



ST. RAPHAEL

— CATHOLIC CHURCH —

OCTOBER 31, 2021 | THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday | 8:00AM

Saturday | 8:00AM, 5:00PM

Sunday 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 12:00PM
(English)

10:30AM & 5:30PM (Español)

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday | 6:00PM-7:00PM

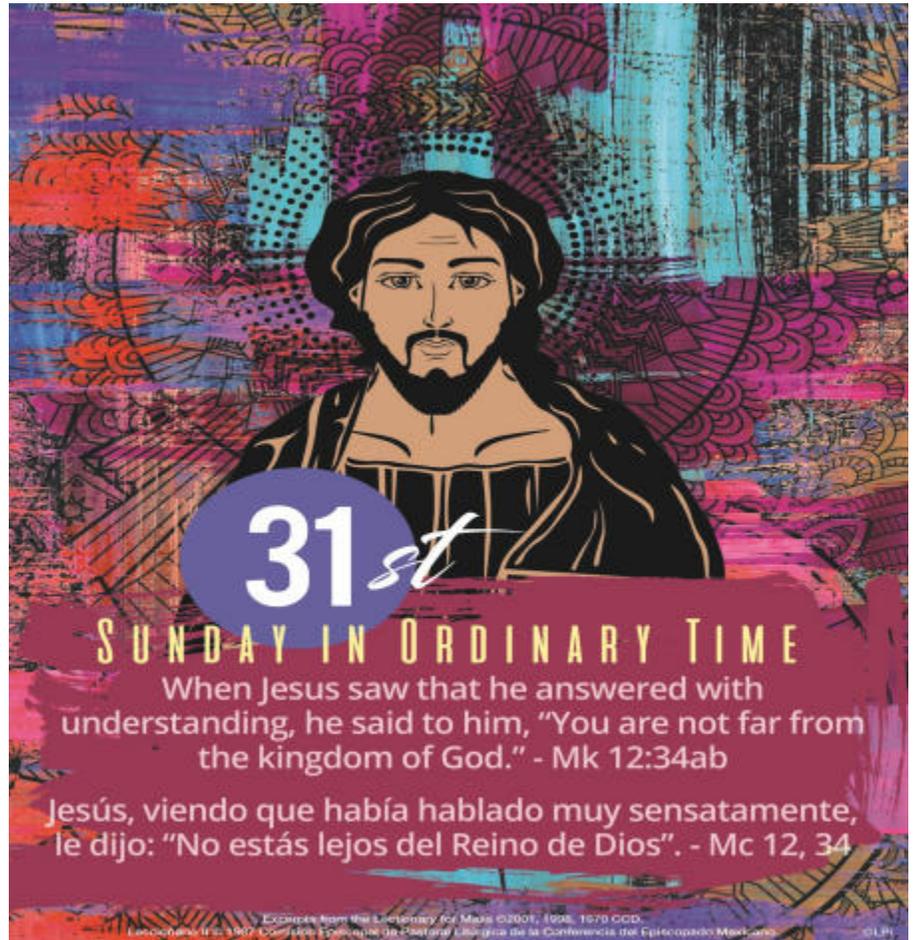
Saturday | 4:00PM-4:45PM

Sunday | 4:30PM-5:15PM (Español)

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michal Szyszka, *Administrator*

Rev. Deacon Joseph W. Allison,
Director of Religious Education



SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:34ab

Jesús, viendo que había hablado muy sensatamente, le dijo: "No estás lejos del Reino de Dios". - Mc 12, 34

PRAYER TO ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Glorious Archangel St. Raphael, great prince of the heavenly court, you are illustrious for your gifts of wisdom and grace. You are a guide of those who journey by land or sea or air, consoler of afflicted, and refuge of sinners.

I beg you, assist me in all my needs and in all the sufferings of this life, as once you helped

the young Tobias on his travels. Because you are the "medicine of God," I humbly pray you to heal the many infirmities of my soul and the ills that afflict my body. I especially ask you the favour (name it) and the great grace of purity to prepare me to be the temple of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SCHEDULE AND RESOURCES

Baptisms - Parents must be registered parishioners. Call the parish office for more information.

Marriages - Please contact a priest at least six months prior to the date.

For information on other sacraments or sick calls please call the rectory.

Kindergarten – Fifth Grade

Sunday Mornings 8:30AM – 9:45AM
or 10:30AM – 11:45AM

Middle School Class Sunday
Afternoons 2:00PM – 3:15PM

Confirmation Class

Sunday Afternoons 3:45PM – 5:15PM

Sacramental Prep Classes

Wednesday Evenings 6:30PM –
8:00PM

RCIA (In school building)

Monday evenings 7:00PM – 9:00PM
in Spanish & Tuesday evenings
7:00PM – 9:00PM in English

Catholic Charities - 239-337-4193

Prayer Line - Please call 369-3111 and leave your prayer request on the recording or email it to: doroxybress@gmail.com

Perpetual Adoration - The Chapel is open every day from 8:30AM - 4:30PM .

Pregnancy Resources - Turn to the pro-life movement for help. Community Pregnancy Clinic 689-1543, Birthright 1-800-550-4900, Carenet/Heartbeat 1-800-395-HELP or Bethany Christian Services 1-800-238-4269.

Knights of Columbus - For more information on St. Raphael's K of C #6265 please call 369-5632 or see the website KofC6265.org.

Knights of Columbus Ladies

Auxiliary - 1st Thursday of the month 7:00-8:30PM in the Knights Hall. For more information see the Knights of Columbus website or call Kris Repnyek at 239-691-5301.

Legion of Mary - Tuesdays in the school building at 2:00PM.

Secular Carmelites Community - 3rd Sunday of the month from 2:00-5:00PM in the school building. Please call Pedro Gonzalez at 239-292-3996 for more information.

Altar & Rosary Society - 1st Fridays following Mass September-May.

Cristo Rey (Spanish Charismatic) Prayer Group - Thursdays at 7:00PM in the parish hall.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group (Spanish)- meets in the school building the 1st & 3rd Saturdays 8:00AM-Noon.

Emaus: Men's/Women's Groups - Mondays at 7:00PM in the parish hall.

Haitian Prayer Group - Fridays in the school building from 6:00-8:00PM. For more information call 491-6719.

A Walk with St. Monica Prayer Group - 1st Thursday of the month in the Church after 8:00AM Mass.

Question: What is a pilgrimage? Why do people go on them?

Answer:

A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to visit a holy site, such as the shrine of a saint, a place where the Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared, or an historic church or chapel. What makes a pilgrimage different from a vacation and a pilgrim distinct from a tourist is the spirit in which the journey is made. Pilgrimages are really a symbol of our spiritual journey in life, reminding us that this world is not our true home and that we spend our lives journeying to our homeland, which is the Kingdom of God.

Pilgrimages — which can be as involved as a trip to Rome or the Holy Land or as simple as visiting the Blessed Sacrament in a local parish church — are also an opportunity for us to step out of the rhythms and limits of our daily lives to seek out connection with God in a special way, by visiting a holy place. At times, such as on a special feast, a jubilee, or the anniversary of the dedication of the church, special graces (called “indulgences”) can also be offered to pilgrims, helping to enrich our experience of the celebration.

In the end, pilgrimages are an ancient act of devotion and something that each of us can put into practice, helping us to discover how God is present in the world around us, in places both near and far.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday October 30, 2021

5:00PM †Donald O'Grady
Req. Nieces, Linda Zastrow & Rita Healy

Sunday October 31, 2021

7:30AM Parishioners
9:00AM †Merle Fowler
Req. Wife, Mung
10:30AM †Juliette Blanco KAmino Garay Sunday
Req. Children, Roman David Garay & Karen
Garay Molina
12:00PM †Dorothy O'Grady
Req. Niece, Diana Decker

Monday November 1, 2021

8:00AM †Anna Damon
Req. Stan & Mitzi Damon
5:00PM †Joan Hynes & Florence Leonetti
Req. Family
7:00PM Souls in Purgatory
Req. Heidy Bumbgardner

Tuesday November 2, 2021

8:00AM †Judy Godin
Req. Fran LaScala & Family

Wednesday November 3, 2021

8:00AM †Delores James
Req. Thursday Group

Thursday November 4, 2021

8:00AM †Delores James
Req. Irene Wheeler

Friday November 5, 2021

8:00AM †Deceased Members of The Altar &
Rosary Society
Req. The Altar & Rosary Society

Saturday November 6, 2021

8:00AM Pierre Foster Casseus
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5:00PM †Frank Pavese
Req. Bonnie Rogers

Sunday November 7, 2021

7:30AM Parishioners
9:00AM †Dixie Morris
Req. Bob Flannery & Family
10:30AM †Betty Smith
Req. Keith & Karen Reicher
12:00PM †Delores James
Req. The Altar & Rosary Society

The Jay Carano Gift Shop is open before & after the weekend Masses. We have a large selection of gifts.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The church altar flowers have been donated this week by **The Altar & Rosary Society.**

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle has been donated this week for the **Pineiro-Torres Family.**

CHAPEL CANDLE

The chapel candle has been donated this week for the **Pineiro-Torres Family.**

Whatever your stumbling block is, **GOD** is bigger. And his **grace** breathed into a stumbling block allows it to become a stepping stone.



Our St. Monica's Prayer Group meets the first Thursday of the month in the Church after 8AM Mass to pray for our loved ones who have left the Catholic Church. Please join us this Thursday morning for prayer.

Hi, it's me, your spiritually adopted baby. My wrinkles and redness are fading fast as I fill out. I'm putting on the fat layers I will need to regulate my temperature when I get out of here. If that happens sooner than later that's OK because I have some great news! My lungs are almost completely developed! That's the last big hurdle I have to accomplish in order to make it! I'll need to breathe, but **"In His hand is the soul of every living thing, and the life breath of all mankind."** Job 12-10 Now that's a refreshing breath for the soul!

Retrouvaille, hope for troubled marriages, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus invite the women of St. Raphael Parish who are 18 years and over to join us; helping the Knights in their spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Our meetings begin on the first Thursday of each month at 7PM at 1250 Business Way (next to the bowling alley). We welcome your attendance this week on November 4th at the Knights hall.

There will be a meeting of **The Altar & Rosary Society** on November 5th in the parish hall after the 8AM Mass. **The pantry item for the month is shampoo and/or conditioner.**

Prayer and Worship

The Prayer or Blessing Against Storms

Please pray this prayer against storms. Bless yourself with the sign of the Cross when you see the †

Jesus Christ a King of Glory has come in Peace. † God became man, † And the Word was made flesh. † Christ was born of a Virgin. † Christ suffered. † Christ was crucified. † Christ died. † Christ rose from the dead. † Christ ascended into Heaven. † Christ conquers. † Christ reigns. † Christ orders. † May Christ protect us from all storms and lightning. † Christ went through their midst in Peace, † And the Word was made flesh. † Christ is with us in Mary. † Flee you enemy spirits because the Lion of the Generation of Juda, the root David, has won. † Holy God! † Holy Powerful God! † Holy Immortal God! † Have mercy on us. Amen!

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Lord Jesus, you have chosen your priests from among us and sent them out to proclaim your word and act in your name. For so great a gift to your Church, we give you praise and thanksgiving. We ask you to fill them with the fire of your love, that their ministry may reveal your presence in the Church. Since they are earthen vessels, we pray that your power shines out through their weakness. In their afflictions let them never be crushed, in their doubts never despair, in temptation never be destroyed, and in persecution never abandoned. Inspire them through prayer to live each day

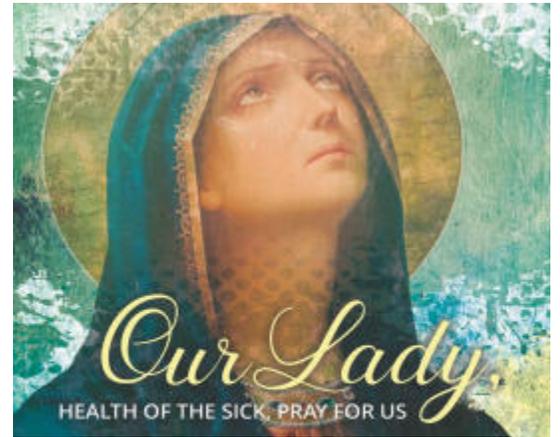
the mystery of your dying and rising. In times of weakness send them your Spirit and help them to praise your Heavenly Father and pray for poor sinners. By your same Holy Spirit put your word on their lips and your love in their hearts, to bring good news to the poor and healing to the brokenhearted. And may the gift of Mary, your Mother, to the disciple whom you loved, be your gift to every priest. Grant that she who formed you in her human image, may form them in your divine image, by the power of your Spirit, to the glory of God the Father, Amen.

- SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA
VOCATION SOCIETY

A PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Dear St. Ann you were truly twice blessed to have our blessed mother as your daughter and Jesus our Savior as your grandson. I know that every period of our lives has its responsibilities as well as its joys. Today, it seems that grandparents have either too little use or too much; either we are shunted aside to do nothing, or we are called upon to do everything. Help me to know just where my duties lie in my particular situation and to carry them out as best I can. Take care of my family, my children, and their children. Inspire them all to follow your grandson and lead truly Christian lives. Keep all of us in your loving care, never let us turn away from Jesus, and help us in the end to receive the joy of entering into your grandson's glorious presence forever. Good St. Ann pray for us grandparents. Amen.

Merciful Lord, your heart is full of loving kindness. Our hearts are full of praise to you. You are worthy of our full devotion. Lord, today we lift up our Church to you. We pray for the sick, for the grieving, for the lonely, for the broken, for the confused, and for *all* those who are needy this day. We pray that you would bring your strength, your healing, your comfort, your wisdom, your restoration, your protection, and your provision. Thank you for giving us a church family to belong to and to love. Amen.



PRAYER AGAINST CORONAVIRUS

Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Coronavirus COVID-19 and all serious illness. For all that have died from it, bring healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them; for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success; for those afraid, grant peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease into moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness. We abandon ourselves to your infinite mercy. Amen.

PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY

Lord God, we pray for the institution of marriage and the family which is on the verge of ruin in the world today. The strong waves of the evil one are hitting hard the foundations of marriage and many unions are breaking up very fast. God, we need You to send down the Holy Spirit so that He can teach us Your values and tenets that can guide us to strengthen our marriages. Inspire us with Your knowledge that it is You who gave us the institution of marriage and that You require us to respect it and remain solidly in it. Dear God, we know that we are sinners and we sometimes give in to sin and evil temptations that ruin our marriages. Give us the strength and support to resist all temptations that ruin our marriage. May our children grow up in families that are steady and strong so that they can learn Your good values and become productive people in Your vineyard. **Amen.**

*Nuestra Señora Madre de la Divina Providencia
Patrona de Puerto Rico*



**St. Raphael's Community invite you to a
Solemn Mass in Honor of
Our Lady Mother of the Divine Providence
Patroness of Puerto Rico**

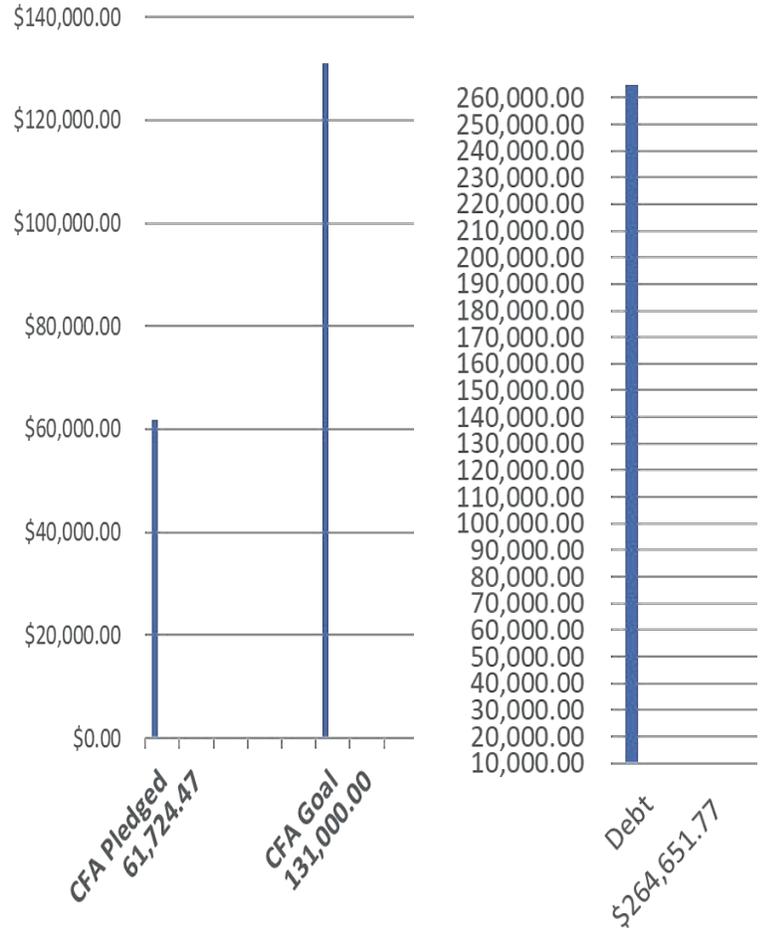
**WHERE: Saint Raphael Catholic Church
WHEN: Friday, November 19, 2021
TIME: 6:00pm**



Maybe 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. DAA provides an opportunity for long term recovery and positive change through a no cost service. Based on a 12-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 program information and services available, please call 561-420-0930 or visit www.daamerica.org.

The Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) contributes to the pastoral, education, and charitable support of those in need in the Diocese of Venice. Our parish also benefits from the CFA if we exceed our goal of \$131,000.00. Join those in our parish family who have made a gift to the 2021 CFA. Your gift will make a difference in the lives of those who are assisted by the programs and ministries funded through the CFA.

To make a gift, visit <https://dioceseofvenice.org/ways-to-give/cfa/> or complete a pledge envelope located at the back of the church and submit it either to the Parish office or in the offertory basket. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.



October 16th & 17th \$10,321.00
Attendance: 1,358

During these challenging times, parishes face increased risk of financial shortfalls due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic and its effects on everyday life. Parishes depend on weekly financial gifts to continue their ministries, especially in this critical time of crisis. Please prayerfully consider a donation to the parish by using your envelopes, mailing your contribution or online giving. Together we will navigate through this pandemic, aid those in need, and secure the road ahead for the parishes within the Diocese of Venice. Please continue to pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died, for the recovery of the sick, for the strength of healthcare workers and caregivers, as well as for an end to this health crisis. Thank you for your generosity.

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