



SAINT RAPHAEL PRESCHOOL

Weekly Memo | December 12, 2017



The birth of Jesus brings us the good news that we are loved immensely and uniquely by God.

Pope Francis

Important Upcoming Dates

December 15: 4s & 5s Christmas Program

The Owls, Dolphins, Eagles, Pandas, and Otters will perform Christmas music for families at 11:30am in the Church. Hope you can join us!

December 20: No Extended Day or Lunch Bunch

ALL Preschool students will dismiss at noon on this last day before Christmas break.

December 21 - January 3: Preschool Closed for Christmas

The Preschool will be closed 12/21 - 1/3 for Christmas break. Classes resume on January 4th.

Dear Parents,

All around the Preschool, classes are preparing for Christmas.

The Preschool is always a happy place, but it is especially joyful now. You can hear children singing "Happy Birthday" to Jesus, see them retelling the story of our Savior's birth as they play with nativity sets, and witness their excitement as they craft a surprise gift for their families. As adults we often get caught up in the stress of holiday preparations, so I hope that you are making time to prepare your heart and mind during Advent. This quote from Neal A. Maxwell is the perfect reminder of this most important Christmas preparation: "Each of us is an innkeeper who decides if there is enough room for Jesus."

*Many blessings,
Molly DeAngelo*

Preschool News and Announcements



2018-19 Preschool Registration

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year will begin in January. Current Preschool students and their siblings will have first priority for choosing classes for next year if registration is received by January 24th. Parent-

Teacher conferences will be held in mid-January and will offer an opportunity to discuss your child's placement for the upcoming year. Child care will be available for a nominal fee during conferences.

Lost and Found Items

We have a number of items in our Lost and Found. If any of these look familiar, please contact the office!



New Soccer Shots Session in January

Soccer Shots will start a new session for interested students after the holiday. Classes will run on Fridays from noon-12:40pm beginning January 12th and ending May 25th. Look for a flyer with more information when we return from Christmas break!

Ignatius Fund Update



Thank you to all who have already contributed to the Ignatius Fund! By making a tax deductible donation, you are directly impacting the lives of St. Raphael Catholic School and Preschool students and faculty while pledging your support to Catholic education. Learn more about the Ignatius Fund and donate on-line through our website: <http://straphaelpreschool.org/ignatius-fund/>

Goal: \$80,000 with 100% participation

Raised to date: \$27,692

An anonymous donor will match all donations up to \$4,000 that are contributed between now and December 31st!

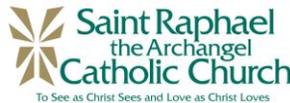
News from St. Raphael Catholic School



SRCS Kindergarten Registration for 2018-19

Attention parents of rising kindergartners! Applications for kindergarten at SRCS are available now. The deadline to apply for kindergarten is January 31, 2018. Contact Mary Morgan at [919-865-5754](tel:919-865-5754) or mmorgan@saintraphael.org for more information and to receive your kindergarten application packet.

News from Around our Parish



An Invitation from Mothers in Faith

Come join moms of all ages in community, faith and service. Take some time out for you while connecting to other moms and learning more about our Catholic faith.

Our next meeting is Thursday, December 14th from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon in Room 112. Childcare is available in the nursery for \$5/child.

December Meeting: Spreading Love

Do you ever tell yourself you are going to volunteer but can never seem to make the time? Giving back is important to our faith and comes in many forms and opportunities. Learn about two ministries at St. Raphael that are finding unique ways of giving back through Prayer Shawls and Quilts for Hospice. Members will get a hands on experience on how to make a prayer shawl and a quilt for those in Hospice. No previous experience is required. Enjoy our Holiday Pot Luck as well! Contact Debbie at mothersinfaithsr@yahoo.com with any questions or for more information.