



# SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 3, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



### 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 | 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 3:**

Ritual Song: No. 1123

Pray Together: Page 96

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## Fr. Molini's Notes

### Lent takes a turn

With the Third Sunday of Lent, there is a slight turn for the Catholic community as we begin to focus more on those preparing to enter the Church at Easter. At the Mass with our candidates present, we will, over the next three Sundays, invite them to make a public statement of their desire to join the Church. Using special readings at this Mass (10:00am), we will reflect with them on the call to conversion of heart. Supporting them in their desire, we also call upon the larger community to pray for them. As a sign of our unity and our own conviction of faith, let us, therefore, pray for all those entering the Catholic Church this Easter Season.

### Holy Week and Easter

Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper

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

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

Good Friday, Celebration of the Lord's Passion

St. Gabriel – 3:00pm

St. Raphael – 7:00pm

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

St. Gabriel – 8:00pm

Easter Sunday Masses

St. Gabriel – 6:30am, 10:00am, 5:30pm

St. Raphael – 7:00am, 9:00am

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## LIFELINE COALITION CAMPAIGN

It's that time of the year again, time for the LifeLine Coalition Campaign. This effort will extend from March 4 to March 18. We rejoice in the defeat of Roe v. Wade and the Missouri Legislature's ban on abortion. However, there still are women and families who need assistance to face a crisis pregnancy. Guided by the efforts of the Respect Life Apostolate, your donation to LifeLine Coalition aids those women in need. Find your envelope in the SRA March packet of envelopes. Thank you for building the Culture of Life! The SRA ProLife Committee



### 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.



## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, March 3

9:00am Alvin Couch

### Monday, March 4

8:00am Kimling Family

### Tuesday, March 5

8:00am Kris Schneidewind

### Wednesday, March 6

8:00am Eva Ruggeri

### Thursday, March 7

8:00am Bill and Mary Lou Schicker

### Friday, March 8

8:00am Liddy Family

### Saturday, March 9

7:00am Hutton Family

4:30pm Cramer Family

### Sunday, March 10

9:00am Ernest Winkelmann

*"You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything..." - Exodus 20:4*

How many "gods" do we put before God? "Idols" do not always take the shape of physical things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort, or health. Let us pray for God's help to eliminate our vices and to grow our virtues.

## Your Contributions to God and Parish

Feb. 25, 2024	This Week	Year-to-Date
(Envelopes Used)		
<b>Regular Env. (49)</b>	\$ 4,986	\$ 153,980
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 1,279	\$ 44,745
<b>School Support</b>	\$ 115	\$ 4,845
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 45	\$ 5,722
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 0	\$ 7,026
<b>Online Giving (53)</b>	\$ 4,266	\$ 114,561
<b>ProLife</b>	(\$ 65)	
<b>Eastern Europe</b>	(\$ 50)	
<b>Lenten Project</b>	(\$ 435)	
<b>Tithing</b>	(\$ 30)	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ 11,271	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 10,691	\$ 334,694
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 10,000	\$ 350,000
<b>Difference</b>	<u>\$ 691</u>	<u>(\$ 15,306)</u>
<b>FYE 2023</b>		<u>\$ 5,826</u>

### From St. Vincent de Paul Society

The Samaritan woman questioned Jesus when He asked for a drink of water. We do not question the ethnicity of those in need of our help. We reach out with open arms to assist them. It is, at this time, that we are given the opportunity to proclaim that Christ was crucified. His crucifixion washed away all of our sins. How blessed we are to share Christ with those around us during this beautiful Lenten Season.



# ALTAR SERVERS

## SERVERS FOR MARCH 9 AND 10, 2024

### Saturday, March 9

4:30pm Mark Boeckmann Lucas Feldman  
Clara Thompson

### Sunday, March 10

9:00am Gavin Eddingfield Isa Hogrebe  
Adriana Kurtovic

## LECTORS/MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 9 AND 10, 2024

### LECTORS

4:30pm  
Ron Goedeker

9:00am  
Daniel Krus

### Extraordinary Ministers

Mary Steck  
Elena Switzer  
Christy Connor

Lisa Murphy  
Amy Schisler  
Barb Cramer

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday, March 4

8:00am Church Mass  
5:00pm Gym Basketball Tournament  
7:15pm Parish Off. Stewardship Meeting

### Tuesday, March 5

8:00am Church Mass  
3:15pm Cafeteria Kindergarten Daisy Troop  
5:00pm Gym Basketball Tournament

### Wednesday, March 6

7:30am Church Rosary  
8:00am Church Mass  
5:00pm Gym Basketball Tournament  
6:00pm Cafeteria 3rd Gr. Boy Scouts  
8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

### Thursday, March 7

8:00am Church Mass  
2:00pm Cafeteria Dance Class  
5:00pm Gym Basketball Tournament  
5:30pm Cafeteria 4th Gr. Girl Scouts

### Friday, March 8

7:30am Church Rosary  
8:00am Church Mass  
12:00pm Church Stations of the Cross  
5:00pm Gym Basketball Tournament

### Saturday, March 9

7:00am Church Mass  
8:00am Gym Basketball Tournament  
4:30pm Church Mass

### Sunday, March 10

8:00am Gym Basketball Tournament  
9:00am Church Mass

## DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 <i>Scrutiny</i> : Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 <i>Scrutiny</i> : 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38





ST. RAPHAEL  
MEN'S CLUB

# CORNHOLE

## *TOURNAMENT*

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23 | SRA GYM**  
**DOORS OPEN 5:30PM | BAGS FLY 6:00PM**

**\$60 PER TEAM • INCLUDES BEER**  
**50/50 RAFFLE • AGES 21+**  
**NCAA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT VIEWING**

**EMAIL TO REGISTER & QUESTIONS TO:**

Brian Sullivan • [sullyb30@yahoo.com](mailto:sullyb30@yahoo.com)  
Tony Howard • [tony@stlbuildpro.com](mailto:tony@stlbuildpro.com)

**MAKE PAYMENT TO:**

PayPal @sramensclub

**6000 JAMIESON AVE**



### 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.

### 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!

### SRA Lenten Project 2024

St. Raphael is coming together again to serve others as a part of our Lenten season. We will be assisting two different organizations this year.

**St. Augustine Wellston Center** - operates a food pantry and thrift store for the needy in North St. Louis. We will assemble 100 Easter baskets for families. Please take a donation tag for bubbles and sidewalk chalk from the baskets near the altar. Other items will be collected at school by the students. Please return bubbles and chalk to church before Sunday, March 10 (look for the bins). On Sunday, March 17, after Mass, all are welcome to join us for the Easter basket assembly and donuts in the cafeteria.

**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.

Please consider joining our community in either or both of these initiatives this year as a part of your Lenten journey! If you have any questions, please contact Jordan Chitwood at 660.888.2951.

### 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.

## 40 Days for Life

It's that time of year again when we stand up and show our support for the unborn. Please join us on Thursday, March 7, at Planned Parenthood on Forest Park Avenue from 8:00am to 5:00pm to witness for LIFE! Please call, 618.444.9437, or email, meh0905@att.net, Mary Ellen Hoffman, if interested. In advance, thank you for your support and participation.

## DECLINE TO SIGN!

Pro-abortion supporters are attempting to put forth a ballot measure that would add an amendment to the Missouri Constitution that would legalize abortion throughout all stages of pregnancy. The ballot measure advocates for a right to dangerous late-term abortions paid for with taxpayer money and without parental consent for minors and without regard for the health of Missouri women. Starting this month through May 5, signature gatherers are in the process of collecting approximately 172,000 valid signatures in six out of eight congressional districts. **DECLINE TO SIGN** any such petition because no pro-life groups in Missouri are collecting signatures to support this effort.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter!



To order visit: [bit.ly/sra2024](https://bit.ly/sra2024) or scan QR code  
Either select a specific 8th grader or  
the general 8th grade class at the  
bottom to support.

Paper forms are also available at church.

**Orders Due: Monday, 3/11**  
**Pick Up/Delivery: Thursday, 3/21**

**Thank you for your support!**

Questions? Laura Dougherty  
[ljeep524@yahoo.com](mailto:ljeep524@yahoo.com)







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






## 2024 Donation Suggestions



Gift Certificates  
Event Tickets  
Purses/Jewelry  
Beauty/Haircare Products  
Self-Care Items  
Organization Tools/Items  
Memberships/Passes  
Outdoor Games  
Board Games  
SRA Branded Items  
Sport/Exercise Equipment  
Camping Equipment  
Sports Memorabilia  
Wine, Beer, Liquor  
Kitchen Items/Small Appliances  
Water bottles/thermal cups  
Home Goods/Decorations  
Electronics  
Holiday Decorations/Items  
Glassware/Barware  
Candles  
Non-Perishable Food Baskets  
Lottery Scratch-off Tickets





**SAVE  
—THE—  
DATE**

LOVE THEM BOTH

pro-life from womb to tomb

**COALITION LIFE**

# MARCH ON THE ARCH


**Saturday • March 23, 2024**

**JOIN US FOR A 1 MILE  
PRO-LIFE MARCH TO THE  
ST. LOUIS ARCH!**

With all of the efforts in Missouri and across the region to expand abortion in the wake of the Dobbs decision, now is the time for pro-life people to stand strong and united.

**Check In 9:30am**  
**Rally 11:00am • March 12:00pm**  
*Starting at Aloe Plaza (across from Union Station, 20th and Market Street) and finishing at the Arch Grounds*

**REGISTER NOW! [STLMarch.com](https://STLMarch.com)**



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