

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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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 2019
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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

*Zacchaeus ran ahead
and climbed a
sycamore tree in
order to see Jesus.*

LUKE 19:4



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

Fr. John Mayo	Pastor
	frjohn@straphaelarchangel.org
Msgr. Dennis Stehly, VG	Priest-In-Residence
	dennisstehly@archstl.org
Deacon Gerald J. Geiser	Retired Deacon
Dr. Nancy Deacon	Music Director
	musicdirector@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Diane Halbert	Parish Office Manager
	halbert@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Mickey Janos	Admin. Assistant
	janos@straphaelarchangel.org
Mr. Robert Schlueter	Maintenance
Mrs. Julie Hayes	School Principal
	hayes@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Linda Mechler	School Secretary
	secretary@straphaelarchangel.org
Mrs. Qi Franz	Cafeteria Manager
	franz@straphaelarchangel.org

OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office Monday-Thursday 7:30am-4:00pm
Friday 7:30am-12:00pm
School Office Monday-Friday 7:30am-3:30pm

CONNECT WITH US!

Parish Office	314.352.8100
Fax	314.353.6603
School	314.352.9474
Fax	314.351.7477
Website	straphaelarchangel.org
Facebook and Twitter	@SRAtoday
Instagram	straphaelarchangel

LAY LEADERSHIP OF OUR PARISH

Parish Council	Dan Meshoto	314.452.1017
School Board	Todd Berta	314.352.8420
Finance Council	Joseph Cyr	314.335.7322
HSA President	Jennifer Delf	314.323.6073

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
Nov. 4-10, 2019**

Monday, November 4

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
3:00pm - Cafeteria	8th Gr. Girl Scouts
5:00pm - Gym	8th Gr. Girls Vball.
6:30pm - Gym	4th Gr. Boys Vball.
7:00pm - Cafeteria	Scouts
7:00pm - Parish Office	Stewardship Mtg.

Tuesday, November 5

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
1:00pm - Raphael Room	Fifty Plus Club
3:15pm - Church	DeAngelis Choir
5:30pm - Gym	7th Gr. Girls Vball.
6:30pm - Gym	3rd Gr. Boys Vball.
6:30pm - Cafeteria	3rd Gr. Boy Scouts
7:00pm - Church	Rosary Recitation
7:30pm - Tobias Room	Prayerful Scripture

Wednesday, November 6

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
9:00am - Quilter's Room	Quilters
3:15pm - Gym	8th Gr. Boys Vball.
4:45pm - Gym	6th Gr. Boys Vball.
6:00pm - Cafeteria	Step Class
6:30pm - Small Conf. Room	RCIA
7:00pm - Church	Adult Choir
7:00pm - Gym	5th Gr. Boys Vball.
8:30pm - Gym	Men's Basketball

Thursday, November 7

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Church	Mass
2:00pm - School	Preschool Dance
3:00pm - School	K-5th Gr. Dance
3:00pm - Cafeteria	5th Gr. Scouts
3:15pm - School	Chess Club
5:30pm - Gym	4th Gr. Girls Vball.
6:30pm - Gym	5th Gr. Girls Vball.

Friday, November 8

7:00am - Church	Mass
4:15pm - Cafeteria	1st Gr. Girl Scouts

Saturday, November 9

7:00am - Church	Mass
8:00am - Cafeteria	Step Class
4:30pm - Church	Mass
6:30pm - Gym	Trivia Night

Sunday, November 3

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

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

All Souls Day November 2

We welcome to St. Raphael this Saturday the family members of those who have experienced a death in their family this past year who were also parishioners or relatives of parishioners at St. Raphael. This day can be a great comfort as we gather together and see the faithful witness of others. It can also be a great moment of grace for us and for our loved ones as well.

Praying for those who have died is a spiritual work of mercy. After death, our souls are judged by Christ on one question: did we in our lives manifest true love for others? The answer to that question will determine where we will be for eternity: Heaven or Hell or Heaven with a time spent in Purgatory to cleanse us of our lingering faults.

We pray that our loved ones go immediately to Heaven. But Our Lord and our Church counsel us to continue to pray for them even after death. Such prayers do not show a lack of faith on our part or a doubting of the person's goodness. It is, rather, responding to the call of our Lord to pray for those who have died.

Here is a prayer that we can pray from the Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary:

Dear God of Mercy, I pray this day for all souls, both known and unknown to me, who, although touched by death, have not yet entered Your Heavenly Kingdom. While they loved you in their lifetime, they failed in some way to attain the perfection Heaven demands. So in my love for them, I offer my prayers, my small works of mercy in the hope that Your mercy will flow to them and bring them to eternal peace with You.

May they intercede for me for the graces I may need to live out my life on earth in perfect obedience and love of You, my Father, so that I, too, may join them in everlasting life with You in Heaven.

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

40 Days for Life November 3

Today from noon to 3:00pm, our parish is sponsoring time in front of Planned Parenthood to walk the sidewalk prayerfully and to witness for the cause of life. If you did not get a chance to sign up and

would still like to participate, we invite you to come and join us as your schedule permits.

Trivia Night November 9

Next Saturday, November 9, we will have our annual Marcia Matreci Trivia Night. If you do not have your table registered yet, there is a signup form in the pages of this bulletin. Please return it to the parish or school office early this coming week to guarantee your table!

Alpha is Coming to SRA!

A new series of presentations is coming to St. Raphael to help us grow in faith.

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 roots of our Catholic Christian faith and to discuss in a small group the questions and issues it poses.

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

On 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 Banquet

All parishioners of St. Raphael the Archangel are invited to our gratitude banquet on Saturday, November 16. This family-friendly event will start



Sunday, November 3

8:00am Liz Rayborn
10:00am Mark Preiss

Monday, November 4

7:00am Lorraine Sullivan
8:00am Maureen Mabry Hizer

Tuesday, November 5

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

Wednesday, November 6

7:00am Ernie Winkelmann
8:00am Bob Hoeynck

Thursday, November 7

7:00am Bill Goeddel
8:00am Roger Kreidler

Friday, November 8

7:00am Howard and Joan Pfeifer

Saturday, November 9

7:00am Althea Cross
4:30pm Elizabeth Hager

Sunday, November 10

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

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.

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 if you are coming by responding as soon as you can. You can use the sheet in the bulletin or call or e-mail the parish office.

On the Road Again

This Sunday, November 3, I will not be at St. Raphael for Mass. I will be celebrating Mass at our sister parish, Holy Trinity in North City, to thank the members of our parish who helped to paint the cafeteria.

Tomorrow, November 4, I will be leaving for the last section of my spirituality class in Chicago. I will be gone on November 4 and return on November 9 for the Marcia Matreci Trivia Night. I will leave again on the 10th to return to Chicago and drive back on November 14. Unlike the time of retreat, I will be accessible via phone and e-mail and will keep the scheduled meetings with Stewardship and the Parish Council.

I want to thank again Msgr. Stehly and the parish and school staff for their extra efforts while I am gone and you for your understanding.

- Fr. John #SRAstrong

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 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.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the following SRA alumni for being awarded scholarships at St. Mary's High School.

Senior Will Hannibal (2016)
Bro. Mike Barber, SM, Scholarship
Senior Stephen Bowman-Moelm (2016)
Rev. O'Shaughnessy, SM, Scholarship

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVICES FOR NOV. 4-10, 2019

Monday, November 4

7:00am	Flora Borowiak	Andrew Kellar
8:00am	Gavin Smith	Jio Raymo

Tuesday, November 5

7:00am	Anna-Grace Guenther	Cate Guenther
8:00am	Gavin Smith	Jio Raymo

Wednesday, November 6

7:00am	Claire Fuhr	Gavin Smith
8:00am	Gavin Smith	Jio Raymo

Thursday, November 7

7:00am	Madalene Cierpiot	Brendan Cierpiot
8:00am	Gavin Smith	Jio Raymo

Friday, November 8

7:00am	William Hotze	Steven Irons
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Saturday, November 9

7:00am	Andrew Kellar	Jack Stein
4:30pm	Rory Barnawell	Aidan Switzer
	Mateo Switzer	

Sunday, November 10

8:00am	Maggie Anstey	Lydia Bick
	Christian Concepcion	
10:00am	Lydia Eddingfield	Isabella Pfeiffer
	Samantha Koziacki	

MINISTERS/LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOV. 9-10, 2019

LECTORS

4:30pm	8:00am	10:00am
Matt Fuhr	Mary Reck	Steve Kratky

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

October 27, 2019

(Envelopes Used)

	This Week	FY to Date
Regular Env. (63)	\$ 2,401.00	\$ 72,996.00
Loose Money	\$ 780.00	\$ 17,507.00
School Support	\$ 365.00	\$ 2,013.00
Building Fund	\$ 85.00	\$ 3,208.00
Holy Days	\$ 82.00	\$ 1,265.00
Online Giving (40)	\$ 1,817.00	\$ 38,725.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 10.00	
Catholic Communica- tions	(\$ 5.00)	
Tithing/Concern for the Poor	(\$ 20.00)	
World Missions	(\$ 20.00)	
Hymnals	\$ 373.00	
Grand Total	\$ 5,958.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 5,913.00	\$ 136,923.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 153,000.00
Difference	(\$ 3,087.00)	(\$ 15,987.00)
FYE 2019		(\$ 39,072.00)

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.' "(Luke 19:8)

We are all called to give back to the Lord gratefully in proportion to the blessings we have been given. This means we aren't called to give the same amount, but to give equal sacrifice. No amount is too small or insignificant! We should open our hearts. How is God calling us to be more generous with our financial resources and possessions?

VETERAN'S DAY

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14
 Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24
 Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
 Thursday: Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10
 Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
 Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
 Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16 -- 3:5; Lk 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who came out on a very rainy Saturday to donate items.

We were able to completely fill the truck. We will be able to provide our neighbors with thrift-store vouchers so they can purchase much needed items.

Thank you again for your support of St. Vincent De Paul!!!

MEN'S BASKETBALL

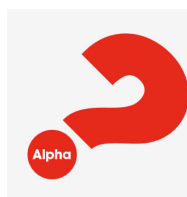
SRA hosts an open gym for men's basketball on Wednesday nights from 8:30 to 10:00pm during the basketball season (November through March). Informal pick-up games for recreation and exercise are open to adult parishioners. Cost is free for regular Mass attendees. To receive a weekly reminder, please e-mail a contact address to brianmccarthy@peaknet.net.

fiftyplus

FIFTY PLUS CLUB

The next Fifty Plus meeting is Tuesday, November 5, at 1:00pm in the Parish Office, Raphael Room. Bring a friend! The Fifty Plus Christmas Luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, December 3, at 1:00pm at Pietro's Restaurant (3801 Watson Rd). If you plan to attend, please sign up at the November meeting or call the Parish Office at 314.352.8100. Also, bring some canned goods for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. All are welcome.

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.



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: _____

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.

FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Zacchaeus accepts our Lord joyfully and the sign of his acceptance is his open house and his resolution to give half of his goods to the poor. Through your gifts to the Society, you also show your acceptance of our Lord by joyfully sharing your goods with your neighbor who is hungry, hopeless, alone, and frightened.

We thank all who supported our truck drive last Saturday. Please know that your donations of clothing and household items will directly help families in our area. God bless you.



THE VOCATION CHALICE

The St. Raphael Vocation Chalice Program will soon be one-year old. If you, as an individual, a couple, or a family have not had the opportunity to take the Chalice home for one week to pray for vocations, please contact Maureen Ahrens at 314.353.8444 or e-mail at reahrens40@att.net to be scheduled in the near future. To learn more about the program, ask a member of the SRA Serra Committee: Barb Cramer, George Kerry, Bob Ahrens, or Bart Saracino.

Name: _____

email: _____

Phone: _____

8TH GRADE FUNDRAISER!

Butter Braid:	_____	x	\$15	=	_____
Cookie Dough:	_____	x	\$16	=	_____
Deluxe Cookie Dough:	_____	x	\$17	=	_____
Pizza Packs:	_____	x	\$18	=	_____

Total Items: _____ Total Amount: _____

Please make checks payable to SRA

Last Day to Order: November 5th

Delivery Date: November 15th

Questions? Heather Kellar 353-4685



Thank-you from the 8th Grade Class

Butter Braid - 22 oz., 11 Servings

Apple - \$15

Strawberry Cream Cheese - \$15

Cinnamon - \$15

Cherry - \$15

Cream Cheese - \$15

Raspberry - \$15

Carmel Roll - \$15

Wooden Spoon Cookie Dough 40 1 oz. Cubes

Deluxe Triple Chocolate - \$17

Deluxe White Chunk Macadamia Nut - \$17

Chocolate Chip - \$16

Peanut Butter - \$16

Snickerdoodle - \$16

Pizza 2 Pack - 11"

Four Cheese - \$18

Ultimate Pepperoni - \$18

Meat Lover's Supreme - \$18

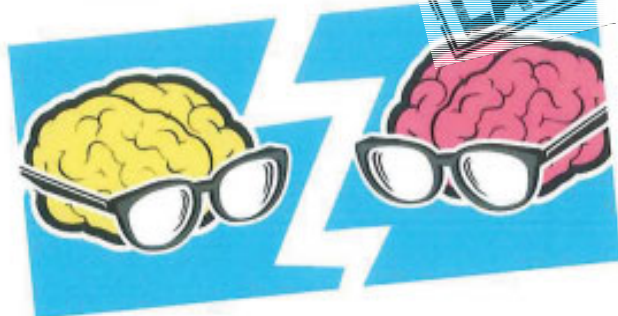
BBQ = \$18



THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who came and cleaned the chandeliers. They will look so nice during the upcoming holy days and holidays.

**St. Raphael the Archangel
Home & School Association
9th Annual
Marcia Matreci
Memorial Trivia**



WHEN...

Saturday, November 9, 2019

- **Doors open at 6:30 PM**
- **Trivia starts at 7:00 PM**

WHERE...

St. Raphael the Archangel Gym

6000 Jamieson Avenue / St. Louis, MO 63109

ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING...

- **\$180/table**

TABLES OF 8 ←

- **Includes 3 mulligans & 2 table games**
- **Includes beer, soda & snacks**

RESERVATIONS...

- **Make check payable to:**
SRA - HSA
- **MUST be paid in full at time of reservation. No exceptions.**
- **Complete bottom portion**
- **Return bottom portion with payment to:**

SRA Rectory

**6047 Bishops Place
St. Louis, MO 63109
314.352.8100**

QUESTIONS...

- **Sharon Yehlen**
sharona66@aol.com

Contact Name, Number, & Email: _____

Table Members: _____

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. Checks should be made out to St. Raphael the Archangel. Order deadline is November 18!

Thank you for your support!

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): _____