



St. Raphael Catholic School

November 3- November 10, 2010

Wednesday November 3:

- Chocolate chip cookie sale 2 for \$1 in the cafeteria
- Monarch Day @ Cabrini for 8th graders (If not attending, students should be in school).
- Peer Mediation Training 3:00-3:45pm

Thursday November 4:

Friday November 5:

- All school Mass 8:30am
- Report cards are sent home

Saturday November 6:

- Reconciliation retreat for students and parents at 10am in the Resurrection Room in the church
- Angels of Faith Meeting 7-9pm (gr. 7 &8) in the Parish Center
- Altar Servers (4:30pm)- Janelle Erlingis, Nicole Phillips & Madelinne Strasser

Sunday November 7:

- Altar Servers (8am)- Kayla March, Rachel Dean & Robert Cable
- Altar Servers (10am)- Samantha Hershey, Alexis Ardinger & Lauren Chandler
- Altar Servers (noon)- Sarah & Henry Swann & George Sills
- Rake and Run service project for 7-12th graders at 2:00PM (please contact Mrs. Ryan to sign up)

Monday November 8:

- Field trip for grades 1 & 2 to Cherry Hill Village Theater 8:45am
- All School Mass at 8:30am
- Gala meeting at 5:30pm in Parish Center- see details below

Tuesday November 9:

Wednesday November 10:

- Chocolate chip cookie sale 2 for \$1 in the cafeteria

Thursday November 11:

- **No school- parent/teacher conferences 8-11am, 3-7pm**

Friday November 12:

- **No school**

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Reminders:

Lunch Volunteers-

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 News:

Volunteers' will be needed for ticket sales after all Masses on Nov. 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st, 27th and 28th. Sign up sheets are located on the table in front of the office. Tickets will be sent home with all students on Tuesday Nov. 2nd.

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.

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

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

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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

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, Madelinne Strasser and Dalton Wickett- on **Sunday, November 7 at the noon Mass.**

Market Day:

Just a reminder that November is Market Day Bonus Days! Students should have brought home an order form for our "fundraiser within a fundraiser" dessert promotion. This is an excellent opportunity for you to support our organization by offering the opportunity to purchase Market Day desserts to your family, friends and co-workers! Our goal is to sell 400 pies, which would net over \$1,200 profit to the school! Please contact Tracey Birmingham at 734-674-9756 or Rodney Craft at 734-883-5167 for additional information. **Top selling class will earn a pizza party.**

Parent/teacher Conferences:

Conference times are Thursday, Nov. 11th from 8:00 am – 11:00 am and 3:00 pm – 7:00pm. Conferences in grades 4 – 8 will be held in the gym. Special teachers (gym, music, Japanese(only 8am-11am), Spanish, computers and art) will be available for conferences on that day. Conferences in grades K - 3 are scheduled in 10 minute intervals in the rooms. If you have a child in grades K – 3, we are asking that you attend the scheduled conference first and then proceed to the gym for the conferences with the teachers in grades 4 – 8. This would allow for the primary grades to keep to their scheduled times.

Extra Halloween Candy?

Student Council is collecting extra Halloween candy from Nov. 2 to Nov. 5. This candy will be sold to Milford Dentist for \$1/pound. Operation Gratitude works with

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dentists around the country to buy Halloween candy to send to our American troops. Please help by sending in your extra candy to school.

St Raphael Basketball Tryouts:

Tuesday, November 2

6:00p-7:30p JV Girls (grades 3-6)
7:30p-9:00p Varsity Girls (grades 7-8)

Thursday, November 4:

6:00p-7:30p JV Boys (grades 3-6)
7:30p-9:00p Varsity Boys (grades 7-8)

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Friday, November 5:

6:00p-7:30p JV Boys (grades 3-6)
7:30p-9:00p Varsity Boys (grades 7-8)

All tryouts will be in the St Raphael Gym. Players should bring appropriate shoes and wear (shorts and t-shirt). Registration prior to tryout, please arrive 15-20 before schedule time.

School Advisory Committee on the Website:

Did you know that our School Advisory Committee's meeting minutes are on St. Raphael website?

Under the "Current Students" tab, click on "School Advisory Committee" and it will display the bylaws, members and monthly meeting minutes. Currently we have 12 committee members who are all parents representing all our grade levels.

GALA:

St. Raphael will host their 1st Gala event on May 21st. This event will have something for everyone. Our theme is "The St. Raphael Family, Thriving in Faith and Unity". We are bringing alumni, current families and parishioners together as we celebrate 75 years in Catholic education. We need your help to plan our event. The Gala committee will meet on **Nov. 8th at 5:30pm in the Parish Center**. Please join us!

Parent Survey:

We are proud of the academic program and the extra-curricular activities that we offer to our students. However, school improvement and evaluation is an ongoing process which involves all members of our school community. Please take the time to answer the questions and make any additional comments you wish.

If you receive the Rebel Report by e-mail, please click on the link to complete the survey <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22BDM24NCDZ>

If you receive a paper copy of the Rebel, the survey is attached.

Be assured that all the ratings and comments will be carefully reviewed and considered as we continue to formulate our goals for the future.

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**THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO RESPOND TO THIS SURVEY!
PLEASE RESPOND NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2010.**

Academic Support:

If you have trouble finding the time to monitor your child's academics as much as you would like to, or if you would simply like more help, The Garden City Family Resource Center offers academic support sessions every Monday and Wednesday from 3:30 to 4:30 at the Maplewood Center: During these sessions, staff offer homework assistance, help establish organizational skills, observe attendance and test scores and even monitor behavior that might inhibit academic success.

All of the services offered by The Family Resource Center (including Academic Support) are free pending a short intake meeting to determine the needs of each individual client. If you are interested in receiving services or are interested in any of our other programs please contact our office at (734) 793-1860 to schedule an appointment. Your child's academic success should not be put on hold!

Zack and Jenn
Maplewood Center

Christmas Program:

Mark December 15 @ 7pm on your calendar! This will be the date of our Christmas program, "The Trimming of the Christmas Tree". Preschool through 6th grade will all sing in the program. Junior High students can audition for parts (Mary, Joseph, 3 Wise Men, shepherds, angels, tree trimmers and narrators). This production is lead by our choir directors Mr. & Mrs. Hiltz.

Veteran's Day:

Attached to the Rebel is a Veteran's day photo sheet. Using the attached sheet please send in the requested information and a photo or drawing of your veteran as soon as possible. They will be displayed in the hallway by the office and will be in our thoughts and prayers. If you would like your picture back please note that and write your child's name and grade on it.

Spirit Day:

Thank you for those of you who donated for our Spirit Day. We raised \$113 for American Diabetes Association this month. Next month our Spirit Day will be on December 7. The money raised will go toward FAAN (The Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Network).

Did you know?

- Food allergy is a growing public health concern in the U.S.
- More than 12 million Americans have a food allergy. That's one in 25, or 4% of the population.

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- Between 1997 and 2007, the prevalence of food allergies among children increased 18%, to reach 3 million U.S. Children.
- Food allergies result in more than 300,000 ambulatory care visits among children in the U.S. Annually.
- There is no cure for food allergy; strict avoidance of the food allergen is the only way to prevent a reaction.
- Please visit www.foodallergy.org for more information.

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