

3rd Sunday of Easter



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Weekend Mass Schedule

Our Lady of the Valley Church
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 10:30 am
 5:00 pm *Filipino Community*

St. Raphael Church
Saturday: 5:30 pm (except July & August)
Sunday: 9:00 am, 12 Noon

Weekday Mass Schedule

Our Lady of the Valley Church
 Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am

St. Raphael Church
 Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 am

Mission Statement

Called by God, centered in Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Roman Catholic faith community of Our Lady of the Valley and St. Raphael embrace a vision of full, conscious and active participation in the total life of the church. We are committed to form a single Christian community which honors our diversity through vibrant liturgy, engaging faith formation for all ages, and outreach to people in need.

“Ask Jesus to let you penetrate the mystery of his resurrection and let you find in it not only a means to revitalize your faith, hope, and love but especially to find the model of the new life you ought to be living.”

(Exercises) - *Blessed Basil Moreau, CSC*



...he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

MASS INTENTIONS - SCHEDULE

Monday, April 27

Our Lady of the Valley 9:00 am † Hanoumis Family

Tuesday, April 28

St. Peter Chanel 9:00 am Int. of Andrea Secord
St. Raphael

Wednesday, April 29

Our Lady of the Valley 9:00 am † Margaret Robins

Thursday, April 30

St. Raphael 9:00 am † Mary E. Curry

Friday, May 1

Our Lady of the Valley 9:00 am † Henry & Velia Daley

Saturday, May 2

Our Lady of the Valley 4:00 pm † Richard Wagoner
St. Raphael 5:30 pm † Crispin Reyes

Sunday, May 3

Our Lady of the Valley 7:30 am † Richard Wagoner
St. Raphael 9:00 am † Matthew Giacalone
Our Lady of the Valley 10:30 am Parishioners OLV & STR
St. Raphael 12:00 pm Celebrant's Intention
Our Lady of the Valley 5:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

Scripture Readings for the Week of April 26, 2020

Monday Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday Acts 7:51—8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b & 8a, 17 and 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59 or Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us (Acts 2:14, 22-33).

Psalms — Lord, you will show us the path of life (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Our faith and hope are in God who raised Jesus from the dead (1 Peter 1:17-21).

Gospel — Through his words and in the breaking of the bread, the risen Christ made himself known to two disciples on their way to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35).

You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.

— Acts 2:28



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The right time and the wrong time, all at the same time

It has been some time since I have addressed the issue of canine companionship; early February to be exact. At that time, in response to frequent inquiries about whether I will look for another pup to fill that hole the loss of Raphie left in my heart and life, I would reply, “When the time is right.” Quoting myself (isn’t that self-serving?) in that February 2 bulletin column, “Timing is everything. “

Frankly, there were things I wanted to do before I assumed responsibility for a new dog. I wanted to wait until after the post-Easter ordinations at Notre Dame of four of my Holy Cross brothers. As expected, the coronavirus made it necessary to postpone the ordinations. I also wanted to go to Big Sur to make a retreat for the first time in a several years; I still do! While the Hermitage is still accepting retreatants for private retreats, interaction with the monastic community for prayer and Mass would be impacted by the CDC restriction of “large crowds.” As well, traveling through California to get there is not exactly advisable in the current climate. Thus, the two reasons I have delayed enlarging my family are, at this time, a moot point.

The emergence of the coronavirus, first in China and then across Europe, covered in the evening news seemed like a far away news story. The closer it crept to our shores, the more heightened our awareness of its deadly impact became. The advent of the deadly global pandemic of the coronavirus ‘clipped our wings’ in an effort to keep us at home and out of the public arena to curtail its spread.

At home many of us feel we have way too much time on our hands. In my case, ‘at home’ is very much alone since I lost Raphie. I have no problem with being alone; as a matter of fact, after a day in parish ministry (pre-Covid-19) totally immersed in human interaction, I relished my alone time at home. Since I lost Raphie in mid-November the emptiness of my house is even more pronounced.

When the reality of the emerging health crisis began to set in, and my excuses for not looking for another four-legged roommate, were removed it appeared that the time was right. I actually intended to search on line and visit shelters the weekend of March 15, the last weekend we were able to gather for public Masses. Concern over that Monday’s Lenten Communal Reconciliation service – first parish casualty of the coronavirus - and the looming impact of this situation on our lives, understandably derailed my focus. Beware of the Ides of March!

With a ‘stay a home order’ in Arizona that does not pack

a punch, I continue to be in the parish offices as usual. The thought of more ‘at home’ time, however, returned me to look for a dog. As the Diocese of Phoenix mandated the cancelling of all large gatherings, including Mass itself, and a media hyped National Puppy Day, March 23, I figured this would be a good time to a find furry friend.

It seems much of Arizona had a similar idea. With closure of businesses, schools and entertainment venues, a lot of Arizonians figured they did not want to do this alone. Within a week of the state of emergency being proclaimed local shelters were empty. Animal shelters closed as a health precaution and ceased accepting pet surrenders. Of the few available dogs, 99% are Pit Bull mixes or Chihuahua mixes, neither of which fit the bill.

My ideal dog, either male or female, would be small (20 lbs. max), from among the shedless breeds, preferably house trained, okay with being home alone while I am at work and good with riding in a car. Frankly, with the very mellow Raphie who gave up barking altogether in the final two or more years of her charmed life, I was not the only spoiled beast in the house.

By chance I ran into Raphie’s veterinarian mid-morning at the supermarket on that first Massless Sunday. I had not seen her since I had to put Raphie down. After inquiring into my wellbeing, she thanked me for the two parish bulletins I had left her when I picked up Raphie’s ashes – the ones dealing with Raphie’s death. “Just thinking about it,” she said, “makes me want to cry.” “Me too,” I replied. Once we got over that difficult moment, she asked if I was looking yet. I told her of my dilemma brought on by the onslaught of Covid-19 with a low puppy inventory and closed and empty shelters. She promised to keep her eye open.

The following Sunday, as I was making my solitary Palm Sunday processions through the neighborhood, I passed the vet’s house and encountered her returning from another shopping excursion. She assured me that she is still thinking about me and alerted her staff to do the same in hopes of finding me a friend.

With a seemingly escalating health crisis, and more time at home, it would be the perfect time to establish a life together with another pup that needs me as much as I need him or her. For now, however, all I can say is that the time is right and the time is wrong, all at the same time. This is a saga that, I hope, is to be continued!

Fr. Ed Kaminski, CSC
Pastor

Aw Phooey.....

Due to circumstances beyond our control (darn virus!) the annual St. Raphael Women's Guild Fashion Show will not be taking place on May 2 as mentioned in an earlier bulletin. We are now looking forward to next year's show in late April 2021.

Spring Cleaning during this 'stay at home' era?

With more time at home during the Covid-19 era many people have been attending to over-due "Spring cleaning." The St. Vincent de Paul Society will have a truck in the Our Lady of the Valley parking lot this Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 am to 11:00 am to accept the usable clothing and household items that are no longer useful to you.



Andre House support



Until the restoration of public Masses on weekends at St. Raphael and Our Lady of the Valley, we cannot accept donations of goods in support of Andre House. To arrange for drop off of donations to Andre House call 602-255-0580 to make arrangements.



Please pray for Carolyn Bruener & family, Mary, Carlos and new baby, Sophie Samaniego, Pam Nowak, Scott Dimes, Dr. Mary Ellen Quinn, Bonnie Graler, Ann-Marie Polaco, Carl Hoffmann, Sherry Smith, Linda Kist, Pete & Marie Pusteri, Edith Faber and all those in need of

our prayers.

Anyone from either parish wishing to place someone on the prayer list may do so **if they have their permission.**

Email Marilyn: ms-churchlady@hotmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul Societies



In this Sunday's Gospel, as we hear the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we also come to know that our daily reaching out to our neighbor is our daily walk with the risen Christ; we recognize him in others.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting families, providing food, support for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

If you can assist the SVDP Society, call OLV (602-993-9111) or STR (602-439-2341).

(The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an independent ministry staffed by parishioners).

Beware of Scammers!

Several parishioners have been receiving text and e-mail solicitations allegedly from Fr. Ed seeking monies for I-Tune cards for cancer patients or similar requests. This is a scam and recipients should delete these inquiries without replying.

Fr. Ed will never solicit charitable assistance for people in need from parishioners via text or e-mail.

SCAM! Alert!

"That they may all be one." - John 17:21

Church Support

Customarily, at weekend Masses if a parishioner makes a contribution to the parish via their personal check at weekend Masses it is deposited into their respective parish bank account by the following Wednesday afternoon. During this time of the pandemic and no weekend Masses the plate collection check processing pace is slower. We collect checks throughout the week, Monday thru Friday, and they are counted on the weekend and deposited the following Wednesday. We thank you for your continued support and understanding during this unusual time.

Sunday Offering Week 41, 2019-2020
April 11-12, 2020

Our Lady of the Valley

Total: \$7,309

Amount Needed To Meet Weekly Expenses: \$9,719

St. Raphael

Total: \$7,135

Amount Needed To Meet Weekly Expenses: \$8,644



Sunday Offering Week 42, 2019-2020
April 18-19, 2020

Our Lady of the Valley

Total: \$5,110

Facility Renovation: \$30

Amount Needed To Meet Weekly Expenses: \$9,719

St. Raphael

Total: \$2,293

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Amount Needed To Meet Weekly Expenses: \$8,644



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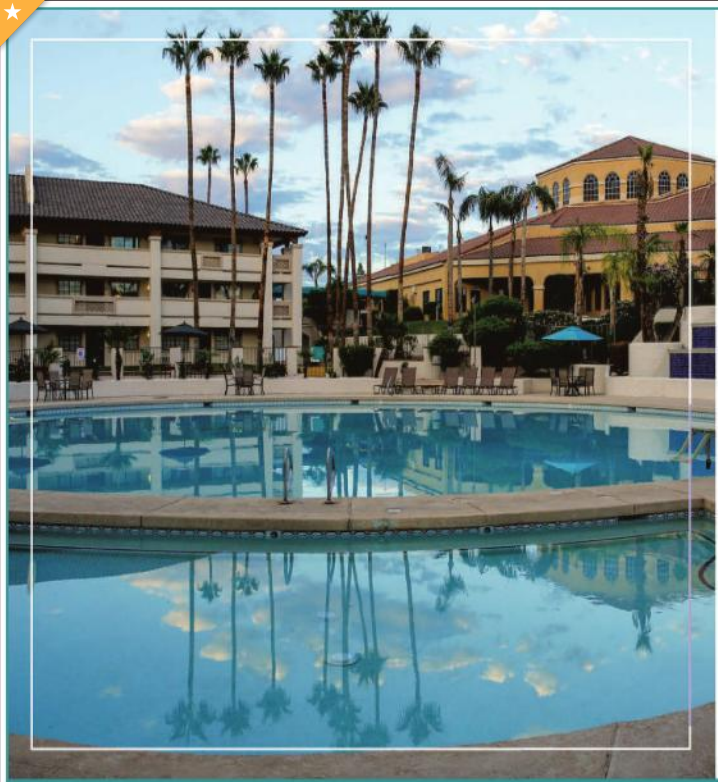
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