



ST. RAPHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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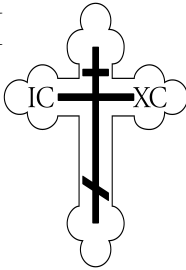
1277 N. Paul Dr., Inverness, FL 34453

Parish Council: Fr. Sergious Gerken, Parish Priest,

Warden: Barbara Aldunate, Secretary: Linda Evans,

Treasurer: Marissa Lafferty, Lilia Denisova, Mona Fisher.

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OCTOBER 15, 2023 - 19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 2.

Ven. Euthymius the New, Monk of Mt. Athos (889), Martyr Lucian, of Antioch (312).

HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Sun: Reading of the Hours 9:45 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
Ven. Euthymius the New, of
Thessalonica, Monk of Mt. Athos
Martyr Lucian, Presbyter
of Antioch

Thu: Akathist to St. Herman

Sat: **Great Vespers** 4:00 PM

*Please join us
after Divine Liturgy
for Coffee Social -
Myrrhbearers Hall.*

*Please bring in cans
of food for the C.C.
Resource Center.*

*Confessions -
Ask Fr. Sergious
fo a time*

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: Philippians 2:12-16, Luke 9:18-22

Tue: Philippians 2:17-23, Luke 9:23-27

Wed: 1 John 1:1-7, James 1:1-12, Jude
1:1-7; 17-25, John 21:15-25,
Colossians 4:5-9; 14; 18, Luke
9:44-30;10:16-21, Philippians 2:24-30

Thu: Philippians 3:1-8, Luke 9:49-56

Fri: Philippians 3:8-19, Luke 10:1-15

Sat: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17, John
5:24-30, 2 Corinthians 1:8-11,
Luke 7:1-10

+EPISTLE+ (2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9) Brethren: The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago – whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows – such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows – how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

+GOSPEL+ (Luke 8:5-15) “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold.” When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” Then his disciples asked Him, saying, “What does this parable mean?” And He said, “To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that 'Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.' Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among the thorns are those who when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.

Choir Practice on Sunday at 9 AM and Monday at 2:30

The Holy Myrrhbearers Yard Sale to benefit St. Raphael is scheduled for Saturday, October 21, 8-2, to be held at Nature's Way, 1445 N. Florida Ave., Hernando. Please come & help if you can and thank you for your donations.

THE GIFTS OCTOBER 8, 2023

Attendance 35

Regular Offerings 2827
Candles 47

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

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS Fr. Sergious St. Day - Oct. 7 Kenneth Wagner - Oct. 31

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES Barbara & Robert Aldunate - Oct. 8

VIGIL CANDLES - OCT. 8

Nancy Kinley - Health of Bill, Julianna & Fam., Andrew & Fam.. Mary Ann H., Nina, Patricia, Linda L., Joyce, Yong, Bill & Diane. Memory of Iwan, Jim, Demetrius.

Barbara Aldunate - Heal - Chuck Richards / Linda.

Nina Butenko - In Memory of Iwan (John).