



# St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish

*"Come, gather for God's great feast" Rev. 19:17*

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*St. John Vianney, Patron Saint of Priests*

Dear St. Raymond's Parents,

Summer greetings from Fr. Sakowski and Marianne Callaghan! We are gearing up for another year of Family Faith Formation. **Our first session is Sunday, September 24**, following the 8:30 Mass.

We reviewed your feedback from last year's programming and are deeply grateful for the praise and enthusiasm that many of you gave. It was truly heartwarming to see parents gaining confidence that they can share their Faith with their children both in the parish and in, the home. We very much see our role as assisting and empowering parents and families so that your homes can truly become the "domestic Church" that Pope Francis talks so often about, a place where the love of Jesus grows.

**Enclosed please find the dates for this year's monthly sessions.** Additionally, in the event that there is a session or two that conflict with your family's schedule, also enclosed are alternate dates at St. Mary's (who will be doing the same program but on one Wednesday evening per month).

We are excited to put together a great lineup of speakers to help energize you parents, and will continue providing monthly lessons and monthly resources for your children. In addition, on the schedule you will notice four Activity Days. They are optional, but encouraged. We want to offer opportunities for more family connections so that we can all encourage and support each other in the daunting task of being Catholic parents in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

See you September 24!

*In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fr. Derek Sakowski".

Father Derek Sakowski  
Pastor

Marianne Callaghan  
Director of Family Faith Formation