



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 22, 2022 | SIXTH 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



6TH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

"Peace I leave with you."
- Jn 14:27a

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MAY 22, 2022 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Is 48:20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Reading I

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved." Because there arose no little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them, it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question. The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them: "The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number who went out without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord decided to choose representatives and to send them to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: 'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell.'"

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

R O God, let all the nations praise you!

May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face shine upon us. So may your way be known upon Earth; among all nations, your salvation. **R O God, let all the nations praise you!** May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity; the nations on the earth you guide. **R O God, let all the nations praise you!** May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you! May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him! **R O God, let all the nations praise you!**

Reading II

Rev 21:10-14, 22-23

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendor of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like jasper, clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

Gospel

Jn 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."



Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 22

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

Monday, May 23

7:00am Richard L. Hill
8:00am Leo Seller, Sr.

Tuesday, May 24

7:00am Riegel Family
8:00am Kay Jacobsmeier

Wednesday, May 25

7:00am Dennis Coons
8:00am Cary Cusamano

Thursday, May 26

7:00am Betty Berron
8:00am Harry Toczykowski

Friday, May 27

7:00am Eugene Enger

Saturday, May 28

7:00am Josephine Godfrey
4:30pm Ralph and Agnes Hager

Sunday, May 29

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Jack Magee

"...Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." (JOHN 14:27)

Our limited human understanding cannot begin to understand the immense power of God. Instead of trusting in God, we often think we can control every outcome. Do we want to make God laugh? Tell Him our plans. The next time worry, anxiety, or fear creeps in, let us thank God for all He has given us and trust that He has a better plan for us. Let us make God our first choice and not our last resort.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

May 15, 2021	This Week	Year-to-Date
(Envelopes Used)		
Regular Env. (61)	\$ 4,724.00	\$ 205,978.00
Loose Money	\$ 2,153.00	\$ 91,549.00
School Support	\$ 475.00	\$ 7,125.00
Building Fund	\$ 145.00	\$ 13,775.00
Holy Days	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,048.00
Online Giving (50)	\$ 2,256.00	\$ 126,287.00
Tithing	(\$ 25.00)	
Cardinal Glennon	(\$ 100.00)	
Home Missions	(\$ 45.00)	
Catholic Communications	(\$ 45.00)	
Grand Total	\$ 9,968.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 9,753.00	\$ 470,645.00
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 423,000.00
Difference	<u>\$ 753.00</u>	<u>\$ 48,655.00</u>
FYE 2021		(\$ 15,462.00)

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace, and joy into our hearts, into our lives, and into the hearts of those who are poor.

Truck Drive, Saturday, June 18!

FR. JOHN'S DIGITAL QUILL FOR SPIRITUAL MUSINGS AND PARISH NEWS

Walks with Fr. John

I will walk the parish boundaries again in June, but in a different format this year!

To help better schedule the visits, there will be two days for the home visits on June 11 and June 12. The parish will be divided in half and Father will visit residences on the west side of Hampton (the church side) on June 11 from 9-12:00pm and on the east side of Hampton on June 12 from 1:00-4:00pm.

Each day, there is a Signup Genius that you can use to sign up for a time for Father to come by. When he comes by, there will be time for a short visit as well as time for Father to bless your residence and any religious objects you may want blessed.

If you live outside of the parish boundaries or would like Father to visit but are not available on either day, please call or e-mail him to schedule another time.

Please see our Flocknote for the different Signup Genius links. If you do not get Flocknote or are having trouble with the links, please contact the parish office for assistance.

Block Party on Bishop's Place

On June 4, we introduce a new event...Block Party on Bishop's Place!

This initiative of our Stewardship Committee is an effort to bring our parish together to celebrate our SRA community. We are hoping to have some hot dogs and maybe snow cones, but really it is an evening to come to the parking lot, bring a chair, and enjoy the evening with your parish family. We also encourage people to bring beverages and food to enjoy! The party will begin after the 4:30pm Mass.

You can participate in one of the following ways:

- Come to 10:00am Mass and be in the 1.2 mile procession.
- Come to 10:00am Mass and remain in prayer while the procession is going on and be in church for Solemn Benediction.
- Line the route where the Blessed Sacrament will be passing.
- Be at one or more of the altars where we will Adore the Lord and offer prayers.

Summer Mass Schedule

On Friday, May 27, we will begin our Weekday Summer Mass schedule. Masses will be held at 7:00am each day Monday-Saturday. The 8:00am Mass will resume when school begins in the fall. We anticipate that next year the 8:00am Mass will be celebrated Monday-Thursday. We hope that the situation with COVID will allow us to resume having Family Group Prayer Services on Fridays, in lieu of the 8:00am Mass.

Pre-School of Religion

Last weekend was the last opportunity for our Pre-School of Religion program at the 10:00am Mass until next school year. Thank you to all of those who help with this program and have a blessed summer!

Also, congratulations to our graduates! We will celebrate graduation at the 10:00am Mass, Sunday, May 22!

I will see you online or in Church! -Fr. John
#SRAstrong

**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.

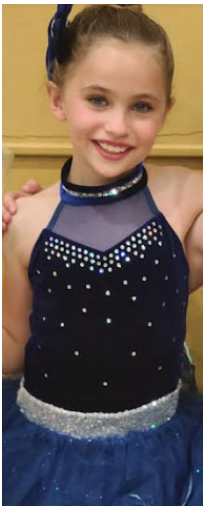
Come and see for yourself...what have you got to lose?

Our first session is Friday, June 3, 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.

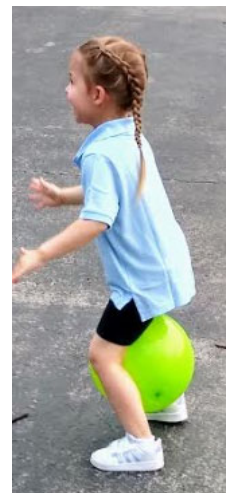


On Tuesday, May 10, members of our parish community, including our 7th grade, 8th grade, and a high school student from Nerinx Hall, received the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Confirmation Mass was celebrated by Bishop Mark Rivituso, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Monsignor Stehly and Father John concelebrated the Mass and Deacon Jerry assisted at the altar. It was a beautiful liturgy and our students were excited to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

SRA DANCE RECITAL!



SRA FIELD DAY!



DAILY READINGS

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
Monday	Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-
Thursday	Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 16:16-20 <i>Ascension</i> : Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53
Friday	Acts 18:9-18/ /Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
Next Sunday	<i>Ascension</i> : Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> : Acts 7:55-60/ Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

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. Support local efforts to solve environmental problems. Community groups around the country are working to make city, county, and state-wide changes that can make big differences. Find out what is going on locally and get involved.

LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF

MAY 28 - 29, 2022

4:30pm George Kerry 8:00am Suzy Ferrenbach 10:00am Krissy Sullivan

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR MAY 23 - 29, 2022

Monday, May 23

8:00am Lydia Eddingfield Adriana Kurtovic

Tuesday, May 24

8:00am David Hiatt Kallista Hiatt

Wednesday, May 25

8:00am Mark Boeckmann Mac Teeter

Thursday, May 26

8:00am Aidan Flavin Frank Koziacki

Friday, May 27

No 8:00am Mass

Saturday, May 28

4:30pm Lucas Feldman Liam Feldman
Ryan Schneider

Sunday, May 29

8:00am Christian Bernadt Linus Cyr
Xavier Cyr

10:00am Lucas Fuhr Claire Fuhr
Paddy Meier

"GOD HAS THIS" BRACELETS

#SRA STRONG

Be with me Lord when I am
in trouble,

Be with me Lord, I pray.
From Marty Haugen's hymn, Psalm 91

+Let Go...Let God+

"God Has This" bracelets available at
entrances to church.

Thank you, SRA community! Due to your unfailing generosity, we raised just under \$120,000 for our school at this year's Black and Gold Auction. Wow! We feel quite blessed to be a part of this fantastic community. Thank you for donating, attending, supporting, and shopping the Auction.

Look for more updates from the Auction Committee in the fall as our next event is scheduled to be held on February 11, 2023!

Happy Summer!
John and Katie Meier



Congratulations to the newest member of the church, Eloise Fisher. Eloise, daughter of Brian and Ashley Fisher, was baptized at St. Raphael the Archangel on May 15, 2022. May God always bless the Fisher family.



Monday, May 23

7:00am	Church	Mass
8:00am	Church	Mass
6:30pm	Gym	Preschool Event
7:00pm	Raphael Rm.	St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, May 24

7:00am	Church	Mass
8:00am	Church	Mass
6:00pm	Parish Off.	Finance Council
7:00pm	Raphael Rm.	Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, May 25

6:30am	Church	Rosary
7:00am	Church	Mass
8:00am	Church	Mass
6:30pm	Parish Off.	HSA
7:30pm	Church	So. City Men's Recollection
8:30pm	Gym	Men's Basketball

Thursday, May 26

7:00am	Church	Mass
8:00am	Church	Mass
7:00pm	Church	Teaching Mass

Friday, May 27

7:00am	Church	Mass
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Saturday, May 28

7:00am	Church	Mass
4:30pm	Church	Mass

Sunday, May 29

8:00am	Church	Mass
10:00am	Church	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 caseykleekamp@yahoo.com 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 \(sraschool.org\)](https://sraschool.org)

**we're
hiring.**



First and Fifth Grade Teacher Positions

St. Raphael the Archangel School seeks full-time, degreed, and certified First and Fifth Grade teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. Applicants must be a positive Christian role model and exhibit a love for teaching.

Interested applicants, please send a cover letter and resume with references to Julie Hayes at hayes@straphaelarchangel.org.

You must also begin the Archdiocesan application process. Visit www.archstl.org/education to view Application and Instructions.

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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

SCHOOL NEWS

From Mrs. Hayes, Principal

Life at SRA has been quite busy, to say the least. Since Easter Break, we have hosted a National Evangelization Team (NET) for our 7th and 8th graders for one-day retreats, sent fifty middle school students to Camp Manitowa for a whole week with teachers, staff, and parents, shared in the joy of preparing and witnessing our 2nd graders receive First Holy Communion for the first time, and finally, and celebrated our 7th graders, three of our 8th graders, and a high school student, as they received the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation.

These events did not happen without the help of many people. Thank you to all the host families who received NET missionaries into their homes and provided delicious meals and a place to rest. Our gratitude goes out to all the teachers, staff, and parents who gave their time to chaperone our students at camp. All sacrificed their personal time. Finally, thank you to the teachers and parents who prepared our children for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation and all those that participated in some way to help celebrate these special events for our students.

This past week, we presented a check to Back-Stopppers, Inc. for the amount of \$3,130.58 in honor of Ben Polson and his mother, Ms. Polson, at the 8:00am Mass on Thursday, May 12.

Last Friday, we hosted the much-anticipated FIELD DAY! The students enjoyed a morning of fun, playing various games with their classmates in their class colors. Thank you to the Men's Club for providing a hot dog/chip/ice cream lunch for all students for Field Day.

From Mrs. Liz Magee, Kindergarten

We've been busy in Kindergarten this spring! We just completed a unit on measurement. We estimated the height and width of real life objects and then tested our findings by measuring with Unifix cubes. We made beautiful rainbow artwork and wrote simple sentences about our favorite colors of the rainbow. We are beginning to work on word and story problems in math this week, and last week in celebration of Earth Day we went on a nature walk around the neighborhood!

From Miss Hayley Franks, Second Grade

Second grade recently celebrated our First Holy Communion! We would like to thank everyone for all the prayers as we strengthened our relationship with God. It was a beautiful day filled with so much love and support from our family and church community.

In class we are finishing the year with several hands-on projects, like publishing our own books and designing our own math board games. We spent the spring learning about the animal kingdom and habitats!

From Miss Gretchen Decker, Art

Exciting Projects we've made this month! All of the following projects were made for the Black & Gold Auction:

Pre-K (A) made a Colorful Paper Collage
Pre-K (B) made a Pipe Cleaner Wreath
Kindergarten made an Airplane Origami Chandelier
1st Grade made a Windmill Origami Chandelier
2nd Grade made a Diamond Collage Painting
3rd Grade made a Tree Collage Painting
4th Grade made a Newspaper Bouquet of Flowers
5th Grade made a Newspaper UFO
6th Grade made a Collection of Animals
7th Grade made a Collection of Food
8th Grade made Landscape Paintings

From Mr. Zach Almeida:

Algebra 2: Students are studying trigonometry and how to evaluate trig functions in both degrees and radians using the unit circle.

Challenge Math: Students are solving problems using probability and applying the fundamental counting principle to determine the sample space of independent events.

Algebra 1: Students are solving word problems using trigonometry.

Pre-Algebra: Students are simplifying polynomials, and classifying polynomials by degree and number of terms.

UPDATING PARISH RECORDS

As we prepare to publish the 2022-2023 Guide Book and Directory, we want to provide an opportunity to all parishioners to update their personal information as part of the directory.

Please review the most recent guidebook to make sure the information listed is still current. If you see changes that need to be made (i.e., cell phone numbers added/changed, land lines eliminated, email addresses changed or added, etc.), please inform the parish office. You may call 314.352.8100, email at parish@straphaelarchangel.org, or submit using the form below.

Thank you for helping us keep our records current so we can serve you better.

Your Name (first/last): _____ Your Date of Birth: _____

Home Address: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____ Marriage Date: _____

Spouse Name (first/last): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Child (living at home) Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Child (living at home) Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Other: _____



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 #