

THE PARISH OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

OCTOBER 15, 2023

Welcome!

CLERGY TEAM

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TEMPORARY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m. at SSJ

4:30 p.m. at SMOS

SUNDAY: 8:00 a.m. at SMOS

9:00 a.m. at SSJ 10:00 a.m. at SMOS

11:00 a.m. at SSJ

MONDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ

12:00 p.m. at SMOS

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 SMOS

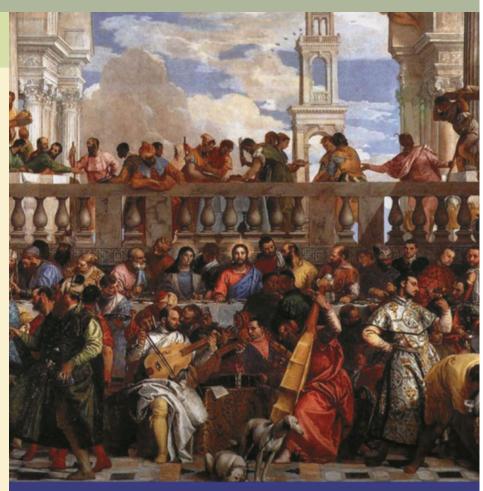
THURSDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ

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

FRIDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SMC

12:00 p.m. at SSJ

This schedule does not reflect holidays or Holy Days.



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

xcerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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PARISH ADMINISTRATION CENTER

330 3rd Avenue, Carnegie, PA 15106

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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

Wednesdays

6:00 to 6:30 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church —Or by appointment.—

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 15	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
*4:00 p.m. SSJ	Helen Deluliis by Rae and Chuck Conroy and family
*4:30 p.m. SMO	S Ernie and Al DeRose by Connie and family
8:00 a.m. SMO	S People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. SSJ	Joseph Zajicek by the Zajicek and Wood Families
10:00 a.m. SMO	Marie Sgro by Michele Rea
11:00 a.m. SSJ	Victor Zarelli by Kim and Gary Yon
OCTOBER 16	MONDAY OF THE 28TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 a.m. SSJ	Robert and Mark Damiani by family
12:00 p.m. SMO	S Rose Marie Eberlein by Victoria O'Bosky
OCTOBER 17	MEMORIAL OF ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH
8:30 a.m. SMO	S Lorraine Unitas by Pat Pittore
12:00 p.m. SSJ	Jasper Provenzano by Barbara and children
OCTOBER 18	FEAST OF ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST
8:30 a.m. SSJ	Nancy Lolli by Mercy friends
12:00 p.m. SMO	S Patricia Smith by Betty Hammer
OCTOBER 19	MEMORIAL OF SAINTS JOHN DE BRÉBEUF AND ISAAC JOGUES, PRIESTS, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS
8:30 a.m. SSJ	Vera and Bill Truxall by Terri and Jeff Reffert
12:00 p.m. SMO	S Larry "Nick" Nicoletta by family
OCTOBER 20	FRIDAY OF THE 28TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 a.m. SMO	S Shelly McGann by Julia McCaffrey
12:00 p.m. SSJ	Pat Romano by Paula and Gino
OCTOBER 22	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
*4:00 p.m. SSJ	Vince Leonette by wife, Mel
*4:30 p.m. SMO	Nancy J. Schuler by the Ronald Schuler family
8:00 a.m. SMO	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. SSJ	Shelly McGann by the Doyle family
10:00 a.m. SMO	Mary Jo Thieler by Donna McDonald and family
11:00 a.m. SSJ	Louise Testoni by Pat Pittore

*anticipated Mass on Saturday evening

Temporary Schedule

Due to a partial ceiling collapse, all Masses (and Mass Intentions) at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church have been moved to St. Margaret of Scotland EXCEPT the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays which will be held at Ss. Simon and Jude Church.

PARISH LIFE



- FROM THE PASTOR -

"Every commitment to holiness, every activity aimed at carrying out the Church's mission, every work of pastoral planning, must draw the strength

it needs from the Eucharistic mystery and in turn be directed to that mystery as its culmination. In the Eucharist we have Jesus, we have his redemptive sacrifice, we have his resurrection, we have the gift of the Holy Spirit, we have adoration, obedience and love of the Father. Were we to disregard the Eucharist, how could we overcome our own deficiency?"

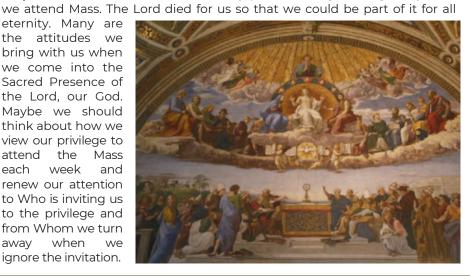
-Pope St. John Paul II—feast day October 22

This weekend marks five years since we began the "On Mission" journey that resulted in the creation of Saint Raphael the Archangel Parish. I am grateful to all who have been so supportive during these years and have been instrumental in helping to build our fledgling parish community.

See page 15 for the quarterly financial report. As always, I am grateful to those who contribute their best financial gift on a regular basis to help with the costs of three campuses, parish programs, and our wonderful staff.

There is a 16th century painting by the Italian Renaissance artist Raphael entitled, "The Dispute on the Blessed Sacrament." It is a beautiful work of art located in the Apostolic Palace at the Vatican. It depicts the Lord in heaven surrounded by his mother, John the Baptist, and many other saints and angels. The lower portion depicts an altar with the Blessed Sacrament exposed and surrounded by those discussing, debating, "theologizing," and praying in the Sacred Presence. I thought it interesting to consider those in attendance and wonder what we would say if we were in that gathering. "Why are we here?" "How long will this take?" "Do I have to be here?" "I'm only here when I have time." "I wish I could spend all day here." "I was late again, what did I miss?" "This is boring." "I don't get anything out of this." "Hope this never ends!" We are actually part of that gathering every time

eternity. Many are the attitudes we bring with us when we come into the Sacred Presence of the Lord, our God. Maybe we should think about how we view our privilege to attend the Mass week each and renew our attention to Who is inviting us to the privilege and from Whom we turn when we away ignore the invitation.



Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

Nancy Beck Geraldine Burton Claire Gigante Loretta Palmosina Adolph Pordurgiel

_et us Please pray those who have asked for our prayers:

Anthony Anderson Bob Bartell Marge Bartell Emilia Bentley June Bentley Clara Bielecki Brian Bishop Kelly Bittner Jim Boerio Gina Burton Pete Caligiuri Donald Campbell Dorothy Campbell Elisa Carsia Helen Cassidy Kenneth Chase Gina Dangelico Katie Denke Antoinette DePofi Patty Drury Kathi Dvorak Lena Enrietti Patti Eurich Stephanie Fahnestock Helen Fallon Vicky Feeney Lois Ferrie Rosemary Ferruzza Suzanne T. Finnegan Gabriel Fontana Michelle Frego May Frye William Gabella Dan Gardner Jane Gardner Edmund Gaskill Mike Gieselman Joseph M. Granata John Groll Brandon Gross Mark Hagelauer Margaret Harkins Linda Harrity Eileen Henefeld Mary V. Hester Patti Howcroft Brent Jones Noreen Joslyn Anna Mary Karpinski William Karpinski Joanne Keating Gregory M. Klemmer Gloria Krally Lori Krallv Ann Kramer Veronica Kujawski Darlene Kura Helen Kurek Jackie Kushner Mark Laird John Linn Eugene Loniero John Loniero Peter Paul Lyle III

Mary Ann Macino Arch MacLennan Penny Mahoney Lucille Marabito Laura Martin Sam Martin Carl Masciola Kathy Masko Gina Massengill Kathy McGann Virginia Miller Joyce Mostowy Robin Munko Pat Murdzak Theresa Nelson Judi Novak Victoria O'Bosky Mario Oliverio Joan Pandolph Linda Perris Charles Perry Diane Perry Nancy Pistella Carol Poecking Robert Prevost Diane Pritchard Dolores Quinn Bob Recaldini Dave Redman Joann Redondo Paxton Renk Florinda Rosemeyer Helen Salamon Andrew Patrick Schade Margery Schell John Schenk Tyler Schepis Mary Patricia Schnars Kathleen Shilling Mary Socci Genevieve Sonson Edie Sortwell Mildred Spezialetti Teresa Stacy Jaime St. Ledger Judye Suhy **Bob Super** Ed Super Ed Sutilla Rose Talmonti Theresa Tapper Tim Teeters John M. Tinney Jerry Tokar Rosemarie Toth Allen Turske Stephanie Vail Penny Verow Mary Kay Walsh James Walther Linda Wesley Kathy Zajicek Bernice Zyzak

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



At St. Margaret of Scotland Church in memory of Nancy J. Schuler by the Ronald Schuler Family

At Ss. Simon and Jude Church in memory of Pat Romano by Paula and Gino

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory

Required Weekly \$30,000 10/04/2023 thru 10/10/2023 \$20,799

2023 Parish Appeal

2023 Goal \$278,967

Monthly Due to the Diocese \$23,247

10/04/2023 thru 10/10/2023 \$5,503

Received to date \$429,285

Goal excess \$150,318

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.
OR visit our website: straphaelcgs.org and click the online giving tab at the top of the homepage.

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.

PRE-SALE OF CHANCES FOR PREMIUM PRIZES

PAGE 12 ● Today is the last chance to get tickets to win premium prizes from the CA\$H BA\$H (unless you're going to the CA\$H BA\$H).

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

PAGE 14 ● Join us this Friday and every Friday in October. See this week's scheduled vendors and entertainment.

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 is Monday, October 30 at Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall at 6:00 p.m. To register to attend, please call Carol Kossler at the parish office at 412-857-5356.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

PAGE 12 • Let's meet this Friday!

CA\$H BA\$H

PAGE 17 ● The Annual Parish CA\$H BA\$H is sold out, but you can still purchase a \$35 ticket for chances to win cash all night long.

ALL SOULS DAY

PAGE 11 • Join us for a special Mass offered for our faithful departed.

CRAFT SHOW

PAGE 16 ● Our Parish Craft Show takes place on Saturday, November 11. Help wanted.

GUEST SPEAKER HERE

PAGE 13 • November 13. Learn the Catholic Truth about angels, demons, ghosts, exorcisms, and hauntings.

MENS RETREAT

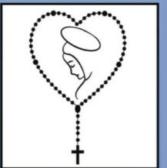
PAGE 13 • All men are invited.

ROSARY AGAINST VIOLENCE

Pray with us every Wednesday after the Noon Mass.

....The Living Rosary

Prayed by the students of GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY



Monday, October 16 6:00 p.m.

St. Raphael the Archangel Parish St. Margaret of Scotland Church

Please join the families of Guardian Angel Academy for this beautiful evening of prayer honoring our Blessed Mother.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Next weekend is World Mission Sunday. Our second collection will support the Holy Father's missions. See page 19 for more information.

THE ORDER OF MASS

ENTRANCE HYMN | IF YOU SHOULD COUNT EACH SINFUL DEED



Tune: ERHALT UNS, HERR; Geistliche Lieder, Wittenberg, 1543

Text: Introit for the 28th Sunday; Psalm 130:1-8 © 1986, Christopher Webber

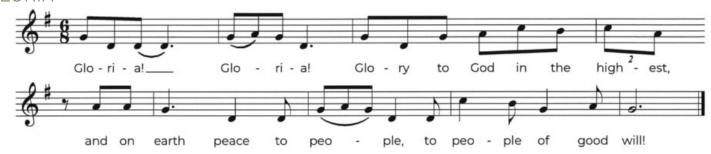
PENITENTIAL ACT/KYRIE

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.



GI ORIA



- 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. [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. [of God the Father]. *refrain* Amen. [Amen.]

FIRST READING | ISAIAH 25: 6-10

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, the web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face;

the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said:
"Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us!
This is the LORD for whom we looked;
let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!"
For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 23: 1-6



The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

SECOND READING | PHILIPPIANS 4: 12-14, 19-20

Brothers and sisters:

I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress.

My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | EPHESIANS 1: 17-18



May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

GOSPEL | MATTHEW 22: 1-14 [OR 22: 1-10]

[Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come.

A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast."'
Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business.
The rest laid hold of his servants,

mistreated them, and killed them.
The king was enraged and sent his troops,
destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.
Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready,
but those who were invited were not worthy to come.
Go out, therefore, into the main roads
and invite to the feast whomever you find.'
The servants went out into the streets
and gathered all they found, bad and good alike,
and the hall was filled with guests.]
But when the king came in to meet the guests,

he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' Many are invited, but few are chosen."

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

PROFFSSION 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

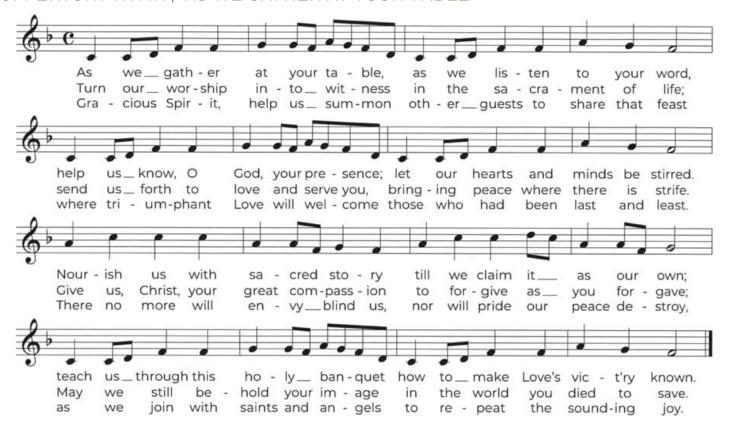
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

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.

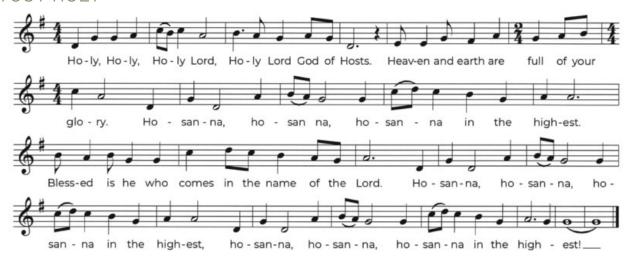
OFFERTORY HYMN I AS WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE



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SANCTUS / HOLY



MYSTERY OF FAITH



GREAT AMEN



AGNUS DEL/LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMN | COME TO THE BANQUET



- 1. Draw near and take the Body of the Lord, And drink with faith the Blood for you outpoured. Saved by his Body, hallowed by his Blood, With souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.
- 2. Our great Redeemer, God's eternal Son, Has by his cross and blood the vict'ry 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 heav'nly bread Christ makes the hungry whole; His living water fills the thirsting soul. Before your presence, Lord, all people bow. In this your feast of love be with us now.

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Text: Sancti, venite, corpus sumite, 7th C; trans. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt; refrain by J.C. Chepponis, b. 1956 © 2000 G.I.A. Publications, Inc.

RECESSIONAL HYMN | JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE YOU



Text: Henry van Dyke, 18521933, alt Tune: HYMN TO JOY, arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827

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Celebrating the Sacraments
Matrimony

Madison Zajicek and Zachery Wallace received the Sacrament of

Matrimony on July 22, 2023, at St. Margaret of Scotland Church.

Parents of the groom are Diane and Neal Wallace. Parents of the bride are Monica and the late John Zajicek.

We wish them God's blessings of happiness and good health as they begin their married life together.

> Congratulations, Madi and Zach!

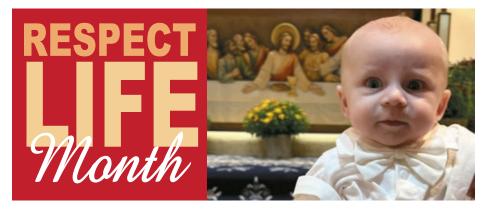






Happy 1st Birthday to Jack Carlo Brescia!

Jack is celebrating his big day on October 17. May God continue to bless him and his family and grant them much happiness in the years to come.



Let us pray for the day when all life is respected, protected, and nurtured at every stage of its existence. Learn more at usccb.org/prolife.



We will meet this Thursday, October 19 at 10:30 a.m. in the Cry Room at St. Margaret of Scotland. Stop by if you are in need of prayer. We will attend Noon Mass, then be available again until 1:00 p.m. If you think you might be interested in joining our beautiful ministry, you are welcome to come by and meet us or join in prayer with us.



CARING + GIVING + SERVING

I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress. -Philippians 4:13-14

Several years ago, shortly after I began working for the parish, I had an "a-ha" moment. I was coordinating a Funeral Mass for a man whose name I recognized, but who I did not know. When I went to the funeral home to lead Vigil prayers and saw him in his casket, I recognized him immediately as a man who often sat in the pew in front of me at Mass over many years. I had frequently shaken his hand at the sign of peace, but I never knew, and never asked, his name. Despite seeing him every week, I knew nothing about him. From then on, I resolved to make it a point to smile, say hello, ask people's names, and try to get to know more of the people I regularly saw at Mass.

When we come to Mass, our focus is on encountering Christ in Word and Sacrament. As we exit, however, instead of racing to our cars to be first out of the parking lot, we could take a few minutes to greet someone we do not know. Once we learn a person's name, we can ask how they are or learn more about them during subsequent encounters. In time, we might develop a new friendship. Other ways we can grow in relationship with our parish family are by attending social events (i.e., Fellowship, Parish Picnic, Food Truck Fridays), joining service organizations (i.e., Christian Mothers, St. Vincent de Paul, Ladies of Charity, Knights of Columbus, Choir), or participating in one of the many adult education classes or small group studies offered throughout the year.

In his letter to the Philippians, St. Paul acknowledges that Christ gives him strength AND he expresses gratitude for the friendship and generosity of the members of the congregation in Philippi. When we grow in charity within our parish, we help each other to become more charitable in all aspects of our daily lives and to shine the light of Christian love out to everyone we encounter. A parish where people care about each other is more likely to do works of mercy and make new disciples. As St. Teresa of Kolkata said, "Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love."



Cynthia Alward, Navy Tyler Alward, Navy CAPT Shawn Balent, USMC A1C Noel Blackhall, USAF SSgt David Blackhall, USAF SPC Casey Busch, Army SSqt Kristiana Coote, USAF LTC Ronald Gaudelli, Army 2LT Matthew Grebinoski, Army A1C Sean Mahoney II, USAF 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 CAPT Jake Ridings, 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 2LT Grant Walnoha, Army SN Caleb Zajicek, Navy



THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)

Our annual Mass to pray for the souls of our beloved deceased who have gone before us in the past year is scheduled for Thursday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m. at Saints Simon and Jude Church. We will remember in a special way those who died between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023.

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

FIRST COMMUNION RITE OF BLESSING

The second graders of our parish who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2024 will participate in a Rite of Blessing today, Sunday, October 15 during the 11:00 a.m. Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude Church. Please pray for these children as they prepare to receive the Lord's mercy in the healing sacrament of Reconciliation and come to the Table of the Lord to receive the Eucharist for the first time in 2024.

KEEPING KIDS SAFE

Please consider becoming a volunteer. It's easier than you think! Over 500 parishioners from our parish are compliant with the Diocese of Pittsburgh Safe Environment Policy, and you can be one, too! Go to the diocesan website, diopitt.org, and click on Obtain Clearances. Click on the category of volunteer that you want to be: School Volunteer or Parish Volunteer, then start the process. Call Karen Maurer, Safe Environment Coordinator, for the access code and discuss your proposed volunteerism, and you will be on your way. Clearances and paperwork must be completed before you may volunteer.

If you are a volunteer for an event or organization and you do not have your clearances, call Karen immediately to rectify this situation. Obtaining clearances is not optional; it is a requirement of all volunteers. Call or email Karen today: 412-857-5356, ext. 430, or karen@straphaelcgs.org.



CHRISTIAN MOTHERS AND WOMEN'S GUILD

All parishioners are invited to purchase chances to win PREMIUM PRIZES from the CA\$H BA\$H. Presale tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend, October 14/15.

Get your chances to win the \$500 Money Tree AND/OR the Premium Pittsburgh Penguin Basket — a \$7,060 value that includes four tickets in the Captain Morgan Club when the Pens play the Ottawa Senators on October 28, with parking passes and access to the Lexus Club before and after the game.

Tickets are:

1 for \$3 | 2 for \$5 | 5 for \$10

BOYS SCOUT RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS

Did you know that there are Religious Emblems for Scouts BSA members who are Roman Catholic?

There are local programs each comprised of about ten two-hour group sessions, plus individual and group assignments, a service project, and a daylong retreat. Scouts from any troop are welcome to participate.

St. Bernard Church (Fontenay Center)
311 Washington Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15216
Sundays: 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. - scouts ages 15 and up
5:00 to 7:00 p.m. - scouts ages 13 and 14

Visit our website: straphaelcgs.org for more information and registration.



OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) began Sunday, September 24 at 9:00 a.m. Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude Church. CLW is for children of our parish in grades K through 3 and will be held once a month alternating between 9:00 a.m. Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude Church and 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland Church.

During the Mass, children will be invited to Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall (St. Margaret of Scotland CLW will be held in the cry room) after the opening prayer or "Collect" to listen to the Sunday readings, Gospel, and homily on an age-appropriate level led by an adult. If a deacon is scheduled during the Mass, he will lead the children and be accompanied by another adult. Children will return to their pews to participate in the Offertory Hymn and Liturgy of the Eucharist.

CLW Schedule:

October 29: 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland

November 26: 9:00 a.m. Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude

December 31: 10 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland

Please note that CLW will take place during 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton when the church re-opens.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Solemnity of All Saints

Vigil Mass on Tuesday, October 31:

4:30 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church
—there is no Noon Mass on October 31

Wednesday, November 1:

8:30 a.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church Noon at St. Margaret of Scotland Church 6:30 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church —no evening confessions on November 1

THE CATHOLIC TRUTH ABOUT ANGELS, DEMONS, GHOSTS, EXORCISMS, AND HAUNTINGS NOVEMBER 13, 7:00-9:30 PM

On Monday, November 13, Catholic spiritual warfare expert Dave VanVickle will give a fascinating talk about what the Church really teaches about angels, demons, ghosts, exorcisms, and hauntings. Dave has extensive experience assisting priests in their ministries of exorcism and deliverance. In this presentation, he clears up the many misunderstandings surrounding this topic and witnesses to the victory of Jesus Christ and his Church over the kingdom of darkness. The talk will begin at 7:00 p.m. in Ss. Simon and Jude Church. After the talk there will be an opportunity to ask questions and a special time for veneration of relics. You will not want to miss this!



The St. Raphael the Archangel Ladies of Charity invite all ladies to join us in our ministry as we work to perform the Corporal Works of Mercy in our parish and in the surrounding communities. The next Ladies of Charity meeting will be on Tuesday, October 17 at 1:00 p.m. in Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall. If you would like to learn more about

the Ladies of Charity, please attend the meeting or contact Leslie Charitan: 412-257-3117 or 568charitan@comcast.net.



Lottery calendars are on sale. Give a wonderful Fall birthday gift. Hand your Thanksgiving Day host a gift to remember. Stock up for Christmas gifts. Get them now before they're gone.

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Call or text Jim Walther: 412-475-5155 or contact Bob Greek: bobadgreek@gmail.com, 412-889-0830.

MEN'S RETREAT

All men of the Parish of St. Raphael the Archangel are invited to join us for the annual Men's Retreat at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center from November 10 to 12. Retreat begins with dinner on Friday at 6:00 p.m. and ends after 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday. Enjoy a Spirit-filled weekend of prayer, Sacraments, camaraderie, leisure, comfortable accommodations, and five meals. This year's theme is "Living in the World and not Being of the World." To register, go to stpaulsretreatcenter-pittsburgh.org or call 412-381-7676.

If you have any questions or would like a printed brochure, please contact Joe at 412- 287-1417 or Jim at 412- 278-0437.



During October, the Month of the Rosary, consider joining our parish 31 Club. The 31 Club is a group of parishioners who have committed to praying one rosary each month specifically for an increase of priestly vocations in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. We have at least one parishioner committed to each date, but there can never be too many! If you would like to join the 31 Club, please contact Laura at 412-857-5356, ext. 431 or laura@straphaelcgs.org.



Women of the Parish are grateful for the prayers of the parish while we attended the annual retreat at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center. We included the intentions entrusted to Partners in Prayer, our Clergy and Staff, and our entire parish in our prayers at Eucharistic Adoration and throughout the weekend.

PET BLESSING

Many thanks to Fr. Dan and the parishioners who brought their pets to be blessed last Sunday. We will feature some of the adorable faces in next week's bulletin.





OCTOBER 20

SCHEDULED FOOD TRUCKS:

Tambellini
Ash & Kris Kitchen
South Side BBQ
Benvenutis Pizza
The Coop Chicken and Waffles
Vaya: Mexican Street Food

Music:

Mike Gallagher

OUARTERLY REPORT

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(Quarter-1 2023/2024)

OPERATING REVENUE:

Offertory Collections	354,791
Donations & Bequests	86,884
Fundraising	133,614
Campaign Income	777
Other Income	10,825
	586,891
OPERATING EXPENSE:	
Administration	208,645
Operations & Maintenance	119,796
Liturgical & Rectory	50,955
Religious Ed & School Subsidy	49,669
Property & Liability Insurance	20,067
Social/ Outreach/ Other	(97,524)
	351,608

OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)

NON-OPERATING ITEMS:

Extraordinary Maintenance Expense	(53,084)
Net Third Party Collections	8,518
Proceeds from Insurance Claim (Net)	2,682
	4

(41,884)

235,283

FEATURED ASSETS and LIABILITIES at 9/30/2023

ASSETS:

Unrestricted Funds:

Cash	591,709
Deposit & Loan Operating Savings	855,540
	1,447,249
Restricted Funds:	
Deposit & Loan Restricted Savings	36
Deposit & Loan Restricted Campaign	308,902
Parish Endowment Investment	-
Other Investments	
	308,938

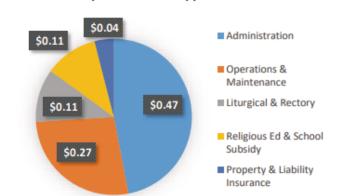
LIABILITIES:

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Insurance Past Due	-
Deposit & Loan Borrowing Debt	1,201,398
Other Payables	1,811
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Revenue vs. Expense for 7-1-2023 thru 9-30-2023

Revenue: **586,891** Expense: **351,608**

How each Expense Dollar Supports the Parish



A Parish is much like a business. There are costs that keep the Parish running. The pie chart above details how your dollars are spent. The following line items include but are not limited to:

Offertory Collections: Offertory, Parish Appeal Campaign Income: Capital Imp., Debt Reduction, etc. Other Income: Interest Income, Hall Rentals, Votive Administration:

Staff, Office Supplies/Equipment, Management Fee Operations & Maintenance:

Staff, Church Utilities, Upkeep, Taxes, Supplies Religious Ed & School Subsidy:

Staff, Supplies, CCD, Adult Ed, RCIA, Elem School Grant Liturgical & Rectory:

Staff, Worship Expense, Rectory Food, Utilities, Upkeep Social/Outreach/Other:

Youth, Community, Net Rental Property, Preschool

Extraordinary Maintenance Expense: Purchases/Improvements over \$4,000

Net Third Party Collections:

e.g. St. Anthony's, Holy Land, Peter's Pence

Golden Agers

The Golden Agers offer their deepest gratitude to Fr. Grecco for his support with the recent Bible Fundraiser. By allowing us to sell tickets at the churches, we had a very successful raffle. The winning ticket was #256 and was won by Kellie Albert.

A special thanks goes to Bill Snyder and Walt Folcik for their help in selling tickets, and a huge thanks to Scott Ritter of Leo J. Henney Funeral Home for donating the tickets.

This year we are purchasing 40 Bibles to be given to the Sixth Grade students in the Faith Formation Program and at Guardian Angel Academy.

We feel blessed to be able to provide the Word of God to the future of the Church. We pray that what is written in this book may also be written in their hearts and minds, and be a guide for their lives.

Thank you, again! Joann and Don Cain and the Golden Agers

Come to the Golden Agers

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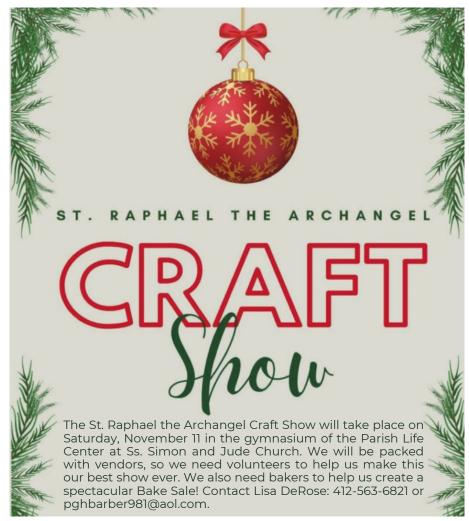
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BOOK FAIR THIS WEEKEND

Guardian Angel Academy library is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair Open House in the school after all Masses at St. Margaret of Scotland Church on October 14 and 15. (Mass Schedule: Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.) Check out books for all ages and pick up gift ideas for the holidays. Preorder the 18th Diary of a Wimpy Kid at a special paperback price or the latest Cat Kid Comic Club graphic novel! Stop in to browse or buy. This is a great opportunity for families to preview the Fair and help their students make selections. Beginning October 13, you can shop online at scholastic.com/bf/guardianangelacademyl. All proceeds benefit the school library. Major credit cards accepted.



"DISCOVERING SAINT ANTHONY" BOOK PROJECT

The St. Anthony of Padua project, which began in our parish almost four years ago and resulted in two books, will be seen in world outlets: The International Manila Book Fair in the Philippines, was September 16 to 19; and in Germany at the Frankfurt Buchmesse, the

world's largest book fair, October 18 to 22. In addition, cantor Doretta Whalen is invited to exhibit and sign her second book at the Miami Festival of Books, November 12 to 19.

Fall mini campaign/Final outdoor sale of 2023

If you would like an autographed copy (new copies are priced lower for you than online or in physical bookstores), the black bookmobile will be stationed in our church parking lots, weather permitting, before and after the following masses:

Sat. Oct. 14 SMOS 4:30 p.m. Sun. Oct. 15 SMOS both Masses

Book 1

Discovering Saint Anthony: If You Ask For Miracles (196 pp., \$20) (Prayers of a Catholic Community in Pittsburgh)

Book 2

Discovering Saint Anthony: Portugal to Padua (550+ pp., \$40) (The Phenomenon of Faith)

The author donates all receipts (cash and checks) to our parish. Thank you for your support! Questions? Contact Doretta Whalen: dorettawhalen@gmail.com, or 412-848-5124

Watch the two-minute book trailer uploaded on our parish Facebook! And leave a comment, if you please.



Côr Ministries invites you to join them on Thursday, October 19 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. for an inspiring talk about *The Sacrament of Marriage & Spiritual Warfare!*

The evening will begin with coffee, dessert, and fellowship (yes, decaf is available) in Brother Andre's Café, and then at 7:30 p.m., we will be inspired and encouraged in our own marriages by Dave VanVickle.

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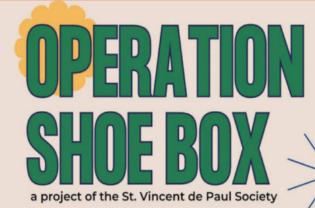
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The donations are taken to shelters, group homes, and a nursing home. Eighty percent of our recipients are men.

Donation boxes will be in our churches on Monday, October 16.

More information will be in next week's bulletin.

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day candles

On Friday, November 10, we will pray for our Veterans following 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland Church. Remember your special service person who served our country, in war or in peace, with this unique tribute. Veterans Day candles are available in HONOR OF or in MEMORY OF your loved ones who are (were) veterans of the armed forces. Names will be displayed on candles burning at St. Margaret of Scotland Church for a week, starting on Friday, November 10. Join us for the Candle Lighting Service at 9:15 a.m. at SMOS on November 10 (or immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass).

Please complete the form below in legible print and return to the Parish Office marked "Attention: Care Ministry" by FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3. Proceeds benefit the Care Ministry of our parish.

NAME OF VETERAN	7
Living or Deceased	$\overline{}$
BRANCH OF MILITARY	
Name of Person Requesting Candle	
Phone Number	
Offering of \$10 Cash or Check #made payable to St. Raphael the Archangel Parish.	V



On World Mission Sunday, we join our Holy Father in supporting his missions. Together, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.

In a world where so much divides us, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism, as it offers each one of us an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in more than 1,111 mission dioceses.

Give at the Second Collection next Sunday

You can find the resources as part of this newly-launched microsite for World Mission Month:

WWW.ONEFAMILYINMISSION.ORG



THE CONTEMPORARY CHOIR SCHEDULE

October 15 — 9:00 a.m. Ss. Simon and Jude Church October 22 — 10:00 a.m. St. Margaret of Scotland Church

October 29 — 10:00 a.m. St. Margaret of Scotland Church



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* 412-489-5848

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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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

For arrangements please call the parish office.

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. St. Margaret of Scotland Church

Wednesdays: 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. Ss. Simon and Jude Church

Anointing

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.

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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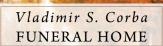
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