



March 28, 2024

It was another short yet incredibly vibrant week at St. Michael School, overflowing with countless moments of wonder and joy. It was delightful to see so many of you in attendance for our **Lenten Lessons and Song**. I am proud of the reverent and respectful manner in which our students sang during yesterday's service. Their performance was truly touching, and I extend a heartfelt thank you to Mrs. Blanda for her dedication and effort in preparing the students. Please check-out our Facebook page for some beautiful pictures of the service.

I want to remind you that there is no school tomorrow, **Friday, March 29th** for **Good Friday** and no school on **Monday, April 1st** for **Easter Monday**. I hope you enjoy the long Easter weekend with your families.

This week we kicked-off our annual **Cash Raffle** and we need **EVERYONE** to participate, as we rely heavily on the support of our parents, alumni, parish community and extended community of friends and family to continue to meet our mission. We ask that all our families sell a minimum of **\$225.00** to help meet our goal of **\$25,000**. Follow the link and create a team! <https://go.rallyup.com/2024smcscashraffle> It's easy to share with friends, family and neighbors through email, text or social media. We also have a paper form for those who would like to enter the raffle. I have attached it below.



We sold all our ducks! Thank you for your participation in this year's Duck Race. We raised **\$2,000** ducks, I mean bucks for our school!

Last week we sent out our **2024-2025 St. Michael School registration packet**. Please look over the forms, sign and return to us before the **April 30th** deadline with the \$250 deposit per child. (The non-refundable deposit will be deducted from your tuition.) Keep in mind that all Financial Aid Application forms are filed through FACTS and must be submitted by April 30th. Decisions regarding grants of financial aid will be made by May 31st.

We are teeing-up for the **13th Annual Rita Ahearn Memorial Golf Tournament on May 13th**. The planning committee has asked each class to team up with another to create a basket that will be raffled off the day of the tournament. Room reps will be reaching out soon to ask for donations and/or money to purchase items for the baskets. Thank you in advance for your continued support and love for our school. If you want to help volunteer that day, play golf or purchase a Tee Sign, please reach out to Tim Babcock (tbabcock@uri.edu) for more information on how to participate.

We still have a few tables left for our **Trivia Night**, scheduled for **April 26th!** If you were thinking about getting a table, act fast, as there is limited availability. Contact Jackie Spiers (jackie8783@hotmail.com) to reserve your table



I want to congratulate our Girls Basketball team for their **AMAZING** performance at the **CYO New England Regional Tournament** in New Hampshire last weekend. They won their first



game and the team advanced into the Final 4 where they lost to St Catherine of Sienna School from Boston in a fast-paced nailbiter. Our girls were up by 10 points going into the final quarter, when St Catherines came back with vengeance. I was so proud of the way our girls played and most importantly, how they handled themselves both on and off the court. Thank you to their head coach **Deanna Bergondo** and to assistance coach **Tim Babcock** for their unwavering support, dedication and inspiration to the team. Thank you to all the families who came to cheer on our girls! What a way to end the season. Check out our Facebook page for photos of the tournament.

As you walk with Jesus during Holy Week, I encourage you to pause and ponder... consider how you might make the most of this week. These are some of the darkest, yet brightest days in the history of the world, and they are rich with soul-sustaining food and life-clarifying vision. On behalf of St. Michael School, we wish you all a very **Happy Easter**.



God Bless
Amy Babcock
Principal

Cash Raffle Update:

31 SMS families signed-up so far

Total Raised: \$2,683: 11% of our Goal.

