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#### MARCH 23, 2025 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



#### WELCOME!

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Mon.-Fri. | 7:00am-3:00pm

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **WEEKEND MASS**

Saturday | 7:00am, 4:30pm Sunday | 9:00am

#### **WEEKDAY MASS**

Mon. - Fri. | 8:00am

#### **CONFESSION**

Monday - Friday | 7:30am Saturday | 3:30pm Other | By Appointment

# CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Mon.-Fri. | 8:00am-2:00pm Saturday | 8:00am-4:30pm



#### **PARISH CLERGY**

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#### The Lord is kind and merciful

The psalm for this Sunday sums up the sentiment of the Scriptures as both an affirmation of faith and a call to conversion. The call of Moses relies heavily on the compassion of God who does not even consume the bush as it burns, reflecting His mercy toward Israel. Through the leadership of Moses, God will redeem His people and bring them from slavery to freedom. His will shall be accomplished despite the hard-heartedness of the people. God's mercy shall be shared.

In our Gospel, Jesus dismisses the application of guilt to those who die a sudden death as if their sins were greater. Rather, the Lord calls all who hear to repentance for we all stand in need of forgiveness. His mercy is manifest in the opportunity to repent, now, in this time. The fruitless tree is not cut down but given help to produce. Jesus offers us assistance in our repentance. The Sacraments, the teachings of Mother Church, the support of the community are all provided for our growth in holiness.

This weekend offers a small shift in the Lenten Season. With the Third Sunday, those preparing for admission to the Catholic Church, our catechumens and candidates, participate in the First Scrutiny. This is a public act of requesting entry to the Catholic Community and is made in the presence of the congregation. This will be celebrated this Sunday and next at St. Raphael at the 9:00am Mass, and on the Fifth Sunday of Lent at St. Gabriel at the 10:00am Mass. Please continue to pray for these women and men as they complete their preparations. As a side note, the Mass celebrating the Scrutiny will use a different set of Lenten Readings that highlight even more our call to conversion.

#### Reconciliation

As a reminder, the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available each weekday at 7:30 am before the 8 am Mass. Additionally, confessions are heard before the Saturday afternoon Mass.

To provide additional opportunity for this Sacrament, confessions will also be heard:

April 8, Tuesday 7:00pm until all are heard at St. Gabriel April 10, Thursday 7:00pm until all are heard at St. Raphael

Please plan on making a good Lenten confession and enjoying the mercy of God.

#### Talks on the CREED

Fr. Lawson is continuing his talks on the Nicene Creed each Wednesday of Lent beginning at 6:30pm in church at St. Gabriel. Stations of the Cross follow.

Remaining talks: 3/26 - For our sake He was crucified...

4/2 - I believe in the Holy Spirit...

4/9 - I believe in One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church...

On April 16, St. Gabriel will host the "Shadow Stations" sponsored by the Youth Ministry team, beginning at 8:00pm in the evening.

#### Save the Date!

# 2025 Archangel ACTS Retreats MEN

August 14 - 17

Director: Russ Smith (314.223.9772)

**WOMEN** 

December 4 - 7

Director: Kathy Daily (314.803.0875)



Sunday, March 23 9:00am Jeff Kreitler

Monday, March 24 8:00am Hodes Family, SI

Tuesday, March 25 8:00am Liddy Family

Wednesday, March 26 8:00am Christopher Ellison

Thursday, March 27 8:00am William G. Rossfeld

Friday, March 28 8:00am Ernest J. Winkelmann

Saturday, March 29 7:00am Sam and Dorothy Lawson 4:30pm Joseph Bick

> Sunday, March 30 9:00am Dan Harbaugh

#### St. Vincent de Paul

It begins with that first phone call from our neighbors in need. How hard it must be to reach out for our assistance. Our neighbors come to us for a simple transaction:



paying a utility bill or helping with the rent. It is from that time forward that we have the opportunity to really listen to them and see how we might assist them in more meaningful ways. When we help our neighbors in need, we see the face of Christ and we are the face of Christ. We strive to make a difference in their lives that will last forever. Thank you for assisting us with our mission.

This weekend's Sacred Scripture readings:

Sunday, March 23: Ritual Song: No. 1124 Pray Together: Page 107 "He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" Luke 13:7

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do we cling to what we have, or do we generously share with others? How will we respond when God asks what have we done with all the gifts He has given us? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, but we are also called to develop and nurture our gifts and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all of our gifts, especially the one we value most.

#### Your Contributions to God and Parish

March 16, 2025 (Envelopes Used)	This	This Week		Year-to-Date	
Regular Env. (31)	\$	3,780	\$	155,281	
Loose Money	\$	1,362	\$	79,038	
School Support	\$	230	\$	7,183	
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$	5	\$	6,395	
Holy Days	\$	0	\$	9,137	
Online Giving (54)	\$	3,792	\$	110,726	
Catholic Relief	(\$	103)			
Black & Indian Ms.	(\$	70)			
European Churches	(\$	105)			
ProLife	(\$	150)			
<b>Easter Flowers</b>	\$	128			
Candle Money	\$	10			
<b>Lenten Projects</b>	(\$	2,696)			
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$	12,431			
<b>Total for Parish</b>	\$	9,307	\$	374,529	
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$	10,000	\$	380,000	
Difference	<u>(\$</u>	<u>693)</u>	<u>(\$</u>	<u>5,471)</u>	
FYE 2024			<u>(\$</u>	<u> 17,741)</u>	



#### **SERVERS FOR MARCH 24 - 30, 2025**

Monday, March 24

8:00am Frank Koziacki Vivien Smith

**Elliot Ottenad** 

Tuesday, March 25

8:00am Henry Dirnbeck Delilah Gore

Mollie Dirnbeck

Wednesday, March 26

8:00am Harper Bradshaw Francie Berry

Sophia Bradshaw

Thursday, March 27

8:00am Paddy Meier Kerry Mense

Sean Meier

Friday, March 28

8:00am Ava Christlieb Kate Ilg

Olivia Wegman

Saturday, March 29

4:30pm Mark Boeckmann Clara Thompson

Genevieve Montoya

Sunday, March 30

9:00am Christian Bernadt Caleb Bernadt

Stassi Boxdorfer

## DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday	2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9- 14
Next Sunday	Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8- 14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

#### LECTORS/MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 29 - 30, 2025 LECTORS

**4:30pm 9:00am** Greg Heuing Barbara Cramer

#### **Extraordinary Ministers**

Pam Hager John Rooney
George Kerry Krissy Sullivan
Mary Steck Gerald Unger
Elena Switzer Marilyn Unger

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, March 24

8:00am Church Mass

6:00pm Cafeteria 3rd Gr. Girl Scouts 6:30pm Fireplace Rm. St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm Raphael Rm. Knights of Columbus

7:00pm School School Board

Tuesday, March 25

8:00am Church Mass

6:30pm St. Gabriel Talks on the Creed

Wednesday, March 26

7:30am Church Rosary 8:00am Church Mass

7:00pm Gym Basketball Practice

7:30pm Church So. City Men's Recollection

8:30pm Gym Old Man Basketball

Thursday, March 27

8:00am Church Mass

2:00pm Cafeteria Dance Class 7:00pm Cafeteria Ladies' Club

Friday, March 28

7:30am Church Rosary 8:00am Church Mass

9:30am Church K - 3rd Gr. Stations of the Cross
12:00pm Church Adult Stations of the Cross
12:45pm Church 4th-5th Gr. Stations of the Cross
2:45pm Church 6th-8th Gr. Stations of the Cross

4:00pm Cafeteria Fish Frv

Saturday, March 29

7:00am Church Mass

8:00am Church Music Ministry Rehearsal

10:00am Cafeteria Pinewood Derby

4:30pm Church Mass

5:45pm Various Progressive Dinner

Sunday, March 30

9:00am Church Mass

6:00pm Gym Cotillion Meeting



# SRA DAY OF SERVICE

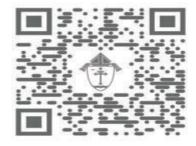


SATURDAY, APRIL 26

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MORE DETAILS TO COME.

# LAUDATO SI SPEAKERS SERIES





CLIMATE ACTION
WED APRIL 2 @ 6:30PM

St. Cletus Church 2705 Zumbehl Rd St. Charles,MO 63301





90+ prizes are on display. Hold up your paddle to bid on items. If your number is called, you win!

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table reservations @sraladiesclub \*Square will be available at event\*

## Paddle Options:

"All In" paddle is \$30 -You are in EVERY Raffle.

"Basic" paddle is \$10 and add a quarter to bid on an item/s.

# Table Options:

"All In" table of 8 for \$240 Includes 8 "All In" paddles -or-

"Basic Table" of 8 for \$80

Includes 8 "Basic" paddles.

\*\*Individuals can upgrade to

"All In" paddle for \$20 at the door\* \*

Walk in...at your own risk!

To reserve a table, pay and email:

ladies@straphaelarchangel.org

#### SRA LADIES' CLUB QUARTER AUCTION APRIL 11, 2025

The Club is soliciting new or unused items. Below are some donation suggestions. Please deliver any items to the parish office.

**Gift Certificates Event Tickets Purses** Jewelry Beauty/Healthcare Projects Self-Care Items **Organization Tools** Memberships/Passes **Outdoor Games Board Games SRA Branded Items** Sport/Exercise Equipment



Camping Equipment Sports Memorabilia Wine, Beer, Spirits Kitchen Items/Small Appliances Water Bottles/Thermal Cups Home Goods/Decorations **Electronics** Holiday Décor/Items

Glassware/Barware Candles

Non-perishable Food Baskets **Lottery Scratch-off Tickets** 





# Progressive Dinner Party



### A night of Food, Fun, & Fellowship for \$30 per person (fees waived for host houses)

#### How Does a Progressive Dinner Work?

You will be contacted in the week before with a house to go to for Appetizers
After Appetizers your host will inform you where to go for Dinner
Dessert and Fun to follow at The Braun's

#### Questions?

Contact Ellen Pendry at ellenpendry@gmail.com or (314) 229-9243

#### **Reservations Required**

Detach and return the below form by March 24, 2025

#### I can't Wait for the Progressive Dinner Party

RSVP and Payment can be dropped off at the Rectory or School Office in care of Ellen Pendry

Make checks payable to SRA Ladies' Club

I would like to:	Service Servic		
Host an Appetizer	Host a Dinner	Drop off a Dessert	
Number of Attendees			
Name of Attendees			10
Address			
Contact Info			

Host volunteers will be contacted with more information



## SRA Lenten Project...Our Lady's Inn and Prison Ministries

Please contribute to this year's Lenten project that benefits two charities: Our Lady's Inn Maternity Home in St. Louis (Dutchtown), and the prison ministries in both the Pacific Correctional Center and the Residents Encounter Christ retreat program.

• Our Lady's Inn Maternity Home helps those moms who may have been homeless or experienced housing insecurity and are making life-affirming decisions for their child. Our Lenten project will help these women and their children by providing laundry baskets and goodie bags with much needed necessities. Items needed are:

Shower gel or body wash

Household supplies/paper products

Baby shampoo/lotion/baby wash

Adult coloring books or journals and colored pencils

Individual snacks for lunches

Gift cards to Walmart or fast food places

Hairbrushes/combs
Boxes of cake and brownie mix
Kitchen and hand towels
Individual snacks for lunches
Laundry detergent



There are baby gift bags in Church, one under the Blessed Mother statue and one under the St. Joseph statue; please put any of these donated items in the bags now and up through Sunday, April 6, 9:00am Mass.



- Through our financial donation given to the Pacific Correctional Center and the Residents Encounter Christ retreat program, we are helping those who are conducting retreat programs and administering the Sacraments to those incarcerated. The incarcerated will personally encounter Jesus Christ from those who visit. We have been told that these encounters are "...beneficial to the incarcerated and a blessing to their families."
- Envelopes for this portion of the Lenten project are included in the pews (cash or checks); envelopes can be put in the collection basket or taken to the SRA parish office. If you prefer online giving, look for "Lenten Project" as a donation option.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 314.352.8100. By your support, we are practicing three of the Corporal Works of Mercy (sheltering the homeless, visiting those in prison, and giving alms to the poor) that we as Catholics are called to do...a work of justice that is pleasing to God. Thank you for your generosity; to date, financial donations total \$3,788.



The CRS Lenten calendar guides families throughout the 40 days of Lent with activities, reflections, stories, and opportunities to put alms in their rice bowl. Combined, the rice bowl and calendar are staples on the table of Catholic families across the country each Lent.





### FRIDAY, MARCH 28 4-7PM

DINE IN OR CARRY OUT - CASH OR CARD SCHOOL CAFETERIA - 6000 JAMIESON AVENUE

#### DINNERS \$14

Includes 2 sides, bread,
dessert, tea or lemonade
Fried Cod
Baked Cod
Fried Shrimp (6 pc)

#### KIDS \$7

Includes 1 side, dessert,
tea or lemonade
Cod
Cheese Pizza
Mac & Cheese

#### SIDES

Mac & Cheese Green Beans Fries Cole Slaw

#### A LA CARTE

Cod filet \$5
Shrimp (3 pc) \$5
Pizza \$3
Sides \$2
Dessert \$1

Soda, Beer and Wine available for purchase.



#### SRA STUDENT MASS ATTENDANCE CONTEST!

Classes are competing to see which can average the highest attendance at weekend Mass during Lent!



PARENTS! Scan here to register your student's attendance at SRA or any other parish!



#### **BIG CHANGES TO ARCHANGEL YOUTH MINISTRY (AYM)!**

AYM has moved to St. Raphael the Archangel in the parish office lower level! We are so excited for this opportunity to continue meeting in a new space and to become more involved with St. Raphael parish! We are currently preparing for the Luke 18 Retreat so our *Life Teen* (Sunday) and R&R (Wednesday) nights will be on hold for the months of March and April, but we look forward to welcoming everyone back in May.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

- \*April 16 | AYM leads Silhouette Stations of the Cross at SGA church
- \*April 19 | St. Louis Hills Easter Egg Hunt in Francis Park (Service hour opportunity.)
- \*April 25-27 | Luke 18 Retreat! | for 8th graders, led by high school teens
- \*May 4 | Life Teen Nights Return!
- \*June 14 | SGA Block Party! (Service hour opportunity.)
- \*July 18-20 | AYM at Steubenville 2025!

#### **STAY CONNECTED WITH AYM**

Follow us on Instagram @archangelym

Like our Facebook Group: Archangel Youth Ministry Join the SGA or SRA Flocknote Group: Youth Ministry Visit the Youth Group page on the SGA parish website

Contact Youth Minister: Sarah Henderson - hendersons@stgabrielstl.org



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
I	Please Note: Beginning March 2nd, AYM will meet in St. Raphael's Rectory Basement. This will be AYM's home until further notice.					1
Monitud ===	Luke 18 Retreat & Stations of the Cross Registrations DUE	4	Ash Wednesday	AYM R & R Night Recharge & Reconnect	7 ~	8
9 Luke 18 Mtg. Team Members (#1)	Stations Practice	11	12	13	14	15
NO AYM Spring Break	Horn C. Saries	18	19	20 Shille Spring	21	22
Teen Mass Luke 18 Mtg.	Stations Practice	The smunciation of the Lond	26	27	28	29
30 Luke 18 Mtg. Team Members (#3)	Stations Practice					



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