

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

JUNE 4, 2017 PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS:

Saturday at 4:30 pm

Sunday at 8:00 am & 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS:

Monday through Saturday 7:00 am

Monday through Thursday 8:00 am

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 4:00 pm to 4:25 pm on Saturday

ROSARY

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in Church



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

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CLERGY & STAFF

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, June 5th

6:30 pm - Cafeteria Cub Scouts
7:00 pm - Tobias Room Stewardship Meeting

Tuesday, June 6th

1:00 pm - Raphael Room Fifty-Plus Club
1:30 pm - Parish Office Bible Study
7:00 pm - Raphael Room Knights of Columbus
7:00 pm - Church Rosary Recitation\
7:30 pm - Tobias Room Wild Goose Prst.

Wednesday, June 7th

9:00 am - Quilters' Room Quilters
7:00 pm - Church Choir Practice

Thursday, June 8th

2:00 pm - School Dance Class
7:00 pm - Tobias Room Men's Prayer Group
7:00 pm - Church Cont. Music Group

Friday, June 9th

8:30 am - Church Adoration

Saturday, June 10th

4:30 pm - Church Mass

Sunday, June 11th

8:00 am - Church Mass/Donut Sunday
10:00 am - Church Mass /Donut 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

PENTECOST SUNDAY – TODAY IS THE “BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH”!

We are about a dozen years shy of the 2,000th anniversary of the beginning of Jesus' followers becoming the Church, that is, the assembly of the People of God who have just received the Holy Spirit, the advocate whom Jesus promised.

According to St. Luke the Evangelist, fifty days after the Resurrection, on the Jewish feast of Pentecost, which was fifty days after the feast of Passover, the Apostles and the women with them were gathered at their “hiding place,” the Upper Room, where they had celebrated the Last Supper. A history-changing event happened that included a roaring wind and tongues of flame; the world entered into the Age of the Holy Spirit who came and enabled St. Peter to preach to the many visitors in Jerusalem; 3,000 were baptized that first day. The Church founded by Christ was off and running, and has not stopped since then.

The challenge today is to be as open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit as the Church was in those early days. The Spirit is always the guiding force for the Church and makes God present to us by His divine indwelling in our hearts and in our community worship. Every person in church for Sunday Mass is responsible to make the Holy Spirit's presence felt and experienced during the Eucharist. This includes obviously the priest and deacon, and every believer in the pews; even the persons in the very back pews have to pray and worship and participate in the liturgy in such a devout and attentive way that they will help everyone else feel the presence of the Spirit of God even more in our Mass. No one should take lightly the privilege and the responsibility to respond verbally to the prayers and sing along - with hymnbook in hand.

Don't you agree with the tradition of the Church that the Holy Eucharist is “the source and the summit” of Catholic spirituality? Sunday Mass is your one hour to be most in touch with your God, through the power of the Holy Spirit. I, as your pastor at St. Raphael Church, do not want you to waste this blessed opportunity of grace.

Some hints to help: come 5-10 minutes early to quiet your mind or read over the scripture readings for the Mass; avoid the temptation to take a bulletin to the pew with you; sit closer to the altar than you usually do; and consciously pray for the Holy Spirit to help you worship and pray with more focus at this particular Mass. ***Come, Holy Spirit!***

DEACON NEWS

- Deacon Roger Kreitler has asked the Archbishop that he be granted retirement status but still with full canonical faculties to function as a parish deacon. It has been great to see Deacon Roger back helping out more in recent months after his long illness – mostly at 7am weekday Mass. Thus he joins Deacon Jerry Geiser in official retirement but still remains active in ministry here at St. Raphael Parish.
- Deacon Ron Holmes is celebrating this week the first anniversary of his deacon ordination and one year of deacon service to our parish.

Thanks so much to all three of our parish deacons for so much service to our beloved St. Raphael Parish!

PLAN AHEAD FOR OUR ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Sunday, June 18, after 10am Mass

Join in processing with the Blessed Sacrament outdoors to the front of the gym, and then to the front of the Parish Rectory, and back to church. One of the purposes is to proclaim to the world that we believe that Christ is really present in the Blessed Sacrament for all to see and receive in Holy Communion.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Do you see difficulties in every opportunity, or opportunities in every difficulty?



SERVERS FOR JUNE 5 - 11

Monday/Tuesday- June 5 - 6

7:00 am Rory Barnawell Madelene Cierpiot

Wednesday/Thursday June 7-8

7:00 am Abby Stein Jack Stein

Friday - June 9

7:00 am Lydia Bick Grace Goeddel

Saturday - June 10

7:00 am Lydia Bick Grace Goeddel

4:30 pm Alex Atchison Flora Borowiak
Christian Concepcion

Sunday - June 11

8:00 am Anna Mersinger Joey Raymo
Lillian Weber

10:00 am Samantha Koziacki Miranda Sullenger
Lucille Schlichting

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 4th

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

Monday, June 5th

7:00 am Judy Svetanics

Tuesday, June 6th

7:00 am Rose Eder

Wednesday, June 7th

7:00 am Kate Rannenberg

Thursday, June 8th

7:00 am Hodes Family SI

Friday, June 9th

7:00 am Cramer Family

Saturday, June 10th

7:00 am Rieger Family
4:30 pm Agnes Hager

Sunday, June 11th

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

WEEKEND OF JUNE 10/11, 2017

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

LECTORS:

Joyce Holmes Kristine McCloskey Joan Billing

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Helen Doyle Lorraine Gurley Joe Zulich
Bob Ahrens Sue Lawton Dan Harbaugh
Maureen Ahrens Amy Ruggeri Mary Alice
Goedeker
George Kerry Rosita Koehler Amy Schisler
Margie Auer Tony Mariani Lori Ashmore-
Ruppel
Barbara Cramer Matt Fuhr
Anna Skidmore

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MAY 27/28, 2017

Sunday Collection \$4,485.00
Online Giving \$1,377.00
Weekly Total Collection \$6,232.00
Weekly Budget Goal \$8,000.00

Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal \$384,000.00
Fiscal Year-To-Date Total \$358,576.00
Shortfall \$ 25,424.00

Online Giving: To access our Online Giving Portal, go to straphaelarchangel.org/give/online-giving.

From ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today, as we celebrate Pentecost, Jesus says to his disciples: "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Parish Office, which will refer the family to the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, so that together we can bring nourishment to those who are hungry.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING PRESCHOOL HEAD ROOM PARENT FOR 2017-2018

This person will work directly with Jenny Delf, Head Room Parent, while overseeing the Preschool Room Parents. General duties include;

- Secure a room parent for each Preschool class
- Make sure all Preschool-room parents have completed Protecting God's Children
- Check in on all classroom parties (Halloween, Christmas and Mardi Gras)
- Work with School Head Room Parent and PTA as needed

Requirements for this position:

- Must have completed Protecting God's Children
- Have a child who has completed at least 1 semester at SRA Preschool (full or part time)
- Have at least 1 year remaining at SRA Preschool (one or more children)

If you are interested in submitting your name for this position, or have questions, please contact Jenny Delf at JenniferLdelf@gmail.com. All names will be put into a hat and drawn by a PTA board member at the next PTA meeting.

NEW PROCEDURE FOR RESERVING FACILITY SPACE AT SRA

Deacon Ron Holmes, in addition to his other administrative roles at SRA, will become the point person for all 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.

**SRA PARISH LEADERSHIP AND MINISTRY MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017 AT 7:00PM
RAPHAEL ROOM**

This is a very important meeting for the leader(s) of every SRA Parish organization or ministry to attend. If a leader cannot attend, a delegate must be sent. We will be learning more about each other's groups and how each group shows good stewardship of time and talent in service to the St. Raphael Parish and the community.

BIBLE STUDY



Bible Study continues on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 pm in the Lower Level of the Parish Office. No need to sign up; just come.

FEATURED QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS

This is important: to get to know people, listen, expand the circle of ideas. The world is crisscrossed by roads that come closer together and move apart, but the important thing is that they lead towards the good.



2017 PARISH PICNIC UPDATE

Congratulations to Marybeth Eppy who won First Prize in the raffle. Marybeth won \$1,700!!!! Also, congratulations to the Yanko Family and Neil Svetanics who took home the Second and Third Place prizes, respectively.



SCHOOL OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Formed in Faith, Prepared for Life

FAITH – St. Raphael the Archangel School guides its students as they form their knowledge of the Catholic faith and their love for Jesus Christ, in an environment that promotes compassionate hearts through habits of personal prayer, reflection, and community service.

CHARACTER – Our school and parish community endeavor to develop each student's character by modeling and practicing the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. We nurture our students' perseverance, sense of gratitude, leadership, and ability to make informed moral choices.

ACADEMICS – We utilize a rigorous, measurable academic program that develops critical thinking skills, promotes imagination, celebrates individual gifts and talents, and fosters a life-long love of learning.

Small Design, BIG Results

THINK OF YOURSELF AS A RECRUITER FOR ST. RAPHAEL SCHOOL!

You are invited to actively recruit families from our area to enroll in our outstanding Catholic School. We have several openings in each grade level from first grade to eighth grade. There are only about two openings left in kindergarten; so anyone interested needs to act quickly. If you know someone who is interested, have that person call SRA School at 314.352.9474.

PRINCESS SUMMER DANCE CAMP AT ST. RAPHAEL SCHOOL

Summer Dance is offered on Thursdays, from June 8th through July 27th, from 2:00 pm to 2:45 pm. The session is for eight classes and the cost is \$80. Summer Dance offers: tap, ballet, jazz, pom, musical theater, & hip hop. It is for girls in preschool - 5th grade.

Dance Director Tina Stemmler is Dance Master Certified with a BA in Dance from Webster University. Please contact Miss Tina for more information at [314.680.2613](tel:314.680.2613).

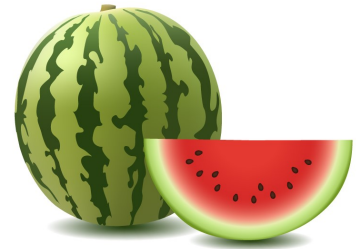
SUMMER CAMP

Summer camp is up and running, and spaces are limited. Please look on the web site so you can see the options you have for a fun-filled summer. Tell all your friends to look into St. Raphael's wonderful summer camp. See straphaelarchangel.org.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The process for the 2017-2018 Kindergarten registration is now open. Children who are to be registered must be 5 years old by July 31, 2017. If you are interested in touring our school or would like to request a packet of information and the registration form you will need to complete, please call the school office at [314.352.9474](tel:314.352.9474). Registration packets may also be mailed if requested.

**PUT THIS
on YOUR
CALENDAR!**



St. Raphael the Archangel
Watermelon Festival
1 Mile Fun Run/Walk
Saturday, August 19, 2017

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



SUMMER
CAMP



Water
WEDNESDAY



SRA FAMILY FITNESS NIGHT

St. Raphael's Ladies' Club is sponsoring a Family Fitness Night on Wednesday, June 7, from 6-8:00 pm at Willmore Park (Pavilion 4, near the Dog Park).



- Bring your kids and enjoy an evening geared to family fitness. The night will feature a warmup, circuit course, nutrition game, and cool down.
- The Ladies' Club is looking for volunteers to man circuit stations. Contact Beth at 314.374.5385 if you are willing to volunteer.

LADIES' CLUB JUNE MEETING - BUNCO!

Bunco is a social dice game that is 100% luck and no skill. NO SKILL! Bunco involves switching tables after most rounds, so we'll be enjoying a variety of appetizers instead of a full meal this month. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. No prior Bunco experience necessary. Prizes awarded! Drinks will be provided.

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

Do you know of a neighbor or parishioner who is physically unable to receive the sacraments due to an inability to physically attend Mass? If so, please contact us with a name or the name of a caregiver so we can reach out to help. Please respond by calling the parish office, or by calling or emailing Mary Faith Green at 314.832.3310 or greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Last week we heard that, following the Ascension, the disciples, Mary, and other followers of the Lord retreated to the upper room in prayer. This week we hear that, while praying in that room, the Holy Spirit comes upon them. Jesus' post-Resurrection promise, recounted in today's Gospel, is fulfilled: the power of the Holy Spirit comes upon Jesus' followers. Saint Paul tells us that all of us, in some way, are given gifts of the Holy Spirit, gifts that can be used to spread the Good News. Today is one of the Church's greatest festivals. Let us carry the refrain of the Responsorial Psalm with us throughout the coming week: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth"! (Psalm 104:30).



Wed. June 7	Servers' Picnic
Wed. June 7	SRA Family Fitness Night Sponsored by the Ladies' Club
Sun. June 11	Donut Sunday
Sun. June 18	Corpus Christi Procession
Sun. June 18	Father's Day

From ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Save the date! On Saturday, September 16, we will have a collection truck on our parking lot for your gently used discards to be given to St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store.

STLYA THEOLOGY ON TAP

This summer, join young adults from across the archdiocese for our Theology on Tap Summer Six Pack (five left) – evenings of engaging talks, drink specials, and great community: June 13, June 27, July 11, July 25, and August 8. All talks held at 7:00 pm at Kirkwood Station Brewing Co. Featured speakers will be Archbishop Carlson, Paul Masek (Director of the REAP Team), Deacon Ryan Adorjan (Diocese of Joliet, IL), Liz Miller, Matt Faley (musicians), and various priests from the Archdiocese. Email stlya@archstl.org or call 314.792.7008.



*Field Day
May 25, 2017*



Saint Louis LIFETEEN

ATTENTION ALL EIGHTH GRADERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS:

Join us this Wednesday, June 7th from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg High School as we kick off our summer series! We will hear a witness talk, play games, and grow in community. Please see www.saintlouislifeteen.org for more information and to keep up to date on all our summer happenings!



"Generation after generation, day after day, we are asked to renew our faith. We are asked to LIVE THE REVOLUTION OF TENDERNESS as Mary, our Mother of Charity, did. We are invited to 'leave home' and to OPEN OUR EYES AND HEARTS TO OTHERS." *Pope Francis, Homily at the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Charity*

This week the office mailed the Annual Catholic Appeal cards to the parishioners who have not contributed this year. Please be generous to this annual drive that supports a wide variety of Archdiocesan programs. Please return the card with your contribution or pledge to the Parish Office or simply put it into the Sunday collection basket.

Thank you for your past support.
The Parish ACA Committee

YOUNG CATHOLIC MUSICIANS

The Young Catholic Musicians is holding auditions during June. These young people (aged 10-17) represent over 50 parishes and schools in the St. Louis area. They learn quality liturgical music and lead the music for Mass once each month at different parishes. Singers and/or instrumentalists who are interested should contact Fr. Bruce Forman at 314.231.7464 or Mrs. Mary Smith at 314.962.9260.

KING'S HOUSE UPCOMING EVENTS

June 16-18
Weekend Retreat with Fr. Ron Rolhesier, OM
618.397.0584
kingsretreatcenter.org



NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

You & your family are invited to enjoy an evening of faith, fellowship and fun on Saturday, July 8, 2017 in celebration of the 49th anniversary of the release of Humanae Vitae (July 25, 1968), a foundation encyclical on family love & the sanctity of life. Join friends from around the St. Louis area for this anticipated annual event sponsored by the Office of Natural Family Planning. Mass will be celebrated at 5 pm at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis by Most Reverend Mark S. Rivituso, D.D., J.C.L., Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, followed by a dinner catered by Pasta House and family entertainment in Boland Hall. Adults - \$12.00; Children (ages 3-11) - \$6.00; or a maximum of \$50.00 per family. Please RSVP by June 30 to 314.997.7576 or stlnfp@archstl.org.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS MUSICAL

OLStars presents "The Best of 25 Years" featuring songs and performers from shows that span the first 25 years. Tickets are \$7.00 each. Show dates are June 22, 23, and 24 at 7:30 pm and June 25 at 2:00 pm. Performances are held in OLS Parish Hall at 5030 Rhodes Ave. Receive ticket information by contacting Dolly at 314.285.7093. Choose your best date to come and join the fun!

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Contact: Parish Office 314.352.8100

Special Instructions: