

Staying Connected Thru E-Mail

Grace & peace to you,

Welcome to staying connected via e-mail.

I would like to begin by saying Thank you for sharing your e-mail addresses with St Raphael. I realize that e-mail is the equivalent to a personal address and as such, I assure you that your e-mail will not be shared with anyone and I will do my best to keep all communication short & as informative as possible.

For those of you who may not know me, my name is Joyce Wager and I became Director of Stewardship this past January. My hope is to stay connected by using this form of communication to keep you not only informed on what is happening here at St Raphael but more importantly to help provide an understanding of Stewardship & what it means in relationship to discipleship.

Today I would like to share a few things that may be of interest to you.

First: Augustine Lee a seminarian from Korea will be with us here at St Raphael. Augustine will be here for the summer and will be working with the Youth Ministry and Vacation Bible School. In the fall St Raphael will be home to a transitional deacon, Greg Sovicheck, Greg will be assisting in the Parish on Saturdays, Sundays & Mondays. If you happen to meet them please give them a warm welcome.

Secondly: Our first Stewardship Newsletter is expected to arrive at your doorstep early June. I will be providing a link to you shortly in order that you may view it on line prior to mail distribution.

Lastly I would direct you to the Church Bulletin & Flyer's. Harmonicity, A community in Song, is a first of its kind, multi-generational interfaith musical extravaganza featuring The Temple Congregational Choir, Antioch Baptist Church Choir, Cleveland School of the Arts singers and St Raphael Catholic Church Choir. The Raphael Pro-Life Ministry is featuring Rachel Benda Guest Speaker and Founder/Director of Bethesda-House of Mercy and last but not least Panda-Mania Vacation Bible School is coming in July. Again please refer to the Flyer's for more information.

So, what is Stewardship? Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor. And, where does Stewardship begin? At the table of the Lord. God Bless.

Joyce Wager
Stewardship Director

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