

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 26, 2017

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS:

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

WEEKDAYS:

Monday through Thursday 8:00 am Monday through Saturday 7:00 am

HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS:

Check Bulletin For Mass Times

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of each month (with exposition) following 7:00 am Mass concluding at 2:00 pm with Benediction

Subsequent Tuesday of each month (without exposition) 7:00 am to 2:30 pm

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50 am

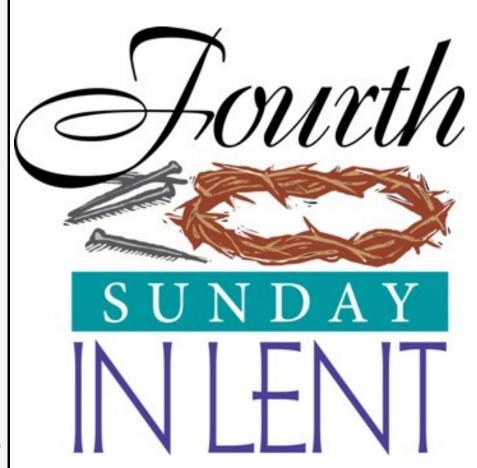
CONFESSIONS

15 minutes before 7:00 am Mass on Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday; and 4:00 pm to 4:25 pm on Saturday

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

Please call the Parish Office.

Gracious and compassionate God, as we journey through Lent, we continue to seek you.



4th Sunday of Lent March 26, 2017

CLERGY & STAFF

Rev. Robert J. Reiker Pastor

Reiker@straphaelarchangel.org

Deacon Roger Kreitler Permanent Deacon

Deacon Gerald J. Geiser Retired Deacon

Deacon Ron Holmes Permanent Deacon

and Pastoral Associate

holmes@straphaelarchangel.org

Dr. Nancy Deacon Music Director

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Mrs. Diane Halbert Parish Office Manager

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, March 27th

3:10 pm - Cafeteria Girl Scouts

6:00 pm - Tobias Room **Finance Council** 6:30 pm - Church Arch. Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm - Cafeteria Scouts

7:00 pm - Conference Room St. V. de Paul

Tuesday, March 28th

1:30 pm - Angel Room Bible Study

5:30 pm - Gym Softball

7:00 pm - Angel Room Knights of Columbus 7:00 pm - Church Weekly Rosary Rct.

7:30 pm - Raphael Room Wild Goose Prst.

Wednesday, March 29th

9:00 am - Quilters' Room Ouilters

3:15 pm - Church Schola Rehearsal

6:00 pm - Cafeteria Step Class 7:00 pm - Cafeteria Boy Scouts

7:00 pm - Church Choir

Thursday, March 30

2:00 pm - School Dance Class

6:30 pm - Conference Room Auction Adv. Panel

7:00 pm - Gym Town Hall Meeting

Friday, March 31st

2:00 pm - Church Stations of the Cross

3:15 pm - Tobias Room Marian Award 4:00 pm - Gym Mouse Races Setup

Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm - Church

Saturday, April 1st

8:00 am - Cafeteria Step Class

6:30 pm - Gym Mouse Races

Sunday, April 2nd

10:00 am - Church R.C.I.A. 7:30 pm - Gym Basketball

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.

FATHER BOB'S COLUMN

SRA 2017 LENTEN PROJECT – "BUY-A-VAN" FOR THE QUEEN OF PEACE CENTER

Halfway through Lent, the "gas gauge" for our Buy-a-Van project is not even one quarter full towards our goal of \$20,000. The Queen of Peace Center is acknowledged as the most effective treatment center in St. Louis for women with addictions to drugs and alcohol. The Center is a key part of the Catholic Charities network for the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

As Catholics we are called upon by the Lord to do prayer, fasting and almsgiving during Lent. This SRA Lenten Project enables us to take care of some of our Lenten responsibilities and to make a big difference in helping people in our own city. Our SRA Parish Council decided this year to reach out to a local need for our Lenten project, rather than looking somewhere out of the country. So this is our chance to help some St. Louis folks.

The Queen of Peace Center uses the van to pick up women and their little children from several Catholic Charity residences scattered around town, and bring them to the Center at Newstead and Maryland Aves. But the current van appears that it will not run much longer. A new passenger van will make sure that these mothers and children can continue to participate in the treatment and training programs at the Queen of Peace Center.

Take home one of the special envelopes in the pews and place it in the collection next week with your generous offering, or use our online giving site.



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ARDSHIP - WHAT IS IT AND WHAT DO WE NEED TO KNOW ABOUT IT?

"Stewardship" is the religious belief that God, as our creator and our Lord, has given us everything we have in our lives – it all belongs to God. Thus, he has given us the responsibility to use wisely what he has given for the good of his Kingdom here on earth. That means we are "stewards" or caretakers of what we have, not the real owners free to do whatever we want with whatever we have. A key part of being a good "steward" is to respond to our God who is asking that we return a portion of our gifts in gratitude for all we have been given – especially our valuable time and our considerable talent.

Next weekend, after consulting with our SRA Finance Council, I have invited the director of the Stewardship Office of the Archdiocese to speak to us about "the Stewardship of our Time and Talent." Mr. Dave Baranowski is an outstanding lay leader in our Archdiocese and has been given the responsibility and challenge of guiding all St. Louis parishes to live a life of Christian stewardship. He will help us learn how we can effectively offer to the Lord some of our time and talent, and how we can get more spiritual benefit from the giving of time and talent that we already extend here at St. Raphael Parish.

SERVERS FOR MARCH 27 - APRIL 2

Monday – Tuesday March 27/28 7:00 am Madelene Cierpiot Madelene Cierpiot C. Concepcion Jane Dubbert Spencer Willmann 8:00 am

Wednesday-Thursday 29/30 7:00 am Joseph Cyr Joseph Cyr Henry Cyr 8:00 am Andrew Borowiak Flora Borowiak

Friday March 31

7:00 am Rory Barnawell Kristin Nienhaus

Saturday April 1

Rory Barnawell 7:00 am Kristin Nienhaus

4:30 pm Grace Goeddel William Hotze

Mady Shine

Sunday April 2

Natalie Davis Abigail Stein 8:00 am

Mackenzie Sampson-Walk

Isabella Pfeiffer 10:00 am Gillian Neal

Sam Schicker

WEEKEND OF APRIL 1 & 2

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

PRIEST:

Fr. Bob Reiker Fr. Bob Reiker Fr. Bob Reiker

LECTORS:

Ron Goedeker Barb Cramer Steve Kratky

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Mary Dupske Helen Doyle Lorraine Gurley **Bob Ahrens** Sue Lawton Rosemary Phelan Maureen Ahrens Vicki Winter Tom Yehlen Dennis Matreci George Kerry Amy Ruggeri Margie Auer Rosita Koehler Carolyn Skidmore

> Tony Mariani Greg Divis

> > Karen Divis

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 26th

8:00 am Joseph Cross SI 10:00 am Carolyn Otz

Monday, March 27th

7:00 am Bart Saracino 8:00 am Judy Svetanics

Tuesday, March 28th

7:00 am Paul Boschert 8:00 am Donald Gralike

Wednesday, March 29th

7:00 am Gubser Family 8:00 am George Lucariello

Thursday, March 30th

7:00 am Dolores M. Sherwood 8:00 am Ralph G. Raskas

Friday, March 31st

7:00 am Robert Gage

Saturday, April 1st

7:00 am Jane Bottini 4:30 pm Regina Holdenreid

Sunday. April 2nd

8:00 People of the Parish 10:00 Thomas J. Koehler

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MARCH 18/19, 2017

Sunday Collection \$4,873.75 Online Giving \$1,155.00 **Weekly Total Collection** \$6,028.75 Weekly Budget Goal \$8,000.00 Tuition Assistance \$ 150.00

Fiscal Year-To-Date \$302,132.00 Fiscal Year-To-Date Goal \$312,000.00

Online Giving: To access our Online Giving Portal, go to straphaelarchangel.org/give/online-giving.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and believe. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist many families by providing food, utility assistance and rent. Thank you!



Saturday, April 1, 2017

Benefitting the SRA 8th Grade Class

Beer and Soda Provided!

Raffle Prizes!

Location: St. Raphael Gym

6000 Jamieson Ave St. Louis, MO 63109

Doors open at 6:30 Races begin at 7:00

Coolers and Food welcome

Contact: Jess at lenzenjm@gmail.com



\$15 per Person

\$150

Checks payable to SRA

	\$ Amt
Table Name:	Enclosed:
Attendees:	

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are men of faith and action with charity as our first principle. Each year charitable donations have reached \$181,000,000 with 73,500,000 hours of service nationwide. We support a Culture of Life through many initiatives such as providing ultrasound machines in pregnancy resource centers, resulting each year in saving 3,000 babies from abortion. We are a supporter of the Special Olympics and have provided over 40,000 wheelchairs to the American Wheelchair Mission. The Knights of Columbus Developmental Center at Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center has been created with over \$7,000,000 of support from the Knights of Columbus. These are just a few of the deeds. If you would like to learn more or join the Knights of Columbus, please contact Bob Ahrens 314.353,8444 or Matt Borowiak 314.351,0606.

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER MEETING

TOWN HALL FORUM

St. Raphael the Archangel Gymnasium Thursday, March 30th-

6:30pm

Featured Keynote Speakers: Jim Kavanaugh MLS2STL Vice President

Dave Peacock Executive Committee Member





SCHOOL OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Formed in Faith, Prepared for Life

FAITH – St. Raphael the Archangel School guides its students as they form their knowledge of the Catholic faith and their love for Jesus Christ, in an environment that promotes compassionate hearts through habits of personal prayer, reflection, and community service.

CHARACTER – Our school and parish community endeavor to develop each student's character by modeling and practicing the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. We nurture our students' perseverance, sense of gratitude, leadership, and ability to make informed moral choices.

ACADEMICS – We utilize a rigorous, measurable academic program that develops critical thinking skills, promotes imagination, celebrates individual gifts and talents, and fosters a life-long love of learning.

Small Design, BIG Results

THIS WEEK IN THE CAFETERIA

Monday, Mar. 27th	Tues., Mar. 28th	Wed., Mar. 29th	Thurs., Mar. 30th	Friday, Mar. 31
Nachos Supreme	Pepperoni Pizza	Baked Potatoes & Chicken Nuggets	Creamy Chicken & Rice	French Toast Sticks



Volunteers are needed to organize this year's Easter Egg Hunt. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for after the 10:00am Mass on Easter Sunday. Duties include someone to act as the Easter Bunny (Parish Office will rent the costume), collecting plastic eggs and candy. Also collected are new stuffed animals or toys for prizes. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

OUTDOOR SOCCER PROGRAM

There will be an outdoor soccer program for boys and girls of our SRA Parish, ages 5 - 12. The program will begin in early April and be held at Lutheran South High School. For more information, please call Marty at 314.393.1164.



MEMBERS OF THE BISHOP DUBOURG ACADEMY OF ADVANCED STUDIES

Congratulations to SRA alumni: back row - Ryan Lampe ('16), Henry LeGrand ('13); front row - Amy Marshall ('13), Ben Khotsyphom ('16) and Mary Nelson ('15).

PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN WILL RETURN NEXT WEEK AFTER SPRING BREAK

St. Raphael Preschool Is Now Enrolling! Updated Information!

St. Raphael School offers a Preschool Program for three- and- four-year olds. We provide a safe and nurturing environment in which children can learn, grow, and play together. Full-time and part-time options are available. Registration for the 2017-2018 school year began on January 30, 2017. For more information, please contact **Chris Federspiel** at 314.352.9474 or **federspiel**@straphaelarchangel.org.

- Tuition is paid monthly, regardless of a child's absence due to illness or holidays.
- Price includes morning and afternoon snack, but does not include lunch. Full Day preschool children may choose to buy a hot lunch for \$2.00 per day on days when lunch is served to grade-school students.
- Families with multiple children in St. Raphael the Archangel preschool may be eligible for a 10% discount off the preschool tuition rates.
- Payment is to be made through FACTS Automatic Withdrawal.
- After care is 3:00 pm 6:00 pm.



St. Raphael the Archangel Holy Week - Paschal Triduum

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday, April 8, 2017, On the Hour at 10:00 AM and at 11:00 AM and at 3:00-4:20 PM Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 6:40-7:00 AM; 7:30-8:00 AM, 8:30 AM (Open ended), & 7:00 - 8:00 PM Wednesday, April 12, 2017 4:00-6:00 PM

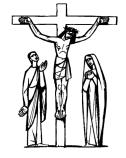


HOLY THURSDAY

April 13, 2017 7:00AM Morning Prayer (NO MASS) 7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper 8:30 PM-12:00 AM Adoration at the Altar of Repose

EASTER VIGIL

April 15, 2017 7:00 AM Morning Prayer (NO MASS) 7:30 PM Easter Vigil Service and Mass



GOOD FRIDAY

April 14, 2017 7:00 AM Morning Prayer (NO MASS) 3:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross





STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 2:00pm and 7:00pm



Sat. April 1 Mouse Races Sun. April 9 1st Communion Bow Sunday Thurs. April 20 Ladies' Club Quarter Auction Disc Golf Tournament Sat. April 22 Sun. April 23 Confirmation Bow Sunday Wed. April 26 Confirmation

1st Communion

Sun. April 30

THE WILD GOOSE PROJECT DVD SERIES

Join us every Tuesday evening of Lent, 7:30pm in the Tobias Room, to continue the Wild Goose DVD series, which brings us to a better and deeper understanding of how the Holy Spirit desires to work in our lives. You are welcome to jump into the series at any time, even if you have not attended the first weeks. There is no cost and no study guides are necessary. Just come with an open mind and open heart. Everyone is wel-

Questions, call Sue Brandt, 314.704.5304.

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

Do you know of a neighbor or parishioner who is physically unable to receive the sacraments due to an inability to physically attend Mass? If so, please contact us with a name or the name of a caregiver so we can reach out to help. Please respond by calling the parish office, or by calling or emailing Mary Faith Green at 314.832.3310 or greenfamily7@sbcglobal.net.





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2017 Lenten Project For Queen of Peace Center

We are inching very slowly to our \$20,000 goal so that we can buy a van for the Queen of Peace Center. Let's not disappoint the women and children who can benefit from this new van.

- In the past five years, over 100 babies have been born at Queen of Peace Center and over 90% have been born drug-free.
- Across all programs, Queen of Peace Center served almost 1,900 people in 2015, including 600 children.
- 240 families received family therapy.
- 1,100 people received housing services.
- 100% of children enrolled in Queen of Peace Center's daycare program displayed kindergarten readiness.

This Lenten project is so worthy of our financial support...please help us make this a reality.

SECOND ANNUAL SRA DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Pack 500, through the SRA Men's Club, is running the Second Annual SRA Disc Golf Tournament at Willmore Park on April 22.

Here is the website for registration - https://sites.google.com/site/sradiskgolf/

In addition, if you are interested in being a Tournament and/or a Hole sponsor, here are the available levels:

- Hole sponsor: \$100 (18 available, ad in program and sign at hole)
- Silver sponsor: \$500 (ad inside cover, sign at registration, 4 discs and one team registration)
- Gold sponsor: \$1000 (ad on back cover, sign at registration and hole 8, 4 discs, two team registrations)

Checks can be made to Pack 500 and given to Tom Finan. Registration for the tournament is open now. Please spread the word by sending the link to anyone outside of the parish who might be interested. Last year's event was a blast; let's make this one even more successful.



LOCAL PARISH FISH FRIES

Epiphany of Our Lord, 6596 Smiley Immaculate Conception-Maplewood, 4240 Anna Our Lady of Sorrows, 5831 S. Kingshighway

- St. Anthony, 3135 Meramec
- St. Gabriel, 6303 Nottingham
- St. James the Greater, 1360 Tamm Ave.
- St. Joan of Arc, 5821 Pernod
- St. Justin Martyr, 11914 Eddie & Park
- St. Mark, 8300 Morganford
- St. Mary Magdalen, 4924 Bancroft

Seven Holy Founders, 6737 S. Rock Hill

ST. LOUIS HILLS SCHOLARSHIP

The St. Louis Hills Neighborhood Association is accepting applications for the 2017 SLHNA Student Award for scholarship, leadership and service in school, church and community. Three one-time scholarships in the amount of \$600 will be awarded. The application deadline is Monday, April 24, and requires submission of a 3rd quarter/ 2nd trimester report card.

The applicant must be an eighth grade student, the daughter/son/legal dependent of a St. Louis Hills Neighborhood Association member living within the boundaries of St. Louis Hills. The applicant's family must have a current history of membership in SLHNA including 2017. The scholarship award is for the freshman year of high school only; it is non-renewable. For more information and an application, go to http://stlhills.com, membership/benefits category.

ST. PATRICK CENTER NEEDS YOUR HELP

St. Patrick Center needs move-in kits, mattresses and frames to get people settled into housing. For more information, contact Katie Joseph at 314.802.1976 or kjoseph@stpatrickcenter.org.



ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS!

Join us this Wednesday, March 29, as we continue journeying through Lent by finishing our series on Jesus' presence in the sacraments. As always, we will meet from 7-9pm at Bishop DuBourg. Please see saintlouislifeteen.org for more information.



We encounter Maria in Mexico, where a community of hardworking women share joys, sorrows and fellowship while growing economic opportunity at a greenhouse. How have your communities helped you encounter Christ anew this Lent?

For more information, ideas and suggestions, please visit http://www.crsricebowl.org.

Pitch Hit & Run Saturday April 1 10:00am to Noon

Open to Ages 7-14 (Girls-Softball, Boys-Baseball) Participation is Free Birth Certificate Required

PITCH - Throw strikes to a target

HIT - Hit from a stationery tee for distance & accuracy

RUN - Sprint from 2nd Base to Home for time

KOC Council 12323

St. Catherine Laboure Parish, 9740 Sappington Rd.

Contact Dennis Daniels at 314.337.1534 or ddaniels@movewithplatinum.com or visit mlb.com/phr.

CATHOLIC SINGLES ALUMNI CLUB ACTIVITIES

The Catholic Singles Alumni Club is hosting a soft-ball league in April and a singles dance in May. Interested? Contact Gina at ginananny@yahoo.com for information.

Information Page

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Date: March 22, 2017

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Contact: Parish Office 314.352.8100

Special Instructions: