

SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 15, 2022 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



WELCOME!

VISIT OR CONTACT US

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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. - Fri. | 8:00am

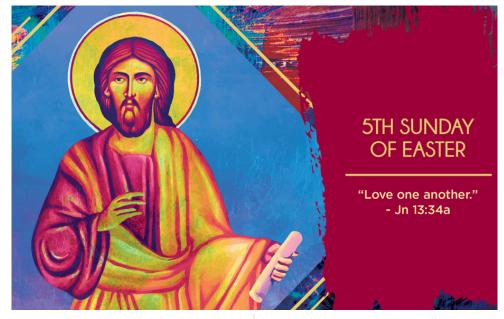
CONFESSION

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-2:00pm Saturday | 8:00am-4:30pm Sunday | 9:00am-10:00am



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 98 (97): 1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

Reading I Acts 14:21-27

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith. Then they traveled through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. After proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished. And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

R I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

R I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD, and let your faithful ones bless you. Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

R I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Let them make known your might to the children of Adam, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages, and your dominion endures through all generations.

R I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Reading II Rev 21:1-5a

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away." The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new."

Gospel Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."



Sunday, May 15

8:00am People of the Parish 10:00am Frank Buffa

Monday, May 16

7:00am Frank Hauff 8:00am Ben Polson

Tuesday, May 17

7:00am Joseph and Kathryn Darpel 8:00am Purgatorial Society

Wednesday, May 18

7:00am Jimmy Feser 8:00am Joan Bialcek

Thursday, May 19

7:00am Dana Spencer 8:00am Ery Rhode

Friday, May 20

7:00am Eileen O'Toole 8:00am Ben Polson

Saturday, May 21

7:00am Brassil and Ahrens Families 4:30pm Eileen O'Toole

Sunday, May 22

8:00am Bill and Mary Lou Schicker 10:00am People of the Parish

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "I give you a new commandment: love one another.... This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." By your gift to the Society, you show that you have love for one another, especially for the suffering and the poor, and that indeed you are the disciple of Jesus.

Truck Drive, Saturday, June 18!

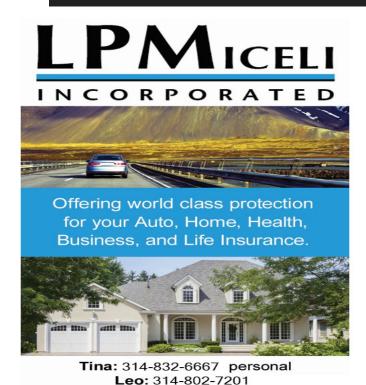
"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (JOHN 13:34)

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part. Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love others when they love us back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when we feel unappreciated, feel used, or feel that our opinions don't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love our neighbors" when we don't like them, we don't know them, or they look different from us.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

May 8, 2021 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
Regular Env. (56)	\$ 4,85.00	\$ 210,254.00
Loose Money	\$ 669.00	\$ 89,396.00
School Support	\$ 35.00	\$ 6,650.00
Building Fund	\$ 60.00	\$ 13,630.00
Holy Days	\$ 61.00	\$ 10,048.00
Online Giving (54)	\$ 3,431.00	\$ 124,031.00
Holy Land	(\$ 5.00))
Tithing	(\$ 25.00)
Retired Religious	(\$ 40.00))
Thanksgiving	(\$ 5.00))
Grand Total	\$ 8,816.00)
Total for Parish	\$ 8,741.00	\$ 460,892.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 414,000.00
Difference	<u>(\$ 259.00</u>	\$ 46,892.00
FYE 2021		(\$ 15,462.00)

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Alpha is returning to SRA! And you are invited!

Alpha is a chance to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open, and informal environment. If you feel anxious about life...if you long for a more meaningful relationship with God...if you have more questions than answers, then Alpha is for you! Join us for a meal and conversation with others as we delve into the meaning of life and faith; no strings attached.

Come and see for yourself...what have you got to lose?

Our first session is <u>Friday</u>, <u>June 3</u>, 6:30 - 8:30pm, St. Raphael parish office, lower level. Feel free to invite a friend to come with you! We will explore the question, "How does God guide you?" Childcare is available. For more information, please call or text Mary Reck, 314.326.6996.



Today is Donut Sunday! Please join your fellow parishioners for a donut after the 8:00am or 10:00am Masses. 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 Girl Scouts.



Congratulations to the newest member of the church, Alexander Rice. Alexander, son of Daniel and Meghan Rice, was baptized at St. Raphael the Archangel on May 1, 2022. May God always bless the Rice family.

"GOD HAS THIS" #SRAStrong **Bracelet** Chatter...

"Love the bracelet—it means so much to me."

"The 'God Has This' bracelet is on the door to my laundry room and it is reminding me to pray more."

"Overheard a woman at exercise talking. After class, I gave her a bracelet - she was grateful."

Let go..."God Has This."

Bracelets available for \$1.00 in the Moses baskets at the church entrances after weekend Masses and at the parish office.

Rosary

Every Wednesday in church, we will pray the Rosary at 6:30am for the church community. Please plan to attend.



Many thanks to all who donated to the ProLife Mother's Day shower! Pictured here is the Neal family who delivered the gifts to Our Lady's Inn...two car loads of needed items. May the Lord abundantly bless all of you generous people who are helping to build the Culture of Life!!

The SRA ProLife Committee

DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12- 13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
Monday	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/ Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12- 13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/ Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/ Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

Laudato Si' - "Praise be to You" Care for God's Creation

Care of Our Common Home The words that open Pope



Francis's encyclical on ecology and care for God's creation are impactful. These words remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a

mother who opens her arms to embrace us. Each of us is called to take concrete steps - from reducing consumption to working for political change - to better care for creation. Make changes institutionally at your parish, school, or workplace. For example, start recycling and composting, use washable dinnerware in cafeterias, share electronically instead of printing, do an energy audit, and install solar panels.

LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF

MAY 21 - 22, 2022

4:30pm 8:00am 10:00am

Laura Geiser Amy Ruggeri Suzy Ferrenbach

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR MAY 16 - 22, 2022

Monday, May 16

8:00am Anna-Grace Guenther Mark Boeckmann

Tuesday, May 17

8:00am Susan Irons Steven Irons

Wednesday, May 18

8:00am James Browning Jack Delf

Thursday, May 19

8:00am Ava Christlieb Matthew Franz

Friday, May 20

8:00am Nahima Ramirez Dalila Ramirez

Saturday, May 21

4:30pm Brendan Cierpiot Addison Pfeiffer

Cillian Sheehan

Sunday, May 22

8:00am Jake Anstey Helen Potts

Jude Potts

10:00am Mateo Switzer Aidan Switzer

Anna-Grace Guenther

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.

Annual Catholic Appeal

The 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal has begun. The Archdiocese has sent letters with pledge cards to most parishioners. There are three options:

- 1. Go online to pledge/pay for the year.
- 2. Fill out the pledge card and mail directly to the ACA.
- 3. Fill out the pledge card and put it into the collection basket or deliver it to the parish office.

If you need your pledge card, please contact the parish office or Fred Hodes at 314.752.8742.

Our parish has been very generous in the past. Please continue your generous support.

Parish Annual Catholic Appeal Committee

Springtime Storytime

When? Sunday, May 15, following 10:00am Mass Where? Cafeteria



Join us for a spring-themed story time with Little Readers. Following the story, the attendees will complete a fun craft. The story time and activity are appropriate for PreK through second grade. Siblings are welcome to join!

Activity Fee: \$2 per child, cash or check made payable to Little Readers.

Questions? Please contact Meredith Winters at 314.541.5547 ormeredith.a.winters @gmail.com, or Louise Balicki-Smith, 314.603.3108 or lbalicki.smith@gmail.com.



Monday, May 16

7:00am Church Mass 8:00am Church Mass

7:00pm Tobias Rm. School Board

Tuesday, May 17

7:00am Church Mass 8:00am Church Mass 7:00pm Cafeteria Men's Club

Wednesday, May 18

6:30am Church Rosary 7:00am Church Mass 8:00am Church Mass

8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, May 19

7:00am Church Mass 8:00am Church Mass

7:00pm Cafeteria Ladies' Club

Friday, May 20

7:00am Church Mass 8:00am Church Mass

Saturday, May 21

7:00am Church Mass

3:15pm Cafeteria K-1 Girl Scouts

4:30pm Church Mass

Sunday, May 22

8:00am Church Mass

10:00am Church Mass - Graduation Mass



HSA Mission Statement

The primary purpose of the Home and School Association is to raise capital through volunteer efforts of school families, parishioners, and faculty and to safeguard and use those funds for the maximin benefit of the children attending St. Raphael the Archangel School. A secondary purpose of the HSA is to grow a sense of community among the families, parishioners, and faculty at SRA. This is achieved by promoting communication between home and school, supporting the faith development in the school, and providing information to aid in education and development of SRA students.

Are you interested in getting involved and helping the school community?

We are excited to accept nominations for the position of Head Room Parent

Primary duties:

Secure a room parent for grades K-8 while serving as a member of the Home and School Association (HSA)

Act as a liaison between the faculty and the K-8 room parents throughout the school year

We will also start recruiting for a Vice President this fall, with the term starting January 2023.

You can learn more about the opportunities on the SRA website or by speaking with a current member of the HSA Board – link below.

Please send your nominations to <u>caseykleekamp@yahoo.com</u> by May 23. Name will be drawn at the HSA Board Meeting. Head Room Parent term begins in July.

HSA Job Descriptions and Leadership | St. Raphael the Archangel School (sraschool.org)

Save the Date! Start collecting items or look through your items at home and save them for our Neighbors in Need. All donations will go to the thrift stores for the Vincent De Paul Society. We are going to have a donation truck on our parking lot on Saturday, June 18, from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

All donations must be gently used, clean, and in working order. Please bring clothes, including shoes and purses, housewares, furniture, baby items, exercise equipment, electronics, home and garden, media - records, CDs, DVDs - and seasonal décor to the trucks. Please, NO food, drop down cribs, mattresses, car seats, light fixtures, metal hangers, blinds, doors, carpets, pianos, organs, auto parts, paint and cleaning supplies, carpeting, and sleeper sofas. Unfortunately, we cannot offer pick up. Remember to bring your items on Saturday, June 18.



THURSDAY, MAY 26 6:30PM

SACRED HEART VALLEY PARK

"Young people are hungry for straight answers to tough questions about love, dating, and relationships. And I think it's time we make the answers a little bit easier to find. They are tired of shame and guilt trips. What they really want to know is how to find and build authentic love." -Jason Evert

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Jason Evert is a best selling author of more than ten books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than one million people on six continents.

EVENING INCLUDES

- Chastity presentation for teens (13+) AND parents
- Sacrament of Reconciliation
 - Eucharistic Adoration
- Free materials for each person in the family!



\$20/PERSON

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St. Raphael the Archangel participants in St. Louis University High School's Robotics Jamboree!



Welcome to the St. Raphael Parish Family!		
If you are new to our community, we extend to you a he the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. Y	·	
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