



DECEMBER 28, 2008
The Holy Family

*Holy Family of Nazareth, make our family and home more and more like Yours,
until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with You.*
Amen

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ST. RAPHAEL MESSENGER

We, the family of St. Raphael the Archangel, wish to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ as a welcoming community through Worship, Education, and Service to others.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

JANUARY 1st, 2009

HOLY DAY MASSES

**WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 31st @ 4:30 PM**

**THURSDAY,
JANUARY 1st @ 10:00 AM**

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

**Monday, December 29th through
Wednesday, December 31st
the Parish Center will be opened
9:00 AM until 12:00 PM.**

**Thursday, January 1st and
Friday, January 2nd
office closed.**



Thoughts from Fr. Scott



The Feast of the Holy Family! This weekend we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family. What an awesome time for us to celebrate this wonderful day. I firmly believe that the family is an institution too often overlooked in our society. We need to take time and reflect upon the mystery contained in this feast. We need to see Jesus, Mary and Joseph as an example of love and togetherness that motivates us to know peace and tenderness in our own families. This feast reminds us to appreciate the family in general and our particular families with great love. So, let us celebrate this feast with great joy!

I want to thank Margaret Furioso and the choir, the Smitt family with their group and all the musicians for supplying the music during our Christmas season. It was tremendous to hear the glory given to God for giving us His Son in the flesh to redeem our human nature. Your many hours of preparation are duly noted and respected. Thank you for making this Christmas truly wonderful and dignified. I also want to recognize and thank Mrs. Carol Bregand for organizing and the pageant with the children presented on Christmas Eve. The children prayed beautifully and truly presented the wonder of Christmas eloquently to all present. I must recognize the servers who stayed home and assisted our parish community as well. I am grateful for all of your assistance during these weeks. All of these groups make our liturgical celebrations so beautiful and a true wonder to behold. So, thank you to all involved with our liturgical ministries in any way.

In addition to these, I want to publicly thank the many people who worked so hard to make this Christmas season an enjoyable and prayerful in other ways often overlooked. First, I thank the many

"ST. RAPHAEL, PATRON OF OUR PARISH, PRAY FOR US"

**VIGIL LIGHT
DEC. 29-JAN.4, 2009
IN MEMORY OF
THE DECEASED MEMBERS
OF THE RUBY FAMILY**



*Mass
Intentions
Of The
Week*

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:30 AM +Hubert Kreager
+Rosa Carter

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30

8:30 AM +Thomas R. Ives

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

4:30 PM +Fede Pelliccioni
Suzanne & Bob Smith

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

10:00 AM For World Peace and Unity

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2

8:30 AM Increase in Priestly Vocations

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3

8:30 AM First Saturday Memorial
Association
For Life

4:30 PM +Lawrence Reinhart
Parishioners of St. Raphael

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4

8:00 AM +Livio Martin
+Roy Guilbault

10:00 AM Maria Janda
The Ansara Family
The Loechner Family

12:00 PM +Jean Morrissy
+Jeff Johnson
+Joseph Budnick



**FLOWER: Families Live Out
the Word in Everyday Routines**



*The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him...*

The prayer of every parent, grandparent, guardian, god parent, and caring adult is that the children they love will grow in strength, wisdom, and faith. We strive to help them come to recognize the presence of God around them and within them. We also realize that for this to happen, we must be role models-following baptism, we return to our homes to introduce our children to God in the everyday stuff of life. We do our best to love them unconditionally and teach them responsibility and accountability. Through love, forgiveness, laughter and tears we help our children grown into healthy, happy, faith-filled interdependent adults.



2008 Tax Statements

This year tax statements will be available for your 2008 contributions to St. Raphael. Please fill out the coupon below completely then either drop it in the collection basket, at the Parish Center or mail it to us. We will start producing statements January 11th. Thank you.

REQUEST FOR 2008 TAX STATEMENT

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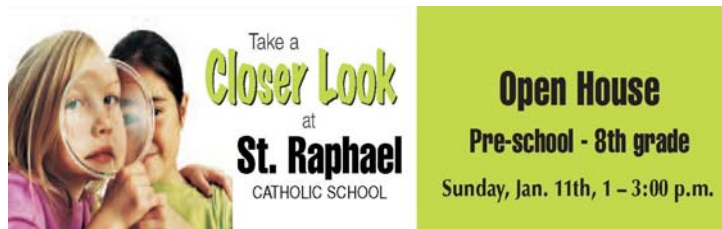
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“They offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.” Is God calling you to give Him the gold of your freedom, the incense of your prayer, and the myrrh of your love through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call the Vocation Office, Father Tim Birney at 313-237-5875, or visit www.vocationsdetroit.org.





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Men's Discernment Weekend

A *Discernment Weekend* for men 17 years of age and older who are considering the priesthood will be held January 22–25 at Sacred Heart Major Seminary. The weekend begins at 6 p.m. Thursday and ends around noon on Sunday. Pre-registration is required, with the signature of the parish pastor or the vocation director (if from another diocese). For more information, contact the Vocation Office at 313–237–5875 or visit www.vocationsdetroit.org.

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folks that worked so hard at decorating our Church. We should all agree that the Church looks very beautiful and fitting for Almighty God. We had so many people turn out to help decorate that it was enjoyable and moved very quickly. Your attention and dedication were truly uplifting to me. Secondly, thanks to Florence Kolpacke and who decorated the gathering area and made it look so wonderfully welcoming. Thanks to all who worked so hard on the decorations. Third, thanks goes to our sacristans, especially Diane Prouty our head sacristan, who worked so hard throughout Advent and the Christmas season making our Church such a delightful place to celebrate Mass. Finally, I thank all of our maintenance personnel for working so diligently during this time as well. Without their extra effort we would not be able to move so easily around our parking lots and grounds. They also did a fantastic job in assisting with the decorations for the Church. In short, I wish to thank any and everyone who did anything to make our Church look so special during the Christmas season; the parish family is most grateful for your effort.

I am grateful to everyone who sent along a greeting or gift to me during Christmas. I am always overwhelmed by your love and support. Thank you for thinking of me and keeping me in your prayers. I am truly grateful that I have this opportunity to be your Pastor and servant. Thank you once again for all the many gifts, cards and great wishes.

Thursday is New Years Day and the Feast of Mary, the Mother of God. This means that *it is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics*. Prior to being ordained, I would always argue with my mom about this little fact but soon came to realize that the Church would like us to celebrate the day in a prayerful and thankful way by going to Church. Masses will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 31, and at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 1. I encourage you to join us for one of the Masses and get the New Year off to a great start by praying for peace and unity throughout the world.

I pray and trust that everyone had a wonderful Christmas celebration and I want to wish everyone a very Happy New Year! I believe that our faith journey is leading us closer to God and that we are on the right track to witness to Christ. May God continue to bless our efforts and make our New Year a very prosperous and joyous event.

***God Bless all of us with a Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!
Fr. Scott***

Thought for the week: Who better to ask the intercession of for our country and families than Mary, the Mother of God?

The Week Ahead At St. Raphael Parish

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:30 AM Mass
Parish Office Hours 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30

8:30 AM Mass
Parish Office Hours 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
8:30 PM AA Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

Parish Office Hours 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
4:30 PM Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

Parish Offices Closed
10:00 AM Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2

Parish Offices Closed
8:30 AM MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3

8:30 AM Mass
3:00 PM Reconciliation
4:30 PM Mass

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4

8:00 AM Mass
10:00 AM Mass
12:00 PM Mass

NO SCRIP SALES THIS WEEKEND

Women's Evening Bible Study



Resumes Wednesday, January 28, 2009 for nine weeks; starting at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Come join us as we study Paul's Letter to the Romans. "A Little Rock Scripture Study"

For more information or to reserve your book, please contact:

Sharon Lewandowski, 734-751-0219 or Tereze Aula, 313-277-8142.



January Prayer Theme: The Conversion of St. Paul

As we celebrate the Pauline Year, the 2,000th anniversary of the birth of the apostle to the Gentiles, this month of January, we reflect on the conversion of St. Paul. The conversion involved a recognition first and foremost that one can be saved only by God's mercy and through sharing in the Death-Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Secondly, as St. Paul discovered in his dialogue with the Risen Lord on the road to Damascus, to love the Lord, we must love His Body, the Church.

Heavenly Father, as we celebrate the conversion of St. Paul, renew within us a zeal for the message he taught in word and deed—that we are saved, not by our own works, but by faith in the Death-Resurrection of Jesus Christ. With St. Paul, may we put this faith into action through loving service of the least of our brothers and sisters. We ask this grace and blessing for ourselves and for all our fellow Christians through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.



**Joy to the world!
The Lord
has come!**



*The Child's
Father And Mother
Were Amazed At
What Was Said
About Him.*

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Holy Family Sunday is not just about Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Your family, too, is called to be a sign to the world of a way of life modeled after the Holy Family. Like Mary and Joseph, you will be "a sign opposed: by others. For being different, a "sword will pierce your heart.": If we are doing right, pain and Christianity go together.

Religious Formation News

from Mrs. Carol Bregand, Director of Religious Formation



The Catechists and Staff of the Religious Formation Program wish Families of the parish a very happy, healthy, holy and blessed New Year. It is an honor to walk with you and your children on their Faith journey and we look forward to 2009 with renewed energy and joy. If you are traveling for the holiday, have a wonderful time, drive carefully, and return to us safely.

There are no classes tomorrow, December 29th for the Christmas Break. Classes will resume on Monday, January 5th at 6:00 p.m.

Family Fun Holiday Evening:

1. Prepare a cup of hot cocoa or hot apple cider for each person. (Christmas cookies if you've got 'em)
2. Light a candle.
3. Read the Christmas Story in Luke's Gospel, chapter 2.
4. Give everyone a turn to answer these questions:
 - A) - My favorite part of the Christmas Story is...
 - B) - I love Christmas because...
 - C) - My favorite Christmas song is...
 - D) - My favorite Christmas meal is...
 - E) - My favorite funny memory of Christmas is when...
 - F) - My favorite Christmas trip was to...
 - G) - My favorite Christmas gift I ever gave was...
 - H) - My favorite Christmas ever was...
5. Pray the Our Father together..."Thank you God for Christmas!" AMEN

The RCIA group for young people will meet on the second Sunday in January at 11:00 a.m. Hope to see you all there. Mark your calendars for the 2nd Sunday, January 11th next month.

FIRST EUCHARIST

There is a parent meeting on Monday, January 12, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. for families who will be preparing a child to celebrate First Eucharist. This includes children and teens in the RCIA group. We will explore the Sacrament and distribute materials for you to work with your children at home. This meeting is for parents only. At least one parent should attend the meeting.

CONFIRMATION

Parents of a teen preparing for Confirmation are invited to a meeting Monday evening, January 26, at 6:00 p.m. in the Resurrection Room. We will talk about the Sacrament, service projects, the calendar, and answer any questions you have. At least one parent should attend.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Many thanks go to all the children, teens and adults who practiced and prepared the wonderful Christmas Pageant for Christmas Eve. It is inspiring to see our young people proclaiming the Gospel to their parish family. It takes time and effort and they all worked hard to prepare for you. **The angels and stars in the night were a special treat. You all did a great job! Thanks for "sparkling" up our pageant.** Special thanks to Mrs. Furioso who rehearsed the choir and shared her joyful music with us. Her music adds a unique spiritual dimension to the entire evening. Our spirits are lifted and our prayer soars.

Christmas Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Use the word bank.

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Word Bank

angels	baby	Bethlehem	born
flocks	glory	good news	inn
Joseph	joy	manger	Mary
peace	Savior	shepherds	son
	star	wise men	

As you continue enjoying your Christmas break...
 I want to remind you that just because Christmas Day is over, the Christmas season is still upon us! I hope you will continue to celebrate the fact that God gave us the amazing gift of His Son. Think about how much God must love us all to have given such a wonderful gift. This time of year during the "new year" people typically start thinking of resolutions and changes they can make to better their lives. Have you given thought to what you can do to better your life? If you decide to make resolutions, remember to contemplate them all with prayer. Sometimes, we underestimate the power of prayer. In this world of technology and "quick fixes", it can be hard to have the patience to pray before making decisions, but we still must try. In the end, none of us will regret putting God first in our lives. One of the reasons God gave us the miracle of His Son Jesus was to teach about God and to give a perfect example of how to live. Let us all strive to live that way as we begin the new calendar year! As you continue to enjoy your break, I encourage you to take the time to be with your families. I know that sometimes family life can have its ups and downs, but it is still so important to spend time together. Cherish your family traditions or start new ones. The first place we should start spreading the word of God is with our families. (Even though it can also be the most difficult place to evangelize). The best way to spread the word is by our actions. *How do people recognize Disciples of Christ?* By their love for one another! ***If someone saw the way you interacted with your family, would they see a follower of Christ?***

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEENS:

I hope you are having a wonderful break with your families! Next week, it will be time to head back to school... which means back to getting up early, homework, tests and projects. After that first week back, why not take a moment to relax, let off some steam, and have a fun



time at the next "Angels of Faith" night? It will be Saturday, January 10th from 7PM-9PM in Hope Haven. WE will be having a "FRIEND NIGHT". Anyone who brings a friend to youth group, who has not been this yet this year, will receive a prize!

For a teenager, friends are very important. So, we'll talk about this...are you a good friend? What does that mean? Do we HAVE to be friends with everyone to be a good Catholic? Plus we'll play a few friendly competitions. This is a great night to come as we will be talking about the upcoming events of the new semester. It will also be a good time to give your input if you have suggestions of things you would like to see offered for you! I hope to see you there!

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS:



"CIRCLE OF HOPE" MEETINGS: There will be no "CIRCLE OF HOPE" meeting this Monday (12/29). We will resume our normal "COH" schedule next week on Monday, January 5th from 7PM-9PM in Hope Haven. Please enjoy this well-deserved break!



Peace and God's blessings,
 Mrs. Julie Ryan
 Phone: 734-722-9277
 E-mail: julryan77@hotmail.com

**If you have any questions, suggestions or comments about the youth ministry program at St. Raphael, please feel free to contact Julie Ryan-St. Raphael's Coordinator of Youth Ministry*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 1)-There is a MASSive movie night this Saturday, January 3rd. We will begin with the 4:30PM Mass at St. Raphael and then head to "HOPE HAVEN" for dinner and a movie. There will be pizza, pop and popcorn! WE will be there until about 9PM.
- 2)-Mark your new 2009 Calendars! The St. Raphael "Circle of Hope" retreat for HIGH SCHOOL TEENS will be March 14 and 15 at the Almont Retreat Center.

National Marriage Encounter New Year's Eve Overnight Prayer

DATES: Dec. 31, 2008 - Jan. 1, 2009 **LOCATION:** St. Paul of the Cross Retreat 23333 Schoolcraft Rd. Detroit, 48223
CONTACT: Marcia Guerra 313-535-9563 **MORE:** Ring in the New Year at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center! A holy, spirit-filled, overnight retreat of prayer, reflection, and celebration can help you begin 2009 with a heart full of thanks for the past and hope for what is ahead! Conducted by the retreat center staff, this evening provides an opportunity to surrender the past year to God's love and mercy and seek His help in the New Year.

National Marriage Encounter

National Marriage Encounter is a weekend experience of rediscovery for couples who want to make their good marriages even better. For more information, call Rich and Fran at 586-838-4447 or Tim and Ann at 248-634-8924, or go to www.national-marriage-encounter.org.

Catholic Singles New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance

Catering to unattached singles in their 30's, 40's, and 50's. **Wednesday, December 31st, 2008.** For party details, go to www.CatholicSinglesNYE.com or call Lea 734-997-2091 or Frank 313-205-2064.

Presenting a Golden Opportunity to Love And Honor the Infant Jesus!

In the 1600's, a Carmelite priest in Prague heard these words from an Infant Jesus statue:

"The more you honor Me, the more I will bless you."

In 1665, the Bishop of Prague solemnly crowned the statue in thanksgiving for numerous graces and cures received.

Special graces are granted to all who venerate our Lord's Sacred Infancy. Many have found aid in sickness, poverty, spiritual darkness, sorrow, and despair through devotion to the Infant Jesus of Prague.

Please Join Us for the: 2009 INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE TRIDUUM Conducted by Fr. Ben Luedtke, a dynamic preacher, on fire for Christ, who touches the minds and hearts of his listeners. Three days of Masses with Special Homilies followed by

Novena to the Infant Jesus, Prayers, and Benediction. **Sat. January 10:** 4:30 PM Mass (Confessions 3-4 PM)

Sun., Jan. 11: 11:00 AM Mass followed by Blessing of the Sick (Not the same as Anointing), Devotions

Mon., Jan. 12: 7 PM Mass (Confessions, also) St. Albert the Great Church, 4855 Parker (7 Blocks E. of Telegraph on Annapolis), Dearborn Hts., 48125

No Pre-Registration or Charge. Information: 734-522-4788 or 313-292-0430.

Project Rachel Heals the Wounds of Abortion

Project Rachel offers healing for the wounds of abortion. Is there an abortion in your past? *Project Rachel* will help you sort through your feelings and deal with unresolved conflict. For additional information, call 888-Rachel-5 (888-722-4355). All calls are confidential. Sponsored by Archdiocese of Detroit. Plan to attend a healing Mass to be celebrated on **Sunday, January 18**, at 11 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, 9844 Woodward, Detroit.

Garden City Historical Museum Display of Nativity Sets

The Friends of the Garden City Historical Museum invite your members, friends, relatives and visitors to the Straight Farm House, 6221 Merriman Road at Elmwood, to enjoy viewing a unique, private collection of 200 Nativity sets on display from **Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008 through Saturday, January 31, 2009** on the first floor of our Farmhouse.

Admission is free, but donations are greatly appreciated. We are open on Wednesdays and Saturdays, noon to 3 P.M. for Museum tours and Christmas shopping in our Lathers General Store.

Widowed Friends

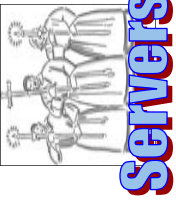
Widowed Friends offers grief support for men and women of all ages that is geared toward healing, spiritual enrichment, and a new sense of purpose. For more information, call Rose at 586-726-0844, Justine at 734-455-6939 or visit www.widowedfriends.org.

Movie, Television and Theater Ratings

Confused about what movies, television programs or theatrical productions are appropriate for you and your family this holiday season? Visit the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' website for the latest reviews and ratings at www.usccb.org/movies/index.htm.

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SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL MINISTERS
For the Weekend of January 3rd & 4th, 2008



Saturday January 3rd 4:30 p.m.	Diane Prouty	Ron Arsenault	D. Prouty R. Chateauvert C. Dixon S. Shea M. Domanski	Chase Wickett Nastassia Wickett Kayla March
Sunday January 4th 8:00 a.m.	Pat Wilkins	John Garland	P. Wilkins J. Kolassa T. Wilkins B. McDonell	Tina Moynahan Rikki Vroom Rachel Dean
Sunday January 4th 10:00 a.m.	Carol Edmonds Jeff Edmonds	Sallie Quinn	D. Sears C. Rasak J. Suchy P. Troschinetz H. Batchik	Meghan McHugh Hannah Herrmann Alexis Ardinger
Sunday January 4th 12:00 p.m.	Barbara Sobas	Joan Rollins	J. Maier J. Rollins L. Branch B.J. Maier T. Aula	Jarrett DeHette Austin Schick Nicholas DeHette



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Sophie Kraft
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Stella Szura
Joanne Todoroff
John Todoroff
Donna Wellman
Tom Wilkins
Joe and Marge Wroblewski

And ALL the sick of our parish and families, that they may be healed. Let us also remember all those who give them care.

Readings for the Week of December 28th, 2008 thru January 4th, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Next Sunday
The Holy Family Sir 3:2-7, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 Ps 128 Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 30-40	1 Jn 2:3-11 Ps 96 Lk 2:22-35	1 Jn 2:12-17 Ps 96 Lk 2:36-40	1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96 Jn 1:1-18	The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21	1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98 Jn 1:19-28	The Most Holy-Name of Jesus 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Ps 98 Jn 1:29-34	The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6 Ps 147 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

BULLETIN ARTICLES

BULLETIN ISSUE:	ARTICLE DEADLINE:
January 10 & 11	Wed., December 31
January 17 & 18	Friday, January 9
January 24 & 25	Friday, January 16

All articles must be submitted to the office no later than 11:00 AM on deadline date, otherwise we **CAN NOT** guarantee publication in the issue you have requested.

We welcome & encourage you to submit articles by e-mail, however, you must *be sure to send your e-mail to both addresses below:*

frana@straphael-gc.org & kathy@straphael-gc.org

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Kowalczyk or Fran Arsenault at (734) 427-1533.

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(Ad can be found on page 11)

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Please Pray for family members who are serving in the Military

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LITURGIES

- Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m.
- Saturday 4:30 p.m.
- Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon

HOLYDAY LITURGIES

Consult schedule in bulletin

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Infant Baptisms are held on the second Sunday of each month. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements at least one month prior to the desired date of Baptism. Couples may make arrangements for Baptisms prior to the birth of the child.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples seeking to be married at St. Raphael should contact the parish priest at least six months prior to the desired date of marriage. Both members of the party must be free to marry, at least one must be baptized Catholic and a registered member of the St. Raphael community. Only the parish priest may confirm a date for a wedding at St. Raphael.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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Kevin McHugh.....427-1533

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Contact Parish Center Office