

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) 7:00 am 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

MAY 13, 2018

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

WE NEVER GIVE MORE HONOR TO JESUS
THAN WHEN WE HONOR HIS *Mother...*

HAPPY
Mother's Day



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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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, May 14th

7:00 pm - Tobias Room	Parish Council
7:00 pm - Guardian Angel	St. V. de Paul
7:00 pm - Cafeteria	Cub Scout Meeting
9:00 pm - Gym	Men's Club Soccer

Tuesday, May 15th

7:00 pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
7:00 pm - Cafeteria	Men's Club Meeting
7:30 pm - Guardian Angel	Women's Faith Prst.

Wednesday, May 16th

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

Thursday, May 17th

7:00 pm - Cafeteria	Ladies' Club Meeting
7:00 pm - Church	Contemporary Music

Friday, May 18th

7:00 am - Church	Mass
6:30 pm - Gym	Graduation Dinner

Saturday, May 19th

7:00 am - Church	Mass
8:00 am - Cafeteria	Step
4:30 pm - Church	Mass

Sunday, May 20th

8:00 am - Church	Mass
10:00 am - Church	Mass and 8th Grade Graduation



FATHER BOB'S COLUMN

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL THE WONDERFUL WOMEN OF OUR SRA PARISH FAMILY!

As the "Father" of the Parish Family, I presume to speak for all the men and children of the parish to say how grateful we are to our SRA Parish mothers and their extraordinary maternal love. In addition, each of us needs to prayerfully express our gratitude for our own mother who gave us life and love a few or many years ago. May our Blessed Mother Mary pray and intercede for all of them!

BLESSING PRAYER FOR MOTHER'S DAY

God of love, listen to this prayer. God of the holy women in the Bible, bend down your ear to this request and bless the mother of our family. Bless her with the strength of your Holy Spirit needed to continue to serve us and love us each day. Bless her in this lifetime with good things and health. Bless her with joy, love, laughter, and pride in her children and surround her with many good friends. Bless her one day to be carried to your divine embrace. May this blessing and all graces, we pray, descend upon the mother of our family – in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN!

2ND WEEK FOR OUR ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Please stop in the back church vestibule to make your ACA pledge after Mass today, or bring it to the Parish Office this week.

Your generous pledge to the ACA enables all the many ordinary, and actually extraordinary, ministries of the great Archdiocese of St. Louis. Your gift and that of thousands of other St. Louis Catholics enable over 40 ministries, offices, and agencies to function and serve the half million Catholics in the St. Louis area and the thousands more who come to the Catholic Church for a wide variety of services. Just a sample of those served: the seminary, archdiocesan high schools, university Newman centers, Respect Life apostolate, parish food pantries, Today and Tomorrow Education Fund, retired priests, Catholic Charity care centers, and dozens more.

A GREAT PICNIC WAS HAD BY ALL!!!

Thanks to the leadership and all the volunteers who made our annual St. Raphael Parish Picnic a great success as a "fun-raiser" and a fundraiser.

CHANGE IS IN THE WIND FOR SRA!

After a good amount of consultation and prayerful discernment with myself, Archbishop Carlson, and the Priest Personnel Board, I will receive a new pastoral assignment which will be effective in June. The announcement of who will be the new pastor here at St. Raphael Parish will come in a week or two.

NEXT WEEKEND IS THE GREAT FEAST OF PENTECOST – THE "BIRTHDAY" OF THE CHURCH!

We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and the first members of the Church, and we pray that we will be open to the continued presence of the Holy Spirit in the Church today, especially in our own parish. Red is the traditional color for Pentecost, reminding us of the flames of fire over the heads of the Apostles. Let's all wear red next weekend to show that we also are wanting to be aflame with the Holy Spirit.

Also next Sunday, our 8th Grade SRA Graduation Class will be in attendance at the 10am Mass, and their graduation ceremonies will happen after Mass. We congratulate our students and pray for them.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *All the flowers of all the tomorrows are in the seeds of today.*

SERVERS FOR MAY 14/20TH, 2018

Monday, May 14th

7:00am Flora Borowiak Mateo Switzer
8:00am Henry Cyr Joey Raymo

Tuesday, May 15th

7:00am Addison Berta Thad Berta
8:00am Lydia Bick Mateo Switzer

Wednesday, May 16th

7:00am William Hotze Gavin Smith
8:00am Isabella Pfeiffer Jack Stein

Thursday, May 17th

7:00am Christian Concepcion Andrew Kellar
8:00am Samantha Koziacki Flora Borowiak

Friday, May 18th

7:00am Rory Barnawell Isabella Pfeiffer

Saturday, May 19th

7:00am Christian Concepcion Henry Cyr
4:30pm Alex Atchison Lydia Bick
Samantha Koziacki

Sunday, May 20th

8:00am Isabella Pfeiffer Andrew Kellar
Mateo Switzer
10:00am Thad Berta Cate Guenther
Anna-Grace Guenther

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 13th

8:00 am Judy Svetanics
10:00 am Don Deachan

Monday, May 14th

7:00 am Julie Ventimiglia
8:00 am Jost Family

Tuesday, May 15th

7:00 am Bill Goeddel
8:00 am Susie Pinski

Wednesday, May 16th

7:00 am Trokey Family
8:00 am Marilyn Parker

Thursday, May 17th

7:00 am Dorothy Wamser
8:00 am Pauline Zagroba

Friday, May 18th

7:00 am Rosemary Spitler

Saturday, May 19th

7:00 am John Gubser
4:30 pm People of the Parish

WEEKEND OF MAY 19/20TH, 2018

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

LECTORS:

Helen Doyle Joyce Holmes Frosty Hodes

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Kathy Steck Carol Hughes Joan Billing
Pam Hager Kevin Liddy Ted Green
Kathe Berger Mary Niemeyer Mary Faith Green
Nancy McCarthy Joyce Holmes Barbara Favre

Gina Horas Mary Reck Heather Hays
Brian McCarthy Barbara Cramer Fred Hodes
Steve Kratky

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MAY 5/6TH, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,528
Online Giving	\$ 1,897
Weekly Total Collection	\$ 9,425
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 9,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$373,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$320,097
Shortfall	\$ 52,903

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

Online Giving





TULIPS IN BLOOM!

Hope everyone had a chance to enjoy the beautiful tulips in full bloom surrounding the statue of St. Raphael. These were donated last fall by Rosemary Spitler and planted by parishioner Pat Coppinger. Pat worried they might not bloom, but Rosemary must have put in a good word!



LADIES' CLUB - BUNCO!

Join the Ladies' Club for Bunco on Thursday, May 17 at 7pm in the school cafeteria. No prior experience necessary. Bunco is a dice game of chance, requiring you to move throughout the game. Great for meeting new people!

Dinner and drinks provided. Please bring a finger food or dessert to share.



PICNIC SIGNS

If you took home a picnic sign to advertise SRA's picnic, please return it to school or the parish office. The signs are not dated so we would like to use them again in the future.

Thank you, the Picnic 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 PARISH
6047 Bishops Place
St. Louis, Missouri 63109



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.

HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FUNDRAISER

Help the SRA HSA raise money for the school by shopping at Schnucks!! Every time you shop at Schnucks scan your Schnucks SCRIP card and SRA's HSA 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.

BOX TOPS FOR SCHOOL

Don't forget to save your box tops! The school earns 10¢ for each box top. We have earned \$782 so far this school year; thank you! Place all box tops in the marked boxes in the back of church.



**MAY CROWNING
THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2018**



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| Friday, May 18th | Graduation Dinner |
| Sunday, May 20th | 8th Grade Graduation |
| Monday, May 28 | Memorial Day |
| Sunday, June 3 | Corpus Christi Sunday |

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION DEMYSTIFIED

SATURDAY, JUNE 9 • 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

This workshop will confront myths about meditation, hear what wisdom literature says, allow you to discover your personal practice, and empower a life of regular meditation with God. **Cost for the program is \$60. To register, visit ai.edu or call 314.256.8800.**



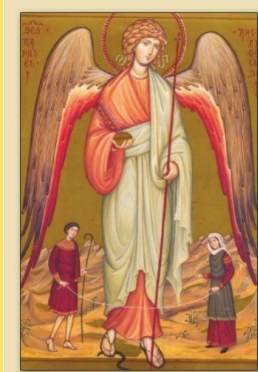
Aquinas Institute of Theology | 23 S. Spring Ave. | St. Louis, MO 63108

FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension, we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continued through his disciples...and now through us. When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and into the hearts of those who are poor.

SUNDAY READINGS-BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is held on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30pm in the Tobias Room, Lower Level of the Parish Office. If God tells you something will happen, and you wait, it will happen. There are so many promises given to us in the Bible. The Lord will show you wonderful things that will change your life.



ANNUAL SRA MOTHER'S DAY SHOWER

This is the weekend 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:

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| 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



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 into 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!

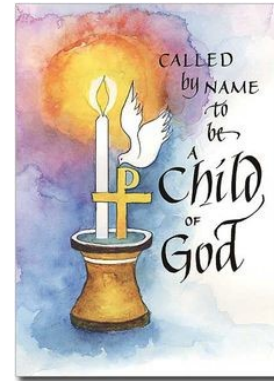
Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

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| <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 # |



Congratulations to the newest member of the church, **Jackson Moehlenbrock**, son of Issac and Heather Moehlenbrock. Jackson was baptized on May 6, 2018.

May God always bless the Moehlenbrock family.

HEAVEN'S REJOICING

To: St. Raphael Parish Family

Bill arrived "safely home" to his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on St. Pat's Day. Thanks for the gracious outpouring of love and sympathy regarding the death of my "forever" husband, Bill Goeddel. He sincerely loved his family, friends, and parish. Bill volunteered his "time and talent" to those in need since the beginning of our parish in 1950. He faithfully served his God with love and dedicated devotion. Bill always had a positive attitude and sweet smile. He "walked the walk" with Jesus at his side, never complained even once, since the beginning of his severe and debilitating strokes. Thanks to everyone for your prayers and loving sentiments. The Goeddel Family is so blessed by your goodness and generosity to those in need.

*With loving and grateful hearts,
Peggy Goeddel and Family.*

FINDING GOD IN THE "MESS"

Humanity has turned from God when it finds itself in a mess - yet God is with us, providing what we need as we try to regather the pieces of our lives. We will discover blessings in the mess. We will move from "mess" to "bless."

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows
Guild Center

Saturday, May 19, 10:00am to Noon

Presenter: Fr. Salvador Gonzalez, OMI

Cost: \$20

Register Online: snows.org/programs
618.394.6270

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, right before your Ascension into heaven you told your apostles to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth upon receiving the Holy Spirit. May I be similarly inspired to spread your Gospel message in word and deed, according to your will for me. And may I do so prudently and joyfully, with your help, your guidance, and your grace! And remembering this glorious event, help me to seek what is above, Heaven, where you are seated at the right hand of God the Father!



Saint Louis
LIFETEEN

**ATTENTION ALL SRA EIGHTH GRADERS
AND HIGH SCHOOLERS**

Attention all high schoolers and 8th graders! Please join us this Wednesday, May 16th from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg as we continue our series on the Holy Spirit. Please see saintlouislifeteen.org for more information.

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>.

Attention Singles!

Mid-life Singles (Mid-30s to 50s): Looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT Catholic weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, IL (20 min from downtown St. Louis, MO), on June 1-3, 2018. Take a chance and get involved; you won't regret it! Cost is \$195 for meals and a single room. Visit reflectretreat.com, email reflect.stlouis@gmail.com or call 314.283.0044 for details.



Contemplative
Leaders
in Action

Contemplative Leaders in Action (CLA) is a two-year program that cultivates Ignatian spirituality and leadership in young professionals in their 20's and 30's. Participants join a vibrant, faith-filled community of peers committed to becoming leaders in their fields and finding God in all things. To learn more about the program, visit our website at www.contemplativeleaders.org/apply. There are two remaining information sessions on May 23 and June 14 at Boileau Hall on St. Louis University's campus. The sessions begin at 6:30pm. Email tauffenberg@contemplativeleaders.org with any questions.



**Theology on Tap Summer Series –
“The Summer of Love”**

This summer, join young adults from across the archdiocese for our Theology on Tap Summer Six Pack – six nights of engaging talks, drink specials, and great community: May 22nd, June 12th, June 26th, July 10th, July 24th, and August 14th. All talks will be held at 7 PM at Kirkwood Station Brewing Co. This year's theme is called “The Summer of Love” and each talk will focus on different aspects of relationships and the Gospel of love. Email stlya@archstl.org or call 314.792.7008 for more information.

ST. MATTHIAS 10TH ANNUAL BARBEQUE

Saturday, May 19, 11:00am to 6:00pm

800 Buckley Rd.

For More Information, 314.544.2162

**ST. MATTHIAS ELECTRONIC/
METAL RECYCLING**

Boy Scout Troop 824 Fundraiser

Saturday, May 19, 8:00am to Noon

No Charge: “Anything that is metal or has a cord”

TVs & Monitors:

12"-15" \$12; 15"-24" \$20; 25"-29" \$30;

30"-42" \$40;

Larger than 42" & Consoles \$50;

Projection \$60

Tube TVs Accepted

For more information, call Gill at 314.910.3994

