

Weekly Memo | April 10, 2018



We are the Easter people and Alleluia is our song.
St. John Paul II

Important Upcoming Dates

April 20: Preschool Family Fun Night

The Preschool will host a Family Fun Night on this evening from 5:30-7:30pm, including a pizza dinner, soccer, basketball, and science! Please RSVP to the evite.

April 23 - 27: Teacher Appreciation Week

Our parent committee has been busy planning a special week for our teachers! Details are included below.

April 30/May 1: Field Day

Each class will participate in fun outdoor activities on the SRCS Field one of these mornings. Lots of volunteers are needed. Look for more information next week!

Dear Parents,

Happy Easter! Alleluia! I hope you all had a blessed holiday and a restful spring break. Now that we are back in session, the last seven weeks of school are fun filled and busy! This month we are holding our second "Let It Go" sale to benefit the Ignatius Fund,

gearing up for summer camps, planning an awesome evening for Preschool Family Fun Night, and getting excited for Teacher Appreciation Week. This Friday we welcome an African drumming group and at the end of the month we'll have Field Day. It is a great time to be at the Preschool!

I do have some bittersweet news to share. This will be Ms. Sarah's last week at St. Raphael. She will begin working full time for the Raleigh Police Department coordinating their social media. This is a fabulous career opportunity for her, but we will miss her terribly! Please join us in wishing her well in her new endeavor.

*Many blessings,
Molly DeAngelo*

Preschool News and Announcements

Registration Packets Mailed

All families who registered for the 2018-19 school year and have paid the registration fee were mailed a packet of information last week. This packet included a welcome letter, preliminary calendar, tuition contract, autodraft form, health assessment. If you did not receive a packet but think you are registered for next year, please contact the office ASAP.

Preschool Family Fun Night

Mark your calendar for Friday, April 20th from 5:30-7:30pm! Preschool Family Fun Night will include a pizza dinner, basketball, soccer, science activities (including water rockets and N2 ice cream!), and playground time. This event is open to all current families at no cost. Evites were sent out before break, so please RSVP as soon as possible. If you did not receive the evite, please contact the office. As a service element, we are holding a diaper drive for Catholic Parish Outreach. They are especially in need of larger sizes (4, 5, and 6). New or previously opened packages are accepted. Thanks for helping us support this important ministry!

Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Week is April 23rd - 27th. Information Packets are going home this week with how families can help show our amazing teachers how much we appreciate them. Please check out the sign up genius below for ways to help support Teacher Appreciation Week.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044dadab2aa0fc1-teacher>

For more information, questions or to volunteer to help, please contact Debbie Johnson at mothersinfaithsr@yahoo.com.

Preschool Summer Camp Registration

Preschool summer camps will run 9am until noon (with an optional Lunch Bunch add on) Monday through Friday the weeks of June 4-8 and June 11-15. Camps are open to all fully potty trained children ages 3 through rising K. You can find the registration form and more detailed camp information on our website or by clicking [HERE](#).

Spring Cleaning "Let It Go" Sale to Benefit Ignatius Fund

Have some kids' items you're ready to clear out? Now's the time to let them go! We're having another sale in the first week of May with all proceeds benefiting the Ignatius Fund. How does it work? We're looking for **CHILDREN'S items** valued at \$10 or more- not new items, just things that you already wish to get out of the house. Pictures of the items will be displayed online, where interested buyers can bid on them. The highest bid wins the item, with 100% of proceeds going to the Ignatius Fund. The extra added bonus? "Sellers" also get a tax receipt for their donation. Post sale, we'll facilitate exchange of the item between the buyer and yourself.

The actual sale will take place the week of **Monday, April 30th - Friday, May 4th**. Bids on items will be accepted up to and including Friday, May 4th at 3:00 pm.

Click <https://photos.app.goo.gl/xPmh9AAJR5pJQv8u2> to see the items that have already been donated for the sale!

If you find items you want to donate to the sale, please send photos and descriptions to letitgoforignatiusfund@gmail.com by Wednesday, April 25.

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: \$52,927

News from St. Raphael Catholic School

Ryan O'Connell Memorial Golf Tournament

Calling all golfers! Join St. Raphael Catholic School on Monday, May 7, 2018 at North Ridge Country Club for a great afternoon of golf and philanthropy. All proceeds benefit the Ryan O'Connell Scholarship Fund, which provides assistance to K-8 school families experiencing hardship and other unexpected

needs. For more information, click [HERE](#).

News from Around Our Parish



Respect Life Group

Please join us the first Wednesday of the month at 9:15 AM in the Nursery to promote the sanctity of life in our parish and community. We are a group of parents who want to provide information, resources and support for a culture of life. Feel free to bring your children! **Our next meeting is on April 11th.** Please contact Lisa Higgins (mother to a current Preschool "Frog") with any questions [619-851-2546](tel:619-851-2546) or SRDays4Life@gmail.com

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.

Next meeting is Thursday April 12th from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon in Room 112.

Childcare is available in the nursery for \$5/child.

April Meeting: Through the Eyes of a Child

Jesus loves children and children love Jesus! We can learn a lot about God, when we listen to children.

Come hear stories about how children perceive Jesus, the church, Mary and much more in this funny and heart warming talk.

Contact Debbie at mothersinfaithsr@yahoo.com with any questions or for more information.

Vacation Bible School

From Monday, July 9 at 9:00am to Friday, July 13, 2018 at 12:00pm

Embark on an epic adventure alongside biblical heroes and discover the qualities that make them truly heroes in God! We'll use spectacular music, science, crafts, recreation, and Bible stories to help kids and leaders discover their strength in God! July 9 - 13, 9 a.m. - noon, Ignatius Hall (aka Hero Central)!

Campers (rising kindergarten - 6th grade) won't want to miss this annual Summer highlight! Register today! Do note: early bird fee of \$40/camper increases to \$50/camper on July 1st. Click [HERE](#) to register on-line. Contact Linda Lenzmeier (llezmeier@saintraphael.org) for more details!