

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday at 7:00am and 4:30pm

Sunday at 8:00am and 10:00am

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Friday at 7:00am

Monday through Thursday at 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

Do you not know
that you are the
temple of God,
and that the
Spirit of God
dwells in you?

1 Corinthians 3:16

SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



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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

Fr. John Mayo	Pastor
	frjohn@straphaelarchangel.org
Msgr. Dennis Stehly, VG	Priest-In-Residence
	dennisstehly@archstl.org
Deacon Gerald J. Geiser	Retired Deacon
Dr. Nancy Deacon	Music Director
	musicdirector@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Diane Halbert	Parish Office Manager
	halbert@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Mickey Janos	Admin. Assistant
	janos@straphaelarchangel.org
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	hayes@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Linda Mechler	School Secretary
	secretary@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Qi Franz	Cafeteria Manager
	franz@straphaelarchangel.org

OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office Monday-Thursday 7:30am - 4:00pm
Friday 7:30am - 12:00pm
School Office Monday-Friday 7:30am - 3:30pm

CONNECT WITH US!

Parish Office	314.352.8100
Fax	314.353.6603
School	314.352.9474
Fax	314.351.7477
Website	straphaelarchangel.org
Facebook and Twitter	@SRAtoday
Instagram	straphaelarchangel

LAY LEADERSHIP OF OUR PARISH

Parish Council	Dan Meshoto	314.452.1017
School Board	Todd Berta	314.352.8420
Finance Council	Joseph Cyr	314.335.7322
HSA President	Emily Young	314.323.9336

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
FEB. 24-MAR. 1, 2020**

Monday, February 24

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
3:00PM - Cafeteria	8th Gr. Girl Scouts
3:30pm - Gym	Basketball Tournament
6:00pm - Small Conf. Room	Finance Council
7:00pm - Guardian Angel Rm.	St. Vincent de Paul
7:00pm - Cafeteria	Scouts
7:30pm - Church	So. City Men's Rcll.

Tuesday, February 25

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
3:15pm - Church	DeAngelis Choir
3:30pm - Gym	Basketball Tournament
6:30pm - Cafeteria	2nd Gr. Cub Scouts
7:00pm - Church	Rosary
7:00pm - Raphael Room	Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, February 26 - Ash Wednesday

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
9:00am - Quilters' Room	Quilters
1:45pm - Church	Mass
3:30pm - Gym	Basketball Tournament
5:00pm - Cafeteria	Kdg. Girl Scouts
6:00pm - Cafeteria	Step Class
6:00pm - School	6th Gr. Camp Meeting
6:30pm - Small Conf. Room	RCIA
7:00pm - Church	Mass
8:30pm - Gym	Men's Basketball

Thursday, February 27

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
2:00pm - School	Preschool Dance
3:00pm - School	K-5th Gr. Dance
3:00pm - Cafeteria	5th Gr. Cub Scouts
3:15pm - School	Chess Club
3:30pm - Gym	Basketball Tournament
7:00pm - Church	Class on the Psalms

Friday, February 28

7:00am - Church	Mass
12:00pm - Church	Sta. of the Cross - Adult
12:35pm - Church	Stations of the Cross - Lower Grades
2:00pm - Church	Stations of the Cross - Upper Grades
3:30pm - Gym	Basketball Tournament
6:30pm - Tobias/Raphael Rms.	Alpha Conference

Saturday, February 29

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

Sunday, March 1

8:00am - Gym	Basketball Tournament
8:00am - Church	Mass - Donut Sunday
10:00am - Church	Mass - Donut Sunday

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

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Masses will be at 7:00am, 8:00am, 1:45pm (with our school children), and 7:00pm. Please consider starting Lent by attending Mass and receiving the mark of the ashes, which is an outward sign of our desire for conversion.

If you have not already, you will soon receive in your home a mailing with these Lenten Commitment Cards. Please prayerfully reflect over them and discern where the Lord may be calling you to grow this Lenten Season.

On Thursday this week we will have our first Class on the Psalms from 7:00-8:00pm in Church and on Friday, the Stations of the Cross at noon for adults and 2:00pm with our school children.

Blessings as we begin this Holy Season of Lent. Fr. John

Lenten Commitment Card

During the Season of Lent, as a member of the Catholic Church in the parish of St. Raphael the Archangel, I prayerfully commit to one or more of the following:

Acts of Penance in an effort to deepen my prayer life

- ☐ I will fast from alcoholic beverages or soda
- ☐ I will fast from TV
- ☐ I will fast from social media
- ☐ I will fast from eating between meals
- ☐ I will fast from gossip
- ☐ I will fast from complaining
- ☐ I will fast from a favorite food
- ☐ I will fast from leaving Mass early
- ☐ Other _____

Acts of Service in an effort to grow as a servant of the Lord

- _____ I will help with the service day at Holy Trinity
_____ I will spend time with my family
_____ I will volunteer my time with the young or the elderly
_____ Other



Prayer in an effort to grow in my faith

- ☐ I will attend Daily Mass as often as I can
- ☐ I will attend Sunday Mass each week
- ☐ I will participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- ☐ I will pray the Stations of the Cross once per week
- ☐ I will participate in the Best Lent Ever from Dynamic Catholic
- ☐ I will participate in the Psalms class
- ☐ I will use the reflections from the daily Lenten Reflection books
- ☐ I will adore the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration
- ☐ I will pray the Rosary weekly
- ☐ Other _____

Almsgiving in an effort to grow in the stewardship of offering treasure to my faith community

- ☐ I will give to the Lenten Project at Holy Trinity
☐ I will give to Operation Rice Bowl
☐ I will give to the St. Vincent de Paul Society
☐ Other



Mass INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 23

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Oscar and Elsa Straub

Monday, February 24

7:00am Martin Schutte
8:00am Hodes Family, SI

Tuesday, February 25

7:00am Elda Molina
8:00am Thomas J. Koehler, Sr.

Wednesday, February 26

7:00am Ann and Leo Bereswill
8:00am People of the Parish
1:45pm Helen Shormas
7:00pm Janet O'Leary

Thursday, February 27

7:00am Jost Family
8:00am Audrey M. Weisenhorn

Friday, February 28

7:00am Joseph Effinger

Saturday, February 29

7:00am Angela Nash
4:30pm People of the Parish

Sunday, March 1

8:00am Roger Kreitler
10:00am Marcia Matreci

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.

fiftyplus

FIFTY PLUS CLUB

The next Fifty Plus meeting is Tuesday, March 3, at 1:00pm at Pietro's, 3801 Watson Road. This will be a luncheon to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. To make a reservation, please call the parish office at 314.832.5100 no later than Tuesday, February 25. Bring a friend!

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Amy Schisler who won the baby quilt, quilted by the SRA Quilters. This was a fundraiser for the NEXT Ministry.



THE VOCATION CHALICE



Please consider taking the Vocation Chalice into your home for a week. During that week, the host family will be asked to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life. To learn more about the program, contact a member of the St. Raphael Serra Committee: Barb Cramer, George Kerry, Bob Ahrens, or Bart Saracino. To sign up for a week, please call Maureen Ahrens at

314.353.8444 or email at reahrens40@att.net.

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR FEB. 24-MAR. 1, 2020

Monday, February 24

7:00am	Anna-Grace Guenther	Cate Guenther
8:00am	Avery Bradshaw	Jack Stein

Tuesday, February 25

7:00am	Matthew Franz	Claire Fuhr
8:00am	Avery Bradshaw	Jack Stein

Wednesday, February 26 - Ash Wednesday

7:00am	Addison Berta	Thad Berta
8:00am	School Selection	
1:45pm	Volunteer	Volunteer
7:00pm	Volunteer	Volunteer

Thursday, February 27

7:00am	Charlie Dirnbeck	Brandon Young
8:00am	Avery Bradshaw	Jack Stein

Friday, February 28

7:00am	Steven Irons	Cillian Sheehan
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Saturday, February 29

7:00am	Rory Barnawell	Flora Borowiak
4:30pm	Nolan Moellering	Jude Potts
	Alex Sullivan	

Sunday, March 1

8:00am	Hanleigh Gurley	Alex Sullivan
	Sophia Villani	
10:00am	Ryan Pinkerton	Jio Raymo
	Joey Raymo	

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..." (Matthew 5:44)

Love your enemies, easier said than done, no doubt. But, remember, the foundation of Stewardship is prayer. When you are in close communication with God, your heart opens and your attention turns away from "me" and moves toward God and others. You have a little more empathy for an enemy. When you pray for others, even "your enemies," maybe their hearts soften as well.

MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEB. 29-MAR. 1, 2020 LECTORS

George Kerry	Kevin Liddy	Dennis Matreci
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Bob Ahrens	Mary Steck	Joe Zulich
Maureen Ahrens	Kevin Liddy	Dan Harbaugh
George Kerry	Mary Niemeyer	Anna Skidmore
Margie Auer	Mary Reck	
Matt Fuhr	Barbara Cramer	
Tony Mariani	Amy Schisler	

Your Contributions to God and Parish

February 16, 2020

(Envelopes Used)

	This Week	FY to Date
Regular Env. (91)	\$ 4,475.00	\$ 146,300.00
Loose Money	\$ 1,075.00	\$ 45,181.00
School Support	\$ 120.00	\$ 4,263.00
Building Fund	\$ 212.00	\$ 6,273.00
Holy Days	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,162.00
Online Giving (43)	\$ 2,133.00	\$ 76,003.00
Grand Total	\$ 8,015.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 8,015.00	\$ 290,069.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 315,000.00
Difference	(\$ 985.00)	(\$ 24,931.00)
FYE 2019		(\$ 39,072.00)

SRA FUNDRAISER!

Announcing our next SRA Development Committee Fundraiser! It's not a bird, it's not a plane, it's a CUSTOM Black & Gold Golf Cart! And you could win it!

Details:

- Golf Cart Raffle is now LIVE and will run through May 8
- Winner will be announced at the St. Raphael Picnic on May 9 (Need not be present to win)
- Tickets are 2 for \$100 or 1 for \$60
- Tickets are available for purchase **online only** via golfcart.givesmart.com
- Photos and information about the golf cart will soon be on the ticket site
- Anyone can win - this is open beyond SRA Parish and School Families

Questions? Contact developmentgroup@straphaelarchangel.org



**FRIDAY, MARCH 6
4:00PM - 7:00PM**

MEN'S CLUB

COD

SHRIMP

CHEESE PIZZA

Dinners include 2 Sides/Bread/Dessert/Tea or Lemonade

Kids Meals and A La Carte Items Available

Dine In & Carryout

\$ CASH ONLY \$

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us by saying: "You must be perfected as your heavenly Father is perfect." This month, through your gifts, the SRA Conference was able to assist many needy families, providing assistance with food and utility and rent bills, etc. Thank you!

WEDDING BANNERS III

There is a promise of marriage between Josephine Ruggeri and James Thorpe to take place at St. Raphael the Archangel on Saturday, February 29, 2020.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

STARTING JANUARY 27, 2020

***Looking for a scholarship for the
2020-2021 school year?***

- All elementary schools in the Archdiocese of St. Louis
- All Catholic high schools
- Any private elementary school in the City of St. Louis

***Apply online at TTEF-STL.ORG for
elementary and high school scholarships.***

Deadline is February 28th, 2020.



**314-792-7777
ttef@archstl.org**

UNIFIED ONLINE APPLICATION (FREE)



TODAY & TOMORROW
CHANGING THE FUTURE — ONE CHILD AT A TIME



ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS
Office of Catholic Education and Formation



Roman Catholic Foundation
of
EASTERN MISSOURI
Plan with heart. Invest for good.

Save These
DATES

Friday, March 6
Saturday, March 28
Thursday, April 16

Fish Fry
Mouse Races
Ladies' Club Quarter Auction

A Night at the Mouse Races

benefiting our 8th grade class



When:

Saturday, March 28th 2020

Doors open at 6:30pm

Races start at 7:00pm

Where:

St. Raphael the Archangel Gym

6000 Jamieson Ave/ St. Louis, MO 63109

All Inclusive Pricing:

\$150.00 per table (limit 10 per table)

Beer/ Soda/ Snacks Included

Reservations:

Make Checks Payable to SRA

Return Registration Form with payment to

SRA Rectory

6047 Bishops Place

St. Louis, MO 63109

314-352-8100

Questions:

Jen Delf – jenniferLdelf@gmail.com or 314-323-6073

Mouse Race Reservation -

Contact Name, Number & Email _____

Table Members _____



jj twig's
PIZZA & PUB
SOUTH HAMPTON

DATE: March 19, 2020

WHERE: 5600 HAMPTON AVENUE,
SAINT LOUIS, MO 63109

Join us at JJ Twig's Pizza & Pub for the 2nd Annual NCAA Basketball watch party from 11:00AM to 4:00PM. All you can eat - buffet style - Pizza, Salad, and Soda - \$25 per person.

Add \$25 (total \$50) to include all you can drink Domestic Beer Bottles. Proceeds go to benefit St. Raphael the Archangel School.

Contact: John Meier 314.651.4496

Jfmeier333@gmail.com

Sponsorship opportunities
available. We have \$100, \$250,
and \$500 levels available.



**SAVE THE DATE!
DONATIONS NEEDED!**

Ladies' Club Quarter Auction
Thursday, April 16
St. Raphael Gym

We are currently accepting donations for new items such as handbags, jewelry, home décor, yard décor, bath and body products, and much, much more! Also, wine, lottery scratchers, gift cards, event tickets, theme baskets, etc. are greatly appreciated! Items can be dropped off at the parish office or call Rachel at 314.496.8303 for arrangements for pick up.

ANNUAL LIFELINE COALITION CAMPAIGN



**RESPECT LIFE
APOSTOLATE**

In January 1986, Archbishop John May rededicated the Archdiocese of St. Louis to providing services to individuals facing a difficult or unplanned pregnancy. He pledged "all the available resources of our health care and social service agencies to any woman...who chooses life for her child rather than death by abortion." All proceeds from the LifeLine Coalition Campaign go directly to a network of local agencies and the Saint Teresa of Calcutta fund to aid those in need.

Look for your envelope in the SRA March packet of envelopes. Thank you for your generosity in support of the Culture of Life!

The St. Raphael ProLife Committee

RUMMAGE SALE!

St. John the Baptist
Saturday, March 7
7:00am - 12:00pm

5201 Adkins, 63116

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday: as 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33
Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34—9:1
Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

ATTENTION: SEPARATED, DIVORCED, WIDOWED, AND REMARRIED

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at a meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed, and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, February 27, at 7:00pm, at Saint Catherine Laboure, 9740 Sappington Road.

SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed, and remarried of our community and it offers social activities and a support group.

At this meeting our guest speaker will be Tod Dehart from Directions Tours. Later we will have our annual election of officers and committee positions with snacks to follow.

For more information, please call Michelle Wack at 314.540.7400 or Bill DeCoursey at 314.894.0733.



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: _____ Email: _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

☐ **New Parishioner**

☐ **New Phone/Email/Address**

☐ **Please Contact Me**

☐ **Please Do Not Publish #**