Saint Raphael Parish
512 High Street, West Medford, Massachusetts 02155

Pastoral Staff
Rev. Paul F. Coughlin, Pastor
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Parish Staff
Mrs. Michelle Paone, Parish Secretary
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Mrs. Kerryn Plant,
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Mrs. Alisa Simmons, Business Manager

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Mrs. Jeanmarie Cataldo, School Secretary
Mrs. Gina McCart, Director of Development and Admissions

Visiting Clergy
Fr. Charles Hughes
Fr. Marcel Uwineza, S.J.
Senior Deacon Leo Martin

Mass Schedule

September - June Schedule
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:15, 11:30 AM & 5:00 PM
Daily: Wednesday-Saturday Mornings: 8:00 AM

Holy Days: As announced

Parish Offices: ......................................(781) 488-5444
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School: ..............................................(781) 483-3373
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Internet - www.saintraphaelparish.org

Confessions: Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM or by request

Baptisms: One Sunday a month.
Please contact the Parish Office.

Weddings: By personal appointment with priest/deacon six months in advance of date sought. Marriage Preparation Course is required.

Mission Statement
"Saint Raphael is a Catholic community committed, with God’s grace, to living gospel values and sharing these with all people. As a Eucharistic people united in faith and worship, we affirm the gifts of the Spirit among us and celebrate the uniqueness of each of our members. Supporting one another in love, we strive to respect and use these diverse gifts in joyful service.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS
Please stop by and visit us at our Parish Center located at:
514 High Street
Sunday Mass from St. Raphael Parish is available to watch online.

Please bookmark the following link so you can be connected to your Parish during these times. The link is www.vimeo.com/straphaelmedford - You can subscribe (for free) and be notified when new Masses are available for viewing.

Thank you all for your steadfast generosity at Easter and beyond. More and more parishioners are continuing to send in their weekly donations and extra donations, while many others are donating through our online giving website. Due to your tremendous support during this time, our average weekly offertory since our shutdown is now just under 25% lower than our weekly offertory before the shutdown. Also, this year the Archdiocese of Boston allowed their parishes to keep all Easter donations that were not specifically marked for the Clergy Retirement Trust. Although our Easter collection for the Clergy Retirement Trust totaled over $17,000 last year, we were still able to collect almost $2,500 for this trust and over $7,500 in weekly offertory. We are so grateful that many of you were able to give both to our parish and to this special collection, even during this very difficult time. Please consider donating to the Clergy Retirement Trust if you are able to do so. We will continue to collect donations for this trust for the next few weeks.

Father Paul

Kindly remember in your prayers the souls of:
Frank Federico, Jessie Tobin, Mary Perretti, Bishop John Mulcahy, & Msgr. Francis McGann
Thank you to the many people who have donated to the Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry here at St. Raphael’s. It has helped many during this time of need. A special thank you to Joan Gatto of the Magnificent Muffin Shop for her generosity as well.

Some needed donations right now are:
- Sugar
- Rice
- Dry black beans
- Tuna
- Corn
- Toiletry items

All donations can be dropped off at the Food Pantry: 38 Boston Ave. in the back by the red door. Thank you!

Medford Catholic Women’s Club will be awarding two (2) scholarships to Medford Catholic Girls who will be entering either College or Nursing School in the Fall. Applications are available at most High Schools or by calling Jerry DiClemente, 781-391-5048. All information is kept strictly confidential. The two candidates who are chosen will be notified by mail. Due to the pandemic, the application date is pushed back to May 15.

For the families who have scheduled masses, Father Paul Coughlin will be privately celebrating these intentions daily.

To read the parish bulletin online please visit:

Search: Saint Raphael Parish, Medford, MA. Our most recent bulletin and past bulletins are available to view.

PRAYER AT THE TIME OF PANDEMIC

Lord Jesus, Who promised to remain with us always, When information overwhelms us and fear overtakes us, speak to us again those comforting words, “Peace be with you.” Though we cannot be physically close to others, give us the ability and courage to love as well as we can, since “perfect love casts out all fear.” Direct your caring gaze on doctor’s, nurses, researchers and safety personnel. Come to strengthen the sick, the vulnerable and comfort those who are grief stricken. And when the pandemic has passed, and this frightening crisis is resolved, teach us to know You more certainly as our dearest Friend and our only Hope. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever Amen.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for us.
“Lord Jesus be with us.
In place of anxiety...give us your peace.”

A Coronavirus Prayer
"Loving God, Your desire is for our wholeness and well being.
We hold in tenderness and prayer the collective suffering of our world at this time.
We grieve precious lives lost and vulnerable lives threatened.
We ache for ourselves and our neighbors, standing before an uncertain future.
We pray: may love, not fear go viral.
Inspire our leaders to discern and choose wisely, aligned with the common good.
Help us to practice social distancing and reveal to us new and creative ways to come together in spirit and solidarity.
Call us to profound trust in your faithful presence, You, the God who does not abandon."

Notice to our Parish Community for Immediate and Caring Response:

WE CAN DO ...MORE!!
Our grade one Religious Education teacher, Jean Giurleo is asking for our help in responding to a request she received from Mass General Hospital. "In an effort to provide communication between those stricken with Covid19 and their families, I am asking for donations of functional iphones or ipads and "chargers". They will be used in area hospitals for ICU patients to see and hear their loved ones, sometimes for the last time. As Christians, we believe that no one should die alone.
This would provide a measure of comfort to those in need. If anyone is able to help in this way -- please send me an e-mail: jmgjurleo@comcast.net
My home is one of 5 drop off sites, but if it is more convenient, I would provide "contactless pick-up of devices." P.S. Please send this request to family, friends and co-workers. TOGETHER, we can achieve amazing results for others!!

Prayer Group: 2020
This group prays daily for ALL intentions placed in our Book of Prayer. Pray WITH us for our world community.

Cards/Artwork for Seniors....
All children of the parish are invited to participate.
Contact: straphaelmedford@yahoo.com for more information.

SAINT RAPHAEL SCHOOL
Early Childhood– Grade 8
Enrolling for Academic Year: 2020/2021
Tours are unavailable right now, but I would love to hear from you. Please reach out for an information packet.
I will get your questions answered and get you in for a tour when the school reopens.

Stay safe!

Gina McCart
Director of Admissions
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