



THE PARISH OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

July 25, 2021 | SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m. at SSJ
4:30 p.m. at SEAS

SUNDAY: 7:30 a.m. at SMOS
8:00 a.m. at SEAS
9:00 a.m. at SSJ
10:00 a.m. at SMOS
10:30 a.m. at SEAS
11:30 a.m. at SSJ

MONDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SEAS

TUESDAY: 9:00 a.m. at SMOS
12:00 p.m. at SSJ

WEDNESDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SEAS

THURSDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SEAS

FRIDAY: 9:00 a.m. at SMOS
12:00 p.m. at SSJ

*Note: The schedule above does not display
Holy Day or Holiday Mass Schedules.*



17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When they had had their fill, he said to his
disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so
that nothing will be wasted." - Jn 6:12

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM:

For arrangements call
Dcn. Jim Mackin: 412-857-5356



ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Call the parish office for
arrangements if in danger of death.
If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing
facility, please ask the nursing staff
to contact the Catholic priest on call
for that facility.



MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made with
one of the priests at least six months
before the proposed date
of the wedding.



PENANCE:

Saturdays

- ♦ 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
at St. Margaret of Scotland Church
 - ♦ Noon to 1:00 p.m.
at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
- Adhere to all posted safety protocol.*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

JULY 25		17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 p.m.*	SSJ	Edward Flohr by Mary G. and Rich
4:30 p.m.*	SEAS	Shirley Yanosko by Ruth Yanosko
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	People of the Parish
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	Ann Cheplic by Granddaughter Terri
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Mary Louise Kane by Marie and Bob Sherwin
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Rosemary & Ralph Vitt - 60th Wedding Anniversary by family
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	Bernard Schultz by Frances Popp and family
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	Deceased of the Shalamon and Kocak families by Bob and Joe Shalamon
JULY 26		MEMORIAL OF SS. JOACHIM AND ANNE
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Leo Adamo by Mary Ellen Falcioni
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Nick Charles by wife and family
JULY 27		TUESDAY OF THE 17TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 a.m.	SMOS	Anthony Paga by Jan Pook
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Francis Damiani by family
JULY 28		WEDNESDAY OF THE 17TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Frank Sonson by Evelyn DeCesare
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Elizabeth Pruss by the Christian Mothers & Women's Guild
JULY 29		MEMORIAL OF SS. MARTHA, MARY, AND LAZARUS
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Michael John Boyle Jr. by Cindy & Gary Marshall and family
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Louis Kukuruda by the Kukuruda Family
JULY 30		FRIDAY OF THE 17TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 a.m.	SMOS	Earl Haag by Tom O'Shea
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Spiritual & Physical Wellbeing of Luisa & Giorgio Coraluppi
AUGUST 1		18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 p.m.*	SSJ	Gerry McDonald by the Christian Mothers & Women's Guild
4:30 p.m.*	SEAS	Kathryn Oliverio by husband Mario
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	Leo Adamo by Mary Ellen Falcioni
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	Ann Zebracki in celebration of her 100th Birthday by Diane and Paul Eberlein and Family
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Dottie Williams by Nancy Rahuba
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Kenneth Kollar by family
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	People of the Parish
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	Jennifer Andrew by Mary and Charles Matlak

* anticipated Mass on Saturday evening

PRAYER & WORSHIP

FROM THE PASTOR

Notification arrived from Bishop Zubik that the bishops of Pennsylvania jointly agreed that the “obligation” to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy days would be revived on the weekend of August 14/15. As is clear from their statement, it is always the understanding that those prohibited legitimately from attending because of uncontrollable or unexpected conflicts or health issues of their own (or of those for whom they may be sole caregivers), are exempt from the obligation. In those cases, the “live stream” of Mass can still be of assistance in keeping Sunday holy. The deliberate, freely chosen omission of Mass is considered a mortal sin that would require the reception of the sacrament of reconciliation before the next reception of the Holy Eucharist.

The “obligation” of Mass attendance is a “Precept of the Church”. It is the manner through which we as Catholics observe especially the Third Commandment to “Keep holy the Lord’s Day”. To deliberately omit mass on a Sunday or the few Holy days that occur on a weekday is an indication that “there are strange gods before you” who take priority on what is to be God’s Day-the Sunday of Resurrection.

One’s spiritual health indicates one’s attitude toward Mass attendance. If you are praying regularly and are attentive to the constant presence of God in your life and your inability to give back to God for all with which he has blessed you, to return to him Sunday or Holy Day worship fits naturally into your relationship. In fact, your prayer life would lead you to a desire to communicate with the Lord through the Scriptures and the Eucharist on a regular basis. Although you can pray at home (and are surely encouraged to make a habit of that) the Altar of the Lord cannot be abandoned for personal activities that on the surface may APPEAR “more exciting” or “more enjoyable”. The Mass, which is the sacramental “re-presentation” of the Lord’s Passion, Death and Resurrection is not for entertainment or designed to “keep your attention”. It is a sacramental and scriptural reminder, in a holy place, that God’s love for you extended to the sacrifice of his Son for you, to save you and to make his presence known in your life with the goal of welcoming you into the eternal heavenly worship when life in this world ends.

If you understand why you NEED to attend Mass regularly, it will not be an “obligation” you will have raised it beyond mere requirement to “opportunity”.

We welcome Cardinal Donald Wuerl as special celebrant for Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland church on Sunday, August 1, at 10:00 a.m.

Because of the proximity of the liturgical celebration of the grandparents of the Lord, Joachim and Anne on July 26, Pope Francis has designated Sunday, July 25, as the first world-wide celebration of Grandparents and the Elderly.

“Grandparents, who have received the blessing to see their children’s children, are entrusted with a great responsibility: to transmit their life experience, their family history, the history of a community, of a people; to share wisdom with simplicity, and the faith itself — the most precious heritage! Happy is the family who have grandparents close by! A grandfather is a father twice over and a grandmother is a mother twice over.” —*Pope Francis*

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

Richard Fallon

Ruth Hoerster Sister of Fred Hoerster, Aunt of Laura O’Keeffe & Fred Hoerster Jr.

James Stevenson



Anthony Anderson	Lollie Label
Kathy Aspinall	Al LaBella
Anne Marie Birchok	Mark Laird
Brian Bishop	Larry LaSota
Kelly Bittner	Mary Ann Macino
Jim Boerio	Arch MacLennan
Donald Campbell	Laura Martin
Dorothy Campbell	Sam Martin
Elisa Carsia	Carl Masciola
Helen Cassidy	Gina Massengill
Kenneth Chase	Kathy McGann
John Chraska	Sharon McGrath
Rose Marie Clayton	Paul McIsaac
Jean Conway	Mary Jane Mericli
Rosemarie Cyprowski	Virginia Miller
Katie Denke	Joan Mondine
Patty Drury	Edith Moretti
Kathi Dvorak	John Mostowy
Jo-Ann Eller	Rocco Muffi
Patti Eurich	Robin Munko
Helen Fallon	Judi Novak
Lois Ferrie	Theodore Novak
Ron Ferrie	Mario Oliverio
Rosemary Ferruzza	Charles Perry
Suzanne T. Finnegan	Diane Perry
Gabriel Fontana	Elizabeth Pfender
Deborah Ford	Lou Pofi
May Frye	Robert Prevost
William Gabella	Diane Pritchard
Dan Gardner	Bucky Recaldini
Dolores Gigliotti	Dave Redman
Brandon Gross	Paxton Renk
Mark Hagelauer	Erica Rich
Margaret Harkins	Florinda Rosemeyer
Wayne Hayes	Sally Sabol
Eileen Henefeld	Alice Salla
Mary V. Hester	Andrew Patrick Schade
Patti Howcroft	John Schenk
Brent Jones	Ann Scheuble
Noreen Joslyn	Mary Socci
Bob Karausky	Teresa Stacy
Joanne Keating	Jaime St. Ledger
Alice Kernan	John Stokan
Miriam Kist	Judye Suhy
Eleanor Kitt	Bob Super
Gregory M. Klemmer	Rob Super
Mary Klutch	Rose Talmonti
David Kosarich	Allen Turske
Don Krally	Stephanie Vail
Gloria Krally	Mary Kay Walsh
Lori Krally	James Walther
Darlene Kura	John Zajicek
Helen Kurek	Kathy Zajicek
Jackie Kushner	

and all who are sick and in need of our prayers.

If you or a loved one are admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please let us know so we can get you the proper spiritual care. Because of the HIPAA law, treatment facilities are not permitted to release your information to us unless you or your family give them permission to do so.



At Ss. Simon and Jude Church
Mary Anne Shalamon
 by Joe and Bob Shalamon

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory

7/14/2021 through 7/20/2021 \$19,642

2021 Parish Share

2021 Goal \$355,255

7/14/2021 through 7/20/2021 \$4,571

Received to Date \$340,343

Amount Needed \$14,912

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 Churches are listed alphabetically in this bulletin and online.

Unless otherwise noted, the bulletin deadline is

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SUNDAY OBLIGATION REINSTATED A STATEMENT FROM THE BISHOPS IN PENNSYLVANIA

We have all known and felt the impact of COVID-19 in so many ways as individuals and families, among friends and at work. It has been a time of hardship and struggle, of separation and isolation. It has also had an impact on our lives of faith. Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, has been with us throughout this very difficult period and is most especially near to us when we encounter him in the Eucharist. The Eucharist offers us his healing and peace, his mercy and reconciliation. It is time for everyone to return to the Eucharist with renewed faith and joy.

As life returns to normalcy in so many ways, each Catholic Bishop in Pennsylvania will reinstate the obligation to attend Mass in person on Sundays and Holy Days beginning on Sunday, August 15, 2021, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Bishops had dispensed you from this obligation in March of 2020 as the developing coronavirus pandemic required people not to assemble in group settings. Now, with the impact of the pandemic considerably reduced, it is again possible for the faithful to assemble for the Eucharist and it is time for us to lift the dispensation from the obligation.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days comes from our Baptism as Christians. Baptism compels Christians to unite themselves with Christ at the altar in his saving Sacrifice of the Cross. "Participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist is a testimony of belonging and of being faithful to Christ and to his Church (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2182). This is the foundation for the law of the Church that binds Catholics to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days (Code of Canon Law, canon 1247) and the Christian way fully to observe the Third Commandment, to keep holy the Lord's Day (Deuteronomy 5: 12; Exodus 31: 15; Catechism of the Catholic Church, nos. 2180-2181).

This obligation, as is always the case, does not apply to those who are seriously ill, have a serious health risk, as well as those who have serious anxiety about being a part of large groups at this time. Likewise, the obligation does not apply to those who care for those who cannot attend Mass in person (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2181). Those who are legitimately excused from Mass on Sundays and Holy Days are encouraged to spend time in prayer, meditating on the Death and Resurrection of the Lord, reading the Sacred Scriptures, and uniting themselves to Christ in his worship of the Father of us all. Those who are legitimately excused are also encouraged to view a broadcast of the Mass which is intended for those who cannot participate in person.

As your Bishops, we welcome this moment of the reinstatement of the obligation for all Catholics in Pennsylvania. This is a moment to thank God anew for the great gift of the Mass and the Real Presence of Jesus to us in his Holy Body and Blood as well as the joy of gathering together as people of faith.

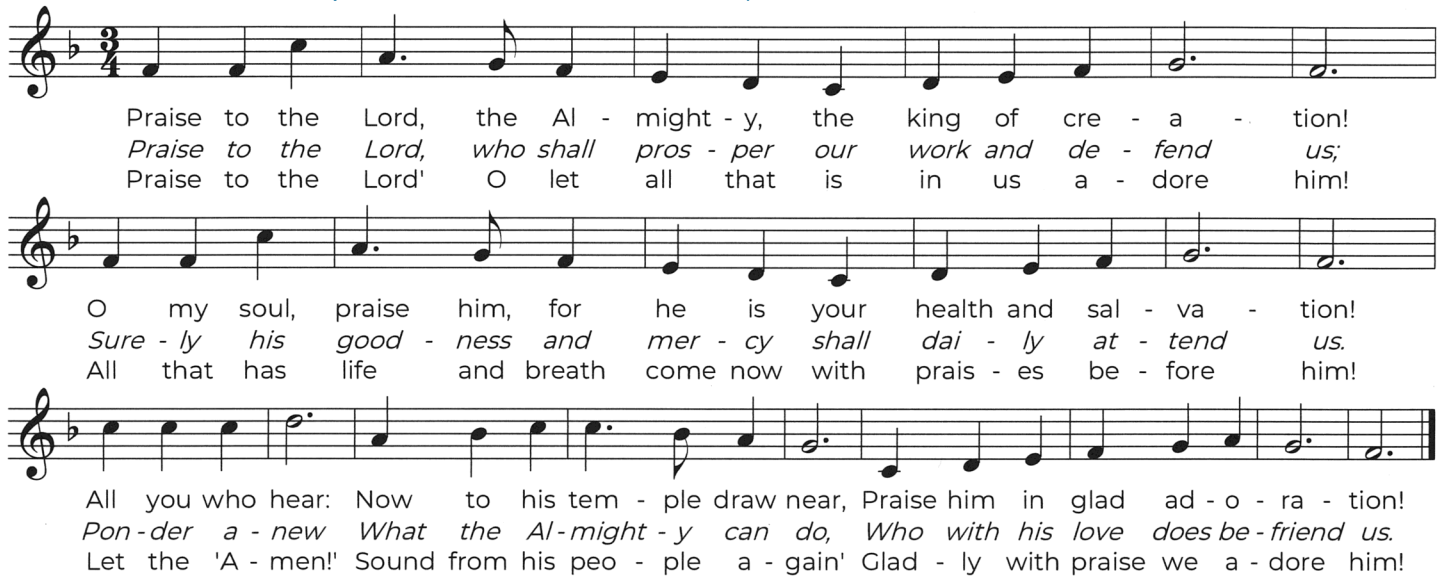


SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection next weekend is for the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Please give generously. If you wish to learn more about this ministry, call 412-444-5424.

THE ORDER OF MASS

ENTRANCE HYMN | PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY



Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the king of cre - a - tion!
Praise to the Lord, who shall pros - per our work and de - fend us;
Praise to the Lord' O let all that is in us a - dore him!

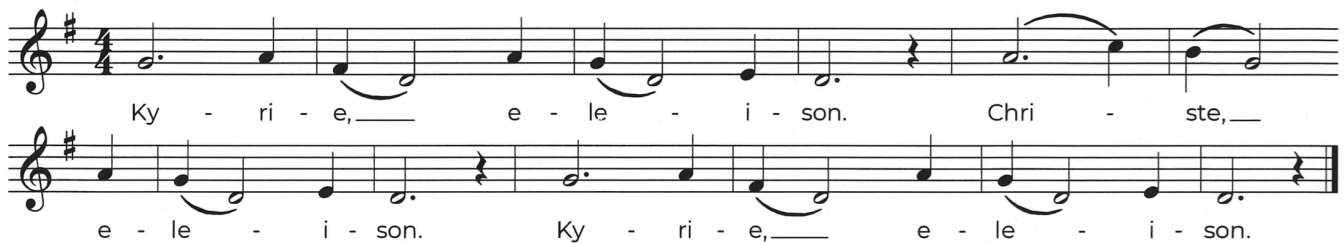
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend us.
All that has life and breath come now with prais - es be - fore him!

All you who hear: Now to his tem - ple draw near, Praise him in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can do, Who with his love does be - friend us.
Let the 'A - men!' Sound from his peo - ple a - gain' Glad - ly with praise we a - dore him!

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN; *Stralsund Gesangbuch*, 1665
Text: *Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König*; Joachim Neander, 1650-1680 translated by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt

PENITENTIAL RITE / KYRIE

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do,
(all strike their breast as they say)
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.



Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. Chri - ste,
e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

GLORIA



Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a! Glo - ry to God in the high² - est,
and on earth peace to peo - ple, to peo - ple of good will!

1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
2. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE ORDER OF MASS

FIRST READING | 2 KINGS 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God, twenty barley loaves made from the firstfruits, and fresh grain in the ear.

Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat."

But his servant objected,
"How can I set this before a hundred people?"

Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat."

"For thus says the LORD,

'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'"

And when they had eaten, there was some left over,
as the LORD had said.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 145: 10-11, 15-16, 17-18



All your works shall thank you, O LORD,
and all your faithful ones bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign,
and declare your mighty deeds.

The eyes of all look to you, and you give
them their food in due season.
You open your hand and satisfy the
desire of every living thing.

The LORD is just in all his ways,
and holy in all his deeds.
The LORD is close to all who call him,
who call on him in truth.

Text: Psalm 145 The Revised Grail, Conception Abbey © 2010 GIA Publications, Inc. Tune: Michel Guimont, © 2011

SECOND READING | EPHESIANS 4:1-6

Brothers and sisters:

I, a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to live in a manner worthy of
the call you have received,
with all humility and gentleness, with patience,
bearing with one another through love,
striving to preserve the unity of the spirit
through the bond of peace:

one body and one Spirit,
as you were also called to the one hope of your call;
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;
one God and Father of all,
who is over all and through all and in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | LUKE 7:16



A great prophet has risen in our midst.
God has visited his people.

THE ORDER OF MASS

GOSPEL | JOHN 6:1-15

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee.
A large crowd followed him,
because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick.
Jesus went up on the mountain,
and there he sat down with his disciples.
The Jewish feast of Passover was near.
When Jesus raised his eyes
and saw that a large crowd was coming to him,
he said to Philip,
“Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?”
He said this to test him,
because he himself knew what he was going to do.
Philip answered him,
“Two hundred days’ wages worth of food would not be
enough for each of them to have a little.”
One of his disciples,
Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him,
“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish;
but what good are these for so many?”
Jesus said, “Have the people recline.”
Now there was a great deal of grass in that place.
So the men reclined, about five thousand in number.
Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks,
and distributed them to those who were reclining,
and also as much of the fish as they wanted.
When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples,
“Gather the fragments left over,
so that nothing will be wasted.”
So they collected them,
and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments
from the five barley loaves



that had been more than they could eat.
When the people saw the sign he had done, they said,
“This is truly the Prophet, the one who
is to come into the world.”
Since Jesus knew that they were going
to come and carry him off
to make him king,
he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(bow at the following bolder words)

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and
was buried, and rose again on the third
day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father and
the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through
the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic, and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

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OFFERTORY HYMN | WE COME WITH JOY

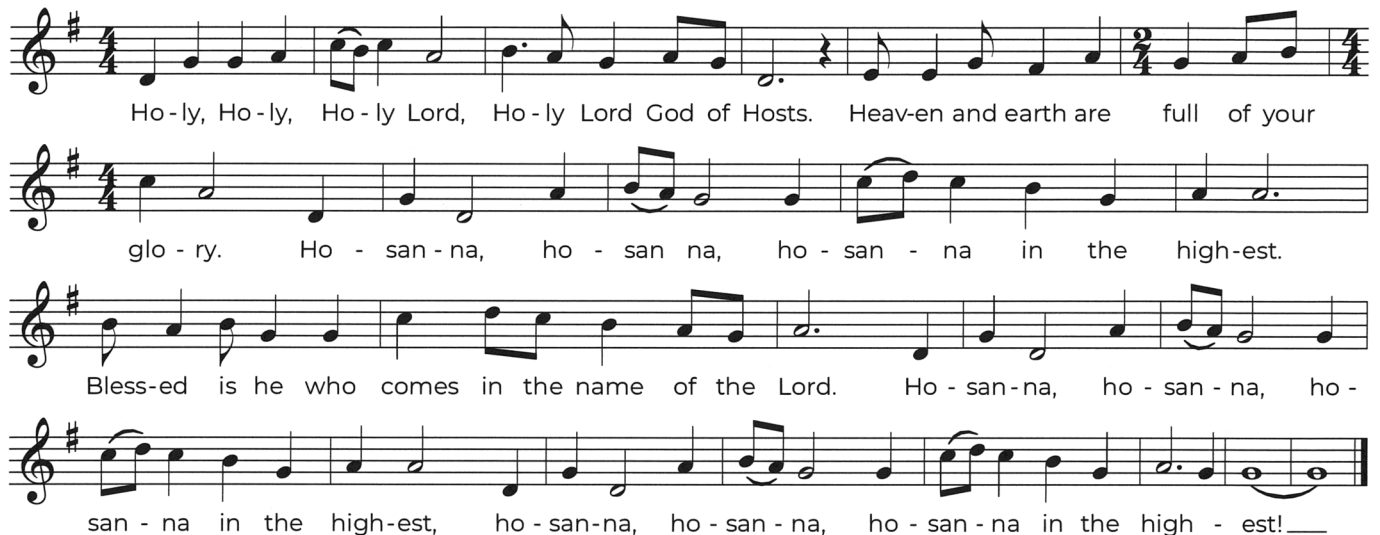


We come with joy in Je - sus Christ, Who knows our hu - man need,
A lit - tle bread is all we have, So mea - ger our sup - ply;
Like rip - ples in a pool, our gifts, How - ev - er small they are,
Who, moved with pit - y for the poor, Would ev - 'ry hun - ger feed.
A lit - tle time, a lit - tle love Can hard - ly sat - is - fy.
Will reach and heal a need - y world, Will com - fort near and far.
He blessed the fish and bar - ley loaves till food was mul - ti - plied;
But let us bring the best we have, de - spite our pov - er - ty,
For Christ will bless our bit of bread, the loaves our hands pro - vide,
His boun - ty o - ver - flowed their want And all were sat - is - fied.
And of - fer all our gifts to Christ, Im - per - fect though they be.
Till emp - ty bas - kets o - ver - flow And all are sat - is - fied.

Tune: ELLACOMBE; *Gesangbuch der Herzog*, Wirttemberg, 1784

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b.1939, alt © 1994 GIA Publications, Inc.

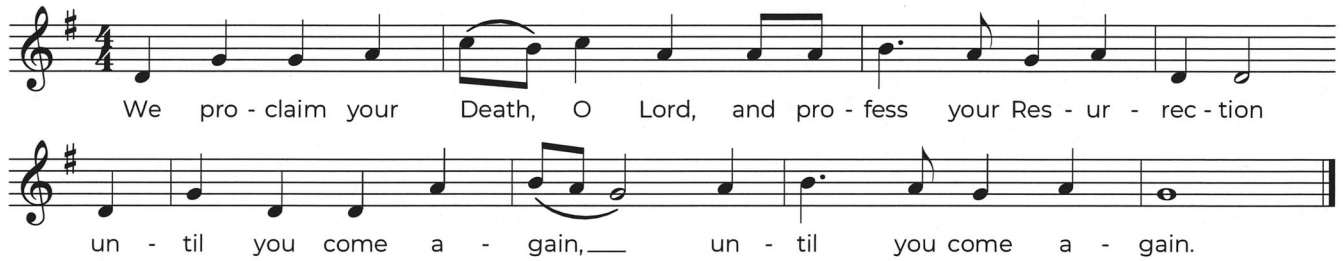
SANCTUS / HOLY



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Ho - ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est! —

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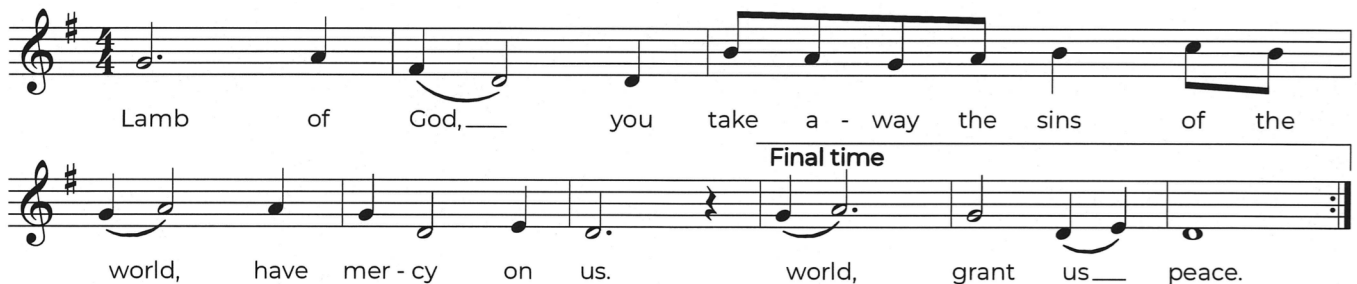
MYSTERY OF FAITH



GREAT AMEN



AGNUS DEI / LAMB OF GOD



THE ORDER OF MASS

COMMUNION HYMN | DRAW NEAR



1. Draw near and take the Body of the Lord, and drink with faith the Blood for you outpoured. Saved by Christ's Body and his holy Blood, with souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.
2. Christ, our Redeemer, God's eternal Son, has by his cross and blood the victory won. He spent his life for greatest and for least. Praise Christ, the Paschal Victim, Christ the Priest.
3. Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere and claim the promise of salvation here. Christ rules our hearts, and all his saints defends; he gives believers life that never ends.
4. With heavenly bread Christ makes the hungry whole; his living water fills the thirsting soul. Alpha - Omega, unto whom shall bow all nations of the earth, be with us now.

Tune: NEALE, Steven R. Janco, b.1961 ©1992, WLP

Text: *Sancti, venite, Christi corpus sumite*, 7th C; trans. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt

RECESSIONAL HYMN | NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD



Tune: NUN DANKET; Johann Crüger, 1598-1662

Text: *Nun danket alle Gott*; Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649; trans by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

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ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



CARING + GIVING + SERVING

"Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

—St. Martha in John 11: 27.

This Thursday, July 29, we observe the Memorial of St. Martha. What we know of St. Martha from the Gospels can teach us much about relationships.

We all have an interior self who may strive to attain peace, but is sometimes wrestling with conflict, temptation, and sin. St. Martha is described as "burdened" in Luke's Gospel (Luke 10: 40). Whether she is just overwhelmed, a little critical or judgmental, or perhaps harboring some sibling rivalry, she accuses her sister, Mary, of being lazy. Jesus responds by gently pointing out that she is "anxious and worried about many things (Luke 10: 41)." When we feel overly stressed like St. Martha, perhaps we need to give ourselves the time and space to recognize the source of our attitude and behavior.

Family relationships are often complex. We know from the Gospels that Martha, Mary, and their brother, Lazarus, were close friends of Jesus. Our Lord enjoyed being with this family, despite the fact that, like all families, they were imperfect. Reflecting imaginatively on the texts about this family, Martha might suffer from anxiety, Mary might have depression, and Lazarus had some sort of physical ailment that led to his untimely death. The sisters clearly don't always agree with each other, but they share a great love for their brother. In our family relationships, if we put love first, we can tolerate challenges and things that get on our nerves about each other.

St. Martha is a great model of friendship and hospitality. She is the person who makes Jesus feel at home and relaxed when he needs a break from teaching, healing, and forming his Apostles. St. Teresa of Avila says about Martha, "If she had been absorbed in devotion all the time as the Magdalen (Mary) was, there would have been no one to prepare a meal for this Divine Guest" (*The Way of Perfection*). The fact that people come to comfort Martha when Lazarus dies suggests that she was known and loved in the community. Martha was likely the type of friend who showed up at the door with food when there was a death in someone's family or helped to serve at celebrations in her village. Martha was a doer, like all the volunteers who made our recent parish festival happen.

Finally, St. Martha teaches us about relationships with God. Martha is not afraid to express her honest feelings to Jesus. She opens her heart to the Lord without pretention. When admonished for her criticism of her sister, Martha accepts the just correction and grows from it. When Lazarus dies, Martha goes to Mary, who is sitting at home, and lets her know quietly and gently that Jesus is asking for her (*John 11: 28*). Martha puts her trust completely in Jesus and proclaims with confidence that he is the promised Savior.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION COME MEET RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Thursdays, September 9, 16, 23, 2021

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

at Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall

Free to attend

During this 3 week study, Fr. Grecco and Sharon Smoller will lead us as we take a look at angels in Sacred Scripture, in the life of the Church and the Canon of the Saints, as portrayed in sacred art, in prayer and novenas, plus much more. Please join us as we come to meet Raphael the Archangel and other messengers of God!

RSVP to Sharon Smoller: ssmoller@straphaelcgs.org or 412-857-5356

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION 2021 - 2022

**FAITH FORMATION BEGINS THE WEEK OF
SEPTEMBER 13, 2021**

Registrations for children in grades K - 8 are now being accepted. Faith Formation is for any child who is not enrolled in a Catholic school. A child is to be enrolled in a faith formation program throughout these years to receive formal religious education and faith formation in preparation for reception of the sacraments. We are excited to say we will be returning to in-person sessions in the fall!

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER
(former SSJ school building at 1607 Greentree Road) on:
MONDAY EVENING FROM 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM
WEDNESDAY EVENING FROM 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM

Registrations are being accepted online. Families currently enrolled in Faith Formation should have received an email with the registration forms and tuition information. If you have not received an email or you are new to the program, please contact Sharon Smoller at ssmoller@straphaelcgs.org or 412-857-5356 to obtain more information.

FORMED

With great joy we share with you that St. Raphael the Archangel Parish has renewed a subscription to FORMED, a premier online platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for our children. FORMED has content from over 60 apostolates, including Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, and the Knights of Columbus, with material that is professionally produced, engaging, and solid in its catechism. Best of all, this material is free to you. We will be using the material on FORMED to support our ministries.

You have easy access to all of the material on FORMED to support your own faith journey and that of your family members.

May the content on FORMED enrich, deepen, and inspire your faith. Please pray for our benefactors who have made a FORMED subscription a reality for our parish.

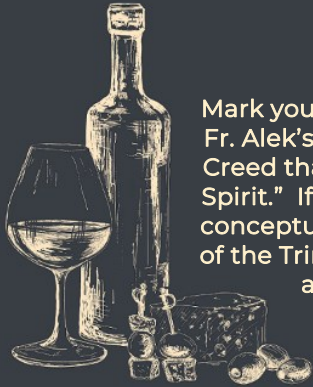
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- ◆ Go to signup.formed.org
- ◆ Enter our parish's mailing zip code: 15106
- ◆ Enter your name and your email address

That's it! You're in.

Now you can get the free FORMED app for your phone by searching FORMED Catholic in your app store.

Wine, Cheese & The Creed



Mark your calendars for Thursday, August 5! Fr. Alek's focus at his monthly class on the Creed that evening is, "I believe in the Holy Spirit." If you have ever found it difficult to conceptualize or connect with the third Person of the Trinity, this is a great opportunity to learn about our "Advocate."

Join us in SSJ Church at 7:00 and bring a light snack or refreshment to share in the Church Hall after class if you wish. All are welcome!

Raphael's Ramblers

We are walking on Tuesday, July 27, at 7:00 p.m. unless heavy rain or thunderstorms get in our way! Meet at the Blessed Mother Shrine in the SSJ Church Parking lot at 7:00 p.m. We open with a prayer asking the intercession of St. Raphael the Archangel, our moving and grooving patron. After about a 45 minute walk at a comfortable pace, we gather at the Crucifixion Shrine for closing prayer. Whether you come every week or can only come once, this is a great way to get fresh air, meet and chat with other parishioners, and move! Invite a friend and join the fun!

Pope Francis has instituted a Church-wide celebration of a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Starting this year, it will be held on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.



PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me. I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.

Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.

Golden Ages PICNIC

All are invited to the annual Golden Ages
PICNIC

AUGUST 4, 2021
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Extended deadline!
Last chance to register!
Must call by Wednesday, July 28.

Call Don Cain after 4:00 p.m.
412-279-0885

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

WHAT A FANTASTIC FIRST FESTIVAL FOR THE PARISH OF ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL!

The festival committee would like to thank all the volunteers who spent many hours helping to make this year's festival one of the best.

This was the first festival for our combined churches. People from all three of our former parishes stepped forward to run the booths. We all worked together as the new parish of St. Raphael The Archangel to make our festival a welcoming place for everyone.

The crowds of people who came to have a great time were not disappointed.

The food booths out did themselves. This year we were excited to add the famous Potato Pancakes from SEAS.

We added a new game this year called Hockey Shot where you shoot a hockey puck into a dryer. The Canevin Hockey team ran this game for us. They had a great time as did all the people who played the game.

All the games sold out of most of their prizes, the rides were exciting, and the Chinese Auction went above and beyond with more than 90 wonderful prizes.

The Flea Market was the biggest and best flea market we have ever had and provided many treasures for everyone.

The sky divers were only able to dive on Thursday due to the low cloud cover, but they thrilled the crowds.

Everyone "behind the scenes" worked hard to make the festival experience as smooth and fun as possible.

We had a great turn out for set up and a few very dedicated people who helped us tear down the festival. The Seton LaSalle football team came to help with both set up and tear down. They are a hard-working group of gentlemen.

Parking, as always, was a challenge but the parking crew did a great job helping everyone.

You cannot ask for a better first festival for the Parish of St. Raphael the Archangel!

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You to everyone!

—Peg Sembrat



SHARE YOUR PHOTOS!

Did you take pictures at the festival? We would love to print them in the bulletin. Send your photos to Mary Kay Smith: mksmith@straphaelcgs.org

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THE PARISH OF ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Serving the Catholic Community in Carnegie, Green Tree, and Scott

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Carnegie, PA 15106

St. Margaret of Scotland Church

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Pittsburgh, PA 15220

Ss. Simon and Jude Church

1607 Greentree Rd.
Pittsburgh, PA 15220

THE PARISH ADMINISTRATION CENTER IS LOCATED AT 330 3RD AVENUE IN CARNEGIE

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

MASSES AT SSJ STREAMED LIVE

Please join us at straphaelcgs.org and click the "Livestream" button. The Mass schedule is on the front cover.

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

For arrangements please call Dcn. Jim Mackin.

Anointing

Call the parish office for arrangements if in danger of death.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with one of the priests *at least six months before* the proposed date of the wedding.

If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing facility, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

Note:

You must be a registered and active parishioner for at least **six months** before requesting sacramental sponsor forms. Please allow **three weeks** for completion.

Penance

Saturdays: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, and Noon to 1:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Church

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Livestream questions: livestream@straphaelcgs.org

Flocknote

Text StRaphaelCGS to 84576
Learn more: flocknote.com

Saint Vincent de Paul

412-444-5424

Sacramental Records

412-456-3158

SVdP Food Pantry

at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
412-489-5848

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Mondays by Noon
mksmith@straphaelcgs.org

DIOCESE VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE

1-888-808-1235

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: 412-456-3093

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