

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 22, 2020

Reading I

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark. I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly. As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD, I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

Ez. 34:11-12, 15-17

Responsorial Psalm

PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

R. (1) **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

R. **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

R. **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R. **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R. **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Reading II

1 Cor 15:20-26, 28

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel

MT 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' (Continued on the next page)

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School Office Summer Hours

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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 (school only)

CONFESIONS

15 minutes before 7:00am Mass on Tuesday,
Thursday, and Saturday

Saturday 3:45pm to 4:20pm

Confessions also available by appointment.

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

The church is open for private prayer:

Monday-Friday 8:00am - 2:30pm,

Saturday 8:00am - 4:30pm,

Sunday 9:00am - 10:00am.

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday mornings at 6:50am

ROSARY

Public praying of the Rosary is suspended.

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.

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.

Gospel (Continued)

Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

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

Thank You

A word of gratitude to Msgr. Stehly, Mrs. Hayes, and our parish and school staffs for their extra efforts while I have been away on retreat. While I was away, it was deeply comforting to have these individuals taking care of things here. It really did lessen what was on my mind so I could connect more fully with the Lord. May God reward your generosity!

Online Giving

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish and school throughout the pandemic. I am still humbled to see the envelopes dropped off at the rectory every weekend by families who are staying away due to the Coronavirus.

In particular, we are grateful for the increase we have seen in online giving. This type of giving is very helpful as it helps us to budget what we will receive.

Recently, our finance committee has encountered the issue of e-mails not sent out by OSV to the online givers on our committee. This has caused some concern, as people thought their online giving had stopped when in fact it was still ongoing.

If you are a regular online giver, and have not gotten the e-mail notifications, please contact the parish office. We can help direct you to technical support for OSV. This in turn helps us to understand if this is an isolated issue or if it is more widespread needing additional action.

Thank you again for your generosity to us!

Extension of Plenary Indulgences for the Dead Plenary Indulgence During the Month of November

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and the need to avoid large groups, the Plenary Indulgence applicable to the deceased by those who visit a cemetery has been extended beyond the normal dates of November 1-8. This year, the indulgence can be obtained by anyone who visits a cemetery, even if only mentally, on any day in November, and devoutly prays for the faithful departed.

Plenary Indulgence for the Feast of All Souls Day

Regarding the Plenary Indulgence attached to All Souls' Day, this year, it can be obtained not only on the preceding or succeeding Sunday, or on the ac-

tual Feast day, but on any other day of the month chosen by each member of the faithful. In this case, the indulgence is obtained by "devoutly visiting a church or an oratory," along with the recitation of the Our Father and the Creed, and the other requirements associated with a Plenary Indulgence.

The Homebound

For those people who cannot leave their homes for various reasons, including Covid restrictions, they too can obtain the Plenary Indulgence by "uniting themselves spiritually to other members of the faithful." In this case, the condition of being "completely detached from sin" and the intention of completing the other requirements for obtaining a Plenary Indulgence remain. These conditions are Sacramental Confession, reception of Holy Communion, and a prayer for the Holy Father's intentions. The Decree suggests that such prayer take place before an "image of Jesus or the Blessed Virgin Mary." Among the various prayers that are recommended are "prayers for the deceased, Morning or Evening Prayer from the Office of the Dead, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditating on various Gospel passages proposed for the liturgy of the Dead, or completing a work of mercy by offering to God the suffering and discomforts of one's own life."

(From <https://www.archstl.org/Portals/0/November%202020%20FDLC%20Resoucres%20for%20the%20Dead.pdf>)

Mass for Thanksgiving

On Thanksgiving, November 26, our parish will have only one Mass at 7:00am. This Mass will also be livestreamed. The Mass schedule for the rest of the Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend is unchanged.

Advent

Next weekend begins our new Church year with the season of Advent. We hope that you will receive this week, if you have not already, a mailing with an Advent book, as well as a list of celebrations for this holy season.

In particular, we invite you to join us in person or online for Advent Evening Prayer and a talk on the Holy Family at 5:30pm every Sunday of Advent. The prayer and talk should be about 45 minutes in length.

Also, please see the expanded times for Confession on the two Saturdays prior to Christmas. These times for Confession will be with the parish priests. There will be no face-to-face Confessions - only with the screen - due to the ongoing pandemic.

I pray that this holy season will be a retreat for all of us as we prepare to welcome Jesus at Christmas.

Happy Thanksgiving

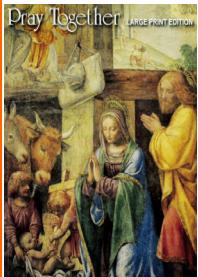
On behalf of Msgr. Stehly, Deacon Jerry, our entire parish and school staffs, and myself, we wish you and your families a blessed and safe celebration of Thanksgiving this year.

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

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, Mass will be celebrated only at 7:00am. Also, please note, the parish office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27.

LARGE-PRINT MISSALETTES



The new, large-print edition of the *Pray Together* missalettes for November through March are now available. If you would like one, please stop by the parish office to pick one up. The office hours are Monday - Thursday from 7:30am until 4:00pm and Friday from 7:30am until noon.

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear Jesus say: "...whatever you did for one of the least brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." We know that we find the face of Christ in the poor. Last month, through our gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to serve needy families, and provided \$300 in food, \$920 for utility bills, \$400 for rent, and \$150 in thrift store vouchers for bedding. Thank you!



This beautiful, handmade quilt will be raffled after the 10:00am Mass on Sunday, December 6. If you need additional tickets, please contact the parish office at 314.352.8100.

ADVENT GIVING TREE



Our Advent Giving Tree this year will once again sponsor Peter & Paul Community Services. In addition to their meal program, P&P offers various supportive services to those who are homeless, many who are living with mental illness, addiction, or HIV/AIDS. Due to current events, the "gifts" to the Giving Tree will only be monetary. All money collected will be used by P&P to provide those in transitional housing with gift cards to purchase needed household and personal items.

Kindly place your donation in an envelope marked "Peter and Paul Community Services." You can put it in the collection basket, drop it off at the parish office, or mail it to the parish office. Checks should be payable to "St. Raphael" and are due NO LATER than December 16.

We are grateful for your continued generosity, allowing us to provide needed support to this organization that is working hard to improve and change lives for the better. Thank you to all who are able to participate in this Advent Season of giving to those in need.



Mass INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 22

8:00am Lee Roy Borowiak
10:00am Anita S. Groi, Mary Knight,
Marian Goldkamp

Monday, November 23

7:00am Ernie J. Winkelmann
8:00am Kimling Family

Tuesday, November 24

7:00am Kara Cummings
8:00am Thomas Dunsford

Wednesday, November 25

7:00am Charles Berger

Thursday, November 26

7:00am Matt Held

Friday, November 27

7:00am Mary Carroll, SI

Saturday, November 28

7:00am Ernie J. Winkelmann
4:30pm Laurette Muehleisen Kuhl

Sunday, November 29

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am David Wimber

“...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me.” – Matthew 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness, or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but when needed.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

November 15, 2020

(Envelopes Used)	This Week	FY to Date
Regular Env. (46)	\$ 1,883.00	\$ 87,647.00
Loose Money	\$ 1,723.00	\$ 17,135.00
School Support	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,010.00
Building Fund	\$ 155.00	\$ 3,940.00
Holy Days	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,868.00
Online Giving (49)	\$ 2,131.00	\$ 50,371.00

Retired Religious (\$ 15.00)

Catholic Campaign Human Develop. (\$ 5.00)

Thanksgiving (\$ 25.00)

Tithing (\$ 225.00)

Grand Total \$ 6,322.00

Total for Parish \$ 6,054.00 \$ 164,338.00

Amount Needed \$ 9,000.00 \$ 180,000.00

Difference (\$ 2,946.00) (\$ 15,662.00)

FYE 2020 (\$ 37,795.00)

DAILY READINGS

- Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6;
Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
- Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
Thanksgiving Day (suggested):
Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
- Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
- Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7;
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDI!

Monsignor Dennis Stehly, Vicar General of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, celebrated the conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation upon our 8th grade class on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. Father John Mayo concelebrated. It was a beautiful ceremony and our students were excited to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.



While we cannot celebrate our Auction in person this year, we still hope to provide a memorable night!

This year, for the purchase price of \$75, your ticket will arrive to your home in the form of our Auction Gift Bag! Each gift bag will include:

- An SRA Auction Wine Tote Bag
- Two SRA Auction Wine Tumblers
- An SRA Auction corkscrew/bottle opener
- A cozy, SRA throw blanket
- Two bottles of wine (your choice of red or white)

Our auction page will go live very soon so you can customize your package. We will deliver your SRA swag the day of the Auction.

We have an extremely limited amount of this fun SRA gear.
Purchase your package early to join in the fun!



JUST IN TIME FOR CELEBRATING ST. NICK'S DAY! THE SRA CLASS OF 2021 FAMILIES WILL DELIVER TO YOUR DOOR ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, A FESTIVE BOX OF 6 PRE-BAKED COOKIES WITH ICING & SPRINKLES GALORE, HOT COCOA, AND CANDY TREATS ALONG WITH THE STORY OF ST. NICK.

ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Allergies/Special Requests: _____



SPRINKLE FROM KRIS KRINGLE BOX - \$20

QUANTITY	TOTAL
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PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SRA. DROP OFF ORDER FORM & PAYMENT TO SRA
ATTN: KRIS KRINGLE OR EMAIL ORDER FORM TO SHERRILYN13@SBCGLOBAL.NET

**FOR MORE INFORMATION TEXT OR CALL SHERRI SMITH
(314) 941-7100 OR SHERRILYN13@SBCGLOBAL.NET**

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE SRA 8TH GRADE CLASS MYSTERY TRIP & GRADUATION CELEBRATION

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION OF ST. ALPHONSUS

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as though You have already come. I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

ST RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

BLACK & GOLD AUCTION

FEBRUARY 13, 2021

Auction Donation Blitz and Swag Bag Raffle!

Black Friday is almost here! While out holiday shopping, please consider picking up an item or two to donate to the Auction.

Donations valued at a minimum of \$25 and received in the Parish Office between 12/1 and 12/11 at 5pm will be entered into a drawing to win our Black and Gold Auction Swag Bag and dinner for two from Bartolino's Osteria on Auction Night!

The winner of the Auction Night Package will be announced on 12/14.

Check out our Auction page on Facebook by searching
"St. Raphael the Archangel Black and Gold Auction"

Our Auction Wish List on Facebook lists some of our most desired items for this year's event.

Questions? Need to make special arrangements for an item drop off?

Contact: Katie Meier katiemeier82@gmail.com

SRA Parish Office Hours for Item Drop Off

Monday-Thursday 7:30a-4:00p

Friday 7:30a-12p

