

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

CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER 7, 2018

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Let the *children* come to me;
do not prevent them,
for the kingdom of God
belongs to such as these.

~ Mark 10:14

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."

**ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
CATHOLIC CHURCH
6047 BISHOPS PLACE • SAINT LOUIS, MO 63109**

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

CLERGY & STAFF

Fr. John Mayo	Pastor
	frjohn@straphaelarchangel.org
Msgr. Dennis Stehly	Priest-In-Residence
	dennisstehly@archstl.org
Deacon Gerald J. Geiser	Retired Deacon
Dr. Nancy Deacon	Music Director
	musicdirector@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Diane Halbert	Parish Office Manager
	halbert@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Mickey Janos	Admin. Assistant
	janos@straphaelarchangel.org
Mr. Robert Schlueter	Maintenance
Mrs. Julie Hayes	School Principal
	hayes@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Linda Mechler	School Secretary
	secretary@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Qi Franz	Cafeteria Manager
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CONNECT WITH US!

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Instagram	straphaelarchangel
MyParishApp	Text 'App' to 88202
Parish Council	Terri Borowiak 314.351.0606
School Board	Mike Young 314.780-2954
Finance Council	Joseph Cyr 314.335-7322



Monday, October 8

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
6:00pm - Gym	4th Gr. Boys Vball.
7:00pm - Tobias Room	Parish Council
7:00pm - Guardian Room	St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, October 9

8:00am - Church	Communion Service
1:30pm - Parish Office	Lectio Group
5:30pm - Gym	6th Gr. Girls Vball.
6:30pm - Gym	3rd Gr. Boys Vball.
7:00pm - Parish Office	Knights of Columbus
7:00pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
7:30pm - Guardian Angel	Book Study

Wednesday, October 10

8:00am - Church	Communion Service
9:00am - Quilters' Room	Quilters
6:00pm - Cafeteria	Step Class
6:30pm - Gym	Love & Logic Prst.

Thursday, October 11

8:00am - Church	Communion Service
2:00pm - School	Dance Class
3:30pm - Gym	8th Gr. Girls Vball.
6:30pm - Gym	4th Gr. Girls Vball.
7:00pm - Cafeteria	All Parish Org. Mtg.
7:30pm - Guardian Angel	Men's Prayer Group

Friday, October 12

7:00am - Church	Mass
4:15pm - Cafeteria	1st Gr. Girl Scouts
5:30pm - Gym	Volleyball Games

Saturday, October 13

7:00am - Church	Mass
4:30pm - Church	Mass
5:30pm - Gym	Volleyball Games

Sunday, October 14

8:00am - Church	Mass
10:00am - Church	Mass
12:00pm - Gym	Volleyball Games

Fr. John's Digital Quill for Spiritual Musings and Parish News

From Archbishop Carlson

Dear Friends in Christ,
On Sunday, October 7, 2018, there will be a special collection for the formation of permanent deacons in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. This collection relieves some of the financial burden to become a deacon. Since 1977, 465 men have been ordained as permanent deacons in the Archdiocese. There are 197 active deacons ordained for the Archdiocese and 82 retired deacons. There are 44 men in formation at this time.

When the permanent diaconate program was initiated in the Archdiocese in January 1977, men went through a two-year formation program, with a third year of post-ordination formation. Since then, the program has gradually expanded to five years of formation, plus three more years of post-ordination formation.

Deacons serve in parishes, hospitals, archdiocesan agencies, and other organizations. There are six deacons who serve as Parish Life Coordinators. Half of the active deacons continue to work full-time jobs, requiring them to balance family lives and professions with their ministry as a deacon.

During formation and after ordination, deacons offer their time, personal gifts and material goods to build up the Church in the Archdiocese without compensation. Their service extends into many areas of parish life, as they assist all of us in carrying out the mission of the Church.

Please support the formation of permanent deacons by promoting the special collection for the Formation of Permanent Deacons on Sunday, October 7, 2018.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson
Archbishop of St. Louis

*Guest Column by Mr. Dave Baranowski
Office of Stewardship, Archdiocese of St. Louis*

It's been my experience and observation over the past several years that when we help people align their thoughts and actions with God's plan for them, the result is Joy! And I'm not talking about regular joy, but Supernatural Joy. Joy that is infused by God! Joy that others notice and are attracted to. Joy that cannot be contained and bursts forth from you! Joy that you have to share with others! Joy that will lead you to its source - God the Father.

God wants to fill us with Joy. Free from worry. Free from anxiety. He wants us to trust in Him, like little children. He wants us to recognize the blessings He has provided and, then, share those gifts freely. He wants us to be active members of the Body of Christ, not just passive by-standers. He wants us to share our God-given gifts within our parish community and beyond; to find new ways to help others grow as joy-filled children of God. However, when it comes to our faith, many of us just dip our toes in the water, never experiencing the completely refreshing feeling of a personal relationship with God. Too few of us actually jump in with both feet, becoming completely immersed in God's love! But, this commitment is possible for all of us; it starts by placing our trust in Him and opening ourselves up to receive His love, mercy and forgiveness.

"Let the little children come to me...for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Mark 10:14) Every adult at one time or another dreams of what it would be like to return to childhood, that carefree time when someone else took care of us and loved us unconditionally. What a miracle it is that this is exactly what God is offering to us. To be His child! To take care of us and to provide for us.

God's gift of life makes everything possible. All our accomplishments and relationships, all the luxuries and opportunities, everything we have and everyone who loves us is possible because we have been born into a wonderful world. A world we are called to nurture and care for, along with everything in it.

So what then? What about becoming like little children? Just as children believe in things not seen, we too, as adults, have to commit to a life of faith. Once we make the choice to trust in God – prayer, gratitude, humility, generosity and joy will no longer be things we are searching for, but things that flow immediately and naturally from our hearts.



**STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND -
OCTOBER 6-7, 2018
SRA PROLIFE COMMITTEE**

This weekend, we will hear from a representative of SRA's ProLife Committee as part of the Stewardship initiative whereby we become a stronger parish family when we share our time and talent. If you are interested in joining our ProLife Committee, please contact Frosty Hodes.

If you prefer to share your time and talent with other SRA committees, there are many more to choose from; please see the parish directory for opportunities, or contact one of the Stewardship Committee members for further details. Stewardship Committee members are Maureen Ahrens, Rob Dirnbeck, Maggie Fuhr, Pam Hager, George Kerry, Erin Pinkerton; their phone numbers can be found in the Parish Directory. Thank you.

JOIN US FOR THIS SPOOKTACULAR NIGHT!

**TRUNK
OR
TREAT**

Prizes for Best Costume & Best Decorated Car
(please avoid violent themes)
Costume Parade

SATURDAY OCTOBER 27TH

\$15 per family 6pm-8pm
Food & drinks available for purchase

Proceeds Benefit the SRA 8th Grade Pro-Life Trip & Graduation Celebration

Family Name: _____
Phone #: _____
Email: _____
of children participating: _____

Submit form & payment to school office. Checks payable to SRA.

Questions? Contact Missy Weber 314-780-0698

SERVERS FOR OCT. 8-14, 2018

Monday, October 8

7:00am Christian Concepcion Flora Borowiak
8:00am School Selection

Tuesday, October 9

NO 7:00am MASS

8:00AM **Communion Service**

Wednesday, October 10

NO 7:00am MASS

8:00am **Communion Service**

Thursday, October 11

NO 7:00AM MASS

8:00am **Communion Service**

Friday, October 12

7:00am Addison Berta Thad Berta

Saturday, October 13

7:00am Alex Atchison Rory Barnawell
4:30pm Nahima Ramirez Mateo Switzer
Samantha Koziacki

Sunday, October 14

8:00am Flora Borowiak Cillian Sheehan
Christian Concepcion
10:00am Lydia Bick Abby Delf
Avery Bradshaw



Sunday, October 7

8:00am Puricelli & Neal Families
10:00am David Braun

Monday, October 8

7:00am Lynn Parker
8:00am Martin Pion

Tuesday, October 9

8:00am Communion Service

Wednesday, October 10

8:00am Communion Service

Thursday, October 11

8:00am Communion Service

Friday, October 12

7:00am Don Deachan

Saturday, October 13

7:00am Louis Dryden
4:30pm Regina Holdenreid

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 13-14, 2018

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

LECTORS:

Laura Geiser Barbara Cramer Mary Faith Green

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Bob Ahrens	Lorraine Gurley	Rosemary Phelan
Maureen Ahrens	Sue Lawton	Tom Yehlen
George Kerry	Amy Ruggeri	Dennis Matreci
Margie Auer	Rosita Koehler	Carolyn Skidmore
Matt Fuhr	Christy Connor	Greg Divis
Tony Mariani	Kerry Deacon	Karen Divis
		Ann Grabian

Online giving is an easy way to support us year-round!
Please visit: straphaelarchangel.org/online-giving.
It's quick and simple to sign up!

MASS SCHEDULE UPDATE

Fr. John and Msgr. Stehly will be attending an Archdiocesan Convocation the week of October 8-12.

Since St. Gabriel's has a Dominican priest who is not attending the convocation, the schedule for Masses at St. Gabriel is:

Monday - Friday 6:00am and 8:00am

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SEP. 29-30, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$ 3,132
Online Giving	\$ 1,769
Weekly Total Collection	\$ 4,901
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 9,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$126,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$ 90,395
Shortfall	\$ 35,605

ST RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
BLACK & GOLD AUCTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2018

Mark your calendars for the Black & Gold Dinner Auction!

We are just weeks away from our biggest fundraiser of the year! To buy tickets and view auction items as they are added, go to the website:

<http://SRA18.givesmart.com>

In addition to attending the Auction & Preview Night, there are plenty of ways to get involved. Forms can be found online on the SRA Website.

- **DONATE:** At the heart of the auction's success are the many awesome donations up for bidding. If you have an item or service you would like to donate, let us know!
- **VOLUNTEER:** There will be lots of opportunities for volunteering before, during, and after the event. If you are interested in helping out in any way, please let us know!
- **SPONSOR:** Know of a business or organization that would like to sponsor the auction? Sponsorships support the event and bring name recognition to 200+ attendees. And this year, the ad book is in COLOR!
- **50/50 TICKETS:** Show your support for SRA by purchasing or selling Black & Gold Dinner Auction 50/50 tickets. Tickets are \$20 each, drawing will be held at the Auction on November 3rd. Tickets can be sent to or dropped off at the Parish Office.

**For more information please email
auktion@straphaelarchangel.org**

We look forward to seeing all of you on November 2nd and 3rd !



example of Havanese puppy



**SECOND COLLECTION FOR FLORENCE
RELIEF THIS WEEKEND**

At the request of Archbishop Carlson, our parish will join with the other parishes in the Archdiocese in taking up a collection this weekend to support relief efforts for our brothers and sisters affected by Hurricane Florence. All of the funds raised will be forwarded to Catholic Charities that will use the funds to help those most in need.

Let us also keep in prayer our brothers and sisters suffering due to the hurricane and those who mourn the loss of a loved one.



Please do not forget!

Turn in your Angel Appeal Letter of Intent!

We are over 50% to our goal. We need your help to make it there!

May God reward you!

WEDDING

Congratulations to Juliette Benoist Knopp and Timothy Michael Wolf on their wedding day that took place on Saturday, September 15, 2018. May the Lord bless them with many happy years together, so they may enjoy the rewards of a good life.



FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples: "Let the children come to me...for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." This week, please help the Society to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to children who are hungry.

WEDDING BANNS III

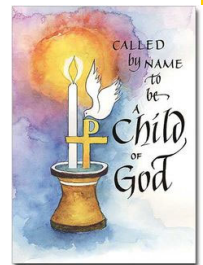


There is a promise of marriage between Jessica Lange and Kyle Downes to take place at St. Raphael on Saturday, October 13, 2018.



Congratulations to the newest member of the church, **Bauer Haugh**, son of Patrick and Emma Haugh.

Bauer was baptized on September 23, 2018. May God always bless the Haugh family.



LADIES' CLUB OCTOBER MEETING



Please join us for the Ladies' Club October meeting on Thursday, October 18 in the cafeteria. Dinner will be a Taco/Nacho Bar! Drinks and desserts are always appreciated.

Come closer to a loving God...

Women's Day of Reflection

**Keeping a Mary Spirit
Throughout a Martha Day**

Donna Cori Gibson

Our parish is proud to be hosting a very special Women's Day of Reflection offered by internationally known Catholic recording artist, Donna Cori Gibson. Her message is inspiring, her voice is astounding and her music contagious. She will speak and sing on the topic of "Keeping a Mary Spirit Throughout a Martha Day." Please be sure to mark your calendars and join us for this spiritually enriching experience on November 10 from 8:30 – 3:00pm.

Visit our parish website, www.straphaelarchangel.org, for a registration form and the option to pay through our online giving. Registration forms are also available in the church foyer.

The day is being brought to you by our Women's Faith Sharing group and the St. Raphael Ladies' Club. Contact Sue Brandt, 314.704.5304 or sbrandstl@gmail.com with questions.

Please begin praying now for blessings on all who attend.

Free Bonus Concert on Sunday, November 11th

Donna will return to St. Raphael on Sunday, November 11 at 6:00pm to offer a free concert for all parishioners, family, friends and neighbors. There are postcards in the church foyer advertising the concert. Take a post card, write your name on the back and bring it to the concert to be entered in a free raffle. Save the date and spread the word. Donna gave two concerts at Fr. John's previous parish, so if you're curious about her, just ask him.

About Donna Cori Gibson

Donna was once a professional singer / songwriter for years in New York's secular market, but now she only creates music for God. She travels throughout the country and internationally, sharing the Catholic Faith in message and song. Her amazing, beautiful and powerful voice is sure to captivate you and draw you into prayer and praise.

School News

Miss Molly Preschool A

Preschool A students are just the best. I hope they are having as much fun as I am. This week we worked on the body parts and the five senses. They did some great scientific work testing their sense of taste, smell, seeing, and feeling with all the different materials we had: rainbow daisies, lemons, limes, saltwater, sugar water, coffee and cloves. They all tried everything and were great scientists.

Mrs. Teresa Schmidt 1st Grade

In math, we have been busy learning about ways we can increase our addition fact fluency. In religion each child brought in some flowers for the Blessed Mother and we made her a birthday bouquet. We visited church, said some prayers and placed the flowers under her statue on the altar. We also visited her statue outside of church and stopped to sing, "Happy Birthday." In social studies, we just finished studying maps and created maps of our rooms, using a key and compass rose in our drawings.

Miss Woods 4th Grade

Fourth graders were excited to learn they have pen pals at Queen of Heaven School in W. Seneca, New York. They learned about the mailing process, and that things can't be delivered immediately, such as an email or text message as they anxiously awaited their first letters. When they arrived, they wanted to get right to work writing back to their pen pals.

Mrs. Connor 8th Grade Social Studies

Students in grade eight just completed making a sewing kit that was similar to those used by soldiers during the Civil War. They are beginning to learn about American history in the late 1800s.

USE AMAZON SMILE AND SUPPORT SRA!

Use Amazon Smile and a percentage of your amazon purchase will go to SRA!! You must use the amazon smile website - smile.amazon.com - to make your purchase. From this site you select SRA as your recipient, log into your account, and start spending! Prime members and non prime members can participate - everyone can help SRA earn extra money every time you buy!!



At the car wash,
whoa, whoa, whoa,
whoa...talkin' about
the car wash...



**Boy Scout Car Wash
Sunday, September 23
Thanks to all
workers and
customers!**



JOIN US AT THE LIFE CHAIN

ProLife Month is here This Sunday, October 7, is the date for LIFE CHAIN, which will extend from 2 to 3:00pm. Stay for the whole hour or leave when you must. LIFE CHAIN is a gathering of ProLife supporters who form a "chain" at Catholic Supply at Chippewa/Watson. We stand for Life, giving silent witness to the sanctity of Life, often praying the Rosary. When you arrive at Catholic Supply, go to the marked van on the lot, get a Respect Life sign, and take a spot along the sidewalk from the Jamieson corner to the east - both sides of the street. We do not stand in front of Ted Drewes. We invite you to join us for this event as we support the Culture of Life. May the Lord bless us all. Bring a chair if needed.

The St. Raphael ProLife Committee



**INTERESTED IN SOCIAL JUSTICE AND
DEEPENING YOUR FAITH?
NOT SURE WHERE TO START?
JOIN US IN THE JUSTFAITH EXPERIENCE.
BE THE CHANGE**

JustFaith is an inspiring and energizing, small-group program that invites participants to live more simply and compassionately. Through reading, thought-provoking dialogue and relationship building around today's issues, you will share a journey of faith that invites you to consider how you can "be the change" in our world. If you would like more information or would like to register for JustFaith, contact Barbara Favre, 303.9941 or barbara.j.favre@sbcglogal.net

**KING TO QUEEN ROSARY RUN
"DEVOTION IN MOTION"**

On the morning of **Saturday, October 13**, St. Mary of Victories Chapel in downtown St. Louis is winding up its 175th anniversary year with another 5K "Rosary Run" through the streets of St. Louis, similar to the one staged very successfully a year ago as a kickoff event. This is a public manifestation of our faith (small circular finger rosaries are provided for all runners), and it also has a pro-life emphasis: some participants are from the Life Runners apostolate that bears witness around the U.S. to the culture of life. This is a family event: participants can run seriously for times and awards, or just jog, walk,



run. Since St. Mary's is the area's Hungarian Catholic Church, the event is also simultaneously a Hungarian Fun Run for anyone with that ethnic background. For information and to register, go to rosaryrun.com. (It's called "King to Queen" since it starts at the Old Cathedral, dedicated to St. Louis (the King) and ends at St. Mary of Victories.)

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.

**BACKSTOPPERS FUNDRAISER
BBQ & SILENT AUCTION**



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
6596 SMILEY AVENUE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13
12:00 to 5:00PM

ATTENTION, ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS!

Please join us this Wednesday, October 10 from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg. We will continue our "Search" series and look at what it means to ask God the big questions. See saintlouislifeteen.org for more information.