



ST. RAPHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2020 - 4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 3. Ven. Athanasius, founder of Great Lavra, Mt. Athos & Relics of Ven. Sergious of Radonezh.

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

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Mon: Romans 12:4-5; 15-21, Matthew 12:9-13

Tue: Romans 14:9-18, Matthew 12:14-16: 22-30

Wed: Romans 15:7-16, Matthew 12:

Thu: Romans 15:17-29, Matthew 12:46-

Fri: Solomon 3:1-9; 4:7-15; 5:15-6:3, Matt. 4:25-5:12; 11:27-30; 13:4-9. Galatians 5:22-6:2, Romans 16:1-16 Sat: Romans 8:14-21, Matthew 9:9-13

+EPISTLE+ (Romans 6:18-23) And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Summer Choir Practice on Sunday Morning at 9:00 AM

+GOSPEL+ (Matthew 8:5-13) Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel! And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour.

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.

Karen Cuttic would like to thank friends and parishioners for their prayers, cards and donations in memory in Andy.

Andrew Cuttic - May 30, 2020 - Memory Eternal

THE GIFTS- JUNE 28	VIGIL CANDLES- JUNE 28
Attendance 28 Regular Offerings 462 Candles 77 Memory of Andy Cuttic 120	Nancy Kinley – Health of Bill, Julianna, Jakob, Zoe, Andrew, Joel, Mary Ann, Lee & Helen.
	Helen Kaimer – Health of sister Anne Pringle.
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THOSE WHO DIED FOR THEIR FAITH

t has often been said that "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." That is to say, the killing of believers in Christ has not destroyed the Faith, but in fact has nurtured it to greater growth. The example of those valiant men and women who have suffered and given up their lives for Christ has inspired faithful throughout the ages and continues to do so today.

We often think that the age of martyrdom has long since passed. Certainly the Calendar of Saints records the amazing stories of the martyrs of the early centuries of the Christian Church. History records the persecutions by the Roman emperors of the era. But there have been martyrs in every age, and certainly there have been in our times.

Many martyrs are commemorated during the course of the year. Some of these are termed "Great Martyrs" for their outstanding witness for Christ. Other saints who were not killed but who suffered much for their faith are called "Confessors." Normally, saints are remembered on the day of their falling-asleep in Christ, since that day is looked upon as their "birthday into eternal life."

The icon of our bulletin depicts the **GREAT MARTYR KIRIAKIA**, born to a pious Christian family of Asia Minor in the 3rd century. When her parents were arrested for their faith and sent to prison, Kiriakia carried on missionary work. She then was arrested and sentenced to death by the authorities of Emperor Diocletian. She fell asleep in the Lord at the age of 21.

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