

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

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER 15, TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME



ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL "STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS CAMPAIGN"

Mary, our model of stewardship, teaches us to live with joy and gratitude for the many blessings God has given us. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world.

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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@SRAtoday

MyParishApp

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, October 16th

3:15 pm - Gym	6th Gr. Boys Vball.
7:00 pm - Tobias Room	School Board
9:00 pm - Gym	Men's Club Soccer

Tuesday, October 17th

1:30 pm - Parish Office	Bible Study
3:15 pm - Gym	3rd Gr. Boys Vball.
3:15 pm - Church	De Angelis Practice
5:30 pm - Gym	8th Gr. Boy Vball.
6:30 pm - Gym	5th Gr. Girls Vball.
7:00 pm - Church	Rosary
7:00 pm - Cafeteria	Men's Club Meeting
7:30 pm - Tobias	Peter, Cornerstone

Wednesday, October 18th

9:00 am - Quilters' Room	Quilters
3:15 pm - Gym	4th Gr. Girls Vball.
5:30 pm - Gym	3rd Gr. Girls Vball.
6:00 pm - Cafeteria	Step Class
7:00 pm - Church	Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm - Guardian Angel	R.C.I.A.
7:00 pm - Tobias Room	1st Recon. Parent Mtg.
8:30 pm - Gym	Men's Club Bball.

Thursday, October 19th

2:00 pm - Trophy Room	Preschool Dance Class
3:00 pm - Trophy Room	K-6 Dance Class
3:15 pm - Art Room	Chess Club
4:00 pm - Gym	7th Gr. Girls Vball.
5:00 pm - Gym	4th Gr. Boys Vball.
7:00 pm - Cafeteria	Ladies' Club Mtg.

Friday, October 20th

5:00 pm - Gym	Volleyball Games
7:00 pm - Pre School Rms.	Preschool Parent Social

Saturday, October 21st

8:00 am - Cafeteria	Step Class
9:00 am - Gym	Volleyball Games
6:00 pm - Parking Lot	Trunk-or-Treat

Sunday, October 22nd

11:00 am - Gym	Volleyball Games
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FATHER BOB'S COLUMN

COVENANT CARD SUNDAY: LAST WEEK OF OUR "STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS CAMPAIGN"

Today at Mass every St. Raphael Parish member will be returning a Stewardship Covenant Card, which came in the mail, or filling out a Covenant Card at Mass. After reflecting and praying about your "covenant" or agreement with the Lord, you will be bringing your Covenant Card forward to be presented to the Lord before the altar. This symbolic ritual stresses the renewal of our covenant with God. God has given so much to each of us. How much are we going to give back to God by way of: 1. Prayer, 2. Participation in parish ministries, and 3. Generosity of our financial resources to support the Lord's work within St. Raphael Parish?

From my many years of experience as a pastor, I promise you that the Lord will keep his side of the covenant agreement, and we will be deeply rewarded and spiritually satisfied if we keep our side with a grateful and generous covenant response. This is just a word to the wise! As scripture says, the Lord will not be outdone in generosity.

All of us at St. Raphael Church are very proud of our parish, but it will be only as good as we make it – each and every member doing what the Lord is calling us to do to keep St. Raphael a great parish. Please take time to pray this "Prayer for St. Raphael Parish":

I Am St. Raphael Parish!

Dear Lord, St. Raphael Parish is composed of people like me.

I help make St. Raphael what it is and what it can be.

It will be friendly, if I am.

It will be holy, if I am.

It will be prayerful, if I am.

It will do great work, if I work.

Its pews will be filled, if I come and help fill them.

It will reach out to others to worship, if I invite and bring them.

It will do generous ministry, if I am a generous giver.

It will be a parish of loyalty and love, if I am loyal to it and love all its members.

It will be a parish of compassion, charity, and mercy, if I am filled with these virtues.

Therefore, with the help of God,

I now dedicate myself to the task of being all the things I want my parish to be!

For I am St. Raphael Parish! AMEN!



TWO BIG DATES COMING UP FOR ST. RAPHAEL PARISH:

1. **GOLDEN JUBILEE MASS FOR OUR CHURCH** – Sunday, November 5th, 10am Mass & Breakfast.

On Nov. 5, 1967, Father Arthur Behrmann celebrated the first Mass in the brand new and beautifully elegant St. Raphael Parish Church. Now we celebrate its 50th birthday, with a special Mass and sacred music from that era.

This Jubilee Mass will be followed by a delicious breakfast in the cafeteria, compliments of our SRA Men's Club and its fabulous cooks.

2. **SRA BLACK AND GOLD DINNER AUCTION** – Saturday, November 11th, 6pm, in our gym.

This is the social event of the year in St. Raphael Parish, the major fundraiser, and its success is absolutely necessary to meet the budget for St. Raphael School. Come and have a scrumptious dinner and fine wine and enjoy some great company! Come and bid in the silent auction and in the oral auction! Come and support your parish! (See page 5 of the bulletin for details.)

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Dear God, if I give away all my love, can I get a refill? *Your friend.*

SERVERS FOR Oct. 16-22

Monday, October 16th

7:00 am Joey Raymo William Hotze
8:00 am Rory Barnawell Avery Bradshaw

Tuesday, October 17th

7:00 am Lucille Schlichting Isabella Pfeiffer
8:00 am Samantha Koziacki Andrew Kellar

Wednesday, October 18th

7:00 am Lydia Bick Thad Berta
8:00 am Alex Atchison Flora Borowiak

Thursday, October 19th

7:00 am Christian Concepcion Gillian Neal
8:00 am Avery Bradshaw Jack Stein

Friday, October 20th

7:00 am Henry Cyr Mateo Switzer

Saturday, October 21st

7:00 am Grace Goeddel Joey Raymo
4:30 pm Jane Dubbert Riley Willmann
Spencer Willmann

Sunday, October 22nd

8:00 am Ellie Guenther Cate Guenther
William Hotze
10:00 am Abby Delf Anna Mersinger
William Madden

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 15th

8:00 am People of the Parish
10:00 am Carolyn Otz SI

Monday, October 16th

7:00 am Nancy Whelan
8:00 am Larry D. Frie

Tuesday, October 17th

7:00 am Marilyn Bradford
8:00 am Nancy Geiser

Wednesday, October 18th

7:00 am Marcia Matreci
8:00 am Rita Krapf

Thursday, October 19th

7:00 am George Maledy
8:00 am Jane Bottini

Friday, October 20th

7:00 am Ralph Raskas

Saturday, October 21st

7:00 am Robert Wessel
4:30 pm Larry D. Frie

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 21/22

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

LECTORS:

Helen Doyle Amy Ruggeri Denise Howard

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Bob Ahrens Lorraine Gurley Mary Dupske
Maureen Ahrens Sue Lawton Rosemary Phelan
George Kerry Amy Ruggeri Tom Yehlen
Margie Auer Rosita Koehler Dennis Matreci
Tony Mariani Carolyn Skidmore
Greg Divis
Karen Divis

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR OCT. 7/8, 2017

Sunday Collection	\$ 6,722
Online Giving	\$ 2,502
Weekly Total Collection	\$ 9,224
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 8,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$120,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$108,350
Shortfall	\$ 11,650



Go to: straphaelarchangel.org/give/online-giving.
It's quick and easy!

UPCOMING EVENTS

AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 15

Family Mass, Stewardship and Fellowship Sunday

Saturday, October 21

Trunk-or-Treat

Sunday, November 5

Anniversary Mass & Breakfast

Friday, November 10

Black & Gold Dinner Auction Preview Night

Saturday, November 11

Black & Gold Dinner Auction

Sunday, December 3

Advent by Candlelight



BLACK & GOLD DINNER AUCTION

Count Down...4 Weeks

Black & Gold Dinner Auction
Saturday, November 11

Preview Night
Hosted by the SRA Ladies' Club
Friday, November 10, 6-9 pm

Reservations are coming in quickly...
don't forget yours!

Are your children graduates of SRA? Why not call a few people that you spent so much time with 5, 10 or even 15 years ago? What a reason to catch up!

Do you have an item to donate? If so, please email auction@straphaelarchangel.org. We have a happy group of volunteers that will gladly pick up your item.

Signup Genius will be sent this week;
please volunteer!

LADIES' CLUB

Join us for chili night and a book swap. Sign up to bring your favorite chili, soup, or favorite topping/side at SignUpGenius.com/go/4090B4EAEAC2FA0F94-october.

We will also be collecting for our Black & Gold Auction Basket. Sign up here or consider donating \$5.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4eaeac2fa0f94-black>

In addition, bring those books that are just sitting on your shelf needing a new home. We'll have a book swap and donate all unclaimed books to a local charity.



DE ANGELIS CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The De Angelis Children's Choir will be singing on Saturday, October 21 at 4:30 pm Mass.

FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

November 5, 2017 is the Third Annual, **Society of St. Vincent de Paul Sunday**. This day is dedicated to alerting the community about the good works done by our fellow parishioners on behalf of our neighbors in need. That help may come in the form of providing food, clothing, shelter, prescription drugs, furniture, beds, household goods, friendship, help with utility bills, auto repair, auto purchase, spiritual enrichment, rent and more. No act of charity is foreign to the Society. You will be hearing more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the coming weeks. You may be moved to volunteer, donate or even shop in one of our thrift stores....maybe all three! Stay tuned!

OCTOBER: PROLIFE MONTH

During the month of October, ProLife Month, perhaps we should reflect on these words so full of hope and love. "You are not a mistake; you were made in my image. I knitted you together in your mother's womb and brought you forth on the day you were born. In me you live and move and have your being, for you are my offspring, my child, and I am your Father."

Surely these words form the basis for the inestimable worth of every human being. God has made us, His we are, and we are destined to live with Him forever.

The St. Raphael ProLife Committee

SOUTH CITY RECOLLECTION FOR MEN

Take a break from the rat race. Experience the peace and tranquility of a quiet time of prayer led by Fr. Mike Giesler, a priest of Opus Dei. Get some practical advice on how to live your faith. Make a resolution to improve in your roles as husband, father, friend and worker. Confession will be available. October 24, 2017, at 7:30 pm St. Raphael Catholic Church, 6000 Jamieson Ave. Join us beforehand, if you are able, for dinner and fellowship at Dado's Cafe from 5:45 to 7:00 pm. For more information, contact Joe Cyr at jmcyjr@me.com or Kevin Franklin at kfranklin1130@gmail.com.

Congratulations to Rick Dirnbeck for a hole-in-one on the 5th tee at our Annual Men's Club Fall Classic Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 8! This is the first hole-in-one in the history of this tournament!



GREAT NEWS!

St. Raphael the Archangel has been chosen for the Schnucks - Bags 4 My Cause Program!

Visit the Schnucks at
7450 Hampton Ave., St. Louis, MO
during October, purchase this bag and
St. Raphael the Archangel PTA will receive \$1!



What a GREAT way to show your support!
Head out, buy a few Giving bags... we get a few bucks!
Good for St. Raphael the Archangel - Good for the Planet!

For more information about the program visit:
schnucks.bags4mycause.com



SRA 8th Grade

It's Flocking Fun!

Give a fun-loving friend a yard full of flamingos!

- A letter accompanies our feathered friends explaining their arrival
- Your friends can discover who flocked them for a \$5 donation and/or choose to return the favor
- The flock will migrate after 24 hours
- Flocking registration will open on October 1st
- Flock your friends, family, neighbors within the Saint Louis Hills neighborhood



Flocking Levels:

-  10 flamingos for \$10
-  20 flamingos for \$20
-  50 flamingos for \$40

Oct. 1st-Oct. 30th

Event Details, Flock Your Friend forms, & Payment Information

<https://sites.google.com/view/sraclassof2018>

Flocks Sponsored by SRA Men's Club



**BLESSING OF THE PETS
WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 4, 2017**

**Trick-or-Treating from Car-to-Car
Saturday, October 21
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
\$15 per Family
A Parade of Costumes
Prizes for the Best Costume and
Decorated Car
(Please avoid violent themes)**



Bring your own chairs, flashlights and treats to pass out to the ghouls and ghosts.

Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase.

Please make checks payable to St. Raphael.

Submit payment along with completed form to the school office.

All proceeds benefit the 8th grade pro-life trip and graduation celebrations!

Family Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

Email Address: _____ #of children participating: _____

If you have any questions, please contact Sherri Smith @ 314.941.7100.

Are you bored at home?

*Want to have some fun
and meet new people?*

Come join the

St. Raphael the Archangel

Fifty Plus Club

This enthusiastic group of men and women over 50 meets on the first Tuesday of each month, at 1:00 p.m. in the lower level of the rectory. Many planned activities including trips and parties are sponsored by this group.

For more information, please call Mary Schaeffer at 314-481-0902 or the rectory at 314-352-8100.

When: 1st Tuesday of each month

Where: Rectory (St. Raphael Room)

Time: 1:00 pm

Cost: \$2.00



Play 8 games

1st card is free

.25¢ each addt'l. card



Free Refreshments



ROSATI-KAIN'S FIRST TRUNK-OR-TREAT

You and your family are invited to participate in Rosati-Kain's 1st Trunk-or-Treat, Friday, October 20 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm on R-K's Taylor/Lindell Lot. This is a fun family event, for which you can decorate the trunk of your vehicle and possibly win one of our great giveaway prizes. You can also sign up to have your children (grade school age or lower) participate as Trunk-or-Treaters! Enjoy a family-safe time trunk-or-treating as the parking lot is roped off, freeing kids and families to collect candy trunk-to-trunk. This event is free, but reservations are required. Please visit www.rosati-kain.org to sign up.



Saint Louis LIFETEEN

ATTENTION ALL SRA EIGHTH GRADERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS

Join us this **Wednesday, October 18**, from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg as we finish our *Chaos* series..

FALL RETREAT!

Please keep us in your prayers! St. Louis Life Teen will be on fall retreat October 20-22. Pray that it is a weekend of deep encounter with our Lord, with our community and pray that we have fun! We will keep all of our parishes in our prayers.

BACKSTOPPERS FUNDRAISER

Sunday, October 15
11:30 am - 4:30 pm
Epiphany of Our Lord Church
6596 Smiley Avenue
BBQ Brisket; Pulled Pork; Hamburgers; Hotdogs;
Italian Sausage and more!
All proceeds donated to Backstoppers.
For information, call Jim Przada at 314.444.0111.

ATTENTION, SEPARATED, DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR REMARRIED OF ALL AGES

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at the next meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, October 26, at 7:00 pm, at the Saint Catherine Laboure, 9740 Sappington Rd. Our guest speaker is Ms. Karen Zelle from The Shepard's Center. She will explain how The Shepard's Center helps adults 55 and older with services, enrichment programs, and community connections.

SCDC offers social activities and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your story with caring people. For more information, please call Pat Lynch at 314.537.5930, Bill DeCoursey at 314.894.0733, or Jan Inman at 314.892.6933.

Ursuline^{ACADEMY}

Discover the power within **U**

Spend the day at UA! Ursuline Academy invites 8th-grade girls to experience a day filled with academic excellence, faith, and sisterhood. We would love to have you meet our students and staff—and lunch is on us! Join us and see what is new at UA! Please call 314.984.2882 or register online to schedule your visit at www.ursulinstl.org. Join us for an Open House on Sunday, November 5, noon - 4:00 p.m.

Ursuline is proud to announce our Merit- Based Scholarships:

These are renewable scholarships that are automatically applied to any incoming freshman student who meets all criteria.

Academic Excellence Scholarship - \$5,000

Core composite score on 7th- or 8th-grade standardized testing is at 98th or 99th percentile

Principal's Scholarship - \$2,000

Core composite score on 7th- or 8th-grade standardized testing is at 96th or 97th percentile

STEAM Scholarship - \$1,000

Subtest score in science on 7th- or 8th-grade standardized testing is at 90th percentile or higher

***Each scholarship is renewable all four years if student maintains First Honors status.**

