



ST. RAPHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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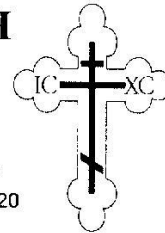
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Archpriest Fr. Theodore Pisarchuk, Priest-in-charge

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SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2020 – 1st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 8.
All Saints.

SERVICES HAVE RESUMED!
PLEASE REGISTER BEFOREHAND
IF YOU WANT TO ATTEND.

SAT. Vespers 4PM or SUN. Liturgy 10AM

Fr John Chudik can be reached by email
at: frjohnatstraphaels@gmail.com

or you can call or text his
cell phone: **941-920-2708.**

Please identify yourself as a Saint
Raphael parishioner.

*We are asking
parishioners to please
respect the fact that
Fr. Sergious is on
medical leave and not
try to contact him.
He is to be fully away
from the church at
this time. He is not
answering his phone or
reading texts or
emails sent from
parishioners, as is
required.*

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: Romans 2:28-3:18, Matthew
6:31-34; 7:9-11

Tue: Romans 4:4-12, Matthew 7:15-21

Wed: Romans 4:13-25, Matthew 7:21-23

Thu: Romans 5:10-16, Matthew 8:23-27

Fri: Jude 1-25, John 14:21-24;
21:15-25, Romans 5:17-6:2,
Matthew 9:14-17

Sat: Romans 3:19-26, Matthew 7:18

+EPISTLE+ (Hebrews 11:33-12:2) ...who though faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

+GOSPEL+ (Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30) Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. Then Peter answered and said to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?" So Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

Services have resumed! Please remember to call or email beforehand your wish to attend Vespers on Saturday at 4 PM or Divine Liturgy on Sunday at 10:00 AM.

Our faithful parishioner, former parish council member and choir singer Andrew Cuttic has fallen asleep in the Lord - May 30, 2020 - *Memory Eternal*

Practice Christianity every day with each person you meet and each word you say. Christ spoke saying: But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man.

St. Mat. 15:18 Readings: St. Mat. 15:16-20. St. Mark 7:18-23, St. James 3:5-12, Prov. 18:2-29:20R

THE GIFTS- JUNE 7

Attendance 19
Regular Offerings 380
Candles 42
Charity (Family Resource) 217
Memory of Andy Cuttic 200

*We sincerely thank and bless
Charles and Lou Ellen Davis
for their ongoing generous
donations.*

VIGIL CANDLES- JUNE 7

*Helen Allgood – Health of my family, my church
friends and the World.*

*Nancy Kinley – Memory of Andy Cuttic. Health
of Karen, Bill, Julianna, Jacob, Zoe, Olga.*

Please consider using the dosoca.org website
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send your weekly offering to: St. Raphael ,
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THE ROOT OF JESSE SHALL RISE TO REIGN OVER THE GENTILES

Have you ever tried to trace your family tree? It is fascinating to go back several generations to learn about your ancestors and to study your roots.

Perhaps there is no genealogy as impressive as that of our Lord, Jesus Christ, nor one more important. In order for the early Christians to convincingly prove that Jesus was the Messiah for Whom the Jews had waited for centuries, it had to be shown that He was the fulfillment of all the prophecies of the Old Testament that dealt with this matter. St. Matthew begins his Gospel by tracing Christ's lineage back to Abraham, the father of the Hebrew nation. It is significantly shown that Jesus is a descendant of King David, for the Saviour would be looked upon as the new **"King of Israel."** Jesse was the father of King David, thus connecting Christ to the prophecy of Isaiah, who wrote: **"There shall be a Root of Jesse; and He shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, in Him the Gentiles shall hope."** A mosaic of the **"Root of Jesse"** can be found on the walls of the Church of the Nativity of Bethlehem, lending credence to the fact that Christians believed Christ to be the One of whom Isaiah wrote since the formative years of the Church's existence. The Christmas services poetically describe Jesus as the **"Flower"** that blossomed forth from the Root of Jesse.

In his Gospel, St. Luke looks at the genealogy of Christ from a slightly different perspective. Unlike St. Matthew, who starts Christ's family tree with Abraham and works down through Joseph, St. Luke begins with Joseph and works upward through Adam, thereby connecting Jesus with the inception of the human race.