

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS:

Saturday at 4:30 pm

Sunday at 8:00 am & 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS:

Monday through Saturday 7:00 am

Monday - Thursday 8:00 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

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 14, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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AS JOHN THE BAPTIST WATCHED
JESUS WALK BY, HE SAID,

"Behold, the Lamb of God."

JOHN 1:36

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**

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, January 15th

6:00 pm - Gym 3rd Gr. Boys Bball.
7:00 pm - Tobias Room School Board
9:00 pm - Gym Men's Club Soccer

Tuesday, January 16th

3:15 pm - Church De Angelis Choir
7:00 pm - Church Rosary Recitation
7:00 pm - Cafeteria Men's Club Meeting

Wednesday, January 17th

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

Thursday, January 18th

2:00 pm - Trophy Room Pre-K Dance
3:00 pm - Trophy Room K-6 Dance
3:15 pm - Art Room Chess Club
3:30 pm - Gym 1st & 2nd. Gr. Girls
Bball.
7:00 pm - Cafeteria Ladies' Club Meeting
7:00 pm - Church Contemporary Music

Friday, January 19th

7:00 am - Church Mass

Saturday, January 20th

7:00 am - Church Mass
4:30 pm - Church Mass

Sunday, January 21st

8:00 am - Church Mass/Fellowship
Sunday
10:00 am - Church Mass/Fellowship
Sunday
12:00 pm - Gym Cornhole Tournament

THIS WEEK IN THE CAFETERIA

Monday, January 15	Tuesday, January 16	Wednesday, January 17	Thursday, January 18	Friday, January 19
No School	Hamburger & Tater Tots	Chicken Pot Pie	Baked Potatoes	French Toast Sticks

FATHER BOB'S COLUMN

DEAR ST. RAPHAEL PARISH FAMILY,

I indeed made it home from St. Anthony's Hospital last Friday. Now I am one week into several weeks of rehabbing at home. The knee replacement surgery went well and now a long slow process of rebuilding the strength in my leg and knee so that I can walk on it confidently. Steps are the biggest problem and bending my knee enough to maybe get into a car.

I am truly grateful to you for your personal prayers, for your prayer cards and enrollments, and for the variety of food and other useful gifts. Keep the prayers coming, as I will be praying for you.

In the meantime, I am confident that Monsignor Stehly and Deacon Ron will be taking care of all the liturgies, and the SRA Office Staff will be as efficient as always in taking care of parish needs.

St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us!

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON RON

Fresh from the wonderful time of Christmas, celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior, we now begin Ordinary Time. Our hearts are still warm, we've made memories to last a lifetime, and now... it's Ordinary Time. So, what is Ordinary Time? The term ordinary usually refers to something that is not special, yet this time is far from "not special."

The Church breaks Ordinary Time into two parts which we used to refer to as "The Season After Epiphany" and "The Season After Pentecost" (pre-Vatican II). Christmas Time and Easter Time highlight the mysteries of the incarnation, Jesus' death on the cross, His resurrection, the ascension of Jesus Christ, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Ordinary Time, on the other hand, teaches us about the adult life of Christ and the purpose of His coming. This hardly seems ordinary.

Ordinary Time is a time to grow deeper in our understanding of just who Jesus is. We learn of his miracles. We learn his teachings. It's the time when Christ walks among us and changes our lives forever. It's a time of growth for all people, a time to lay the foundation for his Church on earth. It's the time to deepen our prayer life. It's the time we strive to become exceptional disciples of Jesus and the messengers we hope to be through our Baptism. It's the time to focus on God's great richness and to put our faith into action.

Ordinary Time is only ordinary if we think of it that way. If we consider these weeks, not as the long boring stretches between the special seasons, but as a time to start fresh and refocus our efforts and lives on our spiritual growth, Ordinary Time can become "Extraordinary Time."

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *When a man has a "pet peeve," it's remarkable how often he pets it.*



SERVERS FOR JAN. 15/21, 2018

Monday, January 15th

7:00 am William Hotze Isabella Pfeiffer
 8:00 am **No 8:00 am Service**

Tuesday, January 16th

7:00 am **Communion Service**
 8:00 am Avery Bradshaw Mady Shine

Wednesday, January 17th

7:00 am Lydia Bick William Hotze
 8:00 am **Communion Service**

Thursday, January 18th

7:00 am **Communion Service**
 8:00 am Rory Barnawell Mady Shine

Friday, January 19th

7:00 am Flora Borowiak

Saturday, January 20th

7:00 am Gavin Smith Jack Stein
 4:30 pm Alex Atchison Thad Berta
 Christian Concepcion

Sunday, January 21st

8:00 am Flora Borowiak Mateo Switzer
 Samantha Koziacki
 10:00 am Thad Berta Addison Berta
 Andrew Kellar

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 14th

8:00 am Neil and Judy Svetanics
 10:00 am People of the Parish

Monday, January 15th

7:00 am Charlie Vego
 No 8:00 am Service

Tuesday, January 16th

7:00 am Communion Service
 8:00 am Darren Deachan

Wednesday, January 17th

7:00 am Lois Terry
 8:00 am Communion Service

Thursday, January 18th

7:00 am Communion Service
 8:00 am May and Arthur English

Friday, January 19th

7:00 am Francis Schlueter

Saturday, January 20th

7:00 am Edward Thomas
 4:30 pm Neil and Judy Svetanics

WEEKEND OF JANUARY 20/21, 2018

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

Laura Geiser Mary Reck Heather Hays

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Kathy Steck	Carol Hughes	Rosemary Phelan
Pam Hager	Kevin Liddy	Tom Yehlen
Kathe Berger	Mary Niemeyer	Dennis Matreci
Nancy McCarthy	Joyce Holmes	Carolyn Skidmore
Gina Horas	Mary Reck	Greg Divis
Brian McCarthy	Barbara Cramer	Karen Divis
		Ann Grabian

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JAN. 6/7, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$ 5,254
<u>Online Giving Unavailable at Time of Printing</u>	
Weekly Total Collection	\$
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 9,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$234,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$
Shortfall	\$



Sunday, January 14	Men's Club Communion Bfst.
Sunday, January 21	Cornhole Tournament
Sunday, January 28	Catholic Schools Week Begins
Friday, February 2	Grandparent's Day
Saturday, February 3	Marcia Matreci Trivia Night
Saturday, February 10	Wedding Anniversary Mass and Dinner
Thursday, February 15	Ladies' Club Vendor Fair
Sunday, February 25	Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast

FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus asks "What are you looking for?" Often we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that, when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

As you make a donation to the St. Raphael conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and that you give them reason to believe and to trust.

MEN'S CLUB COMMUNION BREAKFAST

SRA's Men's Club is hosting a "**Communion Breakfast**" for its members today, Sunday, January 14, 2018. Members and their families are invited to attend Mass at 10:00am followed by a catered breakfast buffet in the cafeteria.

LADIES' CLUB

Ring in the new year with the Ladies' Club on Thursday, January 18, (7:00pm in the cafeteria). A Chinese-inspired dinner will be provided. Desserts and appetizers are always welcome.

Plus, Chinese-inspired coloring sheets!

Participate in the White Elephant silent auction by bringing your new or gently used items and some cash for bidding. Examples: Christmas gift not your style, items around your home not getting used, etc.

QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS

"You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God." (Leviticus 19:34). Throughout the first years of my pontificate, I have repeatedly expressed my particular concern for the lamentable situation of many migrants and refugees fleeing from war, persecution, natural disasters, and poverty. Our shared response may be articulated by four verbs: *to welcome, to protect, to promote, and to integrate.*" - Pope Francis, World Day of Migrants, January 14, 2018.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On Saturday, February 10 after the 4:30pm Mass, there will be a reception for couples who are celebrating a milestone anniversary. If you were married in 2017 or if you will be married this coming year (2018) for 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or 60-plus years, please call the Parish Office at 314.352.8100 or e-mail to parish@straphaelarchangel.org with your wedding date. We will place you on the invitation list.

BOX TOPS FOR SCHOOL

Don't forget to save your box tops! The school earns 5¢ for each box top. We earned over \$300 in the fall and are hoping to earn even more this spring! Place all box tops in the marked boxes in the back of church.

Save  **Please!**

Every Clip Counts

RECYCLABLES NEEDED

Our SRA School is excited to continue its STREAM lessons this semester using mobile STREAM carts.

If have any of the following that you do not need or are planning to recycle, please send them to school.

Plastic Shopping Bags
Plastic Bottles (any size)
Plastic Bottle Caps
Plastic Tubing/Piping
Popsicle Sticks
Paper Towel Tubes
Toilet Paper Tubes
Cardboard Boxes
Packing Peanuts
Bubble Wrap
Newspapers
Magazines
To-Go Containers
Mason Jars with Lids
Sewing Bobbins

ST. RAPHAEL TO SERVE DINNERS AT STS. PETER & PAUL

Peter and Paul Community Services offers an evening meal 20 days out of each month to people of the Soulard area who may be on limited or fixed incomes. These meals are sponsored by local churches and organizations who are willing to fund, cook and serve those in need. On February 15th, St. Raphael's SVdP Conference will provide the meal. We are excited about this opportunity to reach out to those in need. If you are interested in helping us, we could use the following items:

Meal Preparers and Servers
Coffee
Paper Towels
Cans of Sweetened Kool-Aid
Financial Donations (Checks
Payable to SRA marked for Sts. Peter & Paul)

To help prepare and/or serve or contribute, please contact Mary Faith Green at 314.832.3310 or email at greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net.

ST. RAPHAEL PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY- COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

The main purpose of our St. Raphael Pastoral Care Ministry is to ensure that the elderly and sick members of our parish have a connection to the Body of Christ. We accomplish this by bringing our homebound the Eucharist on a regular basis, allowing them to remain an integral part of our parish family.

We need your help. Do you know of a parishioner who is unable to receive regular sacraments due to an inability to physically attend Mass (on a permanent or temporary basis)? We could use more Eucharistic Ministers. Are you interested in becoming a member of this Ministry and learning more about how you can assist?

Please respond by calling the Parish Office or by calling or emailing: Mary Faith Green at greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net or 314.832.3310.

Please pray for all members of our parish community.

PROLIFE MONTH

Because of the Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion on January 22, 1973, January is a ProLife month. To mark this event, our 8th graders will join many other travelers in Washington, D.C., for the March for Life on Friday, January 19. The Archdiocese of St. Louis will remember the occasion with the Annual Memorial Mass at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, January 27 at 10 am. Before the Mass begins, a representative of each year since 1973 will process down the cathedral aisle, carrying a single red rose. Following the Mass, the participants will process to the Planned Parenthood facility on Forest Park, there to witness to the sanctity of life.

In prayer, please remember all of these ProLifers as they strive to build up the Culture of Life.

The St. Raphael ProLife Committee



PARISH INFORMATION FORM

If you are a visitor to St. Raphael Parish, we are happy to have you join us in our celebration at the Table of the Lord! Are you searching for “a place to call home”? Why not join our Parish Family! If you are a new parishioner, or a current parishioner with a change of information, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or call the Parish Office at 314.352.8100. New parishioners must complete the necessary paperwork by making an appointment with Father Bob, the Pastor.

Welcome to St. Raphael!

Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

- | | |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Parishioner | <input type="checkbox"/> Leaving Parish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Phone/Email | <input type="checkbox"/> Contact Me |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Address | <input type="checkbox"/> Do NOT Publish # |

WINTER OUTREACH: A MINISTRY OF MERCY

Encouraged by the example of Pope Francis, who lives out our Catholic social teachings of *“Option for the Poor and Vulnerable,”* southside parishes continue to be committed to making St. Louis Winter Outreach a faith-filled Ministry of Mercy. *“As long as you did it to one of these the least of my brethren, you did it to me.”* (MT 25:31-46)

While St. Louis is making great strides to provide resources for the homeless, many still spend their days and nights on the streets. Winter is particularly hard for them. In an effort to reach out to our “brethren” needing warmth and food, **we are asking for help to provide meals** during the coldest months.

Drivers are also needed to deliver meals to Americorps Shelter, 1315 Ann St., on our assigned evenings. Anyone is welcome to serve/visit with shelter guests on these evenings:

	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
February	8	9	10

Will you please provide one of the following:

- 9 x 13 Hot Casserole (any kind)
- Dessert for 24



Together we can make a bountiful meal. Food is to be dropped off at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall entrance at 6:00pm. If needed, arrangements can be made to pick it up from your home. If you would like more information about this ministry, like to share a dish, and/or be a driver, please contact Mary Ellen Mueller at 314.374.1712 or Barbara Favre at 314.303.9941.



**&
NFC/AFC Playoff Party**

Cash Prizes – 1st, 2nd, 3rd

When: Sunday, January 21, 2018 **Where:** St. Raphael Gym
Registration Noon – 1pm 6000 Jamieson Ave
Bags Fly at 1pm St. Louis, MO 63109

Cost: \$30/person (Includes Cornhole Tournament, Food and Drink)
\$20/person (Food and Drink only)
Individual or Team Registration Accepted
Must be 14 years or older to participate

Contacts: Mike Ruggeri 314-406-0663
Todd Berta 314-657-7023
Dave Kellar 314-504-0887

Multiple TV's, Football Squares & More

Registration

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Player 1: _____

Player 2: _____

Please make checks payable to St. Raphael Men's Club
Mail to Dave Kellar, 6038 Guilford Place, St. Louis, MO 63109

Registration limited to first 32 teams, payment secures tournament entry
Funds raised will support St. Raphael athletic programs, school activities and other parish needs

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH VOLUNTEERS

St. Louis Archdiocesan policy mandates that all who work with children be in full compliance with the Safe Environment Program. Compliance involves: 1) attending a Protecting God's Children workshop; 2) reading and signing a Code of Ethical Conduct; 3) completion of a state of Missouri Family Care Safety Registration background check before a person begins the ministry that gets updated each even year.



Our parish is in the process of updating all necessary background checks for 2018. If you are no longer active in your ministry, please email the parish Child Safety Coordinator at mary.a.steck@gmail.com. If you are interested in getting involved in a ministry, please let Mary know too! Thank you so much for your ministry at St. Raphael the Archangel Parish.

St. Raphael the Archangel PTA
Eighth Annual
Marcia Matreci
Memorial Trivia Night



WHEN...

Saturday, February 3, 2018

- **Doors open at 6:30 PM**
- **Trivia starts at 7:00 PM**

WHERE...

SRA Gym

6000 Jamieson Ave / St. Louis, MO 63109

***An incredibly fun PTA fundraiser -
 reserve your table now!***

ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING...

- **\$180/table (up to 8 people)**
- **Includes 3 mulligans & 2 table games**
- **Includes soda & snacks**

RESERVATIONS...

- **Make checks payable to: SRA PTA**
- **Complete bottom portion**
- **Return bottom portion with payment to:**

SRA Rectory

6047 Bishops Place

St. Louis, MO 63109

314.352.8100

Contact Name, Number, & Email: _____

Table Members: _____

BOY SCOUTS NEWS AND UPDATES

BOY SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST RESCHEDULED



The annual Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast has been rescheduled for February 25 after the 10am Mass. Tickets will be on sale after Masses for the next month for \$6 (\$3 for seniors and children under 5). Tickets may also be purchased at the door at the breakfast. Join the SRA Boy Scouts for some great pancakes and sausage, and Tom Finan's famous One Pot Mountain Man Breakfast!

BOY SCOUT SUPER BOWL SANDWICHES ON SALE NOW

Boy Scout Troop 500 is selling sub sandwiches for your Super Bowl parties. The Scouts will make two-foot long subs custom ordered to your needs. Order forms can be found at the exits at church. Scouts will be collecting order forms after Masses on the weekends of January 14 and 21. Boy Scout Subs are \$18 for each two foot sub, and all proceeds will go to purchasing new camping equipment for the troop.





Saint Louis LIFETEEN

ATTENTION ALL SRA EIGHTH GRADERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS

There will be no Lifeteen this week! Please pray for all that will be attending the March for Life in Washington, DC. We look forward to seeing you on January 24. See saintlouislifeteen.org for more information.

ATTENTION, EIGHTH GRADERS

We are excited to announce that Luke 18 will be held February 16-18 at Bishop DuBourg High School. Signups for Luke 18 are now live - please see [saintlouislifeteen.org/luke 18](http://saintlouislifeteen.org/luke%2018) for more information.

IRS DEDUCTION

Any family who attended Preschool, Club Tobias, and/or Summer Camp in 2017, and would like a copy of your invoice and payments, please send your request to halbert@straphaelarchangel.org. In your email, please include your current address and a daytime phone number. If you have any questions, you may reach me (Diane) at 314.352.8100, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.

SOUTH CITY MEN'S EVENING OF RECOLLECTION

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

7:30pm

St. Raphael the Archangel Church
6040 Jamieson, 63109

Spring 2018 Italian Language Classes

sponsored by the Federation of Italian American Organizations of the Metropolitan St. Louis Area



Classes will begin the week of January 22, 2018

The following classes will be offered:

- Beginner's I
Monday evenings- 6:30-8:30p.m. M. Colombo
- Advanced Italian
Monday evenings- 6:30-8:30p.m. G. Leopardi
- Italian for Travelers (6 weeks)
Thursday evenings- 7:00-9:00p.m. B. Klein
- Special Topics Course-
Thursday evenings- 7:00-9:00p.m. G. Leopardi



Our courses place an emphasis on communicating in Italian. Textbooks are primarily in Italian.

All adult evening classes are taught at St. Mary Magdalen School on S. Kingshighway and Sutherland Avenues.

Tuition for our 12-week classes is \$85; one night per week; 2 hours per night; there are no classes the week of Easter or Holy Week. Our Italian for Travelers is a 6-week class and the cost is \$43.

For additional information or to register, please visit www.fiaost.org or contact us at: 314-680-6871 (Marie) or mcucciabrand@gmail.com

RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE



The RLA is coordinating with the Archdiocesan Office of Young Adult Ministry to host a special prayer event for those 19-39. Please encourage the young adults of your parish and community to attend the **Pro-Life Holy Hour on Thursday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.** at the Cathedral Basilica. Dinner is also being provided beforehand at 6 p.m. in Boland Hall.

YOUNG ADULT PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR

January 18, 2018

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

6:00 Dinner in Boland Hall

7:00 Adoration and Confessions

8:00 Pro-life Talk and Dessert

Sponsored by the
Respect Life Apostolate
& the Office of Young
Adult Ministry

SAVE THE DATE! BIRTHRIGHT CARD PARTY

St. Clement and St. Gerard Majella will hold their annual card party and luncheon on Wednesday, March 14. More information coming soon.

