

# BLUE GOLD MEMO

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Dear School Families:

Welcome back, and I hope you all had a blessed Easter and an enjoyable, restful break with family and loved ones. It is always a joy to return together as a school community, especially during such a beautiful and hope-filled time in our Church year.

We now continue in the Easter season, a time of great joy that extends all the way to Pentecost. Throughout these weeks, the Mass readings come primarily from the Gospel of John, which focuses so intently on faith in the Risen Jesus. Over and over again, we are reminded that faith is not about having all the answers, it is about trust.

Trusting that God has us, even when we don't fully understand what is happening around us.

Trusting that there is purpose, even in moments that feel unclear or difficult.

Trusting that we are not walking through any part of our day alone.

That kind of faith brings life and meaning to everything we do. It made me stop and reflect; if we truly approached each day with that mindset, how might it change the way we respond to challenges, to stress, or even to the small, ordinary moments of our day?

The Easter season reminds us that the Resurrection is not just something we celebrate once, but something we are called to live each day, with hope, with trust, and with the quiet confidence that Christ walks with us in all things.

Thank you, as always, for your continued partnership and for all that you do to support our school community and I look forward to a wonderful end to the school year.

“Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.” — *John 20:29*

Wishing you continued Easter joy and abundant blessings,

***Dr. Deirdre Rood***

Principal

## Congratulations to our March Students of the Month

March's Virtue was Obedience. We were excited to announce the winners at Mass on before Easter. [Please click here to see why these students were chosen for this honor!](#) April's Virtue is: Prayerfulness. If you would like a printable page about Prayerfulness to hang at home to reinforce this month's virtue, [please click here](#).

KA - Doug M.    KB - Max S.    1A - Steven D.    1B - Jolene M.    2A - Owie L.    2B - Jack D.    3A- Connor B.    3B - Delaney O.

 **Congratulations to our**  
**MARCH** 2026 **Students of the Month!**  
Recognized for Excellence in the Virtue of: **Obedience**


4A - Jackson H.    4B - Nathaniel M.    5A - Mila K.

5B - Rylee M.    6A - Luke K.    6B - Thomas G.    7A - Anthony S.    7B - Jace G.    8A - Kennedy M.    8B- John P.    Phys Ed: Josh M. (7B)

### Social Media Workshop

**April 15, 2026 @ 6:00pm**

Healthy News Works is coming to present a [Social Media Workshop](#) for St. Rose parents in our cafeteria from 6:00—7:15 pm. Refreshments will be provided. Hope to see you there!


 **Healthy NewsWorks®**  
By Kids, For Kids

**St. Rose of Lima**  
**FAMILY**  
**WORKSHOP**

**Guiding Kids in the Digital World**  
Social media has become part of childhood. While it has benefits, many experts, from the U.S. surgeon general on down, have raised alarm about its negative impact on kids. This workshop will help families learn about strategies to deal with social media and create a plan that makes sense for them.

**Wednesday, April 15**  
**6:00–7:15 p.m.**

**FREE REFRESHMENTS**





### **FACTS Letter / Bill for Incidental Items:**

During recent system testing, FACTS inadvertently generated and mailed billing statements associated with SIS Integration School to some of our families. These statements do not reflect legitimate charges, and all associated balances have been cleared. They have assured us that this will not happen again.

#### **What this means for you:**

- You may have received a mailed billing statement that should be disregarded
- No payment is due, and there is no impact to family accounts
- Families do not have online access related to these statements



### **PTA Dress Down Day: Teacher's Supply Closet Fund**

**Friday, April 17**

The PTA is hosting their monthly Dress Down day to raise funds for teacher's extra supplies. The suggested donation is \$5 per student.

### **AfterCare News:**

[The April 2026 AfterCare Form](#) is available here. Reminder: Please pay all AfterCare bills in a timely manner. Thank you for your cooperation!



### **Joann Hoke Memorial Scholarship: DEADLINE to apply: May 4, 2026**

**(Open to students who will be in 5th grade in 2026-2027 school year)**

Established in August of 2016, The Joann Hoke Memorial Scholarship for a Fifth Grade Student in the amount of \$1,000 will benefit one student demonstrating financial need for their fifth-grade school year. Joann Hoke was a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at St. Rose of Lima School and Oaklyn Public Schools. She dedicated her life to teaching and to challenging her students to achieve excellence. Her family established this scholarship in her memory to allow students in our community in need of tuition assistance to benefit from a Catholic education at St. Rose of Lima School.

**[Please click here for application.](#) Due: Monday, May 4, 2026.**



## Yearbook

Yearbooks are on sale now, so order yours today! [Order online](#) or send \$36 cash or check made payable to St. Rose of Lima School.



## National Junior Honor Society

The National Junior Honor Society will be doing their final of three "Community Clean-ups" on Monday, May 4th. All members are encouraged to make this event. All permission slips should have been turned in back in October.

Our last Pretzel for a Purpose was in support of our young artists performing in this year's spring musical. And this month we will be supporting the 8th Grade Dinner Dance. All [pretzel orders](#) should be returned by Wednesday, April 22nd.

Our application process for the National Junior Honor Society will be starting soon. Current 6th and 7th graders with a GPA of 3.5 (90%) will be invited to apply for next year. [Click here](#) for more information on eligibility requirements.

## Mother Son Event:

**THIS Friday, April 17, 2026 6:40 p.m.**

**Phillies vs. Atlanta Braves @ 6:40 p.m.**

[Purchase tickets here.](#) **CODE: SRL2026**

Sections 108-111 and 136-139



## Grandparents Candy Bingo

**THIS SATURDAY!**

**April 18, 2026 - 6:30 p.m.**

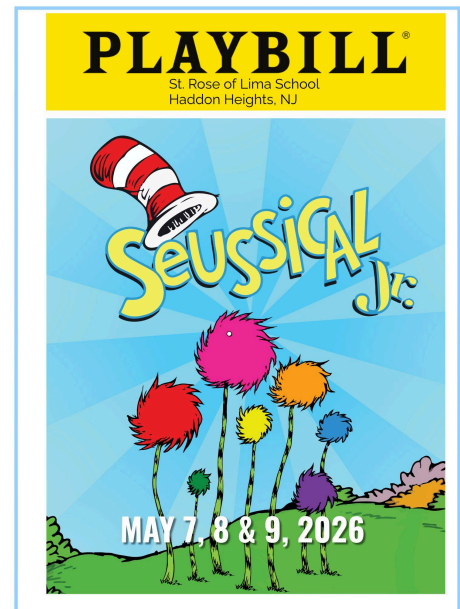
Join us for another year of Grandparents Candy Bingo! [Click here for a registration form.](#)

## Spring Musical: Seussical, Jr.

**Performances May 7, 8 & 9**

Our drama department has been working so hard and are preparing a fantastic show! Tickets are now available at the link below. We hope to see you there!

[Tickets Now Available-CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE!](#)



## Laps for Learning

**Friday, May 15, 2026**

Thank you to everyone who turned your envelopes back in! We are looking forward to another great L4L this year! [You can donate by PayPal here](#) Do not forget to turn in your [sneakers of encouragement](#) when you donate.

**Do you need more envelopes or have questions?** please email Coordinators Melissa Nunez ([missnunez1022@gmail.com](mailto:missnunez1022@gmail.com)) or or Aimee Reilly ([aimee.k.reilly@gmail.com](mailto:aimee.k.reilly@gmail.com))



**SAINT ROSE of LIMA PARISH**

**GOLF OUTING**

**MONDAY, June 1, 2026**

Time	Event
10:30	Registration Starts
11:00	Lunch
12:00	Shotgun Start
6:00	Dinner and Awards

**\$200 PER PERSON**  
Register online at [www.stroseoflimaschoolnj.com](http://www.stroseoflimaschoolnj.com)

**FOR SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION:**  
Please reach out to Marc Tumolo via e-mail at [stroseoflimagolfouting@gmail.com](mailto:stroseoflimagolfouting@gmail.com)

## Golf Outing

### **Monday, June 1 2026 @ Pennsauken Country Club**

The Annual St. Rose of Lima Golf Outing will be held on Monday, June 1 this year.

[Registration is now available here](#). If you are interested in being a sponsor, [more information about sponsorship can be found here](#). Please contact Marc Tumolo or George Merryfield via email at [stroseoflimagolfouting@gmail.com](mailto:stroseoflimagolfouting@gmail.com) with questions.

## Upcoming Dine/Shop & Donate Events: April 20 & 27



**DINING to DONATE**

Join us for a fun night at Applebee's all while raising money for **St Rose PTA**

Monday - April 20, 2026  
All Day  
610 West Nicholson Road  
Audubon, NJ - 08106

Available **TO GO** with code **DoinGood**

*Doin' Good in the Neighborhood*  
Applebee's

**Applebee's Dine and Donate**  
**Monday, April 20 - ALL DAY**



SAINT ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL

**SHOP & DONATE**

MAGNOLIA GARDENS  
APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>

405 S WHITE HORSE PIKE, MAGNOLIA, NJ 08049

MENTION SRL GARDENING CLUB AND 10% OF SALE WILL GO TO SUPPORT THE CLUB

**Magnolia Gardens Shop & Donate**  
**Monday, April 27 - ALL DAY**

## Upcoming St. Rose Camps this Summer:

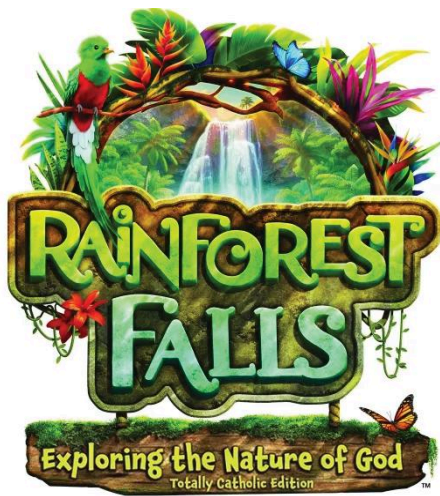
Also please check out each high school's website for more camps!

### **St. Rose Basketball Camp: June 22-25**

For Boys and Girls entering grades 1-8

[Click here for more information and to register](#)

**BASKETBALL  
CAMP**



### **Vacation Bible School: July 6 - 10**

**Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God**

**SAVE THE DATE!** Registration is coming this week for Vacation Bible School 2026. There are also volunteer opportunities for parents and also for students in older grades! Stay tuned.

### **Summer Musical Theatre Camps:**

**Musical Theater Camp: July 27 - 31**

**Musical Theater Intensive: Aug. 3-7**

[Click here for a flyer with more information.](#)

**MUSICAL  
THEATRE**

St. Rose Drama Department

**Summer Musical Camps**

Musical Theater Camp → July 27 - July 31  
Musical Theater Intensive → August 3 - August 7

## Important Upcoming Dates

Dates are subject to change and we will keep you updated if changes occur.

Date	Event
April 15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit Group 5</a></li> <li>Healthy News Works <a href="#">Social Media Workshop</a> for parents: 6:00 - 7:15 p.m. (in cafeteria)</li> </ol>
April 17	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PTA Dress Down Day (\$5)</li> <li>Phillies Game: <a href="#">Mother Son Event</a></li> </ol>
April 18	<a href="#">Grandparents' Candy Bingo</a> @ 6:30 p.m. in the gym
April 19	<a href="#">Family Mass</a> @ 5:30 p.m. <a href="#">7th &amp; 8th Grade Host</a>
April 20	<a href="#">Applebees Dine and Donate</a> : ALL DAY!
April 22	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deadline for <a href="#">Hersheypark Ticket Orders</a> (<b>EXTENDED from 4/15!</b>)</li> <li>NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit Group 6</a></li> <li><a href="#">SJCS High School Fair</a>: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Hope</li> </ol>
April 24	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Knights of Columbus Scholarship Application Due</a> (for 8th Grade Only)</li> <li>Falcon Friday and <a href="#">Pretzels for a Purpose</a></li> </ol>
April 26	<a href="#">Family Mass</a> @ 5:30 p.m. <a href="#">Alumni &amp; HS Students Host</a>
April 27	<a href="#">Magnolia Gardens Shop &amp; Donate</a> : Benefits St. Rose Gardening Club
April 29	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 Mass &amp; <b>HALF DAY</b> - Faculty Meeting</li> <li>NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit Group 1</a> - <b>Cancelled due to School Mass</b></li> </ol>
May 1	8th Grade Graduation Pictures
May 3	<a href="#">Family Mass</a> @ 5:30 p.m. <a href="#">3rd &amp; 4th Grade Host</a>
May 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Hoke Scholarship Application</a> Due (For 5th Graders in 2026-2027)</li> <li>NJHS Community Cleanup at Haddon Heights Park @ 3:00pm</li> </ol>
May 6	NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit Group 2</a>
May 7	<a href="#">Seussical Jr. Performance</a> @ 7:00 p.m.
May 8	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May Crowning - 8:30 Mass &amp; <b>HALF DAY</b> (Faculty Meeting)</li> <li><a href="#">Seussical Jr. Performance</a> @ 7:00 p.m.</li> </ol>
May 9	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Seussical Jr. Performance</a> @ 2:00 p.m.</li> <li><a href="#">Seussical Jr. Performance</a> @ 7:00 p.m.</li> </ol>
May 10	<a href="#">Family Mass</a> @ 5:30 p.m. <a href="#">5th &amp; 6th Grade Host</a>
May 12	STAR TESTING
May 13	NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit Group 3</a>

May 14	1. STAR Testing 2. Band Concert @ 7:00 p.m. in the church
May 15	STAR Testing
May 15	<a href="#">Laps for Learning</a>
May 16	<a href="#">Panera Bread Dine and Donate</a>
May 17	<a href="#">Family Mass</a> @ 5:30 p.m. <a href="#">7th &amp; 8th Grade Host</a>
May 20	NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit</a> <b>Group 4</b>
May 22	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> - HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND!
May 25	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> - HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND!
May 27	NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit</a> <b>Group 5</b>
May 29	Falcon Friday & Pretzels for a Purpose
June 1	<a href="#">Parish Golf Outing - Pennsauken Country Club</a>
June 3	NJHS <a href="#">Rosebud Visit</a> <b>Group 6</b>
June 5	School Mass @ 8:30 a.m.
June 8	8th Grade Dinner Dance @ 6:00 p.m.
June 10	1. HALF DAY - 12:00 Dismissal 2. 8th Grade Graduation @ 2:00 p.m.
June 12	Kindergarten Graduation @ 1:00 p.m.
June 16	Original Last Day of School <b>***CHANGED to JUNE 19 DUE TO EMERGENCY DAYS USED***</b>
June 17	<b>HALF DAY - Noon Dismissal</b>
June 18	<b>HALF DAY - Noon Dismissal</b>
<b>June 19</b>	<b>Last Day of School: HALF DAY - Noon Dismissal</b>
June 22-25	<a href="#">St. Rose Basketball Camp</a>
July 6-10	St. Rose Vacation Bible School - Registration coming soon.
July 27-31	<a href="#">St. Rose Musical Theater Camp</a>
August 3-7	<a href="#">St. Rose Musical Theater Intensive</a>