

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS:

Saturday at 4:30pm

Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

WEEKDAYS:

Monday through Saturday 7:00am

Monday - Thursday 8:00am

No 8:00am Mass for Summer

HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS:

Check Bulletin For Mass Times

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of each month (with exposition) following 7:00am Mass concluding at 2:00pm with Benediction

Subsequent Tuesday of each month (without exposition) 7:00am to 2:30pm

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50am

CONFESSIONS

15 minutes before 7:00am Mass on Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday; and 3:45pm to 4:20pm on Saturday

ROSARY

Tuesdays at 7:00pm in Church

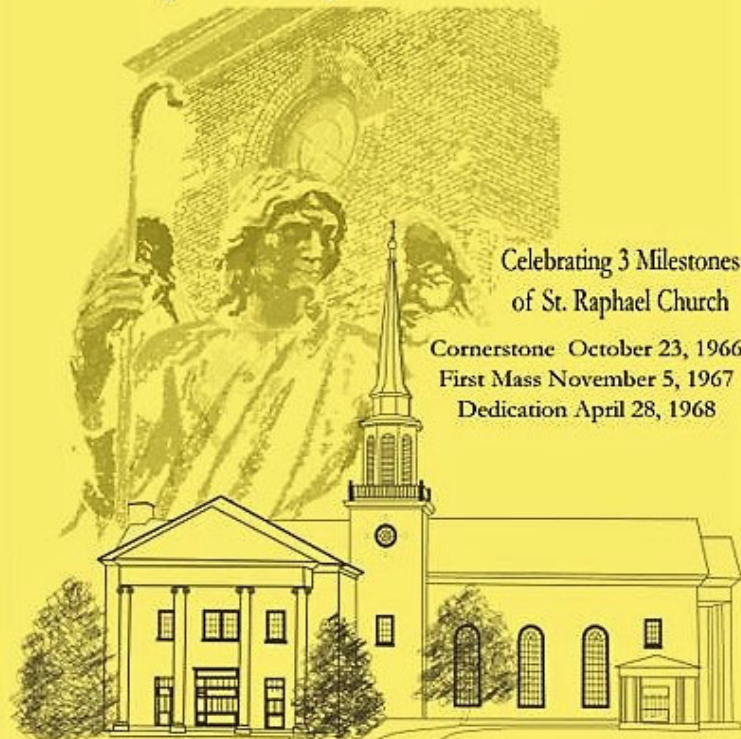
SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 22ND, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

50th Jubilee Celebration of St. Raphael Church



Fifty & Beyond

PARISH INFORMATION

Registration of New Members: Please call the Parish Office to register.

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for Baptismal instructions and to arrange a Baptismal date.

Marriage: Please contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date to begin the Church process of marriage preparation.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.): Please call the Parish Office for information.

**ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
CATHOLIC CHURCH
6047 BISHOPS PLACE • SAINT LOUIS, MO 63109**

CLERGY & STAFF

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Mateo Salam Seminarian

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, April 23rd

6:00 pm - Parish Office	Finance Council
6:45 pm - Cafeteria	2nd Gr. Cub Scouts
7:00 pm - Parish Office	St. V. de Paul
9:00 pm - Gym	Men's Club Soccer

Tuesday, April 24th

1:30 pm - Tobias Room	Bible Study
7:00 pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
7:00 pm - Raphael Room	Knights of Columbus
7:30 pm - Guardian Angel	Woman's Faith Prst.
7:30 pm - Church	South City Men's Recollection

Wednesday, April 25th

9:00 am - Quilters' Room	Quilters
6:00 pm - Cafeteria	Step Class
7:00 pm - Church	Adult Choir
8:30 pm - Gym	Men's Club Bball.

Thursday, April 26th

2:00 pm - Trophy Room	Pre-K Dance
3:00 pm - Trophy Room	K-6 Dance
6:00 pm - Cafeteria	1st Gr. Potluck Dinner
7:00 pm - Church	Contemporary Music

Friday, April 27th

7:00 am - Church	Mass
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Saturday, April 28th

8:00 am - Cafeteria	Step Class
9:00 am - Cafeteria	Girl Sct. Apr. Showers
4:30 pm - Church	Anniversary Mass
6:00 pm - Kemoll's	Anniversary Dinner

Sunday, April 29th

8:00 am - Church	Mass
10:00 am - Church	Mass
	First Communion



FATHER BOB'S COLUMN

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses a very traditional image for leadership that is still very powerful and rich in religious history – the SHEPHERD. In the Mediterranean world, shepherds were not particularly well thought of by the rest of society. But Old Testament prophets and Jesus himself used the lowly shepherd as a model of what a leader, either political or religious, should be. A good shepherd really knows his sheep and protects them with his life; a good shepherd takes care to feed and heal his sheep, and especially to find them when they are lost.

I bet that Mary and Joseph told their young son, Jesus, that the first ones to visit him in Bethlehem were the local shepherds. Jesus no doubt saw and knew many shepherds in Galilee; they must have impressed him with their dedication to their sheep. So later, in Jerusalem, Jesus taught that he was THE Good Shepherd, and not the current leaders at the temple or the palace in Jerusalem.

For us, we are moved by Psalm 23: *"The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want."* Indeed, we not only have a Good Shepherd, we have the Greatest Shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord and Savior!

NEXT SATURDAY – THE 50TH JUBILEE OF THE DEDICATION OF OUR ST. RAPHAEL CHURCH BY CARDINAL CARBERRY ON APRIL 28, 1968!

The brand new Archbishop of St. Louis, John Carberry, as one of his first official acts, came to St. Raphael Parish to dedicate its exciting new church as an official house of worship for the St. Raphael Parish Family here in St. Louis Hills. It was a proud day for Monsignor Arthur Behrman, the founding pastor of St. Raphael Parish, and the whole parish that generously gave the funds necessary to build such an outstanding structure for the worship of God.



[I hope the whole St. Raphael Parish Family comes next Saturday, April 28th, to welcome our St. Louis good shepherd, Archbishop Robert Carlson, at the special 4:30pm Mass. Let's fill the church and show the spirit and enthusiasm that we have as a parish.](#)

[The Jubilee Banquet to follow the Mass will be at Kemoll's Restaurant at the top of the Metropolitan Life Building. There are some tickets still available if you have not yet made your reservation. Call the Parish Office first thing Monday morning so that you can enjoy a great historical event at St. Raphael Parish.](#)

THEN "THE NEXT BIG THING" – THE SRA PARISH PICNIC, FRIDAY, MAY 11TH AND SATURDAY, MAY 12TH

Start planning to bring the kids, the grandkids, the neighbors, your relatives, and your friends to our fun and relaxing Parish Picnic, with all the great food and beverages, and all the rides and games.

Check on page 9 of this bulletin for details. More volunteers are needed to sign up to help.

NEXT SUNDAY - OUR SRA FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION AT THE 10AM MASS, APRIL 29TH.

We look forward to sharing the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time with our second grade youngsters. Pray for them this week that they will be ready for the special spiritual opportunity to be one with Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *To speak kindly does not hurt the tongue.*

SERVERS FOR APRIL 23-29TH, 2018

Monday, April 23rd

7:00am William Hotze Gavin Smith
8:00am Sean Madden William Madden

Tuesday, April 24th

7:00am Ellie Guenther Cate Guenther
8:00am Anna Mersinger Mady Shine

Wednesday, April 25th

7:00am Christian Concepcion Alex Atchison
8:00am Lucille Schlichting Grace Goeddel

Thursday, April 26th

7:00am Rory Barnawell Gillian Neal
8:00am Henry Cyr Mateo Switzer

Friday, April 27th

7:00am Flora Borowiak Andrew Kellar

Saturday, April 28th

7:00am Sean Madden William Madden
4:30pm Thad Berta Addison Berta
Samantha Koziacki Mia Thompson
Christian Concepcion **Need 3**

Sunday, April 29th

8:00am Ellie Guenther Cate Guenther
Gillian Neal
10:00am Grace Goeddel Gavin Smith
Jack Stein

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR APR. 14TH/15TH, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$ 5,529
Online Giving	\$ 1,547
Weekly Total Collection	\$ 7,076
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 9,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$346,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$297,661
Shortfall	\$ 48,339

Online giving is fast, easy and convenient. Go to: straphaelarchangel.org/online-giving. It's quick and simple to sign up!



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 22nd

8:00 am People of the Parish
10:00 am Don Deachan

Monday, April 23rd

7:00 am Cody Alexander
8:00 am Mary Jo Hladick

Tuesday, April 24th

7:00 am Cynthia Manzotti
8:00 am Carole Diffley

Wednesday, April 25th

7:00 am Deb Schlueter SI
8:00 am Dennis McCarthy

Thursday, April 26th

7:00 am Rosemary Spitler
8:00 am Eva Jobst

Friday, April 27th

7:00 am Trokey Family

Saturday, April 28th

7:00 am Marilyn Erickson
4:30 pm People of the Parish

WEEKEND OF APRIL 28/29TH, 2018

4:30pm 8:00am 10:00am

LECTORS:

George Kerry Mary Reck 2nd Grade

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Bob Ahrens	Lorraine Gurley	Rosemary Phelan
Maureen Ahrens	Sue Lawton	Tom Yehlen
George Kerry	Amy Ruggeri	Dennis Matreci
Margie Auer	Rosita Koehler	Carolyn Skidmore
Matt Fuhr	Christy Connor	Greg Divis
Tony Mariani	Kerry Deacon	Karen Divis
		Ann Grabian



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SRA
CONFIRMANDI

*May many blessings come to
you on this,
Your Confirmation Day,
And may God's love be in your heart
To strengthen you along life's way.*



SRA 1ST COMMUNION BOW SUNDAY

Please continue to pray for our 2nd graders who will be making their First Communion on Sunday, April 29th. May the experience of receiving their First Communion be with them always.

THE CONVERSATION: Catholic Perspective on End-of-Life Issues

Where do I begin in planning my estate?

Estate planning begins with the basics, such as wills and living trusts, and moves into durable powers of attorney and charitable giving concepts. The more prepared you are to address these issues, the less time and money you will spend at the attorney's office.



Roman Catholic Foundation
of
EASTERN MISSOURI

Attend the free seminar, *The Conversation: A Catholic Perspective on End-of-Life Issues*, at St. Raphael the Archangel Parish in St. Louis on Saturday, May 5 from 10:00am - 2:00pm to learn the steps necessary to plan your legacy. To register online, please visit www.rcfstl.org. You may also call April Esenwah at 314.918.2892.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The process for the 2018-2019 Kindergarten registration is now open. Children who are to be registered must be 5 years old by July 31st, 2018. If you are interested in touring our school or would like to request a packet of information and the registration form, please call the School Office at 314.352.9474. Registration packets may also be mailed if requested.



SRA SUMMER CAMP

St. Raphael Summer Camp is now open for registration. Come join us for A Summer of Fun!! Camp will be held June 4th - July 27th. Camp opens at 7:30am and we offer aftercare until 6:00pm. Come and experience field trips, water Wednesdays, science, cooking and fun all summer!

For further information, please visit St. Raphael's website or contact Molly Indelicato at 314.606.5264 or indelicato@straphaelarchangel.org.

PTA FUNDRAISER

Help the SRA PTA raise money for the school by shopping at Schnucks!! Every time you shop at Schnucks scan your Schnucks SCRIP card and SRA's PTA will earn 1%-3%!! Pick up your card in the back of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Anne Potts at maryannetpotts@gmail.com, 314.482.1907, with any questions.

Pre-K At SRA

We offer a Kindergarten readiness curriculum for children 3 to 5 years of age. We have 2 classrooms that each have 1 full-time lead teacher and 1 full-time assistant. We also have a part-time floater between the 2 classes. We offer a place for children to LAUGH, LOVE and LEARN in a loving environment that allows them to explore, experiment and create! We offer very flexible options of full or half days, as well as aftercare available until 6 pm. We are now accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year. Please contact Ms. Chris at feder-spiel@straphaelarchangel.org to schedule a tour or receive more information.

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the repose of the soul of our oldest member, 103-year-old Bernice Kamprad, who passed away on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 and was buried from St. Raphael on Saturday, April 21, 2018. Please pray for her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed; may they rest in peace. Amen.



Saturday, April 28th	50th Anniversary Dinner
Sunday, April 29th	First Communion
Saturday, May 5th	End-of-Life Presentation
Fri./Sat., May 11/12th	Parish Picnic
Sunday, May 13th	SRA ProLife Shower

CHILD-ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

April begins Child-Abuse Awareness Month in the U.S. Every year more than 3 million cases are reported. In 2017, in Missouri, 34,310 children were victims of child abuse. If you know of a child needing help with abuse, you can confidentially call the Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline that is answered 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 800.422.4453.

THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY

As we are about to enter the month of May, which is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Mother, everyone is welcome to join us on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm in the lower level of the Parish Office, for a video series which explains the Catholic truths about Mary, her place in salvation history, and the church-approved Marian apparitions that play an important role in Catholic tradition. The series is based on Dr. Scott Hahn's book, *Hail, Holy Queen* and is narrated by Matthew Leonard, Executive Director of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology.

We hope you can join us! If you have any questions, please contact Sue Brandt, 314.704.5304.

**“MY MINISTRY” STEWARDSHIP TALKS
APRIL 21ST AND 22ND**

God blesses us with varying talents. In return, He asks us to share those talents within our community. On a monthly basis, the SRA Stewardship Committee selects a Parish organization to feature at the weekend Masses. Representatives of that committee will share how the giving of their time and talent enriches their own lives.

At this weekend’s Masses, April 21st and 22nd, representatives of the **SRA Men’s Club** will be featured. This is part of the ongoing “My Ministry Sunday” initiative of the Stewardship Committee.

ATTENTION SEPARATED, DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR REMARRIED CATHOLICS

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at the next meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, April 26, 2018 at 7:00pm, at the Saint Catherine Laboure parish cafeteria, 9740 Sappington Road.

At this meeting Dotty Reynolds will speak on volunteering in the St. Louis area. SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social activities and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your story with caring people.

For more information, please call Pat Lynch at (314) 537-5930, Bill DeCoursey at 314.894.0733, or Jan Inman at 314.892.6933 for our support group.

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

If you have wanted to try out the Adult Choir, or have been a member in previous years, now is the time to come and celebrate the 50th Jubilee of our church! All are welcome to sing to enhance our celebration with Archbishop Carlson on Saturday, April 28th at 4:30pm Mass. There is one more rehearsal to attend, Wednesday, April 25th at 7:00pm in Church.

If you would like to participate, please contact Dr. Nancy Deacon at 314.352.8100, Ext. 220, or musicdirector@straphaelarchangel.org.

FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' love and care for us. This month, through your gifts, the Society was able to be "Good Shepherds" to the poor, to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

HELP A NEIGHBOR

DONATE YOUR CAR: Obtain a tax deduction and help those in need by donating your car, truck, van, boat, motorcycle or motor home (working or not) to the Society. The Society will handle all the details, including free towing. To donate, please call 800.322.8284 or fill out the online donation form at svdpusacars.com. Inspired by Gospel values, the Society is an international Catholic lay organization dedicated to providing person-to-person service to those in need. *Helping Neighbors Starts at Home.*



ANNUAL SRA MOTHER'S DAY SHOWER

It's that time of the year again, time for the SRA Mother's Day Shower to benefit Our Lady's Inn. As you know, Our Lady's Inn shelters women in crisis pregnancies and their children. These women choose Life rather than abortion and need assistance in coping with life during a difficult time. Please help those in need by donating some of the items listed below:

Diapers	Paper Products: Kleenex,
Cereal	Toilet Paper, Paper Towels
Deodorant	Toothpaste and Toothbrushes
Baby Products	Shampoo and Body Wash
Juice	

Please place your donations in the playpens located in the front vestibule or near the parking lot door on Saturday, May 12th or on Sunday, May 13th. We will deliver all items to Our Lady's Inn after the 10 am Mass on Mother's Day. We thank you, in advance, for your generosity. May the Lord bless and keep all of you!

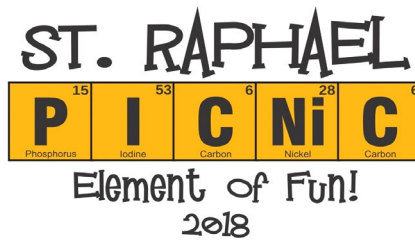
The St. Raphael ProLife Committee



REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

A bequest to St. Raphael can be a living memorial to the nobility of your life. A bequest is exempt from estate and inheritance taxes and reduces the amount of the estate to be taxed.

Our legal title is:
ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
6047 Bishops Place
St. Louis, Missouri 63109



JOIN US!!!

BBQ - MUSIC – RIDES – GAMES

FRIDAY, MAY 11TH 5 - 10 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 12TH 11 AM – 9 PM

MORNING OUTDOOR MASS SATURDAY 10:15 AM

HODAK'S CHICKEN DINNERS SATURDAY 4 -7 PM

BEAUTIFUL HANDMADE QUILT AND 50/50 DRAWING SATURDAY 9 PM

RETURN QUILT & 50/50 CHANCES TO PARISH OFFICE OR MAIN BOOTH ON PICNIC DAYS

ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR: PLANTS FOR THE PLANT BOOTH, 12 PACKS OF COKE PRODUCTS AND CAKES FOR THE DINNER – FRIDAY BEFORE 5PM

RIDE WRIST BAND PRESALE - PURCHASE AT PARISH OFFICE BEGINNING APRIL 30TH

Friday only: Armband presale price \$35 and good from 5-10pm. (New!)

Saturday only: Armband presale price is \$35 and good from 11am-9pm.

A **combined** day Friday (5-10pm) and Saturday (11am-9pm) armband presale price is \$55. Armbands are encouraged to be purchased presale—this will save time and \$\$ for you the day of the picnic!

Prices will go up to \$40 for Saturday only or Friday only, and \$60 for combined day armbands if purchased on picnic days! Individual ride tickets will not be sold presale – they may be purchased on picnic days. Individual ride ticket prices are \$2.00 each. Most rides will take one ticket, but some may take two tickets.

Parish office hours 7:30 am - 3:30 pm Monday - Thursday, 7:30 - 1:00 pm Fridays.



Saint Louis LIFETEEN

ATTENTION ALL SRA EIGHTH GRADERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS

Attention all high schoolers and 8th graders! Please join us this Wednesday, April 25th from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg as we continue our series on the Holy Spirit. Please see saintlouislifeteen.org for more information.

ROSATI-KAIN SUMMER CAMPS

Kougar Kamps offer your kamper the ultimate summer experience! R-K is offering four weeks of full or half-day summer camps from Monday through Thursday. Our camps are designed to be fun and inspiring, but also engage your daughter in a new interest or sport. Our camps are geared toward third-through-eighth-grade girls and R-K's incoming freshmen. To learn more, go to rosati-kain.org.

COVENANT NETWORK

To continue to enrich your journey throughout the Easter season, listen to Catholic radio, AM 1080. Programming includes daily Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and much more. For a program schedule, please call 314.752.7000.

**Think
Spring!**

Ascension Lutheran Plant Sale
Saturday, April 28
8:00am - 2:00pm
5347 Donavan
Pre-Order
Shop That Day
Pot on the Spot
Karen Hilkerbaumer
314.752.9473
Ascensionstl.com/plants

ST. LOUIS HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

SLHNA is accepting applications for the 2018 scholarships. Three one-time scholarships in the amount of \$600 will be awarded. Application deadline is Friday, April 27 and requires submission of a 3rd Qtr/2nd Trimester report card. Applicants must be an 8th grade student, legal dependent of a SLHNA member living within the boundaries of St. Louis Hills. For more information, please go to: stlhills.com, membership/benefits category.

CBC 7TH GRADE CHALLENGE DAYS! MAY 7TH, 8TH, 10TH AND 11TH

Challenge Days are half-day visits that involve friendly competition in the areas of STEM, Leadership, Academics, and Fine Arts. Explore our campus as our teachers take you to events that will challenge your mind, creativity, and leadership skills. For more information or to schedule your visit, please contact Melissa Ryan at 314.985.6095 or ryanm@cbchs.org.

ST. JAMES THE GREATER SUMMER FEST

Do you remember when Teen Town was the place to be in St. Louis? If you do, please join us at St. James Summer Fest - Teen Town Revisited, on Saturday, June 16th, on the parking lot of St. James; bring lawn chairs. Music starts at 7:00pm. Enjoy an evening of music featuring Rockin' Chair and Danny Liston of Mama's Pride. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$30 at the gate and can be purchased by contacting the rectory or available on line at <https://stjamessummerfest2018.eventbrite.com>.

KOINONIA RETREAT WEEKEND DIVORCED OR SEPARATED CATHOLICS

Friday-Sunday, April 27-29th
Todd Hall Retreat Center
320 Todd Hall Center Dr., Columbia, IL
\$110 Includes Room and Meals
Call Jean at 314.704.1870 or
Carol at 314.775.1253