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May 30, 2026

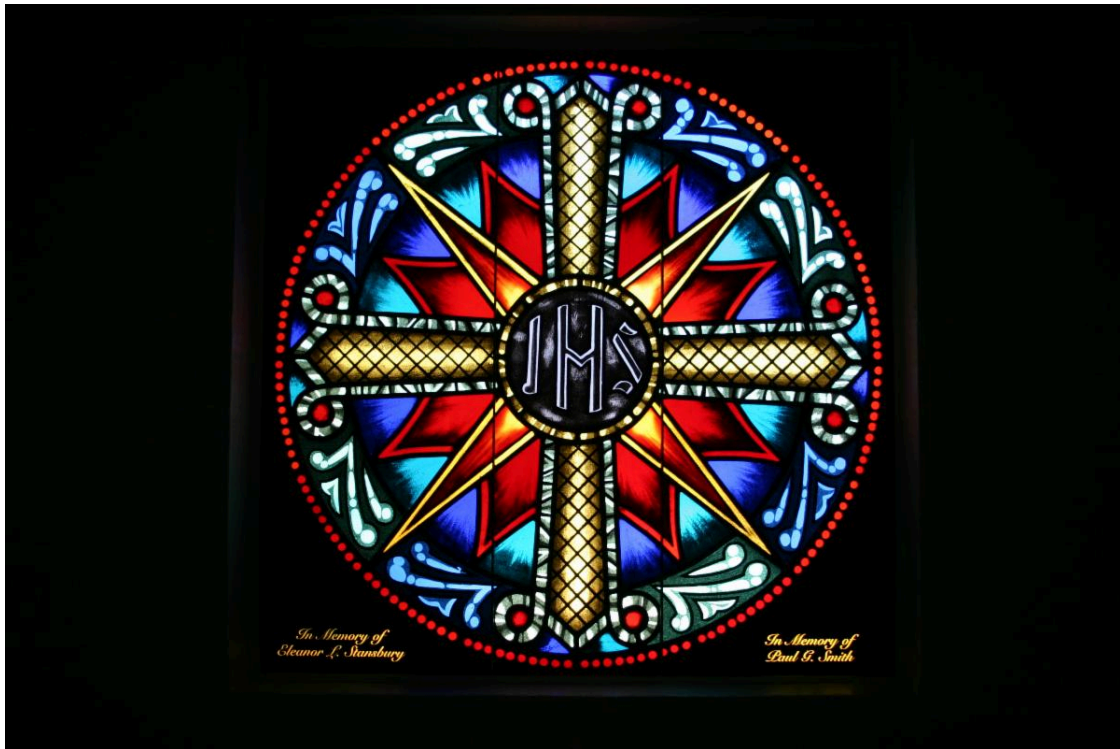
Join Us Every Sunday

Holy Eucharist

10:00 am at

5607 Williams Drive

All are invited - All are welcome!



Rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ, we are committed to nurturing spiritual growth, fostering a sense of belonging, and serving our community with compassion.



A Message From Father Rowe

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Dear members and friends of St. Raphael's,

As Pentecost wraps up the Easter Season with the gift of the Holy Spirit, Trinity Sunday draws our faith to full expression in worship of our One God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Here are the scriptures for [Trinity Sunday](#). Holy days this week include [The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#) to her cousin Elizabeth on May 31.

I am with you this Sunday and next (June 7), and then away from June 13 to July 3 at [The House of the Redeemer](#) in New York City. As you may recall, this is a late gilded age mansion given to the Episcopal Diocese of New York to be a place of quiet, retreat and prayer.

It provides for daily prayer by having different priests come for two weeks or a month to lead worship morning and evening each weekday and to be available for counsel and spiritual direction.

I have taken a turn there most years for over twenty years. I hope I do some good and I always find that I benefit from being there.

Please pray for me and for the House while I am away, as I will for you.
God bless you.

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Summer Slowdown



The poinsettia tree is in full bloom this month. Although it is a bit messy, it is a beautiful flower. More people are heading North for the summer. This week we are saying "Safe Travels" to Morey and Becca and Jackie and Steve. Kathy and Jack left last week and made it home safely. Keep in touch over the summer.

Not much new is happening on the island right now. The kneelers have arrived and we will be putting them on the pews soon.

Chef Kevin is helping us organize the kitchen area. He has gotten all of his certifications and we will be working together to make sure we are meeting all of the requirements for a commercial kitchen.

Kevin is planning on having a few food events for the community over the summer. This will be a good time to introduce more residents to what we have to offer in Comfort Hall.









Hurricane seasons begins next week and we are busy putting our hurricane plan in motion.



St. Raphael's

—• June Schedule •—



| |  CHALICE |  READER |
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|  June 7 | No Chalice | Reader: Charles |
|  June 14 | No Chalice | Reader: Ross |
|  June 21 |  Chalice Bob | Reader: Mary |
|  June 28 |  Chalice Bob | Reader: Ellie |

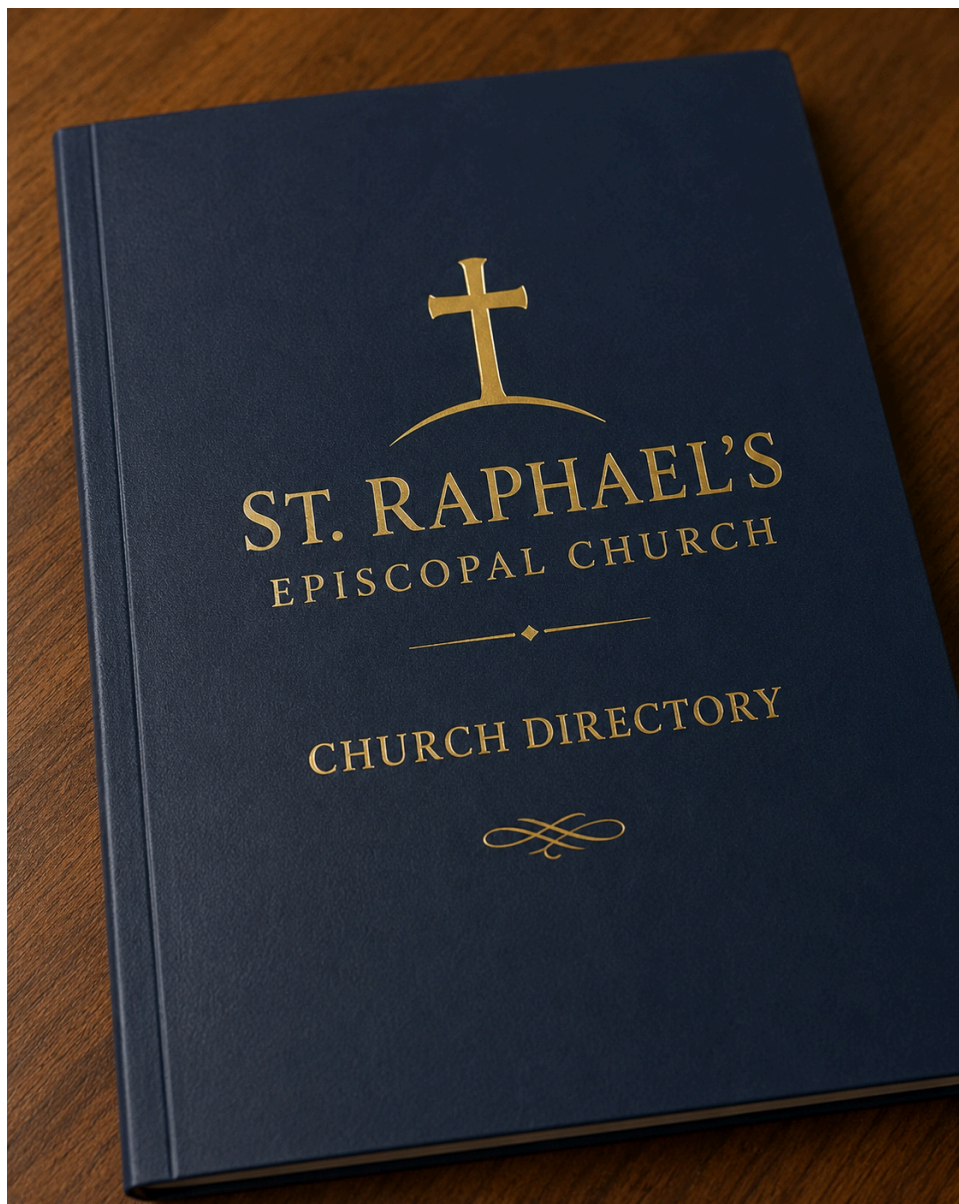


HELP WANTED

Now that summer is upon us, many of our regular participants have left until fall. Right now we have two people who are available to acolyte and administer the chalice. We have three people available to read. If Bob and Ellie are not available, the priest will not have any assistance at the altar. You do not need to be licensed to be an acolyte, so if you are going to be around over the summer and can step up, please let Ellie know. We will train you. The June schedule will be posted next week and you will see there are two Sundays where we have nobody available to assist at the altar.



Directory Help Needed



We are working on creating an updated membership directory as part of the Diocese's recommended hurricane preparedness plan. In the coming weeks, we will send out a form for you to complete so we can ensure we have your most current contact information in case we need to reach you during an emergency.

The information you provide will be entered into our secure database and may eventually be used to create a printed church directory featuring member photos and additional information about our parish family.



Do You Have a Generator You Don't Need?

The BC decided that we should purchase a generator in anticipation of the upcoming hurricane season. Before we do this we thought we would ask if anyone had a generator that was not needed that

could be donated to the church. If
so, please contact JoAnne at
office@straphaelschurch.org.

Help Us Increase Our Facebook and You Tube Presence



Our online presence has been increasing recently thanks to our streaming videos and presence on Facebook and You Tube. You can help us out by visiting [St. Raphael's Facebook Page](#) and clicking Like/Follow. You can also help by subscribing to [Father Michael's YouTube channel](#). By liking us on FB and subscribing to Father's You Tube channel you will be helping our online presence which has advantages. For example, we need to have a certain number of subscribers to live stream on You Tube. Presently, we need to stream to Facebook, save the file, and then upload to Father's You Tube page. If we could stream live directly to Facebook, we could deliver faster to viewers and increase our audience.

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on Ft. Myers Beach

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