



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER 23, 2022 | THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME




WELCOME!

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Mon.-Thu. | 7:30am-4:00pm
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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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OCTOBER 23, 2022 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS FOR OCTOBER 23, THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 38 (37): 22-23

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

Reading 1

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites. Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed. The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens. The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right, and the Lord will not delay.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD confronts the evildoers, to destroy remembrance of them from the earth. When the just cry out, the LORD hears them, and from all their distress he rescues them.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves. The LORD redeems the lives of his servants; no one incurs guilt who takes refuge in him.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Reading 2

2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance. At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel

Lk 18:9-14

Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity -- greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

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, October 23

8:00am Bill and Mary Lou Schicker
10:00am Ernie J. Winkelmann

Monday, October 24

7:00am Art Kleine
8:00am Ben Polson

Tuesday, October 25

7:00am Jo Godfrey
8:00am Helen Whalen

Wednesday, October 26

7:00am John O'Keefe
8:00am Kimling Family

Thursday, October 27

7:00am Joan Hulford
8:00am Kelley Messmer, SI

Friday, October 28

7:00am Barbara Moore

Saturday, October 29

7:00am Peter Danna
4:30pm Joseph F. and Kathryn H. Darpel

Sunday, October 30

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

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 18:14

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking our time is so valuable or our talent is better than anyone else's or our money gives us status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we hold dear are gifts from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

Your Contributions to God and Parish

Oct. 16, 2022 (Envelopes Used)	This Week	Year-to-Date
Regular Env. (49)	\$ 4,484.00	\$ 74,852.00
Loose Money	\$ 759.00	\$ 19,124.00
School Support	\$ 180.00	\$ 3,605.00
Building Fund	\$ 15.00	\$ 6,221.00
Holy Days	\$ 0.00	\$ 36.00
Online Giving (54)	\$ 3,233.00	\$ 45,853.00
ProLife	(\$ 100.00)	
Permanent	(\$ 20.00)	
Diaconate		
Disaster Relief	(\$ 2,900.00)	
Grand Total	\$ 11,691.00	
Total for Parish	\$ 8,671.00	\$ 150,855.00
Amount Needed	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 160,000.00
Difference	<u>(\$ 1,329.00)</u>	<u>(\$ 9,145.00)</u>
FYE 2022		<u>\$ 46,837.00</u>

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

In this Sunday's Gospel, the tax collector's prayer allows God to be God and so allows God to pour mercy into the tax collector's heart. When we pray and give alms to the poor, we allow God's mercy to be poured into their hearts. In the past 4 months, June—September, we were able to help 48 families, thanks to your generous donations! Rent assistance - \$4,620, \$6,030 for utilities, \$1,000 for food, and \$790 for car repairs. We also provided toiletries, cleaning supplies, and vouchers for prescriptions. God bless you!

ALTAR SERVERS

SERVERS FOR OCTOBER 24 - 31

Monday, October 24

8:00am Addison Pfeiffer Cillian Sheehan

Tuesday, October 25

8:00am James Browning Jack Delf

Wednesday, October 26

8:00am Brendan Cierpiot Jake Anstey

Thursday, October 27

8:00am Henry Dirnbeck Charlie Dirnbeck

Friday, October 28

No 8:00am Mass

Saturday, October 29

4:30pm Mark Boeckmann Matthew Franz
Paddy Meier

Sunday, October 30

8:00am Linus Cyr Xavier Cyr
Cillian Sheehan

10:00am James Browning Claire Fuhr
Lucas Fuhr

DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 [7a]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14
Monday	Eph 4:32—5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday	Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday	Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 13:22-30
Thursday	Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35
Friday	Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16
Saturday	Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday	Wis 11:22—12:2/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14/2 Thes 1:11—2:2/Lk 19:1-10

LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 29 - 30, 2022

4:30pm George Kerry 8:00am Barb Cramer 10:00am Krissy Sullivan

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, October 24

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
3:15pm Gym 4th Gr. Girls Volleyball
4:45pm Gym 4th Gr. Boys Volleyball
7:00pm Parish Off. St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, October 25

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
6:00pm Gym All Things New Listening Session

Wednesday, October 26

6:30am Church Rosary
7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
3:00pm Church Eucharistic Adoration
3:30pm Gym 8th Gr. Girls Volleyball
5:00pm Gym 5th Gr. Girls Volleyball
6:00pm Gym 3rd Gr. Boys Volleyball
7:00pm Gym 7th Gr. Boys Volleyball
7:30pm Church So. City Men's Recollection
8:30pm Gym Men's Basketball

Thursday, October 27

7:00am Church Mass
8:00am Church Mass
2:00pm Cafeteria Dance Class
6:00pm Gym All Things New Listening Session
6:30pm Parish Off. RCIA

Friday, October 28

7:00am Church Mass
4:00pm Gym Volleyball Games

Saturday, October 29

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

Sunday, October 30

8:00am Church Mass
10:00am Church Mass
11:00am Gym Volleyball Games

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

Numbers, Numbers

This week, we will hear about the future possible models for our parish during the All Things New Listening Sessions. These presentations will discuss not only what the future may look like, but they will also discuss how we got here and our current situation.

This weekend, I want to share with you some numbers that will be part of the conversation associated with All Things New.

The first numbers are related to our Mass counts, which concluded last weekend. Each year in the first three weeks in October, the Archdiocese asks parishes to count the number of persons attending the Masses for the Sunday obligation.

Our in-person attendance has increased this year over last year. Last year, we had 361 persons attending Mass on a weekly basis. This year, that number increased to 403 persons. We did see increases at the 4:30pm and 10:00am Masses and a slight decline at the 8:00am Mass.

Overall, though, our Mass attendance has not rebounded to the levels we saw prior to the pandemic. In October, 2019, we had 440 persons attending Mass, which is 37 more than we had this past year. If we look back to 2011, the first year for which we have data, we had 576 who attended Mass on the weekend.

This Mass attendance data will be used to help the Archdiocese to determine the distribution of priests for the future. With only 130 priests for the 9 counties of the Archdiocese, how the Archdiocese assigns priests will be critical in the future. While our Mass attendance still continues to climb from the lows experienced during the pandemic, we still have a long way to go to reclaim levels seen just about a decade ago.

Our desire as a Church is to regain those levels and to go even beyond them. That is why All Things New hopes to help our local Church find new ways to evangelize so that people will begin to return to the practice of the faith.

Another number I want to share with the parish is the amount of the subsidy that our parish shares with the school. The number was released this week by the Archdiocese.

Over and above the tuition of \$1,099,355 that was collected last school year, our parish spent

\$363,711 on our school. These funds came from fundraisers such as the auction, the Sunday Collection, and our Annual Angel Appeal. Overall in our Archdiocese, the parishes and Archdiocese spent \$50,402,374 on our Catholic grade schools. This is over and above any tuition revenue collected.

With the current footprint of schools in our Archdiocese running at less than 65% capacity, it is foreseeable that through some working together we could recapture some of those funds, which could then be reallocated to allow both schools and parishes to offer new programs.

Over the next two weeks, until November 1, our school families and teachers will complete a survey about our schools. We anticipate the Archdiocese to go through these results thoroughly and expeditiously, with an announcement on the new school footprint by early January, 2023.

What Do I Bring to the Listening Sessions?

With these numbers in mind, what should you bring to the listening sessions on Tuesday and Thursday?

- Pen and paper. There are going to be two or three models presented. It can get confusing about which model is which. Please plan to take some notes.

- A prayerful, open heart. This process is based in prayer. Be ready to pray and to be listening to the Holy Spirit. Also, bring an open heart. Yes, it is hard to acknowledge the future may look different from what we want. But bringing a heart that just says "no" to change will not help the conversation at all. We are all concerned and all nervous about the future. Be open to where you are and what may happen.

- Be ready to give input – nothing has been decided! The Archbishop is asking for input. If you have data-driven input, we want to hear it. If you have an idea to move the conversation forward, offer it.

- Leave at home any expectation that we will hear about the schools. Sorry, not going to happen.

- Bring prudence with you. Prudence is that practical virtue that tells us how to act well. It is right reason in action. Use that right reason when you come to the listening session. It may be tempting to make a statement or to do something that will display your anger or frustration with the parish or All Things New.

WEDDING BANNS III

There is a promise of marriage between Kimberly Cracchiolo and Andrew Barr to take place at St. Raphael the Archangel on Saturday, October 29, 2022.

ALL SAINTS DAY

The office will be closed on Tuesday, November 1, in observance of All Saints Day. Please submit any bulletin items as early as possible in the next few weeks. Thank you.

2022 SRA Greenery Sale

**Get ready for the holidays!!
We have 3 options this year for sales!**

- 1: You can use the square site to place your order for pick up. No need to fill out a paper order. Select items and pay online. Orders will close November 1. Pick up items from the parish office in early December.

<https://st-raphael-the-archangel.square.site/shop/2>



- 2: Paper order forms are going home with students and will be available at the church entrances. Please include a check or cash when turning in the paper forms to the school office or parish office by October 30.

We do have garland for sale in 15', 25' or 50', not pictured on paper forms. Please add the quantity of garland to the bottom of the order form if you would like to purchase some.
Items will be available from the parish office in early December.

- 3: The final option for orders is via the gift forward. Direct ship to you or anywhere in the U.S. for increased pricing. The website is below. Please use referral code STRAPHMO001.

https://giftitforward.com/applycoupon/applycouponlink/index/coupon_code/STRAPHMO001




SIP & SHOP VENDOR FAIR

STOCK UP ON CHRISTMAS
GIFTS WITH LOCAL VENDORS
AND CRAFTERS





DECEMBER 1: 6:00-9:00
SRA GYM: 6000 JAMIESON
\$5 ENTRANCE FEE INCLUDES
YOUR CHOICE OF DRINK

****Additional food & drinks will be
available for purchase****



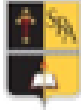
For more information contact bethfissel@gmail.com

The SRA Ladies' Club Cookbook is seeking your recipes

**WE NEED YOUR FAVORITE
RECIPES: APPETIZERS,
BEVERAGES, MAIN
DISHES, SIDE DISHES,
DESSERTS AND MORE!**

Submit to
ladiesestraphaelarchangel.org
by November 1, 2022



**St. Raphael the Archangel Home & School
Association Presents the Annual**

Marcia Matreci Memorial



Saturday - November 12, 2022

Doors Open at 6:30pm – Trivia Starts at 7pm

COST: \$200 PER TABLE (8 people per table)

LOCATION: St. Raphael the Archangel Gym, 6000 Jamieson Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63109

- Includes 3 mulligans & 2 table games
- BYO snacks and refreshments
- Make check payable to 'SRA HSA'
- Must be paid in full at time of reservation, no exceptions
- Questions to Meredith.A.Winters@gmail.com

Name:	
Phone #:	
Email:	

8 Team Members:

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Thanksgiving Pies

SALE



St. Raphael's 8th Grade is selling pies!
Orders due by Wednesday, November 2, 2022
Delivery before Thanksgiving

Pumpkin Pie \$15 Apple Pie \$15
Cherry Pie \$15 Pecan Pie \$18

Payment due when ordered - cash or checks.

Checks payable to St. Raphael

Questions: susie-mann@att.net

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Flavor	# of Pies	Total
Pumpkin		
Apple		
Cherry		
Pecan		

TRIVIA NIGHT EVENT SPONSORSHIP

Your corporate or family sponsorship includes your logo or family photo projected on our "Sponsor Big Screen", printed acknowledgement to be viewed by trivia participants and social media advertising and promotion.

St. Raphael the Archangel Marcia Matreci Memorial Trivia Night
Saturday, November 12, 2022



The annual Marcia Matreci Trivia Night is hosted by the SRA Home and School Association and benefits the students and teachers of St. Raphael the Archangel school.

THANK YOU!

I would like to sponsor at the level of: \$100 ☐ (a shared round) \$200 ☐ (entire round)

Company or Family

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Please make check payable to 'SRA HSA',
then send this completed form with your payment by October 31, 2022
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Please send a digital copy of your company's logo by October 29, 2022 to
Meredith Winters- at Meredith.A.Winters@gmail.com

Please leave those attitudes at home and bring prudence instead. A good question to ask is: How can I express what I want to in a way that will help me, those in the community, and the Archbishop?

- Bring a listening ear. The session involves us as we listen to the Archdiocese, not the other way around. Be ready to listen and there will be some time afterward to respond and more time in a survey in November-December.

After the Listening Session

Take some time to consider what was presented. What struck and surprised you? What did you disagree with? What do you still have questions about?

Take time to dialogue in hope with others. How we process information, especially information that bothers us, is through dialogue. Talk about what you heard and how it affected you.

Consider not jumping on social media or jumping right into parking-lot talk. Yes, I too love jumping on Twitter and reading my favorite pundits. But is it really helpful or does it just stir me up more?

Take time to pray. God Has This is what is in front of our school right now as I write this. God is present in the midst of this conversation. He is waiting for us to go to Him.

And pray some more. Yes, we need to be persistent in prayer. I have spent more time since August 19 in prayer on All Things New than any other topic. It

comes up, I pray about it, and then need to pray some more. This is not a one-and-done prayer moment. Pray, dialogue, think, then pray some more.

In Gratitude

Thank you to our Key Parish Leaders who continue to guide our parish through this time of All Things New: Lucy Adams, Jennifer Baur, Cara Berta, Dan Meshto, John Rooney, Tom Magee, and Deacon Bob.

Thank you to our Pro-Life Committee for representing us at the annual Respect Life Convention and at the 40 Days for Life.

Thank you to Jennifer Delf, Qi Franz, Emily Young, Mrs. R., and all of our students who helped with Alumni Sunday! Great work, all.

I will see you at the Listening Sessions, online, and in Church! - Fr. John #SRAstrong



ALL THINGS NEW
STEADFAST IN FAITH • FORWARD IN HOPE



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 #**