



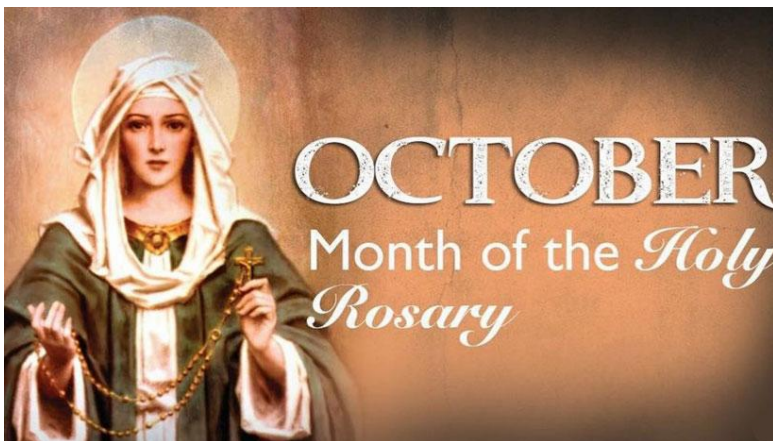
St. Rose of Lima School

2023-2024 Blue/Gold MEMO from the Principal's Office

October 3, 2023

Dear School Families,

Thank you to the organizers of our new Gardening Club, Mrs. Laura Kelly, and Mrs. Josie Raum, and all of their volunteers. They had a successful first meeting last week and are excited to have 60 club members! All groups learned about water (where they pulled up vincas to check out their root systems), soil (where they got to feel different types of soil) and sunlight (where students helped fill soil and plant seeds and some flowers in our two raised beds). This is a wonderful addition to our school's extracurricular activities and we are thankful for the volunteers who have made it happen!



The Month of the Holy Rosary:

Roman Catholics traditionally observe the month of **October** as the month of the Holy Rosary, which is celebrated in many parts of the country with special acts of devotion in honor of the Blessed Mother including the holding of prayer vigils, novenas, and the praying of the holy rosary in parish communities. Please take this

opportunity to renew the important habits of saying the Rosary with your family and attending Mass together.

Thank you and God Bless,
Deacon Joseph Rafferty

POSTPONED!

ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH BBQ & bonfire

The St. Rose of Lima Parish and PTA warmly invite you to come celebrate the beginning of Fall with food, s'mores, kid stuff, music & more

On Friday
06 OCTOBER
 6:30 - 9:30 pm.
 @ St. Rose of Lima



TICKETS
 \$40 PER FAMILY
 or
 \$10 PER PERSON

NEW DATE! OCTOBER 6

Bonfire and BBQ:

Thank you for your flexibility when we had to reschedule to BBQ and Bonfire for this Friday, October 6 due to the rain last week. We are hopeful that this Friday's weather is better for this outdoor event. If you have not yet registered, [you can register here](#). If you can no longer attend and have already paid, please [submit your refund request](#) no later than Tuesday, October 3.

Stay Tuned for our September Students of the Month!

We will be honoring one student from each class/homeroom for the Virtue of Affability at our School Mass on Friday, October 6. **October's Virtue is: Courtesy.** If you would like a printable page about courtesy to hang at home to reinforce this month's virtue, [please click here](#). For questions or more information about our Student of the Month program, please reach out to coordinator Jackie Valvardi at happyjackiev@gmail.com.

students OF THE MONTH

Role Models in the virtue of:
AFFABILITY

Congratulations!
 September 2023 Students of the Month

Kindergarten: _____
 1st Grade: _____
 2nd Grade: _____
 3rd Grade: _____
 4th Grade: _____

5th Grade: _____
 6th Grade: _____
 7th Grade: _____
 8th Grade: _____
 Specials: _____

TOP SECRET

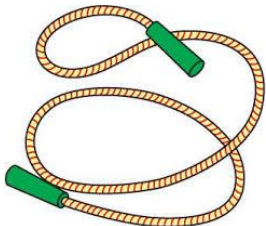
Extra Care

The September Extra Care statements will be going home this week. Please check your child's folders or ask them if they received something from Mrs. Hull. If you do not receive them or if you have any questions about them please email Mrs Hull at mhull@strosenj.com. All payments should be submitted within a week of the day you receive them.



Any student that is using after school care should be submitting the weekly or monthly form to the homeroom teacher so that it is entered into the system for the aftercare staff. The [October After Care Form](#) was shared in the Weekly Wrap last week and can be accessed at the link above. Emailing Mrs. Thomas or your homeroom teachers should only be done in an emergency situation.

If you would like to use the extended morning care from 7AM to 7:45AM you must notify Mrs. Hull at least 24 hours in advance.



Recess Duty:

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for recess duty so far! Mrs. Aime Callinan is the new contact for recess duty. If you have not yet signed up for recess duty, please [click here to access the monthly SignUp genius links](#) by grade. If you have any questions about recess duty, please reach out to Mrs. Callinan at

acallinan@strosenj.com

Enrollment News

- If you have a child that will be attending our **KINDERGARTEN in 2024**, please fill out [this Save A Seat Google form](#). Looking forward to having many more siblings filling our classrooms next year!
- **Rosebud Academy Openings:** You can also save a seat in preschool at Rosebud Academy for younger siblings by [clicking this Save a Seat form](#).



Picture Day! - October 20, 2023

[LifeTouch Fall portraits](#) will be taken on **Friday, October 20**. *Winter Uniforms are required.* You can [order pictures here](#). Our picture day ID is: **EVT27KNRJ**



Student Council

Campaigns for Student Council are underway and the election will take place on **Tuesday, October 11**. If you have a student running for office please go over with your child the campaigning guidelines that Mrs. Bonafiglia distributed.



Scholastic Book Order Forms

October Scholastic Book Order Forms are being distributed this week and must be returned by **Tuesday, October 10th**. Orders may be sent to Ms. Crowell in the library with checks made out to Scholastic, or you may order online using teacher code **H746Z** at [the Scholastic website](#). Please do not use the homeroom teacher's name or code when ordering books as they will not be processed correctly. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Crowell at pcrowell@strosenj.com. Thank you!



All Saints Day

Tuesday, November 1

In celebration of All Saints Day, on **Wednesday, November 1**, children in grades K-3 will dress as their favorite Saint and lead our school procession to our All Saints Day 8:30am liturgy.



Blessing of the Animals

Wednesday, October 4, we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. To honor St. Francis and to remind ourselves of our roles as guardians of the earth and all living creatures, we will be having the

Blessing of the Animals
Wed, October 4th at 4:00pm

Bring your pets—big and small—to the Rose Garden, outside the chapel. There, Father will offer a blessing along with a sprinkling of holy water! We will thank God for allowing us to share the earth with all creatures. What a beautiful way to acknowledge the beauty of God’s creatures and the part they play in our lives.

**Blessing of the Animals:
 October 4, at 4:00 p.m.**

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Rose of Lima Parish is hosting a blessing of animals (family pets) in the Rose Garden at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 4.. Please come and join us for this special blessing!

Lost & Found:

Please label your clothing & personal items!

We are already starting to collect jackets and sweatshirts without names on them. Please label your clothing, lunch boxes, & backpacks with first and last name or last name so that lost items can be returned to you. Lost items that have been collected are located in the cafeteria.



REMINDER: Winter Sports Registration Open!

- Registration for winter sports is now open on Family ID. [Click here to register for Basketball or Cheer.](#)
- All students in grades 6 through 8 will need an [updated sports physical submitted to participate.](#)



**SCRIP/”Raise Right”
 Gift Card Program:**

Help raise money for our school **PLUS earn a refund for yourself at the end of the year!** [Learn more about our Scrip Gift Card Program here.](#) It’s easier and more convenient than you might think! If you have any questions about the Scrip Program, please reach out to Stephanie Casiano at scasiano@gmail.com or by text: (856) 357-4977.





Trunk or Treat:

Friday, October 27, 2022

Join us for our 10th Annual Trunk or Treat held at Rosebud Academy Preschool's Parking lot! St. Rose and Rosebud families decorate their cars and hand out candy & treats to our students and their siblings. It's a fun night including a DeeJay, concessions, and prizes for the best decorated cars. [Please click here for more information and to register.](#) \$15 per car. Please note: there is a max of 4 kids per registered car if they are not all siblings.

Christmas Bazaar Update

The countdown is on. There are **39** days until the 102nd Annual Christmas Bazaar on November 11th! This year's event will again be held inside and the Grand Slam 50/50, Disney Raffle, and Tombola basket drawing will all be held at the conclusion of the event. The event will be open to the public from 12:00 pm - 8:00 p.m.



Each family will be receiving an envelope this week with Grand Slam 50/50 tickets, Disney Raffle tickets, and a copy of our Christmas Bazaar Catalog. We thank you in advance for selling these tickets to help support our school. If you need more tickets please reach out to [Missy Rotaeché](#) for Disney tickets and [Chrissi McSweeney](#) or [Donna Conte](#) for Grand Slam tickets.

We also need your help with donations. Please click on the links below for more information about our current needs.

- [Tombola](#) Basket donations
- [Christmas Cheer](#) donations
- [Baked Goods Table](#) Donations
- [Kitchen](#) Donations
- [Craft](#) Donations



We will be sharing the Christmas Bazaar Facebook Event on Facebook tomorrow. Please share this post with your friends and family members when you see it!

Upcoming High School Open Houses

	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Camden Catholic High School</u></p> <p>Admissions Site: <u>Click here</u> <u>Open House</u>: October 26 at 6:30 p.m.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Gloucester Catholic High School</u></p> <p>Admissions Site: <u>Click here</u> <u>Open House</u>: November 9 at 7:00 pm</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Paul VI High School</u></p> <p><u>Open House</u>: November 2 at 6:30 pm <u>Click here to RSVP</u></p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Bishop Eustace Preparatory School</u></p> <p><u>Open House</u>: October 15, 2023 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.</p>

Important Upcoming Dates

October 4 - Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi: The Parish is hosting a Blessing of Animals (family pets) in the Rose Garden at 4:00 p.m.

October 5 - [Timothy Lenahan Memorial Golf Outing](#)

October 6 -

- **School Mass (8:30 a.m.) & Half Day** (11:50 dismissal K, 12:00 Gr 1-8)
- **BBQ & Bonfire:** [Register Here!](#)

October 9 - **NO SCHOOL** (Columbus Day)

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October 10 - October [Scholastic book orders](#) due: Use code:**H746Z**

October 11 - Student Council Elections

October 16 - First Day of Winter Uniforms

October 20 -

- [Lifetouch Pictures](#) Use School ID **EVT27KNRJ**: (Winter Uniforms)
- **High School Fair**: Grades 6-8. (12:30 - 2:15)
- Fall Play: ***Alice in Wonderland***: performance at 7:00 p.m. (Details coming)

October 21 - Fall Play: ***Alice in Wonderland***

Performances at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. (Details coming)

October 27 -

- Falcon Friday and Pretzels for a Purpose
- [Trunk or Treat](#) 6:00 - 8:00 (Must arrive by 5:30 to set up)
- [Tombola Donations](#) due !

November 1 - All Saint's Day. **8:30 a.m. Mass**. Students in grades K-3 may dress as Saints and will lead our procession to the Liturgy that morning.

November 3- School Mass (8:30 a.m.) & Half Day (11:50 dismissal K, 12:00 Gr 1-8)

November 10 - 102nd Annual [Christmas Bazaar!](#)

SAVE THE DATE:

December 4 - Barnes & Noble Night. More info to come.