

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
August 9, 2020

Reading I

1 KGS 19:9A, 11-13A

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, “Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by.” A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what God proclaims; the LORD — for he proclaims peace. Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

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The LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Reading II

ROM 9:1-5

Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Gospel

MT 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. “It is a ghost,” they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.” Peter said to him in reply, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, “Truly, you are the Son of God.”

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday at 7:00am and 4:30pm
Sunday at 8:00am and 10:00am

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Friday at 7:00am

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

The church is open for private prayer:
Monday-Friday 8:00am –2:30pm,
Saturday 8:00am - 4:30pm,
Sunday 9:00am - 10:00am.

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50am

ROSARY

Public praying of the Rosary is suspended.

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.

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.

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

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

We are so grateful to so many families that trust St. Raphael the Archangel School for the education of their children. I am also aware that some families have chosen to send their child to a public or charter school that may not necessarily have a faith background. In these cases, families often send their students to a Parish School of Religion Program (PSR) St. Raphael the Archangel is a partnering parish in the South City Deanery PSR Program at St. John the Baptist. I also respect those families that have chosen to be part of the PSR Program at Epiphany Parish.

If you are a parishioner of St. Raphael the Archangel and plan on sending your child(ren) to a PSR program for the 2019-2020 school year, I ask that you meet with me by October 15 of this year. This meeting is so we can touch base on where your child is in faith formation and how the parish can serve your family. I believe this meeting is so essential that any parish portion of program fees to your chosen PSR Program will be withheld until this meet-

ing takes place.

Parents are the first educators of their children, and I in no way want to infringe on this parental obligation. I simply want to be sure that all of our young people are learning the faith and all of our families feel welcomed and involved in the life of the parish

From the Watermelon Festival Committee

The St. Raphael Watermelon Festival has been a long-standing tradition for our church and school community that welcomes the new academic year. The 2019 festival introduced an inflatable obstacle course for the kids, a bags tournament for the adults, and experienced unprecedented attendance. Organizers have discussed plans for 2020 for months and had those plans change and change again with the fluid nature surrounding local health guidelines. Given the uncertainty of how these guidelines will fluctuate between now and late August, the difficult decision was made to cancel this year's festival. SRA Men's Club and our Home and School Association want to thank (Continued on the next page)

Class of
2020

CLASS OF 2020

Congratulations to the St. Raphael the Archangel Class of 2020 who graduated last Sunday, August 2, 2020.

Good luck to all of our newest alums as they prepare to enter high school. God bless them.



all of those who have added input on how best to make this year's festival occur and look forward to planning future social events.

I will see you online and in church! -
Fr. John #SRAstrong

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.*

FRIENDS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

The SRA FRIENDS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN will extend from Sunday, August 2, to Sunday, August 16. As you know, Friends for Life is a program sponsored by the Respect Life Apostolate that helps to support women and families 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. Place your gift in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. Thank you for your generosity, especially during this difficult time of COVID-19.



The SRA ProLife Committee



FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Please help the Society bring respite to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will bring them faith and hope!

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal is slowly coming to an end. The parish has been extremely generous. At this time, the parish is just short of meeting its "Challenge Goal." If you have not contributed or made a pledge to this important cause, please consider doing so. You can either send a check or a note indicating your pledge to the parish office. The committee will complete a card for you. If you respond directly to the Archbishop's appeal, your contribution will be credited to our parish.

Again, thank you for your very generous support during these difficult times.

The Parish ACA Committee

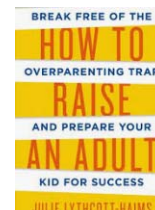
HELLO, SRA BOOK LOVERS!

The HSA is hosting another virtual book club on September 16. We hope you will join us in your living room over a beverage and snacks of your choice!

To sign up, please e-mail Casey Kleekamp at caseykleekamp@yahoo.com by September 4. A zoom link will be sent to attendees before September 16.

Book Club Details:

- **The Book:** *How to Raise an Adult* (perfect for BTS!) (Julie Lythcott-Haims)
- **Book Details:** <https://www.julielythcotthaims.com/how-to-raise-an-adult>
- **Book Club Date/Time:** Wednesday, September 16, 6:00-8:00pm
- **Discussion:** We will prepare questions to discuss. Bring along any that you have as well!
- **Questions?** Please contact Casey via e-mail at caseykleekamp@yahoo.com or messenger on FB.





Mass INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 9

8:00am Joe and Rita Fernandez
10:00am Jane Ellen Brady

Monday, August 10

7:00am Hutton Family

Tuesday, August 11

7:00am Ann and Leo Bereswill

Wednesday, August 12

7:00am Barbara Tepe

Thursday, August 13

7:00am Don Deachan

Friday, August 14

7:00am Barbara Tepe

Saturday, August 15

7:00am Ralph Raskas
4:30pm Cheryl Berger

Sunday, August 16

8:00am Craig Biesterfeld
10:00am People of the Parish

*“He said, ‘Come.’ Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.”
(Matthew 14:29)*

When we hear Jesus calling, do we respond immediately and trust that He knows what He’s doing? If so, we are walking on water! When we say “yes” to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We feel the freedom it gives us! Listen to how Jesus is calling us to live the extraordinary lives He has intended for us.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

August 2, 2020 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	FY to Date
Regular Env. (83)	\$ 5,97.00	\$ 23,974.00
Loose Money	\$ 843.00	\$ 5,959.00
School Support	\$ 225.00	\$ 635.00
Building Fund	\$ 365.00	\$ 1,165.00
Holy Days	\$ 40.00	\$ 6.00
Online Giving (47)	\$ 1,811.00	\$ 12,345.00
Pro-Life	(\$ 286.00)	
Tithing for the Poor	(\$ 90.00)	
Cardinal Glennon	(\$ 10.00)	
Peter’s Pence	(\$ 10.00)	
Altar Flowers	\$ 75.00	
Latin America Mis- sions	(\$ 275.00)	
Grand Total	\$ 10,027.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 9,356.00	\$ 44,199.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Difference	\$ 356.00	(\$ 801.00)
FYE 2020		(\$ 37,795.00)
FYE 2019		(\$ 39,072.00)

DAILY READINGS

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
 Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
 Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-6; Mt 18:15-20
 Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
 Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63]; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12
 Saturday: 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
 Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Join in our Golf Cart Raffle to support SRA School! Winner will NOW be announced at the Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 11. Thank you for understanding our need to extend the promotion due to COVID-19.



Raffle Tickets are **2 for \$100 or 1 for \$60** and are available for purchase online via golfcart.givesmart.com.

Instructions to ensure your tickets are purchased!

1. Sign in OR sign up for an account (via "Registration" button on top of page).
2. Ensure a Credit Card is on file in your account FIRST. If not, your raffle tickets will NOT be purchased and you will NOT be entered to win. Click on the MY INFO tab to enter your Credit Card. To get to MY INFO tab from the golf cart page, click on back button "View List" at the top of the page. This will take you to the main home page. You will then see a tab for MY INFO at the top of the page.
3. After you enter your credit card, click on the ITEMS tab to get back to the golf cart page to purchase your golf cart raffle tickets. OR click the "View Items" button from the Home page.
4. Once on the Items page, click on the Golf Cart Raffle Ticket. Follow prompts to complete fields. Please be sure to tell us who referred you to our raffle!
5. Click the "Buy" button after you complete all fields. You will receive a message: "All Set!" Click the "OK" button.
6. The site administrator will process your credit card payment.

Your purchase is now complete! Thank you!

ST. RAPHAEL'S ST. VINCENT de PAUL CONFERENCE UPDATE

This year we will celebrate the 175th anniversary of the founding of the SVdP Society in the United States. Did you know that the national headquarters are right here in St. Louis? Throughout all these years, the members of each parish conference have relied upon the generosity of its parishioners to meet the needs of countless people.

As you can imagine, the current pandemic has impacted the most vulnerable especially hard. We are so grateful to all of you here at St. Raphael for your continued donations, which allow us to serve in this ministry and help our neighbors in need.

We want to provide a quick recap of how we have been able to help during the first half of the year (January through June, 2020):

Calls Received for Assistance: 85
Rent: \$11,297
Food Vouchers: \$1,250
Utilities: \$3,913
Thrift Store Vouchers: \$215
Other Miscellaneous: \$750
Products Delivered: Cleaning supplies, diapers, and/or paper products

We sincerely thank you for exemplifying the love that Christ asks us to extend to others. Please know that as we pray for those we help, we also pray for each of you.

May God bless you with hope, patience, and good health.

ST. RAPHAEL “FALL CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT”

Tournament Date: Sunday, October 11, 2020

Lunch at Noon

1:00pm Tee Time

Forest Park Golf Course

4 Person Scramble

Registration Form

Platinum Sponsor	\$1,000 2 Teams	Signage at Event Special Recognition
Gold Sponsor	\$ 500 1 Team	Signage at Event Special Recognition
Team	\$ 300 4 Golfers	
Hole Sponsor	\$ 100 Signage at Event	
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 Brian Fissel, 6451 Westway Road, St. Louis, MO 63109
(Deadline is October 5. Payment ensures your spot.)

Questions, please call Dave Wilkinson at 314.458.5831 or Brian Fissel at 312.933.0994

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

**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION OF
ST. ALPHONSUS**

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as though You have already come. I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



The next meeting will be on Thursday, August 20, with Fr. Jim Mason, President-Rector. He will speak on *From Christendom to Apostolic Mission*. Due to recent events, the talk will be a virtual event only. It will be available on YouTube live stream channel and Facebook Live. For more information, please visit kenrick.edu/fiat.

WHEN MENTAL ILLNESS HITS HOME

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows
Friday, August 28, 9:00am - 1:00 p.m.

This year's conference will focus on the topic of "From Isolation to Inclusion." Kar Wolf, MD, and Brittany McCrady, LCSW, are the presenters. The cost is \$15.00, IL CEUs — \$10.00. Registration is required. For more information, please call 618.394.6281 or go to snows.org/illness.

PSR REGISTRATION

Registration for 2020-2021 South City Deanery PSR year will be held at St. John the Baptist Parish Center on Monday, August 17, from 6:00pm – 8:00pm and Sunday August 23, from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The \$35.00 registration fee is due when you register. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate for our records.

SCD PSR program provides formal Catholic religious education (Pre K to Confirmation Prep) for the children in parishes of the South City Deanery. Sessions are Monday evenings, September through May, from 6:20-7:40 p.m. For more information, please contact Deacon George Watson at stl.scdpsr@gmail.com or call 314.773.3070.

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."



WELCOME TO THE ST. RAPHAEL 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: _____ E-mail: _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

New Parishioner

New Phone/E-mail/Address

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