



SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH


SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 | TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





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



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READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

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Reading I

Wis 2:12, 17-20

The wicked say: Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us; he sets himself against our doings, reproaches us for transgressions of the law and charges us with violations of our training. Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him. For if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience. Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6 and 8

R. (6b) The Lord upholds my life.

O God, by your name save me, and by your might defend my cause. O God, hear my prayer; hearken to the words of my mouth.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

For the haughty have risen up against me, the ruthless seek my life; they set not God before their eyes.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

Behold, God is my helper; the Lord sustains my life. Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

Reading II

Jas 3:16—4:3

Beloved: Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconsistency or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

Gospel

Mk 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."



Sunday, September 19

8:00am Bill Schicker
10:00am People of the Parish

Monday, September 20

7:00am Kimling Family
8:00am Saracino Family, SI

Tuesday, September 21

7:00am Bryan J. Kreidler
8:00am Brendan J. Barnes

Wednesday, September 22

7:00am Jimmy Feser
8:00am Doloris Pepple

Thursday, September 23

7:00am Don Deachan
8:00am John Gudermuth

Friday, September 24

7:00am Rose Daus, SI
8:00am Robert Gates

Saturday, September 25

7:00am H. Meade Summers, Jr.
4:30pm Eileen O'Toole

Sunday, September 26

8:00am Pearl Pirker
10:00am People of the Parish

From St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel, Jesus called the Twelve and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will help hungry children feel the arms of Jesus around them. God bless you!

Your Contributions to God and Parish

Sept. 12, 2021	This Week	Year-to-Date
(Envelopes Used)		
Regular Env. (42)	\$ 3,668	\$ 46,899
Loose Money	\$ 599	\$ 9,117
School Support	\$ 50	\$ 1,341
Building Fund	\$ 185	\$ 3,594
Online Giving (76)	\$ 4,081	\$ 30,793
New Parishioner	\$ 10	
Lifeline	(\$ 1)	
Disaster Relief	(\$ 1,038)	
Catholic Relief	(\$ 1)	
Missionary	(\$ 120)	
Co-Op		
Grand Total	\$ 9,753	
Total for Parish	\$ 8,593	\$ 93,305
Amount Needed	\$ 9,000	\$ 99,000
Difference	<u>\$ 407</u>	<u>(\$ 5,695)</u>
FYE 2021		(\$ 15,462)

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mark 9:35)

Jesus teaches us that we are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many of us don't like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" (sacred) and "facere" (to make). In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.



Saturday, October 23

SRA Parking Lot



Family Name _____

Phone # _____ # of Children Participating _____

Submit Form and Payment to School Office by 10/21.

Checks Payable to SRA.

Food (Chili, Hot Dogs, Nachos) and drinks available for purchase

Prizes for Best Costume and Best Decorated Car

* A Fundraiser for the SRA 8th Grade Class *

Weekly Devotion to St. Joseph

"He is Holy Joseph, because according to the opinion of a great number of doctors, he, as well as St. John the Baptist, was sanctified even before he was born. He is Holy Joseph, because his office, of being spouse and protector of Mary, specially demanded sanctity. He is Holy Joseph, because no other Saint but he lived in such and so long intimacy and familiarity with the source of all holiness, Jesus, God incarnate, and Mary, the holiest of creatures."

St. John Henry Newman

Safe Environment Compliance Information

The Archdiocese's Safe Environment Program requires all adult employees and volunteers who work with or near minors and/or vulnerable adults to comply with the following policy requirements:

- Attend a Protecting God's Children Zoom workshop. For a list of Protecting God's Children workshops offerings, go to: www.preventandprotectstl.org. If you have previously attended a PGC workshop, the system will find and/or ask you to confirm your previous record of attendance.
- Complete 2 online training modules.
- Understand and sign the Archdiocese's Code of Ethical Conduct for Clergy, Employees, and Volunteers Working in Ministry.
- Complete a national criminal record check and agree to regular updates.
- Register for the Online Prevent and Protect Program.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact Mary Steck, Parish Safe Environment Coordinator, at 314.352.8100 or mary.a.steck@gmail.com.

SERVERS FOR SEPT. 26 - OCT. 3, 2021

Sunday, September 26

8:00am	Matthew Franz Dalila Ramirez	Nahima Ramirez
10:00am	Charlie Dirnbeck Aidan Switzer	Mateo Switzer

Monday, September 27

7:00am	No Servers Required	
8:00am	Dalila Ramirez	Nahima Ramirez

Tuesday, September 28

7:00am	Steven Irons	Cillian Sheehan
8:00am	Jude Potts	Ryan Schneider

Wednesday, September 29

7:00am	No Servers Required	
8:00am	Steven Irons	Brandon Young

Thursday, September 30

7:00am	Matthew Franz	Anna-Grace Guenther
8:00am	Ethan Bradshaw	Jack Delf

Friday, October 1

7:00am	No Servers Required	
8:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Charlie Dirnbeck

Saturday, October 2

7:00am	Brendan Cierpiot	Jude Potts
4:30pm	Ryan Schneider Christian Concepcion	Steven Irons

Sunday, October 3

8:00am	Linus Cyr Lydia Eddingfield	Cillian Sheehan
10:00am	Charlie Dirnbeck Claire Fuhr	Matthew Franz

DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday	Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-1
Wednesday	Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-2
Saturday	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-4
Next Sunday	Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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.

Our Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish of Saint Raphael the Archangel, celebrate Jesus as the center of our life. Through our active participation in the Eucharist, we strive to recognize Jesus in our daily lives and the lives of others. Our commitment is to grow as a parish family, and live this through our religious, educational, social, and civic involvements, witnessing to all, our faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF

SEPTEMBER 25 - 26

LECTORS

4:30pm	8:00am	10:00am
Matt Fuhr	Amy Ruggeri	Suzy Ferrenbach

CATHOLIC NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK

*Living the Gospel by Welcoming the Stranger
How can I become involved?*

With the crises in Afghanistan and at our southern border, St. Margaret of Scotland Living Justice Immigration Team invites you to find out more about these by joining us for a virtual presentation. Speakers will share about their work followed by a Q&A and opportunities to get involved in St. Louis and beyond. Handouts will be emailed following the event.

Anita Barker	International Institute
Jessica Mayo	MICA Project
Teresita Costadoat	St. Francis Community Services
Gerry Rauch	Volunteer at Catholic Charities shelter in Laredo, TX

Please register at [eventbrite.com/e/168309529333](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/168309529333) to receive the Zoom link for this event which will be sent just prior to the event. Free and open to all to attend. Please email Pat Dougherty with any questions at patdougherty48@gmail.com.

Date: September 20, 2021

Time: 7:00 – 8:30

New Bible Study Begins October 28

Everyone is welcome to join us on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm beginning October 28, in the lower level of the parish office as we make our way through the book of Acts.

This video series presented by Dr. Mary Healy, entitled "*Lectio Evangelization, Unveiling Scripture & Tradition*," combines insightful Biblical study with Church teaching and practical advice to show how modern Catholics can effectively impact their world for Jesus Christ. She explores topics such as the call of Jesus to evangelize, the power of the Sacraments, the role of charisms for building up the Body of Christ, techniques from St. Paul for reaching a secular culture, and more.

Dr. Healy is professor of Sacred Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit and an international speaker on topics related to Scripture, evangelization, healing, and the spiritual life.

Using the *Lectio Divina* approach of reading, reflecting, responding, and contemplating, the accompanying workbook presents classic artistry, penetrating questions, and personal reflection to take the teachings to a deeper level.

Please let us know if you plan to attend so that we can order enough workbooks (\$10 each). The workbooks need to be ordered as soon as possible so that they will arrive in time for the study.

Contact Sue Brandt, sbrandtstl@gmail.com or 314.704.5304 to sign up or order your workbook.

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.

You may have noticed the stacks of shingles on the roof of the rectory and church. This exciting project is a result of the funds raised during our 50 and Beyond Campaign in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the "new" church. We are so grateful to all of our generous donors for making this upgrade a reality. Together we will remain #SRAstrong for the next 50 and Beyond!



Our first graders celebrated Mary's birthday. They brought in flowers from which they made several beautiful bouquets. In Heaven, we are sure Mary heard their singing and praying.



What is the RCIA Anyway?



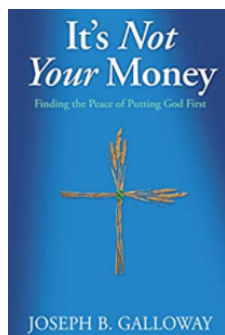
RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process the Catholic Church has developed for people who are interested in finding out about the Church and might want to become Catholic. Think of it as being similar to purchasing a home. You research homes, prices, neighborhoods, etc., when house hunting and only make a decision to purchase a house after spending a lot of time in preparation and consultation with others. That is what RCIA offers - explanations of what and why Catholics believe and do what we do.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church or know someone (a relative, friend, or neighbor) who might be, please join us this fall - there are “no strings attached.” We meet at the parish office on Wednesday evenings and will have our “get acquainted” meeting on Wednesday, September 29. For more detailed information, please call Fr. John at the parish office at 314.352.8100 or Dennis Matreci at 314.681.3002.

Compass Catholic Ministries – *It's Not Your Money* by Joe Galloway

- *It's Not Your Money* is a book written by Joe Galloway.
- Joe is associated with Compass Catholic Ministries whose mission is to help people manage their money and charitable giving based on common sense, financial techniques, and Biblical wisdom.
- On Thursday, 9/30 from 7:00 – 8:15pm and on Saturday, 10/2 from 9:00 – 10:15am, Joe will give a free virtual financial webinar (via Zoom) based on his book.
- Topics include establishing a household budget, debt reduction, saving money, building wealth, and more.
- All participants will receive a free copy of Joe's book.
- Registration is required.

Please contact Dave Baranowski at davidbaranowski@archstl.org to register. Be sure to include which day you will attend to receive the correct Zoom meeting link.



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Fred Boeckmann who was recently buried from St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in the peace of Christ. Amen.

welcome

We would like to welcome the following new members to our church. We hope that you know that we are here for you. There are several committees and clubs that you might like to join where you can meet other parishioners. As a faith community, we like to help others in our area and those less fortunate that we are. We hope you will consider joining us in the future activities at our church. Please join us at Mass either online or in person at church. Again, welcome to St. Raphael the Archangel Parish; we are happy to have you join us.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark and Mary Ann Marcuzzo

Preschool of Religion

The program returns on September 19.

All children potty-trained through kindergarten are invited. The teachers, helpers, and students will be masked.

Everyone will gather at the beginning of 10:00am Mass and return at Communion. If parents could please sit in front of the cry room, it will cause less disruption for the Mass.

The classes will take place either on the picnic tables or the parish office basement. We will be using the *SEEDS* program, with supplemental materials from Catholic Moms.

At this time, there will **not** be classes on the following dates: October 3, October 24, November 28, and December 26.

If you have questions: terri.borowiak@gmail.com

Any teens needing service hours, please contact Mrs. Borowiak at terri.borowiak@gmail.com. You do not need to be available every week.



Please complete the information below to allow for the proper number of class supplies.

Child's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Email: _____

Birthdate of Child: _____

Patron Saint: _____

Food Allergies: _____

Please leave in the mailbox of the parish office, the offertory basket, or with the school secretary.

ORDER NEW SRA GEAR

Here are the items that are available for purchase



To purchase any of these items, please scan the QR code or contact the parish office.



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 Phone/E-mail/Address/Phone Number

☐ Please Do Not Publish Phone#