

## **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**

You are the

*light of  
the world.*

**A city set on a mountain  
cannot be hidden.**

**Matthew 5:14**

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**February 9, 2020**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## **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                               |
|                                | frjohn@straphaelarchangel.org        |
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|                                | dennisstehly@archstl.org             |
| <b>Deacon Gerald J. Geiser</b> | Retired Deacon                       |
| <b>Dr. Nancy Deacon</b>        | Music Director                       |
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| <b>Mrs. Diane Halbert</b>      | Parish Office Manager                |
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|                                | janos@straphaelarchangel.org         |
| <b>Mr. Robert Schlueter</b>    | Maintenance                          |
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|                                | hayes@straphaelarchangel.org         |
| <b>Mrs. Linda Mechler</b>      | School Secretary                     |
|                                | secretary@straphaelarchangel.org     |
| <b>Mrs. Qi Franz</b>           | 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!**

|                             |                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Parish Office</b>        | 314.352.8100           |
| Fax                         | 314.353.6603           |
| <b>School</b>               | 314.352.9474           |
| Fax                         | 314.351.7477           |
| <b>Website</b>              | straphaelarchangel.org |
| <b>Facebook and Twitter</b> | @SRAtoday              |
| <b>Instagram</b>            | 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. 10-16, 2020**

**Monday, February 10**

|                       |                           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 7:00am - Church       | Mass                      |
| 8:00am - Church       | Mass                      |
| 3:30pm - Gym          | 3rd Gr. Girls Bball.      |
| 5:00pm - Gym          | 1st & 3rd Gr. Boys Bball. |
| 6:30pm - Gym          | 4th Gr. Boys Bball.       |
| 7:00pm - Cafeteria    | Scouts                    |
| 7:00pm - Tobias Room  | Parish Council            |
| 7:00pm - Raphael Room | St. Vincent de Paul       |
| 7:30pm - Gym          | 8th Gr. Boys Bball.       |

**Tuesday, February 11**

|                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 7:00am - Church           | Mass                  |
| 8:00am - Church           | Mass                  |
| 3:15pm - Church           | DeAngelis Choir       |
| 3:30pm - Gym              | 5th Gr. Girls Bball.  |
| 5:00pm - Gym              | PreK - 2nd Gr. Bball. |
| 6:30pm - Gym              | 3rd Gr. Boys Bball.   |
| 7:00pm - Church           | Rosary                |
| 7:30pm - Small Conf. Room | Prayerful Scripture   |
| 7:30pm - Cafeteria        | Cub Pack Meeting      |

**Wednesday, February 12**

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 7:00am - Church           | Mass                       |
| 8:00am - Church           | Mass                       |
| 9:00am - Quilters' Room   | Quilters                   |
| 3:30pm - Gym              | 1st Gr. Girls Bball.       |
| 4:30pm - Gym              | 5th Gr. Boys Bball.        |
| 6:00pm - Gym              | 6th & 7th Gr. Girls Bball. |
| 6:00pm - Cafeteria        | Step Class                 |
| 6:30pm - Small Conf. Room | RCIA                       |
| 7:00pm - Parish Office    | HSA                        |
| 8:30pm - Gym              | Men's Basketball           |

**Thursday, February 13**

|                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 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   |
| 3:30pm - Gym                 | 7th Gr. Boys Bball.  |
| 5:00pm - Gym                 | 5th Gr. Boys Bball.  |
| 6:30pm - Gym                 | 4th Gr. Girls Bball. |
| 7:00pm - Guardian Angel Room | Men's Prayer Group   |
| 7:30pm - Gym                 | 3rd Gr. Girls Bball. |

**Friday, February 14**

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| 7:00am - Church | Mass                 |
| 3:30pm - Gym    | 7th Gr. Girls Bball. |
| 4:15pm - Gym    | 1st Gr. Girl Scouts  |

**Saturday, February 15**

|                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 7:00am - Church        | Mass                  |
| 8:00am - Cafeteria     | Step Class            |
| 8:00am - Gym           | Basketball Tournament |
| 9:00am - Cafeteria     | Professional Devpt.   |
| 9:00am - Parish Office | Marketing Committee   |
| 4:30pm - Church        | Mass                  |

**Sunday, February 16**

|                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 8:00am - Gym       | Basketball Tournament |
| 8:00am - Church    | Mass & Donut Sunday   |
| 10:00am - Church   | Mass & Donut Sunday   |
| 1:00pm - Cafeteria | Chess Team            |

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

### *Homilies*

Recently, I received a note from a parishioner asking me why I insist on walking during my weekend homilies. It is a quirk (among the many I have) that I know some struggle with about me. After spending some time in reflection, I want to give three reasons why I prefer this style of preaching.

First, I did not always preach by walking around. In my first assignment, I did stand at the pulpit and even had an outline there with me. What I found was that I looked down more and more at the outline to make sure I was on track and lost people through that action. Also, when I preached at the ambo, I seemed to be more intellectual or topical in preaching instead of allowing the fruit of prayerful reflection on the readings to flow out. When I walk, I feel that I stay away from these tendencies.

Second, I like to be among the people as I talk. I feel a bit more engaged and connected when walking than when standing at the pulpit. This connection, I hope, helps to keep the homily more meaningful for people and keeps their attention.

Last, it is a real help for me personally. Most of you have probably noticed that I do stutter from time to time. It is something I have dealt with my whole life and have received therapy for when I was younger. Though frustrating personally at times, I know that I am in good company with Moses, among other saintly figures, who also struggled with stuttering.

Walking helps to keep my mind moving and my thoughts flowing. Movement seems to help (for the most part) to keep my speech clearer when I preach.

I recognize as I say these things that I need to do more to help people with my preaching. I will make a commitment to go slower in my walking and speaking. I am also purchasing a new microphone,

which should be in this weekend, that I hope will help people hear me more easily. Last, I will not go back into the pews as far so I am up front more. This should also help the transmitter I wear pick me up better than if I roam deep into the back of the church or on the sides.

### *The Value of Questions and Comments*

I recently learned that the word BUSY means Burdened Under Satan's Yoke. This really struck me, causing me to reflect on how I carry myself around the parish and school. I know at times I can seem burdened with many things on my mind and heart. I am human, but I also know I need to do better in shouldering that yoke with Christ.

Why I mention this is I know there are some who want to ask me a question or make a helpful comment or suggestion and be turned off by my demeanor. This pushes such comments and questions into the parking lot, the gym, or to a local establishment in the search for clarity.

I understand this is part of human nature, yes even for priests. At the same time, I want to establish an atmosphere wherein such questions and comments can be brought up to me or to Mrs. Hayes directly, or through parish council or school board, depending on what is most appropriate.

My encouragement is that if you have a question, comment, or concern, please raise it so that it can be addressed. If you feel that you have and it has not been taken seriously or no action has occurred, please follow up about it.

Through continuing to work together, we can build up the Body of Christ here at St. Raphael!

### *I Stand Corrected*

This week, I told the 50+Club that our new hymnals have page numbers. Upon review...they do not.



We give thanks to Bishop Robert Hermann, who visited our parish last weekend. He celebrated 10:00am Mass with us and also was the main speaker at the Men's Club Communion Breakfast. Thank you, Bishop, for your great words to us and for challenging us to become the Light of Christ in our world!



**Sunday, February 9**

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

**Monday, February 10**

7:00am Ernie J. Winkelmann  
8:00am Hutton Family

**Tuesday, February 11**

7:00am Herbert Culver  
8:00am Mary Jo Raines

**Wednesday, February 12**

7:00am George Sullens  
8:00am Ron Thenhaus

**Thursday, February 13**

7:00am Don Deachan  
8:00am Maryrose Raniero

**Friday, February 14**

7:00am Emil Philipiak

**Saturday, February 15**

7:00am Oscar Straub, Sr.  
4:30pm Rev. Charles Burgoon

**Sunday, February 16**

8:00am Pauline Zagroba  
10:00am People of the Parish

**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.

Following up on some of the questions they asked would be good for all of us to consider:

- The first number on the hymn boards above the word "hymns" is the number of the readings. These will be located toward the back third of the hymnal.

- Beneath the word "hymns" on the board are the hymn numbers.

- Eucharistic prayers are located in a small booklet inserted into the inside back cover of the hymnal. If you pick one up and do not see it, try another one in your pew. I have seen a few slip out, so we will probably need to replace some as the year goes on.

*NEXT Baby Quilt Raffle*

The baby quilt raffle for NEXT will end on February 16, when the winner will be drawn during donut Sunday after the 10:00am Mass. You need not be present to win. If you would like to purchase tickets before then, please contact Elena Switzer at [nextministry@straphaelarchangel.org](mailto:nextministry@straphaelarchangel.org) or the parish office. Tickets cost \$1 each or \$5 for six tickets.

*Retreat Opportunity for Women*

We have been approached by members of our neighboring parish, St. Gabriel the Archangel, about their desire to open their ACTS Retreat weekend to women in our parish community.

This opportunity is one that I support and would like to promote. Any chance for us to gather as people of faith to grow in our relationship with Christ personally and as a wider Church is one that we should welcome.

The ACTS Retreat weekend will be on March 12-15, 2020. After a short talk at St. Gabriel the retreatants will spend a majority of the weekend at LaSalle Retreat Center, returning on March 15 for 11:00am Mass at St. Gabriel and a lunch. The cost of the weekend is \$200.

If you are interested in this retreat, please contact Erin Grady at 314.369.2945 or at [emgl175@hotmail.com](mailto:emgl175@hotmail.com).

*Tax Statements*

Please contact the parish office if you would like to receive a contribution statement for the 2019 tax year. We will happily prepare one and mail it to you.

*I will see you in Church! And at the Auction! - Fr. John #SRAstrong*

PS-Do not forget about school enrollment!

# ALTAR SERVERS

## SERVERS FOR FEB. 10-16, 2020

### Monday, February 10

|        |                     |                   |
|--------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 7:00am | Anna-Grace Guenther | Cate Guenther     |
| 8:00am | Cillian Sheehan     | Isabella Pfeiffer |

### Tuesday, February 11

|        |                 |                   |
|--------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 7:00am | Kallista Hiatt  | David Hiatt       |
| 8:00am | Cillian Sheehan | Isabella Pfeiffer |

### Wednesday, February 12

|        |                 |                   |
|--------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 7:00am | Nahima Ramirez  | Dalila Ramirez    |
| 8:00am | Cillian Sheehan | Isabella Pfeiffer |

### Thursday, February 13

|        |                   |                   |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 7:00am | Lydia Eddingfield | Ryan Pinkerton    |
| 8:00am | Cillian Sheehan   | Isabella Pfeiffer |

### Friday, February 14

|        |                |               |
|--------|----------------|---------------|
| 7:00am | Flora Borowiak | Andrew Kellar |
|--------|----------------|---------------|

### Saturday, February 15

|        |                  |               |
|--------|------------------|---------------|
| 7:00am | Charlie Dirnbeck | Matthew Franz |
| 4:30pm | Avery Bradshaw   | Josh Abbott   |
|        | Ethan Bradshaw   |               |

### Sunday, February 16

|         |                      |                   |
|---------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 8:00am  | Addison Berta        | Thad Berta        |
|         | Claire Fuhr          |                   |
| 10:00am | Cillian Sheehan      | Isabella Pfeiffer |
|         | Christian Concepcion |                   |

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)*

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourage more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and don't put yourself above the people you have been called to help.

## MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEB. 15-16, 2020 LECTORS

|            |             |              |
|------------|-------------|--------------|
| Bob Ahrens | Barb Cramer | Frosty Hodes |
|------------|-------------|--------------|

## 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  | Heather Hays     |
| Matt Fuhr      | Christy Connor  | Fred Hodes       |
| Tony Mariani   | Kerry Deacon    | Steve Kratky     |

## Your Contributions to God and Parish

### February 2, 2020

(Envelopes Used)

|                           | This Week   | FY to Date     |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| <b>Regular Env. (84)</b>  | \$ 4,545.00 | \$ 137,649.00  |
| <b>Loose Money</b>        | \$ 1,888.00 | \$ 43,149.00   |
| <b>School Support</b>     | \$ 20.00    | \$ 4,093.00    |
| <b>Building Fund</b>      | \$ 135.00   | \$ 6,026.00    |
| <b>Holy Days</b>          | \$ 0.00     | \$ 6,161.00    |
| <b>Online Giving (42)</b> | \$ 1,553.00 | \$ 70,587.00   |
| <b>St. Louis Review</b>   | (\$ 140.00) |                |
| <b>First Offering</b>     | \$ 70.00    |                |
| <b>Grand Total</b>        | \$ 8,351.00 |                |
| <b>Total for Parish</b>   | \$ 8,211.00 | \$ 273,532.00  |
| <b>Amount Needed</b>      | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 297,000.00  |
| <b>Difference</b>         | (\$ 789.00) | (\$ 23,468.00) |
| <b>FYE 2019</b>           |             | (\$ 39,072.00) |

## FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "You are the light of the world." He is calling us to live our Christian vocation in words and deeds. Be a "light" to those living in poverty and in a world of darkness by giving a donation to the Society. Shopping at the Society's thrift stores also helps support Neighbors In Need, and purchases are tax free.

## WEDDING BANNIS I

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.



Thursday, February 20  
Saturday, February 22  
Friday, March 6  
Saturday, March 28  
Thursday, April 16

Ladies' Club Vendor Fair  
Wedding Anniversary Mass & Reception  
Fish Fry  
Mouse Races  
Ladies' Club Quarter Auction

# 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

Visit [ttef-stl.org](http://ttef-stl.org)  
for more details

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.*

## CONGRATULATIONS!

All of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students were accepted into their first-choice high schools.  
We are so proud of them for all of their hard work leading to this achievement!

Rory Barnawell  
Thad Berta  
Flora Borowiak  
Avery Bradshaw  
Madalene Cierpiot  
Christian Concepcion  
Elena Davis  
Abigail Delf  
Thomas Finan  
Cathleen Guenther  
Benjamin Kean  
Andrew Kellar  
Kristin Nienhaus  
Jacob Sawyer  
Aiden Stawizynski  
Eva Thompson  
John Winkelmann

Cor Jesu Academy  
St. Louis University High School  
Notre Dame High School  
Cor Jesu Academy  
Nerinx Hall  
St. Mary's High School  
Cor Jesu Academy  
Ursuline Academy  
St. Louis University High School  
St. Joseph's Academy  
St. Louis University High School  
St. John Vianney High School  
Ursuline Academy  
St. Mary's High School  
St. John Vianney High School  
St. Joseph's Academy  
St. Louis University High School



## MEN'S CLUB

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

**COD**

**SHRIMP**

**CHEESE PIZZA**

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

**Kids Meals and A La Carte  
Items Available**

**Dine In & Carry Out  
\$ CASH ONLY \$**

## WINTER OUTREACH A MINISTRY OF MERCY

Encouraged by our Catholic social teachings, *Option for the Poor and Vulnerable*, our parish community is committed to making St. Louis Winter Outreach a faith Ministry of Mercy. "As long as you did it to one of these the least of my brethren, you did it for me." (MT 25:31-46)



As winter approaches, many homeless "brethren" will spend their days and nights on the streets of St. Louis. In an effort to give them some comfort, we are asking you to help provide meals to an overnight shelter during the coldest months. Drivers are also needed to deliver the meals to Americorps Shelter (1315 Ann St.) on our assigned Saturday, February 22, 2020.

Please consider joining our Ministry of Mercy by providing one or more of the following: 9 x 13 casserole (meat, vegetable or breakfast). Also desserts for 12 to 24 servings. Food is to be dropped off at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall by 1:00pm. If needed, arrangements can be made for pick up. If you would like more information, would like to share a dish, and/or be a driver, please contact Mary Ellen Mueller at 314.374.1712 or e-mail at [maryem@brick.net](mailto:maryem@brick.net).

# A Night at the Mouse Races

benefiting our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class



## When:

**Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:jenniferLdelf@gmail.com) or 314-323-6073**

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## Mouse Race Reservation -

**Contact Name, Number & Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Table Members** \_\_\_\_\_

# VENDORFAIR

## LADIES' CLUB VENDOR FAIR

Thursday, February 20  
6:00 - 9:00pm  
St. Raphael Gym  
Free and Open to the Public

Come shop and support local vendors. There will be a little bit of everything from apparel, jewelry, home and yard décor, skin care and makeup, crafts and more! Beverages for sale. To name just a few vendors:

Tastefully Simple  
Handmade by Huffy Chic  
Lyleigh Design - do TERRA  
Taylor Hiette's Visual Art  
Norwex  
Tupperware  
Stranded with Kate

Pampered Chef  
Bee Naturally You  
Club Z! In-home Tutoring  
Lilla Rose  
Franceth Handmade  
Mary Kay  
Color Street

Opulenza Designs  
Snackcessary  
Essential Bodywear  
Thirty-One Gifts  
Paparazzi Accessories  
Juice Plus+

## 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, gift cards, event tickets, theme baskets, etc. are greatly appreciated! Items can be dropped off at the parish office or call Rachel Flavin at 314.496.8303 for arrangements for pick up.

## Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2020



Congratulations to Spelling Bee winner Avery Bradshaw and runner up Tom Finan!



## ANNUAL LIFELINE COALITION CAMPAIGN

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 Blessed 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

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56  
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13  
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23  
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30  
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37  
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10  
 Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

## ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH POKER TOURNAMENT

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Poker Tournament on Saturday, February 15. Cost is \$25 with gift cards for the winners. Interested? Please contact Steve at [valksr@yahoo.com](mailto:valksr@yahoo.com) or [eventbrite.com/e/kofc-poker-tournament-tickets-82227381311](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/kofc-poker-tournament-tickets-82227381311).



## CATHOLIC WOMEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE

Join us for the Catholic Women for Christ Conference on March 7, 2020, at the Touhill Performing Arts Center! Enjoy speakers,

Reconciliation, Adoration, merchant and ministry vendors, Vigil Mass, healing prayer, relics, and more!

Register now at [catholicwomenforchrist.org](http://catholicwomenforchrist.org). Questions? Check the Catholic Women for Christ web site at [catholicwomenforchrist.org](http://catholicwomenforchrist.org) or call the Touhill box office at 314.516.4949.

## GREAT MARRIAGES DON'T JUST HAPPEN; COUPLES MAKE THEM!

"They saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him." Encourage the Holy Spirit to enrich your marriage by taking part in a World-wide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend is April 24-26 at the Courtyard Marriot in St. Peters, Missouri. For more information, please go to [wwme.org/schedule](http://wwme.org/schedule) or call or text 314.649.7317.



## WELCOME TO THE ST. RAPHAEL PARISH FAMILY!

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