

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday at 4:30pm

Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Saturday 7:00am

Monday - Thursday 8:00am

CONFESIONS

15 minutes before 7:00am Mass on

Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday

Saturday 3:45pm to 4:20pm

Confessions also available by appointment.

EUCARISTIC 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

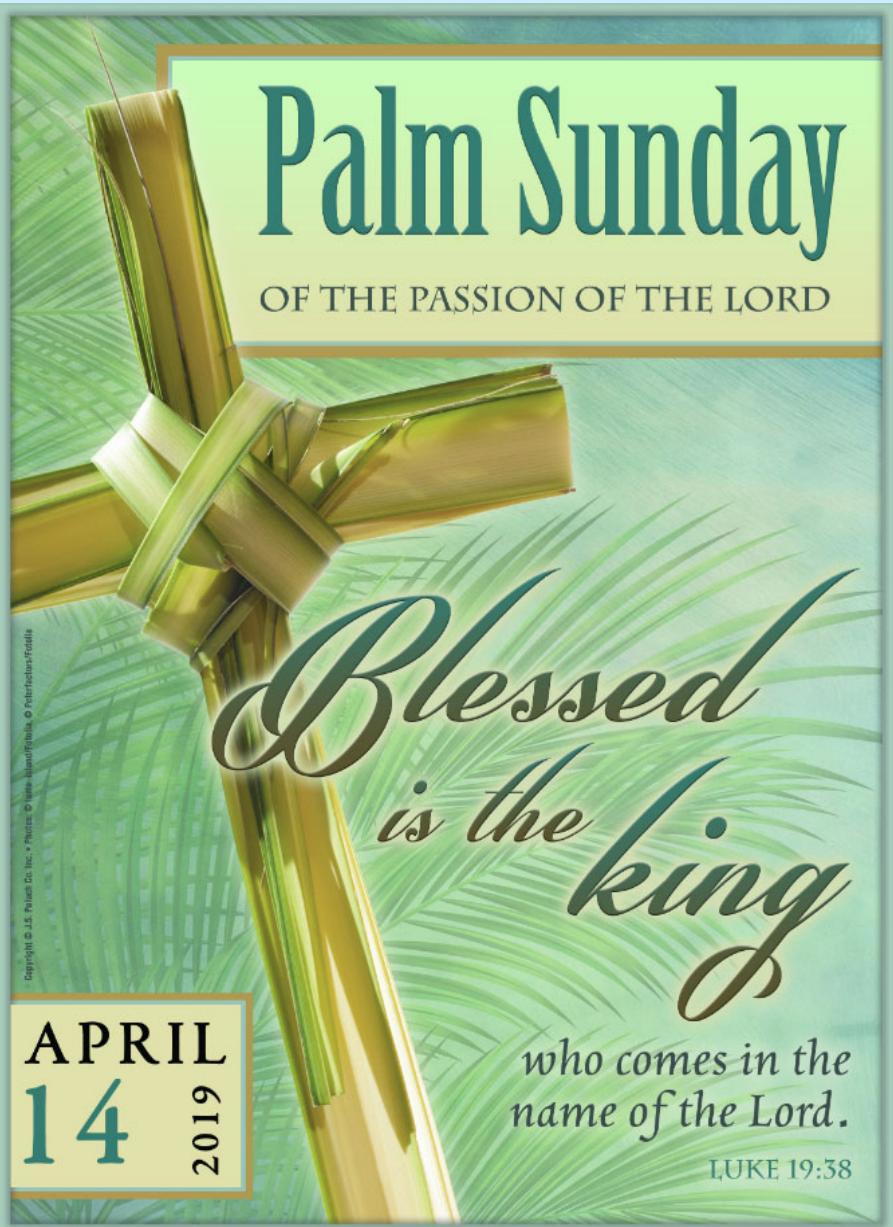
Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the intended date.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

Please contact the parish office.

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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."

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CLERGY & STAFF

Fr. John Mayo	Pastor frjohn@straphaelarchangel.org
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School Board	Mike Young 314.780.2954
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.

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
APRIL 15-21, 2019**

Monday, April 15

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
3:15pm - Gym	Soccer
7:00pm - Church	Living Stations - Cross

Tuesday, April 16

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
1:30pm - Church	Lectio Group
6:00pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
6:15pm - Church	Confessions
7:00pm - Church	Mass and Devotions
7:00pm - Cafeteria	Men's Club Meeting

Wednesday, April 17

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
9:00am - Quilter's Room	Quilters
3:15pm - Gym	Basketball
6:00pm - Cafeteria	Step Class
7:00pm - Tobias Room	School Board
8:30pm - Gym	Men's Club Bball.

Thursday, April 18 - Holy Thursday

7:00am - Church	Morning Prayer
2:00pm - School	Dance
7:00pm - Church	Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 19 - Good Friday

7:00am - Church	Morning Prayer
12:00pm - Church	Divine Mercy Chaplet
2:00pm - Church	Stations of the Cross
3:00pm - Church	Lord's Passion Celeb.
7:00pm - Church	Reflection on the Cross

Saturday, April 20 - Easter Vigil

7:00am - Tobias Room	Just Faith
7:00am - Church	Morning Prayer
8:00am - Cafeteria	Step Class
9:00am - Willmore Park	Disc Golf Tournament
11:00am - Church	Last Last Call
3:00pm - Church	Confessions
8:00pm - Church	Chalk the Walk
	Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 21 - Easter Sunday

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

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

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Before the Second Vatican Council, these two celebrations were broken apart. The week before this week (5th Sunday of Lent), the Church would celebrate Passion Sunday, and this Sunday, Palm Sunday. The Church today combines these two events together on this Sunday.

At the beginning of Mass, we hold up our palm branches and proclaim Jesus to be our Lord and King. By the end of the Gospel, we see Jesus enthroned on his throne, by soldiers nailing Him to the cross and we understand the meaning of His Kingship: love to the point of death. This movement prepares us for the Holy Week to come.

In the evening, we will also have our famous "Last Call Confessions" from 5:00-8:00pm. You can come in, make your confession, and leave when you want.

Monday

We will prepare for the Passion and Death of the Lord with our school children who will be leading us in praying the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in church.

Tuesday

This evening is the last in our journey toward Easter. We will have confessions from 6:15-6:45pm, Mass at 7:00pm, and a talk about the Stations of the Cross following Mass until 8:00pm.

Spy Wednesday

This day is always the Wednesday of Holy Week. It recalls the day, traditionally on the Wednesday before Christ died, that Judas Iscariot betrayed Our Lord. In remembrance of this, many do an extra penance or time in prayer to be close to the Lord as one of His closest followers betrays Him.

Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:00am and 8:00am.

Holy Thursday- April 18

This day begins without Mass, as all of the priests of the Archdiocese will be gathered at the Cathedral Basilica for the celebration of the Chrism Mass. At this Mass, we, the priests of the Archdiocese, will renew our commitment to priestly service and assist the bishop in blessing the oils used in the liturgy throughout the year. That morning at St. Raphael, Morning Prayer will be prayed in church at 7:00am with confessions preceding Morning Prayer.

We will receive those oils as a parish community that evening at the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm. Also, we will recall Christ rising from table to wash the feet of the disciples, and Jesus instituting the Eucharist and the priesthood at the Last Supper. Following the Mass, a procession moves to the Altar of Repose to remember the journey of Jesus and His followers to the Garden of Gethsemane before His arrest. A time of Adoration will follow the Mass until 10:00pm that night.

Good Friday- April 19

This day is Good, for it is the day Christ paid for our sins on the cross. Traditionally, Mass is not celebrated on this day.

We will remember this solemn day with many opportunities for prayer. We will begin with Morning Prayer at 7:00am. At noon, we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the prayers for the first day of the Novena of Divine Mercy. Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 2:00pm. At 3:00pm, we will solemnly remember Jesus' sacrifice for us. This celebration includes reading of the Passion, offering special intentions for the world, venerating the cross, and receiving Holy Communion. Our day of prayer will conclude at 7:00pm, when we will have a Reflection on the Cross with song and prayers.

Also, please remember that today begins the Novena for Divine Mercy. Please see the flyers in the back of church for more information.



Sunday, April 14

8:00am Ernest E. Winkelmann
10:00am People of the Parish

Monday, April 15

7:00am Stevem Townzen
8:00am John George Storey

Tuesday, April 16

7:00am Bill Goeddel
8:00am Bill Schicker
7:00pm Special Intention

Wednesday, April 17

7:00am Ernie Winkelmann
8:00am Jennifer Harter

Thursday, April 18 - Holy Thursday

7:00pm W. Dudley McCarter

Friday, April 19 - Good Friday

3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 20 - Easter Vigil

8:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, April 21 -Easter Sunday

8:00am Carol Wilson
10:00am Bertram Liddy

Holy Saturday- April 20

"What is happening? Today there is a great silence over the earth, a great silence, and stillness, a great silence because the King sleeps; the earth was in terror and was still, because God slept in the flesh and raised up those who were sleeping from the ages." - From an ancient homily on Holy Saturday.

This day is eerily silent, as Christ descends into hell to preach the Good News to those who died before His death and to bring them to life in heaven.

We will meet for Morning Prayer at 7:00am. Last, Last Call confessions will be heard from 11:00am-1:00pm in church. We also invite you to bring your children at 3:00pm to decorate the entrances of the church for Easter. **THERE WILL BE NO CONFESSIONS OR 4:30pm MASS THIS EVENING.** We will begin celebrating the Easter Season on Holy Saturday evening at 8:00pm with the Easter Vigil.

The Vigil should be on every Catholic's bucket list. Though long, it is very beautiful, meaningful, and sheds new light on the entire liturgical year. We begin by blessing the fire, and singing the great *Exsultet* of Easter victory. We then hear four readings from the Old Testament that recall salvation history. Finally, the lights come up for the great singing of the Gloria, the first time since before Lent began. We hope that you will join us for this liturgy of liturgies.

On Easter Sunday, Confessions will not be heard before Mass.

As you can tell, I love Holy Week! If you have not attended the liturgies of this week, I encourage you to make it a point this year! It will become a new tradition for you!

Ways to Keep Holy Week Holy

Here are some ideas to keep Holy Week holy:

Read the accounts of the Passion from the four gospels throughout the week.

Pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary each day.

Spend more time in silence during the week, perhaps turning off the radio on the way to and from work. If you have children, encourage them to play quietly on Good Friday and Holy Saturday to remember Christ's suffering and death.

Spend time praying in church after the Holy Thursday liturgy (the church will be open until 10:00pm) or stop by during the week.

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

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own crosses and to follow Jesus through death to new life. When you give a donation to the St. Raphael Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their crosses of suffering and pain. Please pray for them.

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR APRIL 15-21, 2019

Monday, April 15

7:00am	Steven Irons	Andrew Kellar
8:00am	Nahima Ramirez	Henry Cyr

Tuesday, April 16

7:00am	Isabella Pfeiffer	Justin Wingron
8:00am	Nahima Ramirez	Henry Cyr

Wednesday, April 17

7:00am	Charlie Dirnbeck	William Hotze
8:00am	Abby Delf	Jio Raymo

Thursday, April 18 - Holy Thursday

7:00am	Morning Prayer	
7:00pm	Henry Cry	Gavin Smith
	Christian Concepcion	Jack Stein

Friday, April 19 - Good Friday

7:00am	Morning Prayer	
3:00pm	Claire Fuhr	Matthew Franz

Saturday, April 20 - Easter Vigil

7:00am	Morning Prayer	
8:00pm	Anna-Grace Guenther	Cate Guenther

Mateo Switzer Aidan Switzer

Sunday, April 21 - Easter Sunday

8:00am	Ryan Pinkerton	Maggie Anstey
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10:00am	Claire Fuhr	Andrew Kellar

Christian Concepcion Matthew Franz

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (Luke 22:34)

How many times do you hear someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance? Or, do you remain quiet because you believe people will think negatively about you? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue when the opportunity arises.

MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 20-21, 2019 LECTORS

8:00pm 8:00am 10:00am

Dennis Matreci	Mary Reck	Frosty Hodes
George Kerry		
Don Berns		
Jerri Blassie		
Mary Steck		

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS

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

PRAYER FOR STEWARDSHIP

*Lord Jesus, create in us new hearts.
Pour your spirit upon us so that we may
do the will of the Father.*

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Due to early deadlines from our bulletin publisher, the Weekly Contributions report will be published in later bulletins.

"BLESSED IS THE KING WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD"! (Luke 19:38)

On Palm Sunday we commemorate the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. On this joyful day He was surrounded by throngs of people singing His praises and marveling at all the miracles He had performed.

Here, at the beginning of Holy Week, let us take some time to focus on the things we wanted to accomplish during Lent. Have we made improvements in our prayer life? Have we offered sacrifices to God? Have we given alms or service to those in need?

As we reflect on today's readings, especially the Lord's Passion and Death, let us renew our commitment to a deeper relationship with our Savior.

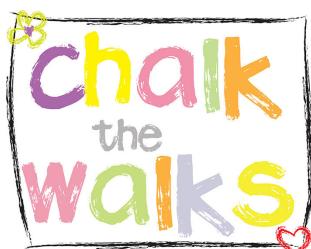
FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

This Sunday, after both the 8:00am and 10:00am Masses, please join us for fellowship and a donut (or two), coffee, juice or milk. This Fellowship (Donut) Sunday is sponsored by SRA's Home and School Association. Thank you.



CALLING ALL CHILDREN!

On Holy Saturday at 3:00pm, all children are invited to help decorate the front walkways of the church for Easter Sunday. We will use sidewalk chalk to decorate the walkways and steps with Easter pictures, phrases, and spirit in preparation for the Easter Masses. Families and children of all ages are invited.



Chalk will be provided; bring your Easter spirit and creativity! Please contact Mary Anne Potts with any questions at maryannetpotts@gmail.com.

SUMMER CAMP

Monday, June 3 - Friday, August 2
Field Trips, Water Days, Park Visits,
Crafts, and Recreation
For more information, please call
Miss Molly at 314.352.9474.

2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Catholics across the Archdiocese are participating in the *Annual Catholic Appeal*. This year's theme is: **I Believe**. By generously responding to the *ACA*, St. Raphael parishioners will give witness to our willingness to participate in God's plan – to share our gifts joyfully. Our support of the *ACA* enlivens a spirit of goodwill in our parishes and schools, while strengthening parish life and Catholic education. St. Raphael's *ACA* campaign will take place on the weekends of April 27-28, May 4-5, and May 11-12. Parishioners will be asked to pick up their *ACA* pledge cards (after Mass) at the church entrances on these weekends. Saying **I Believe** is not only a personal affirmation of faith, but also a promise to share our blessings with others. For more information, you may contact Fred Hodes 314.752.8742 or George Kerry 314.351.3510.

DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT

The SRA Boy Scouts are hosting a Disc Golf Tournament as a fundraiser.



Saturday, April 20

Willmore Park

Registration at 8:30am*

(*Gazebo @ the Big Pond)

Start at 9:00am

Fee is \$25.00

Fee includes soda, water, hotdogs and chips. For more information, please contact Kevin McMorrow at 314.750.4129 or Tom Finan at 314.401.6831. The more the merrier!!

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.

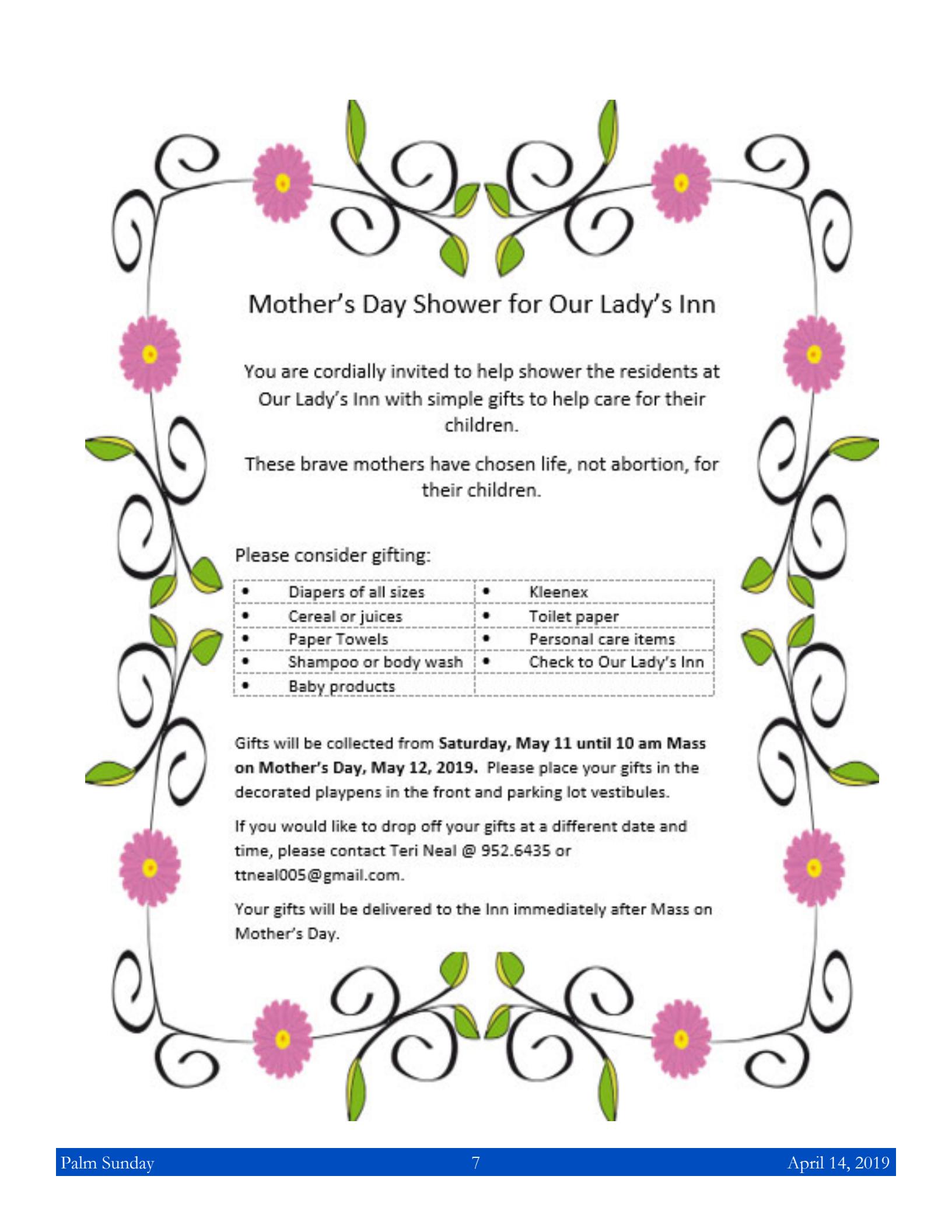
LAST CALL - DONATIONS NEEDED!

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.



Mother's Day Shower for Our Lady's Inn

You are cordially invited to help shower the residents at Our Lady's Inn with simple gifts to help care for their children.

These brave mothers have chosen life, not abortion, for their children.

Please consider gifting:

• Diapers of all sizes	• Kleenex
• Cereal or juices	• Toilet paper
• Paper Towels	• Personal care items
• Shampoo or body wash	• Check to Our Lady's Inn
• Baby products	

Gifts will be collected from Saturday, May 11 until 10 am Mass on Mother's Day, May 12, 2019. Please place your gifts in the decorated playpens in the front and parking lot vestibules.

If you would like to drop off your gifts at a different date and time, please contact Teri Neal @ 952.6435 or ttneal005@gmail.com.

Your gifts will be delivered to the Inn immediately after Mass on Mother's Day.



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ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

March 29, 2019

Dear Faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis,

On Good Friday, April 19, 2019, the annual collection for the Holy Land will be taken up in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

The Gospel message of compassion confirms the need for the Good Friday collection in support of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. We must recognize how much the generous concern of Catholics around the world has already accomplished in this tumultuous area of the world. Our financial assistance supports the Holy Places but also social and charitable activities, educational and scientific activities, and pastoral activities. In addition, the collection supports liturgical, ecumenical and communications programs.

It is important that we assist in providing care for the Christians living in the Holy Land.

I want to ask you for your generous support of the collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday, April 19.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson
Archbishop of St. Louis



St. Patrick Center seeks your help with stocking the agency's food pantry for people in our community who are experiencing homelessness. The following items are requested: boxed dinners such as Hamburger or Tuna Helper, Ramen noodles, Spaghetti-O's, Pop Tarts, and pancake mix plus syrup. Parishioners may drop off donated items Monday-Friday from 8am-4pm at St. Patrick Center's donation center dock at the back of the building. Thank you!



JOIN US!!!
FOOD - MUSIC - RIDES - GAMES
FRIDAY, MAY 10, 5 - 10 PM
SATURDAY, MAY 11, 11 AM - 9 PM

KECIA DAVIS/NATHANIEL METCALFE, FRIDAY, 7 - 10PM
MORNING OUTDOOR MASS, SATURDAY, 10 AM
PRIZE BINGO, SATURDAY, 12 - 4 PM *NEW*
HODAK'S CHICKEN DINNERS, SATURDAY, 4 - 7 PM
THE GTB BAND, SATURDAY, 6 - 9 PM
50/50 DRAWING, SATURDAY, 9 PM

- RETURN 50/50 CHANCES TO PARISH OFFICE OR MAIN BOOTH ON PICNIC DAYS
- ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR: PLANTS FOR THE PLANT BOOTH, 12 PACKS OF COKE PRODUCTS AND CAKES FOR THE DINNER - FRIDAY BEFORE 5PM

Picnic T-Shirt Orders

\$10 each, *add \$3

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

Date Due: Tuesday, April 16 to School or Parish Office.

Join your fellow parishioners to help make our picnic a success by signing up for one or more slots to work at the picnic. To sign up, please visit SignUpGenius at signupgenius.com/go/8050849ada82ca20-2019.

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 3rd quarter/ 2nd 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.

PLANT SALE!



Ascension Lutheran Church is having its Annual Plant Sale on Saturday, April 27, from 8:00am to 2:00pm. Exciting new products are offered this years such as pouches, bowls, and planters., along with traditional hanging baskets. To see photos and to download an order form, please go to ascensionstl.com/plants. If you have any questions, please contact Karen at gbomber@swbell.net or 314.752.9473.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Lords Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
- Friday: Is 52:13 -- 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 -- 19:42
- Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 -- 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
c) Ex 14:15 -- 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 -- 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12
- Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35



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: _____

Phone: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

New Parishioner

New Phone/Email/Address

Please Contact Me

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