. Raymond Catholic Church is a vibrant parish in which every parishioner is engaged in ministry and all parishioners pray-serve-socialize together to keep the fire of our faith growing.

## GIVING: ONLINE AND IN PERSON

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**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS** are available at each Mass. Please visit the presiding priest's Communion line to receive the low-gluten host.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK** Do you know of anyone who is homebound or ill? If so, we want to hear from you. Please contact the parish office at (650) 323-1755 and help us get in touch with those who need ministry.

## ST. RAYMOND PARISH

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As part of our parish mission to pray, serve, and socialize we will have a 'Pack the Pantry' collection site at our parish. We will be collecting unopened non-perishable items to supplement our St. Raymond St. Vincent de Paul conference's mission to feed the vulnerable. Next time you're at the store, please grab a few extra items from our list! This will be an ongoing project. Located right here!