

St. Raphael & St. Rose of Lima

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Matthew 3:17

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The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

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Mass Schedule

8:00 a.m. Tuesday St. Raphael Wednesday 8:00 a.m. St. Raphael Thursday 8:00 a.m. St. Rose 8:00 a.m. St. Rose Friday 5:00 p.m. St. Raphael Saturday Sunday 8:00 a.m. St. Rose 10:30 a.m. St. Raphael 1st Saturday 8:00 a.m. St. Rose

Confession

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. St. Raphael 7:30 - 7:50 a.m. Sunday St. Rose

Eucharistic Adoration

~Holy Hour—Wednesdays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Raphael

~Adoration—Fridays at St. Rose, 8:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. on Saturday

St. Raphael Catholic Church

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

Collection Report

St. Raphael - January 2, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$4,778.00
Adult Electronic Giving	\$518.03
Plate	<u>\$388.00</u>
Total	\$5,684.03
UCA Envelopes	\$245.00
UCA Electronic	\$160.29

St. Rose - December 24/25, 2021

Adult Envelopes	\$1,870.00
Plate	<u>\$350.00</u>
Total	\$2,220.00
UCA Envelopes	\$40.00

St. Rose - December 26, 2021

Adult Envelopes	\$1,388.00
Adult Electronic Giving	\$58.86
Plate	<u>\$124.00</u>
Total	\$1,570.86
UCA Envelopes	\$20.00
UCA Electronic Giving	\$9.56

St. Rose - January 2, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$2,409.00
Adult Electronic Giving	\$49.30
Plate	<u>\$172.00</u>
Total	\$2,630.30
UCA Envelopes	\$265.00

United Catholic Appeal

ST. RAPHAEL

Collected for UCA 2022.....\$6,238.29

ST. ROSE

Collected for UCA 2022.....\$2,053.56

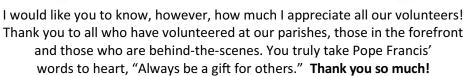
E-giving links can be found on the parish website. The direct links are:

St. Raphael: engage.suran.com/straphael/s/give/new-gift

St. Rose: engage.suran.com/strose/s/give/new-gift

Thank you, Volunteers!

Due to COVID precautions, we will not be having a Volunteer Appreciation dinner this year.



- Fr. Jim

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

There will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive Thurs., February 24th at St. Raphael from 12:00 noon—6:00 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY: St. Rose and St. Raphael parishioners are invited to join in a Lenten Bible Study to be led by Deacon Carl Provost on Tuesdays from March 1 - April 5, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Rose. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin boards at both parishes or you can call our parish office at 218-729-7537 so a participant book can be ordered for you. *Deadline update*: We have found a great source in the U.S. for the participant books! Please sign up as soon as possible so we can be sure to have enough books for everyone!

MAGNIFICAT MAGAZINE: St. Raphael/St. Rose has a bulk subscription for the Magnificat Magazine at a rate of only \$36/year. If you would like to participate, please contact Marci at 218-729-7537 or marci.golen@duluthcatholic.org by February 11, 2022. Magazines are delivered to each parish for pick up. Those who currently have subscriptions, please let Marci know if you'd like to renew!



OUR CONDOLENCES go to the families of St. Raphael parishioners:

- Leona "Nonie" Paulson passed away December 27, 2021 and her funeral was Monday, January 3, 2022.
- Patrick Schnobrich passed away December 29, 2021 and his funeral will be at St. Raphael on Saturday, January 15, 2022.
- Donald Pelofske passed away December 30, 2021 and his funeral will be at St. Raphael on Friday, January 14, 2022.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God

announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.

ST. RAPHAEL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



St Raphael Religious Education Classes

PreK-5th Grade: Sundays, 9:15-10:15 a.m.,

January 9, 23, 30 No Class on January 16

6th-10th Grade: Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m., January 12,

19, 26

11th Grade: Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m., January 12, 19,

26 at St. Rose

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Kathy at 218-260-6043 or straphaelyouthprek.5@gmail.com

YOUTH

2022 MISSION TRIP/STEUBENVILLE: Registration is open now! We invite those who will have completed grades 9—12 by June 2022 to join us Tues., July 12—Sun., July 17, 2022. Go to *dioceseduluth.org/Mission-Trips* for more information and to register.

STELLA MARIS ACADEMY

Stella Maris will be hosting three upcoming parent nights to share more about our high school opening grades 9 & 10 in 2022! Join us to learn more about academic programs, tuition, scholarships, extracurricular activities and the admissions process!

- Tuesday, 1/11, 6:00 7:30pm at St. James Campus
- ♦ Thursday, 1/13, 6:00 7:30pm at St. John's Campus
- Tuesday, 1/26, 6:00 7:30pm at Cathedral School in Superior

ST. ROSE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



St. Rose Religious Education Classes

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m., January 12, 19, 26

11th Grade: (CONFIRMATION) - Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. January 12, 19, 26 at St. Rose

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Suzanne at 218-349-3498 or Suzanne.Lott@duluthcatholic.org

POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners of the Knights of Columbus' "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest!

From St. Rose - Ryder, Olive, and Talia From St. Raphael - Belladore, Ady, and Finley Thank you all who entered the contest!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

RESTORED RETREAT: Update - The Restored Retreat (Jan. 21-23, 2022 at the Sugar Lake Lodge in Cohasset) is full but you can still sign up for free to be on the waiting list. The link to register and more info can be found at *dioceseduluth.org/Restored*



THEOLOGY UNCAPPED will be Thurs., January 27, 2022 at St. Benedict Catholic Church in Duluth. The cost is \$25 which includes a full meal catered by Famous Dave's BBQ and beverages. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., meal

served at 6:00 p.m., program begins at 6:30 p.m. The topic, "Salvation," will be discussed by Fr. Rich Kunst and Pastor Rollie Brockbader. Details and registration can be found at theologyuncapped.org

GOSPEL MEDITATION

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of knee-jerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality

to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

Readings for the week of January 9, 2021

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30

[1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-

20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-

28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9,

10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40

-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk

2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor

12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Observances for the week of January 9, 2022

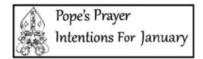
Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday: Saturday:

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



For true human fraternity: We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



Baptisms

Baptism preparation class must be scheduled with the priest or deacon prior to Baptism. Contact the parish office at least 1 month in advance.

Weddings

Contact the pastor at least 9 months prior to proposed date of wedding. Pre-marriage instruction is required.



New Parishioners

Welcome! Please register by calling St. Raphael parish office (218) 729-7537, filling out a form online through the website (straphaelandstrose.com) or taking a registration form off the bulletin board at either church. Forms can be returned in the collection basket or to the parish office.



Mass Intentions ~ January 11-16

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. **†**Barb Johnson St. Raphael Wednesday 8:00 a.m. 🕈 Eileen Janczak St. Raphael Thursday 8:00 a.m **†**Dudley Maki St. Rose Friday 8:00 a.m. [↑] John Gannucci St. Rose Saturday 5:00 p.m. **†**Dave Perrault St. Raphael Sunday 8:00 a.m. Tom Fontaine St. Rose Sunday 10:30 a.m. Pro Populo St. Raphael

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, January 15, 5:00 p.m. - St. Raphael

Lector - George Beattie Ushers - Alyssa & Shane Yokom Altar Server - Leora Stangler

Sunday, January 16, 8:00 a.m. - St. Rose

Lector - Jim Rohweder Usher - Tim Aldridge Altar Server - Myles Jauhola, Scott Schneider

Sunday, January 16, 10:30 a.m. - St. Raphael

Lector - John Kelly Ushers - Patty Nagle, Mark Socha Altar Server - Simon Merritt

Why Do We Do That?

Question: At my grandson's Baptism, the priest put a bib on the baby. I do not remember seeing this before. Why is this done? Is it something new?

Answer: When an adult is baptized, there is a part in the ceremony when the newly baptized is vested in a white garment. It is symbolic of the changes that baptism brings in the life of the baptized as they are freed from the bonds of sin and brought into the saving grace of Christ. Realities that are so profound are symbolically presented so that we might better grasp and understand them.

Infants are often dressed in a baptismal dress, which is the baptismal garment. In some places, the bib is used as a kind of baptismal garment. At the place in the ceremony where the investiture takes place, the bib is used. Some are poncho-like and fit over the baby's head. Others are simply placed on the baby's chest. If the baby is dressed in a white garment, nothing else is needed. The prayer says it all: "See in your white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity ... bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven." In baptism, we are given our purpose and goal in life as believers and this is symbolized by the white garment.



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