

# St. Rose of Lima School

2024-2025 Blue/Gold MEMO from the Principal's Office

October 8, 2024

Dear School Families,

October is an important month in the Catholic Church. 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. October is also Respect Life Month, when we consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

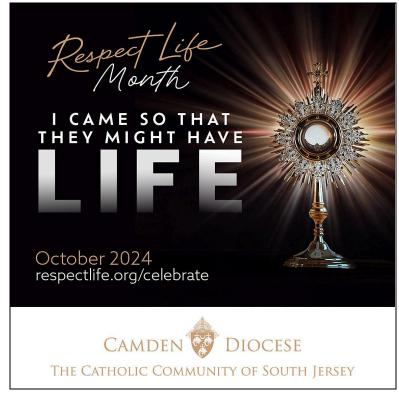
Please take this opportunity to renew the important habits of saying the

Rosary with your family attending Mass together, and offering up special prayers for all

human life...

As a reminder, I will be hosting a **School Security Meeting tonight in the church at 6:00 p.m.** All parents are invited to attend.

Thank you and God Bless, **Deacon Joseph Rafferty** 





## **Congratulations to our September Students of the Month!**

Congratulations to our September students of the month, recognized for excellence in the virtue of Affability. Please <u>click here</u> to read about why these students were each chosen for this honor. **October's Virtue is: Courtesy.** If you would like a printable page about courtesy to hang at home to reinforce this month's virtue, <u>please click here</u>. For questions or more information about our Student of the Month program, please reach out to coordinator Lisa Coulter at <u>Imcoulter77@gmail.com</u>.

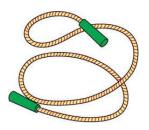


## **Extra Care**

If you have any questions about After Care invoices, please email Mrs Hull at <a href="mhull@strosenj.com">mhull@strosenj.com</a>. 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. Please remember to take the time to read the newly shared **AfterCare Guidelines and Routines**.



## **Recess Duty:**

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for recess duty so far!

Mrs. Aime Callinan is the 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 2025, 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 <u>clicking this Save a Seat form.</u>



# Picture Day! - October 25, 2024

<u>LifeTouch Fall portraits</u> will be taken on Friday, October 25. Winter Uniforms are required. You can <u>order pictures here</u>. Our picture day ID is: **EVTDKKMMM** 



## Student Council

Student Council Elections were held last week. Congratulations to all of our candidates who did a wonderful job speaking in front of their peers! The election was close but the final winners were:

President - Jimmy Rotaeche Vice President - Noah Watson Treasurer - Jacob Smith Secretary - Valentina Gigliotti





## All Saints Day

## Friday, November 1

In celebration of All Saints Day, on Friday, **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. Please reach out to your teachers if you need more information!

## 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.



# **Altar Server Training:**

Grades 4 and above. See the training Schedule on the right.



#### **Altar Server Training**

will be held on 10/9, 10/16 &10/23, from 3:30-5pm in the church
CCD/St Rose School 4th grade
or above can serve.
Students should attend weekly mass, receive communion, and commit to serve at least one

weekend each month throughtout the year.

If interested in signing up or learning more about this ministry, email

altar.servers.st.rose@gmail.com or



# **Thanksgiving Food Bank Donations Needed:**

Thanksgiving is November 28<sup>th</sup> this year and we need your help! Would you please consider purchasing one of these items and return to your classroom no later than **Friday**, **November 8th**?

Family Masses: 2024-2025



Our Pastor, Father Dave Grover, has designated the Sunday Liturgy at 5:30 p.m. as the **Family Mass**. He is offering students from St. Rose of Lima School, and Religious Education, the opportunity to host Mass with their classmates one weekend each month. Please consider signing up your student to participate in these Masses with their classmates and attend with your families.

- 1st Sunday of each month: 3rd & 4th Grades Host (Sign Up Here)
- 2nd Sunday of each month: 5th & 6th Grades Host (Sign Up Here)
- 3rd Sunday of each month: 7th & 8th Grades Host (Sign Up Here)
- 4th Sunday of each month: Alumni & High Schoolers host (Sign Up Here)

# **REMINDER: Winter Sports Registration Open!**

- Registration for some grades for winter sports is now open on Family ID. <u>Click here to register for</u> <u>Basketball or Cheer.</u>
- Additional Grades will be able to register starting October 14.
- All students in grades 6 through 8 will need an <u>updated sports physical</u> <u>submitted to participate.</u>



Help raise money for our school PLUS earn a refund for yourself at the end of the year! <u>Learn more about our Scrip Gift Card Program here</u>. 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 <a href="mailto:scasiano@gmail.com">scasiano@gmail.com</a> or by text: (856) 357-4977.



Funny Name. Easy Fundraising.





## **Trunk or Treat:**

## Friday, October 18, 2024

Join us for our 11th 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. \$20 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 31 days until the 103rd Annual Christmas Bazaar on November 8th! 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 <a href="Chrissi McSweeney">Chrissi McSweeney</a> or <a href="Donna Conte">Donna Conte</a>. 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 this week. Please share this post with your friends and family members when you see it!



# UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES



Camden Catholic High School

Admissions Site: Click here

Open House: October 24 at 6:30 p.m.



**Gloucester Catholic High School** 

Admissions Site: Click here

Open House: November 7 at 7:00 pm



**Paul VI High School** 

Admissions Site: Click here

Open House: November 6 at 6:30 pm

## **National Junior Honor Society**

This year's National Junior Honor Society has made a goal of connecting with the littlest members of our community over at Rosebud Academy. Our first visit took place on Wednesday, September 25th, and students were warmly welcomed by Mrs. Love, the teachers, staff, and children! Some of our officers even got to reconnect with teachers from when they were at Rosebud! We are looking forward to our next visit!



NJHS will again be taking part in the Camden County Community Cleanup.

Our first community cleanup event will take place October 21st at Haddon Heights Park.

Parent chaperones are needed. All members <u>must return permission slips</u> by

Tuesday, October 15.



October Scholastic Book Order Forms are being distributed this week and must be returned by **Tuesday**, **October 16**. Cash orders may be sent to Ms. Crowell in the library, or you may order online using teacher code **H746Z** at <u>the Scholastic website</u>. **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 <a href="mailto:pcrowell@strosenj.com">pcrowell@strosenj.com</a>. Thank you!

## **Important Upcoming Dates**

#### October 8 -

- Grandparents' Club Meeting: 1:30 p.m. in rectory basement
- School Security Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. in the church

October 9 - Altar Server Training 3:30 -5:00 p.m. in the church

October 13 - Family Mass @ 5:30 (5th & 6th Graders Host)

October 14 - NO SCHOOL (Columbus Day)

#### October 15

- First Day of WInter Uniforms
- NJHS <u>Permission Slips</u> due for Park Cleanup

#### October 16

- Scholastic Book Orders Due
- Altar Server Training 3:30 -5:00 in the church

#### October 18 -

- Falcon Friday & Pretzels for a Purpose
- Trunk or Treat 6:00 p.m.

October 19 - High School Placement Test (8th Graders)

#### October 20 -

- Cross Country Communion Mass & Breakfast (9:30 Mass then breakfast)
- Family Mass @ 5:30 p.m. (7th & 8th Graders Host)

October 21 - NJHS Park Cleanup 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.. (Permission slips due 10/16)

October 23 - Altar Server Training 3:30 - 5:00 in the church

#### October 25 -

- <u>Lifetouch Pictures</u> Use Picture Day ID **EVTDKKMMM** (Winter Uniforms)
- **High School Fair**: Grades 6-8. (1:00 2:15)
- Fall Play: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory: performance at 7:00 p.m.
- All donations due to <u>Christmas Bazaar Booths</u>

October 26 - Charlie and the Chocolate Factory: performance at 7:00 p.m.

October 27 - Family Mass @ 5:30 p.m. (Alumni & HS Students Host)

#### 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.
- **HALF DAY** (11:50 dismissal K, 12:00 Gr 1-8)

## November 3 - Family Mass @ 5:30 p.m. (3rd & 4th Grade Students host)

## November 8 -

- Thanksgiving Food Bank Donations due to classroom bins.
- Christmas Bazaar Day 12:00 8:00
- HALF DAY (11:50 dismissal K, 12:00 Gr 1-8)
- No AfterCare

November 10 - Family Mass @ 5:30 (5th & 6th Graders Host)
November 13 - Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:00 p.m.

## November 14

- HALF DAY (12:00 Dismissal)
- Parent Teacher Conferences 12:30 3:15 p.m.

November 17 - Family Mass @ 5:30 p.m. (7th & 8th Graders Host)

November 22 -Falcon Friday & Pretzels for a Purpose

November 24 - Family Mass @ 5:30 p.m. (Alumni & HS Students Host)

November 27-8:30 Mass, HALF DAY (11:50 dismissal K, 12:00 Gr 1-8)

November 28 & 29- NO SCHOOL -Happy Thanksgiving

**December 2 - Barnes & Noble Night.** More info to come.