

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday at 4:30 pm

Sunday at 8:00 am & 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Saturday 7:00 am

Monday - Thursday 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

15 minutes before 7:00 am Mass on
Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday
Saturday 3:45 pm - 4:20 pm
Confessions also available by
appointment.

EUCCHARISTIC 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) 7:30 am - 2:30 pm

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50 am

ROSARY

Tuesday at 7:00 pm 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 11, 2018

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus observed how the crowd
put money into the treasury.
Many rich people put in large sums.
A poor widow also came and put in
two small coins worth a few cents.

Mark 12:41-42



November 11, 2018

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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."

CLERGY & STAFF

Fr. John Mayo Pastor
frjohn@straphaelarchangel.org

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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.

Monday, November 12

7:00 am - Church	Mass
8:00 am - Church	Mass
3:00 pm - Cafeteria	7th Gr. Girl Scouts
6:00 pm - Gym	4th Gr. Boys Vball
7:00 pm - Tobias Room	Parish Coun. Meeting
7:00 pm - Guardian Angel	SVDP Meeting

Tuesday, November 13

7:00 am - Church	Mass
8:00 am - Church	Mass
1:30 pm - Parish Office	Lectio Group
5:30 pm - Gym	Volleyball Playoffs
7:00 pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
7:00 pm - Church	Healing Prayer Serv.
7:00 pm - Rectory	Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, November 14

7:00 am - Church	Mass
8:00 am - Church	Mass
9:00 am - Quilter's Room	Quilters
3:15 pm - Gym	7th Gr. Boys Vball
5:30 pm - Gym	Volleyball Playoffs
6:00 pm - Cafeteria	Step Class

Thursday, November 15

7:00 am - Church	Mass
8:00 am - Church	Mass
2:00 pm - School	Dance Class
3:30 pm - Gym	8th Gr. Girls Vball
5:30 pm - Gym	Volleyball Playoffs
7:00 pm - Cafeteria	Ladies' Club

Friday, November 16

7:00 am - Church	Mass
5:30 pm - Gym	Volleyball Playoffs

Saturday, November 17

7:00 am - Church	Mass
8:00 am - Cafeteria	Step Class
10:00 am - Gym	Volleyball Playoffs
4:30 pm - Church	Mass

Sunday, November 18

8:00 am - Church	Mass
10:00 am - Church	Mass
10:00 am - Gym	Volleyball Playoffs

Fr. John's Digital Quill for Spiritual Musings and Parish News

*Welcome to our Fellowship (Donut) Sunday Weekend!
Know of our gratitude for our veterans who served to
defend the freedoms we take for granted everyday.*

May the Lord reward you for your service!

A Prayer for Veterans

“God of peace, we pray for those who have served our nation and have laid down their lives to protect and defend our freedom. We pray for those who have fought, whose spirits and bodies are scarred by war, whose nights are haunted by memories too painful for the light of day. We pray for those who serve us now, especially for those in harm's way. Shield them from danger and bring them home. Turn the hearts and minds of our leaders and our enemies to the work of justice and a harvest of peace. Spare the poor, Lord, spare the poor! May the peace you left us, the peace you gave us, be the peace that sustains us, the peace that saves us. Christ Jesus, hear us! Lord Jesus, hear our prayer! Amen.”

In Gratitude

I have many things to be thankful for this weekend:

- Thank you to Msgr. Stehly and to our parish and school staffs for handling so many things while I have been gone. Your professionalism and generosity is truly a blessing.
- Thank you to our auction chairs for this year, Liz and Pat Berry. The tone you set for this event was outstanding.
- Thank you to our past auction chairs for helping pass on learned wisdom to them and to me.
- Thank you to our many helpers and workers who helped in any way to setup, work, or cleanup from the events on Friday and Saturday evenings.
- Thank you to all of those who gave a donation to make the auction such a success.
- Thank you to all who attended the events Friday or Saturday night or participated remotely on their phones.
- Thank you for those who continue to support our tithing for the poor. We recently donated \$356 to St. Francis Cabrini, thanks to your donations.
- Thank you to our many donors, who have pushed the Angel Appeal to within \$10,000 of our \$100,000 goal. This is truly amazing! If you have not yet been part of this year's appeal, I invite you to pledge or give this week!

Upcoming Events

Donna Cori Gibson Concert November 11

This evening is a powerful evening to grow in faith. Donna Cori Gibson is a Catholic laywoman who has a great gift of praising God in song. These songs, both formal and personal, help to lead us into a deeper relationship with Christ. Her faith-filled witness is challenging and inspiring. I hope and pray that you will join us this evening at 6:00 pm in church.

Healing Prayer Service November 13

This week, we will be having another great opportunity for prayer as well. We will be gathering in church on Tuesday at 7:00 pm to pray for healing in our lives, our families, and our parish. Ray and Mary Anne Braun will be leading us in worship during this hour of prayer. Please join us!

Advent Wreath-Making November 24

This fun and faith-filled family event is returning to SRA! Make plans to join us on Saturday, November 24, after 4:30 pm Mass in the cafeteria. You know by then you will be tired of turkey, football, and shopping, so join us as we prepare for Advent.

Advent by Candlelight December 2

Speaking of Advent, ladies, Advent by Candlelight is also back this year. Fr. Matt O'Toole, a former Associate here at SRA and Great Preacher of the year 2018, will be back to lead us in growing closer to the Lord this Advent. Make plans to be there!

Advent Resources

In the next few weeks, you will be receiving an Advent booklet. I pray that this will be a daily thought or two, to help you better spiritually prepare for Christmas. Also, our entire Advent and Christmas schedule will be mailed to you in the coming weeks with a couple of additions. We will be having a time to come together as a parish for confessions on Tuesday, December 11, at 7:00 pm. I call it a Family Penance Service, because we invite the whole family to come to this time of spiritual renewal. I also do a time that I call “Last Call Confessions.” This is a three hour block, just before Christmas (December 23) to be exact, when I will be in the confessional and you can come to confession. No prayer service, no music, just confession and quiet time with the Lord.

Finally, you will want to come to Christmas Mass at SRA this year to get your special gift! No, sorry, I cannot tell you; it's a surprise!

I will see you in Church!

St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us! - Fr. John

SAVE THE DATE!

COOKIES with SANTA

December 2, 2018

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Please contact Carrie McMorrow with any questions or if you would like to volunteer, 314.750.4130 or carriem0180@gmail.com.

FROM ST. VINCENT FUNDRAISER NUT SALE!

- 1 lb. Pecan Halves - \$11
- 1 Lb. Pecan Pieces - \$10
- 1 Lb. English Walnuts - \$8
- 1 Lb. Gourmet Mix - \$10
- 1 Lb. Salted Cashews - \$10
- 12 Oz. Praline Pecans \$9

Order forms can be found in church. Order deadline is November 25 with delivery in mid-December. If you have any questions, please contact Patti Webers at pwebers@sbcglobal.net or 314.496.8836.



LADIES' CLUB CHILI COOK OFF

Is your chili the best ever? Or have you got a recipe that you're just dying to try? Well, whip up a batch for the SRA Ladies' Club Chili Cookoff to take place November 15, at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Voting will be by secret ballot, with recognition for best, most creative, and more. Prizes will be awarded, as well as bragging rights for a year!

We also need sides and desserts for those who just want to eat chili.

Please sign up to indicate that you are brave enough to accept the challenge!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B44A5AE2AAAF58-ladies>

SAVE THE DATE! ADVENT WREATH- MAKING and POTLUCK DINNER

Saturday, November 24
5:30 pm



FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells us: "For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you can show your love for our Lord and your love of your neighbor who is hungry, hopeless, alone and frightened.

ATTENTION, SRA ALUMNI!

SRA is continuing to look for all alumni. Therefore, please send your name, address, and e-mail address to Jennifer Delf at alums@strapharelarchangel.org or you can call the Parish Office.

SERVERS FOR NOV. 12-18, 2018

Monday, November 12

7:00 am Flora Borowiak Sydney Browning
8:00 am Samantha Koziacki Abby Delf

Tuesday, November 13

7:00 am Isabella Pfeiffer Nahima Ramirez
8:00 am Samantha Koziacki Abby Delf

Wednesday, November 14

7:00 am Sydney Browning Henry Cyr
8:00 am Samantha Koziacki Abby Delf

Thursday, November 15

7:00 am Flora Borowiak Gavin Smith
8:00 am Samantha Koziacki Abby Delf

Friday, November 16

7:00 am Thad Berta Addison Berta

Saturday, November 17

7:00 am Will Hotze Mateo Switzer
4:30 pm Rory Barnawell Eva Thompson
Mia Thompson

Sunday, November 18

8:00 am Abby Delf Nahima Ramirez
Samantha Koziacki
10:00 am Avery Bradshaw Sydney Browning
Liam McMorro

**MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF
NOVEMBER 17-18, 2018**

LECTORS

4:30 pm **8:00 am** **10:00 am**
George Kerry Kevin Liddy Dennis Matreci

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Kathy Steck Carol Hughes 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

“And ‘to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself’ is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices.”
MARK 12:33 What God wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of love, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission are important, but it’s more important to spend time in prayer with God and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 11

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

Monday, November 12

7:00 am Koehler Family, SI
8:00 am Stephen Medvik

Tuesday, November 13

7:00 am Don Deachan
8:00 am Elizabeth Hager

Wednesday, November 14

7:00 am Ed Wallner
8:00 am Bill Goeddel

Thursday, November 15

7:00 am Neil Svetanics
8:00 am Henry Tepe

Friday, November 16

7:00 am George Sullens

Saturday, November 17

7:00 am Nancy Geiser
4:30 pm Larry Frie

Your Contributions to God and Parish

November 4, 2018

(Envelopes used)

	This Week	FY to Date
Regular Env (80)	\$4,636.00	\$84,456.00
Loose Money	\$ 818.00	\$17,729.00
School Tuition Assistance	\$ 80.00	\$ 1,306.00
Building Fund	\$ 140.00	\$ 1,674.00
Holy Days	\$ 767.00	\$ 1,749.00
Online Giving	\$1,595.00	\$33,969.50
Parishioner Matching Gifts	\$0.00	
Company Matching Gifts	\$0.00	
[Permanent Diaconate]	[\$5.00]	
[Retired Religious]	[\$960.00]	
Grand Total	\$9,256.00	
Total for Parish	\$8,256.00	\$140,770.50
Amount Needed	\$9,000.00	\$171,000.00
Difference	(\$ 744.00)	(\$37,229.50)

MAGNIFICAT WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

My soul magnifies the Lord, my spirit finds joy in God my Savior... God who is mighty has done great things for me, holy is His name." - Luke 1:46-49

In these words of the Magnificat, Mary proclaimed to Elizabeth her gratitude for the wonderful action of God in her life. Please join us at the quarterly prayer breakfast for Catholic women of the archdiocese of St. Louis. Share together the spirit of gratitude and woman's experience of the transforming love of Christ in her own life.

Come and bring a friend to rejoice in the presence of the Lord. December 8, 8:30 am registration, 9 am - 12 pm breakfast and speaker, Kim Stanley. The cost is \$20. For more information and registration, call the Catholic Renewal Center at 314-731-6100 or email catholicrenewal@archstl.org

STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND... NEW AND EXPECTANT MOTHERS NETWORK

November 17 and 18, we will hear from a representative of SRA's New and Expectant Mothers Network as part of the Stewardship initiative, whereby we become a stronger parish family when we share our time and talent. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Elena Switzer.

If you prefer to share your time and talent with other SRA committees, there are many more to choose from. Please see the Parish directory for opportunities, or contact one of the Stewardship Committee members for further details. Stewardship Committee members are Maureen Ahrens, Rob Dirnbeck, Maggie Fuhr, Pam Hager, George Kerry, and Erin Pinkerton.

All phone numbers can be found in the Parish Directory. Thank you.



WINTER OUTREACH - A MINISTRY OF MERCY

With gratitude to all the SRA parishioners who make this ministry possible year after year, we are encouraged by our Catholic Social Teachings: *“Option for the Poor and Vulnerable,”* our Parish Community is truly 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 to me.”* (MT 25:31-46)

As winter approaches, many homeless “brethren” will be spending their days and nights on the streets of St. Louis. In an effort to give them some comfort, we are asking for help in providing meals during the coldest months. Drivers are also needed to deliver the meals to Americorps Shelter (1315 Ann Street) on our assigned Saturdays:

November 17
January 19

December 15
February 16



Please consider assisting the Ministry of Mercy by providing one or more of the following:
9 x 13 Casserole (Meat, Vegetable or Breakfast) Dessert - 12 to 24 Servings

Food is to be dropped off at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall by 1:00 pm. If needed, arrangements can be made to pick it up from your home. 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 email maryem@brick.net.

School News

School News

VETERANS DAY MASS

All veterans are invited to join the school community for a Veterans Day Mass on Monday, November 12 at 8:00 am. Mass will be followed by a reception in the school cafeteria. Veterans interested in celebrating with the school should contact the school office at [314.352.9474](tel:314.352.9474) with name and number of people coming. Participants will gather in the back of the church for a procession. We are looking forward to seeing you on November 12.

AFTERCARE HELP NEEDED

SRA Aftercare is looking for an adult to work in aftercare. This is a full time position, Monday through Friday, 3-6:00 pm. Applicants must be 21 or older, responsible, and most of all, love to be with children. If interested, please contact Molly Indelicato at indelicato@straphaelarchangel.org.

Eighth Graders Participating in World Food Day



Reminder for SRA School Families

Please remember your donation items for STUCO and SVDP to help 20 families have nourishing food in their pantries for the holidays. Items are due November 16.

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| Pre K Last Name A-L | Box of Cereal |
| Pre K Last Name M-Z | Oatmeal |
| Kindergarten | Bag of Rice &
Package of Cookies |
| First Grade | Box of Mac & Cheese and
Jar of Applesauce |
| Second Grade | Canned Chicken or Tuna |
| Third Grade | Large Bottle of Apple Juice |
| Fourth Grade | 3 Cans of Soup |
| Fifth Grade | Can of Chili and
Can of Beans |
| Sixth Grade | Package of Pasta and
Jar of Sauce |
| Seventh Grade | 2 Cans of Vegetables and
2 Cans of Fruit |
| Eighth Grade | Large Jar of Peanut Butter & Jelly |



ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND 6:00PM - ST. RAPHAEL GYM

Advent by Candlelight is an invitation for women to step away from hectic Christmas activities and instead focus on the inner preparation which is the purpose of the Advent season in readying our hearts and homes to receive the gift of the infant Jesus.

The evening opens with hostesses greeting their 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 Fr. Matt O'Toole as our speaker. Fr. O'Toole currently serves as pastor at St. Margaret of Scotland. An avid student of history with a great appreciation for art, literature, and popular entertainment, Fr. O'Toole weaves these elements into his preaching to create a tapestry of meaning and makes the Gospel of Christ and the Catholic faith relevant and meaningful. He was the recent recipient of the 2018 Great Preacher Award. He's also a native of South St. Louis (St. Joan of Arc Parish) and served as associate pastor of St. Raphael the Archangel from 1996-2001.

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 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 are encouraging hostesses to keep their food very simple in trying to keep with 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 email reservation to ladies @straphaelarchangel.org. Questions? Call Rachel, 314.496.8303.



Roman Catholic Foundation
of
EASTERN MISSOURI

Conversations about illness, death and dying are never easy. Whether death comes suddenly or after prolonged illness, most of us are not comfortable discussing our medical wishes or end-of-life plans with our loved ones. However, being prepared ensures that your final wishes are followed. It is important for you and your loved ones to understand the Church's teachings on end-of-life decisions. Advance planning on your part keeps your family from having to make these difficult decisions.

This free seminar is for people of all ages and life situations: singles, parents of young families, those caring for aging parents and those facing illness or death. There will be no solicitation at this event.

*Plan with heart.
Invest for good.*

THE CONVERSATION:

A Catholic Perspective on End-of-Life Issues

PRESENTED BY THE ROMAN CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 17, 2018

10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. (lunch provided)

Cardinal Rigali Center • Fleur De Lis Room
20 Archbishop May Drive. • St. Louis, MO 63119

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- *Principles of Catholic Bioethics,*
Fr. Donald E. Henke, D.Th.M.
 - Ordinary & Extraordinary Means of Preserving Life
 - Quality of Life & the Dignity of the Human Person
- *Advance Directives & Estate Planning,*
Raymond Kreienkamp, J.D., Husch Blackwell
- *Charitable Legacy Planning,*
Carri Brooks, Roman Catholic Foundation
- *Funeral & Cemetery Planning,*
Msgr. Vernon Gardin, Immacolata Parish
 - Pastoral Care of the Sick & Dying
 - Anatomical Donation & Cremation

*"Very well organized, well presented information
that every person should hear"*

-Judy Neary, St. Clare of Assisi parishioner

To register, please visit
rcfstl.org/the-conversation or
call 314.918.2892.



**MARY QUEEN OF PEACE
FALL BOUTIQUE**

**Saturday, November 17, 2018
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
680 W. Lockwood Ave
Webster Groves, MO 63119**

**Join us for a great shopping experience as we host over 40 vendors selling numerous types of gifts, clothing, jewelry, art stationery, books and so much more.
Food & Drinks available.**

***Our Lady of Guadalupe and the
Tilma of Saint Juan Diego:
Cultural, Scientific and
Theological Considerations***



YOU ARE INVITED

Please join us for an afternoon under the protection of **Our Lady of Guadalupe** as we explore together the miraculous aspects of the tilma of Saint Juan Diego and the influence of Our Lady of Guadalupe as an Icon of a New Church and of a New America. Two noted speakers, Dr. David Keys and Father Bruce

Nieli, CSP, will lead us to a deeper appreciation of the event at Tepeyac Hill, not only for the people of the time but for all people for all time.

The event will be held at the Cardinal Rigali Center, Sunday afternoon, November 18, from 2:00 – 5:00 pm. Fees: Early Bird: \$20.00; after November 12: \$25.00; at the door: \$30.00. For information and/or registration, contact Sr. Marianne Postiglione, RSM at 314.792.7221 or mariannepost@archstl.org.

ST. MATTHIAS FALL CRAFT FAIR

**Saturday, November 24
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
800 Buckley Road
Various Handcrafted Items, Concessions,
Baked Goods, Raffles
314.892.7500**



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WELCOME TO ST. RAPHAEL'S 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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