

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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



September 16, 2018

IF YOU WISH TO COME AFTER ME
YOU MUST DENY YOURSELF,
TAKE UP YOUR CROSS,

and follow me.

MARK 8:34

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**

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MyParishApp Text 'App' to 88202

ATTENTION, SRA ALUMNI!

SRA is continuing to look for all alumni. Therefore, please send your name, address, and e-mail address to Jennifer Delf. The e-mail address is: alums@strapharelarchangel.org, or you can call the Parish Office.

ALUMNI

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, September 17

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass
6:00pm - Gym 4th Gr. Boys Vball.
6:00pm - Cafeteria Step Class

Tuesday, September 18

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass
1:30pm - Parish Office Lectio Group
3:15pm - Church Children's Choir
5:30pm - Gym 6th Gr. Girls Vball.
6:30pm - Gym 3rd Gr. Boys Vball.
7:00pm - Church Rosary Recitation
7:00pm - Cafeteria Men's Club Meeting
7:30pm - Guardian Angel Book Study

Wednesday, September 19

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass
9:00am - Church Chandelier Cleaning
9:00am - Quilters' Room Quilters
3:15pm - Gym 7th Gr. Boys Vball.
6:00pm - Cafeteria Step Class
7:00pm - Gym 5th Gr. Boys Vball.

Thursday, September 20

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass
2:00pm - School Dance Class
3:30pm - Gym 8th Gr. Girls Vball.
6:00pm - Tobias Room Liturgy Committee
6:30pm - Gym 4th Gr. Girls Vball.
7:00pm - Off Site Ladies' Club Bingo

Friday, September 21

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

Saturday, September 22

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

Sunday, September 23

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

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

Our Lady of Sorrows

On Saturday, September 15, the Church commemorates Our Lady of Sorrows. This day remembers the seven swords that pierced Mary's heart during her life from the prophecy of Simeon: the flight into Egypt, losing Jesus in Jerusalem, and four events during Jesus' Passion.

As we recall Mary's sufferings during her life, we know that the current situation in the Church also causes pain in her heart now. To see the littlest ones of the Church put in harm's way and those ordained to serve causing harm to them is certainly a sorrow for her now.

Our hurting, confused, and angered hearts join with Mary's before God, asking for guidance and action. We can be confident that God will hear and answer us. When Mary received Jesus from the cross and buried Him, the Father responded to her hurting heart by raising His Son from the dead to prove that the power of God is greater than the power of sin and death.

What the Resurrection will look like from this event, only God knows now. But, through our faith and perseverance in acting for His will, we will see it and rejoice.

Changes in the Parish Staff

As I announced last week in a Flocknote, we are currently looking for a person 8-12 hours per week to clean the rectory. Here is a more complete job description:

The ideal candidate for this position should be able to do general household tasks such as vacuuming, mopping, dusting, cleaning restrooms, washing clothes, and other household tasks assigned. The person should also be a person of integrity, have good time management skills, and be detail-

oriented. This job is part-time with no more than 12 hours per week. Hours are flexible, based on the candidate's availability.

If you are interested in this position, please contact me by September 21.

Additionally, I need to announce that, due to the current financial situation of the parish, I have had to eliminate the part-time maintenance position held by Mr. Howard Adams. Such decisions are never easy. But with the current financial situation, which will be detailed more fully in the next few weeks, we must continue to reduce costs and be the best stewards with the gifts we have been given.

Pre-School of Religion

Thank you to the many young people who came out for our first pre-school of religion last week! Just a friendly reminder that this week we will start in church, and, after the opening prayer, the children will be called up to the front of church and be prayed over before being dismissed. If you have a child who is a bit concerned about going up, no worries...they can join the others as they leave church.

Fall Sports Weekend

At the 10:00am Mass, we will be having our first sports weekend. Our student athletes are invited to attend Mass in their uniforms and join in a prayer of blessing after Communion.

This Week in School

Please keep our students in prayer this week as they take their IOWA testing. May the Holy Spirit support them with ease of stress and the gift of knowledge.

Fellowship Sunday is Next Weekend!

RCIA

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, the St. Raphael RCIA class for 2018-19 will be forming in September. The program is designed to answer questions and provide information to people who are exploring the possibility of joining the Church. Classes meet on Wednesday evenings from September through early May. A detailed calendar will be available at the first meeting on Wednesday, September 26. For more information, contact Fr. John at 314.352.8100 or Dennis Matreci at 314.681.3002.

Mass for the Feast of St. Raphael

On Saturday, September 29, at the 4:30 Mass, we will be honoring our parish patron. This will also be when I will be installed as pastor. Following the Mass, we will have a dinner provided by the Men's Club. I hope you will be able to join us for this time of celebration and prayer.

Ministry to the Homebound

A parish ministry that I am passionate about is ministering to the homebound in our parish. If you or someone you know would like Holy Communion, please contact the rectory or Mary Faith Green at 314.832.3310 or greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net.

On the Road Again

This week, I will be on retreat at Vision of Peace in Pevely. Thank you to Monsignor and our great staff for looking after things while I am spiritually recharging.

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

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



JustFaith is a program that invites participants to live more simply and compassionately, and to respond to the needs of the world. This small group program helps to explore today's issues through the lens of your Catholic faith, engage in dialogue around those issues, and formulate a personal response. We will be offering the JustFaith program on Tuesday's at 6:30pm, beginning October 16.

If you would like more information or would like to register for JustFaith, contact Barbara Favre, at 314.303.9941, barbara.j.favre@sbcglobal.net

JOIN US AT THE LIFE CHAIN

October is ProLife month. As part of the commemoration, the Respect Life Apostolate sponsors the LIFE CHAIN, scheduled for Sunday, October 7, from 2 to 3pm. 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.

The St. Raphael ProLife Committee



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: _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

New Parishioner

New Phone/Email/Address

Please Contact Me

Please Do Not Publish #

SERVERS FOR SEP. 17-23, 2018

Monday, September 17

7:00am Christian Concepcion Nahima Ramirez
8:00am Josh Abbott Alex Atchison

Tuesday, September 18

7:00am Thad Berta Addison Berta
8:00am Josh Abbot Alex Atchison

Wednesday, September 19

7:00am Madalene Cierpiot Lydia Bick
8:00am Josh Abbott Alex Atchison

Thursday, September 20

7:00am Rory Barnawell Isabella Pfeiffer
8:00am Josh Abbott Alex Atchison

Friday, September 21

7:00am Josh Abbott Alex Atchison

Saturday, September 22

7:00am Alex Atchison Henry Cyr
4:30pm Sydney Browning Cate Guenther
Anna-Grace Guenther

Sunday, September 23

8:00am Cillian Sheehan Abby Delf
Christian Concepcion
10:00am Flora Borowiak Joey Raymo
Jack Stein

WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 22-23, 2018

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

LECTORS:

Ron Goedeker Kevin Liddy Dennis Matreci

EUCHARISTIC 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	

The average Catholic attends Mass at the home parish 44 weeks a year. Our bills arrive 52 weeks a year, though.
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!



Sunday, September 16

8:00am Michael Adams
10:00am Evelyn Cuba

Monday, September 17

7:00am Rosemary Spitler
8:00am Hodes Family SI

Tuesday, September 18

7:00am Bill Goeddel
8:00am Lynn Parker

Wednesday, September 19

7:00am Trokey Family
8:00am James Wahl

Thursday, September 20

7:00am Fr. David Reck
8:00am Frances Irwin

Friday, September 21

7:00am Joseph Grana

Saturday, September 22

7:00am Vito Cognata
4:30pm People of the Parish

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SEP. 8-9, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$ 5,507
Online Giving	\$ 2,287
Weekly Total Collection	\$ 7,794
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 9,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal	\$99,000
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$81,257
Shortfall	\$17,743

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“WHOEVER WISHES TO COME AFTER ME MUST DENY HIMSELF, TAKE UP HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME.” MARK 8:34

WHEN WE TRULY BELIEVE THAT ALL WE HAVE IS A GIFT FROM GOD, THEN WE MUST BE WILLING TO GIVE UP SOME THINGS SO THAT WE CAN SHARE OUR BLESSINGS AS GOD INTENDED. LIVING A STEWARDSHIP LIFESTYLE MEANS NOT ONLY BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR OUR OWN LIFE, BUT THE LIVES OF OTHERS AS WELL.

**KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS BBQ**

Sunday, September 16
11:00am to 4:00pm
SRA Parking Lot



LADIES' CLUB BINGO NIGHT!

Please join the Ladies' Club for bingo on Thursday, September 20 at Bandwagon Bingo Hall, 2151 Lemay Ferry. This will be in place of the September meeting. Games start at \$21.00 to play. Doors open at 3:30pm; bingo starts at 6:30pm. Concessions are available. No outside food or drink.

St. Raphael "Fall Classic Golf Tournament"

Tournament Date: Sunday, October 7, 2018
Lunch at Noon
1:00 PM Tee Time
Forest Park Golf Course
4 Person Scramble



Registration Form

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Sponsor | \$1,000 | 2 Teams
Signage at Event
Special Recognition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gold Sponsor | \$ 500 | 1 Team
Signage at Event
Special Recognition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team | \$ 300 | 4 Golfers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hole Sponsor | \$ 100 | Signage at Event |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Player | \$ 75 | |

Price includes green fees, food and beverages all day and awards

Item Donation Please describe items donated:

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Player 1 _____

Player 3 _____

Player 2 _____

Player 4 _____

Please make check payable to St. Raphael Men's Club
Mail to Lester Knopp at 5956 Highfield, St. Louis, MO 63109
(Deadline is October 1st. Payment ensures your spot.)

Questions, please call Dan Harbaugh at 971-3428

*All monies raised will be used to support the athletic programs,
school activities and needs and other parish efforts.*

School News

BUY SCRIP CARDS AND SUPPORT SRA!!

We will be placing monthly orders this year. Order forms and payment will be due to the school office on the first Friday of the month and orders will be ready for pick up or sent home with your student the following Friday. Payment must be cash or check (made out to SRA HSA).

Upcoming Fall turn in dates:
October 5, November 2, December 10

The list includes some of the most popular retailers; a complete list can be found at shopwithscrip.com.

Thank you for supporting SRA!! Contact Mary Anne Potts with any questions, maryannepotts@gmail.com, 314.482.1907.

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus says "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps." The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members can evangelize us: the sick who bear illness with courage, the grieving who hope against hope, the dying who clearly trust in the resurrection, and the suffering brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless but who still trust in God's love. Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society; we want to help!

WEDDING BANNS II

There is a promise of marriage between Laura Marie Hoeman and Aaron Michael Skidis to take place at St. Raphael on Saturday, September 29, 2018.



FUNDRAISER FOR STEVE KAISER

TIP-A-POLICE OFFICER



SEPTEMBER 16TH • 11:30AM-7:30PM

THE OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY AND ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT ARE TEAMING UP FOR A GREAT CAUSE!

ENJOY A DELICIOUS 3-COURSE MEAL SERVED BY A POLICE OFFICER. THE TIPS THEY EARN WILL BE DONATED TO RESPONDER RESCUE. RESPONDER RESCUE OFFERS SUPPORT TO FIRST RESPONDERS.

THE OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY WILL ALSO DONATE 15% OF YOUR DINNER'S PROCEEDS TO RESCUE RESPONDER WHEN YOU PRESENT THIS FLYER. * JOIN US TO HELP THEM RAISE MONEY!

*THIS FLYER MUST BE PRESENTED OR SHOWN ON YOUR PHONE DURING YOUR VISIT IN ORDER FOR RESCUE RESPONDER TO RECEIVE PROCEEDS. DINE-IN ONLY. RESERVATIONS RECOMMENDED.

PLEASE CALL FOR RESERVATIONS.
727 N. 1ST STREET • 314.621.0276 • OSF.COM

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jeffery Kreitler, son of Joanne and the late Deacon Roger Kreitler. Jeff passed away on Sunday, September 9. Please pray for his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed; may they rest in peace. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS



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| Sunday, September 23 | Fellowship Sunday |
| Wednesday, September 26 | RCIA Begins |
| Saturday, September 29 | Feast of St. Raphael Mass and Dinner |
| Sunday, October 7 | Men's Club Golf Tournament |
| Sunday, October 21 | Alumni Mass |

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 8:30am to 3:00pm. Space is limited so register early to save your spot. A registration form is in the bulletin. 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 sbrandtstl@gmail.com with questions. Please begin praying for blessings on all who attend.

Women's Day of Recollection
Keeping A Mary Spirit Throughout A Martha Day
Led By Donna Cori Gibson
November 10, 2018
8:30am - 3:00pm

St. Raphael the Archangel Church & Rectory
Sponsored by St. Raphael Women's Faith Sharing Group and Ladies' Club

The day will begin with 8:00am Mass for those interested in attending. Check-in will take place from 8:30 - 9:00am in the lower level of the Parish Office with coffee, tea and light breakfast foods.

Throughout the day we will enjoy talks and songs by Donna Cori Gibson, opportunities for Small Group Discussion, Reconciliation, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Lunch will be served. Cost to attend is \$20. No one will be turned away because of hardship. Contact Sue Brandt, 314.704.5304, sbrandtstl@gmail.com with questions. Return registration form with payment to St. Raphael Rectory, 6047 Bishops Place, 63109.

Registration Form

Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Email _____ Dietary Restrictions _____
What is the Parish You Call Home? _____

CHANDELIER CLEANING

Volunteers are needed to clean the chandeliers in church on Wednesday, September 19, after the 8:00am Mass. Please bring a bucket and cleaning cloths. The chandeliers lower, so no need to worry about getting on ladders. Many hands make light work!

Bring a friend, and join us for a dynamic, exciting evening

Transformed People, Transformed Church, Transformed World



Tuesday, September 25, 2018

6:30 – 9:00 PM

St. Francis Xavier College Church

Ballroom

3620 Lindell Blvd

St. Louis, MO 63108

Register at justfaith.org/st-louis-workshop/

Free parking: Laclede lot at Grand & Laclede. Bring ticket for validation.

Contact Pat Dougherty for more information:

(314) 504-3669 or patdougherty48@gmail.com

The Gospel invites us to a journey of personal transformation that yields a deep commitment to all our sisters and brothers, including and especially those in the wounded places. Jesus' proclamation of a life-changing compassion brings new life to those who hear and respond, and new life to the world they touch.

Join us on September 25 as Jack Jezreel, creator of JustFaith, nationally celebrated speaker, and author of the soon-to-be-released book, *A New Way to Be Church*, speaks to the vision of God's healing presence in the world and offers a tool called JustFaith for churches who want to deepen and expand the work of social transformation.

Jack Jezreel is the founder of JustFaith Ministries, holds a B.A. in Religion from Furman University and a Master of Divinity degree from the University of Notre Dame and has received numerous awards for his innovative work and teaching style.

There is no fee but advance registration is required at justfaith.org/st-louis-workshop/ to reserve a seat. We encourage churches to send 5 members or more.



JustFaith Ministries is a non-profit organization that exists to form, inform, and transform people of faith and support them in their compassionate commitment to a more just and peaceful world.

www.justfaith.org

(502) 429-0865

2018 HIGH SCHOOL NIGHTS

The 2018 High School Nights will be held in September and October. Eight locations will host these events that give an opportunity for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their families



Catholic Education
Alive in Christ!

to hear three presentations from high schools in one evening. Watch for more information on the particular High School Night in your area. Complete information is

posted on our website at archstl.org/education/high-schools/high-school-nights. For more information, please call the Office of Catholic Education and Formation at 314.792.7390.



Saint Louis LIFETEEN

ATTENTION, ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS!

Please join us this Wednesday, September 19 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.

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.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS



We extend a very special welcome to our friends and visitors who have come to pray with us today. Whether you are just having a look or are searching for a

place to worship, we are happy to have you here. We trust that our worship will be encouraging to all and hope that you find a warm, welcoming community here at St. Raphael the Archangel Parish. Please call us at the Parish Office, 314.352.8100, if we can be of help to you or if you would like to become a member of our parish.

CAV FOR A DAY EVENT at Bishop DuBourg High School

Friday, September 28, 2018
8am-2:15pm
5-8 Graders Invited!

Come experience what it's like to be a Bishop DuBourg Cavalier! Spend the whole day at DB participating in fun activities with our current high schoolers, like cooking in our FACS kitchen, playing sports in the gym, seeing yourself on TV in DBC Live Studio, attending a pep rally and more!

FREE LUNCH & COMPLIMENTARY
T-SHIRT INCLUDED

Registration now open! bishopdubourg.org/apps/form/CavForADay2018