



# SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 9, 2022 | THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD




### WELCOME!

#### VISIT OR CONTACT US

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### WEEKEND MASS

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

#### WEEK DAY MASS

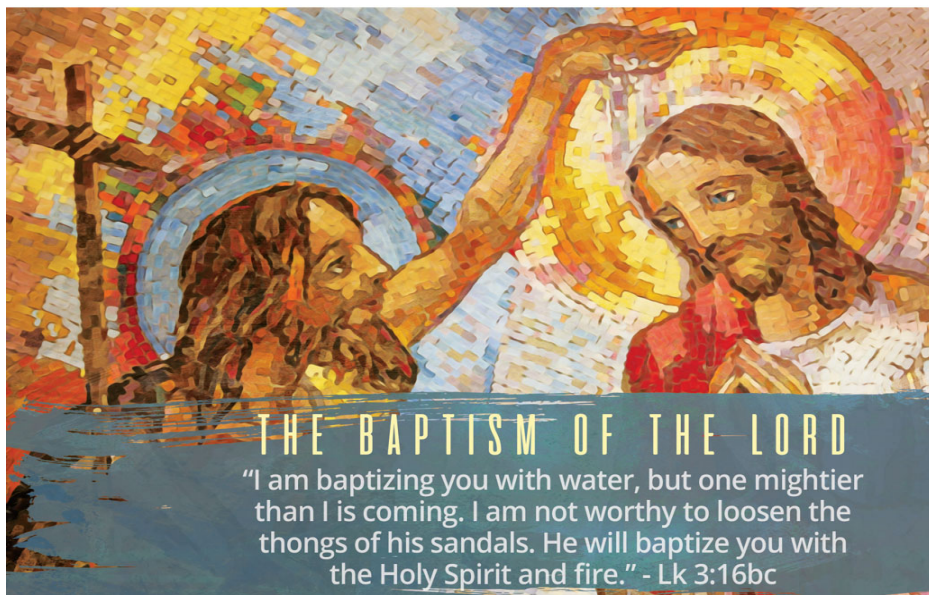
Mon. - Fri. | 7:00am  
Mon. - Fri. | 8:00am

#### 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



#### PARISH CLERGY

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JANUARY 9, 2022 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## READINGS FOR JANUARY 9, 2022

### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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#### Reading I

Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Thus says the LORD: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street, a bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching. I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10

**R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

Give to the LORD, you sons of God, give to the LORD glory and praise, Give to the LORD the glory due his name; adore the LORD in holy attire.

**R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

The voice of the LORD is over the waters, the LORD, over vast waters. The voice of the LORD is mighty; the voice of the LORD is majestic.

**R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

The God of glory thunders, and in his temple all say, "Glory"! The LORD is enthroned above the flood; the LORD is enthroned as king forever.

**R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

#### Reading II

Acts 10:34-38

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, 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."

#### Gospel

Mt 3: 13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and you are coming to me"? Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him. After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased."

#### Our 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.

## Your Contributions to God and Parish

Dec. 26, 2021 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
<b>Regular Env. (47)</b>	\$ 4,484.00	\$ 118,770.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 16,508.00	\$ 38,980.00
<b>School Support</b>	\$ 215.00	\$ 3,516.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 1,093.00	\$ 9,070.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 1,338.00	\$ 4,963.00
<b>Online Giving (50)</b>	\$ 2,568.00	\$ 70,580.00
<b>Christmas</b>	\$ 2,814.00	
<b>St. Louis Review</b>	(\$ 35.00)	
<b>Christmas Flowers</b>	\$ 278.00	
<b>New Parishioner</b>	\$ 5.00	
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	(\$ 25.00)	
<b>Tithing</b>	(\$ 350.00)	
<b>Seminary</b>	(\$ 2,567.00)	
<b>First Offering</b>	\$ 5.00	
 <b>Grand Total</b>	 \$ 32,285.00	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 29,308.00	\$ 250,480.00
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 234,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	<u>\$ 20,308.00</u>	<u>\$ 16,480.00</u>

**FYE 2021** (\$ 15,462.00)

### From St. Vincent de Paul Society

After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words. As we help those who are suffering, we know in our hearts the truth of the words, "You are my beloved with whom I am well pleased."

## Your Contributions to God and Parish

Dec. 31, 2021 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
<b>Regular Env. (7)</b>	\$ 1,420.00	\$ 120,190.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 11,025.00	\$ 50,005.00
<b>School Support</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,516.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,070.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 175.00	\$ 5,138.00
<b>Online Giving (17)</b>	\$ 823.00	
<b>Seminary</b>	(\$ 190.00)	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ 13,633.00	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 13,443.00	\$ 263,923.00
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 243,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	<u>\$ 4,443.00</u>	<u>\$ 20,923.00</u>

Jan. 2, 2021 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
<b>Regular Env. (28)</b>	\$ 3,309.00	\$ 123,499.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 238.00	\$ 50,243.00
<b>School Support</b>	\$ 55.00	\$ 3,571.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 335.00	\$ 9,405.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,138.00
<b>Online Giving (34)</b>	\$ 1,636.00	\$ 73,039.00
<b>St. Louis Review</b>	(\$ 175.00)	
<b>First Offering</b>	\$ 705.00	
<b>Candle Money</b>	\$ 137.00	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ 6,590.00	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 6,415.00	\$ 270,338.00
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 252,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	<u>(\$ 2,585.00)</u>	<u>\$ 18,338.00</u>

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

### *In Gratitude*

This Sunday, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, marks the end of our observance of Christmas this year. This year, as in each year, there were many people who worked behind the scenes so diligently to make the Christmas celebration so fitting and beautiful:

- Thank you to Terri Borowiak and her many helpers for decorating the church for Advent and for Christmas. Terri and her crew worked at different times when the church was not used to put up wreaths, garlands, and other decorations to make the church beautiful.
- Thank you to Ray and Mary Anne Braun and to the entire choir for their gift of song. Not only do our musicians play the Masses for Christmas (this year three Masses in less than 18 hours), but behind each Mass are hours of rehearsals both as a group, as ensembles, and individually as well. Thank you for your dedication to elevating all of our hearts and minds to God through our celebration of Christmas.
- Our lectors, too, spend time practicing, preparing, and praying over the readings so that they can be proclaimed well for all. Thank you so much for the time and attention you put into your preparation.
- Our servers, sacristans, and ushers, too, do so much to make sure our celebrations flow so effortlessly for Monsignor and for me. Thank you!
- If I did not mention your name here, please know of Monsignor's and my gratitude for what you did to make this holiday so special for us all.

### *School Enrollment*

The beginning of a new calendar year means that we are also beginning preparations for a new school year. We are looking at ways of having either an open house or tours beginning on or around January 30. If you are interested in being part of our school next year, please keep an eye on the bulletin and Flocknote in the coming weeks for information on how to tour our school and how to enroll to be part of our school next year.

**SMALL DESIGN  
BIG RESULTS  
BRIGHT FUTURE  
#SRASTRONG**



**SAINT RAPHAEL  
THE ARCHANGEL  
CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
PRE K - 8TH GRADE**

### *A Friendly Reminder*

As I thought about the feast for today, I looked up the Holy Father's words about this feast. They are beautiful and I wholeheartedly agree with them. Thank you, parents, for bringing your children to Mass!

Something I also said last year: they have a "choral" dimension: it is enough for one of them to start to "sing" and everyone follows and there will be a concert. Do not be alarmed. It is a beautiful homily when a baby cries in church. It is a beautiful homily. Make sure that the child is all right and let us move forward.

Do not forget: you (parents) let the Holy Spirit enter the children.—Pope Francis January 12, 2020



## What is a Missionary Disciple?



The term, “Missionary Disciple,” comes from Pope Francis’s Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*. A Missionary Disciple is

- A member of the Baptized
- Who has encountered Christ in a real, personal way
- Who seeks to grow in relationship with Him daily
- Who witnesses to Christ through his/her life in the world.

## Who is Called to be a Missionary Disciple?

In virtue of their Baptism, all the members of the People of God have become Missionary Disciples. (cf. Mt 28:19) Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*, #120



## What Are Some Characteristics of a Missionary Disciple?



- One who attends Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation on a regular basis
- Spends time in daily personal prayer, prayer with his/her spouse, and prayer as a family
- Seeks opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration and other forms of prayer with the Church community
- Participates in faith formation activities
- Volunteers time and talent with worthy causes
- Shares the love of Jesus with others not in a preachy way, but in a way of personal witness and from personal experience.

**Am I willing to become a Missionary Disciple?**  
**Am I acting on this desire in an active way right now?**

# DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Monday	1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-

## **Laudato Si' - Care of our Common Home**

"St. Francis' response to the world around him was so much more than intellectual appreciation or economic calculus, for to him each and every creature was a 'brother' or 'sister' united to him by a bond of affection." (LS11)

## LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 15 - 16, 2022

<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>Ron Goedeker</b>	<b>Barb Cramer</b>	<b>Steve Kratky</b>

## INCOME TAX INFORMATION

Please note, this year we will not be sending out parish-wide contribution forms. Please call or email the parish office if you would like to have yours mailed to you.

# ALTAR SERVERS

## SERVERS FOR JANUARY 10 - 16, 2022

### Monday, January 10

8:00am Kallista Hiatt David Hiatt

### Tuesday, January 11

8:00am Matthew Franz Cillian Sheehan

### Wednesday, January 12

8:00am Henry Dirnbeck Charlie Dirnbeck

### Thursday, January 13

8:00am Jake Anstey James Browning

### Friday, January 14

8:00am Anna-Grace Guenther Ryan Schneider

### Saturday, January 15

4:30pm Ethan Bradshaw Ava Christlieb  
Hannah Kratky

### Sunday, January 16

8:00am Christian Bernadt Dalila Ramirez  
Nahima Ramirez  
10:00am Lydia Eddingfield Jude Potts  
Helen Potts

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Josephine "Jo" Godfrey who recently passed away. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in the peace of Christ. Amen.

## VOLUNTEER IN THE NEW YEAR

Looking to volunteer? The Society of St. Vincent De Paul offers a variety of opportunities for young adults, including:

- Home visitation of the needy through 140 area chapters, to provide food, rent, and utility assistance
- Four young adult chapters, in Soulard, South Grand, Maplewood, and Florissant
- Ten area thrift stores
- Clerical and office work

For details, please contact Bryan Kirchoff at [bryankirchoff@att.net](mailto:bryankirchoff@att.net) or 314.640.4366.

We would like to welcome the following new members to our church. We hope that you know that we are here for you. There are several committees and clubs that you might like to join where you can meet other parishioners. As a faith community, we like to help others in our area and those less fortunate than we are. We hope you will consider joining us in future activities at our church. Please join us at Mass either online or in person at church. Again, welcome to St. Raphael the Archangel Parish; we are happy to have you join us.

Robert and Donna Higgins  
Jonathan Huelskoetter and Andrea Copeland  
Benjamin and Ashley Farley  
Branden and Amy Diaz

*"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...' " (LUKE 3:16)*

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics, there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Let us surrender ourselves to God, place our trust in Him, and allow the Holy Spirit to work through us for the greater glory of God.

## WINTER OUTREACH - A MINISTRY OF MERCY

Encouraged by our Catholic Social Teachings: *"Option for the Poor and Vulnerable,"* many parish communities are committed to St. Louis Winter Outreach as a Ministry of Mercy. *"As long as you did it to one of these the least of my brethren, you did it to me."* (MT 25:31-46)

As winter approaches, our homeless "brethren" will spend cold days and nights on the streets of St. Louis. In an effort to give them some comfort, **we ask your help in providing meals** to an overnight shelter during the coldest months. Drivers are also needed to deliver the meals to Americorps Shelter, 1315 Ann Street, on the following days.

DATES: SATURDAYS (1:00pm drop off) FEBRUARY 12, 2022

Please consider joining our Ministry of Mercy by providing one or more of the following:

9 x 13 Casserole (Meat, Vegetable, or Breakfast)

Dessert - 12 to 24 servings



Food items may be store-bought. All dishes must be brought baked, frozen, wrapped, and marked. Food is to be dropped off at Our Lady of Sorrows Parking Lot at 1:00pm. If needed, arrangements can be made to drop off or have picked up from your home ahead of time.

For more information, to share a dish, and/or be a driver, please contact Mary Ellen Mueller at 314.374.1712 or email [maryem@brick.net](mailto:maryem@brick.net).



**Sunday, January 9, 2022**

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

**Monday, January 10**

7:00am Jo Godfrey  
8:00am Hodes Family, SI

**Tuesday, January 11**

7:00am Bernice Krauze  
8:00am Dorothy Filippine

**Wednesday, January 12**

7:00am Don Deachan  
8:00am Henry Onken

**Thursday, January 13**

7:00am Mary Lou Schicker  
8:00am Mary M. Burke

**Friday, January 14**

7:00am John Gubser, SI  
8:00am Kathleen Probst

**Saturday, January 15**

7:00am Dr. William Fitzgerald  
4:30pm Martin Lipic

**Sunday, January 16**

8:00am Sam and Dorothy Lawson  
10:00am People of the Parish

## News From Our School

*From Mrs. Amanda Knauer: Religion, Math, Reading, Vocabulary/Spelling (4-5)*

Fifth Grade: The fifth graders have been studying the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We discussed where the Sacrament comes from and the meaning behind it. We are now going through each part of the Mass and are discussing in-depth why we do and say the things we do during the liturgy. During Math, the students began their unit on decimals. They have learned how to read, write, order, and compare them. We are now working on solving problems that include decimals. In Literature, the students have been very excited about "Book Club." Each student is expected to read a portion of the book and complete a job that they will share with the rest of the group. The jobs will help the students with asking questions, connecting text, summarizing, finding and learning the meaning of interesting words, and visualizing.

Fourth Grade: In Math, the students have been diligently working on solving multiplication problems. I am so proud of how quickly and accurately the students can solve basic multiplication facts. During Literature, the class is currently reading *There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom*. The students have enjoyed laughing about the characters. We are discussing each part of the story in great detail.

*Mrs. Christy Connor: Religion (6 & 8) Social Studies (5-8)*

Religion: Students in grade six have begun to learn about Moses and the Exodus.

Eighth grade students are completing the four marks of the Catholic Church.

Social Studies: Students in eighth grade will be completing a unit on Reconstruction. They will then begin to study the Industrial Revolution.

Students in grade seven and grade five are learning about the thirteen British colonies.

In grade six, we are learning about ancient China and will soon be moving on to studying ancient Japan.



## Mass Intentions

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The 2022 calendar for Mass Intentions is now available. Please contact the parish office to schedule Masses. Intentions are \$10 per offering.



## 2022 Roe v. Wade Memorial Mass & Prayer Vigil

Saturday, January 15, Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis (in-person and live-streamed)



# ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

*On the 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Roe v. Wade*



**Saturday, January 15, 2022 • 10 AM**

*Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis* Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski, Celebrant

Please join us in person or virtually at **[cathedralstl.org/live](https://cathedralstl.org/live)**

Join the Respect Life Apostolate for the Archdiocese of St. Louis Roe v. Wade Memorial Mass celebrated by Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski on Saturday, January 15, at 10:00am at the Cathedral Basilica. Mass will include the Pro-Life Generation Memorial and the LifeLine Coalition collection, which benefits thousands of local pregnant/parenting moms, children, and families annually. The Rosary Procession to and from our state's last abortion facility follows Mass, which marks the 49th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion on Jan. 22, 1973. The prayer vigil concludes with a reception and fellowship in Boland Hall.

- Livestream the Mass the day of: [cathedralstl.org/live](https://cathedralstl.org/live)
- Learn more from the Respect Life Apostolate by contacting 314.792.7555, [prolife@archstl.org](mailto:prolife@archstl.org) or [STLRespectLife.org](https://STLRespectLife.org)



## SAVE THE DATE!

February 13, 2022, at 2:30pm

Join Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski at the Cathedral Basilica to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony on World Marriage Day! Additional details will be provided in January.

Young Catholic Professionals St. Louis has leadership opportunities in your city! YCP's mission is working in Witness for Christ and offers young adults (age 20-39) the opportunity to develop professional and leadership skills while serving in a dynamic apostolate. For information or to request an application, please email [info@stlouis.org](mailto:info@stlouis.org) or visit the website at [youngcatholicprofessionals.org](http://youngcatholicprofessionals.org).

### OPENING JANUARY, 2022

St. Martha's, a shelter for women and children, has a history of providing unconditional advocacy services in a safe, compassionate, supportive, and residential environment. St. Martha's is excited to expand its services and community outreach through a drop-in center. Advocates will be available during the drop-in hours to provide services and support to anyone impacted by domestic violence, seeking resources and information, or wanting to learn more about healthy relationships. All services are free of charge.

**Women's Program includes:** crisis intervention and support services; remote access to apply for order of protection; safety planning; referrals to community agencies (housing assistance, shelter, legal, etc.); and information and support for family and friends.

**Children's Program includes:** learning center; daily living skills; safety planning; emotional regulation skills; parenting support; and community resources.



4733 Mattis Road, 63128  
Drop-in Center: 314.487.2062 Shelter: 314.533.1313  
Monday - Friday, 10:00am to 4:00pm (No appointment necessary.)



### 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#