



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH


APRIL 24, 2022 | SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER




WELCOME!

VISIT OR CONTACT US

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Mon.-Thu. | 7:30am-4:00pm
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SCHOOL INFORMATION

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Mon.-Fri. | 7:00am-3:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday | 7:00am, 4:30pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

WEEK DAY MASS

Mon. - Fri. | 7:00am
Mon. - Fri. | 8:00am

CONFESSION

Tues., Thu., Sat. | 15 minutes before
7:00am Mass
Saturday | 3:45pm-4:20pm
Other | By Appointment

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Mon.-Fri. | 8:00am-2:30pm
Saturday | 8:00am-4:30pm
Sunday | 9:00am-10:00am



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Entrance Antiphon

1 Pt 2: 2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Reading I

Acts 5:12-16

Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. They were all together in Solomon's portico. None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them. Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them. Thus they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats so that when Peter came by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. A large number of people from the towns in the vicinity of Jerusalem also gathered, bringing the sick and those disturbed by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118

R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."

R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

"The Lord's right hand has done mighty deeds; His right hand is exalted." I shall not die, I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord.

R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done, a marvel in our eyes.

R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Reading II

Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

I, John, your brother, who share with you the distress, the kingdom, and the endurance we have in Jesus, found myself on the island called Patmos because I proclaimed God's word and gave testimony to Jesus. I was caught up in spirit on the Lord's day and heard behind me a voice as loud as a trumpet, which said, "Write on a scroll what you see." Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and when I turned, I saw seven gold lampstands and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, wearing an ankle-length robe, with a gold sash around his chest. When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives. Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever. I hold the keys to death and the netherworld. Write down, therefore, what you have seen, and what is happening, and what will happen afterwards."

Gospel

Jn 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

April 10, 2021 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
Regular Env. (65)	\$ 3,759.00	\$ 186,649.00
Loose Money	\$ 2,123.00	\$ 83,230.00
School Support	\$ 110.00	\$ 6,235.00
Building Fund	\$ 75.00	\$ 12,510.00
Holy Days	\$ 100.00	\$ 5,395.00
Online Giving (53)	\$ 3,304.00	\$ 111,829.00
Catholic Relief	(\$ 5.00)	
ProLife	(\$ 10.00)	
Easter Flowers	\$ 10.00	
Ukraine Relief	(\$ 120.00)	
Lenten Project	(\$ 665.00)	
Tithing	(\$ 45.00)	
Catholic Home	(\$ 30.00)	
Missions		
Grand Total	\$ 10,356.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 9,481.00	\$ 421,622.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 378,000.00
Difference	<u>\$ 481.00</u>	<u>\$ 43,622.00</u>
FYE 2021		(\$ 15,462.00)

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" Indeed, the mercy of God centers our hearts in peace. In the months of March and April, because of your generous donations, our Society was able to help many poor and struggling families celebrate the peace of Easter, by providing \$650 in food vouchers, \$625 for rent, \$1,348 for household and automotive expenses, and \$1,856 for utility bills. Thank you and God bless you!

Your Contributions to God and Parish

April 17, 2021 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
Regular Env. (21)	\$ 505.00	\$ 187,154.00
Loose Money	\$ 3,315.00	\$ 86,545.00
School Support	\$ 150.00	\$ 6,385.00
Building Fund	\$ 230.00	\$ 12,740.00
Holy Days	\$ 4,277.00	\$ 9,672.00
Online Giving (54)	\$ 3,029.00	\$ 114,858.00
Holy Land	(\$ 635.00)	
Tithing	(\$ 100.00)	
Lenten Project	(\$ 344.00)	
Ukraine Relief	(\$ 50.00)	
Rice Bowl	(\$ 80.00)	
Retired Religious	(\$ 885.00)	
Grand Total	\$ 13,595.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 11,506.00	\$ 433,128.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 387,000.00
Difference	<u>\$ 2,506.00</u>	<u>\$ 46,128.00</u>
FYE 2021		(\$ 15,462.00)

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'"
(John 20:21)

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the Apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not just with our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of those in your life with whom you need to reconcile. Call them right now or, better yet, go visit them.

Guest Column: Citizenship in Heaven

By David Baranowski, Director of Parish Stewardship & Leadership Formation

What comes to mind when we think of ourselves as citizens of the United States of America?

For many, probably both positive and negative things. We enjoy incredible freedoms, but also we face head-shaking divisions that come with those freedoms. If we are truly the “land of the free,” how come it feels that we are slaves to material things and to our own self-interests? Why does it feel that we never have enough? As Americans, we have been blessed with so many gifts, resources, and talented people. Yet, we are filled with so much anxiety, isolation, and despair. Maybe “freedom” doesn’t come from acquiring a lot of “stuff” or from the never-ending drive to be the “best” no matter the cost.

Now, what comes to mind when you think of yourself as a citizen of heaven? (Or, do you even think of yourself that way?) In his letter to the Philippians, St. Paul reminds us that “our citizenship is in heaven.”

When I think of heaven, my immediate thought goes to, “Am I good enough to get there?” In the hustle and bustle of daily life, many times we forget that our earthly citizenship is temporary. We forget that our earthly decisions have eternal consequences. But, when I keep “heavenly citizenship” front and center in my thoughts, words, and actions, it affects my earthly citizenship, and in a good way. Growing in friendship with the Holy Trinity actually makes my time on earth more “heavenly.” By changing our perspective “on what is above, not of what is on earth,” God gives us glimpses of heaven through Holy Mass and the Eucharist; through truth, beauty, and goodness; and through joy, love, mercy, peace, and hope.

Many of us let citizenship in our country, state, city, and even our parish community limit the bigness of God. Because of our fallen nature, we become so caught up in our own self-sufficiency, selfishness, desire for control, and pride that we forget that our time on Earth is a dress rehearsal for eternal life in heaven or hell. We may actually think that we don’t need God.

God created us to be in relationship with Him. Our relationship was broken through sin. Jesus restores our relationship. We are invited to repent and follow Jesus. Through Baptism, we are God’s adopted daughters and sons. We are made to be with Him, not separated from Him. Citizenship in heaven is our destiny, but only if we choose the gift of life that God freely offers us.

As we enter the Easter season, let’s put the “bigness” back in God. Aim for heaven. Use your gifts according to God’s will for you. Let your daily decisions be for the greater glory and honor of God. Live the life that God intended for you on earth and in heaven.

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School Sisters of Notre Dame

SRA Lenten Project...*Serving Those who Serve Us: School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND)*

THANK YOU, THANK YOU...more than \$11,000 was contributed to our Lenten project for the School Sisters of Notre Dame ministries, more than double the \$5,000 financial goal. The check will be presented to the Sisters at the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, June 4. On Good Friday, several of our parishioners delivered the 100 care packages, assembled by the SRA school students and staff, to Sr. Patricia for the Sisters in residence at the Mother House. Below are some photos from our delivery to them!



BARRESTL & N.E.X.T.

The New and Expectant Parents Network (N.E.X.T.) supports parents throughout the transition of welcoming a new child or after the loss of an infant through care packages, meals and prayer throughout the south city area. Please join us at this fun event to support these efforts!



When: Thursday, April 28, 7pm

What: 45 min entry level class & refreshments to follow

Where: BARRESTL at 3342 Watson Rd

Suggested Donation \$25

Sign up at: <https://www.union.fit/events/barre-stl-barre-stl-x-n-e-x-t>

Questions? meredith.a.winters@gmail.com or szouglas@freemanhomesllc.com

To learn more or get involved with N.E.X.T.
nextministry@straphaelarchangel.org

Annual Catholic Appeal

The 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal has begun. The Archdiocese has sent letters with pledge cards to most parishioners. There are three options:

1. Go online to pledge/pay for the year.
2. Fill out the pledge card and mail directly to the ACA.
3. Fill out the pledge card and put it into the collection basket or deliver it to the parish office.

In addition, on this weekend, April 23/24, and on April 30/May 1, and on May 7/8, your pledge card will be available in the church vestibule where parish ACA workers can help you.

Our parish has been very generous in the past. Please continue your generous support.

Parish Annual Catholic Appeal Committee

DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
Monday	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday	Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday	Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday	Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday	Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-
Saturday	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Laudato Si' - "Praise be to You" Care for God's Creation

Care of Our Common Home



The words that open Pope Francis's encyclical on ecology and care for God's creation are impactful. These words remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a

mother who opens her arms to embrace us. Each of us is called to take concrete steps - from reducing consumption to working for political change - to better care for creation. Changes to lifestyle and consumption habits can make a big difference. For example, get a reusable water bottle, take shorter showers, walk, bike instead of driving, recycle, compost food waste, and buy energy-efficient appliances.

LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF

APRIL 30 - MAY 1, 2022

4:30pm	8:00am	10:00am
Ron Goedeker	Matt Maxfield	Denise Howard

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR APRIL 25 - MAY 1, 2022

Monday, April 25

8:00am	David Hiatt	Kallista Hiatt
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Tuesday, April 26

8:00am	Matthew Franz	Mac Teeter
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Wednesday, April 27

8:00am	Adriana Kurtovic	Paddy Meier
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Thursday, April 28

8:00am	Helen Potts	Jude Potts
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Friday, April 29

8:00am	Linus Cyr	Xavier Cyr
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Saturday, April 30

4:30pm	Ava Christlieb Frank Koziacki	Matthew Franz
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Sunday, May 1

8:00am	Adriana Kurtovic Nahima Ramirez	Dalila Ramirez
10:00am	Sophia Bradshaw Ethan Bradshaw	Mac Teeter

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.



Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 24

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Ernst and Marie Winkelmann

Monday, April 25

7:00am Hodes Family, SI
8:00am Mary Carol Grouns

Tuesday, April 26

7:00am Eva Jobst
8:00am Purgatorial Society

Wednesday, April 27

7:00am Joseph and Kathryn Darpel
8:00am Kimling Family

Thursday, April 28

7:00am Bill and Mary Lou Schicker, SI
8:00am Anita Toczyłowski

Friday, April 29

7:00am Mary Mahoney
8:00am Jack Magee

Saturday, April 30

7:00am Yvonne Buffa
4:30pm People of the Parish

Sunday, May 1

8:00am Angelo Corso
10:00am Marcia Matreci

Rosary

Every Wednesday in church, we will pray the Rosary at 6:30am for the church community. Please plan to attend.



Monday, April 25

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
6:00pm Parish Off. Finance Council
7:00pm Raphael Rm. St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, April 26

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
7:00pm Raphael Rm. Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, April 27

6:30am Church Rosary
7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
7:30pm Church So. City Men's Recollection
8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, April 28

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
2:00pm Cafeteria Preschool Dance
3:00pm Cafeteria K-5th Gr. Dance
5:30pm Cafeteria 3rd Gr. Girl Scouts

Friday, April 29

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass

Saturday, April 30

7:00am Church Mass
2:00pm Francis Park Cornhole Tournament
4:30pm Church Mass

Sunday, May 1

8:00am Church Mass
10:00am Church Mass - First Communion

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

2 PM REGISTRATION
3 PM BAGS FLY

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EMAIL: MSTAW42@YAHOO.COM

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1ST \$200
2ND \$150
3RD \$100

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50/50 Raffle

SATURDAY APRIL 30TH

FRANCIS PARK @ ROCKWELL BEER GARDEN
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TEAM NAME: _____

CONTACT # _____

SUBMIT FORM AND PAYMENT TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY 4/23. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SRA

ST RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

BLACK & GOLD AUCTION

MAY 7, 2022

Please consider supporting our 50/50 raffle! Tickets will remain on sale until dinnertime the night of the event. You can print extra tickets from the parish website.

If you have any questions, please contact us!
Our email address is katiemeier82@gmail.com.

Thank you for your generosity!



SRA Summer Camp is Back for 2022!

Join us for an exciting program of summer fun!
The 2022 Registration Form went home with PreK- 4th-grade students today.

Explorer Club (EC) is for children ages 3-5 (must be potty-trained)
Adventure Club (AC) is for children entering 1st-5th grade in the Fall

Registration Forms deadline is Friday, April 29, 2022

Please contact the school office if you need a registration form.

We would also like to welcome Molly Browning as our new Summer Camp Director and Carrie Decker as our new lead Summer Camp Teacher.

Let the Summer Fun Begin!

**Mother's Day cards
are available in the
Jamieson entrance
courtesy of
Birthright of Hillsboro**

♥♥♥

**Support young
mothers with your
donation to this
prolife ministry!**

♥♥♥

Thank you!

Congratulations to the winners of the 2022 Fantasy Masters Golf League!

First Place: Ian Geisz
Second Place: Mark Loeffler
Third Place: Patrick Brennan

Thank you to all who participated!

Prevent and Protect/Protecting God's Children

After more than 15 years of service to the parish as Child Safety Coordinator, Mary Steck has decided to retire! We thank her for her commitment to this valuable program which is created to both prevent and respond to child sexual abuse. Taking over as Child Safety Coordinator is Pam Hager of our parish. Pam has been working in our Parish Office for the past three years and is prepared to take the responsibilities from Mary. If you have any questions, please email Pam at hager@Straphaelarchangel.org. Thank you.



ALL THINGS NEW
STEADFAST IN FAITH • FORWARD IN HOPE

As part of the *All Things New* strategic pastoral planning initiative, you are encouraged to share your input about Catholic Education in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. The survey is open to all current/former/prospective parents, alumni, faculty, staff, administrators, donors, volunteers, and community members of both Catholic Schools and Parish-based Religious Education programs. The survey is available to be completed from April 5 through May 2 and can be accessed here: www.surveymonkey.com/r/EDUCATIONSURVEY2022. For any questions, please email allthingsnew@archstl.org.



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: _____

E-mail: _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

☐ New Parishioner

☐ Please Contact Me

☐ New Phone/E-mail/Address/Phone Number

☐ Please Do Not Publish Phone#