

## *Weekly Memo | October 16, 2018*



*"Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love."*

St. Teresa of Calcutta

### **Important Upcoming Dates**

#### *October 19: Picture Make-up Day*

If your child was absent on picture day, please contact Ms. BJ for an appointment on this date.

#### *November 1: Preschool Closed for Teacher Training*

The Preschool will be closed for students on this day. Teachers will attend training from Wake County's Office of Early Learning.

*Dear Parents,*

*What crazy weather we've been having! It seems like one day we felt the heat of summer and the next day it was autumn. We are thankful that for the most part Raleigh fared well during this most recent storm and pray for all of the people that were in the hurricane's destructive path. We are especially thankful for the amazing generosity of our community. Through donations from families and grandparents, we raised \$1,785 for Annunciation Catholic School in Havelock, NC, which has been devastated by hurricane related flooding multiple times in the past two years. This amount will cover a month's preschool tuition for seven children!*

*Unfortunately Hurricane Michael caused one of our Grandparents Days to be canceled, which was so disappointing, especially knowing that some grandparents traveled from far away to attend. Please know that our student's grandparents are always welcome to visit the Preschool, any day of the year- no special event is necessary! We greatly enjoyed spending Wednesday and Friday mornings with our grandparents who were able to visit.*

*Many blessings,  
Molly DeAngelo*

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## Preschool News and Announcements

### **Book Fair Thank Yous**

Thank you to all who shopped at the Scholastic Book Fair last week and all who volunteered their time to work! A big thank you to Beth Murphy for chairing the committee and transforming our hallways into an enchanted forest! Thanks also to all who donated money through the Creature Contest. It was a very close race, with all of the creature totals only a few dollars apart. The most popular enchanted forest creature was the dragon, but the real winners are the families at Annunciation Catholic School in Havelock, whom we were able to send \$1,785 (thanks to some anonymous matching donors) for tuition assistance for their preschoolers. Thank you for your amazing generosity! The winners of our basket raffle were the Tarabocchia family in the Dolphins and the Loredó family in the Cubs- congrats!

## Grandparents Day

We had a wonderful time with our grandparent visitors on Wednesday and Friday of last week! A special thank you to KimVan Wang, Marie Rizzo, and Anne Comilloni for volunteering on Wednesday morning. We were very disappointed that the effects of Hurricane Michael canceled Thursday's event. If your child's grandparents had to miss Grandparents Day because of the canceled day of school, please know that they are welcome to visit any day of the year.

## Date Change: Picture Make-up Day is This Friday

If your child missed picture day, Jen Bauldree will be back this Friday, October 19th for a photo make-up day. Please let Ms. BJ know if your child was absent on picture day and needs to attend!

## News from St. Raphael Catholic School

### Kindergarten Sampler

Your rising kindergartner can get a "taste" of school at the SRCS Kindergarten Sampler!

Parents: You AND your rising kindergartner are invited to attend on Wednesday, November 7 from 6pm - 7:30pm where he or she will participate in activities with our classroom and specials teachers. Plus, a Q&A session will be available that evening for parents in the school library.

To reserve a spot for you and your child, please contact Mary Morgan at mmorgan@saintraphael.org or 919-865-5754. Space is limited.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

**kindergarten music P.E.**  
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*For more information regarding admissions or to schedule a tour, contact Mary Morgan, recruitment and marketing officer, at mmorgan@saintraphael.org or 919-865-5754.*



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## News from Around Our Parish



### October is Respect Life Month!

You are invited to participate in these ways at St. Raphael:

**1) Spiritual Adoption/Birth Celebration-** After 9 months of praying for our spiritually adopted babies in danger of abortion, we are collecting baby clothes (newborn - 3mo) and baby blankets in the Atrium Oct 13-14th to benefit BirthChoice, our local pregnancy resource center.

**2) Advanced Directives Workshop-** Join us on Saturday, Oct 13th at 9:45am in the Lewis Room to learn more about modern medical care and how to make end of life decisions consistent with Catholic values. RSVP to Janet at [jschirripa@saintraphael.org](mailto:jschirripa@saintraphael.org)

**3) Blessing of the Child in the Womb-** Expecting? You are invited to receive a special blessing for your child in the womb during the 9:30am and 2:30pm Masses on Sunday, October 28th.

**4) 40 Days for Life-** This is a life saving campaign happening throughout the diocese Sept 26-Nov 4th. St. Raphael Parish has adopted Saturday, Nov 3rd to peacefully pray in front of the abortion facility A Woman's Choice (3305 Drake Cir, Raleigh) from 7am- 7pm.

For more information regarding Respect Life month events, please contact Lisa Higgins (a Panda mom!) at [SRDays4Life@gmail.com](mailto:SRDays4Life@gmail.com) or visit <https://saintraphael.org/social-action/respect-life/>