



St Raymond's Parish

One Family in Love and Joy



Issue 418

CONSECRATION & RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH & BEGINNING OF THE LITURGICAL

6 November 2022

THE GOSPEL

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Mt 16:13-20

Novena Prayer to St Raymond:

Lord as we honour your martyr St Raymond, make us worthy to glorify and thank you, for you strengthened him in his struggle, crowned him in your glory and exalted his memory throughout the world. Since his martyrdom was pleasing to you, may his intercession be a fortress of protection for your people, repentance for sinners, healing for the sick and peace for your Church and the whole world. Now we celebrate his memory with joy saying with him:

"Lord Jesus Christ, show your might, that your Holy Name may be glorified and blessed forever." Amen



Next Sunday:

Announcement to Zechariah
Heb 4:13-25/Lk 1:1-25

ADORATION



Spend one hour with Jesus.

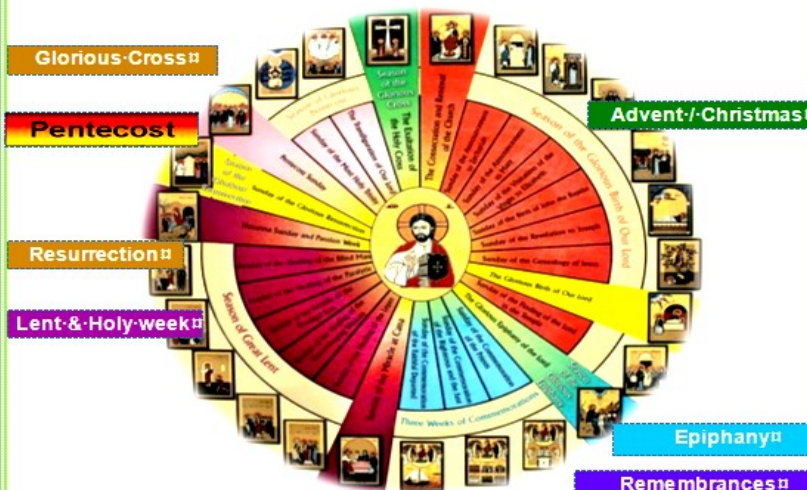
Every Thursday at 7:00pm after our
6:00pm Mass.

THE EPISTLE

Now even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was constructed, the first one, in which were the lampstand, the table, and the bread of the Presence; this is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain was a tent called the Holy of Holies. In it stood the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which there were a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot speak now in detail. Such preparations having been made, the priests go continually into the first tent to carry out their ritual duties; but only the high priest goes into the second, and he but once a year, and not without taking the blood that he offers for himself and for the sins committed unintentionally by the people. By this the Holy Spirit indicates that the way into the sanctuary has not yet been disclosed as long as the first tent is still standing. This is a symbol of the present time, during which gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshiper, but deal only with food and drink and various baptisms, regulations for the body imposed until the time comes to set things right. But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

Heb 9:1-12

The Maronite Liturgical Calendar Cycle



St Raymond's Maronite Parish

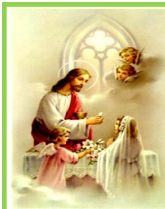
Feast Week Raffle 2022

1ST PRIZE: \$3000 CASH
2ND PRIZE: \$2000 CASH
3RD PRIZE: \$1000 CASH
4TH PRIZE: \$500 CASH

All prizes to be drawn at St Raymond's Feast Dinner on Friday 11 November 2022.

\$5 each ticket or \$50 for 2 books of 10 tickets or \$100 for 5 books of 10 tickets **0001**

You can purchase raffle tickets after our weekend masses or by calling:
Joanne 0414 607 818 Eva 0437 873 338



**ST RAYMOND'S PARISH FIRST
HOLY COMMUNION**

SATURDAY 29 April 2023

Enrolment & Classes February 2023

**For Registrations contact
the office on 9643 0345**

Let us pray for our sick: Linda, Roger, Joe, Michael, John, Eva, Ray, Tony, Arthur, Rochelle, Simon, Hanna, Milad, Antoinette & all the sick.

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St Raymond's Feast Week 2022



Friday 11th November
6pm Rosary, 6:30 Mass and Novena
7:30pm St Raymond's Feast Dinner
@ Renaissance Grand Ballroom
Tickets \$100 per person
Dress Code: Come As You Are

Saturday 12th November
5:30pm Rosary, 6:00 Mass and Novena
7:30 English Movie Night
"AMAZING LOVE" 📺

Sunday 13th November
7:30am Rosary, 8:00 Mass and Novena
9:30am Rosary, 10:00 Mass and Novena
Pastries & Sweets after the two Masses

Monday 14th November
6pm Rosary, 6:30 Mass and Novena
8pm Syriac Mass Celebrated by
Fr Loubnan TARABAY

Tuesday 15th November
6pm Rosary, 6:30 Mass and Novena
Celebrated by Fr Joe-Awtel MAROON
8pm English Rosary led by Youth

Wednesday 16th November
8am Bread, Pastries & Sweets
6pm Rosary, 6:30 Mass and Novena
8pm Youth Mercy Night

Thursday 17th November
8am Bread, Pastries & Sweets
6pm Rosary, 6:30 Mass and Novena
7:30pm Parish Adoration

Friday 18th November
St Raymond's Feast Day
(Church Open all Day)
6pm Rosary, 6:30 Mass and Novena
Celebrated by Fr Robert-Pio AL BAYEH
8pm - 10pm Silent Adoration

Saturday 19th November
5:30pm Rosary, 6:00 Youth Mass and
Novena followed by Youth Haffie

Sunday 20th November
7:30am Rosary, 8:00 Feast Mass and Ziyah
9:30am Rosary, 10:00 Feast Mass and Ziyah
celebrated by His Excellency
Bishop Antoine-Charbel TARABAY
HIRISSI from 9:00am to 4pm
11:30am Family Fun Day (includes food, arcade
games, pony rides, kids zoo, face painting and more)

St Raymond's Feast Dinner

Proceeds Go Towards Church Front Shelter & Back Shed

Friday 11th November 2022
@ 7:30pm

Renaissance Grand Ballroom
3 New Street East
Lidcombe NSW 2141

Mezza, Dinner* & Dessert
Beer, Wine & Soft Drink
Entertainment

\$100 per person
Dress Code: Come As You Are
(Smart Casual)

**For Ticket Purchases &
Event Details**
Lilly 0411 622 341
Jannette 0414 952 940

*Please inform us if you require a vegetarian meal

St Raymond's Feast Dinner Sponsorship

Proceeds Go Towards Church Front Shelter & Back Shed

Friday 11 November 2022

Diamond - \$25,000

3 tables of 10 for St Raymond's Feast Dinner Evening
Exclusive Banner on Dinner Night
Social Media & Newsletter
Company logo on Feast Week Banner / Church Fence
Blue Label Scotch & Grey Goose Vodka
Coupons for Family Fun Day

Platinum - \$10,000

2 tables of 10 for St Raymond's Feast Dinner Evening
Banner on Dinner Night, Social Media & Newsletter
Company logo on Feast Week Banner / Church Fence
Green Label Scotch
Coupons for Family Fun Day

Gold - \$7,000

1 table of 10 for St Raymond's Feast Dinner Evening
Banner on Dinner Night & Social Media
Company logo on Feast Week Banner / Church Fence
Gold Label Scotch
Coupons for Family Fun Day

Silver - \$5,000

1 table of 10 for St Raymond's Feast Dinner Evening
Banner on Dinner Night & Social Media
Company logo on Feast Week Banner / Church Fence
Gold Label Scotch

Bronze - \$2,500

1 table of 10 for St Raymond's Feast Dinner Evening
Banner on Dinner Night, Social Media & Black Label Scotch

For more information & Event Details
Fr Sam 0417 171 737
Joanne 0414 607 818 / Jannette 0414 952 940
GST Inclusive

St Raymond's Feast Week Sponsorship 11-20 November 2022

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Parish Dinner Sponsorship

\$25,000 Diamond - Thank you, may Jesus bless you.

\$10,000 Platinum (thank you Instant Form & DiabCorp)

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\$4,000 Silver (.....)

\$2,500 Bronze (thank you SHIELDS CONSULTANCY)

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1st Raffle prize - \$3000

2nd Raffle prize - \$2000

3rd Raffle prize - Thank you, God bless you

4th Raffle prize - Michel Sassine & Family

Week & Family Day Sponsorship

Hirrisi meat - Ray & Marie Raad & Family

Mince meat - Ray & Marie Raad & Family

Kebab meat - \$1750

Kebab chicken - \$1000

Halloumi Cheese - Johnny & Madeline Chamy & Family

Hot chips - Gabriel Family

Youth BBQ meat - \$750

Youth BBQ chicken - \$400

Youth Kafta - \$225

Ice cream - \$400

Soft drink - \$700

Juice - \$300

Popcorn - Thank you, God bless you

Food ingredients - \$1500

Fairy floss - Thank you, God bless you

Ice - Elie Meouchi & Family

Coffee van - Thank you, God bless you

Cutlery & Grease Papers - \$400

Movie night - \$1000

Youth event 1 - Thank you, God bless you

Youth event 2 - \$300

Youth event 3 - \$300

Water - Thank you, God bless you

Table rolls - \$200

Flour - \$700

Mixed Nuts - Ray & Nancy Wehbe & Family

Gas bottles - Elie Meouchi & Family

Sweet ingredients - \$1000

Bread - Hanna Sassine & Family

Fetta Cheese - \$200

Mozzarella Cheese - \$250

Vegetables & Salads & Corn & Fruits - Thank you Charbel Ayoub & Family

Oil & sugar - Johnny & Amanda Mardini

Tea & Coffee - \$200

Plastic containers - Anthony & Akela Moussa

Heat beads - Simon, Savannah, Noah & Veronica Bazouni

Security 1 - Thank you, God bless you

Security 2 - Thank you, God bless you

Printing - Charlie & Elmaze Bazouni & Family

Pony Rides - Thank you, God bless you

Kids' Zoo - Thank you, God bless you

Children's Entertainer - Thank you, God bless you

1st Arcade game - \$650

2nd Arcade game - \$650

3rd Arcade games - \$650

Air Hockey Table 1 - \$650

Air Hockey Table 2 - \$650

Dance machine - Thank you, God bless you

Church Flowers - \$400

School contribution - \$500

Thank you and may Jesus bless you and your families

Bishop's Comer - Year of Hope - Consecration and Renewal of the Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the life of the Church and the faithful, our liturgy occupies a central place and plays a cardinal role in the march towards the Heavenly Kingdom of God the Father. It is one of the most constitutive elements of the Church, and is centred on the Paschal Event: the death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

This Sunday, the Maronite Church begins a new liturgical year - the Season of the Glorious Birth of Our Lord - with the Sunday of the Consecration and Renewal of the Church.

The Church's year does not begin with New Year's Day but rather, at the head of the sacred year is the sanctifying of the Church, the house of God, and the meeting place of His people. That is, the sacred year cuts across the secular year, and starts with purification, consecration and renewal - the activities of eternity - emphasising the sacred, as opposed to ordinary worldly celebrations.

We must continue to shift our mindset to reflect this in our daily lives; when we celebrate a feast of the Church, such as the Ascension, we are not just commemorating it. In eternity, each Ascension is also the first Ascension.

Our liturgical calendar, based upon and formed by the liturgical tradition in the Spirit of its Father St. Maroun, is much more than a sequence of spiritual seasons and feast days. It helps us live and mirror the salvific events, through a sequence of liturgical seasons in order to help the people of God relive, every year and all the days of their life, the meaning of their faith in Jesus Christ our Lord and the significance of their belonging to the Holy Catholic and Universal Church.

The Maronite liturgical calendar, its structure and aim, are centred on Our Lord Jesus Christ and the act of Salvation, thus revealing the mystery of salvation for the people of God, leading the members of the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ to live and to better understand that the "kingdom of God is very close".

It is a real guidance to the people of God and genuine inspiration in celebrating the sacramental mysteries in the Church.

+ Antoine-Charbel Tarabay

PARISH NOTICE BOARD

Services of the week

From Monday 7 November to Friday 11 November :5:30pm Rosary + 6:00 Mass

Tuesday 8 November - St Michael the Archangel: 5:30pm Rosary + 6:00 Mass

Thursday 9 November: 5:30pm Rosary, 6:00 Mass & 7:00 Adoration

Friday 11 November: 6:00 Rosary, 6:30 Mass & St Raymond's Novena

Saturday 12 November: 5:30pm Rosary & 6:00 Mass

Sunday 13 November - Announcement to Zechariah:

8:00am: Mass (Arabic)

10:00am: Mass (Arb/Eng)

Confessions: will be held Half an hour before and during Masses.

خدمات الأسبوع

من الإثنين ٧ إلى الجمعة ١١ تشرين الثاني: ٥:٣٠ مساءً مسيحية العنراء و ٦:٠٠ قداس
الثلاثاء ٨ تشرين الثاني-عيد مارمخايل رئيس الملائكة: ٥:٣٠ مساءً مسيحية العنراء و ٦ قداس
الخميس ١٠ تشرين الثاني: ٥:٣٠ مساءً مسيحية العنراء و ٦ قداس و ٧ ساعة سجود
الجمعة ١١ تشرين الثاني: ٦:٠٠ مساءً مسيحية العنراء و ٣:٠٠ قداس وتساعية مارومناوس
السبت ١٢ تشرين الثاني: ٥:٣٠ مساءً مسيحية العنراء + ٦:٠٠ قداس

الأحد ١٣ تشرين الثاني - أحد بشارة زكريا:

٨ صباحاً: قداس باللغة العربية

١٠ صباحاً: قداس باللغة العربية والإنكليزية

الإعترافات: نصف ساعة قبل وخلال القداسات

Last week's collections
\$2521.55

PARISH FINANCIALS

Amount Owing to the Bank \$11,300.56
Anyone wishing to donate, please find bank details below:

Commonwealth Bank:
St Raymond's Maronite Catholic Parish
BSB: 067 950 Account No: 03457

Cleaning the House of God

Interested in helping to keep the House of God clean? **Every Thursday after Adoration**



With Your Support, We Will Build Our New Parish

KEEP UP TO DATE:

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Saint Raymond's Maronite Parish Sydney



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For **Final Rites** at home or in hospital please call **Fr Sam on 0417171737**



Taking the payment responsibility of:

1. Teaching Choir & PowerPoint - *Thank you & God bless you*
2. Mobile Phone Bill - *Thank you & God bless you Raymond & Georgette Daher*
3. Caltex Fuel Card - *Thank you & God bless you Joe & Dianne Bechara & Family*
4. E-Tag
5. Church Weekly Flowers - \$50 per week
6. Second Parish Office Rent for Pastoral Work - (\$480 per week)
7. Large garbage bin (\$40 per week)
8. Utilities (Gas, Electricity & Water) \$75 per week
9. Parish Priest Accommodation (\$125 per week) *Done - Thank you & God bless you*
10. Office Phone Bill+ Internet (\$100 per week)
11. Technical Network Maintenance *Done - Thank you & God bless you*
12. Photocopier (\$100 per week)
13. Electricity Bills (\$600 per month)
14. Diocesan Levy (\$750 per week)
15. Cutting Grass *Done - Thank you & God bless you*

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عائلة واحدة بمحبة وفرح



٦ تشرين الثاني ٢٠٢٢

أحد تقديس وتجديد البيعة وبدء السنّة الطقسية

عدد ٤١٨

الرسالة

أَمَّا الْمَسِيحُ فَقَدْ ظَهَرَ عَظِيمَ أَخْبَارِ الْخَيْرَاتِ الْآتِيَةِ، وَاجْتَنَزَ الْمَسْكِنَ الْأَعْظَمَ وَالْأَكْمَلَ، غَيْرَ الْمَصْنُوعِ بِالْأَيْدِي، أَيْ لَيْسَ مِنْ هَذِهِ الْخَلِيقَةِ، فَدَخَلَ إِلَى قُدْسِ الْأَقْدَاسِ مَرَّةً وَاحِدَةً، لَا بِدَمِ الثِّيُوسِ وَالْعُجُولِ، بَلْ بِدَمِهِ هُوَ، فَحَقَّقَ لَنَا فِدَاءً أَبَدِيًّا. فَإِذَا كَانَ رَشَّ دَمِ الثِّيُوسِ وَالْخَيْرَاتِ وَرَمَادِ الْعِجْلَةِ عَلَى الْمُتَجَسِّسِينَ، يُقَدِّسُ أَجْسَادَهُمْ فَيُطَهِّرُهُمْ، فَكَمْ بِالْأُخْرَى دَمُ الْمَسِيحِ، الَّذِي قَرَّبَ نَفْسَهُ لِلَّهِ بِالرُّوحِ الْأَرِزِّيِّ قُرْبَانًا لَا عَيْبَ فِيهِ، يُطَهِّرُ صَمِيرَنَا مِنَ الْأَعْمَالِ الْمَيْتَةِ، لِنَعْبُدَ اللَّهَ الْحَيَّ! وَلِذَلِكَ فَهُوَ الْوَسِيطُ لِعَهْدٍ جَدِيدٍ، وَقَدْ صَارَ مَوْتُهُ فِدَاءً لِنَعْدِيَّاتِ الْعَهْدِ الْأَوَّلِ، حَتَّى يَبْنَالَ بِهِ الْمَدْعُودُونَ وَعَدَ الْمِيرَاثِ الْأَبَدِيِّ.

عب ٩: ١١-١٥



الأحد القادم: أحد بشارة زكريا

عب ٤: ١٣-٢٥ / لو ١: ١-٢٥

ساعة سجود



تعالوا نسجد للقربان
ونتمتع بحضور يسوع معنا
كل يوم خميس الساعة
٧:٠٠ مساءً بعد قداس
الساعة ٦:٠٠

الإنجيل

قَالَ مَتَّى الرَّسُولُ: "وَجَاءَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى نَوَاحِي قَيْصَرِيَّةَ فَيْلِبُّسَ فَسَأَلَ تَلَامِيذَهُ قَائِلًا: "مَنْ يَقُولُ النَّاسُ إِلَيَّ أَنَا ابْنُ الْإِنْسَانِ؟". فَقَالُوا: "بَعْضُهُمْ يَقُولُونَ: يُوحَنَّا الْمَعْمَدَانُ؛ وَآخَرُونَ: إِيْلِيَّا؛ وَغَيْرُهُمْ: إِرْمِيَا أَوْ أَحَدُ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ". قَالَ لَهُمْ: "وَأَنْتُمْ مَنْ تَقُولُونَ إِلَيَّ أَنَا؟". فَأَجَابَ سَمْعَانُ بَطْرُسُ وَقَالَ: أَنْتَ هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ اللَّهِ الْحَيِّ!". فَأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ لَهُ: "طُوبَى لَكَ يَا سَمْعَانُ بَنَ يُونَا! لِأَنَّكَ لَا لَحْمَ وَلَا دَمَ أَظْهَرَ لَكَ ذَلِكَ، بَلْ أَبِي الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ. وَأَنَا أَيْضًا أَقُولُ لَكَ: أَنْتَ هُوَ بَطْرُسُ، أَيْ الصَّخْرَةَ، وَعَلَى هَذِهِ الصَّخْرَةِ سَأَبْنِي بَيْعَتِي، وَأَبْوَابُ الْجَحِيمِ لَنْ تَقْوَى عَلَيْهَا. سَأُعْطِيكَ مَفَاتِيحَ مَلَكُوتِ السَّمَاوَاتِ، فَكُلُّ مَا تَرْتَبُطُهُ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ يَكُونُ مَرْبُوطًا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ، وَمَا تَحُلُّهُ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ يَكُونُ مُحْلُولًا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ". حِينَئِذٍ أَوصَى تَلَامِيذَهُ أَلَّا يَقُولُوا لِأَحَدٍ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ.

متى ١٦: ١٣-٢٠

"أنتم من تقولون إني أنا؟" - ألواري سام وهبه

تفتتح كنيسةنا المارونية السنّة الطقسية أو الليتورجية، أي سنة جديدة حول يسوع.
فكما في السنّة الشمسية العادية تدور الأرض حول الشمس، وتأخذ منها النور والحرارة والحياة، وتعيش ١٢ شهرًا، تبدأ أكانون الثاني، وتكون الليل والنهار والفصول الأربعة، كذلك في السنّة الليتورجية، تدور حياة الكنيسة والمؤمنين حول شمسنا يسوع المسيح، وتأخذ منه النور والحب والحياة، وتعيش ١٢ شهرًا وتكون ٧ فصول أو أزمّة وهي:

١- الميعي والميلاد؛ ٢- الدنح؛ ٣- التذكارات؛ ٤- الصوم وأسبوع الآلام؛ ٥- القيامة؛ ٦- الغنصرة؛ ٧- الصليب.

هذه السنّة تبدأ بأحد تقديس وتجديد البيعة لماذا؟

لأنه عندما تعيش الكنيسة، أي نحن المؤمنون، سنة حول حياة يسوع المسيح، وتتأمل فيه، وتشبه به، وتصغي له، وتبني علاقة قوية به وتحمل الصليب معه، عندها تتقدّس وتتجدّد. وأيضًا لكي تقدر أن تعيش الكنيسة حول حياة ربنا يسوع المسيح، علما أن تكون مقدّسة وجديدة. في الإنجيل، يسأل يسوع التلاميذ: "من تقولون إني أنا؟". وعندما أجابه بطرس: "أنت المسيح ابن الله الحي"، أي أنت الشمس والحب والحياة والنور والخلص والقوة والرجاء، عندها جعله يسوع صخرة يبني عليها كنيسته، كنيسة الحب، والسلام، والخلص، والفرح، والقداسة.

ربي يسوع، كن محور حياتي وحياة كنائسنا وعيالتنا وعلمانا، أأخذ منك النور والحب والحياة فأصير صخرة مقدّسة تبني فيها كنيسة القديسين. آمين



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