

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



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."

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH JAN. 27 - FEB. 2, 2020

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
Mr. Robert Schlueter	Maintenance
Mrs. Julie Hayes	School Principal
	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

Monday, January 27

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
3:30pm - Gym	3rd Gr. Girls Bball.
5:00pm - Gym	1st & 3rd Gr. Boys Bball.
6:00pm - Small Conf. Room	Finance Council
6:30pm - Gym	4th Gr. Boys Bball.
7:00pm - Cafeteria	Scouts
7:00pm - Guardian Angel Rm.	St. Vincent de Paul
7:30pm - Church	So. City Men's Rell.
7:30pm - Gym	8th Gr. Boys Bball.

Tuesday, January 28

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
3:15pm - Church	DeAngelis Choir
3:30pm - Gym	5th Gr. Girls Bball.
5:00pm - Gym	Pre-K - 2nd Gr. Bball.
6:30pm - Gym	3rd Gr. Boys Bball.
6:30pm - Cafeteria	2nd Gr. Cub Scouts
7:00pm - Raphael Room	Knights of Columbus
7:00pm - Church	Rosary
7:30pm - Small Conf. Room	Prayerful Scripture

Wednesday, January 29

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
9:00am - Quilters' Room	Quilters
10:00am - Church	Region Mass
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
8:30pm - Gym	Men's Basketball

Thursday, January 30

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.
7:30pm - Gym	3rd Gr. Girls Bball.

Friday, January 31

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass & Grandparents Day
3:30pm - Gym	7th Gr. Girls Bball.
5:30pm - Tobias & Raphael Rms.	Alpha Conference

Saturday, February 1

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

Sunday, February 2

8:00am - Church	Mass
10:00am - Church	Mass
11:00am - Cafeteria	Men's Club Comm. Bfst.

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

Back to School Sunday

We welcome all prospective and returning families to our open house today. Our school will be open with guided tours from 11:00am to 3:00pm. We invite everyone to come by to check out our remodeled front entryway and offices. As great as this area and the entire school look, we want you to experience the wonderful things happening in our classrooms. It is here our students are being prepared for the future surrounded by a faith filled atmosphere. We are confident that you will agree awesome things are happening at SRA. It is a great day to be an angel!

Catholic Schools Week

This week, our school will celebrate Catholic Schools Week. It will be a lighter week of learning for our students as they celebrate the different aspects of our school that make it special, from the teachers, to the parents and grandparents, to what they each uniquely bring to our school community.

As we remember these different aspects of our school that make it special, we can never forget the heart and soul of our school. This is the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus marks our school with a unique identity.

This identity begins daily with Mass or a prayer service where each student greets the Lord at the beginning of the day. At midday, the students reflect on the meaning of the Incarnation through praying the Angelus. During the day, they learn about the faith through religion class and practice the virtues around the school. They mark the favorite time of the day, lunch, with prayer before and after it.

These opportunities to encounter and grow in Christ are more important than any lesson or test score will ever be. These also make our school a special place on the educational map that we daily appreciate. We thank you for helping to make all of this possible through your support.

A Beautiful Homily

As we welcome new and returning families to our school, we also want to encourage families who have children whose schooling days lie ahead of them.

Recently, the Holy Father baptized 30 children in the Sistine Chapel. At this occasion, he took the time to encourage the families of these children not to be embarrassed if their children cry, even in such a sacred space. The Holy Father said,

They will feel a bit uncomfortable at times. And one will start [to cry]... — the concert has yet to begin! — but one will start then another ... Do not be alarmed: let your children cry and scream. Rather, if your child cries and complains, perhaps it is because it feels too hot: remove something; or because it is hungry: [feed] him, here, yes, always comfortably. Something I also said last year: they have a “choral” dimension: it is enough for one of them to start to “sing” and everyone follows and there will be a concert. Do not be alarmed. It is a beautiful homily when a baby cries in church. It is a beautiful homily.

I could not agree more with the Holy Father and echo his words to our parents. Your children are welcome here at SRA; and we pray that, whether they are content or crying, you will take the time to join us for Mass.

School Scholarships Available

The Today and Tomorrow Foundation will open its website tomorrow for scholarship applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Before seeking financial aid from the parish, we ask all families to apply through the Today and Tomorrow Foundation. Please visit ttef-stl.org to fill out an application beginning tomorrow.

Sunday of the Word of God

This Sunday also marks the First Sunday of the Word of God. This Feast was recently instituted by Pope Francis and will be celebrated on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time each year. But why this Sunday and why is it important?

I will allow the Holy Father to answer these questions from his document inaugurating this feast.

The Bible cannot be just the heritage of some, much less a collection of books for the benefit of a privileged few. It belongs above all to those called to hear its message and to recognize themselves in its words. At times, there can be a tendency to monopolize the sacred text by restricting it to certain circles or to select groups. It cannot be that way. The Bible is the book of the Lord's people, who, in listening to it, move from dispersion and division toward unity. The word of God unites believers and makes them one people.



Sunday, January 26

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Wladysla Kisielewicz

Monday, January 27

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

Tuesday, January 28

7:00am B. and J. McCarron, SI
8:00am Logan Warnecke

Wednesday, January 29

7:00am Missionaries of Charity, SI
8:00am Adele Ruggeri
10:00am Special Intention

Thursday, January 30

7:00am Mary Carroll, SI
8:00am John Hallums

Friday, January 31

7:00am Mary Brynda
8:00am SRA Grandparents

Saturday, February 1

7:00am Catherine Tabash
4:30pm Tom Majda

Sunday, February 2

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Logan Warnecke

WEDDING BANNS III

There is a promise of marriage between Shelby Ruprecht and Anthony Saracino to take place at St. Raphael the Archangel on Friday, January 31, 2020.

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.

Around this time each year, there is a week of prayer for Christian Unity. It has been the special prayer of the Popes that the divisions between Christians cease and that all be gathered in the one Church. This is certainly the desire of Scripture as well and is something we hold in common with other Christians. Focusing on the Word of God calls this desire to mind that all Christians will come together in unity.

The Holy Father also picks up on another thread in these words as well. We can sometimes think that I do not have time to read the Bible or it is just not for me. God's word is truly for everyone. This Sunday gives us courage, if we have not picked up the Bible in a while, to begin again today. There is power in God's word that can make our faith come alive in a new way.

NEXT Ministry Raffle

Please do not forget to support the NEXT Ministry Quilt Raffle!

SRA Black and Gold Dinner Auction

Our auction is coming very soon! Please see later in the bulletin for more details on this fabulous evening.

Men's Club Communion Breakfast

All members and their immediate families are invited to the Men's Club Communion Breakfast on Sunday, February 2, 2020. Our speaker this year is Bishop Robert Hermann, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. His Excellency will be celebrating Holy Mass with us at 10:00am. Breakfast will follow in the cafeteria followed by the Bishop's keynote talk.

Please respond with the number in your family attending to Greg Divis at 351.4443 or Brian McCarthy at 956.0558 or you can e-mail your RSVP to brianmccarthy@peaknet.net.

Kindly note this event is a catered breakfast for which a definite number must be provided in advance.

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! – Fr. John #SRAstrong

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR JAN. 27 - FEB. 2, 2020

Monday, January 27

7:00am	Christian Concepcion	Cillian Sheehan
8:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Alex Sullivan

Tuesday, January 28

7:00am	Lydia Eddingfield	Isabella Pfeiffer
8:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Alex Sullivan

Wednesday, January 29

7:00am	Maggie Anstey	Gavin Smith
8:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Alex Sullivan
10:00am	School Selection	

Thursday, January 30

7:00am	Charlie Dirnbeck	William Hotze
8:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Alex Sullivan

Friday, January 31

7:00am	Addison Berta	Thad Berta
8:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Alex Sullivan

Saturday, February 1

7:00am	Jack Stein	Alex Sullivan
4:30pm	Cate Guenther	Liam McMorrow
	Anna-Grace Guenther	

Sunday, February 2

8:00am	Rory Barnawell	Andrew Kellar
	Brandon Young	
10:00am	Lucas Feldman	Jio Raymo
	Joey Raymo	

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him." (Matthew 4:22)

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. Everything from our time in daily prayer, to our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries, to our treasure helps us to support the needs of our parish mission.

MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEB. 1-2, 2020 LECTORS

Jerri Blassie	Kevin Liddy	Heather Hays
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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	Heather Hays
Matt Fuhr	Christy Connor	Fred Hodes
Tony Mariani	Kerry Deacon	Steve Kratky

Your Contributions to God and Parish

January 19, 2020

(Envelopes Used)

	This Week	FY to Date
Regular Env. (84)	\$ 4,093.00	\$ 129,477.00
Loose Money	\$ 735.00	\$ 40,162.00
School Support	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,418.00
Building Fund	\$ 22.00	\$ 5,451.00
Holy Days	\$ 77.00	\$ 6,161.00
Online Giving (46)	\$ 2,418.00	\$ 66,856.00
St. Louis Review	(\$ 560.00)	
First Offering	\$ 85.00	
Tithing	(\$ 1.00)	
Grand Total	\$ 7,991.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 7,430.00	\$ 257,637.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 279,000.00
Difference	(\$ 1,570.00)	(\$ 21,363.00)
FYE 2019		(\$ 39,072.00)



During Catholic Schools Week, the students will be collecting clean, old t-shirts to make toys for animals in shelters. The service day is Wednesday, January 29. If you have any t-shirt donations, please drop them off at the school's main office by Wednesday morning, January 29.

The students thank you for your generous donations.

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In this Sunday's Gospel, we find that Jesus "...went around all of Galilee, teaching in the synagogues, proclaiming the Gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people." Have you considered donating a vehicle to the Society? Car donations help our neighbors in need on the path toward stability. Pickup is free and your donation is tax deductible. To learn more, please visit svdpusa.org.

INCOME TAX INFORMATION

Please note, this year we will not be sending out parish-wide contribution forms. Please call or email the parish office if you would like to have yours mailed to you.

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
for more details

UNIFIED ONLINE APPLICATION (FREE)



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**Looking for a fun family night out?
Join us for a ROCKIN' FUNDRAISER on January 30**



Our 8th graders are hosting a Jump Night

January 30th from 4-8pm at the Shrewsbury location!

For the discounted rate of \$15.00/per jumper you will get 2 HOURS of jump time and a portion of the fee will directly support our 8th grade Mystery Trip and Graduation Activities.

WHERE: 7375 Watson Road Shrewsbury, MO 63109

SAVE TIME IN LINE – FILL OUT THE WAIVER,

ONLINE: <https://rockinjumpshrewsbury.centeredgeonline.com/waiver>

Questions? Contact Jen Delf 314-323-6073 or
JenniferLdelf@gmail.com

VENDOR FAIR

Ladies' Club Vendor Fair
Thursday, February 20
6:00pm to 9:00pm
Open to the Public
Over 40 Local Vendors!

STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND SRA SCHOOL BOARD

As part of SRA's Stewardship initiative, this weekend we will hear from a representative of our School Board regarding the importance of sharing our time and talent. God blesses us with many talents. If you are interested in sharing those talents and you have the time, please consider joining one of SRA's committees, listed in the Parish directory. *SRA Stewardship...a stronger parish family by sharing our time and talent.* Thank you.

A Night at the Mouse Races

benefitting 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 _____



Sunday, January 26

Friday, January 31

Sunday, February 2

Saturday, February 8

Thursday, February 20

Saturday, February 22

Catholic Schools Week Begins
with Open House

Grandparent's Day

Men's Club Communion Breakfast

Black and Gold Dinner Auction

Ladies' Club Vendor Fair

Wedding Anniversary Mass & Reception

AUCTION NEWS

We are only a few weeks away from one of the most exciting SRA events of the year! Here are a few things you can do to get prepared!

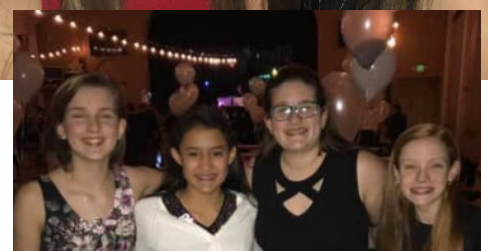
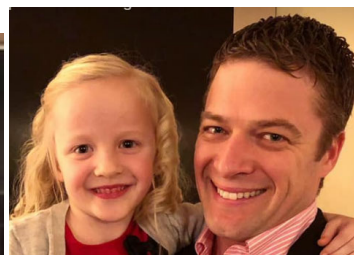
- Visit our Black & Gold Auction givesmart page to view auction items at <https://e.givesmart.com/s/elq99n/e/f2H/>
- LIKE our Black & Gold Facebook page to stay up to date on all things auction!
- Email the auction committee if you are able to volunteer at the auction at auction@straphaelarcnahgel.org
- Mark your calendar for Tuesday, February 4, to attend our auction set-up party. More details to come!



The Knights of Columbus Saint Raphael Council 14330 would like to recognize for their skills and sportsmanship all those who participated in the Free Throw Competition on January 20. Maggie Anstey, Claire Fuhr, Addi Berta, Sam Koziacki, Lanie Davis, Simon Klein, Henry Fitzpatrick, Jake Fitzpatrick, Adam Trachsel, and Gavin Smith have advanced to the District competition in February. Congratulations to all!



SNOWFLAKE BALL 2020



PROLIFE MONTH ENDS

As the ProLife month of January winds down, we remember the 47th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that stripped away all legal protection for unborn babies.

We grieve for the loss of more than 60 million children to procured abortion, and we realize the pain those losses have caused their parents and our whole society.

We thank our eighth graders, Fr. John, and our SRA chaperones who “Marched for Life” in Washington, DC, this past week.

We have reason to be proud of our efforts to protect and preserve innocent unborn human life. Under the direction of clergy and religious, countless individuals, families, schools, and parishes have worked to promote respect for the youngest of God’s children.

We must continue to seek victory through prayer, commitment to help those in need, dedication to the Gospel of Life, and public advocacy. We have Jesus as our lasting HOPE and His promise that LIFE WILL BE VICTORIOUS.

The St. Raphael ProLife Committee



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Catholic Men and Women for Christ Conferences

For Men: February 1, 2020
For Women: March 7, 2020

Join us for the Catholic Men and Women for Christ Conferences, at the Touhill Performing Arts Center! Enjoy speakers, Reconciliation, Adoration, merchant and ministry vendors, Vigil Mass, healing prayer, relics, and more!

If you have questions or to register now:

catholicmenforchrist.org/
catholicwomenforchrist.org.



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 #