



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 2, 2023 | PALM SUNDAY THE PASSION OF THE LORD



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



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Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Jn 12: 1, 12013; Ps 24 (23): 9-10

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

At the Procession with Palms - Gospel

Mt 21:1-11

When Jesus and the disciples drew near Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tethered, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them here to me. And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once." This happened so that what had been spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled: Say to daughter Zion, "Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." The disciples went and did as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

At the Mass - Reading I

Is 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help; therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

Responsorial Psalm

22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him, let him rescue him, if he loves him." **R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?** Indeed, many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes in upon me; they have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones. **R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?** They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But you, O LORD, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me. **R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?** I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the LORD, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; revere him, all you descendants of Israel!" **R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

Reading II

Phil 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Verse before the Gospel

Phil 2:8-9

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 2

8:00am Paul Beckerle
10:00am People of the Parish

Monday, April 3

7:00am Ken Soehngen
8:00am Dave Hiatt, Sr.

Tuesday, April 4

7:00am Dolores Bauer
8:00am Jean Ogden
7:00pm Special Intention

Wednesday, April 5

7:00am Emma Cecco
8:00am Juliana Connelly Hand

Thursday, April 6

7:00pm Joseph F. and Kathryn H. Darpel

Friday, April 7

No Masses

Saturday, April 8

7:00am Richard A. LoRusso
8:00pm Dorothy and Sam Lawson

Sunday, April 9

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

"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." Matthew 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbors and help them "carry their crosses." These opportunities aren't usually big events; they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping carry groceries or holding doors open. The key is putting others' needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

March 26, 2022	This Week	Year-to-Date
(Envelopes Used)		
Regular Env. (53)	\$ 3,881.00	\$ 189,617.00
Loose Money	\$ 982.00	\$ 56,061.00
School Support	\$ 615.00	\$ 9,628.00
Building Fund	\$ 30.00	\$ 12,864.00
Holy Days	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,770.00
Online Giving (55)	\$ 3,366.00	\$ 115,984.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 90.00	
Lenten Project	(\$ 2,130.00)	
Catholic Relief	(\$ 20.00)	
Easter Offering	\$ 10.00	
ProLife	(\$ 350.00)	
Retired Religious	(\$ 30.00)	
Tithing	(\$ 30.00)	
Grand Total	\$ 11,534.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 8,974.00	\$ 395,389.00
Amount Needed	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 390,000.00
Difference	<u>(\$ 1,026.00)</u>	<u>\$ 5,389.00</u>
FYE 2022		<u>\$ 46,837.00</u>

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

This week we will follow Jesus as He takes up His cross that leads to death and then a new life. Your loving prayers and contributions help the poor to have the courage to bear their crosses and lead them to fresh beginnings.

ALTAR SERVERS



SERVERS FOR APRIL 3 - 9, 2023

Monday, April 3

8:00am Lucas Feldman Liam Feldman

Tuesday, April 4

8:00am Adam Fuhr Mac Teeter

Wednesday, April 5

8:00am Emily Fuhr Frank Koziacki

Thursday, April 6 - Holy Thursday

7:00pm Jude Potts Helen Potts
Sean Meier Paddy Meier

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday

3:00pm 2 Volunteers Needed

Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday

8:00pm Claire Fuhr Lucas Fuhr
Emily Fuhr Adam Fuhr

Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday

8:00am 4 Volunteers Needed
10:00am Ryan Schneider Mac Teeter
Matthew Franz 1 Volunteer

LECTORS FOR

APRIL 6 - 9 2023

April 6, Holy Thursday

7:00pm

Linda Hiette

April 7, Good Friday

3:00pm

George Kerry

April 8, Holy Saturday

8:00pm

Suzy Ferrenbach

Gerry Unger

Frosty Hodes

George Kerry

Dennis Matreci

April 9, Easter Sunday

8:00am

Mary Reck

10:00am

Tom Mudd

YOUTH CLUB RAFFLE WINNERS MARCH

1st Place \$100	Dan Meshoto
2nd Place \$50	Donna Parks
3rd Place \$50	Olivia Wegman

Prayer Network

Our prayer network continues its quiet work of praying for our parishioners who are ill, recovering from illness, and for special intentions as well. We also invite you to remember these petitions daily in your prayers. If you are interested in having an intention added to the prayer chain or to receive the list of intentions, please contact the parish office.

LARGE-PRINT MISSALETTES

The new, large-print edition of the *Pray Together* missalette, for April 2 through June 3, is 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 3

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
2:00pm Church Prayer Group
3:00pm Church Eucharistic Adoration
3:15pm Gym 4th Gr. Girls Basketball
5:30pm Gym 5th & 6th Gr. Boys Basketball
7:15pm Parish Office Stewardship Meeting

Tuesday, April 4

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
9:30am Church Prayer Group
6:15pm Church Confessions
7:00pm Church Mass
7:30pm Church Rosary with Reflections

Wednesday, April 5

6:30am Church Rosary
7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
3:00pm Church Eucharistic Adoration
3:15pm Cafeteria 4th Gr. Girl Scouts
6:00pm Church "Last Call" Confessions
6:30pm Parish Office RCIA
8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, April 6 - Holy Thursday

7:00am Church Morning Prayer
7:00pm Mass Mass of the Lord's Supper
9:00pm Church Night Prayer (Church Open)

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday

7:00am Church Morning Prayer
12:00pm Church Stations of the Cross
3:00pm Church Lord's Passion
7:00pm Church "Were You There" Stations
Church open all day from 6:00am for private prayer

Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday

7:00am Church Morning Prayer
11:00am Church "Last, Last Call" Confessions
8:00pm Church Mass - Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday

8:00am Church Mass
10:00am Church Mass
11:00am Church Area Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bunny

DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54
Monday	Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday	Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-
Wednesday	Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday	<i>Chrism Mass:</i> Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21 <i>Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:</i> Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday	Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Saturday	<i>Easter Vigil:</i> Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10
Next Sunday	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Lord, we pray for all who are preparing to celebrate the Easter sacraments, that they may enter more deeply into the mystery of God's unconditional love through the celebrations of Holy Week. Lord, hear our prayer.

Palm Sunday



Faith Alive! In the Home

On Sunday, April 2, immediately following the 10:00am Mass, parents and children are invited to a 30-minute engaging and interactive Bible Storytime in the school cafeteria. We will talk about Holy Week and Easter, in a way that is especially suited for children ages 2-6 years-old. We will make a simple craft depicting the Resurrection to take home, along with a little Easter treat. See how you can further foster faith in your home through Bible stories, crafts, and songs. For questions, contact Mary Reck 314.326.6996.



Easter Egg Hunt - Easter Bunny

The Easter Bunny will visit SRA and host an Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Sunday, April 9, after the 10:00am Mass.

SRA Day of Service

When: 9 AM to Noon, April 22, 2023
Where: Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church
Who: SRA parishioners of all ages!

Please join us as we help our sister parish, Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church, prepare for its 175th anniversary celebration. Service opportunities include cleaning and landscaping. All are welcome! Any questions, contact Brian Klos at BCKlos@gmail.com or use the Signup Genius, address below.

SignUpGenius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050945A4AB29A46-sraday>

Annual Catholic Appeal

The official start of the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal will begin the week after Easter. The Archbishop will send a letter with a pledge card to all who have contributed during the last five years. If you want, you can fill out the pledge card and send it directly to ACA, or you can place the card in the parish Sunday collection, or drop it off at the parish office. In addition, there is the option of contributing online. One can Text To Give, Scan to Give, or Give On Line (directions will follow).

As in the past, your pledge card will be available at the front of church on the weekends of April 22/23, April 29/30, and May 6/7.

Thank you for your past generous support. Last year your contributions showed a significant increase over previous years. Please consider a generous contribution to this year's appeal.

SRA ACA Committee



SCRIP - A percentage of the sale of gift cards goes back to the school. The next order is due Friday, April 7, and should be turned in to the school office. Cards will be sent home via the student or you can pick up the cards at the school office on Friday, April 14, between the hours of 7:30am and 11:30am. Orders will be placed monthly during the year. Turn in order forms and checks (made out to SRA HSA) to the school office. For a list of retailers, the web site is shopwithscrip.com.



A truck will be set up for donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Saturday, June 17, from 9:00am to 1:00pm on the school parking lot. A list of acceptable donations will be forthcoming in future bulletin announcements.

Annual Easter Collection Supports Our Retired Priests

The annual Archbishop's Collection for Retired Priests is traditionally held on Easter Sunday. This is a beautiful opportunity to honor the vibrant legacies of priests who have dedicated their lives to serve us and who continue to inspire our current and future priests.

Your supports helps assure that our priests receive the essential care they need, including physician services, hospitalization, nursing-home care, vision care, and disability, now and for years to come.

You can make your gift through the designated envelope, or any envelope marked Retired Priests, on or after Easter weekend. You can also text-to-give through April 20 by texting "4PRIESTS" to 314.648.8456. Online gifts are welcome year-round at archstl.org/retiredpriests.



games, crafts,
stories, song,
outside play



Full & half days
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June 5 - July 21
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Weekly water days
& field trips



**Saint Raphael the
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**Explorer Club
Ages 3-5**

**Adventure Club
Ages 6-8**

Questions?
Contact Michele Swaney
swaney@straphaelarchangel.org

To register:
[straschool.org/student-
life/summer-camp](https://straschool.org/student-life/summer-camp)

SRA Summer Camp

SRA SUMMER CAMP 2023 IS BACK AND WE NEED HELPERS! We are looking for high school and college students interested in summer camp work, or needing service hours, or both. We provide a flexible schedule and a great experience working with kids! We also need adults with early child care or classroom experience to help us run the summer program. Please contact Michele Swaney at swaney@saintraphaelarchangel.org or by phone at 314.797.3358. We are looking forward to a FUN and ADVENTURE -PACKED summer with the kids!

ATTENTION, LADIES!

Chat with your friends and family and reserve your table now to secure your spot! You don't want to miss out on all the fun! Your reservation includes 8, \$5 prepaid paddles with the opportunity to upgrade for an all-in paddle for another \$20 each. This reservation guarantees a table for your group.

Quarter Auction Donations

SRA Ladies' Club is soliciting donations for its upcoming Quarter Auction fundraising event. Following is a list of suggested items (not limited to) but we will accept any new items.

- Wine glasses
- Cocktail glasses and ice-cube molds
- Bath and body items
- Beer sampler
- Sports memorabilia
- Current books
- Lottery Scratcher tickets
- Travel tote bags and accessories

SRA Ladies' Club Quarter Auction

April 14, 6:30pm in SRA Gym

Doors open at 6:00pm for 6:30pm start

What's a quarter auction?

Glad you asked. Entry paddle is \$5, cash or check at event. There are 50+ prizes on display and if you are interested in one, you pay a quarter and hold up your paddle for that item's raffle. That's it!

But wait, there's more: you can buy an "All In" paddle for \$25 and be in every single raffle!

Walk in available night of event,
or

Tables of 8 can be reserved in advance for \$60.
Reserved table includes 8, \$5 entry level paddles
(you can upgrade to "All in" for \$20 at event)

Use QR code here or
email ladies@straphaelarchangel.org
to reserve a table.



BYOB and food (like a trivia night!)

There will be basket raffles and 50/50!

(It's a blast, really...)



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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 E-mail/Address/Phone Number

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