

## MASS SCHEDULE

### *WEEKENDS*

Saturday at 4:30pm

Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

### *WEEKDAYS*

Monday through Saturday 7:00am

Monday - Thursday 8:00am

## CONFESSIONS

15 minutes before 7:00am Mass on

Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday

Saturday 3:45pm to 4:20pm

Confessions also available by  
appointment.

## 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) 7:30am to 2:30pm

## PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50am

## ROSARY

Tuesday at 7:00pm in Church

## BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office to make  
arrangements.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact the pastor at least six  
months prior to the intended date.

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

Please contact the parish office.

# SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

*Third Sunday of*

# LENT

March 24, 2019



“Sir, leave the fig tree for another year;  
perhaps it will bear fruit.”

*Luke 13:8-9*

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*“We, the parish of Saint Raphael the Archangel, celebrate Jesus as the center of our life. Through our active participation in the Eucharist, we strive to recognize Jesus in our daily lives and the lives of others. Our commitment is to grow as a parish family, and live this through our religious, educational, social and civic involvements, witnessing to all, our faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.”*

CLERGY & STAFF

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Finance Council Joseph Cyr 314.335.7322

**A PRAYER BEFORE HOLY MASS**

Heavenly Father: I, your unworthy servant, come to worship You in this Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. By Your grace, kindly help me to listen attentively, pray devoutly, and receive worthily the Sacred Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. May Your Holy Spirit open the eyes of my heart to perceive more fully the great Mystery that takes place on the sacred altar. At this Holy Mass, I wish to pray in particular for the following intentions: (*here name them*). Amen.

**Monday, March 25**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
6:00pm - Parish Office	Finance Council
7:00pm - Guardian Angel	St. Vincent de Paul
7:00pm - School	Dev. Committee Prst.
7:00pm - Gym	Golf Meeting
7:30pm - Church	So. City Men's Recl.

**Tuesday, March 26**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
1:30pm - Church	Lectio Group
6:00pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
6:15pm - Church	Confessions
6:30pm - Raphael Room	Knights of Columbus
7:00pm - Church	Mass and Devotions

**Wednesday, March 27**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
9:00am - Quilter's Room	Quilters
6:00pm - Cafeteria	Step Class
7:00pm - Tobias Room	School Board
8:30pm - Gym	Men's Club Bball.

**Thursday, March 28**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
2:00pm - School	Dance Class
3:15pm - Art Room	Chess Club
7:00pm - River's Edge Social	Ladies' Club Dinner

**Friday, March 29**

7:00am - Church	Mass
2:00pm - Church	Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 30**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Cafeteria	Step Class
10:00am - Church	Healing Mass
4:30pm - Church	Mass
5:30pm - Various	Progressive Dinner

**Sunday, March 31**

8:00am - Church	Mass
10:00am - Church	Mass-Confirmation
	Bow Sunday
4:00pm - Gym	7th Gr. Girls Softball

*How has our Lent been?*

This is now the Third Sunday of Lent, which means we have three more Sundays to go. At this midway point, it is good to ask ourselves how has our Lent been so far?

Perhaps we look at our Lent at this point and say it has been going well. Keep it up! We have a ways to journey still but great job so far!

Maybe we see some ups...and downs. Learn from both and take those lessons into the rest of Lent.

This Lent may not be what we thought it was going to be on Ash Wednesday. Perhaps we even feel that we are not having a very good Lent. This does not mean we should give up! Lent is not about perfection; it is about growing. What can we do with the rest of Lent to grow a bit before Easter? Take that resolution into the rest of Lent.

*This Week of Lent at SRA*

Tuesday, March 26

- Confessions 6:15-6:45pm

- Mass at 7:00pm (27.5 minutes!?) followed by a talk on and practice of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

- Friday, March 22 - Stations of the Cross at 2:00pm

- Saturday, March 30– Healing Mass at 10:00am

*Healing Mass Saturday, March 30*

As we prepare for the healing Mass on Saturday, March 30, it is good to see why someone would want to receive this sacrament.

This sacrament gives the Holy Spirit to the people to strengthen them and give them peace in the face of illness or the challenges of growing older.

**Fr. John’s Digital Quill for Spiritual Mus-**

This sacrament also brings some kind of healing with it. We always pray for physical healing, but there may be psychological or spiritual healing that the Lord intends instead.

It also forgives venial sin, and, if someone is unable to confess his/her sins, it can forgive mortal sin as well.

The person is also united to Christ in His suffering for the Church and for the world.

Truly, this is valuable . We pray that many will take advantage of this sacrament!

*April 4-Penance Service*

While we have many opportunities for confessions before Easter, a special opportunity is on April 4. We will be gathering as a community to ask the Lord for the forgiveness of our sins and to prepare us for His Resurrection at Easter. If it has been awhile since you have received this awesome sacrament, please consider taking this opportunity.

I will see you in Church! - Fr. John  
#SRAstrong

**IN MEMORIAM**

In your charity, we ask that you pray for the repose of the soul of Liz Rayborn, who recently passed away. Liz is the sister of long-time parishioner, Sue Brandt.

We ask you also to pray for the repose of the soul of John Ternak. He was a parishioner and husband of Barbara Ternak.

May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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# EASTER EGG HUNT

The Annual SRA Easter Egg Hunt will be Sunday, April 21, after the 10:00am Mass. We need donations of candy and prizes, e.g., coloring books, small stuffed animals, bubbles, puzzles, etc. We do not need any plastic eggs.

**Sunday, March 24**  
8:00am People of the Parish  
10:00am Jane Follen

**Monday, March 25**  
7:00am Mike Ebert  
8:00am Hodes Family, SI

**Tuesday, March 26**  
7:00am Ernie Winkelmann  
8:00am Jack Bruemmer

**Wednesday, March 27**  
7:00am Jennifer Harter  
8:00am Barb Cramer and Family, SI

**Thursday, March 28**  
7:00am Shirley Hilbert  
8:00am Bess Family

**Friday, March 29**  
7:00am Jeff Kreitler

**Saturday, March 30**  
7:00am Jack Bruemmer  
4:30pm Mary Jo Granzow

**Sunday, March 31**  
8:00am People of the Parish  
10:00am Marcia Matreci

## FELLOWSHIP (DONUT) SUNDAY

This Sunday, after both the 8am and 10am Masses, please join us for fellowship with your parish family and a donut (or two), coffee, juice or milk. This Fellowship (Donut) Sunday is being sponsored by the SRA Girl Scouts. Thank you.

## NEW AND EXPECTANT PARENTS NETWORK

As a ProLife parish community, some parishioners are looking into ways to support new and expectant parents at St. Raphael as they prepare for the birth of their child and beyond. If you are interested in helping with this outreach by preparing a meal, making a phone call or making a home visit after the birth, please contact Elena Switzer at 314.920.7851 or edsqrd@yahoo.com.

## LADIES' CLUB DINNER

Join the Ladies' Club on Thursday, March 28, as we dine at River's Edge Social, 6997 Chippewa. We have space reserved, starting at 6:30pm. Ladies' Club will pick up the cost of some appetizers, but dinner will be on your own. This event is a week later than normal because of spring break.

## DONATIONS NEEDED!

Ladies' Club Quarter Auction  
Thursday, April 25  
St. Raphael Gym

Items can be dropped off at the parish office or call Rachel Flavin at 314.496.8303 for arrangements for pick up.

## FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus is quite clear in his message: "bear fruit or be cut down." This Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Through our almsgiving we are performing a good work; far greater than we think. Know that every dollar of our contributions is used to serve the poor within our parish boundaries.

# ALTAR SERVERS

## SERVERS FOR MARCH 25-31, 2019

### Monday, March 25

7:00am	Madalene Cierpiot	Brendan Cierpiot
8:00am	Thad Berta	Kallista Hiatt

### Tuesday, March 26

7:00am	Maggie Ansty	Brandon Young
8:00am	Thad Berta	Kallista Hiatt

### Wednesday, March 27

7:00am	David Hiatt	Kallista Hiatt
8:00am	Lydia Eddingfield	Lydia Bick

### Thursday, March 28

7:00am	Addison Berta	Thad Berta
8:00am	Lydia Eddingfield	Lydia Bick

### Friday, March 29

7:00am	Justin Wingron	Claire Fuhr
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### Saturday, March 30

7:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Madalene Cierpiot
4:30pm	Ryan Pinkerton Jio Raymo	Joey Raymo

### Sunday, March 31

8:00am	Jack Delf Matthew Franz	Abby Delf
10:00am	Andrew Kellar Nahima Ramirez	Dalila Ramirez

## MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 30-31, 2019

### LECTORS

4:30pm	8:00am	10:00am
Laura Geiser	Amy Ruggeri	Mary Faith Green

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Kathy Steck	Carol Hughes	Joe Zulich
Pam Hager	Kevin Liddy	Dan Harbaugh
Kathe Berger	Mary Niemeyer	Amy Schisler
Gina Horas	Mary Reck	Anna Skidmore
Brian McCarthy	Barbara Cramer	

## PRAYER FOR STEWARDSHIP

*Lord, help us to invest equally in our heavenly home as we do in our earthly home.*

## Your Contributions to God and Parish

March 17, 2019 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	FY to Date
<b>Regular Env. (84)</b>	\$ 4,872.00	\$ 184,122.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 695.00	\$ 36,448.00
<b>School Tuition Asst.</b>	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,478.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 60.00	\$ 4,357.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,374.00
<b>Online Giving (45)</b>	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 74,440.00
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	\$ 10.00	
<b>Lifeline Coalition</b>	(\$ 115.00)	
<b>Easter Flowers</b>	\$ 115.00	
<b>Black &amp; Indian Mis- sions</b>	(\$ 75.00)	
<b>Catholic Relief Svc.</b>	(\$ 75.00)	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ 8,692.00	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 8,427.00	\$ 305,390.00
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 334,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	(\$ 573.00)	(\$ 29,832.00)

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" (Luke 13:7)*

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do we cling to what we have or do we generously share with others? How will we respond when God asks us what we have done with all the gifts He has given us? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, but we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.



**“A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS”!**

**Thank you for supporting our community.**

**SRA Men’s Club**

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## **School News**

*From Mrs. Hayes, Principal*

Cillian S. was selected to perform with the Palmer Music All Community Band at Du Bourg for the Elementary Music Festival. Outstanding, Cillian!

A round of applause to the 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade students and Mrs. Connor who dedicated countless hours in preparation for History Day. Our students who participated can take pride in taking on the challenge to persevere over many days in researching and presenting interesting facts about their topic. The quality of the presentation boards and the knowledge gained was outstanding. As their Principal, my heart is filled with pride for our students. Four of our students were invited to bring their project to the Missouri State History Day! Please join me in congratulating our teams. Kate C. going on to MO State History Day: Gavin S., Alex A., and Emilie M. going on to MO State History Day: Flora B. and Jack S., Madalene C., Henry C., Will H., Samantha K., Christian C., and Tom F.

February 23 proved to be a busy day for St. Raphael. We also had other 6th and 7th Graders participate in the SLUH Clavius Robotics Jamboree. Our students again have been working throughout the year to master various robotic challenges presented at the Jamboree. A shout out to the following teams for representing St. Raphael and winning the “Candy Challenge”! Thad B. and John W., Abby D. and Addie B., Joey R. and Mateo S., Rory B. and Kristin N.

(Update from the Clavius Program: We are also awarding St Raphael a "Leadership" banner for your work in

rolling out a very aggressive robotics program inside your daily curriculum so your entire middle school could participate in robotics.)

The virtue we are focusing on during March is Mercycaring for those who suffer. Our students will learn about the virtue of Mercy through three inspirational Saints: St. John Vianney, St. Faustina, and St. Teresa of Calcutta. Each brings a beautiful message of mercy, St. Vianney shares his gentle messages of mercy, St. Faustina teaches the Divine Chaplets, and many of us witnessed how Blessed Teresa of Calcutta lived the virtue of mercy each and every day. I encourage you to take some time during your Lenten journey to read about these Saints, and hopefully their insight will bring you closer to Jesus. As stated in the beautiful Fatima Prayer, may each of us lead others to heaven, especially “those most in need of Thy mercy.” That’s all of us!

*From Mr. Messmer, 2nd Grade*

Third quarter is flying by in second grade. This month we have continued learning about various animals, their characteristics, and their lifecycles in science. In social studies, we have started learning and reading about different American inventors; we may even be designing and creating our own inventions very soon. In reading and writing, we have been practicing our researching skills with nonfiction reading.

Please continue praying for us as we prepare for our First Communion.

Please join us March 30  
at the SRA Home and School

## *Progressive Dinner*

Appetizers....Dinner....Dessert....Music

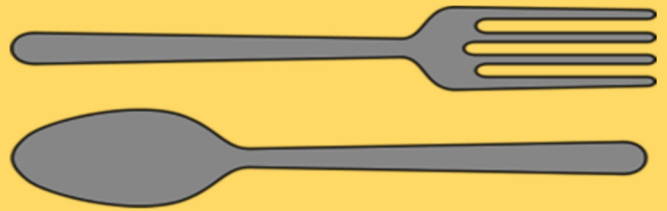
Dessert will be held at the home  
of Ray and Mary Anne Braun!

All parishioners and school families are invited.

Tickets are \$30.00 per person  
unless you are an appetizer or dinner host.

Reservations are required!  
Payment can be sent to the parish office or  
school office in care of Jenny Delf.

Don't Miss the Fun!



Are you willing to Host: Appetizer\_\_\_\_\_ Dinner\_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to provide a dessert:\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Contact:\_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to SRA HSA  
Questions – HSA@straphaelarchangel.org



**SUNDAY, MARCH 31st**  
12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

St. Gabriel's Cafeteria  
4711 Tamm Ave.

Free Safety Expo Admission  
\$10 Adult Chili Tasting Pass  
\$5 Kids 10 and under

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**WHO WILL BE THE SOUTHSIDE CHILI CHAMPION?**

The Hill, Southwest Garden, Clifton Heights, North Hampton, Lindenwood Park, SoHa, St. Louis Hills or Princeton Heights.

**THE VOCATION CHALICE**

Please consider taking the Vocation Chalice into your home for a week. During that week, the host family will be asked to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life.

To learn more about the program, contact a member of the St. Raphael Serra Committee: Barb Cramer, George Kerry, Bob Ahrens, or Bart Saracino. To sign up for a week, please call Maureen Ahrens at 314.353.8444 or email at reahrens40@att.net.

**ROSARY RECITATION**

Throughout the season of Lent, we will be praying the Rosary at 6:00pm in church. We are asking all members, if possible, to stay afterwards for private prayer, confession, and Mass at 7:00, followed by a short presentation and practice of a traditional Catholic devotion.

**Pastoral Care Ministry**

Are you or someone you know unable to make it to Mass anymore due to age or a physical limitation (on a permanent or temporary basis)? Would you like to receive the Eucharist weekly?

Do you bring Communion to anyone in the parish or outside of the parish?

If so, please contact our pastoral care ministry! Either contact the rectory or our coordinator, Mary Faith Green, at 314.832.3310 or by e-mail [greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net](mailto:greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net).

**INCOME TAX INFORMATION**

As tax season is winding down, please note, this year we did not send out parish-wide contribution forms. Please call or email the parish office if you still need to have one mailed to you.

**TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

KPLR Channel 11 at 8:30am  
KTVI Channel 2.2 at 9:00am

Is someone you love unable to join us at church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune to the Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at [www.HeartoftheNation.org](http://www.HeartoftheNation.org). (For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.)

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**St. Raphael the Archangel Parish Picnic!!**

May 10 & 11

Sponsorship:

Gold: \$500 – Includes business name and logo in large print on t-shirt.

Black: \$250 – Includes business name and logo in medium print on t-shirt.

Family: \$100 – Includes **Family Last Name** & 5 t-shirts

All sponsors will be printed on a t-shirt & banner that will be hung at the main booth.

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*Thank you so much for your support!*

Size	XS	S	M	L	XL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	AXXL	AXXXL	AXXXXL	TTL
Grey													
White													

Date Due: Friday, March 29

Questions: Terri Borowiak [terri.borowiak@gmail.com](mailto:terri.borowiak@gmail.com)

**ST. LOUIS HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The St. Louis Hills Neighborhood Association is accepting applications for the 2019 SLHNA Student Award for scholarship, leadership and service in school, church and community. Three, one-time scholarships in the amount of \$600 will be awarded.

The application deadline is Friday, April 26, 2019, and requires submission of a 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter/ 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester report card. The applicant must be an eighth grade student, the daughter/son/legal dependent of a St. Louis Hills Neighborhood Association member living within the boundaries of St. Louis Hills. The applicant's family must have a current history of membership in SLHNA, including 2019.

The scholarship award is for the freshman year of high school only; it is non-renewable. For more information and an application, go to <http://stlhills.com>, membership/benefits category.



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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
- Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
- Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**FISH FRY LISTING**

**Friday, March 29**

St. James the Greater  
1360 Tamm Ave.  
4-7:30pm

Our Lady of Providence  
8866 Pardee  
4-7:00pm



**WELCOME TO ST. RAPHAEL'S PARISH FAMILY!**

If you are new to our community, we extend to you a heartfelt welcome. Please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. You can also call us at 314.352.8100.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**New Phone/Email/Address**

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