



Springdale, Arkansas



KEY VERSE: "And I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church" (v 19).

TO LOVE: How would you explain Jesus to a person who had not heard of him?

TO SERVE: Lord Jesus, help me serve your people with love and justice as you did.

**AUGUST 27
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
MATTHEW 16:13-20**

Pastor: Fr. John Connell
Associate Pastor: Fr. William Burmester
Associate Pastor: Fr. Ramsés Mendieta
Deacons: Chuck Marino, Dan Cashman and Jesús Ramos

Mass and Reconciliation Schedule

Weekend Mass	Saturday	4:00 PM English
	Sunday	7:00 AM English 8:30 AM Spanish 10:30 AM English 12:30 PM Spanish 5:00 PM Spanish 7:00 PM Spanish
Daily Mass	Monday	12:00 PM English
	Tuesday	6:00 PM Spanish
	Wednesday	12:00 PM Spanish, 6:00 PM English
	Thursday	8:30 AM English, 6:00 PM Spanish
	Friday	8:30 AM English
Holy Day Mass	As Announced	
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Wednesday	5:00 PM - 5:45 PM Bilingual
	Tues. & Thur.	5:00 PM - 5:45 PM Bilingual
	Saturday (except 5th Saturday canceled)	9:00 AM - 10 AM, and 3:00-3:45 PM Bilingual
Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel	Open 24 / 7 except during Masses & Triduum	Located on the west side of the church building—look for the bronze Sacred Heart of Jesus Statue.

Important Telephone Numbers

Office: (479) 756-6711
 Giftshop: (479) 756-6711 Ext. 236
 FAX: (479) 756-8818

Office Hours
 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Monday - Thursday
 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon Friday
 Closed Holidays / Holy Days

Gift Shop Hours
 Open 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM Saturday
 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM Sunday
 Closed Monday
 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Tuesday - Friday

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 Springdale, AR 72764
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 Web site: www.straphaelcc.org

Are you receiving our mid-week updates?
To get on the "Trumpet" mailing list
 Contact Nancy Phillips nphillips@straphaelcc.org

Diocese of Little Rock website: www.dolr.org

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Raphael Roman Catholic Church bring together diverse gifts and backgrounds to form a growing vibrant community centered in the Eucharist, the source and sign of our unity. In pilgrimage to the Kingdom of God, our mission is to demonstrate God's presence and love through: worshipping together, spreading the Good News, serving others, and enjoying Christ-Centered activities. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are committed to sharing our time, our talents, and our treasures to fulfill God's will for our parish.

WELCOME: If you are new to our parish we would like to welcome you and invite you to become a member of our parish. Please see the welcome booth in the vestibule after most weekend masses or come by the Parish Office. Here is a link on our webpage: <http://www.straphaelcc.org/documents/2014/7/New%20Member%20Form%20-%20English.pdf>

MARRIAGE: Preparation must begin a minimum of 6 months before a proposed wedding date whether St. Raphael or another Catholic Church. Wedding dates will be reserved after the first appointment. You must obtain a new baptismal certificate from your baptismal church before scheduling 1st meeting.

BAPTISM: A required parents preparation meeting is held every three months on the **2nd Tuesday if there are registrants in January, April, July and October at 7:00 PM. Parental instruction is encouraged during pregnancy.** Please call the office if you are not registered. A link for the requirements of Baptism: <http://www.straphaelcc.org/documents/2015/7/Baptism%20Information.pdf>

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please have all bulletin announcements turned into the office by e-mail or in writing not later than Friday noon the week before publication date. Thank you.

FACILITY RESERVATIONS: Parish organizations or anyone planning to use any of the Parish facilities must fill out the facility reservation form in the office and get it approved before making further plans. Any schedule or room changes must also be approved.

PRAYER INTENTION BOOK: Special intentions may be recorded in the Prayer Intention Book located in the narthex of the Church. The book is brought to the altar at the Offertory.

HOSPITAL / SICK AND INFIRM VISITATION: Please contact the church office with information pertaining to any parishioner or Catholic who is in the hospital, Nursing Home or homebound so arrangements can be made for someone from the church to visit them or bring them communion.

FOOD PANTRY: Our Food Pantry is open for those in need on Tuesdays & Thursday's from 6:45 PM — 7:45 PM, and the last Saturday of the month 10:00 AM — 11:00 AM. Must have a photo ID.

MASS IN TRANSIT: Going out of town? Go to www.masstimes.org to find the mass time for churches throughout the United States.

Welcome to Saint Raphael

Edgar Damaso Montes, Josselin Gonzalez, Marcela Lopez, Maria Valdez, Marco Antonio Martinez, Lucia Lopez, Jazmin Angeles, Mirella Torres. Also connect through our Trumpet newsletter at nphillips@straphaelcc.org
<https://www.facebook.com/StRaphaelCatholicChurchSpringdale/>



GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus went to the region of Caesarea Philippi, about 20 miles north of the Sea of Galilee. This territory was ruled by Philip, a son of Herod the Great. Philip named the place for himself and in honor of the emperor of Rome. In this non-Jewish area, Jesus questioned his disciples as to the people's understanding of his role and mission. They answered with the commonly held view that Jesus was a prophet like John the Baptist, Jeremiah or even Elijah. Jesus then asked who they personally believed him to be. Simon Peter spoke for the Twelve, proclaiming Jesus as the "Messiah, the Son of the living God" (v 16). Because Peter understood this revelation from God, Jesus gave him the "keys to the kingdom," a metaphor for the authority Peter would exercise in the Church (Ekklesia, used only here and in Mt 18:17). The name that Jesus conferred on Peter, "rock," indicated his role as the firm foundation upon which Jesus would establish his Church. Peter's strong faith enabled him to follow Jesus right up to his death as a martyr.

NOTE: Peter's original name was Simon, but Jesus gave him the name "Peter" ("Petros", the Greek masculine for petra, "rock") or "Cephas" (Aramaic, the language Jesus spoke, and the name by which Paul usually addressed him, Gal 1:18). What made this name distinctive was that neither Peter nor Cephas had been used before as a man's name. Peter's name always appears first in the listing of the Apostles (see Mark 3:16), and he acted as the Apostles' spokesman whenever Jesus questioned them (Mt 16:16). Peter was present at the Transfiguration (Mt 17:1-8), when Jesus raised Jairus' daughter (Lk 8:51), and at Gethsemane (Mk 14:33). At the Resurrection on the angel announced: "Go tell the disciples and Peter" (Mk 16:7). After the resurrection, Peter directed the selection of a successor to Judas (Acts 1:15-26), and he presided at the first council in Jerusalem (Acts 15:6-12). The Catholic Church regards Peter as the chief apostle and first leader of the Church.

MASSES CANCELED: The following Monday Masses are cancelled due to the office being closed or Father John being out of town or on vacation. **Monday, August 28th, Monday, September 4th.**

ST. RAPHAEL SUMMER FEST: (This Sunday the 27th! – Garage sale starts on the 26th!!! Plan to attend this FAMILY FUN DAY includes hay rides, helicopter rides, kid's play area, many food choices and much, much more. Going on from 9 AM – 4 PM each day will be our Giant GARAGE SALE! We will have Pulled Pork BBQ plates available for your enjoyment – eat early and eat often!!! For volunteer opportunities contact Nancy Phillips at the office.



RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in the Catholic Faith and wants to learn more about the Church, our RCIA (Rite of Chris an



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NEW DAILY MASSES: Beginning the week of Labor Day, we will add two daily Masses to our weekday schedule. Starting Tuesday, September 5th, we will have an 8:30AM Mass in English and starting Friday, September 8th we will add a daily Mass at 12noon in Spanish. There will now be 9 daily Masses here at St Raphael for your convenience.

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE (RIDL): Do you long for a deeper relationship with God? Do you want to experience more Joy and Love in your life? The Retreat in Daily Life is a 30 week, Scripture based prayer journey which will take you through the spiritual steps designed by St. Ignace of Loyola. You will meet once a week, October through April. This journey is the best way I've found to experience that I am a beloved child of God! For more information call Alice Nahas 479-651-1616 or Cathy Crouch 479-409-4634. There are flyers in the vestibule to learn more. God loves you!

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT: If you are going to be out of town and you cannot come to Church please remember to make your donation in advance or bring it the following week. Please note that the Church has to keep the building cooled, and the lights on, regardless of revenues received. Our only means of support is your generosity. We now have online giving with options for Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit cards, along with debit



cards and direct bank drafts and whether this is a recurring donation or a special one-time donation or memorial with donations directed to whatever purposes the donor wishes. Donors will, also, have more options to choose the day of the month and whether they want to donate weekly, semimonthly, monthly, semi-annually or annually. Check it out by going to our web site: www.straphaelcc.org and click on "On Line Giving". Then just click on the collection (Stewardship, Building, etc.) to which you wish to give and enter your donation amount and frequency. For questions contact Rebecca Hodges at the parish office.

ATTENTION BROTHER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: All brother Knights, whether you are an Active Member or under Inactive Status, you are invited to attend the August 18th monthly meeting (4th Monday of the Month), at 6:30 PM in English, in the St. Gabriel Room in the Church. A special thank you to all the parishioners that helped and supported the Knights by purchasing fireworks at our stands. We are attempting to save our St. Raphael's Council 12082 by incorporating some changes that would bring a greater level of inclusion to our council and bring the parish together. Please make plans to attend this meeting on August 28, 2017.



END OF THE FISCAL YEAR REPORT 2016-2017: Our yearly report for the parish is available on our website. What you will see is we ended the year with a \$21,000 deficit and are projecting a \$75,000 deficit for this new fiscal year. I encourage everyone to give what they can. If our donations don't increase this year we will have to make severe cuts to our staff, services and probably will lose an associate.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! For our 4th annual Brewtober ChilliFest Saturday, October 7th-5pm-9:30pm Visit our website to purchase tickets or to sign up for the chili and homebrew contests www.straphaelcc.org

PRE (PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)

PRE CLASSES WILL BEGIN: Tuesday, September 5th - Wednesday, September 6th - Saturday, September 9th and Sunday September 11th

DIOCESAN / OTHER EVENTS

CATHOLIC YOUNG PROFESSIONALS! NWA CYP is an energetic Catholic young adults group that yields Spiritual Growth, Social Events, and Service Opportunities! Join us for bible study Mondays at 7pm at St. Joe's in Ton town. We hope to see you at our next event! For more information contact us through the following media. facebook.com/groups/NWACYPro/, facebook.com/NWACYPro/instagram.com/nwacypro/, NWACYPro@gmail.com



PROJECT RACHEL: POST-ABORTION SUPPORT GROUP
Do you feel alone, hurting or unforgiven from a past abortion? The Respect Life Office, through Project Rachel, is starting a support group, beginning the third week in September. The spiritual journey lasts 11 weeks, with small groups of 6-8. Groups will be formed in Little Rock, Rogers/Springdale and Hot Springs areas. All names and meeting places are strictly confidential. For details call 501-664-0340, ext. 357 or email: adierks@dolr.org. All inquiries must be made by September 18.



OSARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY is narrowing in on the 365 day countdown until our doors open in Fall 2018! As we prepare to open enrollment, we invite volunteers to join our admissions committee. We also invite those with marketing and communications background to join our communications committee. Please email John Rocha, Head of School, at john.rocha@ozarkcatholic.org to get involved. Be sure to follow our Facebook page and visit our website to stay up to date with announcements and school information!
http://www.facebook.com/OzarkCatholic/
http://ozarkcatholic.org



PILGRIMAGE BUS TRIP: Join Arkansas Catholic on a pilgrimage to attend the beatification Mass of Father Stanley Rother in Oklahoma City Saturday, September 23. Bishop Anthony B. Taylor will be concelebrating this historic Mass for the first American martyr. The luxury motorcoach (with WiFi) will leave at 8 a.m. Friday, Sept. 22 from St. John Center in Little Rock and pick up additional passengers at St. Michel Church in Van Buren. We will return to Arkansas following the Mass. Your ticket will include overnight lodging for one night, transportation, ticket to the Oklahoma City Memorial and Museum and Saturday lunch. To register or more information, visit <http://okcpilgrimage.eventbrite.com>. The deadline to sign up is August 30. To learn more about Father Rother, visit stanleyrother.com.

SAINT RAPHAEL GIFT / BOOK SHOP:

The Month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Church celebrates the feast day of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on August 22. It is a dogma of the Catholic faith that Mary is the Immaculate Conception. Over the centuries, as saints and theologians reflected on how Mary pondered and treasured the sacred events from the life of Christ in her holy heart, as attested in Scripture, her pure heart was recognized as something to be imitated. Devotion to Our Lady's purity of heart began to flower, so much so that in the 17th century St. John Eudes promoted it alongside the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion rose to a new level after the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, when Mary revealed an image of her Immaculate Heart to Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco. Be sure to stop in and see our selection of Immaculate Heart of Mary items. We take Visa, Mastercard, and Discover.
Gift Shop Regular Hours: Sun. 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. Mon. Closed Tues-Fri. 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Sat. 9:00 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

FOOD BANK

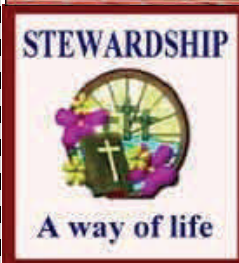


Please make a special effort to support St. Raphael Food Pantry this month by participating in our weekly food drives. Please drop your donations off in the barrels located in the vestibule. Help fill our shelves! **For Canned Goods we need:** Bring canned goods. Bring them directly to food pantry during open hours or put them in the barrels located in the vestibule.

(Peanut Butter, Corn, Green Beans, Beets, Spinach, Okra, Mixed Veggies, Canned Beans, Canned Soup etc.)



Saint Raphael Church is offering a way to honor loved ones and help reduce our building debt at the same time. **Call the church office for more details.**



Financial Report August 2017

Collection	Last Week	Month To Date	Monthly Needs	Surplus (Short Fall)
Stewardship	\$15,255.00	\$54,142.12	\$75,800	\$(21,657.88)
Building	\$14,899.00	\$25,769.34	\$28,000	\$(2,230.66)
Diocesan Collection	\$2,464.00			



Building Debt Reduction



Building a Home for the Body of Christ

Total Loan - Church Renovation	\$170,520
Principle Payments	(136,800)
Loan Balance July 31, 2017	\$33,720
Total Loan - Building Addition	\$ 2,723,329
Principal Payments	(1,756,573)
Loan Balance July 31, 2017	\$ 966,756

Financial Summary Report

July 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017

	Actual	Budget	Over (Under)
Support Revenues	\$ 76,816	\$ 74,279	\$ 2,537
Other Revenues	4,626	11,003	\$ (6,377)
Support Expense	(82,652)	(91,565)	8,913
Net Support	\$ (1,210)	\$ (6,283)	\$ 5,073

