



SAINT RAPHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Masses

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00PM
Sunday Masses 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00AM
Weekday Mass 8:30AM

The Rosary is prayed Monday through Saturday morning at 7:50AM, prior to the morning Mass. All are invited to participate.

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass 4:00PM
Holy Day 8:30AM & 7:00PM
unless noted otherwise in bulletin

Parish Office *Summer Hours*

8:30AM—12:30PM Monday thru Friday
Closed in the afternoon for the summer.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday: 9:00—9:30AM and 2:30—3:00PM

Sacrament of the Sick

Anointing is available upon request before surgery, serious illness and emergency at any time. Please call the Parish Office.

Baptism

Registration for Baptism will be held on the First Sunday of each month at the Parish Office shortly after the 11:00 AM Mass. Please call the office for an appointment.

Preparation for Baptism is required for both parents and sponsors and will be available at the Parish Office on the second Saturday of each month beginning at 10:00 AM. Arrangements for and the scheduling of baptism will not take place until after the required preparations have been completed.

Rite of Baptism will be celebrated after the last Mass on the last Sunday of each month.

Marriage

Couples who are registered parishioners must see a priest or deacon AT LEAST six months before anticipated wedding date. Do not rent a hall for a reception before your wedding is placed in the Parish Calendar.

Religious Education

Please call the parish office for information

Parish Bulletin

All articles in the parish Bulletin must be approved by the priest. The deadline is 10:00AM on Friday of the week before the date you wish to have the item run.



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 15, 2018

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

— Psalm 85:12

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
Mt 10:34 -11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21;
Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16;
Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

ST. RAPHAEL TREASURE CHEST

Offertory 07/01/2018	Offertory 07/08/2018
Loose: \$ 2312.30	Loose: \$ 2746.01
Env.: \$ 5418.00	Env.: \$ 4273.00
Total: \$ 7730.30	Total: \$ 7019.01
Peter's Pence: \$ 1649.16	

2018 Catholic Faith Appeal 07/02/2018

GOAL: \$ 159,000 % OF GOAL: 63.19 %
PLEDGED: \$ 100,466.34 RECEIVED: \$ 90,066.55
% of HOUSEHOLDS PARTICIPATING: 31.78 %

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Amos said, "The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people" (Amos 7:12-15).

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10]).

Gospel — Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two (Mark 6:7-13).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Wednesday: St. Camillus de Lellis
Friday: St. Apollinaris
Saturday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi; Blessed Virgin Mary

GOD IN ALL

In everything, be it a thing sensed, or a thing known, God is hidden within. —St. Bonaventure

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

At the time of the Reformation, although England broke away from papal authority under Henry VIII, a silent majority clung to the Catholic faith. Henry's eldest daughter, Mary, restored the "old religion" in a fierce persecution of Protestants (she is called "Bloody Mary" for good reason.) His youngest daughter, Elizabeth, rejected papal ties. Under her reign, beginning with legislation in 1593, Catholics were persecuted again, and only the very wealthy could afford the fines for not attending Anglican services on Sunday. They were called "recusants," from a Latin word meaning "refuse," since they refused to attend the liturgy of the Church of England. Many families maintained Catholic tradition in secret, and today their descendants claim "Recusancy" as a mark of family pride. For generations they sent their young people abroad to be educated in convents and monasteries. It is not surprising that the first monastery in colonial America springs from Holland with the daughters of patrician English recusant families. Port Tobacco, Maryland, proved fruitful soil for the Carmelite tradition.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

CALLED BY GOD

Today's scriptures invite us to listen to two calls. The first is the call issued by the LORD to the prophet Amos, the "shepherd and a dresser of sycamores" (Amos 7:14). The second is the call the Lord Jesus issued to the Twelve, whom he sent out "two by two" (Mark 6:7). These faithful people responded to the call, prophesying and preaching to the people to whom they had been sent. Each of us received a call when we were baptized. The second reading invites us to ponder that call as we are reminded that we are chosen in Christ and that, in love, God "destined us for adoption" (Ephesians 1:5). As adopted daughters and sons of God we are called to bring the presence of Christ into our marriages, families, schools, and places of work. Let us be inspired today to say yes to the call we hear once again through God's living word. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please call Dorothy Seymour at 474-8904 if prayers are needed. Prayer intentions are passed on only to those who are part of the prayer chain. All information is confidential.

A MAGICAL EFFECT

Patience and perseverance have a magical effect before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish.

—John Quincy Adams



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

Feast Day July 16

According to the traditions of the Carmelite order, on July 16, 1251, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite. During the vision, she revealed to him the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, popularly known as the "Brown Scapular." A century and a quarter later, the Carmelite order began to celebrate on this date the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

The Carmelites had long claimed that their order extended back to ancient times—indeed, that it was founded on Mount Carmel in Palestine by the prophets Elijah and Elisha. While others disputed this idea, Pope Honorius III, in approving the order in 1226, seemed to accept its antiquity. The celebration of the feast became wrapped up with this controversy, and, in 1609, after Robert Cardinal Bellarmine examined the origins of the feast, it was declared the patronal feast of the Carmelite order.

From then on, the celebration of the feast began to spread, with various popes approving the celebration in southern Italy, then Spain and her colonies, then Austria, Portugal and her colonies, and finally in the Papal States, before Benedict XIII placed the feast on the universal calendar of the Latin Church in

1726. It has since been adopted by some Eastern Rite Catholics as well.

The feast celebrates the devotion that the Blessed Virgin Mary has to those who are devoted to her, and who signal that devotion by wearing the Brown Scapular. According to tradition, those who wear the scapular faithfully and remain devoted to the Blessed Virgin until death will be granted the grace of final perseverance and be delivered from Purgatory early

This prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel derives from an antiphon, "*Flos Carmeli*" ("The Flower of Carmel"), composed by St. Simon Stock (c. 1165-1265). St. Simon Stock is said to have received the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (commonly called "the Brown Scapular") from the Blessed Virgin Mary herself, when she appeared to him on July 16, 1251 (now the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel).

This prayer, therefore, is often tied to the Brown Scapular and is also recited as a novena before the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. It can, however, be recited at any time for any need.

Prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel

O most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein that you are my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in this my necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. O show me herein that you are my Mother.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us that have recourse to thee. (3 times)

PRAYER FOR SAFETY DURING HURRICANE SEASON

O God, Master of this passing world,
hear the humble voices of your children.

The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order
and returned to its former quietude.

You are still the Master of land and sea.

We live in the shadow of a danger
over which we have no control:

the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant,
can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep
its conventional boundaries, invade our land,
and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You,
O loving Father.

Spare us from past tragedies whose memories
are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse
to heal with passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother,
we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf,
so that spared from the calamities common to this area
and animated with a true spirit of gratitude,

we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son
to reach the heavenly Jerusalem,
where a stormless eternity awaits us.

Amen.

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows

I WANT TO BE A FIREMAN
WHEN I GROW UP, BUT I'M
OPEN TO GOD'S BIGGER PLAN



Amos answered Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor have I belonged to a company of prophets; I was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores.

The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me,
Go, prophesy to my people Israel." Am 7:14-15

Church Hours (Parish Center Building)

Monday thru Saturday Morning

doors open at 7:45AM

doors close at 9:30AM

Saturday Afternoon

doors open at 2:30PM

doors close at 5:00PM

Sunday

doors open at 6:30AM

doors close at 12:00PM

Please note: For security purposes, access to the church area will be restricted to the times listed above. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

FEAST OF FAITH



Liturgy and the Holy Trinity

The Trinity is the central mystery of our faith. We believe that God is one, yet three: total unity and rich diversity. God is not a monolith, but a dynamic community of persons, a perfect, loving harmony of three. And the liturgy is the work of the Trinity. We begin all our liturgical celebrations with the sign of the cross, a reminder of our Trinitarian baptism, and the simplest of all professions of our faith. We believe that God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and we gather in the name of this triune God. Throughout the Mass, we address our prayers to God the Father, through Christ our Lord, in the Spirit's power. And the Father hears our prayer, transforming bread and wine into the Body and Blood of his Son by the Holy Spirit. The Church is "the sacrament of trinitarian communion" (*Sacramentum Caritatis*, 16). It is the Trinity who holds us together as well. In the words of Saint Cyprian, we are "a people made one by the unity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" (quoted in *Sacramentum Caritatis*, 16).

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

GRILLING WITH GRACE

Grilling with Grace! Tuesdays in July at 6pm in the chapel at Incarnation Parish, Sarasota- Holy Hour followed by a barbeque and fellowship! The final evening will take place at the Siesta Key Beach pavilion with Bishop Frank J. Dewane as the speaker! \$5 suggested donation. For info visit <https://dioceseofvenice.org/offices/daily-resources/calendar/>.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

"Nowhere does Jesus hear our prayers more readily than in the Blessed Sacrament." — Bl. Henry Susa

Epiphany Cathedral Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Parishioners from all parishes are invited to participate. To schedule a Holy Hour call Jenny 441-7495

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Experienced fathers who are willing to coach rookie dads in how to take care of their family and be great fathers are needed at Pregnancy Solutions Inc..Offices in Venice, North Port & Port Charlotte. For details, contact Pregnancy Solutions Executive Director Callie Cowan at 941-408-7100.

BE A WITNESS FOR LIFE

Volunteer to pray outside of the abortion clinic on Olean Blvd. in Port Charlotte. The abortionist recently closed his North Fort Myers office, but unfortunately has increased his Port Charlotte office hours and the number of women coming there. Volunteers are needed to cover the extra hours so that a small group is always seen praying outside the center when it is open. Shifts are 1-2 hours long on Tues. & Wed., 2-4PM and Thurs. & Fri., 9-11AM. Please call the Volunteer Coordinator Dennis at 941-380-0025 to schedule a time. You can make a difference!

TELEVISED MASS

For Catholics who view the Sunday Mass on FOX4, on this Sunday, July 15, the Mass will air at 7:30am. rather than its usual time due to a sporting event. The Mass is also available on the Diocese of Venice website, www.dioceseofvenice.org/tvmass. Please note the time change is a decision of the television network and not the desire of the Diocese of Venice.

SHARE THE JOURNEY CONTINUES...

The Diocese of Venice continues to promote Share the Journey, a worldwide two-year initiative of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis. This series is designed to answer questions focusing on Refugee Resettlement & serve as an aide to build bridges of reconciliation, understanding & hospitality, in keeping with the spirit of Share the Journey.

Are Refugees a Burden?

1. The primary goal of the U.S. refugee resettlement program is to help provide protection to refugees and help them become self-sufficient. (Sources: U.S. Refugee Act, Code of Federal Regulations 45 400.1)

2. Within a period of 2-4 months, most refugees manage to find a stable job, send their children to school and pay taxes. One study in Cleveland found that in 2016, refugees generated a total economic impact of \$88.2 million in spending that supported 1,220 jobs in the region. In addition, refugees and refugee service organizations contributed \$4.5 million in taxes to the state, county, and municipal governments. (Sources: Chmura Economics & Analytics; MPI)

3. Likewise, between 2002 and 2012 refugees started 38 businesses that employed 141 locals in the Cleveland area. In addition to contributing economically, refugees culturally enrich communities and parishes with new perspectives, histories and cultures. (Sources: Chmura Economics & Analytics; MPI)



“DO NOT BE AFRAID to embrace God’s gift of life. Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us.”USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities 2017-2018 Respect Life Reflection, www.usccb.org/be-not-afraid

CCW CLUB OPPORTUNITIES

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Anyone who is experiencing physical or emotional distress & needs to feel the touch of God & His love may receive a blessed shawl. Call Jackie 474-7828 or Anne 460-2733.

CRAFT CLUB is looking for members. Fridays 9:30am-11am in the parish center. Info call Marianne 474-1329.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Couples who wish to celebrate their wedding anniversary are invited to participate in the renewal of wedding vows at the 11AM Mass on the last Sunday of their anniversary month. Please call the parish office to register.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Any group or club that has members who have not complied with the requirements of safe environment will no longer be able to hold meetings, advertise and hold fund raisers, etc. on parish property until such time when all club/group members have complied and completed the Safe Environment requirements of the Diocese of Venice. **Please note: This includes all ministries that are affiliated with St. Raphael Church, including those who meet offsite.** If there are individuals who require Safe Environment training, contact the office for a schedule of training sessions.

OUR PARISH IS A SAFE ENVIRONMENT committed to protecting children, youth and vulnerable adults. Report all abuse to the Florida Department of Children and Families at (800)-962-2873. To report abuse by Diocesan personnel or volunteers, call the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator at (941)416-6114. For further information visit <http://www.dioceseofvenice.org>.

ABORTION RECOVERY

Do you often think about an abortion you had years ago? There is someone there to listen. Call Sylvia at 941-412-5860 or email projectrachel@dioceseofvenice.org. All calls are confidential. See www.dioceseofvenice.org for more information about Project Rachel.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

You can be a superhero and empower your neighbors in need by donating to the Catholic Charities "Summertime and the Giving is Easy Appeal". Help provide support, shelter, food and education to families and individuals in your community. Catholic Charities builds up the people of Southwest Florida with the courage to move beyond poverty and achieve self-sufficiency. A total of 92 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to clients. To donate, please visit www.catholiccharitiesdov.org. The giving is easy! Your gift will make a positive impact!

ST. RAPHAEL ACTIVITY CORNER

Monday July 16 through Sunday July 22

Mon.	1:00PM	Prayer Shawl Group
Tues.		
Wed.		
Thur.		
Fri.	9:30AM	CCW Craft Group
Sat.		
Sun.		

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

The Institute for Catholic Studies. Classes are eight weeks and presented to your computer or smart device. Cost \$200. For details, visit www.Institute-dov.org, 941-766-7334.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

For employment opportunities in the Diocese of Venice, go to www.dioceseofvenice.org/employment.

PRISON MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

No previous experience required; newcomers are paired with experienced volunteers. Contact Robert 863-558-0407.

WORKSHOP TEACHERS REQUESTED

Looking for married couples who are willing to teach a one-day workshop up to three times per year. Training provided. Stipend paid. Contact Kim at elsmore@dioceseofvenice.org.



WITNESSING FAITH

Join Bishop Frank J. Dewane for his monthly radio program "Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane" on the last Friday of each month at 10:30am online at RelevantRadio.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday July 16 through Sunday July 22

Mon	8:30AM	Order of Carmelites
Tues	8:30AM	Joseph Schaffner
Wed	8:30AM	Edward J. Wallace Req. by his wife Florence
Thur	8:30AM	Theodore Guzzy Req. by his sister
Fri	8:30AM	People of the Parish
Sat	8:30PM	Purgatorial Society
	4:00PM	Cora Masselli Req. by her grandson Nicholas
Sun	7:30AM	James Harper Req. by Alice Harper
	9:00 AM	Aaron Pastor Req. by Andy & Helen Pastor
	11:00 AM	John Iulo Req. by Connie Flynn

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the parish and all who have gone before us in the faith.