



# SAINT RAPHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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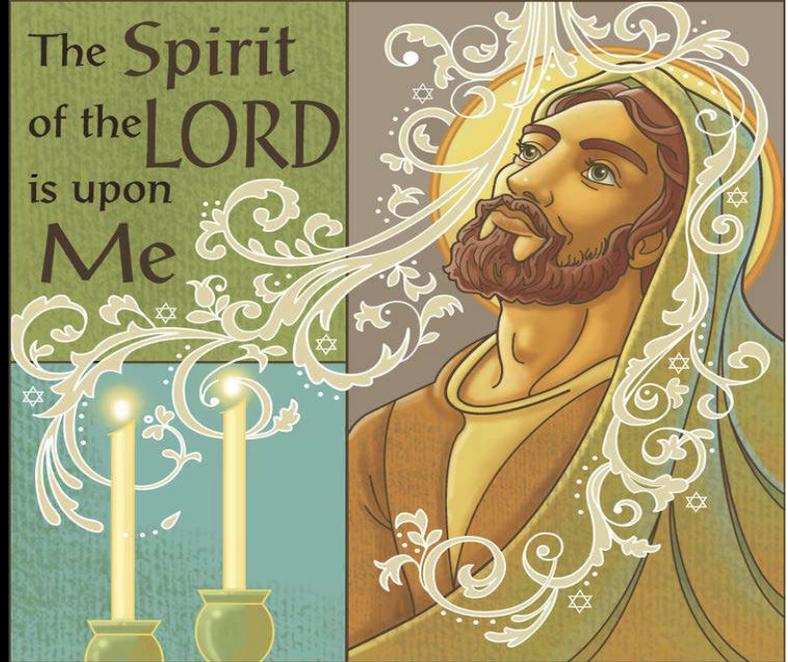
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## Masses

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00PM and 5:30PM  
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. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed Monday through Saturday morning following morning Mass. All are invited to participate in these devotions.

## Holy Day Masses

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

## Parish Office

8:30AM—12:30PM Monday thru Friday  
1:30PM—4:30PM Monday thru Thursday

## 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 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.

## Church Hours

Monday thru Friday	doors open at 7:45AM	doors close at 3:00PM
Saturday	doors open at 7:45AM	doors close at 5:00PM ( 6:30PM Jan. thru Mar.)
Sunday	doors open at 6:30AM	doors close at 12:00PM



# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 27, 2019

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has  
anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

— Luke 4:18a

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11;  
Mk 3:31-35  
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25  
Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40;  
Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;  
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]  
Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;  
1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

## ST. RAPHAEL TREASURE CHEST



01/20/19 Offertory

Loose: \$

Env.: \$ Not available at time of print

Total: \$

Church in Latin America \$ Not available at time of print

### 2018 Catholic Faith Appeal 01/11/2018

GOAL: \$ 159,000 % OF GOAL: 74.99 %  
PLEDGED: \$ 119,233.14 RECEIVED: \$ 118,973.14  
% of HOUSEHOLDS PARTICIPATING: 39.01 %

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

**Psalm** — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

**Second Reading** — In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

**Gospel** — The Spirit of the Lord has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catholic Schools Week  
Monday: St. Thomas Aquinas  
Thursday: St. John Bosco  
Friday: First Friday  
Saturday: The Presentation of the Lord; Blessing of  
Candles; First Saturday; World Day for  
Consecrated Life; Groundhog Day

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Saturday's feast of the Presentation is a day for the blessing of candles. Why does liturgy require candles? In the first years of the church, worship was often at night, and candles and torches were carried from place to place within the worship space as needed. Candles were also a mark of festivity and hospitality when people gathered for prayer in homes, and later on in large buildings with thick walls and dark corners. But even after gaslight and electricity, candles were kept.

Part of the reason has to do with the warm, clean light of a candle's flame. Candles are a good sign of the partnership of God and creation: wax made by bees, gathered and fashioned by human hands into something beautiful and useful. In order for the light to shine, the candle surrenders itself, almost as if it is pouring itself out so that the light can flood into the world. The candle of baptism, placed into our hands, and carried again and again, speaks silently of that same wisdom. If you would save your life, you must lose it. You must pour your life out like Christ so that you may be filled with the light of his love. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord."

And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.

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## LOVE IN OUR WORKS

Our Lord does not care so much for the importance of our works as for the love with which they are done. —Teresa of Ávila

## 2019 MEN'S CONFERENCE

Enjoy spiritual fellowship with some grit, games, and great food! 9am-3pm on Sat., Feb. 2 at Bishop Verot Catholic High School, Fort Myers. Pre-registration \$20 (students \$5). Door \$30 (students \$10). Speakers are Dr. Mary Healy, Deacon Ralph Poyo, and Hector Molina. Register at <http://dioceseofvenice.regfox.com/2019-mens-conference>

## 2019 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Speakers: Jennifer Fulwiler, Leah Darrow, and Mother foundress of the Servents of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Mother Adela Galindo. 9am-3pm on Sat., Feb. 16 at Bishop Verot Catholic High School, Fort Myers. Pre-registration \$20(students \$5). Door \$30 (students \$10). Register at <http://dioceseofvenice.regfox.com/2019-womens-conference>.

## EMMAUS WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday, Mar. 8 — Sunday, Mar.10 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center. .Registration fee \$200 double, \$285 single room. Registration deadline is Sat, Feb. 23. Contact Donna Vodraska [donnnavodraska@aol.com](mailto:donnnavodraska@aol.com), 941-496-4464.

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MASS

In appreciation of the volunteers of the Diocese of Venice, Bishop Frank J. Dewane invites all those who donate their time and talent to Mass at 11am on Sat., Feb.23, at Our Lady of Light Parish, Fort Myers. Lunch will follow. No cost however registration is required. To register please visit <https://dioceseofvenice.regfox.com/mass-in-appreciation-of-volunteers>, email [ardy@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:ardy@dioceseofvenice.org) or call Gail Ardy at 941-484-9543

## OUR MOTHER'S HOUSE

Wine Tasting, Auction & Dinner Dance will be held at 5:30pm on Thursday, Feb. 28 at the Venice Community Center. Proceeds will benefit Our Mother's House, which is committed to helping homeless mothers and their children achieve self-sufficiency. Tickets are \$85 a person. For info. and tickets, please visit [www.catholiccharitiesdov.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdov.org) or call 941-485-6264 or email [ourmothershouse@ccdis1.org](mailto:ourmothershouse@ccdis1.org)

## TEACH A MAN TO FISH GALA

6:30pm Sat., Feb. 2 at the Englewood Elks Club. Proceeds benefit New Paradigm of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, which provides affordable, transitional housing to local families who are at risk of becoming homeless, as well as the education and training necessary to live an independent life. Evening will include cocktail hour, dinner, auctions, and chance to win a trip to Italy! Tickets \$65 For info. and tickets, visit [www.catholiccharitiesdov.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdov.org) or call 941-681-2194 or email [info@thenpf.org](mailto:info@thenpf.org).

## BROKEN BRIDGES

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## DRUG ADDICTS ANONYMOUS

Do You Know a Young Person with a Drug Problem? Perhaps you know of a young friend, neighbor or classmate who suffers from drug addiction and does not know where to turn for help. Drug Addicts Anonymous believes all individuals suffering from addiction have a right to access recovery, be self-sufficient and independent. Yet, today many young people affected by drug addiction are deprived of a sense of self-worth because they cannot pay for proper treatment or access recovery resources and support. Drug Addicts Anonymous provides an opportunity for long term recovery and positive change through a no cost service. Based on a twelve-step program, the focus is on the physical, mental and spiritual condition as a whole person; contributing to the individual's social reintegration in a dignified and efficient way. For information on the program and services visit [www.daamerica.org](http://www.daamerica.org) or call 561-420-0930.



## 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](http://RelevantRadio.com)

## The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



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# FEAST OF FAITH



## The Shape of the Eucharistic Prayer

Our Eucharistic Prayers originated in the traditional Jewish meal prayers known as *berakah*, which were prayers of thanksgiving used at meals. Over the centuries, the Christian thanksgiving, or Eucharist, gradually took shape. While in the East the Eucharistic Prayers (called *anaphora*) took many forms, in the Roman Church there was for many centuries just one Eucharistic Prayer, called the Roman Canon (now known as Eucharistic Prayer I). Almost all Eucharistic Prayers include the same basic elements. They begin with thanksgiving and acclamation. Then there is an *epiclesis*, as the priest calls down the Holy Spirit upon the gifts. Then follows the institution narrative and consecration, as the words that Jesus spoke at the Last Supper are repeated. After the consecration, we remember in an explicit way all that Christ has done for us—this is the *anamnesis*, or remembering. The prayer concludes with the offering, the intercessions—prayers for the Church, our leaders, ourselves—and a final doxology of praise.

The reforms of the Second Vatican Council enriched our liturgy with additional Eucharistic Prayers, including both ancient texts (Eucharistic Prayer II is based on the most ancient of all existing Eucharistic Prayers) and new compositions. —Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



## FIRST FRIDAY

This Friday, February 1 is First Friday. Benediction will follow the 8:30AM Mass with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 12noon. Prayerfully consider spending time with the Lord.

## RETREAT CENTER

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center.

3989 South Moon Dr., Venice FL 34292

Phone:(941) 486-0233 Visit [www.olph-retreat.org](http://www.olph-retreat.org)

**Come to the Water** - Second Wednesday of each month. Next date: Feb. 13. Begins at 9am & includes continental breakfast, lunch, conferences, opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation, private meditation & prayer. Mass 2:30pm. Early registration 10 days prior \$30. Registration \$35 thereafter. Register at <https://olph-retreats.org/1-day-retreats>.

**Ignatian Preached Retreats** - Directed by Father Sean Morris, OMV or Father Mark Yavarone, OMV. Silent retreats. Conferences daily, Mass, & an opportunity to meet with the retreat director. Centers around Ignatian spirituality, prayer & discernment. Retreat is four days. All rooms are single occupancy. Thurs., Feb. 18 -Sun., Feb. 21. Register at <https://olph-retreat.org/ignation-spirituality-retreats>.

**Third Annual "Starry, Starry Night"** - Brian Gurl and the Crooners at 5:30 p.m., Fri., April 12. Seats \$80 and VIP tables are \$1,000. Support Our Lady of Perpetual Help by enjoying a great night! Jacket required. Visit [www.olph-retreat.org](http://www.olph-retreat.org) or call 941-486-0233 ext. 3002.

## MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

For those who cannot attend Mass, the Diocese of Venice offers a tv Mass each Sunday. In the northern Diocese, the Mass is at 9:30am on the CW Network. In the southern Diocese, the Mass is at 10:30am on FOX-4. Check your local listings. Missals available by calling Gail at 941-486-4714.

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Any group or club that has members who have not complied with the requirements of safe environment will not be able to hold meetings, advertise, hold fund raisers, etc. on parish property until all club/group members have complied and completed the Safe Environment requirements of the Diocese of Venice. **Please note: This also includes all ministries that are affiliated with St. Raphael Church who meet offsite.** If there are individuals who require Safe Environment training, contact the office for information.

**Important!!!** The Diocese of Venice will be holding two safe environment classes here at St. Raphael parish. These classes will take place on Thurs., Feb.7 from 6-8pm and again on Sat., Feb. 9 from 9:30-11:30am. If you are currently in a group/club/ministry and have not taken the one-time required class as of yet—this is your opportunity to do so. Also, if you are considering participating in a group/club or ministry in the future please consider taking advantage of the opportunity to take the class here on site. You must call the parish office (474-9595) if you wish to attend.

## COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

The CCW Business Meeting will be held on Wed. Feb. 13. The meeting will begin at 9:30 am following 8:30 Mass. The speaker will be Brenda Dolan, VDCCW President. All are invited to attend.

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Everything I have written seems like straw compared to what I have seen and what has been revealed to me.

**St. Thomas Aquinas**  
13th-century Dominican philosopher and theologian, patron saint of Catholic schools

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**“WHILE MANY CATHOLICS** want to help women and men heal from past abortions, most don't know how to begin.” Learn how you can become an instrument of God’s mercy at [www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy](http://www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy).—USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Bridges of Mercy for Post-Abortion Healing”, [www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy](http://www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy)

**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 9:00am-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.

**OUR PARISH IS A SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

**committed to protecting children, youth and vulnerable adults.** Report any abuses against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. To report abuse by Diocesan personnel or volunteers, please also call the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton at 941-416-6114. For further information, visit the Diocesan website at [www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment).

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**

Retreat center , 3989 S. Moon Drive, Venice 941-486-0233.  
**Come to the Water, Day of Prayer :** Second Wed. of each month 9am-2:30pm. Continental breakfast, lunch, conferences, Sacrament of Reconciliation, meditation & prayer. Mass 2:30pm. Cost \$35. Call to register or go to [www.olph-retreat.org/1day-retreats](http://www.olph-retreat.org/1day-retreats).

**BROKEN BRIDGES**

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**FREE ROSARY REPAIR SERVICE**

Send your broken rosaries in a padded envelope to Betty and Dick Holden, 7930 Estero Blvd. #592, Fort Myers, FL 33931. Rosaries repaired and returned within the week of receipt. Donations of old rosaries are also accepted which will be repaired and sent to missions. Please indicate repair or donation. 239-463-3993. [holdenbnd@gmail.com](mailto:holdenbnd@gmail.com).



**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

**ST. RAPHAEL ACTIVITY CORNER**

**Monday January 28 through Sunday February 3**

Mon.	9:15am	Cornerstone Bible Study
	1:00PM	Prayer Shawl Group
Tues.		
Wed.		
Thur.		
Fri.	9:00AM	CCW Crafts
Sat./Sun.		

**PRISON MINISTRY**

Volunteers Needed. No previous experience required. Contact Robert at [hinbob5@hotmail.com](mailto:hinbob5@hotmail.com) or 863-558-0407.

**ABORTION RECOVERY**

Call Sylvia at 941-412-5860 or email [projectrachel@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:projectrachel@dioceseofvenice.org). Calls are confidential. See [www.dioceseofvenice.org](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org) for info about Project Rachel.

**MARRIAGE STRUGGLING?**

Visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call (813) 816-0711. All contacts/names held in strictest confidence.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Help provide support, shelter, food and education to those in the community. Visit [www.catholiccharitiesdov.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdov.org).

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Information at [www.dioceseofvenice.org/employment](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/employment).

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday January 28 through Sunday February 3**

Mon	8:30AM	Mary Beaton Req. by Mary Ellen Manning
Tues	8:30AM	Living & deceased members of the Loeb family Req. by sister
Wed	8:30AM	Intentions of Kyle Cochran Req. by Dorothy Seymour
Thur	8:30AM	Intentions of Florence Wallace Req. by Jean, Jim & Greg Balmes
Fri	8:30AM	Aldona Stanton Req. by Ralph Verdini
Sat	8:30PM	Purgatorial Society
	4:00PM	Helen Cicilian Req. by Ron & Wanda Cicilian
	5:30PM	People of the Parish
Sun	7:30AM	Laurier Charles Lessard Req. by the family
	9:00 AM	Jack Hicks Req. by Ladies Aux. K of C
	11:00 AM	Ruth McCloy Req. by the Seymour family

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