

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.

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) 7:30am 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.

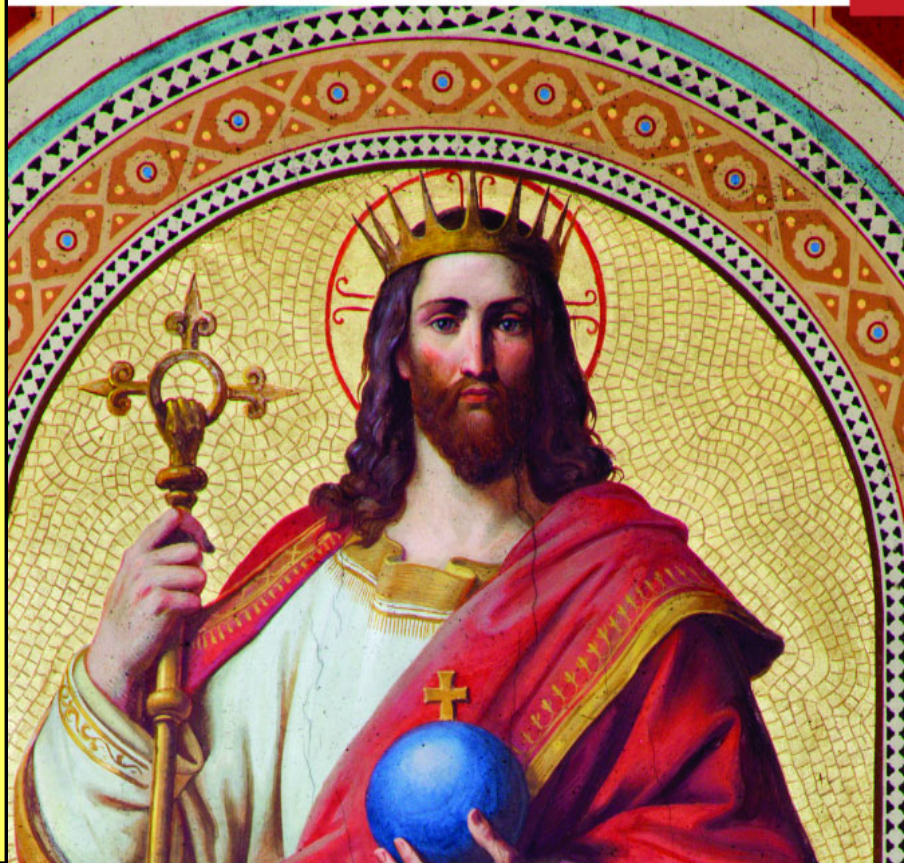
SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

November 10, 2019

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE KING OF THE WORLD
WILL RAISE US UP
TO LIVE AGAIN FOREVER.

~ 2 MACCABEES 7:9 ~



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

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OFFICE HOURS

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

School Office Monday-Friday 7:30am-3:30pm

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Finance Council Joseph Cyr 314.335.7322
HSA President Jennifer Delf 314.323.6073

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
NOV. 11-17, 2019**

Monday, November 11

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass - Veterans Rcpt.
7:00pm - Cafeteria Scouts
7:00pm - Tobias Room Parish Council
7:00pm - Raphael Room St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, November 12

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass
7:00pm - Church Rosary Recitation
7:30pm - Tobias Room Prayerful Scripture
7:30pm - Cafeteria Cub Pack Meeting

Wednesday, November 13

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass
9:00am - Quilter's Room Quilters
6:00pm - Cafeteria Step Class
6:30pm - Small Conf. Rm. RCIA
7:00pm - Parish Office HSA
8:30pm - Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, November 14

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Church Mass
2:00pm - School Preschool Dance
3:00pm - School K-5th Gr. Dance
3:15pm - School Chess Club
5:00pm - Cafeteria 1st Gr. Girl Scouts
7:00pm - Guardian Angel Rm. Men's Prayer Group

Friday, November 15

7:00am - Church Mass
5:00pm - Gym Volleyball Games
5:30pm - Tobias/Raphael Rms. Alpha Conference

Saturday, November 16

7:00am - Church Mass
8:00am - Cafeteria Step Class
9:00am - Gym Volleyball Games
10:00am - Church Naming and Commendation Mass
Mass

Sunday, November 17

8:00am - Church Mass-Fellowship
10:00am - Church Mass-Fellowship
12:00pm - Gym Volleyball Games

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

We are Doubly Blessed Today!

We will hear today about two exciting ways to become more active in our faith in different ways.

MOCAN Registration

Mr. George Kerry will speak to us today about registering for the Missouri Catholic Conference news and lobbying efforts in Jefferson City. With the spotlight on issues of life, religious freedom, and advocating for those in need, our elected officials need to hear our voices. MOCAN is the network used by the Missouri Catholic Conference to let us know what is going on and how our voices can be of help. Please consider signing up for these news alerts.

Alpha is Coming to SRA!

We will also hear about a new faith series that will start at St. Raphael on Friday evening.

Alpha is an informal program built around food and fellowship. In the context of this gathering, a video presentation is shown, asking us to consider the basic questions of life and the roots of our Catholic Christian faith.

This program invites Catholics, Christians, and anyone interested in God to explore the basic questions of faith, such as is there more to life, who is Jesus, and how do I have faith in God today?

The first "no obligation" presentation is Friday, November 15, in the parish office lower level. We hope that you will consider joining us for this first presentation to see if Alpha is right for you.

Naming and Commendation Mass November 16

This coming Saturday, November 16, at 10:00am, we invite parents who have lost a child before birth to a special Mass of remembrance. As part of the Mass, each family will be called up, be able to name the child, and pray with the community for the soul of the child or children who passed away before birth.

This is open to anyone in the parish, whether the child passed recently or decades ago. Everyone who personally knows this tragic loss can receive great healing from prayer and this Mass.

To prepare certificates for the Mass ahead of time, if you would like your child or children to be prayed for, please contact the parish office by Wednesday, November 13.

Gratitude Dinner

We hope that you are planning to attending our Gratitude Dinner next weekend!

All parishioners of St. Raphael the Archangel are invited to our Gratitude Dinner on Saturday, November 16. This family-friendly event will start after the 4:30pm Mass with food service from 6:00-7:30pm. We will also have drinks provided by the St. Raphael Men's Club as well.

This is a free event as a way for the parish to thank you for all you do for us. As this event is being catered, we are asking for an RSVP so we can let the caterer know how much food to prepare. **Please let us know by Wednesday if you plan to attend.** You can use the sheet in the bulletin or call or e-mail the parish office.

Advent is on the Way!

With all of the great events in last couple of weeks, it is hard to remember that in a few weeks we will be in Advent. We look forward to using our new hymnals. In addition, our new Adoration Chapel will open with a schedule similar to last year's. We also will offer Sunday times for confession in the evenings in a more informal way. Keep an eye on these pages and your mailbox for more information.

In Gratitude

Thank you to the members of our sister parish, Holy Trinity. Last Sunday they hosted a group of our parishioners in gratitude for painting their cafeteria. Their spirit-filled worship and gracious hospitality were truly meaningful and gratefully received.





Sunday, November 10

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Michael Adams

Monday, November 11

7:00am Bill Goeddel
8:00am Thomas J. Koehler, Sr.

Tuesday, November 12

7:00am Lucille Karr
8:00am Jennifer Harter

Wednesday, November 13

7:00am Don Deachan
8:00am Hodes Family, SI

Thursday, November 14

7:00am Don Deachan
8:00am Nancy Geiser

Friday, November 15

7:00am Helen Tepe

Saturday, November 16

7:00am Ralph Raskas
4:30pm George Sullens, Jr.

Sunday, November 17

8:00am Don Deachan
10:00am People of the Parish

Also, thank you to those who prayerfully witnessed at Planned Parenthood on Sunday. Holding a sign or a Rosary on a Sunday afternoon seems a little thing, but I know the witness affects others and God can use the prayers to bring good there the rest of the week. Thank you for taking the time to participate.

That Week Will Come

Those who frequently look at the financial report in these pages will notice that last week was a challenging week for the offertory. This week is a much better week for us.

I want to thank all of those who make the sacrificial gift to the offertory. Choosing to support the parish and school means saying no to something else. That choice is one I strive to respect in the decisions we make each day at the parish. Thank you for making that hard choice and the sacrifice it entails.

On the Road Again

After Masses this Sunday, I will point my car north again to Chicago. Our closing Mass is on Thursday morning and I hope to be back sometime in the afternoon. I know from phone calls that our fine staff and volunteers are working hard to make these days possible, and I am truly grateful.

If you do need to reach me, please know I will continue to be accessible via phone and e-mail.

I will see you in Church!

Fr. John #SRAstrong

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.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

For those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries in 2020, please mark your calendars for a Mass and reception on Saturday, February 22, 2020. If you were newly married in 2019 or if you will be married this coming year (2020) for 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or 60-plus years, please call the parish office at 314.352.8100 or e-mail to parish@straphaelarchangel.org with your wedding date. We will place you on the invitation list.

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR NOV. 11-17, 2019

Monday, November 11

7:00am Cillian Sheehan Brandon Young
8:00am Charlie Dirnbeck Kallista Hiatt

Tuesday, November 12

7:00am Kallista Hiatt David Hiatt
8:00am Charlie Dirnbeck Kallista Hiatt

Wednesday, November 13

7:00am Flora Borowiak Claire Fuhr
8:00am Charlie Dirnbeck Kallista Hiatt

Thursday, November 14

7:00am Matthew Franz Henry Cyr
8:00am Charlie Dirnbeck Kallista Hiatt

Friday, November 15

7:00am Christian Concepcion Maggie Anstey

Saturday, November 16

7:00am Charlie Dirnbeck Ryan Pinkerton
10:00am Mateo Switzer
4:30pm Avery Bradshaw Josh Abbott
Ethan Bradshaw

Sunday, November 17

8:00am Addison Berta Thad Berta
Brandon Young
10:00am Lucas Feldman Jio Raymo
Joey Raymo

MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF Nov. 16-17, 2019

LECTORS

4:30pm	8:00am	10:00am
Bob Ahrens	Barb Cramer	Joan Billing

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Kathy Steck	Mary Steck	Joan Billing
Pam Hager	Kevin Liddy	Ted Green
Kathe Berger	Mary Niemeyer	Mary Faith Green
Gina Horas	Mary Reck	Barbara Favre
Brian McCarthy	Barbara Cramer	Heather Hays
		Fred Hodes
		Steve Kratky

Your Contributions to God and Parish

November 3, 2019

(Envelopes Used)

	This Week	FY to Date
Regular Env. (104)	\$ 6,174.00	\$ 79,172.00
Loose Money	\$ 1,754.00	\$ 19,261.00
School Support	\$ 30.00	\$ 2,043.00
Building Fund	\$ 85.00	\$ 3,293.00
Holy Days	\$ 684.00	\$ 1,949.00
Online Giving (43)	\$ 1,817.00	\$ 40,362.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 10.00	
Thanksgiving	(\$ 30.00)	
Retired Religious	(\$ 470.00)	

Grand Total	\$ 10,874.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 10,374.00	\$ 147,387.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 162,000.00
Difference	\$ 1,374.00	(\$ 14,613.00)
FYE 2019		(\$ 39,072.00)

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word." (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17)

There are two important lessons here. First, we are called to be generous with our encouragement and hope. As God shows us mercy, we must be merciful to others. Second, joy is contagious! The joy we receive from doing good works not only strengthens us, it encourages others as well. Let us share the joy of living our faith whenever we can.



All veterans are invited to join the school community for a Veteran's Day Mass on Monday, November 11, at 8:00am. Mass will be fol-

lowed by a reception in the school cafeteria. Veterans interested in celebrating with us and attending the reception should contact the school office at 314.352.9474 and leave their name and number of people attending. Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 6. Participants are to gather in the back of church for a procession. We look forward to seeing you on November 11.

REMINDER

Please turn in your bookplate memorials for the new hymnals by Friday, November 15. If you need an envelope, please contact the parish office.

LADIES' CLUB

Mark your calendars. The November Ladies' Club meeting will be Thursday, November 21, at 7:00pm in the cafeteria. All are welcome. Dinner and drinks will be provided.

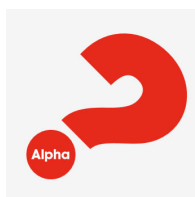
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Wis 2:23 -- 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Wis 7:22b -- 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8
 Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Parish Council Chairperson, Barbara Cramer, would like all lectors, Eucharistic ministers, members of the Stewardship Committee, and any other parishioners to be greeters at each of the entrances of church for all weekend Masses. If interested, please e-mail Barbara at bcramer58@yahoo.com to volunteer. Thank you for considering assisting with this ministry.

**ALPHA IS COMING TO SRA!
AND YOU ARE INVITED!**



Alpha is a chance to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Join us for a great meal and conversation with others as we delve into the meaning of life and faith; no strings attached. Come and see for yourself...what have you got to lose?

When: Friday, November 15, 6:30-8:30pm
 Where: Parish Office, Lower Level

Feel free to invite a friend to come with you! Adults only, please. Call, text or e-mail how many plan to attend so we can make enough food. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Mary at 314.326.6996 or mjreck@gmail.com.

MORE DATES TO SAVE!

Friday, November 15	Alpha Gathering
Saturday, November 16	Gratitude Dinner
Saturday, November 30	Advent Wreath Making
Sunday, December 8	Cookies with Santa
Sunday, December 8	Advent by Candlelight



Gratitude Dinner

The Stewardship Committee would like to thank our fellow Parishioners for their gifts of time and talent.

Please accept the Parish gift of dinner, drinks, and dessert on Saturday, November 16.

Where: SRA Gym

When: After 4:30pm Mass. Food will be served from 6:00-7:30pm

Who's invited? All Parishioners, including children.

Please RSVP by November 13, 2019

E-mail: parish@straphaelarchangel.org or call 314.352.8100

OR tear off the bottom portion of this invitation and drop it into the collection basket at Mass.

We hope to see you all there. Thank you for making #SRASTRONG.

Family Name: _____ Adults: _____ Children: _____



FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel we find that God is a God of the living, and this is indeed the core of our hope. Jesus has risen and is with us! Therefore, at no time should we be without hope for the future. When you give furniture, household items, and clothing to the Society, you give hope to your neighbors who have nothing. Thank you for supporting our truck collection drive! Also, shop the SVdP Thrift Store to further support those in need.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 6:00PM - ST. RAPHAEL GYM

Advent by Candlelight is an invitation for women to step away from hectic Christmas activities and focus on the inner preparation, which is the purpose of the Advent season. In that way, we ready our hearts and homes to receive the gift of the infant Jesus.

The evening opens with the hostess greeting her guests and general visiting among all those present. Then it continues with a short prayer service, followed by sharing of light hors d'oeuvres or dessert provided by each hostess for her particular table, and concludes with a guest speaker who never fails to inspire us.



We are very excited this year to have Kathie Hammell as our speaker.

Please consider being a table hostess and treating your friends, relatives or neighbors to this special event. The duties of a table hostess include reserving a table, inviting up to 7 more guests (8 people per table), decorating your table and providing table settings and light appetizers / desserts for your guests. More detailed information will be given to each hostess.

We encourage hostesses to keep their food very simple to support our desire to offer a less stressful, more peaceful, and enjoyable evening among friends.

This is a FREE event, but we will take up a collection for our parish if you would like to contribute that evening.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT RESERVATION

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

_____ I would like to be a Table Hostess. I want to invite others to sit with me. The people listed below will automatically be registered to be seated at my table. (Hostess information will be sent to you.)

_____ Hostess

_____ Guest

_____ Guest

_____ Guest

_____ Guest

_____ Guest

_____ Guest

_____ Guest

_____ I would like to register as an individual and would like to be placed at any table where there is room.

If possible please seat me with _____

Please return reservation form to Rachel Flavin, 5940 Highfield Rd., 63109, or e-mail your reservation to ladies@straphaelarchangel.org. Questions? Call Rachel, 314.496.8303.

**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 Saturdays:

November 16, 2019

January 18, 2020

December 14, 2019

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. **GOD’S WORK THROUGH OUR HANDS**

FRESHLY SHELLED AZALEA BRAND NUTS
Benefits the SRA St. Vincent de Paul Society

Nuts are unconditionally guaranteed fresh. Shelled nutmeats have a shelf life of three months. Freezing is recommended for longer storage. We expect delivery by Thanksgiving. You will be notified when nuts are available for pickup in the parish office. If you have questions, please e-mail Patti Webers at pwebers@sbcglobal.net.

Please include payment with order and checks should be made out to St. Raphael. Payment and order forms should be dropped off at the parish office or put in the collection basket. Order deadline is November 18!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Qty.	Item	Price Each	Total Cost
	1 lb. Mammoth Size Pecan Halves	\$12.00	
	1 lb. Pecan Pieces	\$11.00	
	1 lb. English Walnuts	\$8.00	
	1 lb. Gourmet Mix (pecans, cashews, brazil, hazel & almonds)	\$10.00	
	1 lb. Toasted, Salted Cashews	\$10.00	
	12 oz. Deluxe Praline Pecans	\$9.00	

Total Amount of Order (Enclosed): _____

School News

From Mrs. Hayes, Principal

Humility, accepting your limitations and God-given talents, is the virtue for the month of November. Wow, the virtue of Humility seems simple and straight forward, but in reality, it is a daily challenge for many of us. I have often shared with people that, as a principal, I have had to practice the virtue of Humility daily. Once I accepted that God was calling me to live a life of Humility, all the daily tasks as a principal became easier to embrace. Let us take this month to help our children accept their limitations and God-given talents with grace.

The faculty is currently participating in a book study with the book by Carol Dweck, *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success*, which complements the virtue of Humility perfectly. Dr. Dweck shows how success in school, work, sports, the arts, and almost every area of human endeavor can be dramatically influenced by how we think about our talents and abilities. *Mindset* reveals how great parents, teachers, managers, and athletes can use this idea to foster outstanding accomplishments.

Join me in thanking the Ladies' Club and the Quilters for the new tablecloths in the cafeteria. The Ladies' Club generously funded the cloths, and the quilters graciously redesigned and sewed them to fit the large size of our tables. To keep the tablecloths looking great, I ask all organizations to remove tablecloths during craft or art activities. Thank you!

From Mrs. Kathy Doty, Music

The following are areas being covered in music:

PreKA- singing songs and keeping the beat, finger poems about autumn, Old MacDonald, and songs with rhythm instruments.

PreKB - keeping the beat with short and long sounds using rhythm instruments, and finger poems about autumn.

Kindergarten- beginning our Christmas songs; short, long, short rhythm (Ti-Ta-Ti) Ta-ah (Rest); what do you hear?; steady beat/no beat.

First grade - "Five Little Pumpkins" song; rhythms that are alike and different using quarter notes and eighth notes; "Spelling Song"; added resonator bells-pitches going up (higher), down (lower); Christmas songs.

Second grade - call and response songs; singing, adding rhythm instruments, notation (quarter, eighth notes, rests (beats of silence); Christmas songs.

Third grade - syncopation (short-long-short) rhythm, ostinato (a repeated rhythm played throughout a song), following a listening map; practicing Christmas songs.

Fourth grade - review for upcoming test (study guide will be sent home). Practicing Christmas songs and syncopated rhythms, ostinatos.

Fifth - Eighth grade - rondo form, A-Rap, B- rhythm; working in groups on section C, practicing Christmas songs. Each group will perform its rondo for the class.



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

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