

## 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

SECOND  
SUNDAY OF  
*Easter*

(OR SUNDAY OF  
DIVINE MERCY)

Jesus came  
and stood in  
their midst and  
said to them,  
"Peace be with you."

*John 20:19*

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APRIL 28, 2019

## 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."*

**CLERGY & STAFF**

**Fr. John Mayo** Pastor  
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**Msgr. Dennis Stehly, VG** Priest-In-Residence  
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**Deacon Gerald J. Geiser** Retired Deacon

**Dr. Nancy Deacon** Music Director  
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**Mrs. Diane Halbert** Parish Office Manager  
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**Mrs. Qi Franz** Cafeteria Manager  
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Parish Council Terri Borowiak 314.351.0606  
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 29-MAY 5, 2019**

**Monday, April 29**

7:00am - Church Mass  
8:00am - Church Mass  
3:15pm - Gym Soccer  
7:00pm - Cafeteria Scouts

**Tuesday, April 30**

7:00am - Church Mass  
8:00am - Church Mass  
1:30pm - Church Lectio Group  
3:15pm - Church Children's Choir  
7:00pm - Church Rosary Recitation  
7:00pm - Tobias Room Women of Faith

**Wednesday, May 1**

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

**Thursday, May 2**

7:00am - Church Mass  
8:00am - Church Mass  
2:00pm - School Dance  
3:15pm - Art Room Chess Club  
6:00pm - Church First Communion Rhsl.  
6:30pm - Cafeteria 2nd Gr. Potluck Dinner

**Friday, May 3**

7:00am - Church Mass

**Saturday, May 4**

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

**Sunday, May 5**

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

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

### *Town Hall Update*

As you may recall in January, we had two town hall meetings to discuss the current financial situation of the parish and school. We also explained our plan to make St. Raphael the Archangel a sustainable school and parish for the foreseeable future. After consulting with the finance committee, I am presenting this informal update on our situation.

The finance committee and I must thank the parishioners of our parish. We have seen collections on average rise \$1,000 a week from last year. Our Angel Appeal from our school families has also yielded over 7 times the donations from last year. We thank everyone who has contributed to the Sunday Offertory and to the Angel Appeal. Your generosity has helped our cash flow situation considerably.

We are also excited to announce that we have exceeded our goal of attracting new students to the school. We have exceeded 170 students in grades K-8 who have enrolled for next year. This is a positive step towards our goal of raising enrollment to 190 in 3 years. Additionally, we have already surpassed 50 students enrolled in our pre-K program. These numbers will help our budget look much better for next year, enabling us to make needed improvements to our instructional materials faster than we had anticipated.

Our development committee members for our school have begun meeting and have introduced themselves to parish leadership and relevant committees. They hope to make a presentation soon at Sunday Masses to launch the committee to the entire parish.

Things have definitely improved since January and we want them to continue in this direction. The improvement is not a short-term financial raise, such as with a sudden need in the parish. In such a situation, we have a short-term financial goal and then, once the need is filled, we move back into a status-quo situation. This direction needs to be the new normal for our parish and school as we grow in size and strength.

Our financial goals, with your continued support in the coming months, involve improving educational materials in our school, introducing the development committee to the parish, soliciting ideas and leadership for new events, and building up our financial reserves to provide for an operational reserve for fluctuations in cash flow and for sudden needs that arise.

We thank you again for your financial support and know we are working to be good stewards of it. Please contact Fr. John or any member of our finance committee if you have any questions or concerns.

### *Changes at the Altar*

Recently, you may have noticed a couple of changes happening at the altar.

The first change you may notice is a little brass or gold on the altar. We have placed a crucifix on the altar. This is called the Benedictine Altar Arrangement. Popularized by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, it allows the priest, while praying the Liturgy of the Eucharist, to focus on the crucifix as a point for prayer as he offers the Eucharist. It also allows the people, who are looking at the crucifix behind the priest, to be focused on the crucified as we remember Jesus' sacrifice for us.

The other is that you may see the priest or deacon unfold and fold a white cloth during the offertory and after Communion. This cloth is called the corporal. It is placed on the altar underneath the hosts and chalice to catch any particles of the Eucharist that may fall on the altar. By taking it on and off, we ensure that the particles that fall on the corporal are not left on the altar, but are reverently handled after Mass. This change is also desired by the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, which instructs priests and others on how Mass should be celebrated. If you have any questions, please talk to Msgr. Stehly or me.

### *In Gratitude*

I want to thank everyone who made the celebrations over Holy Week and Easter so fitting and beautiful. Special thanks go to all of our musicians and cantors, servers, lectors, ushers and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Also, I want to thank the art and environment group led by Ada Cross who work hard behind the scenes to make sure the sanctuary is appropriately decorated for each liturgy.

### *Infant of Prague Statue*

Sometime between Masses on Easter and Monday morning, the Infant of Prague statue fell off the wall in the Baptistry. The statue did sustain some damage from the fall, but the base is irreparable. The statue is out for repairs while a new base is being crafted for it. We will remount the statue as soon as these items are completed.

*Please Pray for our 2nd Graders on this Bow Sunday and as they make final preparations this next week to receive their First Holy Communion.*

*Also, please pray for our 6th Graders who will be away at camp this week. May they have a blessed week!*

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



# Mass INTENTIONS

**Sunday, April 28**

8:00am Carol Wilson  
10:00am People of the Parish

**Monday, April 29**

7:00am Mary Mahoney  
8:00am Hodes Family, SI

**Tuesday, April 30**

7:00am Jennifer Harter  
8:00am Jack Fleming

**Wednesday, May 1**

7:00am Candace Sanford  
8:00am Gerald Guenther

**Thursday, May 2**

7:00am Frances M. Kohlman  
8:00am Cory Bess

**Friday, May 3**

7:00am Robert Locke

**Saturday, May 4**

7:00am Neil Svetanics  
4:30pm Josephine & George Saar

**Sunday, May 5**

8:00am People of the Parish  
10:00am Marcia Matreci



Congratulations to Mary Reck of our parish. She has completed a three-year period of study and formation to be a lay minister in the Church and was commissioned by Archbishop Carlson on April 13. Mary will be spending the next three years in the parish using what she has learned to help us all grow in faith.

**MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE**

If you have a relative or friend who perished (killed or missing in action) in any war or conflict, you are invited to attend a short, special ceremony and Mass at 9:00am on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27 to honor those fallen heroes. If you would like to have someone remembered, please submit name (s) to Mary Anne Braun at 314.832.8699 or [maryannebraun@gmail.com](mailto:maryannebraun@gmail.com). "We must never forget."



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!  
SRA NEIGHBORHOOD GOLF 2019**

Enjoy a day of unique golf experiences at homes in St. Louis Hills on Saturday, May 18. You will be placed in foursomes, where you will participate in golf challenges outdoors at each home, followed by a reception at the home of Todd and Cara Berta. Tickets are \$35 each. To register or if you need more information, please contact Cara Berta at 314.581.0777 or [cara.bertha@gmail.com](mailto:cara.bertha@gmail.com).

**FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" Indeed, the mercy of God centers our hearts in peace. In the month of April, through your gifts, the Society was able to help the poor celebrate the peace of Easter by assisting 17 families, providing food and payment for utility and rent bills. Thank you!

**SERVERS FOR APRIL 29-MAY 5, 2019**

**Monday, April 29**

7:00am Justin Wingron Brandon Young  
8:00am Samantha Koziacki Maggie Anstey

**Tuesday, April 30**

7:00am Henry Cyr Claire Fuhr  
8:00am Samantha Koziacki Maggie Anstey

**Wednesday, May 1**

7:00am Charlie Dirnbeck Andrew Kellar  
8:00am Cillian Sheehan Ethan Bradshaw

**Thursday, May 2**

7:00am Madalene Cierpiot Brendan Cierpiot  
8:00am Cillian Sheehan Ethan Bradshaw

**Friday, May 3**

7:00am Sydney Browning Cillian Sheehan

**Saturday, May 4**

7:00am Rory Barnawell Claire Fuhr  
4:30pm Abby Delf Jack Delf  
Samantha Koziacki

**Sunday, May 5**

8:00am Lydia Bick Lucas Feldman  
Liam McMorrow

**MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF  
MAY 4-5, 2019**

**LECTORS**

**8:00pm**                      **8:00am**                      **10:00am**  
Laura Geiser              Amy Ruggeri              Second Grade

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Kathy Steck              Carol Hughes              Joan Billing  
Pam Hager              Kevin Liddy              Ted Green  
Kathe Berger              Mary Niemeyer              Mary Faith Green  
Gina Horas              Mary Reck              Heather Hays  
Brian McCarthy              Barbara Cramer              Fred Hodes  
Steve Kratky  
Barbara Favre

**Your Contributions to God and Parish**

**April 14, 2019**

(Envelopes Used)

**This Week**

**FY to Date**

<b>Regular Env. (86)</b>	\$ 5,785.00	\$ 199,650.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 1,770.00	\$ 41,514.00
<b>School Tuition Asst.</b>	\$ 120.00	\$ 4,090.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 160.00	\$ 5,357.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 56.00	\$ 7,616.00
<b>Online Giving (40)</b>	\$ 2,137.00	\$ 82,819.00
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	\$ 10.00	
<b>Cath. Home Missions</b>	(\$ 40.00)	
<b>Good Friday-Holy Land</b>	(\$ 86.00)	
<b>Concern for the Poor</b>	(\$ 40.00)	
<b>Cath. Relief Svc.</b>	(\$ 75.00)	
<b>Retired Priests</b>	(\$ 50.00)	
<b>Black &amp; Indian Missions</b>	(\$ 50.00)	
<b>Lifeline Coalition</b>	(\$ 50.00)	
<b>Rice Bowl</b>	(\$ 6.00)	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$10,435.00	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$10,038.00	
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 370,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	\$ 1,038.00	(\$ 31,890.00)

**Your Contributions to God and Parish**

**April 21, 2019**

(Envelopes Used)

**This Week**

**FY to Date**

<b>Regular Env. (111)</b>	\$ 5,733.00	\$ 205,383.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 1,387.00	\$ 42,901.00
<b>School Tuition Asst.</b>	\$ 5.00	\$ 4,095.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 5.00	\$ 5,362.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 731.00	\$ 8,347.00
<b>Online Giving (53)</b>	\$ 2,805.00	\$ 85,624.00
<b>Cath. Home Missions</b>	(\$ 15.00)	
<b>Good Friday-Holy Land</b>	(\$ 608.00)	
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	\$ 10.00	
<b>Easter Flowers</b>	\$ 25.00	
<b>Cardinal Glennon</b>	(\$ 4.00)	
<b>Rice Bowl</b>	(\$ 106.00)	
<b>Retired Priests</b>	(\$ 891.00)	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ 12,325.00	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 10,701.00	
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 379,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	\$ 1,701.00	(\$ 30,189.00)

**EAT. RIDE.**  
*St. Raphael Parish Picnic*  
**REPEAT.**  
2019

**JOIN US!!!**

**FOOD - MUSIC - RIDES - GAMES**

**FRIDAY, MAY 10TH 5 - 10 PM**

**SATURDAY, MAY 11TH 11 AM - 9 PM**

**KECIA DAVIS/NATHANIEL METCALFE FRIDAY 7 - 10 PM**

**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**

**Ride Bracelets will be sold May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> following Mass.**

**May 6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Office from 7:30 - 8:00 AM.**

**Pre-Sale One-Day \$35/Two-Day \$55**

**(Purchase after May 9<sup>th</sup> - One-Day \$40/Two-Day \$60)**

- **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**

**SRA EASTER EGG HUNT  
SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019**

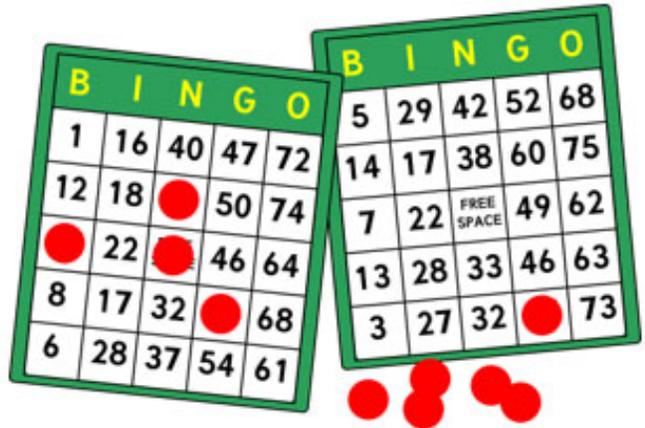


# BINGO IS BACK!

Sponsored by SRA St. Vincent DePaul Conference

Come play at our Parish Picnic:  
Saturday – May 11<sup>th</sup>  
12-4pm  
School Gym

\$0.50/game – All ages  
welcome. Lots of fun prizes!



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDI!

On Wednesday, April 10, members of our 7th grade class received the Sacrament of Confirmation. The ceremony was led by Most Reverend Robert J. Hermann, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of St. Louis and co-celebrated by Monsignor Stehly and Father John. It was a beautiful ceremony and our students were excited to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.



**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

**Sign of the Cross**

**Opening Prayer:** You expired Jesus; by the source of life gushed forth for souls, and ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us (*Diary, 1319*)

**Our Father**

**Hail Mary**

**Apostles' Creed**

On the single beads before each decade, in place of the *Our Father* :

Leader:

E-ter - nal Fa-ther, I of-fer-You the Bo-dy and Blood, Soul and Di-vi - ni-ty of Your dear-ly be-lov - ed Son,

All:

Our Lord, Je - sus Christ, in a-tone-ment for our sins, and those of the whole world.

On the ten beads, in place of the *Hail Mary*:

Decades 1,3, & 5

3 Leader: All:

For the sake of His sor-row-ful pas-sion, have mer-cy on us and on the whole world.

Decades 2 & 4

4 Leader: All:

For the sake of His sor-row-ful pas-sion, have mer-cy on us and on the whole world.

All: After the 5 decades - 3 times

5

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly Might - y One

6

Ho - ly Im-mor-tal One, have mer-cy on us, and on the whole world.

7 Final Ending

and on the whole world.

**Closing Prayer:** Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us, and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy Itself. Amen.

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Muise: Maria Smetkiewica  
Adapted by Archbishop George H. Pierce, SM  
& Rev. Ferald Farrell, MM

## 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 should pick up their *ACA* pledge cards (after Mass) at the Jamieson church entrance 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.



## 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](mailto:ttneal005@gmail.com).

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

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## HUMAN TRAFFICKING - YES - EVEN IN ST. LOUIS

Join us Tuesday, April 30, for a powerful program on human trafficking that will include a viewing of a short but powerful video as well as a panel discussion of the scourge of human trafficking---even in St. Louis--and opportunities to find out what we can do.

Following the video, we will hear about efforts to combat human trafficking/slavery in St. Louis from those who serve victims. As we delve into the reality of human slavery, we will realize it is in our community and decide what WE can do about it. A number of organizations will be attending to share what they are doing.

- Tuesday, April 30, 2019, 6:30pm at St. Margaret of Scotland School cafeteria, 3964 Castleman , 63110.
- Child care available.
- For information, please contact Pat Dougherty at [patdougherty48@gmail.com](mailto:patdougherty48@gmail.com).

A CATHOLIC SUMMER  
CAMP FOR BOYS

# KENRICK GLENNON DAYS

CAMP ONE (RISING 6TH & 7TH): JUNE 3-5  
CAMP TWO (RISING 8TH & 9TH): JUNE 6-8

[stlvocations.org/kgd](http://stlvocations.org/kgd)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 -- 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

## 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.

### MOTHER'S DAY CARDS AVAILABLE

Mother's Day cards will be available from April 28 through May 12, courtesy of Hillsboro Birthright. These cards will be located at the main entrance of church. Feel free to take as many as you will use and pass them on to a wonderful woman in your life.

SCRIP orders are due this Friday, May 3. Any cards ordered will be ready for pick up or sent home with your student on Monday, May 13. Payment must be cash or check (made out to SRA HSA). For a complete list of retailers, please go to [shop-withscrip.com](http://shop-withscrip.com) or for more information, please contact Mary Anne Potts at [maryannepotts@gmail.com](mailto:maryannepotts@gmail.com) or 314.482.1907.



**✂** **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  Please Contact Me

New Phone/Email/Address  Please Do Not Publish #