



St. Raphael Catholic School

October 20-October 27, 2010

Wednesday October 20:

- Market Day Pick Up

Thursday October 21:

- Preschool Field Trip to Apple Orchard

Friday October 22:

- All school Mass 8:30am

Saturday October 23:

- Altar Servers (4:30pm)- George Sawaya, Maxwell and Vincent Murray
- Boy Scouts will sell popcorn after all Masses.

Sunday October 24:

- Altar Servers (8am)- Seth and Jonah Globke & Jacob Nance-Suchy
- Altar Servers (10am)- Kiersta & Kayla Eichstedt & Mikele Mayes
- Altar Servers (noon)- Bethany McCormick, Daniel Quinn & Dalton Wickett
- Boy Scouts will sell popcorn after all Masses

Monday October 25:

Tuesday October 26:

Wednesday October 27:

Reminders:

Lunch Volunteers- We still need lunch supervisors for:
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

If we do not have at least 2 supervisors with the students, we cannot send them outside for recess. Please contact Suzanne Zarb to volunteer at zarbo@comcast.net

Raffle: Our school raffle is coming! If you have any questions or ideas, please e-mail Fran O'Brien at dfobrien@wowway.com. Ticket sales will begin November 2.

Helping Hands: We are collecting non -perishable food items for Thanksgiving baskets during October and November.

Dear Parents,

Once again, we ask your help in feeding the less fortunate in our local area for Thanksgiving by donating non-perishable items. Below are specific items for each grade to donate to help balance our baskets, but all donations are greatly appreciated.

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| Pre-school | Macaroni & Cheese | | |
| Kindergarten | Peanut Butter | Grade 1 | Canned Vegetables |
| Grade 2 | Soup | Grade 3 | Cereal |
| Grade 4 | Can Fruit | Grade 5 | Jelly |
| Grade 6 | Pasta Noodles | Grade 7 & 8 | Pasta Sauce |

We also ask that each child to bring 50 cents towards the purchase of turkeys and fresh produce. The food collection will be Monday, November 8th to allow time to get food sorted and boxed up.

Giving to the less fortunate is a way for the children to "Thank" Jesus for all the blessings they have.

God bless you,

The Thanksgiving Food Committee

Scrip/Market Day Credit Information:

Thank you to all who supported St. Raphael last year by buying Scrip gift certificates and Markey Day products. Your tuition credit will be applied to your November tuition statement. St. Raphael families accumulated more than \$7400 in tuition credits through the use of these two programs! If you have any questions about your credit amount, please call Janey Erlingis @734-595-0835. Should you have questions about your tuition statement, please call Debbie Fulan @ 734-427-1533. Thank you

Save the Knights of Columbus Benefit:

Saturday, November 6, 2010
7pm - Midnight
30759 Ford Road
Garden City, MI 48135
734-425-6380

Dinner, Beer, Wine & Pop Included
D.J. - 50/50 Raffles - Chinese Raffle
**Donation: Minimum of \$25.00 per person
for Tickets call Rose @ 313-292-7453 or
Barb @ 734-522-6364**

Trunk or Treat:

As of right now we have 41 children participating in Trunk or Treat. We only have enough room for 87 cars. Reserve your spot today. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons will be awarded to the best decorated trunk/tailgate. Cider and donuts will be available in the gym. See flyer for details.

To the Parents of Altar Servers:

Fr. Ray has requested an **Altar Server Meeting** for all servers from St. Raphael School, Religious Education and the high schools on **Tuesday, November 16** at 5pm in the church. Parents are welcome to wait in church for your children. Please mark your calendars and set this date aside for the server meeting. Thank you!

There will be **installation of the new servers-** Andrei Borz, Alyssa Davila, Mikele Mayes, Johnny McGraw, Jacob Nance-Suchy, Madelline Strasser and Dalton Wickett- on **Sunday, November 7 at the noon Mass.**

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Pesticides:

Terminix will do inspections and application the first Monday of the month between 1:00 and 3:00pm.

BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB:

Join the Birthday Book Club! Once again, we are encouraging families to honor their child's birthday by donating a hardcover book to the St. Raphael library in lieu of sending cupcakes. It is a memory that will last for many years to come and will help keep our library growing and up-to-date with all the most popular books.

If you would like to join, please send a birthday book to the library about a week before your child's birthday. This will give me time to process the book and have it ready to present it to your child on the library period closest to their birthday. A bookplate with your child's name and birth date will be attached to the inside cover and each time a book is donated to the Birthday Book Club, a "section" will be added to our library bookworm in the school hallway. It will be labeled with the donated title, your child's name, and birth date.

To prevent duplicates and to ensure appropriate material, you may call or send a note to the school office for suggestions. I can also purchase a book at your request and you can reimburse me when I send a receipt home. If your child has a summer birthday, don't miss out on the fun. Donate at the beginning of the school year, at the end of the school year, or we can celebrate a terrific "half" birthday.

Mrs. Szura

Birthday Book Club – off to a great start!

Thank you to the Rohraff and Roy families for donating books to our library in honor of their daughters' birthdays. You have started us off with three wonderful books the children will greatly enjoy.

Karli Rohraff – October 15
Barbie in a Mermaid Tale

Madilyn Roy – October 13
The Bride of Frankenstein Doesn't Bake Cookies
Thanksgiving on Thursday

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Morning Drop Off and Safety:

We are still experiencing numerous issues with morning drop off. Please review the list of reminders with everyone who drives your child(ren) to school:

1. No students should be dropped off on Birchlawn. Everyone must use the drop off in the back of the church (unless you have a kindergarten student).
2. Please use Krauter as an entrance only. Please exit onto Beechwood heading west away from the crosswalk.
3. All students 1st- 8th grade should be dropped off by the cones on the west side of the church. Safeties are posted by these cones. If you choose to park and walk your child to the school, please use Beechwood as an exit, not Krauter.
4. Our school parking lot is for families with kindergarten students only.
5. Preschool drivers need to exit the preschool parking lot heading west onto Beechwood (away from the crosswalk)

Students will be allowed to enter the buildings at 7:45am. If students arrive early, they are to wait by the school doors. Students are not to run around through parked cars, play with balls or play rough while waiting for the bell to ring.

I appreciate your help with keeping our students safe. If you would like to help with the drop off or pick up procedure, please call the office.

IMPORTANT TUITION INFORMATION:

In an effort to curtail our costs and go green we are asking that any family not currently receiving their tuition statement via email to consider changing to this option. If you email me at dfulan@straphael-gc.org that you would like to change to receiving tuition by email I will have your email on file. The next option would be to have your tuition statements sent home with your child which would eliminate having to pay postage. I can be reached at 734-427-1533 if you would like to change to either of these options.

Thank you,
Debbie Fulan
Special Projects Coordinator

Art Reminder for Junior High Students:

Please remember to bring in one nylon knee-high for an art project. We will be doing the project in class on November 1st. You can start to bring it in next week, Oct. 25th.

Mrs. Aquilina

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OTIS SPUNKMEYER HAS ARRIVED

Starting tomorrow Thursday the 21st we are going to have fresh baked cookies in our lunch room. The cost will be \$1.00 for two chocolate chip cookies. Once your children arrive in the gym they will not be able to resist the smell of these cookies baking.

The cookies will be available every Wednesday for the children to purchase.

Cyber Safety Presentation:

We had an incredible presentation from the Attorney General's Office on Cyber Safety. Students in grades K-8 were shown age appropriate videos on how to keep safe on the internet. We also had a parent presentation in the evening with helpful information on how to talk to your children about using the internet safely. Attached to the Rebel are some safety tips for parents. Here is the website you can visit to find more information about internet safety http://www.michigan.gov/ag/0,1607,7-164-17334_48889---,00.html or visit www.michigan.gov/csi

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