



St. Rocco
School

Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ!

THURSDAY
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Weekly Parent Newsletter



Dear Parents,

This week we celebrated both “Teacher Appreciation Week” and “National School Nurse Day”. The students shared their thoughts and thanks to the teachers and Nurse Cheryl over the morning announcements. Thank you to everyone who made this week special for the teachers and Nurse Cheryl. I have always said that St. Rocco’s greatest strength is its caring faculty and staff. They show up every day with exceptional professionalism and an endless capacity for being compassionate, patient, and kind. They are truly awesome and a daily blessing!

This morning, we celebrated Ascension Thursday Mass led by our Student Council. On Ascension Thursday, we commemorate Jesus Christ’s ascension into heaven which is 40 days after Easter. In 10 days, the Easter season will come to a close with the celebration of Pentecost Sunday.

School happenings...

Students in Grades K-8 began their third trimester Star Testing. Testing will continue for the next few weeks. Please make sure that your child gets enough sleep, is on time and eats a good breakfast each morning. Being well rested is crucial to performing a student’s best on tests and assessments. As a parent, you can assist your child by reminding them to relax, take their time and review their work.

Tomorrow’s “Parents, Pops and Playground” is for First and Second Grade. The weather looks good, so please come out and enjoy some time with your child and other parents. Just a reminder that all children need to be accompanied by an adult and dogs are not allowed on the school grounds.

This Saturday our Second Grade as well as some of our older students will be making their First Holy Communion at 12:30pm. Sr. Daisy has been working very hard to prepare the children for this most important Sacrament. When we as adults look back, I think our own First Communion Day is one that we can clearly remember. It was so special to us. Please join me in praying for these children on their First Communion Day.

Our soccer and volleyball teams have been competing over the past few weeks. They are entering the busiest weeks of the season. Please come out and cheer our players on.

Grammar Soccer: Friday, May 10 4:15 St. Rocco vs. St. Margarets @ Home

Finally, I would like to wish all our mothers, aunts, grandmothers, godmothers, and female role models a blessed Mothers’ Day. Your hard work, love, caring, and tireless efforts are what pave the path for your children and gives them the strength to thrive and develop. I wish you a blessed day.

Wishing everyone a peaceful week.

Respectfully,

Regina M. Hand

Teacher Appreciation Week – National School Nurse Appreciation Day

Thank you Nurse Cheryl and Teachers – We are so Blessed to have you at SRS!



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A Few Reminders:



Busing - Beginning on April 1, 2023, the Statewide Transportation System has started open enrollment and new transportation requests for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. To ensure a bus stop for the first day of the school next year, **both current and new riders** must register by **July 31, 2024**.

YEARBOOK ORDERS_~ Yearbook is in publication!!! ~ LIMITED AMOUNT LEFT



Please be sure to order a yearbook that captures the amazing memories of your child's school year! **However, you NEED TO PURCHASE through the School Office. Limited copies available. First come first serve.** We will notify you when the yearbooks are here! (REMINDER to GRADE 8 Parents: DO NOT ORDER)



Violin Concert for Afterschool Strings – K-8

Tuesday, May 14th – 3:00 pm in the Church Hall (Gym)

Please enter through the tunnel door.

From the Desk of Mrs. Muccio

What's Happening In Spanish:



With the end of the school year so close, we are wrapping up with some fun projects. Grades 4 and 5 are learning Spanish vocabulary for household items and rooms. They will finish off the year with a fun and exciting project of designing their own homes. Grades 6, 7 and eight are learning how to tell time in Spanish. With some fun "keep it up" games with our beachball as a refresher on numbers they will be telling time very soon!

A Note From Mrs. Muccio



I am so proud of the continued hard work and effort demonstrated in all my classes. As always, thank you for your continued support in helping our students reach their full ability. Can't wait to see what the future holds here at Saint Rocco School.

Art Class

The students are thriving in art while learning new skills ! Their creativity and imaginations are soaring. With seasonal projects like Saint Joseph's Day crafts, Easter, abstract Mother's Day bouquets, pottery, and so much more students are problem-solving and learning that every blank canvas is a new possibility for imagination!



ST. ROCCO SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWS

Where our Children always come first!

Our last event of the year, the Mother/Daughter Brunch, was a great success. Thanks to everyone who donated raffle items and those who volunteered. We had 31 baskets and a door prize, thanks you your generosity. Congratulations to all the lucky winners.

Thank you to Danielle Cazzarro and Shay Jenkins-Hernandez for chairing the event and planning a wonderful event for our families. A big thank you goes to all the volunteers who helped us with preparations, manning the check-ins and all the other things needed to make an event like this happen.

Volunteer Thank You: Thank you does not express the gratitude we have for all the volunteers throughout the 2023-24 school year. Without your help and support this year would not have been the success that it has been. We know it is not easy to manage schedules and find the time, but know we truly appreciate everything you have done throughout the year.

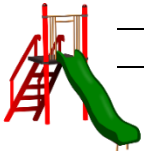
Upcoming Events:

- **St. Rocco Feast** Parent Association booth, August: We will need volunteers to man the booth during the duration of the feast. Please let the office know if you are interested in helping.
- **Family Field Day** has been moved to the beginning of the 2024-25 school season. Stay tuned for details and dates.

We'd like to thank our outgoing President of Parent Association, Maria Cassisi for all of her hard work and dedication to the Parent Association and St. Rocco School! All of her tireless efforts have been such a blessing to all of us!

The Parent Association has an opening for Treasurer on their Board. If you are interested in filling one of these positions, or know of a parent who would be, please see the attached Nomination Form and send it back to the school as soon as possible. Thank you for all you do to support our Parent Association!

Parents, Pops and Playground Event



"Where our Children always come first!"



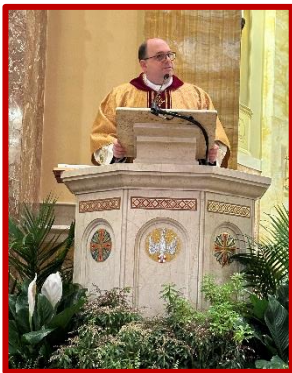
The "Parents, Pops and Playground" activity will take place on Friday afternoons. The dates, times and grade levels are as follows:

Grades PK3 & PK4	Friday, May 17th	2:30-3:30pm
Grades K	Friday, May 24th	2:30-3:30pm
Grades 1 & 2	Friday, May 10 th and 31 st	2:30-3:30pm

Each child MUST be accompanied by an adult

Saint Rocco School 60th Anniversary Celebration – May 4th

Thank you to those who came out last Saturday to celebrate St. Rocco School's 60th Anniversary. Our Committee members worked tirelessly to put this event together. Our celebration started at St. Rocco's Church, where Fr. Carusi and Deacon Bob led us in prayer and the St. Rocco Church and School students filled our hearts with beautiful music. Special thanks to the 60th Anniversary committee as well as Cookie Rodi, Bethany Rachdouni and Mr. and Mrs. Caramello. We were blessed to see so many of our past faculty and alumni including many of The Sisters of The Sacred Heart of Jesus. Thank you does not seem enough to say to our committee who brought this event to fruition. We'd also like to thank our Principal, Regina Hand, and Assistant Principal, Marcia Montecalvo for their support of the special celebration. Please enjoy some pictures from the event!





UPCOMING ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Friday, May 10, 2024

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Friday, May 17, 2024

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

Monday, May 27, 2024

Thursday, May 30, 2024

Friday, May 31, 2024

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

Friday, June 7, 2024

Monday, June 10, 2024

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Middle School Dance – Gr. 6-8 6:30-8:45pm

First Holy Communion 12:30pm

May Crowning – 9:00 am

STUCO Elections

State Fair – 4th Grade 9:00am/Class Rep Elections

Memorial Day – No School

Induction Ceremony 9:00am

8th Grade Field Trip to Boston

8th Grade Class Day and Class Night – 6:00 pm

First Friday Mass – 8:45 am/Field Day Grades 1-7

Pk3 Graduation – 8:45 am/8th Grade Graduation – 6:00 pm

PreK4A & PreK4B Graduations/Kindergarten Graduation

End of Year Liturgy-8:45 am/Last day of School –

11:30 dismissal



May Virtue of the Month ~ Kindness

And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. Ephesians 4:32



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Also, don't forget to regularly visit our website www.stroccoschool.org for important information and updates.

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~in our minds, on our lips, and always in our hearts~

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