



# SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 5, 2023 | SECOND 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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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 MARCH 5, 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### Entrance Antiphon

**Cf. 27 (26): 8-9**

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

### Reading 1

**Gn 12:1-4a**

The LORD said to Abram: "Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you. "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you. All the communities of the earth shall find blessing in you." Abram went as the LORD directed him.

### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22**

**R. (Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

**R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness, to deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.

**R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you.

**R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

### Reading 2

**2 Tm 1:8b-10**

Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the Gospel with the strength that comes from God. He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began, but now made manifest through the appearance of our Savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.

### Gospel

**Mt 17:1-9**

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them; then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised 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, February 26

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

## Monday, February 27

7:00am Marie Hiette  
8:00am Joseph F. and Kathryn H. Darpel

## Tuesday, February 28

7:00am Tom and Jackie Rolf  
8:00am Brenda Santanello  
7:00pm Special Intention

## Wednesday, March 1

7:00am Kris Schneidewind  
8:00am Eric Peter Bierrie

## Thursday, March 2

7:00am William Siebert  
8:00am Rose Travers

## Friday, March 3

7:00am Alvin Couch

## Saturday, March 4

7:00am Tom O'Shea  
10:00am Anointing of the Sick  
4:30pm People of the Parish

## Sunday, March 5

8:00am Tom Lake  
10:00am Ken Soehngen

*"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you."  
Genesis 12:1*

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness, and greed. Yet, God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful; God calls us to be faithful."

## Your Contributions to God and Parish

Feb. 26, 2022	This Week	Year-to-Date
(Envelopes Used)		
<b>Regular Env. (54)</b>	\$ 6,140.00	\$ 171,575.00
<b>Loose Money</b>	\$ 1,023.00	\$ 51,090.00
<b>School Support</b>	\$ 370.00	\$ 8,570.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 15.00	\$ 11,959.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,770.00
<b>Online Giving (56)</b>	\$ 3,376.00	\$ 102,481.00
<b>Tithing</b>	(\$ 30.00)	
<b>ProLife</b>	(\$ 3.00)	
<b>Black/Indian</b>	(\$ 5.00)	
<b>Missions</b>		
<b>Lenten Project</b>	(\$ 1,595.00)	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ 12,557.00	
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$ 10,924.00	\$ 356,065.00
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 350,000.00
<b>Difference</b>	<u>\$ 924.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,065.00</u>
<b>FYE 2022</b>		<u>\$ 46,837.00</u>

### From St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel, Jesus is transfigured and a voice from Heaven says, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to Him." Through constant listening to Jesus, we are able to help our neighbors with rent and utilities. A lot of them need help in getting over a bump in the road. Thus, our gifts give them a breather and time to listen to Jesus.

# ALTAR SERVERS

## SERVERS FOR MAR. 6 - 12, 2023

### Monday, March 6

8:00am Linus Cyr Anna Wright

### Tuesday, March 7

8:00am Ethan Bradshaw Julia Panka

### Wednesday, March 8

8:00am Gavin Eddingfield Lydia Eddingfield

### Thursday, March 9

8:00am Mark Boeckmann Katelyn Feldman

### Friday, March 10

No 8:00am Mass

### Saturday, March 11

4:30pm Christian Bernadt Jack Delf  
William Schneeberger

### Sunday, March 12

8:00am Ava Christlieb Adriana Kurtovic  
Need Substitution  
10:00am Linus Cyr Xavier Cyr  
Lydia Eddingfield

## DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday	Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday	Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday	Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
Friday	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday	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

## LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 11 - 12, 2023

4:30pm Laura Geiser	8:00am Matt Maxfield	10:00am Daniel Krus
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday, March 6

7:00am Church	Mass
8:00am Church	Mass
2:00pm Church	Prayer Group
3:00pm Church	Eucharistic Adoration
3:15pm Gym	4th Gr. Girls Basketball
5:30pm Gym	Basketball Tournament
7:15pm Parish Office	Stewardship Meeting

### Tuesday, March 7

7:00am Church	Mass
8:00am Church	Mass
9:30am Church	Prayer Group
3:15pm Cafeteria	2nd Gr. Girl Scouts
5:30pm Gym	Basketball Tournament
6:15pm Church	Confessions
7:00pm Church	Mass
7:30pm Church	Rosary with Reflections

### Wednesday, March 8

6:30am Church	Rosary
7:00am Church	Mass
8:00am Church	Mass
3:00pm Church	Eucharistic Adoration
3:15pm Cafeteria	4th Gr. Girl Scouts
5:30pm Gym	Basketball Tournament
6:30pm Cafeteria	NWEA Map Growth Parent Meeting

### Thursday, March 9

7:00am Church	Mass
8:00am Church	Mass
2:00pm Cafeteria	Dance
5:30pm Gym	Basketball Tournament
6:30pm Parish Office	RCIA

### Friday, March 10

6:30am Church	Rosary
7:00am Church	Mass
7:30am Church	Adult Stations of the Cross
12:15pm Cafeteria	1st Gr. Girl Scouts
5:30pm Gym	Basketball Tournament

### Saturday, March 11

7:00am Church	Mass
9:00am Gym	Basketball Games
4:30pm Church	Mass

### Sunday, March 12

8:00am Church	Mass
10:00am Church	Mass
10:45am Cafeteria	Faith Alive Story Time
6:00pm Church	Prayer Group

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### Permanent Diaconate Information Nights

On Mondays, March 13 and March 20, Permanent Diaconate Information Nights will be held at 6:30pm at the Cardinal Rigali Center. The Office of the Permanent Diaconate will hold informational meetings for men who are interested in exploring the possibility of a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate. Interested men are invited to attend one of the sessions. Wives of interested men are strongly encouraged to attend. For more information or to reserve a spot, please contact 314.792.7433.

All men of the parish are invited to attend a retreat at the White House Jesuit Retreat Center off Christopher Road in St. Louis County. This will be a silent, guided retreat based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. All meals and private lodging are provided. Our retreat begins the evening of Thursday, April 27, and concludes Sunday, April 30. There is no set fee to attend a retreat at White House. White House operates on a free-will basis, asking those in attendance to simply give what they feel they can at the conclusion of the retreat. To register, call Brian Klos at 314.482.8559 or email [BCKlos@gmail.com](mailto:BCKlos@gmail.com) or visit [www.whretreat.org](http://www.whretreat.org) to find additional dates.

### 2nd Annual Ben Polson Memorial Hockey Game

STLFD vs. STLPD  
Friday, March 31  
Face Off: 7:30pm  
Affton Ice Rink  
10300 Gravois

Proceeds Benefit Backstoppers

Tickets available from players at the front door. Come out and support a great cause and see some good hockey!



### ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN REGULATIONS

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him." (John 3:16-17)*

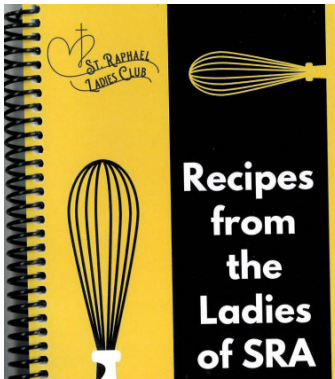
The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics, so that we too might have Eternal life. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

**All Fridays of Lent and Good Friday (April 7, 2023)** are days of **abstinence** (refraining from meat) for all Catholics **from age 14 onwards**. On these two days, **fast**, as well as **abstinence**, is also obligatory for those **from the ages of 18-59**. Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.

**Feast of Saint Patrick (March 17, 2023)** falls on a Friday during Lent this year. Feasts of the Church are meant to be a day of celebration and rejoicing, so on this Friday, March 17, 2023, the faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis are dispensed from abstaining from meat should they choose to celebrate the Feast of Saint Patrick.



Congratulations to the newest member of the church, Simon Chitwood. Simon, son of Jordan and Katherine Chitwood, was baptized at St. Raphael the Archangel on February 19, 2023. May God always bless the Chitwood family.



### Cookbooks

SRA Ladies' Club has a supply of cookbooks available for sale. These will make great gifts for the coming year...Easter, Mother's Day, etc. They are \$15 each. You can purchase them via the parish office or contact Stacy LoBello at [stacy.lobello@gmail.com](mailto:stacy.lobello@gmail.com).

### 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.



## Day of Hope & Healing

*For Women, Men and Couples*



Men, women and couples wounded by abortion are invited to attend the **Rachel's Vineyard Day of Hope & Healing**, **Saturday, March 18, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**"There is hope for your future."  
– God (Jeremiah 31:17)**

**Saturday, March 18, 2023**

Confidential, prayerful setting in St. Louis  
Contact [hopehealing@archstl.org](mailto:hopehealing@archstl.org)  
or 314.406.0815

The \$20 cost covers breakfast, lunch, and all materials. All information and inquiries are kept confidential.

During the day retreat, offered through the Archdiocese of St. Louis Abortion Healing Ministry, a trained, compassionate team will lead participants along their healing journey through Holy Mass, fellowship, Scripture, and prayer.

### Praise for Rachel's Vineyard

"I pray that all who participate in Rachel's Vineyard with the longing to be free and to be healed by Jesus, may find Him, the source of true joy, peace and love."

*~ Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

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### YOUTH CLUB RAFFLE WINNERS FEBRUARY

1st Place \$100	Carolyn Skidmore
2nd Place \$50	Brian Sullivan
3rd Place \$50	Dolores Dunsford



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.



All families of St. Raphael Parish and School are invited to join us for a night of family friendly fun!

**WHAT:** DJ, Photo booth, Pizza and Refreshments included  
**WHEN:** March 25, 2023 immediately following 4:30 family mass until 8:30  
**COST:** \$10 per family

Please return forms to the school office before 3/20.  
Checks Payable to St. Raphael

Contact Louise with any questions  
balicki-smith@straphaelarchangel.org

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**FAMILY NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER ATTENDING** \_\_\_\_\_

### LifeLine Coalition Campaign

It's that time of the year again, time to support the LifeLine Coalition Campaign. The campaign will extend from March 6 to March 20, and you will find your envelope in the March packet of envelopes. This campaign supports Birthright of Hillsboro, St. Charles, St. Louis, Wentzville, and Tri-County; Good Shepherd Children & Family Services; Haven of Grace; Mary Queen of Angels; Our Lady's Inn; Pregnancy Help Center of South County; and Washington Pregnancy Assistance Center.



Even though Roe vs Wade has been overturned, your support is still very important. Please help women in need and their families as they choose life for their children. Please help to build the Culture of Life by donating to the LifeLine Coalition.

Thank you for your generosity! The SRA ProLife Committee





games, crafts,  
stories, song,  
outside play



Full & half days

3-5 days per week

Aftercare available

**SRA**  
*Summer*  
**CAMP**

*June 5 - July 21*

Fun themed-weeks  
Weekly water days  
& field trips



**Saint Raphael the  
Archangel School**  
6000 Jamieson Avenue

**Explorer Club  
Ages 3-5**

**Adventure Club  
Ages 6-8**

**Questions?**  
**Contact Michele Swaney**  
[swaney@straphaelarchangel.org](mailto:swaney@straphaelarchangel.org)

**To register:**  
[sraschool.org/student-life/summer-camp](https://sraschool.org/student-life/summer-camp)

## SRA Summer Camp

SRA SUMMER CAMP 2023 IS BACK AND WE NEED HELPERS! We are looking for high school and college students interested in summer camp work, or needing service hours, or both. We provide a flexible schedule and a great experience working with kids! We also need adults with early child care or classroom experience to help us run the summer program. PLEASE CONTACT MICHELE SWANEY, WHO WILL BE THE NEW CAMP DIRECTOR THIS YEAR, at [swaney@saintraphaelarchangel.org](mailto:swaney@saintraphaelarchangel.org) or by phone at 314.797.3358. Michele has worked with Molly Indelicato for the past three years and this will be her 3rd year at summer camp.

We are looking forward to a FUN and ADVENTURE -PACKED summer with the kids!

### Summer Camp Highlights!

June 5	Fun and Games	July 5	FIFA Fun
June 12	Outdoor Adventure	July 10	Little Picassos
June 19	VBS and World Travelers	July 17	To Infinity and Beyond
June 26	Under the Sea		



# 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](mailto:ladies@straphaelarchangel.org)  
to reserve a table.



BYOB and food (like a trivia night!)

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



## Quarter Auction Donations

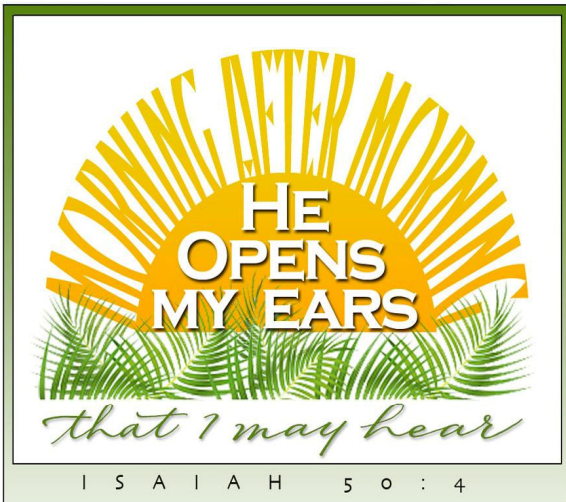
SRA Ladies' Club is soliciting donations for its upcoming Quarter Auction fundraising event. Following is a list of suggested items (not limited to) but we will accept any new items.

- Gift certificates to local businesses
- Tickets to sporting events
- Tickets to local venues
- Bath and body items
- Gardening
- Wine and/or other adult beverages
- Personal items, i.e., purses, jewelry, etc.
- Events at local businesses, i.e., wine/beer tastings, etc.

## ATTENTION LADIES' CLUB MEMBERS

The Club is in need of baskets, basket confetti/moss or other "fillers," tissue paper, and/or cute or unique containers for raffles. Items can be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you.

*All are welcome!*



*Is the Lord calling you to attend a retreat?  
Will you listen?*

Consider joining the women of St. Gabriel  
on an ACTS Retreat:  
March 30-April 2, 2023

Contact Joan Burnes @ (314) 650-6459  
or joan.burnes@yahoo.com

Or find the registration form on the parish  
website: [www.stgabrielstl.org](http://www.stgabrielstl.org)  
(under the Worship & Formation tab)

**PROUD SPONSOR OF THE  
BLACK & GOLD DINNER  
AUCTION!**



**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 #