



THE PARISH OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

APRIL 16 , 2023

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

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

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

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

TUESDAY: 8:30 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: 8:30 a.m. at SMOS
12:00 p.m. at SSJ

*This schedule does not
reflect holidays or Holy Days.*



2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20:26-27

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM:

For arrangements call
the parish office: 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

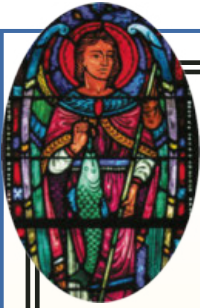
MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

APRIL 16		SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER —SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY—
*4:00 p.m.	SSJ	Ronald J. Metz by Natalie, Mark, and Justin Metz
*4:30 p.m.	SEAS	Mary and Frank Zychowski by daughter, Stephanie
8:00 a.m.	SMOS	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m.	SEAS	Beatrice Garrison by Pauline Ogden
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Rebecca A. Schmid by parents, Lorraine and Bill
11:00 a.m.	SSJ	Rita Nardi by the Groll Family
APRIL 17		MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Bill Homol by friend
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Eleuteria Vibal by the Umalin Family
APRIL 18		TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER
8:30 a.m.	SMOS	Arman Dashti by Christine Dashti
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Daniel McCaffrey by family
APRIL 19		WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Jean and Pearse Hayes by Cindy Matthews
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Trish Baxter by Mom and Dad
APRIL 20		THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	In Gratitude –Joan & Paul Cannon by Mary & Tom Cannon
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	60th Wedding Anniversary of Mary Anne and Bob Kinzler
APRIL 21		FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER
8:30 a.m.	SMOS	Sebastian Dedola by Renee Garvin and family
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Julius Zebracki by daughter
APRIL 23		THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
*4:00 p.m.	SSJ	Jimmy Slusser by parents, Donna and Jim Slusser
*4:30 p.m.	SEAS	Mary Ann Scarfo by David Opczynski
8:00 a.m.	SMOS	Dorothy and Anthony Giampolo by Nancy Rahuba
9:00 a.m.	SEAS	People of the Parish
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Philip Malle by family
11:00 a.m.	SSJ	Louise and Joseph Schrello by daughter and family

**anticipated Mass*

PRAYER & WORSHIP

FROM THE PASTOR



"You, Christ, are the King of glory, the eternal Son of the Father. When you became man to set us free, you did not spurn the Virgin's womb. You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come and be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting." (Te Deum)

The Triduum celebrations were truly worthy and beautiful. I am so grateful to all who were involved in the preparations, rehearsals and decorating that took place to make them so spiritually uplifting. The attendance over the course of the days is as follows:

Good Friday (1:30)	421	Easter Sunday	
Tenebrae	153	8:00 a.m.	428
Easter Vigil	298	9:00 a.m.	328
		10:00 a.m.	700*
		10:30 a.m.	528
		11:00 a.m.	480

**estimate*

The number of confessions that the priests heard during the final days of Lent was truly gratifying —not because of the number of us sinners, but because of the number of us who recognize our need for God's mercy!

I offered the Mass on Holy Thursday for the Eucharistic renewal of our parish. May the excitement of the past Easter Octave move us to that renewal. May the Holy Eucharist become (or enrich) the foundation of Catholic lives. When we publicly renewed our Baptismal Promises at Easter, we publicly declared ourselves "accountable" to live the Catholic Christian Life. May we live up to that accountability, with the Eucharist as the source of our Strength and the Summit of our lives with the sacrament of reconciliation as the medicine we need when we fail.

The Easter Egg Hunt was a success! We had 43 registered families with over 80 children participating. Thanks to all who put time, talent and effort into making a special Easter celebration for our young parishioners.

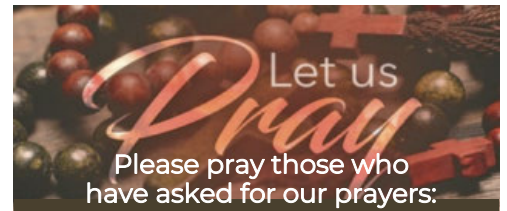
THANK YOU!

We priests are grateful for the cards, gifts, treats, and baked goods that have been delivered to us for the Easter celebration. God Bless you for your kindnesses toward us.

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

Donald May
Jerome Mondine
Edward Wagner

Marcella Williams
Rosemary Zuk



Please pray those who have asked for our prayers:

Anthony Anderson	Penny Mahoney
Lauren Bentley	Barbara Mannarino
Clara Bielecki	Lucille Marabito
Brian Bishop	Laura Martin
Kelly Bittner	Sam Martin
Jim Boerio	Carl Masciola
Gina Burton	Kathy Masko
Donald Campbell	Gina Massengill
Dorothy Campbell	Kathy McGann
Elisa Carsia	Virginia Miller
Helen Cassidy	John Mostowy
Kenneth Chase	Joyce Mostowy
John Chraska	Robin Munko
Gina Dangelico	Pat Murdzak
Katie Denke	Theresa Nelson
Antoinette DePofi	Judi Novak
Patty Drury	Victoria O'Bosky
Kathi Dvorak	Mario Oliverio
Lena Enrietti	Joan Pandolph
Patti Eurich	Linda Perris
Stephaine Fahnstock	Charles Perry
Helen Fallon	Diane Perry
Vicky Feeney	Nancy Pistella
Lois Ferrie	Carol Poecking
Ron Ferrie	Robert Prevost
Rosemary Ferruzza	Diane Pritchard
Suzanne T. Finnegan	Dolores Quinn
Gabriel Fontana	Michele Rea
Michelle Frego	Bob Recaldini
May Frye	Dave Redman
William Gabella	Paxton Renk
Dan Gardner	Florinda Rosemeyer
Jane Gardner	Helen Salamon
Mike Gieselman	Andrew Patrick Schade
Joseph M. Granata	Frederick Schell
Brandon Gross	John Schenk
Mark Hagelauer	Tyler Schepis
Margaret Harkins	Mary Patricia Schnars
Michael Heastings	Kathleen Shilling
Eileen Henefeld	Patricia Smith
Mary V. Hester	Mary Socci
Patti Howcroft	Genevieve Sonson
Brent Jones	Edie Sortwell
Noreen Joslyn	Teresa Stacy
Anna Mary Karpinski	Jaime St. Ledger
William Karpinski	Judye Suhy
Joanne Keating	Bob Super
Gregory M. Klemmer	Ed Super
Don Krally	Ed Sutilla
Gloria Krally	Rose Talmonti
Lori Krally	Tim Teeters
Ann Kramer	Jerry Tokar
Veronica Kujawski	Rosemarie Toth
Darlene Kura	Allen Turske
Helen Kurek	Stephanie Vail
Jackie Kushner	Penny Verow
Mark Laird	Mary Kay Walsh
John Linn	James Walther
Eugene Loniero	Linda Wesley
John Loniero	Joan Wrona
Peter Paul Lyle III	Kathy Zajicek
Mary Ann Macino	Bernice Zyzak
Arch MacLennan	

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



At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
in memory of
Charles Spratt
by Sue and Melissa

At St. Margaret of Scotland Church
in memory of
George Christmann Jr.
Jan and Chuck Lenz

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory

Required Weekly	\$35,500
3/29/2023 thru 4/4/2023	\$25,291
2023 Parish Appeal	
2023 Goal	\$278,967
Monthly due to the Diocese	\$23,247
3/29/2023 thru 4/4/2023	\$6,387
Received to date	\$165,296

If you would like to contribute to the parish, consider using our online giving tool. You can set up recurrent payments, or make a one-time gift!



Scan the code to get started now.
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straphaelcgs.org
and click the online giving tab at the top of the homepage.

Note:
The churches are listed alphabetically in this bulletin and online.

Unless otherwise noted, the bulletin deadline is **Monday at Noon**.
Email: mksmith@straphaelcgs.org



UPCOMING EVENTS

find more information where page number is listed

BAPTISM CLASS

For those preparing to have their child baptized, a Baptism Preparation Class is held monthly. Couples are encouraged to take the class before their child is born. The next class will be held Wednesday, April 19, at 6:00 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall. To register to attend, please call the parish office at 412-857-5356 and speak to Carol Kossler.

HOLY HOUR

PAGE 12 • Join the Knights of Columbus at Holy Hour today, Sunday April 16.

FAITH FORMATION

PAGES 11 & 13 • Register for Fall classes now. The last class of the season is this week. The First Holy Communion retreat is April 29.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The parish will celebrate First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 30 at 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland Church with 56 communicants and their guests. With such a wonderfully large class, regular 10:00 a.m. Mass attendees may want to attend a different Mass that weekend.

PIP MEETS

PAGE 11 • Join us this week.

WALKING GROUP

PAGE 11 • Join the Raphael's Ramblers and get some air and some prayer.

GROUP BOOK STUDY

PAGE 13 • Register now to join one of two sessions of a book-study of Scott Hahn's *The Lamb's Supper*.

CONFIRMATION

Most Reverend Bishop William J. Waltersheid will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, May 14 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland Church.

ROSARY AGAINST VIOLENCE

Pray with us every Wednesday after the Noon Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER GROUP

Join the Medjugorje Prayer Group at 12:40 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month.



SECOND COLLECTION

Next Week

The Second Collection next weekend is for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Please give generously to this worthy cause which helps us to be the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors in need.



WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY:

The Byce Family
Emily, David, Braxton, and Bronwyn

Dee and Art Heckathorn

The Weimer Family
Laura, Kenneth, Molly, and Benjamin

We're so glad you're here!

THE ORDER OF MASS

ENTRANCE HYMN | COME YE FAITHFUL RAISE THE STRAIN



Come, ye faith - ful raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness;
 'Tis the spring of souls to - day; Christ has burst the pris - on,
 Nei - ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,
 'Al - le - lu - ia! now we cry to our King im - mor - tal,

God has brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness;
 and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has ris - en;
 nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold him as a mor - tal;
 who, tri - umph - ant, burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;

loosed from Phar - aoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;
 all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark is fly - ing
 for to - day a - mong the Twelve Christ ap - peared be - stow - ing
 'Al - le - lu - ia! with the Son, God the Fath - er prais - ing;

led them with un - moist - ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.
 from his light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.
 last - ing peace which ev - er - more pas - ses hu - man know - ing.
 'Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to the Spir - it rais - ing.

Tune: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, c.1495-1547

Text: John of Damascus, c.675—c.749 trans. by John M. Neale, 1818-1886, alt.

SPRINKLING RITE



Springs of wa - ter, bless the Lord! Give him glo - ry and praise for ev - er!

Oceans of earth, sing glory to God! Praise to O blessed be God for ever!
 Rivers and lakes, sing glory to God! Praise, all, O blessed be God for ever!
 Brooks of the hills, sing glory to God! Praise to O blessed be God for ever!
 Showers and springs, sing glory to God! Praise, all, O blessed be God for ever!

Bless - ed be God for ev - er!

GLORIA



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.

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.

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.

FIRST READING | ACTS 2: 42-47

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need.

Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 118:1-2,16-17, 22-23



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| 1. Give praise to the LORD, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." | 2. The LORD's right hand has done mighty deeds; his right hand is exalted. I shall not die, I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord. | 3. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done, a marvel in our eyes. |
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Text: Psalm 118: The Revised Grail, Conception Abbey © 2010 GIA Publications, Inc. Tune: Fr. James C. Chepponis, ©1994, 2011

SECOND READING | 1 PETER 1: 3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time.

In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith,

more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | JOHN 20:29



You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

GOSPEL | JOHN 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

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 ap-
ostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the for-
giveness of sins and I look forward to
the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN | SHOW ME YOUR HANDS, YOUR FEET, YOUR SIDE

Show me your hands, your feet, your side; I will not be de - ceived.
"Fear not! Let peace be in your soul. Reach out and touch and know
Not e - ven East - er takes a - way the marks that Je - sus bears.
So blest are those who have not seen yet cry, "My Lord and God!"

Un - less I see, how can I trust the news that I've re - ceived.
I died and yet I am a - live with wounds that ev - er show."
The Ris - en Christ still wears the wounds of scourge and nail and spear.
Who touch earth's pain in Je - sus' name and tell good news a - broad.

Tune: ST. FLAVIAN, John Day's *Psalter*, 1562

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THE ORDER OF MASS

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!___

MYSTERY OF FAITH



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain,___ un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN



A - men,___ a men,___ a - - - men! A - men, a - men,___ a - men, a - men!_____

AGNUS DEI / LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God,___ you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. **Final time** world, grant us___ peace.

COMMUNION HYMN | O SONS AND DAUGHTERS



1. O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heav'n the glorious King, O'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!
2. That Easter morn, at break of day, the faithful women went their way to seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!
3. An angel clad in white they see, who sat and spoke unto the three, "Your Lord has gone to Galilee." Alleluia!
4. That night the apostles met in fear; amidst them came their Lord most dear, and said, "my peace be on all here." Alleluia!
5. When Thomas first the tidings heard, how they had seen the risen Lord, he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
6. "My wounded side, O Thomas, see; behold my hands, my feet," said he, "Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia!
7. No longer Thomas then denied, he saw the feet, the hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!
8. How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been, for they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!
9. On this most holy day of days, to God your hearts and voices raise, in laud, and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

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Text: *O filii et filiae*, Jean Tisserand, d.1494; translated by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

RECESSIONAL HYMN | JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY



Tune: EASTER HYMN, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708 Text: Stanza 1, *Surrexit Christus hodie*, Latin 14th C.; Stanza 2-3, *The Compleat Psalmist*, c.1750; Stanza 4, Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

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Caring Corner

CARING + GIVING + SERVING

His (Jesus') person is nothing but love, a love given gratuitously. Everything in him speaks of mercy. Nothing in him is devoid of compassion."

– Pope Francis in *The Face of Mercy*

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, we pray for all who are struggling, doubting, suffering, and grieving in our parish, our community, our country, and our world. We pray to grow in trust of the mercy of our Risen Savior, and to be grateful for His mercy. Consider taking some time to contemplate the words our Risen Lord revealed to Saint Faustina that she shared in *Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul*.

"May we proclaim that mercy is the greatest attribute of God. All the works of My hands are crowned with mercy." (No. 301)

"You always console Me when you pray for sinners. The prayer most pleasing to Me is prayer for the conversion of sinners." (No. 1397)

"There is no way to heaven except the way of the cross. I followed it first. You must learn that it is the shortest and surest way." (No. 1487)

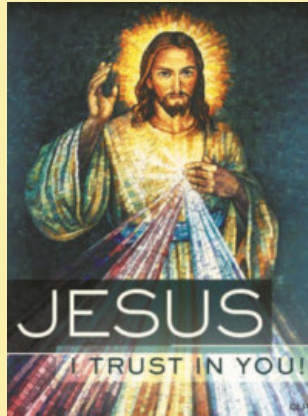
"My child, know that the greatest obstacles to holiness are discouragement and an exaggerated anxiety. These will deprive you of the ability to practice virtue. You should not become discouraged, but strive to make My love reign in place of your self-love. Have confidence, My child. Do not lose heart in coming for pardon, for I am always ready to forgive you." (No. 1488)

"My child, life on earth is a struggle indeed; a great struggle for My kingdom. But fear not, because you are not alone. I am always supporting you, so lean on Me as you struggle, fearing nothing." (No. 1488)

"Speak, My beloved child, for I am always listening. I wait for you. What do you desire to say?" (No. 1489)

"Be always merciful as I am merciful. Love everyone out of love for Me, even your greatest enemies, so that My mercy may be fully reflected in your heart." (No. 1695)

Jesus, I trust in You!



MILITARY PRAYER REMEMBRANCE

A1C Noel Blackhall, USAF
 SSgt David Blackhall, USAF
 SPC Casey Busch, Army
 SSgt Kristiana Coote, USAF
 LTC Ronald Gaudelli, Army
 2LT Matthew Grebinoski, Army
 COL Christopher Marchetti, Army
 SA2 Joshua May, Navy
 1LT Matthew Montanaro, Army
 SGT Alexander L. Novelli, Army
 1stLt Anthony Palumbo, USMC
 1stLt Anthony Redondo, USMC
 Sgt Jordan M. Rush, USMC
 A1C Elana Russell, USAF
 SrA Jay Russell, USAF
 TSgt Justin F. Smith, USAF
 Cpl Nicholas Steinert, USMC
 SGT Gregory Timmerman, Army
 LT Sean Trombetta, Navy
 1LT Garrett Walnoha, Army
 SN Caleb Zajicek, Navy

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Veterans Lunch will resume May 21 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, in St. Luke Hall. Before the covid break, we served 160 people.

Volunteers are needed to:

- ◆ Donate a side or dessert
- ◆ Decorate and set up room the day before
- ◆ Direct parking
- ◆ Set up buffet and help guests at food tables
- ◆ Work the sign-in table

- ◆ Cut and serve desserts
- ◆ Work the drink tables
- ◆ Clean up

If you are interested in helping please respond to Lynne Gross at 412-303-0631 or g.gross@comcast.net.

Volunteers working the event must have clearances.

If you don't have them, we will work with you though that process.

FAITH FORMATION 2023 - 2024



Let the
children
come
to me.
MATTHEW 19:14

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.*

Sessions are held in the Parish Life Center
(former school building at 1607 Greentree Road)
on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

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 ext. 429 to obtain more information.

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10% off Tuition
until May 31
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parishioners



PARTNERS
in Prayer

By prayer, community is created as well as expressed.

—Henri Nouwen

The St. Raphael Parish Partners in Prayer (PIP) meet this Thursday, April 20 in the narthex of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. Join us to pray at 10:30 a.m., attend Noon Mass, and pray until 1:00 p.m. If you can only join us for part of the time, you are very welcome to meet our St. Raphael Parish prayer warriors and see what we are about! Anyone can share a prayer request with us with the confidence that we care and will pray for the needs presented. After our meetings, we continue to pray at home, and we send the requests via email to our Partners in Prayer who are unable to join us in person. The intentions entrusted to Partners in Prayer are also remembered in the General Intercessions at our weekend masses. It is a privilege for us to lift the needs of our community to the Lord!



**Raphael's
Ramblers**

Our April weekend walk will be at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 30. Anyone is welcome to join us, whether you participate regularly, just feel like coming that day, or are looking for a new way to meet fellow parishioners. We gather at the Marian Shrine in the Ss. Simon and Jude Church parking lot for opening prayer invoking our walking angel patron, St. Raphael. We walk for about 45 minutes at a comfortable pace then say a brief closing prayer. Beginning on May 16, we will resume our weekly Tuesday evening walks at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome, and we cancel if the weather is bad. If you have any questions, please contact Laura in the parish office at 412- 857-5356, ext. 431.

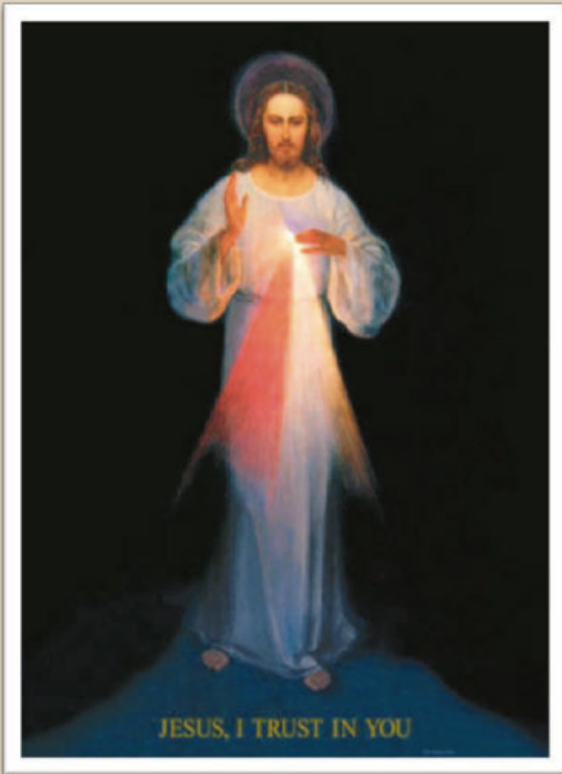
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ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



TODAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 16,
THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #11143
— IN UNION WITH THE PARISH —
WILL CELEBRATE A HOLY HOUR
FOR THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY
AT 2:00 P.M.
AT ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH.

The great Feast of God's Divine Mercy will be celebrated as proclaimed by Pope St. John Paul II in April of the year 2000.

The Catholic Church has always taught God's mercy through Scripture and Tradition. Yet, in His goodness, God chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to be the apostle of God's mercy. On February 22, 1931, God appointed her to remind the whole world of His unfathomable mercy and to pray for the conversion of sinners.

Jesus appeared to her while she was in the convent and asked her to have an image of Divine Mercy painted as shown here – for through this image many graces would be granted to those venerating the image. (Diary of St. Faustina 47- 48)

This message and devotion is one of complete trust in God's unfathomable mercy, a way of life, and a total commitment to be merciful by living out the call to do Spiritual and Corporal Acts of Mercy. (Luke 6:36)

This devotion and way of life honors God's unfathomable Mercy to any person who seeks His forgiveness. Many people complete their Divine Mercy Novena and prepare to receive the **plenary indulgence** offered on this day by reciting the Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet in community, receiving Holy Communion, listening to the mercy of God preached by the Priests, and performing some act of mercy.

The Divine Mercy Image will be displayed, and many graces are given to those who faithfully participate with a true desire for conversion with complete trust in God's Mercy and Compassion for His children.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

*"From all My wounds, like from streams, mercy flows for souls,
but the wound in My heart is the fountain of unfathomable mercy. From this fountain,
spring all graces for souls... I desire greatly to pour them out upon souls. Speak to the whole
world about My mercy." (Jesus' words to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska; Diary #1190)*

Faith FORMATION

This Wednesday concludes the 2022/2023 faith formation year. Formal instructions may come to an end, but celebration of the sacraments and other special events will be taking place through May for children of the parish in grades two, seven, and eight. Please pray for these disciples as they continue on their sacramental journey this spring.

First Holy Communion Retreat Day

A retreat day for our First Holy Communion candidates will be held on Saturday, April 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church and Guardian Angel Academy Cafeteria. Children are to be dropped off in the church so we may begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. The day includes rehearsal, adoration, investiture with a scapular and more. Lunch will be served. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to join us in the church for a time of adoration and scapular investiture of each child beginning at 1:15 p.m. Dismissal takes place from the church at 2:00 p.m.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS

Please note the parish will celebrate First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 30 at 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland Church with 56 communicants and their guests. With such a wonderfully large class, regular 10:00 a.m. Mass attendees may want to attend a different Mass that weekend.

EASTER BRASS DEDICATIONS

Many thanks to the generous donors who funded the brass musicians for our Easter liturgies.

In memory of
John Timbario,
husband and father
—Phyllis Timbario

In memory of
Anna Marie Tersak &
Joseph Tersak Sr.
—Dr. Jean Marie Tersak

In memory of Zack Skinner
—Joan Reale

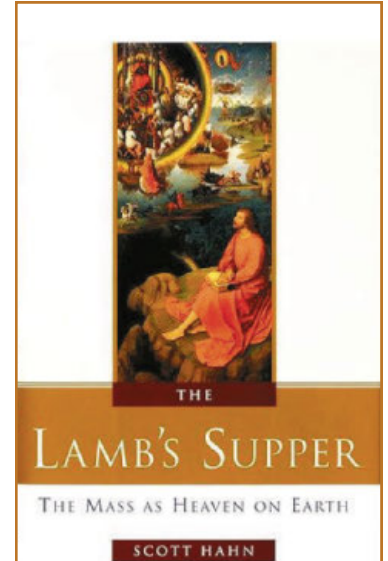
In memory of Richard
Mostowy
—from Mom, Dad, and
Michael

In memory of John Daniel
Sweeney
—Tim Sweeney

Anonymous

THE LAMB'S SUPPER STUDY

During Easter Season of this second year of the Eucharistic Revival, we are offering a small group book study on *The Lamb's Supper* by Scott Hahn. This easy to read book is a rich exploration of how the Mass relates to the Book of Revelation. Even those who have read the book before will enjoy reviewing it and participating in our small group discussions.



We are offering two eight-week sessions: Monday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall and Thursday from 12:45 to 2:15 p.m. in the Maximilian Kolbe Room at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. We begin the week of May 8 and end the week of June 25. There will be a \$15.00 offering required to defray the cost of the book and study guide. Pre-registration is required by Monday, April 24 by contacting Laura at laura@straphaelcgs.org or 412-857-5356, ext. 431. Payment for supplies will be collected at the first session.

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY

Our Chinese Auction Needs You!

Our Chinese Auction at the Parish Festival is one of the best gift raffles in the area. We need your help to keep that tradition going! It takes months to collect the amazing prizes, so let's begin! Please donate a monetary gift, items, or a complete basket. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Administration Center in Carnegie. We also accept gift cards, lottery scratchers, and bottles of cheer! Call Maria Walther if you have questions: 412-531-9432.

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Thank you for your patience and understanding as we process hundreds of dedications. See last week's bulletin for more dedications (online now at straphaelcgs.org). Dedications will be accepted throughout the month of April.

Please accept our most sincere apologies for any errors in this listing.

Happy 60th Anniversary

Congratulations and God's blessings to

Mary Anne and Bob Kinzler

who are celebrating

60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

Mary Anne and Bob were married in St. Luke Church (now St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church) on April 20, 1963.

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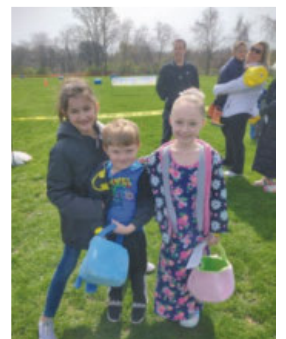
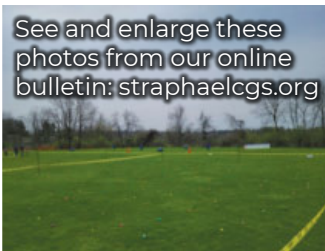


EASTER EGG HUNT

Many thanks to Natalie, Mark, and Justin Metz, who organized this year's event. Thank you to all the families who participated in the Easter Egg Hunt, and to the adult volunteers and teen volunteers (pictured below) who helped to make it so successful. And thanks, Easter Bunny!



A big thank you to our teen egg hunt volunteers:
back row: Brady, Jack, Ryan, Justin,
front row: Anna, Easter Bunny, Liam, Ana, and Chloe



DID YOU KNOW?

The Second Sunday of Easter goes by many names — maybe more names than any other day in the liturgical year. As the first Sunday after Easter, it is the second Sunday in the Easter season. It's also the Octave Day of Easter, meaning that it marks the end of the eight-day period of solemnity that follows our greatest feasts. If you came to daily Mass on the weekdays after Easter, you probably noticed that the feast never stopped — there's a Gloria every day. That extended celebration ends after today, the Octave Day. Old traditions give even more names to this Second Sunday of Easter. You may hear it called Low Sunday, since it is celebrated with less solemnity than the great feast of Easter that preceded it. (And maybe at this point, after Lent, Holy Week, the Triduum,

and the Octave, priests are just about burned out!) Yet another name is Dominica in albis depositis, or Dominica in albis for short. This is a Latin phrase that means "the Sunday when the white is put away," referring to the newly baptized Christians who would wear their white baptismal robes all throughout the first week of Easter. Today has always been a day of special recognition and prayer for our newest members initiated at the Easter Vigil. Yet another name is Quasimodo Sunday. The Sunday is not named for the Hunchback of Notre-Dame; in fact, it's the other way around. In Victor Hugo's novel, the poor bell-ringer is discovered as a baby on the steps of the cathedral on Quasimodo Sunday. That name comes from the first words of the ancient entrance chant for the day — Quasimodo geniti infantes: "As newborn babes, desire the rational

milk without guile, that thereby you may grow unto salvation" (1 Peter 2:2), a reference, once again, to the Christians newly born into the Church by baptism. Finally, since the year 2000, the Sunday has been celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. St. John Paul II gave it this additional designation in recognition of the visions of the Divine Mercy of Jesus received by St. Faustina Kowalska in the early twentieth century. In St. Faustina's diary, she writes: "Low Sunday; that is, the Feast of the Divine Mercy, the conclusion of the Jubilee of Redemption. When we went to take part in the celebrations, my heart leapt with joy that the two solemnities were so closely united" (Diary, 420). Needless to say, whatever you call it, today is a special day in the life of the Church — celebrate it well!

—Fr. Alek

PALM CROSS WORKSHOP

Many thanks to Donna and Bill Pencosky who worked so hard to present a lovely crafting class on Palm Sunday. Thank you to all who attended the workshop to create a lovely sacramental to display as witness to our faith; or to give to those in need of prayer; or as a remembrance of Christ during Holy Week and beyond.



SSJ EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

SPRINGTIME FUN AT SSJ PRESCHOOL



snippets of fun from
PJ DAY
ST. PATRICK'S DAY
& THE EASTER PARTY



GOLDEN WARRIORS

We are shining a light on outstanding students at Guardian Angel Academy who have served as Golden Warriors of the Week.

STUDENT: MADDIE HAYES

GRADE 6 (A)

TEACHER: MRS. STRESHENKOFF

Maddie is a Golden Warrior through and through! When she isn't participating in any of the various sports she plays, including volleyball, track, basketball, soccer, and cross-country, you can find her in the crowd cheering on all the other teams. Along with all the sports she plays, she also participates in the school musical.

In the classroom, Maddie's favorite subject is Math, and she always works diligently in all her classes. She is always willing to help a classmate and stand up for others if she thinks something isn't fair. She is inspired by the accomplishments of Ruth Bader Ginsberg and wants to be a judge when she grows up.

Outside of school, Maddie loves to make crafts that she enjoys giving to others, especially the special people in her life. Maddie's strong faith, hard work, and kindness make her a shining example of what it means to be a Golden Warrior!



STUDENT: AMELIA MATKO

GRADE 3

TEACHER:

MISS CATHERINE RODGERS



Amelia Matko is a third grader who was nominated to be one of our Golden Warriors of the Week. Amelia is a kind and caring student who always tries her best in school. In her free time, she enjoys doing art projects such as drawing and doing sports such as baseball, soccer, and

football. She also enjoys riding her bike. In school she is involved in the craft club and her favorite subject in school is art. When she grows up she wants to be a hairdresser.



SATURDAY May 6, 2023

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**Tickets are available at the school office or
email Kerri Lozano at GAAdfundraising@gmail.com**

**Please return stubs with payment to the school office by April 28, 2023:
Guardian Angel Academy, 915 Alice Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220**

ONLY 1000 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome packets are now available in the parish office for all new members of the parish. If you've recently joined our parish and requested a welcome packet, please stop by anytime this month: Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



If you are unable to pick up your packet during regular office hours, alternative arrangements can be made. Call Mary Kay Smith for more information:
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THE CONTEMPORARY CHOIR SCHEDULE

April 16

St. Margaret of Scotland Church | 10:00 a.m.

April 22

Ss. Simon and Jude Church | 4:00 p.m.

April 30

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church | 9:00 a.m.

The hymns for the Mass with the Contemporary Choir are not listed in the bulletin. Please look for the worship supplement at the doors of the church so you can fully participate in the Mass.



HERE FOR YOU

Mercy in Action

Sick Calls

If you or a loved one are admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call for the facility, or 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.

Home Visits

If you are homebound and desire Holy Communion and/or the Sacraments of Healing (Penance or Anointing of the Sick) please call Laura at the parish office: 412-857-5356 ext.431.

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

412-444-5424

If you are in need, SVdP may be able to assist you. Individual cases are confidentially evaluated and help is provided as our resources and guidelines allow. A variety of direct services including clothing, furniture, utility assistance, and more may be available.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry*

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Our pantry supports local families who are unable to make ends meet or who have experienced a recent crisis. This second branch of our SVdP outreach program is specific to the mission of feeding the hungry. Open Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon; stop by or call to learn more.

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Anointing

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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.

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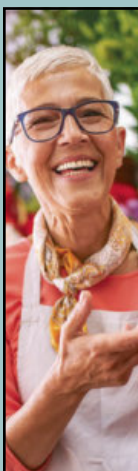
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