

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 24, 2024 THE PASSION OF THE LORD



WELCOME!

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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 | 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASS

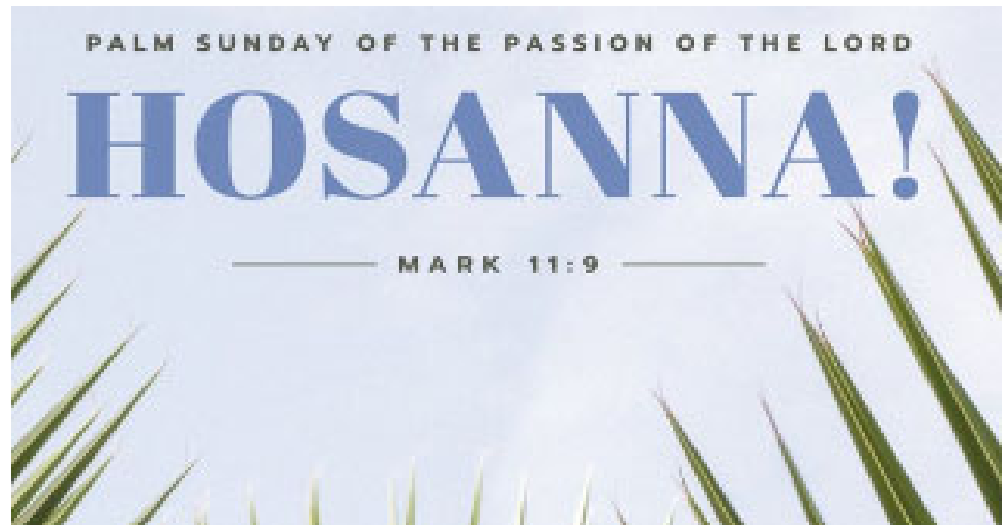
Mon. - Fri. | 8:00am

CONFESSION

Monday - Friday | 7:30am
Saturday | 3:30pm
Other | By Appointment

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

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



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This weekend's Sacred Scripture
readings:

Sunday, March 24:

Ritual Song: No. 1131

Pray Together: Page 19

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Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Additional Times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday, March 25 – St. Raphael Church, 7:00pm until all are heard

Tuesday, March 26 – St. Gabriel Church, 7:00pm until all are heard

Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper

St. Gabriel – 7:00pm with Night Prayer at 11:00pm.

St. Raphael – 7:00pm with the church open until 10:00pm

Good Friday, Celebration of the Lord's Passion

St. Gabriel – 3:00pm

St. Raphael – 7:00pm

The churches will be open during the day so families may make the Stations of the Cross together – books will be available for use.

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

St. Gabriel – 8:00pm

Easter Sunday Masses

St. Gabriel – 6:30am, 10:00am, 5:30pm (Yes, 5:30pm Mass on Easter)

St. Raphael – 7:00am, 9:00am

Holy Week – our “week of weeks”

In our daily prayers the other day, there was a passage concerning Holy Week written by St. Athanasius in the late 4th century. “The time is now at hand when we enter on a new beginning: the proclamation of the blessed Passover, in which the Lord was sacrificed. We feed as on the food of life; we constantly refresh our souls with his precious blood, as from a fountain. Yet we are always thirsting, burning to be satisfied. But he himself is present for those who thirst and in his goodness invites them to the feast day. Our Savior repeats his words, ‘If anyone thirst, let him come to me and drink.’”

This week is our time to recall the passion of Christ and the gift it was to each of us and to our community. I encourage you to participate as fully as possible in the Masses and services of the week, especially the Sacred Triduum – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. These are “once-a-year” events and held only on these days to raise our awareness of the importance of each day. Bring your family to share in these events that chronicle both the passion of Jesus and the foundation of our Church as the Body of Christ.

Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration

Thanks to the many volunteers showing up to support Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays held for both parishes at St. Gabriel. Can we sustain this permanently? I hope so. As we move forward, I hope we can begin to have people consistently commit to a Holy Hour on Tuesdays. Please give an hour a week to the Lord before the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays between 9:00am and 9:00pm.



Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 24

9:00am Jerry Bentz

Monday, March 25

8:00am Kris Schneidewind

Tuesday, March 26

8:00am Denise Marsh

Wednesday, March 27

8:00am Liddy Family

Thursday, March 28

No Morning Mass

7:00pm Hutton Family

Friday, March 29

No Mass

Saturday, March 30

No Morning Mass

Easter Vigil - St. Gabriel

Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday

7:00am Jost Family

9:00am Eva Ruggeri

"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'" MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us, "Whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Let us pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

March 17, 2024 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
Regular Env. (35)	\$ 3,125	\$ 166,722
Loose Money	\$ 6,926	\$ 54,834
School Support	\$ 50	\$ 5,060
Building Fund	\$ 120	\$ 6,262
Holy Days	\$ 0	\$ 7,026
Online Giving (52)	\$ 2,717	\$ 123,106
Easter Flowers	\$ 40	
ProLife	(\$ 50)	
Lenten Project	(\$ 1,943)	
Eastern/Central Europe	(\$ 50)	
Grand Total	\$ 15,021	
Total for Parish	\$ 12,978	\$ 367,374
Amount Needed	\$ 10,000	\$ 380,000
Difference	<u>\$ 2,978</u>	<u>(\$ 12,626)</u>
FYE 2023		<u>\$ 5,826</u>

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

It's one thing to praise Jesus when life is going well, but, when burdened with one problem after another, proclaiming God's goodness is more challenging. However, many of the neighbors the Society serves speak of God's ever-present blessings. That is because of you. Thank you for your prayers and generosity to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. With your help, we continue to share the joy of God's goodness.



ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR MARCH 30 AND 31, 2024

Easter Vigil - St. Gabriel

Sunday, March 31

7:00am Volunteers Needed

9:00am Christian Bernadt Adriana Kurtovic
Gavin Eddingfield

LECTORS/MINISTERS FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY

LECTORS

Holy Thursday	7:00pm	Gerry Unger
Good Friday	7:00pm	George Kerry Linda Hiette
Easter Vigil	St. Gabriel	
Easter Sunday	7:00am	Linda Hiette
	9:00am	Barb Cramer

Extraordinary Ministers

Easter Sunday	7:00am	Volunteers
	9:00am	
Steve Kratky	Rosita Koehler	Linda Saracino

DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/ Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39
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, 36-38
Wednesday	Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-
Thursday	<i>Chrim 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, 15-16bc, 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 (Lk 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/ Mk 16:1-7
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 Mk 16:1-7

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, March 25

8:00am Church Mass
7:00pm Raphael Rm. Knights of Columbus
7:00pm Fply. Room St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, March 26

8:00am Church Mass
3:15pm Cafeteria Kindergarten Daisy Troop
4:00pm Gym Basketball Practice

Wednesday, March 27

7:30am Church Rosary
8:00am Church Mass
4:45pm Gym Basketball Practice
7:30pm Church So. City Men's Recollection
8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, March 28 - Holy Thursday

No Morning Mass
7:00pm Church Mass

Friday, March 29 - Good Friday

7:30am Church Rosary
No Morning Mass
12:00pm Church Stations of the Cross
7:00pm Church Lord's Passion

Saturday, March 30 - Easter Vigil

No Morning Mass
8:00pm St. Gabriel Mass

Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday

7:00am Church Mass
9:00am Church Mass
11:00am Parish Easter Egg Hunt



**RESPECT LIFE
APOSTOLATE**

The LifeLine Coalition Campaign was finished as of March 18. The mothers and families who will face a crisis pregnancy this year are very grateful for your generosity. The funds collected by the LifeLine Coalition will help to meet the needs of our St. Louis residents as they give Life to their children. If you still want to donate to LifeLine, it is never too late. Just place your envelope in the collection basket, marked with your name. May the Lord bless and keep you for helping to build the Culture of Life. Thank you!!

The SRA ProLife Committee



Donut Sunday

Today is Donut Sunday! Please join your fellow parishioners for a donut after the 9:00am Mass. If you attend 4:30pm Mass, please return on Sunday for a donut and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you! This Donut Sunday is hosted by the Ladies' Club.

We would like to welcome the following new members to our church. We hope 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. Please join us at Mass, and we hope you will consider joining us in future church activities. Again, welcome to St. Raphael the Archangel Parish; we are happy to have you join us.

Nicholas and Melissa Indelicato
Andrew and Christine Hall

Palm Sunday Prayer

Most glorious King, blessed are You who continuously come to us, leading the way to Heaven. Hosanna in the highest!
As I begin this most Holy Week, commemorating Your gift of salvation, I pray that this commemoration will also be a real and transforming participation in Your life, death, and resurrection.



Retreat

All men of the parish are invited to join us on our annual retreat based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. It's a three day break from everyday life and an opportunity to spend time with Christ on a beautiful 80-acre campus overlooking the Mississippi River. Our retreat begins the evening of April 25 and concludes April 28. There is no set fee to attend a retreat at the White House. White House operates on a free-will offering basis, asking those in attendance to simply give what they feel they can at the conclusion of the retreat. To register, please contact Brian Klos, bcklos@gmail.com, 314.482.8558, or visit whitehouseretreat.org to find additional dates.

LARGE-PRINT MISSALETTE

The new, large-print edition of the *Pray Together* missalette for March 24 through May 25, 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.



Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt will be on Easter Sunday, March 31, after the 9:00am Mass. The children will meet outside of church and be escorted to the grass area in front of school.

The Easter Bunny will be there, too!!! Hope to see you!

Donations

SRA is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt again this year. The committee is asking for the following donations:

Small prizes: chalk, bubbles, stickers, pencils
Large prizes: Play-Doh, kites, coloring books, crayons
Individually-wrapped candy

Items can be dropped off at the parish office.

Thank you.

SRA Lenten Project 2024

St. Raphael is coming together again to serve others as a part of our Lenten season. We are assisting two different organizations this year. For St. Augustine Wellston Center we have already collected various items for Easter baskets for families. Monetary donations for Missionaries of Charity are still being accepted.

Missionaries of Charity - the order, founded by Mother Teresa, operates a shelter and soup kitchen in the Jeff-Vander-Lou neighborhood. We will collect monetary donations (please make note of the donation on the collection envelopes found in the pews or by online giving). Prayer shawls already made will also be donated.

So far, you have generously given \$5,639 toward a goal of \$5,000 for the Missionaries of Charity; along with bubbles and chalk for the Wellston Center. If you have not yet donated to the Missionaries of Charity, please consider joining our community in this initiative as part of your Lenten journey! Thank you.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

Wednesday, April 24

2:00—7:00pm

SRA Cafeteria

For more information, scan the QR code or go to login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/124284.



Saint Raphael the Archangel



PALM SUNDAY

Family Mass



Join us for
Family Mass
Palm Sunday
March 24
9:00 am

They took palm branches and went out to meet Him, shouting, "Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Blessed is the king of Israel!"

John 12:13

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, 2024

In preparation for Divine Mercy Sunday on April 7, 2024, please pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy; this nine day novena begins on Good Friday and is prayed each day until the Sunday after Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday. The Chaplet can be said at any time each of the nine days; however, the hour of Great Mercy is 3:00pm each day. Jesus promised St. Faustina, "By this novena, I will grant every possible grace to souls." The Chaplet can be found at divinemercury.org. Jesus, I trust in you! Amen.

Early Bulletin Publishing Deadlines

Please note: due to the upcoming holy days, the bulletins need to go to the publisher much earlier than usual for the next few weeks. Therefore, please send any bulletin items to the parish office as soon as possible before your event. Thank you.

Statement of the Missouri Catholic Conference on the Abortion Initiative Petition

The Catholic Church supports and defends society's most vulnerable, especially women and children, through accompaniment, social services, and material assistance.

A misleading proposed amendment to the Missouri Constitution suggests that a "right to an abortion" is needed to protect women, while the amendment could actually put women at risk and endanger preborn children. This ballot initiative would legalize abortions in this state and remove long standing health and safety standards for women. In addition, this initiative does nothing to reduce or eliminate the underlying social causes for abortion and does not further a true culture of life in the state.

Groups are currently collecting citizen signatures to add the amendment to the November 2024 ballot. **We encourage all Catholics and people of good will to not sign any petition that would put this amendment on the ballot.**

The Catholic Church in Missouri will continue to provide spiritual and material support to expectant mothers and their families through our parishes and ministries, and to advocate on their behalf and on behalf of their preborn children. For those women suffering from the pain of an abortion, the Church will continue to offer true healing and hope through its Post Abortive Healing Ministries. We ask all to help us in these efforts to safeguard the right to life.

We look forward to the day when every child, born and unborn, has the love and support needed to thrive and reach his or her full potential. Let us pray for a greater recognition of the gift of each and every human life in our society.

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Approved February 22, 2024

Quarter Auction 2024 Donation Suggestions

Electronics
Holiday Decorations/Items
Glassware/Barware
Candles
Nonperishable Food Baskets
Lottery Scratch-off Tickets



SRA Ladies' Club
Quarter Auction
Friday, April 19
Doors Open 6:00pm | Program Begins 6:30pm



What is it?

70+ prizes are on display
Hold your paddle up to bid
on item(s) of your choice.
If your number is called,
you win the item!



Extraordinary Baskets & Raffles

Purchase raffle tickets
for high valued items.
50/50 raffle



Payments

Use PayPal to
pay for table
@sraladiesclub



Paddle Options



"All In" paddle \$30
Bid as often as you'd like.
-or-
Entry/pay to play paddle \$10
Pay a quarter to bid each time.

Tables

Reserve a table of 8 for \$80
Includes 8 entry paddles
Can upgrade to "All In" paddle
for \$20 (the night of or in advance)

-or-

Walk in night of event
Bring your own food and drinks!
To reserve a table email:
ladies@straphaelarchangel.org

Welcome to **ARCHANGEL YOUTH MINISTRY (AYM)** covering the parishes of the St. Louis Hills neighborhood (St. Gabriel & St. Raphael). **AYM** is open to all high school teens. No signup necessary and teens do not need to be from the St. Louis Hills parishes to participate. High schoolers can attend on a regular basis or drop in as it fits their schedules.

Sunday evenings (6:45-8:15pm in Gabriel House) include snacks, socializing, at least one game, a talk, and discussion time. Teens are encouraged to bring a friend to share in the fun.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Silhouette Stations of the Cross | **Moved to March 27 at 8:00pm**

LUKE 18 Retreat | April 26 - 28 | for 8th graders, led by high schoolers

Steubenville Conference | July 12 - 14 | 8th - 12th graders | | For those interested in attending but missed the registration deadline, extra spots were purchased by AYM. Please email Sarah if interested in one of those spots; only TWO remain. If there is additional interest, a waiting list will be created. hendersons@stgabrielstl.org

MARCH 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
★ Sunday, March 24th Youth Mass & LUKE 18 Planning Mtg. #2 (No Social Night)		● Sunday, March 31st NO AYM <i>Happy Easter!</i>			1 Stations of the Cross Sign Up DUE TODAY	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
LUKE 18 Planning Mtg. #1	Stations of the Cross Practice #1					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
NO AYM	Stations of the Cross Practice #2					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Happy St. Patrick's Day NO AYM	Stations of the Cross Practice #3	HELLO Spring				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
★ He Risen	Stations of the Cross Practice #4		Lead Stations of the Cross	Holy Thursday	Good Friday	Holy Saturday

St Gabriel The Archangel - School Cafeteria

FISH FRY

Every Friday in Lent - Feb 16th - March 29th - 4pm - 7pm