MASS SCHEDULE WEEKENDS

Saturday at 4:30pm Sunday at 8:00am & 10:00am

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Saturday 7:00am Monday - Thursday 8:00am No 8:00am Mass for Summer

HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS

Check Bulletin For Mass Times

EUCHARISTIC 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) 7:00am to 2:30pm

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50am

CONFESSIONS

15 minutes before 7:00am Mass on Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday; and 3:45pm to 4:20pm on Saturday

ROSARY

Tuesdays at 7:00pm in Church

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd. Mark 6:34 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME July 22, 2018

PARISH INFORMATION

Registration of New Members: Please call the Parish Office to register.

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for Baptismal instructions and to

arrange a Baptismal date.

Marriage: Please contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date to begin the Church

process of marriage preparation.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.): Please call the Parish Office for information.

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, July 23

7:00am - Church Mass

7:00pm - Parish Office Finance Council 7:00pm - Parish Office St. V. de Paul

Tuesday, July 24

7:00am - Church Mass 7:00pm - Church Rosary

7:30pm - Church So. City Men's Recl.

Wednesday, July 25

7:00am - Church Mass 9:00am - Quilters' Room Quilters

Thursday, July 26

7:00am - Church Mass

2:00pm - School Dance Camp

6:00pm - Tobias Room
7:00pm - Church
Liturgy Committee
Contemporary Music

Friday, July 27

7:00am - Church Mass

Saturday, July 28

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

Sunday, July 29

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

5:00pm - Gym 2-on-2 Tournament



CYC ADULT AND YOUTH SOCCER REFEREES NEEDED

The South Central CYC is in need of soccer referees for the upcoming fall soccer season. The requirements for NEW referees for this PAID position are as follows:

- Must be 14 years old by August 1, 2018.
- Attend classroom clinic on <u>Sunday 7/29</u> at Sacred Heart Valley Park from 6-10pm (use gym entrance; session will be held in the Great Hall).
- Attend field training on EITHER <u>Wednesday</u> 8/1 from 6-7:30pm OR Saturday 8/18 from 9-10:30am at Memorial field in Webster Groves (corner of S. Elm and E. Glendale).
- Bring Cash/Check/Credit Card to purchase referee jersey/pea-less whistle and lanyard/data wallet with pad and red and yellow cards.
 Striped referee socks will also be available for purchase.
- Receive a score of 92% or above on the 2018 Soccer Official's Test.
- Must meet additional archdiocesan requirements if 18 years of age.

Returning referees must also receive a score of 92% or above on the 2018 Soccer Official's Test and are encouraged to attend a classroom clinic and on-field training. Classroom clinic is required for returning referees that score <92% on the official's test.

Pay ranges from \$15/game for K-2 games to \$30/game for 7th-8th grade games. Information can be found at cycsouthcentral.net (select soccer and then officiating).

To register, contact Referee Coordinator Melanie Sullivan at melaniesullivan9135@gmail.com or leave a message at 314.783.6249.

INFORMATION UPDATE

Reminder, please be sure to let the Parish Office know of any changes in telephone numbers, addresses, e-mail address, etc., so parish records are up-to-date.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 12 Wednesday, August 15 Saturday, August 18 Friday, August 24 Back-to-School Sunday First Day of School Watermelon Festival Back-to-School and Curriculum Night

ST. JAMES THE GREATER NOVENA

St. James the Greater parish will be praying a novena for the Feast of St. James the Greater beginning Saturday, July 21 until Sunday, July 29. Fr. Rajpaul Sundararaj will be the celebrant on all the days of the festal novena, with the following dates, times, and subjects. All are welcome to join us any or all evenings in the church, 6401 Wade Avenue, St. Louis, 63139.

Saturday, July 21. after 4:30pm Mass: James, One of the Twelve Sunday, July 22 .after 10:30am Mass: James, the Friend

Monday, July 23. 7:00pm: James, the Visionary Tuesday, July 24. 7:00pm: James, the Fisherman Wednesday, July 25, 7:00pm: James, the Brother Thursday, July 26, 7:00pm: James, the Son Friday, July 27, 7:00pm: James, the Disciple Saturday, July 28, 7:00pm: James, the Missionary Sunday, July 29, 10:30am Mass: James, the Martyr

ROSARY RECITATION - CONTINUES THROUGH SUMMER!

The Rosary is like an ancient treasure map. It has led countless men and woman to the treasures of peace, joy, clarity, and contentment. <u>SRA invites</u> any and all to pray the Rosary each week on Tuesday evenings, at 7:00pm in Church. May Mary hold your hands and help you along the great and sublime paths.

SERVERS FOR JULY 23-29, 2018

Monday, July 23

7:00am Henry Cyr Gavin Smith

Tuesday, July 24

7:00am Anna-Grace Guenther Cate Guenther

Wednesday, July 25

Rory Barnawell 7:00am Jack Stein

Thursday, July 26 7:00am Will William Hotze Justin Wingron

Friday, July 27

Addison Berta Thad Berta 7:00am

Saturday, July 28 7:00am Lyd

Lvdia Bick Mateo Switzer 4:30pm Avery Bradshaw Jovie Mersinger

Christian Concepcion

Sunday, July 29

8:00am Josh Abbott Joey Raymo

Sydney Browning

Rory Barnawell 10:00am Isabella Pfeiffer

Samantha Koziacki

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 22

8:00am Marilyn Parker 10:00am People of the Parish

Monday, July 23

7:00am Mariam Deachan

Tuesday, July 24

7:00am Dorothine Hulford

Wednesday, July 25

7:00am Msgr. Adolph Schilly

Thursday, July 26

7:00am Don Deachan

Friday, July 27

7:00am Doan Deachan

Saturday, July 28

7:00am Roseann Saracino 4:30pm Jerry Phelan



WEEKEND OF JULY 28-29, 2018

10:00am 4:30pm 8:00am

LECTORS:

Bob Ahrens Dennis Matreci Barb Cramer

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Kathy Steck Carol Hughes Ann Grabian

Pam Hager Kevin Liddy Tom Yehlen

Kathe Berger Mary Niemeyer Dennis Matreci

Gina Horas Joyce Holmes Carolyn Skidmore

Brian McCarthy Mary Reck **Greg Divis**

Barbara Cramer Karen Divis

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JULY 14-15, 2018

Sunday Collection \$ 5,244 Online Giving \$ 1,810 Weekly Total Collection \$ 7,054 Weekly Budget Goal \$ 9,000

Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal \$463,000 Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual \$388,765 Shortfall \$ 74,235

Online giving is fast, easy and convenient. Go to:

straphaelarchangel.org/online-giving. It's quick and simple to sign up!





KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The process for the 2018-2019 Kindergarten registration is now open. Children who are to be registered must be 5 years old by July 31, 2018. If you are interested in touring our school or would like to request a packet of information and the registration form, please call the School Office at 314.352.9474. Registration packets may also be mailed if requested.

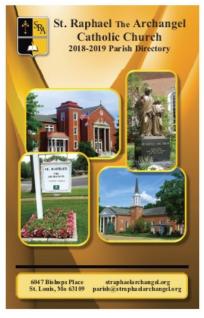


SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us for the Home and School Association's Back-to-School & Curriculum Night on Friday, August 24 at 6:30pm in the gym. Book your babysitter and join other SRA parents for an enlightening evening. Light refreshments will be provided. If you are interested in becoming a room parent for the 2018-2019 school year, please contact HSA Head Room Parent, Carrie McMorrow, at carriem0180@gmail.com or 314.750.4130. If interested in volunteering for school events, please contact HSA Volunteer Coordinator, Stephanie Kamp, at stephaniekamp22@hotmail.com.

Pre-K At SRA

We offer a Kindergarten readiness curriculum for children 3 to 5 years of age. We have 2 classrooms that each have 1 full-time lead teacher and 1 full-time assistant. We also have a part-time aide between the 2 classes. We offer a place for children to LAUGH, LOVE and LEARN in a loving environment that allows them to explore, experiment and create! We offer very flexible options of full or half days, as well as aftercare available until 6 pm. We are now accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year. Please contact Ms. Chris at federspeil@straphaelarchangel. org to schedule a tour or receive more information.



Our New Guide Book & Directory is Here!

Look in your mailbox for our new Guide Book & Directory. They should be arriving in the coming week.

The advertisers helped provide this service at no cost to our congregation. We encourage you to think of them in the future as your needs arise. If you are interested in advertising next year, contact amandavogt@guidebookpublishing.com for more information.

Please familiarize yourself with the ministries and organizations at our church located in the front of the book.

Father John's Digital Quill for Spiritual Musings and Parish News

Why does he do that?

Whenever a new priest comes to a parish, people quickly pickup on the peculiarities of how he chooses to say Mass. While we all try to be faithful to what the Church asks of us in celebrating the liturgy, we all have our little traditions that people can pick up on and wonder: why does he do that?

Perhaps the biggest one is I do try to watch my pacing. My last assignment required that I have Mass completed in one hour or less. I found at times, though, that I would get through Mass quickly and not really having absorbed much of the texts of the Mass. While being conscious of time, I do at times try to slow down a bit more just to make sure I am truly praying the text, which I hope helps those gathered for Mass to pray them as well.

I have noticed at Mass the greeting I choose to use sometimes trips up people. I choose between the more standard "The Lord be with you," and the longer, "Grace to you, and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ." I really do not have a reason why I have chosen these two or choose one over another on a particular day. They are both options offered by the Church and I use both.

I also like to walk around during my Sunday and school homilies. People comment to me that this helps them to connect and pay attention better and it helps me not to get so hung up on perfect delivery and thus read a text to you. I am very conscious at the same time that people can hear the homily. We are still working a bit on the sound system in church, but please let me know if you cannot hear me speaking with the portable microphone.

People both at my last assignment and at St. Raphael ask why I hold up the consecrated host and chalice longer. One Lent at Holy Rosary, I was really struggling and was moved to start holding up the Eucharist longer and pray during that time. I do not have a set prayer, usually words or a few lines of a song come to me. People have commented to me that it helps them to pray as well. Hopefully

this will become a moment of joint prayer before Our Lord for us.

Another thing I do during the Eucharistic Prayer is, after consecrating the host, is hold my pointer and thumb together. This is to hold any particles of the consecrated host there so they do not fall on the ground. It comes from the Extraordinary Form of Mass and is more of an expression of my personal piety.

You will also find that I try to rotate my use of Eucharistic Prayers. We all have our favorite Eucharistic Prayer, but each is beautiful and has something to offer for our reflection. When we hear only one, we can get into a bit of a rut. Hopefully such a rotation helps all of us to pay attention to this important part of the Mass.

Lastly, you will find me change places where I give out communion. In each of my assignments, people have asked that the priests rotate where they give out communion. People like their seats, but also like receiving the Eucharist from a priest from time to time. I am still working out how I will do this (especially with sections of pews gone), but please do not be surprised to see me rotating from time to time.

I think those are the big ones. If you see one that I missed, please let me know so I can write on it as well.

Thank you for the prayers while I was gone. It is good to be back!

I will see you in Church! - Fr. John #SRAstrong

St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us!

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." St. Vincent de Paul, a great man of action, was also a contemplative. His contemplation of God's love overflowed into practical love for the poor. Please say a special prayer for the poor and forgotten as you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul envelope.

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Raphael conference for St. Vincent de Paul desires donations of common household supplies; toilet paper, facial tissue, laundry and dish soap, food-storage bags, bar soap, shampoo, and conditioner. The will be taken on home visits to neighbors in need. Items may be placed in the bins in the church foyers. We thank you for these and the food items you donate each month.

Eucharistic Adoration Conference



Saturday, September 29, 2018

8 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Cardinal Rigali Center 20 Archbishop May Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63119

Schedule

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Mass in St. Vincent De Paul Chapel 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Refreshments & Check-in Lally Room

9:00 - 9:10 a.m. Prayer & Introductions

11:10 - 11:30 a.m. Questions & Answers

9:10 – 10:10 a.m. Keynote: Most Reverend Robert J. Hermann

10:10 - 10:30 a.m. Break & Resources Available for purchase

10:30 - 11:10 a.m. Parish Presentations on Adoration

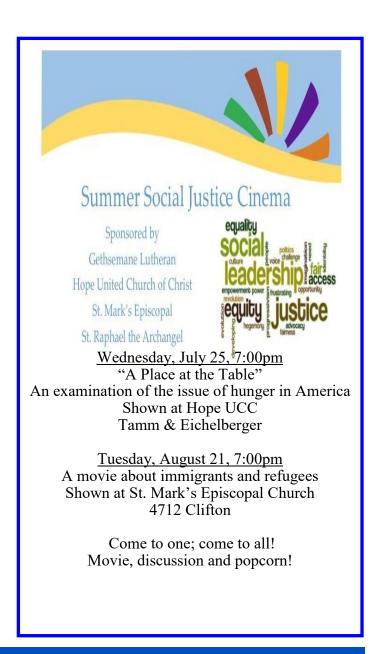
11:30 - 11:45 a.m. Closing Prayer

Cost: \$10.00 a person

Name:
Parish:
Email:

Please mail payment and registration to:

Office of Sacred Worship Attn: Amy Buehrle 20 Archbishop May Dr. St. Louis, MO 63119



FRIENDS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

The SRA FRIENDS FOR LIFE Campaign is scheduled to run from <u>August 5 to August 19</u>. Your contribution to FRIENDS FOR LIFE helps to save the

lives of the unborn, to protect the vulnerable, the weak, and the elderly, to educate young people about the virtue of chastity, to heal those who suffer as a result of an abortion, and to provide assistance for women experi-



encing a crisis pregnancy. You will find your FRIENDS FOR LIFE envelope in the August packet of envelopes. Please place your donation in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office.

Thank you for supporting the Culture of Life!

The SRA Pro Life Committee

2018 Project Rachel Weekend Retreat

PROJECT RACHEL, a program of the Respect Life Apostolate, will sponsor a weekend retreat from August 17 to August 19. PROJECT RACHEL helps to counsel and support those who suffer due to the scourge of abortion. The program is open to all faiths and backgrounds and confidentiality is a top priority.

For information, contact STLRespectLife.org or ihnpfaff@swbell.net.

St. Raphael Women – Save the Date November 10 For a Women's Day of Reflection Here in our Church With Donna Cori Gibson

(Sponsored by St. Raphael Ladies' Club and Women's Faith Sharing)

After years of working in New York as a professional, singer, songwriter, and studio musician, Donna now lives in the Midwest, far from the secular scene. Donna has been sharing her songs, sung prayers, and meditations via Golden Arrow Catholic Music and Media in Catholic churches and prayer groups, and on TV for 22 years. She is a repeating guest at many conferences and events from coast to coast. She can be heard in interview and song on Catholic radio stations across the nation and worldwide on Mother Angelica's EWTN Global Catholic Network, and sister short-wave station WEWN. Donna is featured in numerous television programs, including EWTN's "Life on the Rock" and "Backstage," NY's Prayer Channel and Shalom World Catholic TV. All the songs from her "Divine Mercy Prayers" CD are featured on the audio version of St. Faustina's Diary produced by the Congregation of Marians of the Immaculate Conception of Stockbridge, MA.

We were lucky enough to book Donna for a Day of Reflection as soon as she moved to the Midwest because her schedule fills quickly.

So, watch future bulletins for more details. The day will be open to all St. Raphael women and any of your neighbors, family and friends. Please begin praying now for the success of the day and the benefits it will have for all the women in attendance.

Excerpts from "Please Don't Ask Me to Sing In The Choir!" by Thomas L. Are

God Call In A Whisper

"Then the Lord called 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here am I!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again,' So he went and lay down." *I Samuel 3:4-5*

I listened to the homily.

Father said, "And God calls you just as loudly and clearly as He called the prophets and disciples." I heard Father up to that point, but God's calls to me are seldom loud or clear.

When God calls me, I thought, it's always in a whisper. He never seems to call me loud enough for anyone else to hear. I yearn for some confirmation of God's will for my life. Without it I respond with a measure of reservation. "Is this really God's call"?

I wonder about other, especially the apostle Paul. He, alone, heard the call of Christ for himself. The others with him only saw a light and heard thunder. Years later, after shipwreck, persecution and stoning in prison, I wonder if Paul felt any reservation. Did he ask, "Was it really Christ I saw, or was it just a great light"?

Not only does God call softly, His call can always sound like something else, something natural. Three times Samuel thought the call of God was the voice of Eli. God's call can usually be explained away.

I believe God does call, but if I am to hear it, I must lean into it. He could speak in a voice as he did to Samuel and Paul, but most often He communicates with me through a flower's beauty or a storm or even an anthem. And I am learning to hear Him when I listen.

Pray to Our Lord to make us open to Your call. Speak to us in a still, small voice and give us faith to listen.

In Christ, Dr. Nancy Deacon Amen.

Prayerfully consider joining the Adult Choir. Rehearsals are on <u>Wednesday</u> evenings from <u>7-8:30pm</u> in the church. The choir ministers at the 10:00am bimonthly Mass from September through Corpus Christi. Please contact Nancy Deacon 314.352.8100, Ext. 220 or <u>musicdirector@straphaelarchangel.org</u> for more information.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We extend a very special welcome to our friends and visitors who have come to pray with us today. Whether you are just having a look or are searching for a place to worship, we are happy to have you here. We trust that our worship will be encouraging to all and hope that you find a warm, welcoming community here at St. Raphael the Archangel Parish. Please call us at the Parish Office, 314.352.8100, if we can be of help to you or if you would like to become a member of our parish.



ATTENTION ALL SRA EIGHTH GRADERS AND HIGH SCHOOLERS

Please join us this <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>July 25 from 7-9pm</u> at Bishop DuBourg for a night of praise, prayer, and community. Please see saintlouislifeteen.org for more information.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

All are invited to come to the Holy Hour for Vocations! This is for everyone, those who are discerning a vocation, and those who would like to pray for vocations. Our next Holy Hour for Vocations will be Friday, August 17 at 7:30pm at the Main Church of Ascension Parish, 230 Santa Maria Dr., Chesterfield, MO. Transitional Deacon George Staley will preach the homily. Confessions will also be available. A social will follow the Holy Hour in the multipurpose room attached to the school. For information, please contact Fr. Michael Lampe at 636.532.3304.

MARIANIST RETREAT CENTER

SONS OF JOSEPH RETREAT FRIDAY - SATURDAY, JULY 27-28 4000 Highway 109, Eureka, MO

Fathers and sons invited. Sons need to be going into Grades 1-8. For more information, please contact the Retreat Center at 636.938.5390.

HEARTS OF MARY RETREAT <u>SATURDAY</u>, <u>JULY 28</u> 4000 Highway 109, Eureka, MO

Mothers, grandmothers, aunts or Godmothers and girls age 7-14 are invited. For more information, please contact the Retreat Center at 636.938.5390.

ATTENTION SEPARATED, DIVORCED, WID-OWED OR REMARRIED

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at the next meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, July 26, at 7:00pm, at the St. Catherine Laboure, 9740 Sappington Rd. At this meeting, Michael Ajero from St. Louis County Government, will speak about our safety and security. We will have refreshments, including watermelon. SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social activities and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your personal story with caring people. For more information, please call Pat Lynch at 314.537.5930 or Bill DeCoursey at 314.894.0733.



St. Patrick Center is in need of box fans and bottled water to provide care and comfort for our clients this summer. Donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday 8am-4pm at St. Patrick Center's donation dock on Hadley Street in downtown St. Louis,

one block east of Tucker Blvd. Contact Kelly Peach at 314.802.0687 or kpeach@stpatrickcenter.org for more information.

TO ALL MEN OF THE PARISH

The men of St. Simon's parish would like to invite you to join us for a weekend retreat facilitated by the St. Simon's ACTS team.

Who: You!! Ages 21 and older

What: It's a retreat (but not your Dad's retreat)

Where: Sisters of Mercy Retreat Center When: Thursday evening, August 2 through

Sunday morning, August 5

Why: Opportunity to get away, no chores, no

kids, listen to God, figure it out

For more information, go to stsimonchurch.org/acts-retreats.