Second Sunday of Advent
December 9, 2018

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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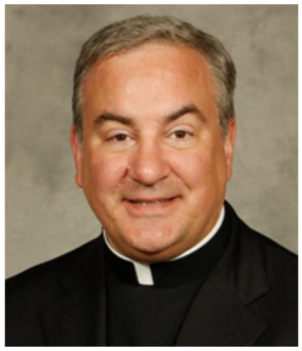

ADVENT

During Advent, St. John the Baptist is an important figure; he is the last of the prophets and the one who announces the coming of the Messiah. The way that St. John is so intensely faithful to his mission is an example for us. God has entrusted us with opportunities for opening paths so that Jesus may come into our lives and into the world. Let's try opening up such paths by inviting our family members and friends back to the practice of the Catholic faith before Christmas.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Wednesday, December 12 is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. In 1531, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared in Mexico to an indigenous man, Juan Diego. As proof that Mary actually appeared to Juan, her image appeared on his cloak or tilma (see the cover of our bulletin for the image). The devotion to Mary that that has sprung from this event is deeply felt across the Americas and the wider world. I'll share more about this important devotion at the 8:30 am Mass on Wednesday. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

SIMBANG GABI

St. Raphael is blessed to have many people of different ethnic backgrounds in our parish; and we enrich our community by sharing our religious devotions with one another. The Filipino community has a wonderful nine-day devotion that leads up to Christmas, Simbang Gabi. This year, for the first time, St. Raphael is a site for a Simbang Gabi celebration. Please join us for Mass on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 23 at 6:30 pm in church. See the article in the bulletin for more information.

HOW DO I PREPARE FOR CONFESSION?

On the tables in the church narthex (vestibule), there are booklets with the title: "Preparing for the Sacrament of Penance." This is an easy-to-use guide that will help you review your life, examine your conscience and understand the steps of confession. Please take the opportunity to meet our Lord and receive his mercy in this sacrament before Christmas. The schedule for confessions this month is listed in this bulletin.

CHRISTMAS GIVING

Our parish relies on your support every week and especially at Christmas so that we can continue offering all our ministries here at St. Raphael. This year our budget requires $30,000 in the Christmas offering, plus the regular collection of $7,200 for the weekend of December 22-23. Kindly consider your gifts to St. Raphael this year and please help us through your generous donations.
Thank you to all who support our parish!

In our Lord,

Fr. Mike McGovern
mmcgovern@archchicago.org

Youth Group News!!!

Youth Group meeting and service opportunity
This Sunday, December 9th, the youth group will be going to Rolling Hills Manor after the 11:00 am Mass and the Cookie Walk for our Caroling Service Project. Following the service project, we will be coming back to the parish to have a Christmas Party with food and games. See next week's bulletin for pictures.

The schedule is as follows:
12:15 Lunch
12:45 Practice
1:15 Leave for Rolling Hills (Transportation is provided)
1:45 Set up
2:00 Caroling Program
2:30 Head back to St. Raphael
3:00 Announcements for next year and Christmas Party, game: White Elephant
3:45 End/ Clean up

Special Events for Spring Semester 2019
We have three special events coming this Spring Semester 2019!
January 13 – March for Life in Chicago
Friday, February 15 – Light the Night at Prince of Peace
TBD – Trivia with Our Lady of the Lakes Parish Youth Group

Watch the bulletin and your emails for more details. If you are not on my email list already, please contact me.

Also, the results for the meeting times this Spring Semester have come in. We will be meeting on Sunday afternoons and Monday nights. I will be putting out the schedule soon.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, feel free to contact me at (224) 256-6432 or straphaelmin@icloud.com.

God Bless,

Marirose Tan
Coordinator of Family and Youth Ministry

SIMBANG GABI *2018*

Simbang Gabi is a unique Filipino tradition of celebrating nine-day novena of Marian masses to heighten our preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Through Simbang Gabi, the participating parishes of Vicariate I, deaneries A, B, and C offer the faithful a deepening of spiritual experience that leads to a more meaningful Christmas season.

Each of the parishes listed below will host one of the evening masses.

The Filipino community of the participating parishes would like to extend a cordial invitation to all parishioners, families, and friends to come and share this cherished Filipino tradition at:

2018 SIMBANG GABI Schedule of Participating Northern Lake County Parishes (Vicariate I - A/B/C)

Date (Day)	*Time*	*Parish*	*Address*	*Parish Phone*	*Pastor*	*SG Coordinator(s)*	*Phone*	*E-mail*
Dec 15 *(Sat)*	5PM	MBT-HOLY FAMILY *(B)*	450 Keller Ave., Waukegan, IL 60085	847-623-2655	Rev. Tim O'Malley	Vicky Iraula Ligaya Bell	847-912-5573 224-381-6739	vicky.iraula@gmail.com ligayadell2014@gmail.com
	5PM	ST. PATRICK (B)	15000 Wadsworth Rd., Wadsworth, IL 60083	847-244-4161	Rev. Jim Merold (administrator)	Mitchie DelosReyes	847-219-2333	mitchie.delosreyes@yahoo.com
Dec 16 *(Sun)*	3PM	ST. JOSEPH *(A)*	114 N. Lincoln Ave., Round Lake, IL 60073	847-546-3610	Rev. Michael Zoufal	Joy Avena Chulita Coloma	224-619-5917 224-715-2377	cjtavena@gmail.com c6coloma@gmail.com
	5:30 PM	ST. MARY OF THE ANNUNCIATION *(A)*	22333 W. Erhart Rd, Mundelein, IL 60060	847-223-0010	Rev. Jerry Jacobs	Evelynn Martin	224-619-6084	evelynnmartin@att.net
Dec 17 *(Mon)*	7PM	ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE *(B)*	6401 Gages Lake Rd, Gurnee, IL 60031	847-918-0600	Rev. Greg Houck	Arleen Siap	224-688-0479	hcdirect@sbcglobal.net
Dec 18 *(Tue)*	7PM	ST. DISMAS *(B)*	2600 Sunset Ave., Waukegan, IL 60087	847-623-5050	Rev. Patrick Rugen	Reggie Baylon	224-627-5381	rbay1209@aol.com
Dec 19 *(Wed)*	7PM	ST. GILBERT *(A)*	301 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake, IL 60030	847-223-4731	Rev. John Chrzan	Heidi Metz Ruby Hidalgo	847-927-2265 847-812-1770	timvincemom@gmail.com ruby11971@gmail.com
Dec 20 *(Thu)*	7PM	ST. MARY OF VERNON *(C)*	236 US Hwy 45, Indian Creek, IL 60061	847-362-1005	Rev. Joe Curtis	Lizane Ridao	847-612-7206	lizridao@yahoo.com
Dec 21 *(Fri)*	7PM	PRINCE OF PEACE *(A)*	135 S. Milwaukee Ave, Lake Villa, IL 60046	847-356-7915	Rev. Gerald Walsh	Chris Angelo	224-261-5966	criscross_077@yahoo.com
Dec 22 *(Sat)*	5PM	OUR LADY OF HUMILITY *(B)*	10655 Wadsworth Rd., Zion, IL 60099	847-872-8778	Rev. Paul Stemn	Winnie Webber	847-815-6655	akorin@comcast.net
Dec 23 *(Sun)*	3PM	ST. ANASTASIA *(B)*	624 Douglas Ave., Waukegan, IL 60085	847-623-2875	Rev. Dennis Zalecki	Elvie Ocampo Carl Serrano	847-244-7728 847-445-1529	elvie72@gmail.com sanmig1025@yahoo.com
	6:30 PM	ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL *(A)*	40000 N. U Hwy 45, Old Mill Creek, IL 60046	847-395-3474	Rev. Mike McGovern	Marirose Tan	224-256-6432	m_rosejtan23@outlook.com

- For further information please contact the parish office or the Simbang Gabi coordinators of that parish -

Maligayang Pasko Sa Inyong Lahat (Merry Christmas to Everyone)

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Pilipino Mass: *5PM mass, every second Sunday of the month at MBT-Immaculate Conception site*

Taize Prayer Service

Advent Wreath Making Event

Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Weekend of November 24—25, 2018

Brother Nicholas (left) and Brother Quinn sang in Latin at the Saturday 6:00 pm Mass on the 24th.
Our trumpeter at the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Sunday Masses
Bishop Alberto Rojas celebrated the 11:00 am Mass.

Worship & Spiritual Life Schedule
Sunday Masses, December 15-16, 2018

Mass Times	4:00 pm Saturday	7:00 am Sunday	9:00 am Sunday	11:00 am Sunday
Clergy	Fr. Welter	Fr. McGovern	Fr. McGovern	Fr. McGovern
Lector	Garry Ryan	Open	Robert Schuler	Ann Hitschel
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Mary Lou Biel Gary Hughes Donna Pavelski	Steve Laky	Francisco Cardenas Victoria Cardenas Gidget Leable	Beth Baeckelandt Patricia Peterson 1 Open
Altar Servers	3 Open	D. Dadivas 2 Open	J. Klimas K. Kilmas 1 Open	K. Ilagan A. Klein M. Muzones
Ushers	Dan Bulicek Paul Pavelski Ken Van Bergen 1 Open	Peter Dadivas 1 Open	Bob Forster Angie Galea Tom Heinrich Brian Klimas	Dana Mentgen Rafael Muzones Jon Olander 1 Open
Fellowship	Karen Swambar	Lilian Dadivas	Elizabeth Forster	Open

CooKieWalk
And Religious Articles Sale

This Weekend!

The Altar and Rosary Sodality Women's Group Annual Christmas Cookie Walk and Religious Articles Sale will take place on:

Saturday, December 8 from 3:00—6:00 pm and
Sunday, December 9 from 7:00 am—1:00 pm

Join us on the lower level of the church for the most delicious cookies ever at $8.00 per pound! These homemade cookies make the perfect gift and the very best dessert. Also on sale are lovely religious articles for every occasion.

St. Raphael the Archangel will host all music ministry groups from Our Lady of the Lakes, Prince of Peace and St. Raphael in an Advent/ Christmas Festival of Lessons and Carols. Please join us this Sunday, December 9 at 4:00 pm in church. Admission is free.

One of the most cherished and most widely observed Christmas customs among Christians of Eastern and Central Europe is the sharing of Oplatki. Please call the parish office at 847.395.3474 to order your Christmas Wafers (two white and one pink) and a Christmas letter explaining the tradition and meaning of Oplatki. The cost is $5.00 per envelope.

Providing parishes with Oplatki is one of the basic means of financial support for the Missionary Sisters of St. Benedict.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00—3:30 pm
Tuesday, December 18—6:00-8:00 pm
Wednesday, December 19—4:00-7:00 pm
Thursday, December 20—Noon-2:00 pm

Christmas Schedule

Vigil of Christmas
Monday, December 24, 2018
4:00 pm - Christmas Eve Vigil Mass
6:00 pm - Christmas Eve Vigil Mass
10:30 pm - Christmas Eve Midnight Mass

The Nativity of The Lord
Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 25, 2018
9:00 am - Christmas Mass at Dawn
10:30 am - Christmas Day Mass
Noon - Christmas Day Mass

Feast of The Solemnity of Mary
The Holy Mother of God
Monday, December 31, 2018
4:00 pm
Tuesday, January 1, 2019
9:00 am and 11:00 am

Feast of The Epiphany of The Lord
January 6, 2019
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Visit us on Facebook on our new website:
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Information

† Parish Office Hours †
Monday – Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Mass Schedule and Times

Saturday:	4:00 pm
Sunday:	7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 am
Weekday:	8:30 am (Monday-Saturday)

Confession
Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm or by appointment;
First Friday of every month, 9:00 am
Booklets to help you prepare for confession are on tables in the narthex of the church.

Baptism
Registered parishioners should contact the parish office at 847-395-3474.

Marriage Preparation
Registered and supporting members should call the office. A date should not be set until consulting the pastor.

Religious Education Calendar

Sunday, December 9th, 11:00 am Family Mass
Wednesday, December 12th, Class
No Class December 19 and 26.

For information about the Religious Education Program, please contact Annette Wynn in the Parish Office at 847.395.3474 or Religiouseducation@straphaelcatholic.org.

Thank You for Supporting our Angel Tree
The Altar and Rosary Sodality thanks all the parishioners who participated in our annual Angel Tree! Through this program, conducted by Catholic Charities, we assisted 200 children and seniors have a Christmas they might not have had without your help!

USED CATHOLIC BOOK SALE
Once again our parish will offer a sale of gently used Catholic books, plus some new books.

Friday, December 14 from 4:00 pm—8:00 pm
Saturday, December 15 from 2—4:00 pm
and from 5—6:00 pm
Sunday, December 16 from Noon—2:00 pm

Books for sale will include:
Missals
Prayer Books
Biographies of Saints
Children's Books
Spiritual Reading
Philosophy
Theology

Please plan to join us for the sale!

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Lot is open for business:
Fraser Fir, Balsam Fir and Wreaths
Available at the corner of 45 and Route 173.

Open Arms Mission

OPEN ARMS MISSION FOOD PANTRY
1548 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
4:30 pm to 6:30 pm
St. Raphael the Archangel parishioners volunteer the second Wednesday and fifth Tuesday of each month. Wednesday, December 12, is the next date when our help is needed. To volunteer, call Pat Clark at 847.395.5683.

Mass Intentions

Week of December 9, 2018		Intentions for:	Requested by:
Saturday, December 8, 2018	8:30 am	Parishioners of St. Raphael the Archangel	
	11:00 am	† Rita Knotek	
	4:00 pm	† Elaine MacDonald	Annemarie Di Servi
Sunday, December 9, 2018	7:00 am	Parishioners of St. Raphael the Archangel	
	9:00	† John and Catherine Knoll	Pauline Hart
	11:00 am	† Paul Vanseghi	Pauline Hart
Monday, December 10, 2018	8:30 am	† Paul Vanseghi	Pauline Hart
Tuesday, December 11, 2018	8:30 am	† Rosie and Embrose Horvath	Pauline Hart
Wednesday, December 12, 2018	8:30 am	Christina Wenn	Lorraine Wenn
Thursday, December 13, 2018	8:30 am	† Al Ignacio Erich	Tina Grubert
Friday, December 14, 2018	8:30 am	Lynette and Evelyn Siron	Evelyn Ong
Saturday, December 15, 2018	8:30 am	Sean Foley	Linda Foley
	4:00 pm	Leo Werr	Alexandria Luppi
Sunday, December 16, 2018	7:00 am	Parishioners of St. Raphael the Archangel	
	9:00 am	† Mary Ellen Gardino	JoAnn Osmond
	11:00 am	† Jane Donahoe	Bill Donahoe

If you would like to have a Mass said for a beloved family member, friend, or special intention, please call the parish office at 847.395.3474. (†Deceased)

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those in our parish and community who are sick:

Marty Haak

Kathy Zak

Residents of Rolling Hills

Please pray for the deceased in our parish and community.

To request prayers, please call the parish office: 847.395.3474.

Stewardship Report

Budgeted Weekly: $7,203

Sunday, December 1-2

Donations Received:	$7,465
Over (Under) Budget:	$262

Building Fund, December 1-2

Pledge Redemption:	$126
Donations:	$2,217

Readings for the Week of December 9

Monday, December 10
Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 11
Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday, December 12
Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Thursday, December 13
Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 14
Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 15
Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, December 16
Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

Events for the Week of December 9, 2018

SUN 9	MON 10	TUE 11	WED 12	Thurs 13	Friday 14	Saturday 15	Sunday 16
7:00 am-1:00 pm Christmas Cookie Walk Fellowship Hall 10:20 am Parish Rosary Church 11:00 am Family Mass Church 12:15 pm Youth Group Caroling & Party 4:00 pm Lessons & Carols Church		7:00 pm Bible Study Fellowship Hall	9:10 am Bible Study Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm Religious Ed Classes 7:00 pm Choir Church Loft		4-8:00 pm Catholic Book Sale	2-4:00 pm and 5-6:00 pm Catholic Book Sale 3:00 pm Confession 3-6:00 pm Christmas Cookie Walk Fellowship Hall	Noon-2:00 pm Catholic Book Sale 10:20 am Parish Rosary Church

Please submit any articles, events or activities that you would like included in the bulletin, no later than 12 noon on Wednesday, eleven days prior to publication. All articles are subject to approval. Please include your contact information in case we have any questions.

St Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church
Profit & Loss
July 2017 through June 2018

	Jul '17 - Jun 18
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
3000 · Sunday and Holy Day Collections	333,621.34
3020 · Christmas Collection	33,720.00
3030 · Easter Collection	21,751.00
3040 · Other Collections	11,326.00
3100 · Tuition	14,775.03
3110 · Fees	3,752.05
3350 · Lease and/or Rental Income	12,000.00
3450 · Fund Raising Net Income	22,709.10
3500 · Interest & Investment Income	1,138.14
3600 · Auxiliary Groups	1,836.98
3700 · Miscellaneous Income	18,360.00
Total Income	474,989.64
Expense	
4010 · Salaries	165,485.88
4030 · Health Insurance-Employer Paid	14,450.00
4040 · Employer FICA	7,686.46
4050 · Fringe Benefits	5,504.00
4060 · Prof. Growth/Minist./Other	1,065.00
4100 · Books & Supplies,Non-Liturgical	9,837.68
4150 · Administrative Expenses	11,760.04
4200 · Transportation	1,130.03
4250 · Food Service & Meals	5,559.81
4400 · Telephone	2,822.40
4410 · Heating Fuel	10,769.82
4420 · Electricity	17,130.59
4430 · Other Utilities	2,295.36
4450 · Maintenance & Building Repairs	76,928.36
4600 · Interest Expense	522,756.67
4650 · Altar & Liturgical Supplies	8,394.39
4700 · Furnishings & Equipment	5,074.98
4750 · Achdiocesan Assessment	39,648.00
4760 · PRMAA Assessment	13,884.00
4780 · Property/Casualty Insurance	17,904.00
4790 · Auto Insur-Priest Owned Vehicle	1,150.00
4800 · Miscellaneous	34,555.82
Total Expense	975,793.29
Net Ordinary Income	(500,803.65)
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
5030 · Arch Required Collections	12,944.36
5050 · Estates, Bequests & Memorials	56,468.80
5060 · Other Extraordinary Income	13,800.00
5110 · Fund Collections	8,000.00
5120 · Capital Collections	11,230.00
Total Other Income	102,443.16
Other Expense	
6030 · Pymt Arch Required Collections	12,499.32
6060 · Other Extraordinary Expenses	
6063 · Other Extraordinary Expenses	4,840,792.22
Total 6060 · Other Extraordinary Expenses	4,840,792.22
6110 · Capital Improvements	
6114 · Church Building	20,000.00
Total 6110 · Capital Improvements	20,000.00
Total Other Expense	4,873,291.54
Net Other Income	(4,770,848.38)
Net Income	**(5,271,652.03)**

ST RAPHAEL YEAR ENDED 6-30-2018

SUNDAY & HOLY DAY C-MAS & EASTER	400,418.34
DONATIONS	102,443.16
OTHER	74,571.30
TOTAL INCOME	577,432.80
SALARIES & RELATED	193,126.34
MAINTENANCE & BLDG	76,928.36
ALTER & LITURGICAL	13,469.37
ADMIN EXPENSE	82,962.38
UTILITIES	33,018.17
INTEREST	522,756.67
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS	20,000.00
OTHER	66,031.32
TOTAL EXPENSE	1,008,292.61
NET INCOME	(430,859.81)
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NET INCOME PER QUICKBOOKS	(5,271,652.03)

Dear Friends,

Enclosed you will find information about the financial health of St. Raphael Parish for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2018.

A few items worth noting:
We are paying our bills, except for the interest payments to the Archdiocese of Chicago for the loans that were made for opening the parish, constructing the church building and paving the parking lot. I am in discussion with the Archdiocese about the loans and hope to have more information in 2019. Your generosity and careful management of spending is helping us to stay current on all other bills as well as salaries.

We have made significant strides as a parish this year with developing our ministries and making progress on capital projects in the church. We painted parts of the church, added some stained glass and set money aside for the second phase of the HVAC project (which was installed in FY 2019).

I will offer more information about our financial health in next week's bulletin. Thank you again for supporting St. Raphael.

-Fr. Mike McGovern