



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 9, 2023 | RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



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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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READINGS FOR APRIL 9, 2023 RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 139 (138): 18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Reading 1

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

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

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for 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 right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD." **R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.** The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. **R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Reading 2

Col 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Gospel

Jn 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

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 9

8:00am People of the Parish

10:00am Marcia Matreci

Monday, April 10

7:00am Ken Soehngen

Tuesday, April 11

7:00am Paul Beckerle

8:00am Joseph F. and Kathryn H. Darpel

Wednesday, April 12

7:00am Dorothy and Sam Lawson

8:00am Mary Margaret Watkins

Thursday, April 13

7:00pm Don Deachan

8:00am Tony Tepe

Friday, April 14

7:00am Pade Liddy

Saturday, April 15

7:00am Ernest E. Winkelmann

4:30pm Bernice Fulhorst

Sunday, April 16

8:00am People of the Parish

10:00am Paul Beckerle

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on Earth." Colossians 3:2

Do we put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Let us do a quick check of what is important to us. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, our priorities need to be readjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – "I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me."

Your Contributions to God and Parish

April 2, 2022	This Week	Year-to-Date
(Envelopes Used)		
Regular Env. (64)	\$ 7,917.00	\$ 197,534.00
Loose Money	\$ 1,232.00	\$ 57,293.00
School Support	\$ 155.00	\$ 9,783.00
Building Fund	\$ 2,413.00	\$ 15,277.00
Holy Days	\$ 220.00	\$ 6,990.00
Online Giving (31)	\$ 1,892.00	\$ 117,876.00
Tithing	(\$ 1.00)	
St. Louis Review	(\$ 35.00)	
Rice Bowl	(\$ 60.00)	
Disaster Relief	(\$ 50.00)	
Easter Flowers	\$ 10.00	
ProLife	(\$ 20.00)	
Retired Religious	(\$ 80.00)	
Catholic Relief	(\$ 120.00)	
Lenten Project	(\$ 1,540.00)	
Black/Indian Miss.	(\$ 270.00)	
Good Friday	(\$ 125.00)	
Grand Total	\$ 16,140.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 13,839.00	\$ 409,228.00
Amount Needed	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 400,000.00
Difference	<u>\$ 3,839.00</u>	<u>\$ 9,228.00</u>
FYE 2022		<u>\$ 46,837.00</u>

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

As we celebrate Easter, we find the challenge of seeing and believing in the Resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice. Through our devotions, we show God's love to our parish neighbors. By helping with their rent, we make it possible for them to see brighter days ahead. Our sacrifices ensure that their tables have nutritional food for their Easter meals. Thank you for your love.



ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR APRIL 10 - 16, 2023

Monday, April 10

No 8:00am Mass

Tuesday, April 11

8:00am Linus Cyr Xavier Cyr

Wednesday, April 12

8:00am Adriana Kurtovic Emily Fuhr

Thursday, April 13

8:00am Adam Fuhr Mac Teeter
Vivien Smith

Friday, April 14

No 8:00am Mass

Saturday, April 15

4:30pm Addison Pfeiffer Jake Anstey
Cillian Sheehan

Sunday, April 16

8:00am Jack Delf Jude Potts
Helen Potts
10:00am Sean Meier Paddy Meier
William Schneeberger

DAILY READINGS

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
Monday	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-
Tuesday	Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-
Wednesday	Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday	Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday	Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday	Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday	Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 15 - 16 2023

4:30pm Greg Heuing 8:00am Suzy Ferrenbach 10:00am Frosty Hodes

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 10

7:00am Church Mass
7:00pm Cafeteria Parish Council

Tuesday, April 11

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
3:15pm Cafeteria 2nd Gr. Girl Scouts
5:15pm Cafeteria Kindergarten Girl Scouts
6:30pm Parish Office HSA

Wednesday, April 12

6:30am Church Rosary
7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
3:00pm Church Eucharistic Adoration
8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, April 13

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
2:00pm Cafeterai Dance
6:30pm Parish Office RCIA
7:00pm Gym Ladies' Club Meeting/Setup

Friday, April 14

7:00am Church Mass
7:30am Church Rosary
6:00pm Gym Quarter Auction

Saturday, April 15

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Cafeteria Evangelization Workshop
4:30pm Church Mass

Sunday, April 16

8:00am Church Mass - Donut Sunday
10:00am Church Mass - Donut Sunday

From Pope Francis - Urbi et Orbi Message, Easter, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Happy Easter!

Jesus, the Crucified One, is risen! He stands in the midst of those who mourned him, locked behind closed doors and full of fear and anguish. He comes to them and says: "Peace be with you!" (*Jn* 20:19) He shows the wounds in his hands and feet, and the wound in his side. He is no ghost; it is truly Jesus, the same Jesus who died on the cross and was laid in the tomb. Before the incredulous eyes of the disciples, he repeats: "Peace be with you!" (v. 21)

Our eyes, too, are incredulous on this Easter of war. We have seen all too much blood, all too much violence. Our hearts, too, have been filled with fear and anguish, as so many of our brothers and sisters have had to lock themselves away in order to be safe from bombing. We struggle to believe that Jesus is truly risen, that he has truly triumphed over death. Could it be an illusion? A figment of our imagination?

No, it is not an illusion! Today, more than ever, we hear echoing the Easter proclamation so dear to the Christian East: "Christ is risen! He is truly risen!" Today, more than ever, we need him, at the end of a Lent that has seemed endless. We emerged from two years of pandemic, which took a heavy toll. It was time to come out of the tunnel together, hand in hand, pooling our strengths and resources... Instead, we are showing that we do not yet have within us the spirit of Jesus but the spirit of Cain, who saw Abel not as a brother, but as a rival, and thought about how to eliminate him. We need the crucified and risen Lord so that we can believe in the victory of love, and hope for reconciliation. Today, more than ever, we need him to stand in our midst and repeat to us: "Peace be with you!"

Only he can do it. Today, he alone has the right to speak to us of peace. Jesus alone, for he bears wounds... our wounds. His wounds are indeed ours, for two reasons. They are ours because we inflicted them upon him by our sins, by our hardness of heart, by our fratricidal hatred. They are also ours because he bore them for our sake; he did not cancel them from his glorified body; he chose to keep them forever. They are the indelible seal of his love for us, a perennial act of intercession, so that the heavenly Father, in seeing them, will have mercy upon us and upon the whole world. The wounds on the body of the risen Jesus are the sign of the battle he fought and won for us, won with the weapons of love, so that we might have peace and remain in peace.

As we contemplate those glorious wounds, our incredulous eyes open wide; our hardened hearts break open and we welcome the Easter message: "Peace be with you!"

Brothers and sisters, let us allow the peace of Christ to enter our lives, our homes, our countries!

May the joy and blessings of Easter be with all of the families of our parish in abundance this Easter Season!

Msgr. Stehly, Deacon Jerry, Deacon Bob, our SRA Parish and School Faculty and Staffs, and Fr. John



THIS SUNDAY!!!!

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



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.



St. Raphael Second Graders lead everyone in prayer at the Family Mass held on Saturday, March 25, 2023!

We Are One with the Risen Christ

Lord, we lift our hearts to you. As the dawn breaks, may we carry the unity we share into every moment, knowing that we are one with the risen Christ. Lord, we lift our eyes to you. As the sun rises, may this moment stay with us, reminding us to look for the beautiful colors of promise in your word. Lord, we lift our prayers to you. As the dew falls, may we breathe in this morning and know that, like the Earth, you sustain us, keep us, and work within us always. And so, we lift our voices to you. We celebrate the greatest day in history, when Jesus rose from death, defeated darkness, and bathed the world in stunning resurrection light. May we ever live to praise you! Amen.



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 support 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.

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.

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.



PayPal

BYOB and food (like a trivia night!)

There will be basket raffles and 50/50!
(It's a blast, really...)





SRA Summer Camp Update

SRA Summer Camp 2023 is coming together and we are looking for teaching assistants. We need adults with early-childcare or classroom experience to help run the program. Fun camp and great experience working with kids!

Please contact Michele Swaney at swaney@straphaelarchangel.org or 314.797.3358.

BLOOD DRIVE

St. Raphael the Archangel Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, April 26 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Cafeteria 6047 Bishops Place

Masks optional. Appointments required.
To schedule an appointment, **scan QR code**
call ImpactLife at 800.747.5401
or go to [bloodcenter.org/group, grp #11008](https://bloodcenter.org/group,grp#11008)



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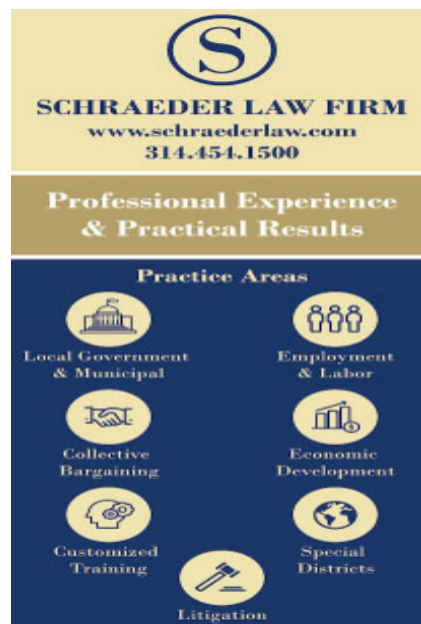
WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We extend a very special welcome to our friends and visitors who have come to pray with us this Easter. Whether you are just curious or are searching for a place to worship, we are happy to have you here. We trust that our worship will be encouraging to all and hope that you find a warm, welcoming community here at St. Raphael the Archangel Parish. Please call us at the parish office, 314.352.8100, for more information.

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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 E-mail/Address/Phone Number

_____ Please Do Not Publish Phone #