

*"Suddenly
a voice
came out
of the
cloud,
saying
'This is
My
beloved
Son, in
Whom I
am well
pleased;
Listen to
Him!'" "*

(Matthew 17:5)





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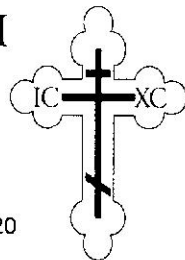
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2020 – 8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7.

Translation of the Relics of the Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen (ca. 428).

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

SAT. Vespers 4PM or SUN. Liturgy 10AM

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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: 1 Corinthians 11:31-12:6, Matthew
18:1-11

Tue: 1 Corinthians 12:12-26, Matthew
18:18-22; 19:1-2; 13-15

Wed: 1 Corinthians 13:4-14:5, Matthew
20:1-16

Thu: Exodus 24:12-18; 33:11-23; 34:4-6; 8,
3[1] Kings 19:3-9; 11-13; 15-16, Luke
9:28-36, 1 Corinthians 14:6-19, Matt.
17:1-9; 20:17-28, 2 Peter 1:10-19

Fri: 1 Corinthians 14:26-40, Matthew
21:12-14; 17-20

Sat: Romans 14:6-9, Matthew 15:32-39

+EPISTLE+ (1 Corinthians 1:10-18) Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name. Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

+GOSPEL+ (Matthew 14:14-22) And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves some food." But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish." He said, "Bring them here to Me." Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

Today is Charity Sunday – St. Raphael Parishioner Aid

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- JULY 26

Attendance - 20
Regular Offerings 474
Candles 60

CANDLES - JULY 26

Sue Bane- Health of St.
Raphael's Parishioners.

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

***CHOIR PRACTICE AT 9:00 AM
ON SUNDAY MORNING***

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❖ ❖ **THE GLORY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION** ❖ ❖

A moment of eternity in our world of time. A glimpse of the light of God's glory in our land of sinful darkness. A vision of the Kingdom to come in our blindness of the present. All this might be said of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, that great feastday which illuminates the month of August in our church calendar.

Our icon, faithful to the traditional iconographic rendition, vividly depicts the scene as recorded in the Gospel. Christ appears on the summit of Mount Tabor in garment "white as the light," flanked by Moses on the right, and Elijah (Elias) on the left, representing the Law and the Prophets, or as some say, representing the living and the dead. Christ is enveloped in geometric forms, representing the "bright cloud" that covered Him.

Beneath are the three Apostles whom the Lord took with Him up the mountain. They are overwhelmed by the vision of the Lord's Divinity, the Voice of the Father and the bright cloud as they fall to the ground. Peter, kneeling, is at the right; John, falling to earth, in the center; and James is on the left.

What we have in this feast is the revelation of the glory of God the Son and the manifestation of His majesty. We have an appearance of Christ's divine nature, and we have the mystery and splendor of the glory of light.

Why was Christ transfigured? A hymn tells us: "So that when Christ's apostles should see You crucified, they might understand Your suffering to be of Your own will and might proclaim to the world that You are truly the glorious light of the Father."

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