Saint Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church

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Parroquia Católica de San Rafael Arcángel

Ir a encender fuego al mundo!

+ St. Ignatius of Loyola

Our Vision:

To be a vibrant, growing parish that invites people to encounter Jesus and forms them as passionate disciples who serve his mission by their lives.

Our members commit to:
pray profoundly,
connect consciously,
serve selflessly,
deepen deliberately,
invite intentionally and
welcome warmly.

Nuestra Visión:

Ser una parroquia vibrante y en crecimiento que invita a las personas a encontrarse con Jesús y los forma como discipulos apasionados que sirven su misión con sus vidas.

Nuestros miembros se comprometen a:
orar profundamente,
conectarse conscientemente,
servir desinteresadamente,
profundizar deliberadamente,
invitar intencionalmente y
dar la bienvenida cordialmente.

Second Sunday of Advent

Segundo domingo de adviento

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
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1:00 PM—4:30 PM

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1:00 PM—2:30 PM

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Known by Name

In my years as a Jesuit, I've lived and worked in a lot of different places, and with lots of different groups of people. I know many of you at St. Raphael can also relate to coming here and it being a new place - whether it was 40 or 4 years ago. When I first get to a new place, I'm often self-conscious, and feel pressure to be the **"perfect"** newcomer to the group. Part of my anxiety is **learning new names.** What I've experienced though, is that after a time of getting to know people on a first name basis, the pressure to appear perfect diminishes. I feel more **at home**. It's just us… with all our strengths and with all our **imperfections**, and God working through it all.

What's a way to **help all of us**, newcomers and long-time members of St. Raphael alike, feel more **at home** with each other in our big parish? One way is to make it easier to know each other **"on a first name basis."** With 3,000 people coming to Mass each weekend, it'll never be possible for us to **know everybody's name**. (Believe me, even after 5½ years here I still struggle to connect up many names and faces!) But we could learn a **few** new names. And as we greet each other by name, we can all feel more known and at home as fellow disciples of Jesus.

So, next weekend we're going to try our very first St. Raphael **Name Tag Sunday!** Look for our volunteers offering nametags and markers as you come into Mass. Put your first name on there, and enjoy others getting to **know you by name** - as you have the chance to put some names and faces together too.

God says to us through the prophet Isaiah: "I have called you **by name**: you are mine" (43:1). We'll call **each other** by name a little more next weekend, and we can feel **at home** as God leads us in a "perfect Advent" for imperfect people!

In Jesus' name,

Fr. Phil

Fr. Phil Hurley, S.J.
Pastor

Conocido por mi Nombre

En todos mis años como jesuita, he vivido y trabajado en muchos lugares diferentes, y con muchos grupos diferentes de personas. Sé que muchos de ustedes en San Raphael también han experimentado el venir aquí por primera vez, ya haya sido hace 2 o hace 20 años. Cuando llego por primera vez a un lugar o a un grupo, a menudo y consciente de mí mismo, siento la presión de ser un recién llegado "**perfecto.**" Parte de mi ansiedad es **aprender nombres nuevos**. Sin embargo, después de un tiempo de conocer a las personas por su nombre, la presión para parecer perfecto disminuye. Me siento más **en casa**, entre conocidos... con todas nuestras fortalezas e **imperfecciones**, y Dios obrando a través de todo ello.

¿Cómo **ayudarnos a todos**, tanto recién llegados como miembros con más tiempo en San Rafael, a sentirnos más como **en casa** en nuestra gran parroquia? Una manera de hacerlo sería conocernos "**por nuestros nombres**". Con 3,000 personas que vienen a Misa cada fin de semana, sería imposible que **aprendiéramos el nombre de todos**. (¡Créanme que incluso después de 5 años y medio aquí en San Rafael, todavía me cuesta trabajo relacionar muchos nombres y rostros!) Sin embargo, podríamos aprender **algunos** nombres nuevos. Y a medida que nos saludamos por nuestro nombre, todos podemos sentirnos más conocidos y en casa como compañeros discípulos de Jesús.

¡Por lo tanto, el próximo fin de semana vamos a intentar nuestro primer Gafete con Nombre el Domingo en San Rafael! Busquen a nuestros voluntarios que ofrecerán gafetes y marcadores cuando lleguen a Misa. Escriban su nombre y disfrute de que otros lo conozcan por su nombre, ya que también usted tendrá la oportunidad de relacionar algunos nombres y rostros.

Dios nos dice a través del profeta Isaías: "Te he llamado por tu nombre y eres mío" (43: 1). ¡Nos llamaremos por nuestro nombre un poco más el próximo fin de semana, y podremos sentirnos en casa mientras Dios nos guía en un "Adviento perfecto" para personas imperfectas!

En el nombre de Jesús,

Fr. Phil

P. Felipe Hurley, S.J.
Párroco

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Source & Summit: Liturgical Questions & Answers

Name Tag Sunday!

By: Jeff Rice, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy & Music

Yes, it is what you think.

Next Sunday is "Gaudete" or "Rejoice" Sunday, always the Third Sunday of Advent, when the joy factor of anticipating the Nativity of the Lord ramps up. The Priests and Deacons get to wear pink (sorry, rose) vestments, so we are going to wear pink name tags in solidarity!

This is something new we're going to try at St. Raphael. No doubt, there are those folks we see almost every week, we even know their life story because we speak with them after Mass, but darn it, what's their name?? At one of my previous parishes, after working there for a few months, one of the parishioners came up to me a bit upset and said that every time I spoke with her and her husband, I greeted him by name, but never her. Yikes, I knew exactly who she was! She was Jim's wife. I knew that because Jim was an usher and always had his little name badge affixed to his sport jacket. Let's face it, it's important to us that we are known and called by our name. It's such an important part of our identity.

On the other hand, we have 3000 folks who come through our doors each weekend, so there is no way that I or Fr. Phil or other staff or volunteer leaders or you are going to remember every person's name. We could just give up and call everyone "Hey... you!!" Or we could at least try to do something to better know and address one another by name.

Hence, we have Name Tag Sunday. We are going to give this a try next weekend at all our Masses. When you come into the Atrium, there will be tables with pink (remember, Gaudete!) name tags and markers. Write your first name nice and big and clear, slap it on, and prepare to be addressed by your name for the next hour! Just think how much easier Prayer Partners will be when you won't have to ask someone to repeat their name because you didn't hear it clearly the first time!

Let's see how this goes next weekend, and maybe with a few tweaks it can become a regular thing (not every week, but at least at regular intervals).

Submit your liturgical questions or comments to Jeff at liturgyandmusic@saintraphael.org.

Preguntas y Respuestas Litúrgicas

La próxima semana: ¡Gafetes con Nombres!

Por: Jeff Rice, Asociado Pastoral para Liturgia y Música

Sí, es lo que piensas.

El próximo domingo es el domingo de "Gaudete" o "Alégrate", siempre el tercer domingo de Adviento, cuando aumenta el factor de alegría de anticipar la Natividad del Señor. Los Sacerdotes y los Diáconos usan vestimentas rosas (perdón, de color rosado), ¡así que vamos a usar gafetes rosados en solidaridad!

Esto es algo nuevo que vamos a probar en San Rafael. Sin duda, hay personas que vemos casi todas las semanas, incluso sabemos su historia de vida porque hablamos con ellos después de la misa, pero Dios santo, ¿cómo se llaman? En una de mis parroquias anteriores, después de trabajar allí durante unos meses, uno de los feligreses se me acercó un poco molesto y me dijo que cada vez que hablaba con ella y su esposo, lo saludaba por su nombre, pero nunca a ella. ¡Ay, sabía exactamente quién era ella! Ella era la esposa de Jim. Lo sabía porque Jim era un acomodador y siempre tenía su pequeña placa de identificación pegada en su chaqueta deportiva. Seamos realistas, es importante para nosotros que nos conozcan y nos llamen por nuestros nombres. Es una parte tan importante de nuestra identidad.

Por otro lado, tenemos 3,000 personas que entran por nuestras puertas cada fin de semana, por lo que no hay manera de que yo o el Padre Felipe u otro personal o líderes voluntarios o usted, vayamos a recordar el nombre de cada persona. Podríamos darnos por vencidos y llamar a todos "¡Hey ... tú!" O al menos podríamos intentar hacer algo para conocernos mejor y dirigirnos entre nosotros por su nombre.

Por lo tanto, el Sábado y Domingo tendremos Gafetes. Vamos a intentarlo el próximo fin de semana en todas nuestras misas. Cuando usted venga a misa, notará que en el atrio, habrá mesas con gafetes y marcadores de color rosado (¡recuerde, Gaudete!). ¡Escriba su nombre bonito, grande, claro y péguelo en su pecho y prepárese para que le llamen por su nombre durante la próxima hora! ¡Solo piense en lo fácil que será la Oración de compañeros, para que no tenga que pedirle a alguien que repita su nombre, porque no lo escuchó claramente la primera vez!

Veamos cómo va esto el próximo fin de semana, y tal vez con algunos ajustes puede convertirse en algo normal (no todas las semanas, pero al menos a intervalos regulares).

Envíe sus preguntas litúrgicas al Diácono Héctor a velazcoh@saintraphael.org.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of America

by Timothy Matovina

It is not surprising to me that the annual celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe is popular at the University of Notre Dame, where I teach. Our Latino students, faculty, and alumni bring to the campus community their deep reverence for the *Guadalupana*. But I am struck each December 12 by the faces in Notre Dame's Basilica of the Sacred Heart that are not Latino. Like students I meet in my classes on Latino theology and spirituality, many of them had scarcely heard of Guadalupe before they arrived at Notre Dame. Yet they join freely in the singing, the worship, and the procession to the Lady Chapel at the end of the Eucharist to present her with the traditional roses that commemorate her day.

The advance of Guadalupan devotion at Notre Dame is by no means unique. Guadalupe's faithful have been expanding for nearly five centuries. Her basilica in Mexico City is the most visited pilgrimage site on the American continent. After Jesus of Nazareth, her image is the most reproduced sacred icon in America. Long acclaimed as the national symbol of Mexico, in the 1999 apostolic exhortation Ecclesia in America Pope John Paul II acclaimed her as the "Mother and Evangelizer of America," from Tierra del Fuego to the northernmost reaches of Canada. At the unanimous request of the Catholic bishops of America, he also decreed that her feast "be celebrated throughout the continent."

How does Our Lady of Guadalupe attract such a rich variety of dedicated daughters and sons? What is her power?

One answer is the tradition of her 1531 apparitions to the indigenous neophyte Juan Diego, whom Pope John Paul canonized in 2002. Devotees pass on this treasured narrative to their children. They esteem the richly poetic Nahuatllanguage *Nican mopohua* account, which relates how Guadalupe sent Juan Diego to request that Juan de Zumárraga, the first bishop of Mexico, build a temple in her honor on the sacred hill of Tepeyac. At first, the bishop doubted the celestial origins of this request, but came to believe when Juan Diego dropped exquisite out-of-season flowers from his *tilma* (cloak) and presented the image of Guadalupe that miraculously appeared on the rough cloth of his garment. In various ways, Guadalupe provided Juan Diego with hope and consolation, especially through the healing of his uncle, Juan Bernardino.

Numerous devotees resonate with the encounter between Guadalupe and Juan Diego, an encounter often reenacted during liturgical celebrations of her feast. Those who have experienced the pain of rejection find hope in Guadalupe's election of the unexpected hero Juan Diego, as well as in Juan Diego's unwavering faith and final vindication. They confess that the Guadalupe narrative is true: it reveals the deep truth of their human dignity and exposes the lie of experiences that unjustly diminish their fundamental sense of worth.

Guadalupe's faithful also contemplate her beauty, especially her compassionate face and eyes. For numerous devotees, the core experience of Guadalupe is that of Juan Diego. In countless conversations, prayers, and sustained gazes at her image, they stand before her and relive Juan Diego's mystical encounter. Beholding their mother's countenance does not obliterate all the difficulties of daily life. But her beauty and unconditional love transform them, enabling them to confront harsh realities with the confident assurance that no human force can thwart God's loving designs. Guadalupe is our mother. Throughout the Americas, all of us who partake in her devotions and feast day celebrations enter into the ongoing eruption of God's compassion that St. Juan Diego first experienced in her centuries ago.

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Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Madre de América

Timothy Matovina

Para nada me sorprende que la celebración anual de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe sea tan popular en la Universidad de Notre Dame. Nuestros estudiantes latinos, facultad y alumnos aportan a la comunidad del campus donde enseño su profunda reverencia por la Guadalupana. Pero cada Doce de diciembre, en la Basílica del Sagrado Corazón, me topo con caras que no son latinas. Muchos de los estudiantes en cursos de teología y espiritualidad latinas, apenas si han oído hablar de Guadalupe antes de haber llegado a Notre Dame. Sin embargo, ellos se unen al resto cantando, celebrando y en la procesión a la capilla de Nuestra Señora al término de la Eucaristía para presentarle las tradicionales rosas y conmemorar su día.

El crecimiento de la devoción a la Guadalupana no es exclusivo de Notre Dame. Los fieles de Guadalupe han estado aumentando desde hace cinco siglos. Su basílica en México, D. F., es la más visitada del continente americano. Después de la imagen de Jesús de Nazaret, la suya es el icono sacro más reproducido en América. Considerada siempre como símbolo nacional de México, en la exhortación apostólica Ecclesia in America, el papa Juan Pablo II la aclamó como "Madre y evangelizadora de América", es decir, desde Tierra del Fuego hasta las tierras más septentrionales de Canadá. A petición unánime de los obispos católicos del continente, también decretó que su fiesta "fuera celebrada en todo el continente".

¿Cómo es que Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe atrae tanta variedad de devotos entre sus hijas e hijos? ¿Cuál es su poder?

Una respuesta es la tradición de sus apariciones en 1531 al indígena y neófito Juan Diego, a quien el papa Juan Pablo II canonizó en 2002. Los devotos guadalupanos han transmitido esa preciosa narración a sus hijos. Ellos aprecian lo poético del náhuatl, la lengua del Nican Mopohua, en donde se cuenta cómo Guadalupe envió a Juan Diego la solicitud de que Juan de Zumárraga, el primer obispo de México, le construyera un templo sobre la colina del Tepeyac. Al principio el obispo dudó del origen celestial de la petición, pero se convenció cuando Juan Diego, al soltar de su ayate la carga de rosas de castilla, dejó manifiesta la imagen de Guadalupe, milagrosamente impresa allí, sobre su rústica prenda. De distintas maneras, Guadalupe proveyó a Juan Diego con esperanza y consuelo, particularmente al curar a su tío, Juan Bernardino.

Muchos devotos vibran con el encuentro entre Guadalupe y Juan Diego; encuentro representado frecuentemente en las celebraciones litúrgicas de su fiesta. Las personas que han experimentado el dolor de ser rechazadas, en Guadalupe hallan esperanza, porque ella eligió a alguien insignificante pero con una fe inquebrantable, Juan Diego, a quien revindicó al final de cuentas. Esas personas pueden confesar la verdad de la narración de Guadalupe; en ella se manifiesta la profunda verdad de su dignidad humana y queda desnuda la mentira de la opresión que mina la valía más fundamental de la persona.

El fiel de Guadalupe también contempla extasiado su belleza, especialmente su rostro y ojos compasivos. Para muchos devotos, el corazón de la experiencia de Guadalupe es el de Juan Diego. En conversaciones inacabables, oraciones y miradas fijas en su imagen, los fieles recrean el encuentro místico de Juan Diego con Guadalupe. Contemplando el rostro celestial de su madre, ellos no olvidan todas las dificultades de su vida diaria. Pero su belleza y amor incondicional los transforma, los capacita para confrontar las duras realidades con seguridad y con la confianza de que ningún poder humano puede aplastar los designios del amor de Dios.

Guadalupe es nuestra madre. A lo largo y ancho de las Américas, todos los que participamos en su devoción y celebramos su fiesta, nos dejamos envolver en la compasión de Dios que en Guadalupe y siglos atrás, experimentó ya san Juan Diego.

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Join us to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Raphael

Wednesday, December 11

The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe commemorates the appearance of Mary to Juan Diego, a poor Mexican laborer, on Dec. 9, 1531.

Schedule

8:00pm: Procession begins at Optimist Park
9:00pm: Holy Rosary (in Spanish)
9:00 - 10:00 pm: Dances on the Plaza (outside)
10:00pm: Procession arrives at St. Raphael - Welcome the Procession
10:10pm - 10:30pm: Dancing
10:30pm: Dramatization of the Apparitions
10:50pm: Children's chorus sings
11:00pm: Mass (in Spanish)

Guadalupan Procession:

The procession begins in Optimist Park (5900 Whittier Drive, at the second entrance) at 8:00 pm and ends at the church at 10:00 pm. If you're joining the procession, it's recommended that you leave your car in the church parking lot before the pilgrimage. For more information, contact the Hispanic Ministry office at 919-865-5746.

You're invited to the Great Pastorela & Posada

Friday, December 20 at 7:00 p.m. in Ignatius Hall.

Join us as our Hispanic Ministry altar servers reenact the story of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and search for a place to stay. There will be songs, piñatas, and more activities to share with the family at this special time of the year.

Advent Wreath Prayer for Second Sunday in Advent

Gather around the Advent wreath in your home.

Leader: Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Two purple candles are lit.

Scripture reading -Romans 15:15:

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All reflect on the scripture for a few moments in silence.

Leader: We tend to focus on the things that divide us. But Jesus has a different plan. Though we may not always see eye to eye, with God's grace, divisions can be reconciled. What is one thing we can do today to take a next step toward repairing a relationship among our family or friends?

Leader: For what shall we pray?

All are invited to share any prayer intentions aloud.

Leader: For all these intentions, and those we hold in our hearts, we pray to our Father as Jesus taught us...

All: Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

All sing a verse of "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" together:

O come, Thou Dayspring, from on high, And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Oración de la Corona de Adviento para el Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Reunirse alrededor de la corona de adviento en su hogar

Líder: Luz y paz en Jesucristo nuestro Señor.

Todos: Gracias a Dios.

Se encienden dos velas moradas.

Lea las Escrituras -Romanos 15:15:

Que el Dios de resistencia y aliento les conceda pensar en armonía unos con otros, de acuerdo con Cristo Jesús, para que con un solo acuerdo puedan glorificar al Dios y Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo con una sola voz.

Todos reflexionan sobre las Escrituras por unos momentos en silencio.

Líder: Tendemos a enfocarnos en las cosas que nos dividen. Pero Jesús tiene un plan diferente. Aunque no siempre estemos de acuerdo, con la gracia de Dios, las divisiones pueden conciliarse. ¿Qué podemos hacer hoy para dar el siguiente paso hacia la reparación de una relación entre nuestra familia o amigos?

Líder: ¿Por qué debemos orar?

Todos están invitados a compartir en voz alta cualquier intención de oración.

Líder: Por todas estas intenciones, y aquellas que tenemos en nuestros corazones, rezamos a nuestro Padre como Jesús nos enseñó ...

Todos: Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre; Venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día; y perdona nuestras ofensas como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden; y no nos dejes caer en la tentación, sino líbranos del mal. Amén.

Todos cantan un verso de "O Ven, Oh Ven Emmanuel" juntos:

Oh, ven, Tú Muelle del Día, desde lo alto, y alégranos al acercarnos; Dispersa las sombrías nubes de la noche, Y las sombras oscuras de la muerte se ponen en fuga. ¡Alegrarse! ¡Alegrarse! Emmanuel vendrá a ti, oh Israel.

Most Requested Ministries

Mass Intentions

We are accepting Mass Intention requests for Masses occurring through Feb. 29. Contact the office receptionist at 865-5702 or mcalle@saintraphael.org.

Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturdays 3:30-4:45 PM (English & Spanish) in the Chapel of Our Lady Queen of the Americas.

Other times by appointment.

Baptism Preparation

To learn more and begin the process, visit the "Sacraments" tab on the parish website. Families must register at least 2 months prior to the proposed Baptism date.

Marriage Preparation

Call 865-5747 at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

Ministry to the Sick

In case of illness or hospitalization, call Gerry Madey at 865-5740 to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick or to receive Holy Communion.

Catholic Inquiry

To learn about joining the Catholic Church, call extension 708.

We have many more ministries. You can find an overview of all ministries, information on parish events, and a full contact list at www.saintraphael.org.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated Monday, December 9, because December 8 falls on Sunday this year. Due to this circumstance, the solemnity is not a holy day of obligation this year. Mass will be celebrated on Monday, December 9 at 7:00 am and 11:00 am.

THE ST. RAPHAEL BOY SCOUT TROOP 314's CHRISTMAS TREE SALE - will be held the weekend of Dec. 6-8 in the front parking lot of the Church. This is the Troop's ONLY fundraiser for the year. Fraser firs, wreaths, and roping will be available. Credit cards accepted. Local delivery of trees available. Support our Scouts and decorate your home for Christmas!

ADVENT TAIZE PRAYER - How often during the Advent season do you feel like you are moving too fast? Advent Taizé Prayer is a time to rest in God as the words of the spoken reflections and sung refrains penetrate our souls. The elegantly simple service made up of short chants, often in Latin, repeated over and over in the candle-lit space of Sacred Heart Church, coupled with brief readings and periods of silence, can serve as a quiet, still point in an otherwise busy season. The contemplative prayer group of the Cathedral Ministry of Social Justice invites you to gather for prayer at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, December 10 in Sacred Heart Church, 200 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh (the old cathedral).

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY- needs your help. Your ministry is hard at work creating beautiful hand made Prayer Shawls year round for all those in need. We give them freely to those in the local hospitals, having surgery, and to help comfort those who are mourning a loved one. We also donated several to our local Hospice patients. Unfortunately, we are almost out of our stash of yarn We would greatly appreciate donations of 2 or 3 skeins of yarn. Acrylic is fine. PLEASE put your name on the package so we know who to thank for the donation! Please bring your donations to the office receptionist and put either GERRY MADEY or THERESA EVERHART on the bag or package and we will receive it promptly. Thank you.

FAMILY ROSARY PRAYER GROUP - All are welcome, children, teens, and adults. We meet in the Lewis room after the 5:30 pm Vigil Mass to recite the Holy Rosary, meditate on the life of Christ, and share in a Christmas celebration and voluntary potluck dinner as a family with other families. Our next gathering will be on Dec 14, 2019. Please come join us. Contact Elizabeth Godbolt at (919) 247-5010 or st.raphaelfamilyrosary@gmail.com or Philip Godbolt Sr, at (919) 696-1177 or godboltpg@gmail.com for more information.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Would you like to help decorate St. Raphael for Christmas? On Monday morning, December 23rd, we especially need assistance setting up Ignatius Hall for Mass and decorating the Christmas tree in the atrium. Contact Nora Camber at njcambier@gmail.com or 919-307-8883 for more information.

EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE -
Due to our publisher's early deadline for the New Years holiday, bulletin announcements for the December 28-29 and January 4-5 bulletins are due by 5:00 PM on Friday, December 13.

Nuestra Señora De Guadalupe 2019
Miércoles 11 de Diciembre

PROGRAMACIÓN

8:00pm Salida de la Peregrinación
9:00pm Santo Rosario
9:00pm - 10:00pm Danzas (afuera de la Iglesia)
10:00pm Recibimiento de la Peregrinación
10:10pm - 10:30pm Ofrecimiento de Danzas a la Morenita
10:30pm Dramatización de las Apariciones
10:50pm Coro de Niños (Canto a la Virgen)
11:00pm Santa Misa
Mañanitas y Danzas: ***Después de la Santa Misa***

PEREGRINACIÓN GUADALUPANA:

Miercoles 11 de diciembre. Comenzará a las 8:00 p.m. en el Optimist Park de la 5900 Whittier Dr, 2da entrada, y terminará en la parroquia a las 10:00 p.m. Se les recomienda dejar sus vehículos en las zonas del estacionamiento de la iglesia antes de dirigirse al lugar donde empezará la peregrinación. Para mayor información comunicarse con Víctor Zavala 919-422-8123.

GRAN PASTORELA Y POSADA: La parroquia invita a toda la comunidad a la Gran **Pastorela** y **Posada** que será el **viernes 20 de diciembre a las 7:00 p.m. en el Salón Ignacio.** Tendremos piñatas y más actividades para compartir en familia en este tiempo especial del año. ¡Los esperamos!

Los que deseen donar piñatas ya llenas, bolsitas con dulces, bebidas calientes, tamales, pan o algo de comida para compartir, por favor comunicarse con la encargada de la pastorela y posada:
Paty Pineda al 919-524-4114

La Comunidad de Oración de la Renovación Carismática de San Rafael: Comunica que, el viernes 13 de Diciembre se reunirá en el salón Rafael a las 7:00 p.m.

Recuerda: "*Busca primero el Reino de Dios y todo vendrá por añadidura*". Para mayor información, llamar a Isai Rodriguez al 919-986-5294.

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¡Oh María Inmaculada ponemos en tus manos nuestras súplicas, para que tú que eres la Reina de la Pureza, y llena de Gracia, intercedas por mi ante Dios nuestro Señor.

Mira mis preocupaciones, te pido, concédeme la paz; mira que tengo miedo…dame la fortaleza espiritual; mira que aveces pierdo la esperanza, María…que yo ponga toda mi confianza en Dios. Amén

Los ministerios más solicitados

Solicitud de Intencion para que sea Nombrada en las Misas

Llame o vaya a la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a miércoles con una semana de anticipación ó mas tiempo comunicandose al 865-5746.

Confesiones

Los sábados de 3:30 p.m. a 4:45 p.m. en la Capilla de María, en español e inglés, según el orden de llegada. Otros días están disponibles por cita llamando al 865-5702.

Bautizos

Para mas información, comuníquese con la Sra. Evelia Morales al 865-5746. Las familias deben estar registradas en la Parroquia al menos 2 meses antes de la fecha de bautismo.

Bodas

Para mas información, comuníquese al 865-5746. Las familias deben estar registradas en la Parroquia al menos 6 meses antes de la fecha dela boda solicitada.

Visitando y Llevando la Comunión a Los Enfermos

Para mas información, comuníquese María Charrez al 868-7947.

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos: RICA

Mayores de 18 años que no tengan el Bautismo, 1ra Comunión y la Confirmación, comunicarse con: Xochitl Martínez al 791-8701.

Presentaciones y Quinceañeras

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Mass Intentions Dec 9 - 15 Intención de Misas del 9 - 15 de diciembre	
Monday/Lunes	
7:00 am	Alex Mena †
11:00 am	Maxima Sia Chua † (Ida Smyth)
Tuesday/Martes	
7:00 am	Eleanor Cassidy † (Mike and Rosemary Lardner)
Wednesday/Miércoles	
7:00 am	Pedro Abellera † (Helen Besas)
9:00 am	Dr. Robert Scott † (Kristin Barrett)
7:00 pm (Español)	Jayce Garza Mireles "Cumpleaños" Evelia y Emerico Mireles
Thursday/Jueves	
7:00 am	Unborn (Respect Life)
Friday/Viernes	
7:00 am	Family Weil (Maria Weil)
9:00 am	Peter Huy Le (Evelia & Emerico Mireles)
Saturday/ Sábado	
9:00 am	Brian Mc Connor (ThuHuong Trinh)
5:30 pm	Vincent Reilly † (Howie & Brug Jung)
7:15 pm (Español)	En Agradecimiento, a la Virgen María De Guadalupe (María Valdéz)
Sunday/Domingo	
7:45 am	Deacon Bob Madley † (Gerry)
9:30 am	All Parishioners of Saint Raphael (Saint Raphael Priests And Staff)
11:30 am	Pasqual Chiodo † (Michele & Rick Sherman)
2:30 pm (Español)	René Rodríguez y Gloria Maldonado "Aniversario" (Gloria Maldonado)
5:30 pm	In Thanksgiving (Dr. Kim Rocha and Patrick Keenan)

Daily readings are available on the website of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops at usccb.org.

Las lecturas diarias están disponibles al hacer clic en el calendario en el sitio web de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los EE. UU.: usccb.org.

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Campaign for Human Development	$2,568

Advent Penance Services
Servicios de reconciliación de Adviento

Monday, December 9 / Lunes, 9 de diciembre
11:00 a.m. at Saint Michael (with Saint Teresa of Calcutta)
Bilingual/Bilingüe

Tuesday, December 10 / Martes, 10 de diciembre
7:00 p.m. at Saint Catherine of Siena
Bilingual/Bilingüe

Wednesday, December 11 / Miércoles, 11 de diciembre
11:00 a.m. at Saint Catherine of Siena
Bilingual/Bilingüe

7:00 p.m. at Saint Bernadette

Monday, December 16 / Lunes, 16 de diciembre
7:00 p.m. at Saint Eugene

Tuesday, December 17 / Martes, 17 de diciembre
7:00 p.m. at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral (with Saint Joseph, Saint Thomas Aquinas NCSU Student Parish, and Saint Mary Garner)
Bilingual/Bilingüe

Wednesday, December 18 / Miércoles, 18 de diciembre
11:00 a.m. at Saint Bernadette
Bilingual/Bilingüe

JOHN 6:35 EUCHARISTIC YOUTH RETREAT -All youth, ages 13-18, are welcome to join other youth at St. Thomas More Academy, Raleigh on February 7, 8, & 9, 2020 to deepen their faith as they are led to a personal encounter with the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus. There will be Mass, Adoration, praise and worship, talks, and workshops throughout the weekend. In addition, everyone will have an opportunity to receive God's mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Registration forms, schedule and speaker information can be found at john635retreat.org. Spaces are limited.

Please Remember/Recuerde por favor a...

These parishioners at home/Feligreses en casa

Bill Baker
Edmond Baptiste
Mary Barnes
Terry Beal
Dorothy Birmingham
Abigail Bloch
Cassidy Bloch
Jack Boland
Terry Borash
Brian Breen
Paul Bryant
Justin Bunch
Raissa Bunga
Frank Castillo
Otilia Castro
Ed Cody
Gregory Cody
Conrad Collins
Jansje Collins
Amanda Conner
Birna Constantino
Katheryne Cooke
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Jose Emigdio Diaz
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Janet Gropp
Ann Hancock
Babette Hansen
Bruce Hanson
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Rose Strain
Agnes Synowiez
Mary Vandervort
Zorida Vasconcellos
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Clifton Wade
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Connor Wright
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Sharon Youse

If you have changes or additions to the parishioners at home, in care, and in the military lists, please contact Gerry Madey at gerry@madeys.com or call 865-5740.

Si tiene algún cambio en los feligreses en el hogar, en el cuidado o en las listas militares, llame al Sra. Evelia Morales al 865-5746.

If you are a pregnant parishioner and would like your name listed, please contact Mary E. Schricker at mschricker@nc.rr.com.

Si eres una feligresa embarazada, correo electrónico Mary E. Schricker en mschricker@nc.rr.com.

Parishioners in care/Feligreses en las instalaciones

Carole Adamson at Carillon Assisted Living
Betty Allen in Lynchburg General Hospital
Michael Angelo in Charlotte
Jean Creemers at Hillcrest Raleigh Rehab
Grace Edwards at Rex Rehab
June Fail at Independence Village of Olde Raleigh
AnnMarie Flores in hospital in Virginia
Nancy Hanley at Universal Health Care
Barry Herchenroder at Universal Health Care
Dorothy Kanop at Elmcroft of North Ridge
Thora McLean at Litchfield Falls Health Care
Theresa Marco in Hurst, Texas
Anna Palumbo at Brighton Gardens
Theresa Shene at Sunrise of North Hills
Ann Snyder at Rosewood at the Cypress
Clark Vilar at Pruitt Healthcare
Daniel Wallace at Oaks of Mayview
Mary Lynn Whitaker at Whispering Pines

These serving in the military/En el servicio militar

Liam Bailey | Son of Sean and Erin Bailey
Patrick Bailey | Grandson of Fran Bailey
Chris Behr | Grandson of Donna & Joe Behr
Matt Balcome | Grandson of Mitzi & Jim McGowan
Patrick Capps | Grandson of Joe & Mary Pulawski
Oliver Collins | Nephew of Jansie & Conrad Collins
Kenneth M. Curtin, Jr. | Son of Kenneth M. Curtin, Sr.
Sean T. Curtin | Grandson of Ken Curtin Sr.
Cassandra Czechowicz | Granddaughter of Diane Quick
John W. Henderson, Jr. | Nephew of Mary & Marc Rullo
Christopher House | Son of Caralyn & Bob House
Patrick Looney | Nephew of Jane Looney
Michael J. Maresh | Son of Terri Maresh
Joel Meyer | Son of Tom & Jeannie Meyer
Stephen Carter Parham, Jr. | Grandson of Donna Cuddy
Brian Scallion | Son of Nancy Scallion
Lt. George William Tucker | Son of Tim & Lee Tucker
Matthew Timper | Grandson of Phyllis & George Morse
Matthew Van Halanger | Grandson of Bob Lupien
Michael Vitek/Grandson of Barbara and Ed Vitek

Expectant Parishioners and their Babies / Feligreses embarazadas y sus bebés

Alfonso Aldaba and Maria Serna, due: Dec. 16
Yuri and Hugo Serrano, due: Jan. 9
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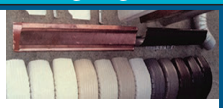

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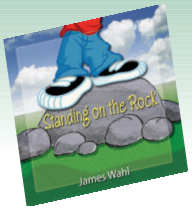

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