

Saint Raphael School  
160 Saint Josephs Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

**A Profile of a St. Raphael School Graduate:**

Upon graduation from St. Raphael School, we will be . . .

- S**uccessful students who are
- T**echnologically competent individuals receiving
- R**igorous curriculum preparing us to be
- A**cademic achievers,
- P**eople of faith and
- H**elpers in our community. We are
- A**ware individuals that
- E**xcel as
- L**eaders!

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**From the Desk of Principal Michelle Limb**



We began a new school year with contagious enthusiasm. The privileged opportunity as principal to welcome all our faculty and students back to campus has been an incredible blessing. Granted the pandemic has changed our normalcy, but we are confident that students are smiling under their masks in their classrooms and enjoying the fresh air and outdoor play like never before.

After attending Mass for the first time this year, an 8th grader told me, "Gosh, it was great to go to church again." What a remarkable testimony on the value of attending Mass. Yes, let's all get back to Mass!

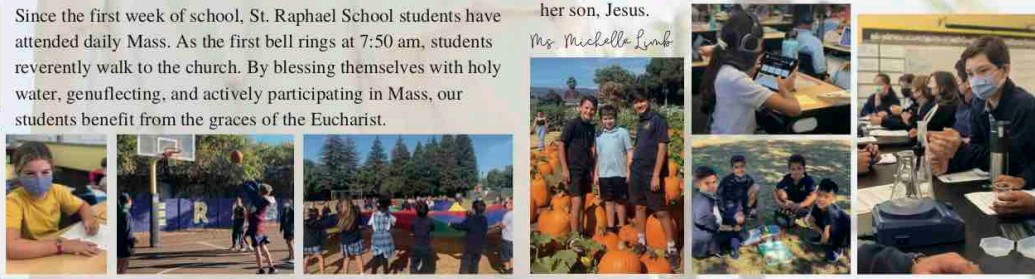


One of the benefits of being a Catholic school leader is witnessing the growth our students experience as they deepen their relationship with Jesus. We are overjoyed to return to weekly Mass which encourages Saint Raphael School students to enrich their faith. For some, it has been over a year and a half since they attended church and received the Eucharist. During the first few weeks of school, my heart was deeply touched seeing the students coming together to worship. Monsignor Jon repeatedly reminds the students that after they receive Communion, they have Jesus inside them, and that they are expected to be the light of Christ for others. What a gift we provide our children at St. Raphael School. As Saint Padre Pio so eloquently stated, "It is easier for the earth to exist without the sun than without the holy Sacrifice of the Mass."

**Enriching Programs**  
This year we also welcome back many of our programs that were not implemented last year due to the pandemic. Students are actively learning both inside and outside of the classroom. Programs like Wilderness Youth Project, Explore Ecology, The Walking Classroom, swimming lessons at the YMCA, bike lessons, and other projects invigorate our campus with energy and curiosity. Many of these programs are funded through the generous support of the Audacious Foundation. We greatly appreciate the foundation's ongoing commitment to Saint Raphael School. I look forward to watching all our students grow in mind, body, and spirit!

May Our Blessed Mother continue to bring us all closer to her son, Jesus.

*Ms. Michelle Limb*



# Annual Fund

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The St. Raphael School Annual Fund is integral to the education of the Whole Child. While tuition funds establish the foundation for the school, the money contributed annually by our valued parents, friends and family, supports critical programs for students to grow both academically and in their faith. These special programs are cherished components to the St. Raphael School

experience, and one of the reasons many have grown to love and trust our school for their families. In this spirit, it's easy for anyone to donate. Simply go to [bit.ly/srsaf21](http://bit.ly/srsaf21) or use the QR Code. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and allows students the opportunity to experience many wonderful programs at St. Raphael School.

**St. Raphael School Upcoming Events:**

November 22-26: Thanksgiving Break

December 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass at 10:45

December 16: Christmas Program

December 18 - January 2: Christmas Break