



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

AUGUST 13, 2017 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS:

Saturday at 4:30 pm

Sunday at 8:00 am & 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS:

Monday through Saturday 7:00 am

No 8:00 am Mass for Summer

HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS:

Check Bulletin For Mass Times

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

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

PERPETUAL HELP

DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50 am

CONFESSIONS

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

ROSARY

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in Church



IN MEMORIAM

Deacon Roger Kreitler passed away on Saturday, August 5th. Deacon Roger was ordained in 2001 by Archbishop Rigali. He was assigned to St. Raphael the Archangel until he retired from ministry in April due to health. He was 77 years old. Please keep his wife, Joanne, and the Kreitler family in your prayers.

May he rest in the Peace of Christ.

Catholic  Deacon

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

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, August 14th
7:00 pm - Tobias Room Parish Council
7:00 pm - Guardian Angel St. V. de Paul
7:00 pm - Cafeteria Cub Scouts

Tuesday, August 15th
1:30 pm - Parish Office Bible Study
7:00 pm - Church Rosary Recitation
7:00 pm - Cafeteria Men's Club Meeting

Wednesday, August 16th
9:00 am - Quilters' Room Quilters
6:00 pm - Board Room Finance Council

Thursday, August 17th
6:00 pm - Francis Park Preschool Meet & Greet
7:00 pm - Cafeteria Ladies' Club
7:00 pm - Church Cont. Music Group

Friday, August 18th

Saturday, August 19th
7:00 am - Church Mass
4:30 pm - Church Mass
5:30 pm - Parish Grounds Watermelon Festival

Sunday, August 20th
8:00 am - Church Mass
10:00 am - Church Family Mass & Fellowship Sunday



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.

FATHER BOB'S COLUMN

DEACON ROGER KREITLER – “MAY HE BE SHARING IN ETERNAL LIFE WITH CHRIST!”

The St. Raphael Parish Family has this past week lost one of its real all-stars, or maybe I should say, a real saint, in the passing of Deacon Roger, after a long, hard battle with cancer. He died Saturday night, August 5th, and his funeral Mass was here at St. Raphael on August 10th. Our heartfelt sympathies and prayers go out to his wife, Joanne, and their sons, Jeff, Bryan, and Keith.

For 45 years Roger and his family have been members of our St. Raphael Parish Family and during this time, he has endeared himself to so many parishioners because of his willingness to serve God and to serve the parish in so many varied ways. For the last 16 years he served St. Raphael's as a permanent deacon, so faithfully assisting at 7am weekday Mass and on Sundays, bringing Holy Communion to the sick, and numerous other ministries. His easy-going personality and his wry smile just made you like him immediately. I can vouch for that when I was first introduced to Roger here at SRA not quite two years ago. It was always a joy to see him in the sacristy before 7am daily Mass; even when he was in pain, he would be smiling, unless the Cardinals blew a game the day before.

Deacon Roger, you will be truly missed by your St. Raphael Parish Family. Now you can continue to serve us by praying for us in the presence of the Lord and all the saints in heaven!

BACK TO SCHOOL AT ST. RAPHAEL'S THIS WEDNESDAY!

No doubt it has been an exciting but way too short a summer for all of our students. Now it is almost time to get back to education and Catholic spiritual formation here in “The Best Little School in St. Louis Hills!” Our new principal, Mrs. Julie Hayes, and her outstanding faculty are just about ready for a super new school year.

“BACK TO SCHOOL SUNDAY” AT 10am MASS TODAY WITH A BLESSING FOR ALL OF OUR TEACHERS AND A BLESSINGS FOR THE STUDENTS AND THEIR BACK PACKS!

Mass will be followed by an opportunity for students and parents to visit the school and see all your teachers and friends again.

P.S. ANY OF OUR YOUNG STUDENTS WHO HAVE THEIR “PASSPORT FOR SUNDAY MASS” ALL COMPLETE, PLEASE CONTACT ME AFTER MASS.

8am DAILY MASS STARTS AGAIN THIS WEEK, EVERY MONDAY TO THURSDAY, FOR THE SCHOOL CHILDREN. Parents and parish members are always encouraged to come to the 8am Mass with the students.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY INTO HEAVEN – A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Vigil Mass – 7pm Monday, August 14th

Morning Masses – 7am & 8am, August 15th

Come celebrate the incredible mystery of the Assumption when the Lord saved his sinless mother from the ravages of death, as her body was “assumed” into heaven. Immaculate Mary, pray for us!

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC – NOW IS THE TIME TO FIND OUT ABOUT THE PROCESS CALLED R.C.I.A.!

Call or email me at the Parish Office, or Dennis Matreci at 314.681.3002, to sign up for the first sessions called the “Inquiry Period” that start in September.

If you know anyone among your family or friends who just might be interested, talk to them and encourage them to look into becoming a member of the Catholic Church at St. Raphael Parish.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: It takes both rain and sunshine to make a rainbow!

SERVERS FOR AUGUST 14/20

Monday/Tuesday- August 14th/15th

7:00 am Grace Goeddel Gavin Smith
 8:00 am TBD

Wednesday/Thursday - August 16th/17th

7:00 am Christian Concepcion Rory Barnawell
 8:00 am TBD

Friday - August 18th

7:00 am Annie Baur Anna Mersinger

Saturday - August 19th

7:00 am Annie Baur Anna Mersinger
 4:30 pm Alex Atchison Abby Stein
 Jack Stein

Sunday - August 20th

8:00 am Mateo Switzer Madalene Cierpiot
 Miranda Sullenger
 10:00 am Lydia Bick Henry Cyr
 Isabella Pfeiffer

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 13th

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

Monday, August 14th

7:00 am Bernice Heede
 8:00 am Barbara Tepe

Tuesday, August 15th

7:00 am Ralph Raskas
 8:00 am Don Deachan

Wednesday, August 16th

7:00 am Jane Bottini
 8:00 am Hutton-Jost Families

Thursday, August 17th

7:00 am Nancy Whelan
 8:00 am Don Deachan

Friday, August 18th

7:00 am Mark Kreutzman

Saturday, August 19th

7:00 am Walter Hulford
 4:30 pm Ralph Hager

Sunday, August 13th

8:00 People of the Parish

WEEKEND OF AUGUST 19/20

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

LECTORS:

Bob Ahrens Mary Reck Family Mass

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Bob Ahrens	Lorraine Gurley	Joan Billing
Maureen Ahrens	Sue Lawton	Ted Green
George Kerry	Amy Ruggeri	Mary Faith Green
Margie Auer	Rosita Koehler	Barbara Favre
	Tony Mariani	Heather Hays
		Fred Hodes
		Steve Kratyk

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR AUGUST 5/6, 2017

Sunday Collection	\$6,517.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,731.00
Weekly Total Collection	\$8,248.00
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 8,000.00
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$48,000.00
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$42,294.00
Shortfall	\$(5,706.00)



To access our Online Giving Portal, go to straph-aelarchangel.org/give/online-giving - it's quick and easy! Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish.

Tuesday, August 15	Men's Club Meeting
Wednesday, August 16	First Day of School
Thursday, August 17	Ladies' Club Meeting
Saturday, August 19	Watermelon Festival
Sunday, August 20	Family Mass & Fellowship Sunday
Friday, August 25	Back-to-School Night
Monday, September 4	Labor Day 8:00 am Mass Only
Sunday, September 10	Alumni Mass
Saturday, September 16	St. V. de Paul Collection Truck
Sunday, October 8	Men's Club Golf Tnmt.



LADIES' CLUB MEETING GAME NIGHT!

Thursday, August 17
7:00 pm, Cafeteria

Game on! Join SRA Ladies' Club for Game Night on August 17 at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Dinner and drinks provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

FRIENDS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

The St. Raphael FRIENDS FOR LIFE Campaign is scheduled to run from August 6 to August 20. Your contribution to the FRIENDS FOR LIFE Campaign will help to save the lives of the unborn, protect the vulnerable, the weak and the elderly, educate young people about the virtue of chastity, heal those who suffer as a result of an abortion, and provide assistance for women experiencing a crisis pregnancy. You will find your FRIENDS FOR LIFE envelope in the August packet of envelopes. Please place your donation in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory.

Thank you for supporting the Culture of Life!
The St. Raphael ProLife Committee

ATTENTION, SRA ALUMNI!

SRA is looking for all alumni and updating the records. Therefore, please send your name, address, and e-mail address to Jennifer Delf. The e-mail address is: alums@strapharelarchangel.org. This is a new e-mail address that will be monitored for updates or you can call the Parish Office.

SAVE THE DATE!

ST. RAPHAEL'S MEN'S CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sunday, October 8th
Forest Park 1:00 pm

Watch for more details in future bulletins. To join the committee or for sponsorship information, please call Dan Harbaugh at 971.3428.

DANCE! DANCE! DANCE! AT ST. RAPHAEL

Classes on Thursdays begin - September 7, from 2pm-2:45pm for Preschool & 3:00pm-4:00pm for K through 6th Grade.

Dance Tuition: \$40 per Month
Offering: Tap, Ballet, Jazz, Pom,
Musical Theater, & Hip Hop

Dance Director Tina Stemmler is Dance Master Certified with a BA in Dance from Webster University.

SPRING RECITAL will be on the SRA Stage May 16th at 6:30pm. Please contact Ms. Tina for more information at 314.680.2613.



THE CHOIR

TOP 10 REASONS TO BE A PART OF THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Adult Choir, Family Mass, Children's Choir, Cantor or Instrumentalist

10. Rehearsal on Wednesday night means one night away from the stresses of a busy life AND it's a great way to break up the week!
9. You always have a great reserved seat for Christmas and Easter.
8. You will be setting a good example for all children, teenagers, and reluctant adults.
7. When you make music, you are using both sides of your brain simultaneously - intellectual stimulation.
6. Since warm-ups are a half hour before Mass, you'll never have to worry about breaking the "one hour before Communion" fast.
5. No auditions or solos are required!
4. People who are involved in music live longer and are healthier.
3. As our beloved St. Augustine said: "To sing is to pray twice!"
2. Every once in a while, you might catch a glimpse of Heaven's choir singing along with you. I'm not kidding!
1. Considering all He does for us, serving the Lord in the choir is just a little giving back to HIM!

Interested? Contact Nancy Deacon at musicdirector@straphaelarchangel.org or 314.352.8100, x220. Rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 6, at 7:00 pm!

From ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter and said to him, "Oh you of little faith, why did you doubt"? Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat and you will bring them faith and hope!

ROSARY RECITATION

The Rosary helps us to be conformed in Christ, because no one was more conformed to Him than his Mother, Mary. To pray the Rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful heart of Mary. SRA invites any and all to pray the Rosary each week on Tuesday evenings, at 7:00pm in the Church. *May Mary hold your hands and help you along the great and sublime paths.*

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings to the St. Raphael the Archangel Parish.

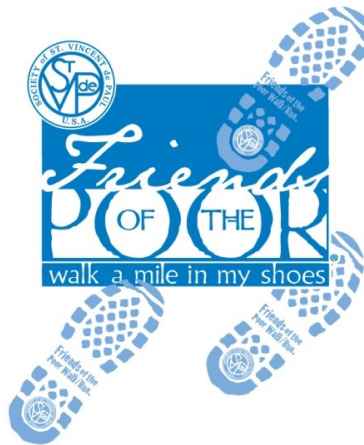
Reminder to all school parents: this Sunday, August 13 is “Back-to-School” Sunday, so be sure to stop by school to catch up with friends and meet your teachers and the rest of the school staff.

Regular “Message from the Principal” to start next week.

Blessings,
Mrs. Julie Hayes

REMINDER: NEW PROCEDURE FOR RESERVING FACILITY SPACE AT SRA

As the busy, new school year approaches, remember to contact Deacon Ron Holmes, for scheduling of events, meetings, and activities that use parish facilities. Every group requesting a space to be booked on the Parish Calendar should contact Deacon Ron - either online, by e-mail, telephone or in person at the Parish Office - to fill out a request form. This should alleviate many of our scheduling issues.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Hosts 8th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk

St. Gabriel's and St. Raphael's Conferences of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) will co-sponsor this event to help those living in poverty in our neighborhoods. On Saturday, September 30, we will begin gathering at 8:30 am on the church steps of St. Gabriel, we will pray together, then will start off on the fun walk at 9:00 am. Our 2-mile walk will take us to St. Raphael and through some of the neighborhoods of both our parishes, before returning to St. Gabriel's for light refreshments. The cost for participating is a voluntary amount, and all proceeds and donations from the event will directly benefit the people in our area served by SVdP; no administrative fees are associated with the event. Anyone interested in participating or making a pledge can visit www.fopwalk.org and indicate the parish conference you wish to assist. You may also sign up on-site the day of the walk. For questions, contact Lynette Olwig (St. Gabriel) at 314.591.1784 or Mary Reck (St. Raphael) at 314.353.8697. Won't you walk with us to serve the poor?

St. Raphael the Archangel
Watermelon Festival
1 Mile Fun Run/Walk
Saturday, August 19, 2017
 One Mile starts at 6:00pm St. Raphael parking lot
 (6000 Jamieson, St. Louis, MO 63109)

Live Entertainment!!! Games for the kids!!!
 Food and Beverages available for purchase!!!

St. Raphael Watermelon Festival 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk Registration Form

Check One: 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk Proud SRA Supporter! (I just want a snazzy t-shirt!)

Adult: \$10 Child: \$10 Family: \$45 (up to 6 shirts)

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

2017 Red/Green SRA Grey Watermelon T-Shirt Size: YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL AXXL AXXXL

If Family Registration:

Name: _____ Shirt Size _____ Class: _____ Organization: _____

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I understand that participation in any physical activity carries with it risk of physical injury or death. I also understand that my participation in the Watermelon Festival 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk is completely voluntary and by choosing to participate, I agree to hold harmless and indemnify St. Raphael Catholic Church, the Archdiocese of St. Louis, the Archbishop of St. Louis, and their respective officers, directors, members, employees and agents from any and all liabilities and claims for damages arising from or by reason of injury which I may incur as a result of participating in the Watermelon Festival 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk.

Name (print): _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

(If minor, parent/guardian signature)

Submit form and check payable to SRA PTA to: St. Raphael, 6047 Bishops Pl., St. Louis, MO 63109
Call 314.352.8100 Register by July 31st to guarantee shirt size.



**Your logo or name to appear
 on the back of the stylish grey
 t-shirt.**

Contact Terri Borowiak at
 terri.borowiak@gmail.com

St. Raphael the Archangel
Watermelon Festival
 Saturday, August 19, 2017
 1-Mile Fun Run
 Sponsorships Available!
 \$500/\$250/\$100



SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY BICENTENNIAL MASS

A LANDMARK CELEBRATION UNDER THE GATEWAY ARCH

Saturday, September 23, 2017

Saint Louis University will launch 14 months of bicentennial celebrations with a special Mass, entertainment, food, family activities and fireworks under the Gateway Arch. Join with the whole St. Louis community on celebrating 200 years of Catholic education in our area.

Mass begins at 5:30, with entertainment and fireworks to follow.

For updated details of the event, visit slu.edu/bicentennial.

To register for this free event, go to alumni.slu.edu/bicentennial.

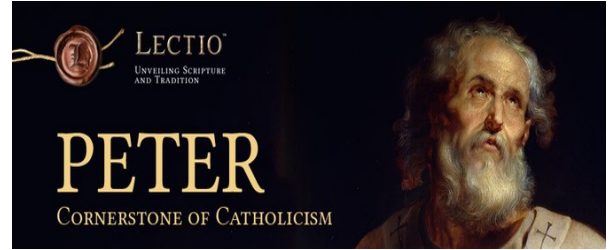
This truly will be a Landmark Celebration for St. Louis.



Handyman Ministry

Our handyman and SRA parishioner, Mr. Don Anderson, can perform minor repairs, diagnose issues that may require a professional, and provide a second opinion. Labor is provided free of charge. If you have a minor home maintenance need that you can't fix, call the Parish Office and we'll see if we can help.

If you have maintenance skills, would like to be added to our "Handyman" list and donate your time to help a parishioner, let us know; we'd love to hear from you. Questions? Contact Mary Faith Green at 314.832.3310 or greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net or call the Parish Office at 314.352.8100.



DO YOU EVER GIVE SIMON PETER A SECOND THOUGHT?

Do you think you know everything there is to know about the obscure fisherman whom Jesus entrusted to lead His whole church? If not everything, do you know enough?

If we take a little time to dig deeper into understanding Peter's relationship with Jesus, there is much to be learned about how the trust he placed in Jesus changed his life. And if we learn to follow his example, it can change our lives, too.

Join fellow parishioners this fall to learn through Sacred Scripture and Church Tradition how God used Peter's strengths to build His church and how Peter persevered in spite of his weaknesses.

In a video series by Dr. Tim Gray, we will go on a journey into the life of one of history's most compelling characters, bringing together biblical stories, historical knowledge, solid Church teaching, and Dr. Gray's personal insights. You will come away with a fresh perspective and most likely a new respect for Peter, our first pope. This is a Bible study you have never experienced before.

Join us on Tuesday evenings this fall from 7:30 to 9pm.

Watch the bulletin for more details, or call Sue Brandt, 314.704.5304, with questions.



Saint Louis LIFETEEN

ATTENTION ALL SRA EIGHTH GRADERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS

Please join us this Wednesday, August 16 from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg for *PRAY & PLAY*. This is a laid-back evening with time for an end-of-summer check-in, big game, and prayer.

FALL RETREAT!

We are excited and grateful to be taking any interested 9-12th graders on a fall retreat, October 20-22. More information and sign-ups can be found at saintlouislifetten.org/fall-retreat.

See saintlouislifetten.org for more information.



**MEN of CHARACTER
& ACCOMPLISHMENT**

VIANNEY WELCOMES 8th GRADERS INTERESTED IN BEING A GRIFFIN!

Students will be paired with a current Griffin, experiencing our innovative and hands-on curriculum, Family Spirit and lunch in the world famous Griffin Café!

Visits begin September 1st, so we hope to see you very soon!

To sign up online:

Go to our Visit Vianney page at www.vianney.com and check out the online calendar. Once you find the open date that works for you, scroll down, and click on the "Schedule a Visit" icon. Complete the online form and submit it! You'll receive a call from our Admissions Department to confirm your day.

If parents have questions or would like a tour from our Admissions Director, please call Monica Sabatino at 314.965.4853, Ext. 134 or via email at msabatino@vianney.com.

SOCIAL JUSTICE CALLS

Join fellow parishioners to DEEPEN YOUR FAITH while DEEPENING YOUR COMMITMENT to:

- Care for vulnerable people and our planet,
- Immerse yourself in prayer, study, dialogue and experiences,
- Explore critical realities and the implications to your life and faith,
- Form community with social justice in mind.

This 24-week class based on the 7 principles of Catholic social justice teachings is a transformational journey. The class will be held at St. Gabriel's Parish on Thursday evenings from 6:30-9:00 pm, beginning on October 12. To learn more, contact Barbara Favre at 314.303.9941.



ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY WELCOMES 8th GRADERS!

Spend the day with an Angel! St. Joseph's Academy is now taking reservations for the 8th-Grade Shadowing Program this fall. Spend the day with one of our Student Ambassadors while attending classes, touring the school and meeting new friends. We even buy your lunch! To schedule your day at St. Joe, please visit www.sja1840.org or call 314.394.4300.

NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL WELCOMES 8th GRADERS!

Notre Dame High School is now accepting appointments for 8th-grade girls to shadow. Students will have the opportunity to shadow a Notre Dame Ambassador, meet teachers and administration, and enjoy lunch in our café. Shadow visits take place on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays (8:00-1:00). To arrange your visit, contact Katie Mallette at 314-544-1015 x 1104 or mallk@ndhs.net. Families may also visit www.ndhs.net/admissions.

