14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven.” - Lk 10:20


MISSION STATEMENT

Faithful to the Teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, St. Raphael Parish and School promotes the Universal Call to Holiness for all the People of God.

WORSHIP

Weekday Masses
Monday - Saturday:  8:00 am
Wednesday:  6:30 am and 8:00 am
First Friday:  7:00 pm
Extraordinary Form Latin
Weekend Masses
Saturday:  5:30 pm
Sunday:  8:30 am, 10:30 am

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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Thursday:  8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Friday:  8:00 am - 12:00 pm

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation
Weekdays:  7:30 - 7:50 am
Saturday:  7:30 - 7:50 am,
  8:30 - 9:30 am, & 4:00 - 5:15 pm
Marriage
Please contact Fr. Rudolph.
Baptism
Please contact the Parish Office.
Last month we began our considerations of the Second Commandment, Thou Shalt not take the Name of the Lord Your God in Vain. One of the areas that fall under this commandment, for obvious reasons, is the use of inappropriate language. It is not uncommon in the confessional to hear people say they used “curse words.” Over the years I have never corrected people when they said this, knowing what they really meant. However, with the rise of witchcraft and other occult practices, I think it is now necessary to make the proper distinction.

The use of vulgar or inappropriate language is using cuss words, not curse words. However, there are some occasions where a curse may be visited on another person. We have to remember that the devil is a legalist; he does not care if you did something intentionally or if you did not even know it was wrong. So, we have to be aware that we can, without thought, unintentionally curse someone.

Most of the time, when people use bad language, it is because they are upset. Unfortunately, in our society there are many places where vulgarity has become commonplace and good people begin using the words they hear all day long. Most often this would not be a mortal sin; it may not be a sin at all if the problem is habitual or if the word pops out unintentionally. Nonetheless, it would be good to work on cleaning up our language. St. Paul instructs the Ephesians to “let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only such is as good for edifying…” (Eph 4:29).

Are your words edifying? In other words, do your words build people up or tear them down? We are to be the leaven in the world, but we also have to be careful not to allow the world to become the leaven in our lives. Sometimes we use bad language because we want to fit in or show off. To be the leaven means we have to give good example. As we mentioned last month, even though use of God’s Name in vain has become almost ubiquitous, that does not give us permission to use His Name wrongly. These days, the use of several other disgusting words is quite prominent; the fact that “everyone else is doing it” does not mean we should be doing it. Cussing is bad because it gives bad example, develops a horrible habit, and brings people down.

Cursing is an entirely different issue. It is using our words, but with very evil intent. There are formal curses and spells which call upon the forces of evil to visit something negative on a person, a group, a building, or whatever may be the intention of the person initiating the curse. Many people try to justify Harry Potter books, but one of the clearest reasons to stay away from them is that the author researched ancient curses from Egypt and other countries and wrote them right into the book. People are praying curses without even knowing it or thinking it is just fun. The demons take it very seriously; it is not fun.

There are three different kinds witchcraft: white, grey, and black witchcraft. Some people want to call themselves “good witches” because they are not trying to do evil things with their spells and curses. The only difference is what they use in their potions and curses, but it is all witchcraft which, Scripture tells us, is an abomination to God. So, even if someone is putting a “good” spell on someone, it is still a sin. Calling upon evil, even if it is for some “good” intention, is still calling upon evil.

Among the formal curses we also need to include groups like the Freemasons who have curses worked into their rituals as men advance higher in their ranks. The most common are curses on the family or on the first-born sons. Some of these curses are generational, meaning they affect not only the members of the immediate family of the man making the oath, but it is passed down so it affects the grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and so on. In some of their oaths the men actually pray curses upon themselves contingent on their violating the secrets of the society.

There are curses which people put on others that are not formal nor are they intentionally trying to curse the other person. This would occur if we say something to the effect of “I hope this (whatever bad thing it may be) happens to you.” If we really mean what we are saying, that is, in essence, a curse. Parental curses are among the most powerful. Most parents would never intentionally curse their children, but it is the angry statement that comes out in a moment of contention. This could be saying the parent hopes something very bad will happen to the person (problems with a marriage, finances, difficulties with children, etc.). We have to be very careful that we do not ask for something bad to happen to others.

Using God’s Name as a curse is a mortal sin. This implies the use of the Holy Name of God to actually curse someone or as part of a formal curse (the Masons do this). This is not something most people would do intentionally, but it happens frequently when people say “God d—n” this thing, this person, etc. Do we really want God to condemn someone? That’s what we are saying when we use this language.

Hopefully this helps to make the distinction between cussing and cursing. Hopefully, it will also help us to work to using edifying language so as not to give bad example or to bring evil upon another. We want to steer clear of evil in any of its manifestations.

Guarding our tongues is a great way to keep on the straight and narrow path.
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Parochial Vicar
Fr. Robert Altier (x206)

PARISH ADMINISTRATION
Business Administrator
Ginny Metzger (x202)
Part-Time Administrative Assistant
Sue Kubovec (x201)
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Marie Nachtsheim (x222)
Social Needs Coordinator
Bunny Arseneau (x214)
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RCIA Coordinator
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Bulletin Prayers for the Sick (x523)
Adoration Coordinator
Betty Kreuter (763-537-1399)

SCHOOL
School Office: 763-504-9450
School Principal: (x352)

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, July 7
9:45 AM Fr. Altier’s Rosary Talk, Marian Hall
3:00 PM Parish Holy Hour, Holy Spirit Chapel

Monday, July 8
1:00 PM Minneapolis Council of Catholic Women Executive Meeting, St. Raphael Room
7:00 PM Parish Festival Planning Meeting, Fr. Fenelon Rm.

Tuesday, July 9
1:00 PM Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Makers, St. Therese Room

Wednesday, July 10
No Scheduled Events

Thursday, July 11
1:00 PM Senior Cards, Marian Hall
5:00 PM Food, Friendship & Faith, North Entrance of Church
7:00 PM St. Raphael Prayer Group Marian Hall

Thursday, July 11 (continued)
7:00 PM Carmelite Council Mtg, St. Therese Room

Friday, July 12
No Scheduled Events

Saturday, July 13
No Scheduled Events

Sunday, July 14
10:00AM Monthly Rosary, Church
1:30 PM Carmelites, Parish Center

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY
For those parishioners who are homebound due to surgery, serious illness (not contagious), or immobility but would like to receive Holy Communion each week, please contact the Parish Office at 763-537-8401 to be put on a schedule.
**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, July 8**
- 8:00 AM  James & Angela Kerkes and family
- 8:00 AM  + Glen McIntosh

**Tuesday, July 9**
- 8:00 AM  + Brian McMahon
- 8:00 AM  Tom Poeschl, Sr.

**Wednesday, July 10**
- 6:30 AM  Jim & Sue Kubovec
- 8:00 AM  + Baylon Loosbrock

**Thursday, July 11**
- 9:00 AM  Fr. Robert Altier
- 8:00 AM  St. Raphael Parishioners

**Friday, July 12**
- 8:00 AM  + Tom Reinert
- 10:30 AM  + Delores Malerich

**Saturday, July 13**
- 5:30 PM  Fr. Robert Al/g415er
- 8:00 AM  Tom Poeschl, Sr.

**Sunday, July 14**
- 8:00 AM  Delores Malerich
- 8:00 AM  Brian McMahon

Readings for the week of July 7, 2019

**Sunday:**
- Is 66:10-14/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/
- Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

**Monday:**
- Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab [cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26

**Tuesday:**
- Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38

**Wednesday:**
- Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday:**
- Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15

**Friday:**

**Saturday:**
- Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33

**Next Sunday:**
- Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 [cf. 33] or PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9a]/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

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**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

“Look upon the hour of adoration assigned to you as an hour in paradise. Go to your adoration as one would to heaven, to the divine banquet. You will then long for that hour and hail it with joy. Take delight in fostering a longing for it in your heart. Tell yourself, “In four hours, in two hours, in one hour, our Lord will give me an audience of grace and love. He has invited me; he is waiting for me; he is longing for me.”

~ St. Peter Julian Eymard

Eucharistic Adoration
Contact: Betty Kreuter at 763-537-1399

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him. Ps 37:7

As we celebrate the 4th of July, let us also celebrate the freedom to worship in the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel located on the Southwest side of the building. (Please look for the signs.)

Come spend time before the Blessed Sacrament and enjoy being in the True Presence of the Lord.

Perpetual Adoration requires at least one adorer every hour, 168 hours a week. The parish has been blessed with the gift of Perpetual Adoration for over 22 years.

Thank you to all who participate!

Currently there is a need for a new adorer for each of these hours:

**Sundays:**
- 1:00-2:00 am (now until August)

**Thursdays:**
- 4:00-5:00 am; and
- 8:00-9:00 am

**Fridays:**
- 8:00-9:00 pm

If you are interested in committing to an hour of prayer or have questions about Adoration, please contact Betty at the above number.

To be added to the Substitute List call Barb McCalley at 763-971-8460.

**PARISH HOLY HOUR**

Please join us for our monthly Parish Holy Hour on July 7th at 3:00 pm, in the Holy Spirit Chapel. The hour includes the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and silent prayer.

Contact: Peggy Diedrich at 763-537-8703 with questions.

**Please do not rearrange the furniture in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. We have the furniture set up to accommodate as many people and their needs as possible. Thank you for your kind consideration.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Ambrielle
Mary Anderson
Lou Buchman
J.P. Ehlenz
Andrew Eisenzimmers
Brenda Gienear
Jason Gustafson
John Herbes
Nichole Iverson
Theresa Kelly
Geraldine Koshiol
Kevin Long
David McMillen
Norb Meier
Jeff Woodruff

To add a name for a six week period, please call 763-537-8401 x 523
**NEWS & EVENTS**

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**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed to visit those in our parish who are homebound and are not able to get to Mass. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Betty Kreuter at 763-537-1399. If you are not currently an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, but are interested in this ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 763-537-8401. Please note that there is Virtus certification training required for this ministry.

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**Reaching for Faith**

Free Food, Friendship, & Faith

Help someone find our awesome parish!!

It’s as easy as serving a hot dog. We sponsored this event in 2016 and in 2018 as a way to re-introduce the Church of St. Raphael to individuals and families in the ever-changing neighborhood around us.

We offer a free hot dog meal to everyone who comes and we have an opportunity to get to know one another.

**Thursdays:**

**June 13th through July 25th**

5:00 - 7:00 pm.

Volunteers Needed

Thank you to those who have already volunteered to help. It is a pretty easy 2-3 hour time slot. We still have volunteer positions open.

To volunteer or if you have questions please contact Phil Rief at 612-280-4565 or fdcondesa@outlook.com

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**GRANDPARENTS APOSTOLATE**

Feast Day of Sts. Joachim and Anne Celebration—July 26

The Nativity of Our Lord Grandparents Apostolate cordially invites all grandparents for a time of encouragement, prayer, and fellowship in celebration of the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, patrons of the Nativity Grandparents Apostolate!

Fr. Nick Hagen, a parochial vicar at Nativity, will offer the featured presentation, “Listening to the Holy Spirit with Saints Joachim and Anne”. The event will take place in Nativity’s Steiner Hall on the church’s lower level, located at 1938 Stanford Ave., St. Paul, MN 55105. There is a handicap-accessible elevator on Prior Avenue.

Sign-up begins at 8:45 am, and refreshments will be served. Join us for Mass at 8:15 am with the parish in the church if you are able, and then downstairs for the program. Contact Lilee Perera at (651) 414-9367 or lilee_perera@hotmail.com with questions.

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**RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT**

I Called to the Lord in My Distress and He Answered Me

August 2-4, 2019

If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. The next Rachel’s Vineyard Twin Cities’ retreat is August 2-4, 2019. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313, or see www.rvineyardmn.org

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**ARCHBISHOP FLYNN CATEchetical INSTITUTE**

Application Deadline Extended to July 31!

This fall, the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute will offer the two-year Pillars Program at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville.

Applications are now being accepted through July 31, 2019, for the class beginning in September. For more information and an application to become part of the Class of St. Catherine of Sienna, call (651) 962-5072 or visit SEMSSP.org.

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**RETOUVAILLE MARRIAGE WEEKEND PROGRAM**

August 2-4, 2019

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information contact the Twin Cities Retrouvaille Registration Team at 651-484-5655 or TCRregistration@mntcr.onmicrosoft.com or visit our website: http://www.tcr-mn.org.
FESTIVAL NEWS

ST. RAPHAEL FESTIVAL 2019
AUGUST 2nd & 3rd
August 2nd: 5 pm - 10 pm
August 3rd: 11 am - 10 pm

Come join the FUN!
- Live music Friday night, Saturday afternoon and Saturday night!
- Cornhole Tournament!
- Games, Pull-tabs, Bingo!
- Roast Beef Sandwiches
- Corn on the Cob!
- Walking Tacos!
- “Dollars for Scholars” Raffle!
- Softball Tournament!

PRIZES
- $5,000 Cash (1st Prize)
- $500 Cash (3rd & 3rd Prizes)
- $100 Cash (4th-6th Prizes)

ADDITIONAL PRIZES
- Roomba Airpods Pad Echo Spot
- $200 Gift Certificate - Back Painting Intapop
- $100 Coupon - Screenless Window Cleaning
- $25 Hy-Vee Gift Card
- $25 Cub Food Card
- Hickenmuellers Giftbox
- (12) - $25 NOWART Gift Cards
- (10) - NOWART Certificates for One Month Trash Washing

Raffle Update: Check next week’s bulletin for the June 30th Early Bird Drawing Winner!

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO SUPPORT THE FESTIVAL:
- Like or Share us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/events/458102588323472/ or Nextdoor https://nextdoor.com/events/3025199/
- Pick up your raffle tickets (found at all church entrances) and buy or sell as many tickets as you are able.
- Sign up for a volunteer shift at the festival. Our volunteer signups will be handled online this year at https://signup.com/go/ueHgjCS. Volunteers will be available before and after many Masses to assist you in signing up.
- Consider donating any of the following items: Markers, crayons, water colors, coloring books, colored pencils and paper (for Kids’ Zone); Bottles of pop, shampoo, lotions, condiments, etc. (for the Bottle Blast); new non-perishable items for “Dollars for Catholic Scholars” Basket Raffle.
- Register your 2-person team for the Cornhole Tournament by sending an email to STRFestival@gmail.com

If you have any questions regarding the festival, please email STRFestival@gmail.com

Next festival planning meeting: Monday, July 22nd at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Fenelon Conference Room.

DOLLARS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOLARS RAFFLE
ST. RAPHAEL PARISH FESTIVAL
FRIDAY, AUGUST 2ND: 6:00 - 10:00 PM
SATURDAY, AUGUST 3RD:  NOON - 8:00 PM
(BASKET RAFFLE DRAWING AT 8:30 PM)

How You Can Get Involved:
Donate new, un-used, un-opened, non-perishable items to our raffle and help support our dedicated school teachers and administrators! Corporate donations gladly accepted!

Donation or Basket Theme Ideas:
- Fitness Basket
- Summer Grilling / Gas Grill
- Beach Basket
- Happy Hour Basket
- iPad
- Pamper Yourself
- Sports
- Bike
- TV

**Donated items should be dropped off at the Parish Office no later than Sunday, July 28, 2019**

Supported by: Parents Helping Teachers (PHT) - We are a group of parents working together to support the dedicated teachers and administrators of St. Raphael School (SRS) through the enhancement of school resources and day to day experiences that enable our children to thrive. Past support has included providing new white boards, recess equipment, subsidizing bus fees for field trips, and more!
Oddino was born in the town of Fossano, in the north of Italy. When he grew up, he was ordained a priest and was appointed to serve at the Church of Saint John the Baptist in his hometown. He earned a good reputation for his care of the poor and the austerity of his life; his bishop had to order him to eat some meat for the sake of his health and to keep some of the tithes given to the parish for his own support and for the maintenance of the church building—Oddino was in the habit of giving everything away to the needy. Eventually, he became a Third-Order Franciscan and turned his house into a shelter for the destitute. In 1381 he went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. There he was taken prisoner by the Turks for a short time. He worked miracles while in prison. When he got back to Italy, Oddino was appointed governor of the Guild of the Cross, which was an association for the care of the sick and the provision of hospitality to pilgrims. He built a free hospital with a hostel attached to it, which was said to have never turned away a poor person or pilgrim. It lasted into the nineteenth century. After he was put in charge of building a church, Oddino performed a number of miracles as it was constructed. For example, he was given superhuman strength to move large loads singlehandedly, and he raised from the dead a stonemason who had fallen from the church tower. When plague struck the town in 1400, he was fearless in comforting the sick and taking the sacraments to the dying. He caught the plague himself and died from it.

Blessed Oddino of Fossano, pray for us! (Excerpted and adapted with permission of the Publisher from Butler’s Lives of the Saints, New Full Edition ©Paul Burns 2003, Published by Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN)