

## MASS SCHEDULE

### **WEEKENDS**

Saturday at 7:00am & 4:30pm

Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

### **WEEKDAYS**

Monday through Friday at 7:00am

Monday through Thursday at 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.

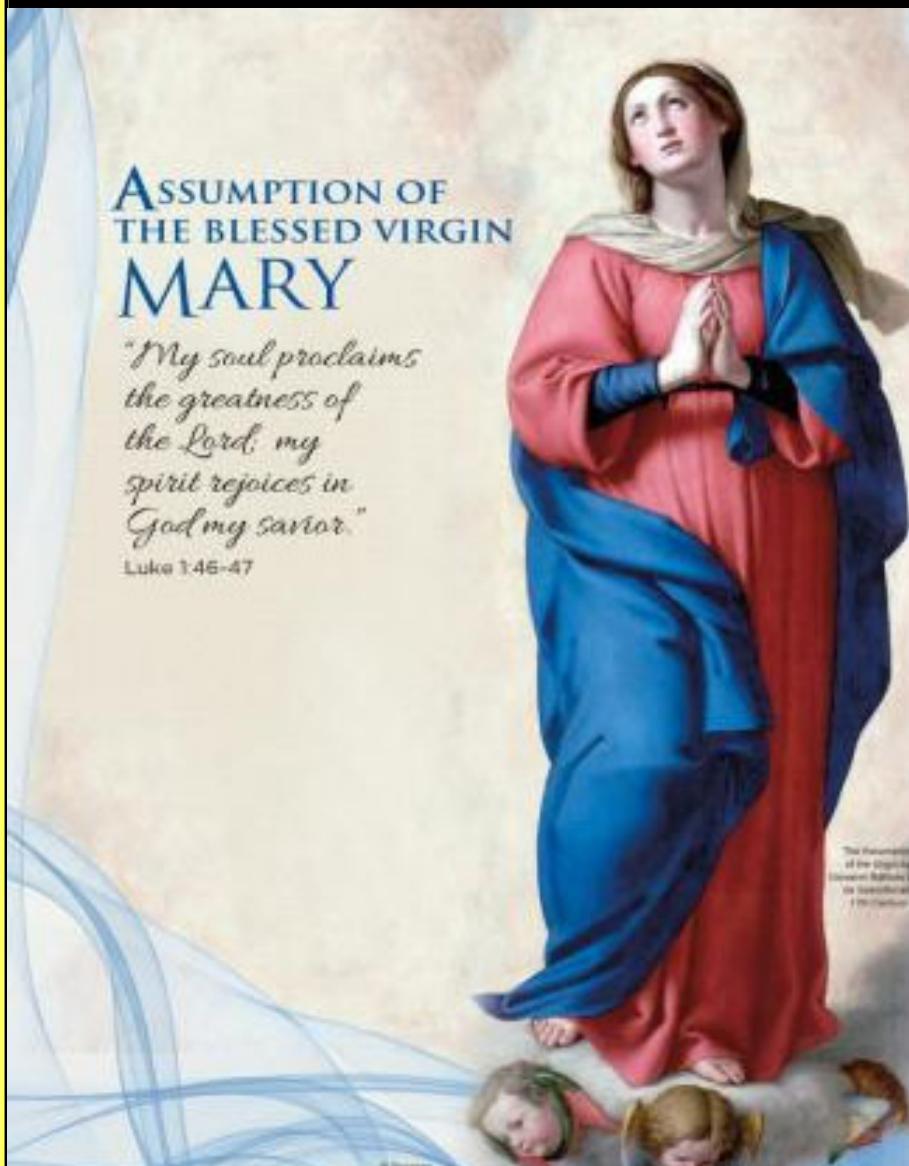
## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

Please contact the parish office.

# SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 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."*

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

**CLERGY & STAFF**

<b>Fr. John Mayo</b>	Pastor
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	dennisstehly@archstl.org
<b>Deacon Gerald J. Geiser</b>	Retired Deacon
<b>Dr. Nancy Deacon</b>	Music Director
	musicdirector@straphaelarchangel.org
<b>Mrs. Diane Halbert</b>	Parish Office Manager
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<b>Mrs. Julie Hayes</b>	School Principal
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<b>Mrs. Qi Franz</b>	Cafeteria Manager
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**CONNECT WITH US!**

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<b>Instagram</b>	straphaelarchangel	
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Finance Council	Joseph Cyr	314.335.7322
HSA President	Jennifer Delf	314.323.6073

**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  
AUGUST 12-18, 2019**

**Monday, August 12**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
7:00pm - Tobias Room	Parish Council
7:00pm - Guardian Angel	St. Vincent de Paul
7:00pm - Cafeteria	Scouts

**Tuesday, August 13**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
1:30pm - Church	Lectio Group
7:00pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
7:30pm - Tobias Room	Prayerful Scripture

**Wednesday, August 14**

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
9:00am - Quilter's Room	Quilters
7:00pm - Church	Assumption Vigil Mass
7:00pm - Parish Office	HSA

**Thursday, August 15**

7:00am - Church	Mass - Assumption
8:00am - Church	Mass - Assumption
6:00pm - Francis Park	Preschool Meet & Greet
7:00pm - Cafeteria	Ladies' Club

**Friday, August 16**

7:00am - Church	Mass
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**Saturday, August 17**

7:00am - Church	Mass
4:30pm - Church	Mass

**Sunday, August 18**

8:00am - Church	Mass
10:00am - Church	Mass



# FR. JOHN'S DIGITAL QUILL FOR SPIRITUAL MUSINGS AND PARISH NEWS

## *Back to School/Swag Sunday*

Welcome to this Sunday! Every Sunday is exciting as we remember the death and resurrection of Christ that saves us from our sins. This Sunday has added excitement for another reason. Today, we will see our young people take a step in their lives as they bring their backpacks to Mass to be blessed and then walk across to the school to put their pencils, pens, crayons, tissues, and many other things in their new classroom for the first time. The excitement and expectation of this day is palpable as we gather in Church today.

As our young people take this step forward with excitement, expectations, and perhaps a bit of fear, I appreciate everyone supporting them with their attire (SRA or the school you attend) and by praying for them in a particular way. Support of our young people I know means so much to them and helps to make our parish and school a unique place of Christian encouragement and example.

## *8:00am Mass Returns*

With the beginning of the school year, we will resume 8:00am Mass this week, beginning tomorrow, Monday, August 12.

## *The Feast of the Assumption*

This week too, we remember Our Lady in a particular way on Thursday, August 15, the Feast of the Assumption. On this day, we recall how the Blessed Trinity desired, at the end of Mary's life on earth, to have her reign gloriously in heaven as queen. By God's power, her body was raised to Heaven. This event stands as a promise to us that, on the last day, we, too, will receive our bodies back and reign with God and Mary, our Mother and Queen, forever in Heaven.

Our Masses for the Feast Day (a Holy Day of Obligation) are on Wednesday, August 14, at 7:00pm and on Thursday, August 15, at 7:00am and 8:00am.

## *Letter to a Suffering Church*

Thank you to all who took the booklet home last weekend. I hope that you had a chance to read it and found it helpful as we confront the scandal in the Church today.

We do have a few additional copies at the doors of the church and invite anyone who would like an another copy to take one.

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As part of our promise to protect and pledge to heal, the Archdiocese of St. Louis invites adult survivors of child sexual abuse to participate in a support group program to begin Wednesday, September 4. Sponsored by the Archdiocese, this expanded ministry will be offered at the Watson Road location of Saint Louis Counseling in Crestwood and is available to adult survivors at no cost. The closed groups will meet for six consecutive Wednesday evenings from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. Adult survivors of child sexual abuse may inquire by calling 314.544.3800.

## *First Friday of September*

As I announced last weekend, on Friday, September 6, we will have an extended time of Adoration and prayer for the Church at this time of crisis. There will be no Benediction that day at 2:00pm. Instead, we will continue in Adoration until 7:00pm that evening. At 7:00pm, we invite everyone to come to pray as a community for the Church. This time of prayer will conclude with Benediction.

The additional times for Adoration on September 6 will be posted in the back of Church in the coming weeks, as we did with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Advent.

## *In the Wake of Tragedy*

Our country continues to mourn the tragic violence of last weekend in our country. To many Christian leaders, the cause of this violence is becoming increasingly clear: anger in our hearts. As our society becomes more divided, we tend to get angrier at those we disagree with. This anger is compounded by those with whom we clash in our own lives as we journey ahead.

Forgiveness is the way for us to settle this anger. Forgiveness does not just suppress the hurt, but it calls us to make a choice: to remain angry or to move in a direction of love and mercy.

I found this prayer that I encourage each one of us to pray and to put someone into the prayer. See the fruits of this action and ask if God is calling you-is calling us-to be a people of greater forgiveness.

*Dear Lord, I thank You for the power of forgiveness, and I choose to forgive everyone who has hurt me. Help me set [name anyone who has offended you] free and release them to You [Romans 12:19]. Help me bless those who have hurt me [Romans 12:14]. Help me walk in righteousness, peace, and joy, demonstrating Your life here on earth. I choose to be kind and compassionate, forgiving others, just as You forgave me [Ephesians 4:32]. In Jesus' name, Amen.*

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

*P.S. from Fr. John: Do not forget about the Watermelon Festival next weekend! It's going to be great!*



### Sunday, August 11

8:00am Joseph "Jay" Shaw  
10:00am People of the Parish

### Monday, August 12

7:00am Barbara Tepe  
8:00am Liz Rayborn

### Tuesday, August 13

7:00am Don Deachan  
8:00am Hodes Family, SI

### Wednesday, August 14

7:00am Barbara Tepe  
8:00am Jennifer Harter  
7:00pm May and Art English

### Thursday, August 15

7:00am Robert Clark  
8:00am Arthur E. English

### Friday, August 16

7:00am Don Deachan

### Saturday, August 17

7:00am John Coleman  
4:30pm Ernie J. Winkelmann

### Sunday, August 18

8:00am Jeff Kreitler  
10:00am People of the Parish

### **AUGUST 15 HOLY DAY ONLINE MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

Is someone you know unable to be at church for the August 15 Holy Day Mass in celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary? Please invite anyone you know who is homebound to experience the spiritual comfort of this joy-filled Mass. The online video will be available all day at [heartofthenation.org](http://heartofthenation.org).

### **FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says "Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy." Please help the Society bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not otherwise able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will indeed find "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven"!

### **FRIENDS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN**

The SRA FRIENDS FOR LIFE Campaign will extend until Sunday, August 18. As you know, Friends for Life is a program sponsored by the Respect Life Apostolate that helps to support women in crisis pregnancies. In addition, Friends for Life helps to implement programs of the RLA that promote the Culture of Life. You will find your Friends for Life envelope in the August packet of envelopes. Please place your Life gift in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. Thank you for your generosity!

The SRA ProLife Committee

### **SAVE THE DATE! SRA MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Sunday, September 29  
Forest Park  
1:00pm Tee Time

For more information, please contact Dan Harbaugh at 314.971.3428.



# ALTAR SERVERS

## SERVERS FOR AUGUST 12-18, 2019

### Monday, August 12

7:00am Lydia Eddingfield Ryan Pinkerton

### Tuesday, August 13

7:00am Nahima Ramirez Dalila Ramirez

### Wednesday, August 14

7:00am Charlie Dirmbeck Gavin Smith  
7:00pm Maggie Anstey Alex Atchison

### Thursday, August 15

7:00am Anna-Grace Guenther Cate Guenther

### Friday, August 16

7:00am William Hotze Steven Irons

### Saturday, August 17

7:00am Cillian Sheehan Claire Fuhr  
4:30pm Josh Abbott Brandon Young  
Christian Concepcion

### Sunday, August 18

8:00am Flora Borowiak Henry Cyr  
Andrew Kellar  
10:00am Matthew Franz Mateo Switzer  
Aidan Switzer

## MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF

AUGUST 17-18, 2019

### LECTORS

4:30pm	8:00am	10:00am
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Matt Fuhr	Amy Ruggeri	Frosty Hodes
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### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Bob Ahrens	Lorraine Gurley	Joan Billing
Maureen Ahrens	Sue Lawton	Ted Green
George Kerry	Amy Ruggeri	Mary Faith Green
Margie Auer	Rosita Koehler	Barbara Favre
Matt Fuhr	Christy Connor	Heather Hays
Tony Mariani	Kerry Deacon	Fred Hodes
		Steve Kratky

## Your Contributions to God and Parish

August 4, 2019 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	FY to Date
<b>Regular Env. (91)</b>	\$ 5,352.00	\$ 22,306.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 1,019.00	\$ 4,577.00
<b>School Tuition Asst.</b>	\$ 150.00	\$ 446.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 145.00	\$ 793.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 51.00	\$ 51.00
<b>Online Giving (43)</b>	\$ 1,697.00	\$ 11,190.00

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.” (Luke 12:34)*

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are we investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are we investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more time in the things of heaven, we must let go of some of the things of this world.

<b>Altar Flowers</b>	\$ 143.00
<b>Tithing</b>	(\$ 15.00)
<b>ProLife</b>	(\$ 225.00)
<b>Missionary Co-Op</b>	(\$ 50.00)
<b>Disaster Relief</b>	(\$ 200.00)
<b>Latin American Apostolate</b>	(\$ 530.00)
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ 9,577.00
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 8,557.00
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 9,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	(\$ 443.00)      (\$ 5,449.00)
<b>FYE 2019</b>	(\$ 39,072.00)

## LADIES' CLUB

The next Ladies' Club meeting is Thursday, August 15, at 7:00pm in the cafeteria. This will be a "Potluck" dinner so please bring a dish. Beer and wine will be provided. All are welcome.

Also, we will be collecting kids' meal toys and other small toys to be used for the Watermelon Festival.

## DEANGELIS CHOIR

The DeAngelis Choir rehearsals will be on alternating Tuesdays with the choir singing one Mass a month, usually at 4:30pm on Saturday. The choir will also sing at the school liturgies on Thursday mornings. All school age children in grades 3 and up are invited to participate. There is no audition, but there is a commitment to attend rehearsals and the scheduled liturgies, as well as to support the singing at the weekly school liturgies. The commitment to participate in the DeAngelis Choir is FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR. Singers are expected to attend all rehearsals and liturgies and have excellent behavior. There is no fee for this program. All are welcome to come and praise God in joyful song! For more information, please contact Nancy Deacon at 314.352.8100.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;  
Mt 17:22-27
- Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12;  
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt  
18:15-20
- Thursday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps  
132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-  
57; Lk 11:27-28
- Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk  
1:39-56
- Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-  
22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11;  
Mt 19:13-15
- Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb  
12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

## WEDDING BANNS II

There is a promise of marriage between Rachel Hansen and Matthew Schoelch to take place at St. Raphael the Archangel on Saturday, August 24, 2019.

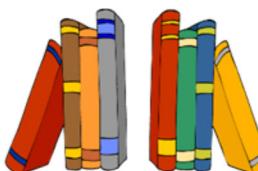


## FELLOWSHIP (DONUT) SUNDAY AUGUST 11

After both the 8:00am and 10:00am Masses this Sunday, August 11, please join us for fellowship with your parish family and enjoy a donut (or two), coffee, juice or milk in the school cafeteria. This Fellowship (Donut) Sunday is being sponsored by the SRA's School Board. Thank you.



## SRA RELIGIOUS LIBRARY



In need of some good spiritual reading material? Please check out your SRA Religious Library located in the Highfield entrance of church.

We are beginning to build a nice assortment through donations received, but we still have room for more books so all are appreciated, especially those for children. Thank you.

## REMEMBER TO SUPPORT SRA!

1. You visit smile.Amazon.com.
2. You select St. Raphael the Archangel as the organization you will support.
3. You make your purchase as normal.
4. We receive a percentage of your purchase.
5. You feel good for helping us while making a purchase you need!

St. Raphael the Archangel

# Watermelon Festival

## Saturday, August 17, 2019

After 4:30pm Mass

### St. Raphael Parking Lot

(6000 Jamieson, St. Louis, MO 63109)

Live Entertainment!!! Games for the Kids!!!  
Food and beverages available for purchase!!!



If you would like to make a donation of school supplies, you can drop them off at the Parish Office, Monday through Thursday, from 8:00am to Noon.

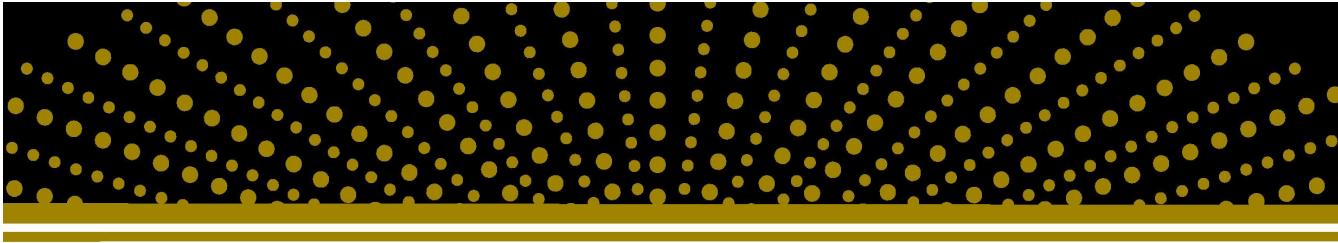
## School News

SRA school is looking for an Aftercare Director for our Club Tobias Program. The director oversees the day-to-day operation of the Club Tobias program including, but not limited to, maintaining current registration forms, collection of fees, supervision of Club Tobias staff, communicating with parents, and supervision of students in the program. Experience with working with children is required and leadership experience is preferred.

Our Club Tobias program is also looking for a Lead Teacher who will work with the director in all of the areas listed above. A successful candidate for this position should have some experience working with children and should desire to grow in leadership abilities.

We are also in need of an aide who will assist the director and lead teacher in supervising the students and helping with activities.

The hours for the Club Tobias program are Monday through Friday from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. Compensation based on previous experience. Please submit your resume to Mrs. Julie Hayes at [hayes@straphaelarchangel.org](mailto:hayes@straphaelarchangel.org) or call 314.352.9474.



# SAVE THE DATES

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Hello SRA Parish Members! In partnership, The Auction Committee and the Matreci family would like to announce the dates for the Trivia Night and Black and Gold Auction in the coming year! With a focus on enhancing the SRA Fundraising Event calendar and both of these important events, we've decided to swap dates! Last year was an exciting year at SRA and both of these events were sellouts. We look forward to seeing everyone again this upcoming year! Please mark your calendars so you don't miss out!

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SRA HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION  
MARCIA MATRECI MEMORIAL  
TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, November 9th, 2019

ANNUAL SRA  
BLACK & GOLD AUCTION

Saturday, February 8th, 2020

## MORE DATES TO SAVE!

Tuesday, August 13  
Saturday, August 17  
Sunday, September 15  
Saturday, September 28  
Sunday, September 29  
Saturday, October 19  
Saturday, November 9

First Day of School  
Watermelon Festival  
Alumni Sunday  
Rummage Sale  
Men's Club Annual Golf Tournament  
Trunk or Treat  
Marcia Matreci Memorial Trivia Night

## QUILT RAFFLE

STILL TIME TO GET TICKETS!!!! The SRA Quilters will be raffling off a beautiful, handmade quilt in the near future. Be sure to mail your tickets to the parish office or drop in the collection basket. For more information OR IF YOU NEED TICKETS, please call the parish office at 314.352.8100.



# SRA Development Committee

As part of the town hall meetings in January, one point of our school viability plan is to build and enhance fundraising. The SRA Development Committee was formed to address this point of the plan, and the members have been working hard to develop their first calendar of events for the coming year. Below is an announcement from them, as well as details on the first event.

The Development Committee has finalized the 2019-2020 school-year event schedule! As a reminder, our goal is to raise \$10K this year to directly support SRA School. Big THANKS to the SRA community members who attended our workshops in June; your ideas were awesome and should easily get us to our goal! The five events will be: a Golf Cart (or car TBD) Raffle (led by Brian Kleekamp), a Rummage Sale (led by Elena Switzer), a Friday Fun Night (led by Megan Kean), a Blues Fundraiser (led by Kelli Morrell) and a Micro-Brewery Tour. We are now looking for your assistance to either help lead or support these events with the event heads. If you'd like to lead the Micro-Brewery tour or work on any of these events with the event head please contact the Development Committee by August 23, [developmentgroup@straphaelarchangel.org](mailto:developmentgroup@straphaelarchangel.org) OR any of the committee members – Laura Dougherty, Jen Delf, Casey Kleekamp, Katie Meier, Chris Murphy, Father John.

## SRA Rummage Sale

Come one, come all to the 1st Annual SRA Rummage Sale on Saturday, September 28, from 8:30am - 12:30pm on the SRA parking lot. Start collecting and pricing items around your house you aren't using, and consider renting a parking spot or two to sell your treasures! All rental fees and food purchase proceeds will go to SRA school, but profits from items sold will go to the sellers. Cost for one parking spot is \$20, \$10 each additional spot. Tables, chairs, change for customers, etc., must be provided by the seller. Please contact Elena Switzer at [edsqrq@gmail.com](mailto:edsqrq@gmail.com) to reserve your spot by September 15!



Here is the 2019-2020 SRA faculty on Faculty Retreat Day this past Tuesday. As part of the day, the group toured the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. Our tour leader was Msgr. Breier! We also learned about spiritual gifts, what our spiritual gifts are, and how we can share them with our school. It was a great day!

## SOUTH CITY DEANERY PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Registration packets are available for the 2019-2020 school year. We are accepting students in grades PK - 8. It is the Board's policy that all students who are preparing for sacraments must be in our program for two years before receiving the sacrament. There will be two on-site registration opportunities at the St. John the Baptist Parish Center: Monday, August 12, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm and Sunday, August 18, from 11:00am - 1:00pm. Please contact the SCDPSR at 314.773.3070 or stl.scdpsr@gmail.com with any questions. PLEASE BRING A COPY OF YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM RECORD.

St. Patrick Center, a Housing First Agency, seeks your help with stocking the agency's move-in kits for our clients who are ready to move into permanent housing. The following new items are requested: comforter sets, bath towels, washcloths, pots/pans, shower curtains and hooks, mops, hangers, laundry baskets, etc. Parishioners may drop off donated items Monday-Friday from 8:00am-4:00pm at St. Patrick Center's donation center dock at the back of the building. Thank you!



Help us stock our move-in kits.



## Saint Louis LIFETEEN

ATTENTION, ALL 8TH GRADERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS!

Please join us this Wednesday, August 14, from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg as we finish our "What I Wish I Knew" summer series and hear from Fr. Brian Fallon. Please see saintlouislifeteen.org for more information.



# Fiat

WOMEN'S GROUP

MORNING OF RECOLLECTION  
*with Fr. Paul Hoesing, Vice-Rector for Formation*

Join us for an extended version of the monthly Fiat series, including recitation of the rosary, talks given by Fr. Paul Hoesing, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, opportunities for confession, and Holy Mass. Say "yes" to spending time in prayer with Mary on this Holy Day!

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2019  
*Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

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This event is free and open to the public.

 Kenrick-Glennon Seminary  
5200 Glennon Drive  
St. Louis, MO 63119

[kenrick.edu/fiat](http://kenrick.edu/fiat)  




### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the appropriate item(s):

- New Parishoner  
 New Phone/Email/Address

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Contact Me

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