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St. Raymond's Respects Life

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Thanks for Supporting Run/Walk4Life

Thanks to the 14 St. Raymond's parishioners who made the trip out to St. John's in Leesburg with hundreds of others for the Second Annual Run/Walk 4 Life to benefit Divine Mercy Care. These hearty souls took their chances with the weather and were rewarded with a great cloud covered day to run or walk in support of the unborn. We also had the pleasure of the company of our former Parochial Vicar and avid runner, Fr. Edward Horkan (now at St. James in Falls Church), who enjoyed the run and all the surrounding fun. Mark your calendar now for the Third Annual Run on Labor Day 2012!

Auction Items for Divine Mercy Care Gala!

Are you crafty? Do you have a family treasure that you are ready to part with? Are you (or do you know) a local merchant with a treasure to share? The Divine Mercy Care gala committee is looking for quality donations for the 8th annual DMC Gala and auction on Saturday 12 November at the Dulles Hilton. For more information send a note to: gala@divinemercycare.org or call (703)934-5552.

Nickels for Newborns

St. Raymond's in the lead for life - again! During the 2010-2011 school year St. Raymond's initiated a terrifically successful program entitled 'Nickels for Newborns' in which the children in our CCD program collected over $2500.00 for Divine Mercy Care. In addition to the generous monetary donation, the success of the program is better measured in the number of children who participated in the spiritual aspect of promoting the Culture of Life in ways appropriate to their age level. The details of how to administer this program have been shared with DMC to become a model for the diocese and beyond! For more information contact Maria Ammirati in the Religious Education office at (703) 440-0537.

2010-11 Calendar

Saturday, September 17th
Speaker Series: Father Tadeusz Pacholczyk, the Director of Education of the National Catholic Bioethics Center, will speak at St. Raymonds on Beginning of Life Issues (In Vitro, Assisted Reproductive Technologies, Human Embryos)
Mass at 9:00 a.m.
Talk from 9:45 a.m. until noon
See Flyer on Parish Website

Saturday, September 17th
Wash4Life at St. Raymond's
Come to the Speaker Series and drop off your car to get it washed by the CYO to support Divine Mercy Care.

Sunday September 25th
Parish Picnic

Friday, Sept. 30th - Saturday, Oct. 1st
40 Days for Life campaign at Abortion Facility near Bishop Ireton high school (2807-2839 Duke Street). Sign up in Narthax after Masses in September.

Sunday, October 2nd - 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Life Chain on Franconia Road.

Thursday, November 3rd 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
2nd Respect Life Speaker Series
Dr. Marie Anderson, Medical Director, Tepeyac Family Center.

Saturday, November 12th
Divine Mercy Care Gala, Dulles Hilton Hotel, call (703) 934-5552 for invitation

Wednesday, November 30th 7:30 p.m.
St. Raymond's Respects Life Committee Meeting

Join the Committee – Be Part of an Active Team
Email us at straymondprolife@aol.com.