

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 21, 2019



Noli me tangere
Antonio da Correggio, c 1495

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**ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN**

Today the whole Church rejoices in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! Today we celebrate the triumph of God's mercy as our Lord destroys sin and death through his Cross and Resurrection. The power of the Risen Christ transforms our very lives as we put our faith in Christ. My prayer is that the Lord fills you with his peace and presence on this holy day. This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

EASTER THANK YOU

I am most grateful to our parish staff and volunteers for all of their work that has helped us celebrate the mysteries of our Lord during Holy Week and on Easter Sunday. Thank you to Fr. Welter and Deacon Webster for their help today. Thank you to the altar servers, lectors, musicians, sacristans, singers, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion for helping us pray together so well. Many thanks!

EASTER OFFERING

Our parish appreciates your financial support throughout the year. I am writing to ask for your strong support in the Easter collection. Our budget anticipates \$18,000 in donations. If you will be out of town on Easter, kindly remember to send in your donation so that we can meet our budget. Thank you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our parish will celebrate First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 28 at the 11:00 am Mass. We are looking forward to a joyful celebration with the children and their families. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers this month.

THANK YOU MARIROSE TAN

My sincere thanks to Marirose Tan who has been working here as our Coordinator of Youth and Family Ministry since last summer. Marirose has decided to resign her position for personal reasons. On behalf of our parish, I thank Marirose for sharing her Catholic faith and her talent with our parish, especially with our high school students and their families. We pray for the Lord's blessing on her future endeavors.

In conversation with the Parish Council, we believe it would be helpful at this time to invite high school students and their parents to participate in a "focus group" covering "youth ministry" in our parish. We will share more on this effort next week.

Pastor's Notes Continued on the next page

RESPECT LIFE

As we celebrate the Resurrection from the dead of Jesus our Lord, we realize very profoundly that God is a God of Life. God, in love, gives each human person the gift of life and we each have a responsibility to cherish and protect each human being from conception until natural death. As Pope Francis states so clearly: "Our defense of the innocent unborn, for example, needs to be clear, firm and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development ("Rejoice and Be Glad"). In our own State of Illinois this month, our "clear, firm and passionate" defense of the unborn is needed as our representatives weigh in on legislation that would denigrate the sanctity of human life, the primacy of conscience and the bond between parent and child. Visit the Catholic Conference of Illinois website to learn more about this legislation, why we should ask our elected officials to oppose it, and how we can stand up for human life: www.ilcatholic.org

IS JESUS CALLING YOU?

As we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord, I encourage the young people in our community to spend some time today listening to the Lord. What is Jesus calling you to do with your life? If you have a sense that Jesus would like you to follow him and serve others in a religious vocation, here are two websites you might explore for some basic information; www.chicagopriest.org or ww.nationalcatholicsistersweek.org. Young people often have good questions about religious life; please let me know if I can help you find useful answers to your questions. God bless you!

THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Bishop Robert Barron has produced two DVDs about the Holy Eucharist. We shared them with a group of parishioners in February and everyone expressed their appreciation for how much they learned about the Sacrament of Christ's Body & Blood. We will be showing two 30 minute episodes about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday May 7 at 7:00pm and repeat the program on Wednesday May 8 at 9:10am. All meetings will be in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Each year every parish takes up the Annual Catholic Appeal. This is more than a second collection; this is an investment in the life and ministries of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Our parish goal (based on our offertory collections) is to donate a total of \$22,000. I thank the people of St. Raphael who have responded since February to the Appeal. Brochures which explain the goals of the Appeal and envelopes for the your donation/pledge for the Annual Appeal are on the tables in the narthex. Please make sure you mark on your response envelope that St. Raphael is to be credited. Thank you.

A Blessed Easter!

Fr. Mike McGovern

mmcgovern@archchicago.org



Easter 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we walk on our life journeys in this world, we may often feel overwhelmed. Struggle and suffering can mark our lives because of health issues, job insecurity, family concerns, or the painful loss of a loved one. The world itself, in Saint Paul's words, "has been groaning" (Romans 8:22) as it struggles with wars, violence, ecological degradation, economic injustice, and natural disasters. And as we are keenly aware this past year, the Church herself has struggled mightily with the shameful legacy of abuse and its mismanagement.

It seems that the landscape of our lives is entirely shaped by struggle and suffering. And that might seem to be the sum and substance of it all, but, in faith, we know that it is not. Our celebration of the Lord's Resurrection in this Easter season opens our eyes beyond this desperate landscape to a new and hope-filled horizon. There is more to the story than our struggle and suffering. In the Resurrection of Jesus, we can begin to see a new life ahead of us that God offers to us.

As we go forth in this Easter season, I am reminded of the great Psalm 118 that the Church so often prays:

I was thrust down, thrust down and falling,
but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
and has been my savior.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just. (vv.13-15)

May this Easter season renew within you and your loved ones the conviction that God is your helper and an abiding awareness of your victory in the Risen Lord Jesus.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Blase Cardinal Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

MORE NEW FROM FATHER MIKE**KEEP UP TO DATE**

St. Raphael Parish is improving our communications this spring. While our former website was good, our Parish Council expressed strong interest in building a new, improved website. Please go to: www.straphaelcatholic.org and see what we have developed so far. Special thanks to Rob Borelli of our parish for doing so much work on this. We are fine tuning the site so that you can receive good information, donate to the parish, or find forms you need for registration. If you have comments or suggestions about the new website, please contact us at: rectory@straphaelcatholic.org.

ON THE COVER

The beautiful artwork on the cover of our Easter bulletin is a copy of a painting by the Italian artist, Correggio. The painting is titled: *Noli Me Tangere* ("do not cling to me"), the words Christ spoke to Mary Magdalene when he appeared to her on Easter morning. The original image is in the Prado Museum in Madrid.

EL GRECO COMING TO ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Rebecca Long, an art historian from the Art Institute of Chicago, will offer a presentation here at St. Raphael on the art of Domenikos Theotokopoulos, most widely known as "El Greco" (1541-1614). The artist was a painter, sculptor and architect of the Spanish Renaissance. Perhaps El Greco's best known painting in the Art Institute is the Assumption of the Virgin. Please join us for this excellent presentation featuring images of El Greco's works on Thursday May 23 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited.

**PARISH PICNIC**

Save the date of Saturday June 8 for our parish picnic. The plan is to welcome everyone to Mass at 4:00pm in our church and then afterward enjoy the picnic on the parish grounds. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for taking the lead on planning the picnic. Watch the bulletin for updates in May.

Altar Servers

St. Raphael is looking for additional Altar Servers. If you are between the ages of 9 and 14, and would be interested in becoming a server for our weekend Masses, please have your parents fill out this form. You will be contacted to schedule training sessions. Your service to our Church and parish is greatly appreciated. Please return this form to the parish office or place it in the collection basket at church.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Family Home Phone: _____

Family Email: _____

Current School _____ Grade: _____

Family Ministry News

On April 4th, we had our 2nd night for our Lenten Mission on *Faith and Forgiveness in Family Life*.

Fr. Brian Welter was our guest speaker. Thank you to Fr. Welter for coming to join us.

For the children's session in the Fellowship Hall, Mrs. Karen Hopkins and Lauren Tebben began with prayer on forgiveness. The students had a lot of fun coloring and playing some games which were tied back to the theme. Thank you to Mrs. Karen Hopkins, Lauren Tebben, and all of our student volunteers!

Mark Your Calendars NOW! Vacation Bible School—Totus Tuus

Mark your calendars now for our Summer Totus Tuus Program from July 21-26. St. Raphael will be partnering with Our Lady of the Lakes Parish (St. Bede's in Ingleside and St. Peter's in Antioch). Information on how to register for this program is provided in the graphic. If you would like to learn more general information about Totus Tuus, please visit

<https://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/what-is-tt/what-is-totus-tuus>

We are very excited to have this program at our Parish. This year's focus will be on "Sacraments and the Sorrowful Mysteries."

As a former Totus Tuus Teacher, I highly encourage all the students of our parish to join this Summer Program!! A team (usually two seminarians and two women college students) will be coming to put on this program for our students. The students will have a lot of fun learning about our faith, especially the Sacraments this year. The day program is typically from 9am-2:30pm Monday-Friday and the night program is from 6-8pm Sunday-Thursday.

NEWS

Due to my health, I have prayerfully decided to resign from my position as the Coordinator of Family and Youth Ministry. I would like to express my gratitude to Fr. Mike McGovern, my fellow coworkers, the whole parish, and the families for everything. I have learned so much from my time here and am very grateful for all of the opportunities and experiences I have had at St. Raphael. I will miss working at St. Raphael's. Please be assured of my continued prayers for the whole parish.



God Bless,

Marirose Tan

Coordinator of Family and Youth Ministry

Divine Mercy Sunday

Our Lady of Humility in Zion will host a Divine Mercy Holy Hour at 3:00 pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28 at 3:00 pm in their church. Fr. Paul Stemn will be available to hear confession starting at 3:00 pm. Please note there will be only one priest available to hear confession.

FATHER MICHAEL MCGOVERN'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

With gratitude to God, I will celebrate 25 years as a priest in May. I look forward to celebrating this blessing with my family and friends. Please save the date, May 19, 2019. The anniversary Mass will be at 11:00 am here at St. Raphael the Archangel church. Please plan on joining me and my family on this joyous day.

Father Mike



Mass Schedule and Times

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

Confession

Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm or by appointment;
 First Friday of every month, 9:00 am

Baptism

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

Marriage Preparation

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 24, No Class
 Wednesday, May 1, last class of the year
 Milburn School
 Monday, **April 22nd** at 7:00 pm in the Church
 Confirmation Practice
 Wednesday, **April 24th** at 7:00 pm in the Church
 Confirmation Mass (No Religious Ed Classes)
 Saturday, **April 27th** at 9:30 am in the Church
 First Holy Communion Practice
 Sunday, **April 28th** at 11:00 am in the Church
 First Holy Communion Mass

Registrations for the 2019-2020 Religious Education Program are now being accepted. Tuition per family: \$200; Fees per child: \$50 Late fee assessment per child \$25 Late fees are assessed after June 30, 2018.

Please note you should be registered as a parishioner to register your children for Religious Education.

For more information, please contact Annette Wynn. Coordinator of Religious Education at (847)395-3474.

Stewardship Report

Budgeted Weekly: \$7,203

April 6-7, 2019

Donations Received: \$6,010
 Over (Under) Budget: (\$1,193)

Building Fund

April 7, 2019

Pledge Redemption: \$62
 Donations: \$2,138

**Saint Bede School A National Blue Ribbon School
 Registration for 2019-2020 is Open**

For more information and/or to schedule a tour contact Mrs. Strang at 847-587-5541 or email pstrang@stbedeschool.com.

Parent and Tot Program

St. Bede School's Parent and Tot Group will meet at 8:15 to 9:45 on April 15th. There is no charge for this program.

St. Bede School Family Carnival

May 17 from 6:00 pm—10:00
 May 18 from 1:00 pm—10:00 pm
 May 19 from 1:00 pm—9:00 pm
 Food, Amusement Rides, Pony and Camel Rides

Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet Masses

Envelopes are available in the narthex to include women, living or deceased, in our Mass intentions during May. For living mothers there are cards available to present to your mother. April 29 is the deadline for submitting names for publication in the bulletin. Kindly place your envelope in the collection basket or return it to the parish office.

Thank you.



**Knights of Columbus Archangels Council
Blood Drive**

Sunday, May 5 from 8:00 am—1:00 pm
St. Raphael Church Basement
To schedule a donation, call 877.258.4825 or
Visit us at: vitalant.org
And use group Code 383D
Donors will receive a Culver Custard coupon



Spring Flower Collection

April 27-28, 2019

May Crowning

May 12, 2019 at the 9:00 am Mass

St Raphael will once again host a "Rummage Sale" on June 6, 7 and 8, 2019. The sale will be here on the church property. Dates for dropping off donations will be published soon.

***Seasons of Hope* Grief Support Group at St. Patrick in Wadsworth**

If you are in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this adult, Christ-centered grief support group is for you. St. Patrick Church in Wadsworth offers *Season of Hope* on most Monday evenings from April through mid-November. Prayer, scripture, faith sharing and fellowship begins at 6:45 pm in the narthex of St. Patrick Church in Wadsworth. Advance registration is required. Please call Nancy Bensinger at 847.662.5944 or Joan Morris at 847.362.5788 for more information or to register.

St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church

Instant Parish Registration Form

(Please print)

Family Name: _____ First Names: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Please tear along the dotted line and submit in the collection basket or give to an usher or priest.

The Parish Office will contact you for more information. Thank you!

Mass Intentions

Week of April 21, 2019		Intentions for:	Requested by:
Holy Saturday, April 20, 2019	8:30 am	Morning Prayer	
	1:00 pm	Blessing of Easter Food	
	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass	
Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019	7:00 am	Parishioners of St. Raphael The Archangel	
	9:00 am	Parishioners	
	11:00 am	Parishioners	
Monday, April 22, 2019	8:30 am	† Robert Hinrichs	Annette Wynn
Tuesday, April 23, 2019	8:30 am	† Vincent Mentgen	Dana Mentgen
Wednesday, April 24, 2019	8:30 am	Christina Wenn	Lorraine Wenn
Thursday, April 25, 2019	8:30 am	† Marion Leonaitis	Mike Leonaitis
Friday, April 26, 2019	8:30 am	† Marion Leonaitis	Mike Leonaitis
Saturday, April 27, 2019	8:30 am	The Siron Family	Evelyn Ong
	4:00 pm	Marie Sosinski	Annette Wynn
Sunday, April 28, 2019	7:00 am	Parishioners of St. Raphael The Archangel	
	9:00 am	† Michael Patrick Gannon	Fr. Mike McGovern
	11:00 am	† Christine Verdone	Scott Pryhocki

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

Prayer Requests

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

Ramon Marrero

Rod Loomis

Joseph Pagani

Julie Pagani Brumm

Residents of Rolling Hills

To request prayers, please call the parish office:

847.395.3474.

Open Arms Mission Food Pantry

1548 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois

from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

St. Raphael the Archangel parishioners volunteer the second Wednesday and fifth Tuesday of each month. Wednesday, **April 30, 2019** is the next date when our help is needed.

To volunteer, call Pat Clark at 847.395.5683.

Events for the Week of April 21, 2019							
Easter 21	Mon 22	Tue 23	Wed 24	Thur 25	Fri 26	Sat 27	Sun 28
Mass Times: 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	7:00 pm Confirmation Practice Church	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm Confirmation Mass Church No Religious Ed Class No Choir			9:30 am First Holy Communion Practice Church	11:00 am First Holy Communion Mass Church
Please submit any articles, events or activities that you would like included in the bulletin, no later than 12 noon on Wednesday, eleven days prior to publication. All articles are subject to approval. Please include your contact information in case we have any questions.							

Worship & Spiritual Life Schedule Sunday Masses, April 27-28 2019				
Mass Times	4:00 pm Saturday	7:00 am Sunday	9:00 am Sunday	11:00 am Sunday
Clergy	TBA	Fr. McGovern Dcn. Webster	Fr. Welter	Fr. McGovern First Holy Communion
Lector	Brian Bulicek	Bill Booker	Bill Bachochin	Ann Hitschel
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Gary Hughes Donna Pavelski Garry Ryan	1 Open	Gidget Leable Brian Morrissey 1 Open	Beth Baeckelandt Patricia Peterson Melissa Tebben
Altar Servers	D. Dativas N. Simutus 1 Open	1 Open	E. Bentley S. Gaydovchik A. Hayes	M. Muzones D. Tebben J. Tebben
Ushers	Dan Bulicek Peter Dativas Paul Pavelski Ken Van Bergen	Tom Hagerty Fritz Meyers	Angie Galea Tom Goggin Frank Hayes Tom Heinrich	Dana Mentgen Rafael Muzones Allen Vintola 1 Open
Fellowship	Lilian Dativas	Wanda Hagerty	Julie Hayes	Open

