



# St. Michael the Archangel Catholic School

The mission of St. Michael the Archangel Catholic School is to educate the minds, bodies, and spirits of a culturally diverse community of lifelong learners who exemplify Catholic values.

June 3, 2014

## Calendar of Events

Tuesday	June 3	<b>Final Week of Clubs</b>
Wednesday	June 4	<b>Summer School Scholarship Application Distributed</b> <b>Mass 8:00 am</b> <i>All are invited to attend! The seventh grade students will assist at Mass.</i> <b>Penny Carnival for Primary Students 1:30 pm</b> in the Botello/Pustelnik School Hall
Thursday	June 5	<b>Eighth Grade Awards Ceremony 10:00 am</b> Botello/Pustelnik School Hall <i>All eighth grade students are welcome to dress up for the awards ceremony and luncheon. Family members and their guests are invited to attend!</i> <b>Eighth Grade Luncheon 11:30 am</b> Pastoral Center <b>Taste of St. Michael Follow-Up Meeting</b> All parent representatives are invited to attend!
Friday	June 6	<b>Summer School Scholarship Application Due!</b> <b>Eighth Grade Field Trip: Museum of Science and Industry and Hollywood Park</b>
Saturday	June 7	<b>Graduation Mass and Ceremony at St. Michael 5:00 pm</b> (multilingual)
Sunday	June 8	<b>Mass at St. Michael 8:00 am</b> (English), 9:30 am (English), 11:00 am (Spanish)
Monday	June 9	<b>No After-School Clubs During the Final Week of School</b> <b>Dress Down Day: Grades 6-7 only</b> Grades 6-7 won the middle school reading contest!
Tuesday	June 10	<b>Last Full Day of School for Preschool and Kindergarten Students</b>
Wednesday	June 11	<b>Preschool and Kindergarten Mass and Program 8:00 am</b> at St. Michael Church <i>Preschool and kindergarten students may dress up and/or wear graduation gowns. Please note that preschool and kindergarten students are dismissed after the program.</i> <b>DMDL Brass Works Concert 1:30 pm</b> in the Botello/Pustelnik School Hall
Thursday	June 12	<b>Awards Ceremony</b> Grades 1-3: 9:30 am; Grades 5-7: 11:00 am <i>All students may dress up.</i> <b>World Music Drumming Concert 1:30 pm</b> in the Botello/Pustelnik School Hall
Friday	June 13	<b>Final Day of School:</b> 1:00 pm dismissal <i>Students may dress down on Friday, June 13. Report cards and TerraNova test scores may be picked up once all tuition and other fees are paid in full.</i> <b>No Extended Day</b>

### Summer School Scholarship Application Deadline: Friday, June 6, 2014

The Big Shoulders Fund and BASE are again offering a summer school scholarship for those who will be attending Corazón a Corazón this summer. The application is enclosed in this week's newsletter and is available in the office.

### Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Congratulations to Cyaira Plase, 2014 valedictorian of St. Michael School! She has the highest grade point average of her class! Congratulations to Christie Pierre, 2014 salutatorian of St. Michael School! She has the second-highest grade point average of her class!

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### **Taste of St. Michael**

Thank you to everyone who assisted with making the Taste of St. Michael a great success! Thank you in particular to the parents, staff, and parishioner who organized the event! Everyone had a wonderful time, and we look forward to next year's Taste of St. Michael!!

### **End of the Year Activities**

Please see the schedule on the reverse side for a detailed list of end-of-year activities.

### **Eighth Grade Graduation Mass and Ceremony**

The eighth grade graduation Mass and ceremony will be held at St. Michael church at 5:00 pm on Saturday, June 7, 2014. Please note that balloons are not permitted in the church.

### **Preschool and Kindergarten Mass and Program: Wednesday, June 11, 2014**

The preschool and kindergarten students will assist at Mass and celebrate with a short program immediately following Mass. Graduation caps will be provided for by the school. Parents may wish to see their child wearing a traditional gown as well. While this is not necessary, it is permissible for those parents who are interested. Parents may purchase a cap and/or gown to wear, preferably shiny royal blue. Our recommended provider is Graduation Source. They can be found online at <http://www.graduationsource.com/middleschool/caps-and-gowns/gown-only/adult-shiny-royal-gown.html> You may be able to locate other options online or in the area. Parents may choose to have their children dress nicely for the program. Students can also wear the school uniforms. Please refrain from bringing balloons into the church. Flowers and other items are permissible. Please note that this is the last day of school for preschool and kindergarten students.

### **Corazón a Corazón Summer School**

Corazón a Corazón will be hosting summer school from July 7 through August 2, 2014, for students entering grades 1-8. Classes will run from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm. Students will take reading, language arts, mathematics, and science classes and will participate in regular field trips. The program will only be accepting 40 students. The cost is \$150 per student; siblings will receive a discount. Please call Mr. Charles at (773) 221-0620.

### **Eighth Grade Tuition and Fees Due**

All eighth grade tuition and fees, including but not limited to extended day fees, music class fees, late fees, graduation fees, and any fundraising fees, were to be paid by May 15, 2014. Please note that eighth grade students will not be permitted to participate in any graduation activities, including but not limited to the ribbon ceremony, May crowning, the awards ceremony, the eighth grade luncheon, the eighth grade field trip, unless all tuition and fees are paid in full.

### **Last Week of After-School Clubs**

Please note that this is the last week of after-school clubs. There will be no clubs during the final week of school. We will have extended day through Thursday, June 12, 2014.

### **2014-2015 Registration**

All families who intend to enroll their children at St. Michael for the upcoming school year must complete registration paperwork for the 2014-2015 school year.

Please note, all families will need to reapply for financial aid for the 2014-2015 school year.

### **Used Paper Requested!**

*Thank you to the many parents who have dropped off both used and clean paper!*

St. Michael is seeking paper that is clean on at least one side. Some parents may be able to gather one-sided paper from work to donate to the school. These donations help the school to save money and the environment.

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### **Mr. Escobedo's New Schedule**

Due to the growth of enrollment and increased financial stability at St. Michael, the Big Shoulders Fund has asked Mr. Mario Escobedo to work on an additional project. Mr. Mario will be available at St. Michael each Tuesday and Thursday and every other Monday from 8:45 am – 4:30 pm and additional hours by appointment.

### **Big Shoulders Fund Scholarships and Volunteer Hours**

The Big Shoulders Fund Scholarship amounts have been announced. If families have completed their six hours of volunteer service, your portion of the scholarship has been applied. Please note that all volunteers must complete background checks. For those whose funds have not been applied, please contact the school office to complete your service hours. Please remember that parents of students receiving scholarship assistance must complete 12 hours of service.

### **Reading Incentive Program Continues**

All students in grades preschool – grade 8 are participating in a reading incentive program. Students should read or be read to each night for 20-30 minutes. Their progress will be acknowledged through visual displays in the first, second, and third floor hallways and through various certificates and awards.

Please be sure that reading is a priority for your child!

### **Psalm for the Season**

Each morning the students participate in a responsorial psalm. During the Easter Season, which continues through Pentecost, we will be saying Psalm 105.

*Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.*

O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wonderful works.

*Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.*

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