



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY 30, 2023 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WELCOME!

VISIT OR CONTACT US

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Mon.-Thu. | 7:30am-4:00pm
Fri. | 7:30am-12:00pm

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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. - 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

TREASURE

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“The kingdom of heaven
is like a treasure buried
in a field.”

MATTHEW 13:44

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Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 68 (67): 6-7, 36

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

Reading 1

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12

The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." Solomon answered: "O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?" The LORD was pleased that Solomon made this request. So God said to him: "Because you have asked for this—not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right—I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one to equal you."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130

R. Lord, I love your commands.

I have said, O LORD, that my part is to keep your words. The law of your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

R. Lord, I love your commands.

Let your kindness comfort me according to your promise to your servants. Let your compassion come to me that I may live, for your law is my delight.

R. Lord, I love your commands.

For I love your command more than gold, however fine. For in all your precepts I go forward; every false way I hate.

R. Lord, I love your commands.

Wonderful are your decrees; therefore I observe them. The revelation of your words sheds light, giving understanding to the simple.

R. Lord, I love your commands.

Reading 2

Rom 8:28-30

Brothers and sisters: We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined he also called; and those he called he also justified; and those he justified he also glorified.

Gospel

Mt 13:44-52

Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it ashore and sit down to put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away. Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. "Do you understand all these things?" They answered, "Yes." And he replied, "Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old."



Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 30

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Ernest J. Winkelmann

Monday, July 31

7:00am Jost Family

Tuesday, August 1

8:00am Cunigunda Gubser

Wednesday, August 2

8:00am Harry Swanger

Thursday, August 3

8:00am Cory Cervantes

Friday, August 4

8:00am Jimmy Feser

Saturday, August 5

7:00am Paul Beckerle
4:30pm Mary Stockmann

Sunday, August 6

9:00am People of the Parish

"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

Do we really trust God? Do we really believe that God will provide all that we need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different from what we plan. When one door closes, another one opens. Let us trust in God; His plan is always better.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

July 23, 2022 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
Regular Env. (42)	\$ 4,578.00	\$ 17,303.00
Loose Money	\$ 733.00	\$ 4,512.00
School Support	\$ 130.00	\$ 375.00
Building Fund	\$ 25.00	\$ 475.00
Holy Days	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Online Giving (57)	\$ 3,824.00	\$ 14,215.00

Tithing (\$ 130.00)

Peter's Pence (\$ 500.00)

Total for Parish	\$ 9,960.00	\$ 37,367.00
Amount Needed	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Difference	<u>(\$ 670.00)</u>	<u>(\$ 2,633.00)</u>
FYE 2023		<u>\$ 5,826.00</u>

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel, you find that the demand of daily Christian living is to spend your lives primarily searching for the Kingdom of God. Bless you for opening your hearts to those who are suffering from being unable to pay their rent. Many times it takes only a month's rent for our neighbors to get back on their feet. By reaching out to those in need, you participate in their search for the Kingdom of God.



ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR AUGUST 5 AND 6, 2023

Saturday, August 5

4:30pm To Be Scheduled

Sunday, August 6

9:00am To be Scheduled

LECTORS/MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 5 - 6, 2023

LECTORS

4:30pm To Be Scheduled **9:00am** To Be Scheduled

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30 pm To Be Scheduled **9:00am** To Be Scheduled

DAILY READINGS

Sunday	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
Monday	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday	Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a
Friday	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday	Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, July 31

7:00am Church Mass

Tuesday, August 1

8:00am Church Mass

Wednesday, August 2

7:30am Church Rosary
8:00am Church Mass
3:15pm Cafeteria 4th Gr. Girl Scouts
8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, August 3

8:00am Church Mass

Friday, August 4

7:30am Church Rosary
8:00am Church Mass
8:30am Church First Friday Adoration

Saturday, August 5

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4:30pm Church Mass

Sunday, August 6

9:00am Church Mass

HSA is excited to offer Back to School Supply kits for the new school year. Simplify your school supply shopping this summer while supporting SRA's faculty and students! Supply boxes will be shipped directly to your home and you can order everything on your child's school supply list or pick and choose items as needed. Proceeds will fund classroom supplies for our teachers.

Order online **today!**

Dear parents,

We are happy to announce that we have chosen to sell prepackaged school supplies for the next school year through School Tool Box.

Want to avoid the back-to-school rush?

- Put your zip code in the box at **SchoolToolBox.com**
- Find the school, then choose your child's new grade

Each supply box matches your teacher's approved list. You can add extras or remove what you don't need. After you pay online, supplies are **shipped directly to your home address.**

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School Name:

St. Raphael The Archangel School
Saint Louis, MO

Ordering Available:

June 1st

Allow 10 days for processing.



Notes



Scan here to view your school's
boxes and place your order today!



Friends For Life Campaign

It's that time of the year again, time for the **Friends for Life Campaign**, from August 6 to August 20, that benefits the work of the Respect Life Apostolate. As you know, the Respect Life Apostolate supports women who are experiencing crisis pregnancies and their families. This life-giving assistance helps to prevent abortion and its serious, long-lasting effects.



**RESPECT LIFE
APOSTOLATE**

In addition, the RLA offers an Abortion Healing Ministry to aid those who have been affected by abortion. The program includes a Weekend of Hope and Healing for women, men, and couples, followed by up to six weeks of additional care. The program also presents a Day of Hope and Healing for women in need. Look for the Friends for Life envelope in the **August SRA packet of envelopes**. Put your envelope into the collection basket. You can also donate on-line. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity in support of this important effort.

The SRA ProLife Committee

Mass Schedules for St. Gabriel and St. Raphael Parishes

With the implementation of our new pastoral structure, keeping a full schedule of Masses, Confessions, and other liturgical events has to be coordinated with the new availability of clergy. In the past, three full-time priests were assigned to our two parishes; now we have two. While grateful for all the help we can get from other priests, the schedule should be able to be covered by the two priests assigned to the parishes. Our new schedule beginning on August 1, 2023 will be as follows:

	St. Raphael Church	St. Gabriel Church
Monday-Friday	Confessions 7:30 am Mass 8:00 am	Confessions 8:15 am Masses 6:00 am and 8:45 am
Saturday	Morning Mass 7:00 am Confessions 3:30 pm Mass 4:30 pm (Antic. Sunday)	Confessions 4:00 pm Mass 5:00 pm (Antic. Sunday)
Sunday	Mass 9:00 am	Masses 6:30 am, 10:00 am, 5:30 pm

I know this will take some time to get used to and it is “temporary” until January 1, 2024 to see how this works for our communities. I appreciate the input from Frs. Shamleffer, Mayo, Madden, and Simon in considering this schedule.

Fr. Molini

Calling: House Plants

Do you propagate house plants?
Start growing them to donate to our plant booth
at the parish picnic in September!
Drop off 9/22/23



Congratulations to the newest member of the church, Clyde Auer, son of David and Kalina Auer, and grand-son of parishioners, Larry and Margie Auer. Clyde was baptized at St. Raphael the Archangel on July 16, 2023. May God always bless the Auer family.



SCRIP

Please note there will be no SCRIP orders taken for August due to vacations. Please watch the bulletin for future SCRIP information.



Scan me to
Register for the
Tournament



2ND ANNUAL PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Saint Raphael the Archangel **Watermelon Festival** Francis Park | August 19, 2023

Event Schedule

Pickleball (8AM Competitive | 12:45PM Recreation)

Drinks (11:30AM SRA Men's Club & Rockwell)

Food (12:30PM BBQ & Watermelon | Kona Ice | Pretzel Boys)

Kids Music Performance (1PM w/ Laren Loveless)

Fun (Afternoon Facepainting | Magic | Balloon Animals)
& More!

Questions: Derek Winters @ dwinters21@gmail.com

Are You Up for the Challenge?

We are looking for parishioners to step up and help with our OCIA/Adult Faith Sessions starting on September 10. In order to run these sessions efficiently and properly, we need parishioners of St. Gabriel and St. Raphael the Archangel to lead the sessions. We currently have six people signed up to learn from these sessions with, hopefully, more to come.

If you are interested in teaching the faith (or even want to learn more about your faith), you are welcome to sign up to be a catechist for the OCIA/Adult Faith Formation sessions starting in September. If you have never done this before or feel uncomfortable, "Be not afraid" (the Bible over 300x). We will train you and you can teach with someone else for the first few times to get your feet wet. The new catechist will be required to show up for one of two training opportunities on August 6 or August 13 in the Fireplace Room of the parish office after the 9:00am Mass. Attendance at only one session is required. The sessions won't take longer than 1 hour. Please contact Fr. Mark at 314.353.6303, x123 or email him at maddenm@stgabrielstl.org to register as a catechist.

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or would like to learn more about the faith (and haven't registered yet), please contact Fr. Mark at 314.353.6303, x123 or email at maddenm@stgabrielstl.org. All one needs to register is a valid phone number and email address to get access to the schedule. There is no cost to register. Registration also includes the books we will use for the sessions.

If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Mark. God bless.

Fr. Mark Madden

Associate Pastor

St. Gabriel and St. Raphael the Archangel





Save the Dates: September 22 and 23

- Please Save Happy Meal Toys (Donation boxes will be at the church entrances)
- ****NEW**** Bottles for Ring Toss: bubbles, lotions, juices...
- Grow House Plants for Christy Connor's Booth (Drop off on September 22)
- Pray for Good Weather (Every evening!)
- Schedule of Events and Signups Soon to Follow!
- Sponsorships Available: Entertainment \$750 - Gold \$500 - Black \$25

**Youth Club Raffle Winners
July, 2023**

1st Place \$100
2nd Place \$50
3rd Place \$50

Kathy Seiter
Stephen Eppy
Karen Alberti

Thank You

The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal is drawing to a close. This year St. Raphael Parish has generously pledged/contributed over \$60,000. In view of the difficulties of this year's campaign, this is an excellent showing.

The final amount will not be posted until mid-August. If you have not yet contributed, you can still do so online.

Again, thanks to all for your generous support!

The SRA Annual Catholic Appeal Committee

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THANK YOU for your support to the Annual Catholic Appeal!



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

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