

SRS Rock the Challenge 2025 is underway! **This Fall will be the 10th Anniversary of this awe-inspiring day**. Over the last 10 years we have donated our time and talent to places like UH Rainbow Babies & Children Hospital, The Westside Catholic Center, The Village Project, Westlake Meals on Wheels, Blessing House, Prayers From Maria, Gigi's Playhouse, Regina Health Center, First Responders, Saint Francis School, Saint Ignatius & Saint Ed's Labre Ministries, El Salvador Missionaries, and Catholic Charities to name a few. The students and staff of St. Raphael School will once again challenge not only our bodies physically, but also spiritually through a day of service and prayers for those in need. Our community and school service projects will require a lot of community support, and we are asking for your help. Here are ways you are able to assist us in making these days achievable:

- **1. PRAYERS:** As the planning continues and we contact the local and global organizations we work with, we need your prayers to keep us on the right path and have Jesus guide us in our preparations for the projects. We are so thankful that we are able to continue this amazing tradition at St. Raphael School. We look forward to another great day of helping others.
- **2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** Attached to this email is our sponsorship form. As quoted by many 8th graders in their graduation book, as well as lots of K-7th graders, RTC is one of their favorite days of the year! We try to make the day fantastic and faith-giving, but it requires a lot of support. We have varying levels in which you can help to make the community service projects, school art project, T-shirts, or athletic obstacles possible. We have always been blessed with parish and school support to achieve all our goals since 2015 when Rock the Challenge began. We also donate remaining sponsorship funds back to the organizations we partner with each year to continue to support their mission.
- 3. **DONATIONS:** This year we have a few service projects that we are asking for your donations.
- A. GENTLY USED kids and adult books for the Lending Library at Saint Aloysius will be collected. You can drop the books in the bins by the concession stand in Good Shepherd Square and we will deliver them after RTC is over.
- B. An AMAZON WISH LIST is being prepared and will be shared, as well as being linked to our RtC QR code in the bulletin to help us purchase supplies for our service projects.
- 4. **VOLUNTEERS:** A Signup Genius will be emailed and linked to the Friday Folder for parent helpers to assist with the activities that day.

We are so excited for RtC 2025 on Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2025. Please help us by volunteering, donating books, supplies or contributing with one of our sponsorships.

With gratitude for your prayers and continued financial support,

The Rock the Challenge Committee

## Sponsorship Opportunities

### What is Rock the Challenge (RTC)?

September 10, the students and staff of St. Raphael School will once again challenge not only our bodies physically with athletic activities and obstacle courses, but also spiritually through a day of service and prayers for those in need. Our service projects, school art project, and obstacle course will need some community support and we are offering varying levels of sponsorships this year.

#### Diamond T-shirt Sponsor \$750

Every student & staff member will be given a shirt to wear on the day of the event. These shirts are used throughout the year, during Spring Retreat, Catholic Schools Week and field trips. They have even been seen worn around town!! Diamond T-shirt sponsors will be recognized with their logo on the back of the T-shirt, at the entrance of Good Shepherd Square, with their name/business on the marquee sign in front of Church and in the parish bulletin. Hurry, space is limited!

# **Sapphire Service Community Project Sponsor \$500**

Help us help others by aiding in purchasing the supplies for our service projects. In the past, Regina Health Center, Gigi's PlayHouse, Village Project, Huntington Woods Nursing Home, Blessing House, and West Side Catholic Center have all benefited from our various projects. Sapphire Community Project Sponsors will be recognized with signage at the stations on the day of the event, at the entrance of Good Shepherd Square, with their name/business on the marquee sign in front of the Church and in the parish bulletin.

#### **Emerald Service School Project Sponsor \$300**

Our school has amazing student generated art projects from Rock the Challenge days. The tile cross, the peace puzzle, the stained glass window are just a few of the pieces that this sponsorship level helps to generate. Emerald Service School Project Sponsors will be recognized with signage at the station on the day of the event, at the entrance of Good Shepherd Square and in the parish bulletin.

#### **Ruby Athletic Obstacle Course Sponsor \$150**

Help offset the cost of a fun, faith-filled challenging obstacle course. Ruby Athletic Obstacle Course Sponsors will be recognized with signage at the station on the day of the event and in the parish bulletin.

#### **Pearl Family Driveway Sign Sponsor \$50**

If your family wants to help make this day become a reality with your budget in mind, become a Pearl Family Driveway Sign Sponsor. Your family (or business) will have signage along the driveway. This money will offset the expenses that arise from any of the projects or crafts we create throughout the day.

# Yes, I would LOVE to sponsor RTC (Please check your level of sponsorship)

X <del>Diamond T-shirt Sponsor \$750</del>
Sapphire Service Community Project Sponsor \$500
Emerald Service School Project Sponsor \$300
Ruby Athletic Obstacle Course Sponsor \$150
Pearl Family Driveway Sign Sponsor \$50
Family or Business Name
SRS Student Name(s)
SRS Grade(s)
Address
Phone
Email

The current sponsorship levels are due *Tuesday*, *September 2*. Please make checks payable to St. Raphael Home & School and submitted to Colleen Maher at the **Parish Office** (525 Dover Center Rd, Bay Village, Ohio 44140).All donations are tax deductible.

If you have any questions concerning sponsorship please feel free to contact Colleen Maher (<a href="mailto:cmaher@saintraphaelparish.com">cmaher@saintraphaelparish.com</a>) or Jaci Manfred (<a href="mailto:imanfred@saintraphaelparish.com">imanfred@saintraphaelparish.com</a>).

Thank you for your consideration,

#### Katie Zorc

RTC Chairperson & SRS Mom of Jacob '19, JohnPaul '21, Joe '23, Josh '25, & JuliaRose '31