



# CHILDREN & FAMILIES

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER  
AUGUST 2024

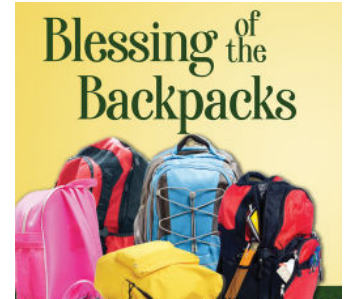
## CELEBRATE VBS!



On Sunday, August 11, at our 9 a.m. service, we invite you to attend our Vacation Bible School Celebration Sunday, which includes all of us wearing our VBS tie-dye t-shirts to church, presentations from our VBS week together during the mass, bringing our backpacks with us for our annual "Blessing of the Backpacks," followed by "Sundaes on Sunday" in Gillespie Hall, with glimpses of the entire VBS 2024 week. The VBS community - children, youth aides,

and adults - will participate during the service.

Don't miss this glorious culmination of our VBS week!



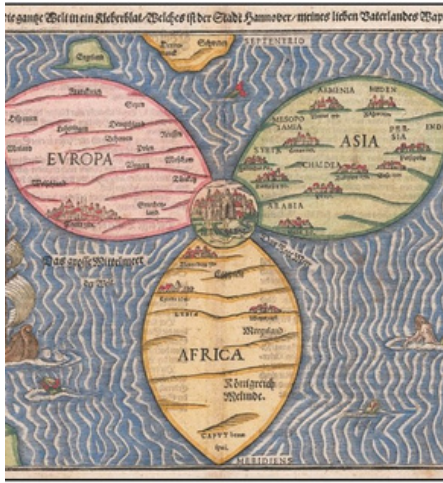
## RALLY SUNDAY 2024

Our new Sunday School year launches Sunday, August 18, as we welcome Rally Sunday 2024! Parents and children remain in the church at the end of the 9 a.m. mass that morning for information about the year ahead. Then, everyone will have a chance to meet their teachers in Gillespie Hall.

Sunday School is held every Sunday of the academic year from 10-10:40 a.m.

The first class is on August 25. All classrooms, nursery-8th grade, are located on the second floor of the Robinson Center, a secure, controlled-entry building. 9-12th grades meet in the Babcock Youth Center. The parish is blessed with 63 remarkable teachers and leaders who are dedicated to partnering with families to help form the faith foundation of our children and youth ages 2 through 12th grade. These teachers help students deepen their faith, establish solid community values, and foster stronger families along the way. Thank you to each of them!





Signposts to the Messiah  
LOGOS 2024

## LOGOS BEGINS

Was it "just an accident" that Jesus was born when he was at the time he was born? Hardly. God knew it would happen just this way from the beginning, all the way along. It was His plan - His "roadmap to the Messiah"- and the salvation of the world. His "signposts" are the focus of LOGOS this year!

LOGOS is Redeemer's Wednesday night program for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. LOGOS, which is Greek for "The Word," includes Bible study, choir, art, and a family-style dinner mixed with lots of fun. LOGOS aims to "connect our Sundays," as we model our faith as part of our daily lives. LOGOS is held on Wednesdays from 5-6:30 p.m.

Tuition for this 14-week program is \$50, and scholarships are available. Parent participation is a requirement, and there are many ways to be involved that will work with your family's schedule. Sign up at [RedeemerSarasota.org/Register](https://RedeemerSarasota.org/Register).

LOGOS 2024 starts Wednesday, August 21, with our Parent/Child Info Night and Dinner from 5:45-6:30 p.m. For more information, contact 2024 LOGOS Chair Maranda Kles at [MKles09@gmail.com](mailto:MKles09@gmail.com)

## REDEEMER CHOIR SCHOOL



Did you know that Redeemer's world-class music program has an offering for children?

The Redeemer Choir School, for K-5th graders who can read, meets on Wednesdays from 5:10-5:45 p.m. in the Choir Room.

Email Organist-Choirmaster Sam Nelson at [SamNelson@RedeemerSarasota.org](mailto:SamNelson@RedeemerSarasota.org), for more info.

## OUR '24-'25 CHILDREN & YOUTH CALENDAR IS HERE!

Redeemer 2024-25 Children, Youth, and Families calendar is ready for distribution!

In it, you'll be able to access information re: plans and programs for the new academic year at Redeemer.

This is a must-have for families who look at long-range planning.

Plan to pick yours up on Rally Sunday!

## BE AN ACOLYTE

Our acolyte program is open to children and youth in K and up. Acolytes serve at all masses and special services. To register, contact parishioner Jody Maxwell at [Jody@jjmcpa.net](mailto:Jody@jjmcpa.net).



As the new school year begins, join families and loved ones for

## Parents in Prayer August 12

10 a.m. mass

Redeemer chapel



# PARENTS IN PRAYER

Join parents, grandparents, and loved ones as we cover our children, their teachers, and their schools in prayer on Monday, August 12, during the 10 a.m. mass in the Chapel at Redeemer.

What a true blessing your prayers will be!

Stay for a cup of coffee on the veranda after the service!

## AUGUST HAPPENINGS

**Children's Chapel** is offered weekly during the 9 a.m. mass.

**Nurseries are open** during the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. masses on Sundays for children ages 6 weeks through 3 years old. The nursery opens on Sundays starting at 8:45 a.m. It is also open on Holy Days throughout the year. Our nursery suite is on the second floor of the Robinson Center.

**Vacation Bible School Celebration Sunday and the Blessing of the Backpacks** is on Sunday, August 11, during the 9 a.m. mass.

**Parents in Prayer** is on Monday, August 12, during the 10 a.m. mass in the Chapel.

**Sunday School 2024-25** starts on Sunday, August 18, after the 9 a.m. mass. Classes are offered for ages 4 through high school. Classes are also offered at the 1 p.m. mass on Sundays (in Spanish).

**LOGOS for grades K-5th** meets on Wednesday nights from 5-6:30 p.m. It starts on Wednesday, August 21, from 5:45-6:30 p.m. with our annual Parent/Child Dinner.

**Children's Choir for grades K-5** meets on Wednesdays from 5:10-5:45 p.m. in the Choir Room. For more information and to register, please email Organist-Choirmaster Sam Nelson at [SamNelson@RedeemerSarasota.org](mailto:SamNelson@RedeemerSarasota.org).

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**Save the Date! Parents Night Out Interactive Cooking Class with Chef Jeff Trefry** is scheduled for Saturday, September 28, from 7-9 p.m. Space is limited! Register at [RedeemerSarasota.org/Register](https://RedeemerSarasota.org/Register). Child care is not provided, so line up those babysitters now!



# SUNDAYS IN AUGUST

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## Sunday, August 4

- **Mass** at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 1 p.m. (1 p.m. in Spanish)
- **Children's Chapel** during the 9 a.m. mass, Gillespie Hall
- **Nurseries are open** during the 9 and 11 a.m. masses
- **VBS Volunteer Commissioning, 9 a.m. mass**

## Sunday, August 11

- **Mass** at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 1 p.m. (1 p.m. in Spanish)
- **Nurseries are open** during the 9 and 11 a.m. masses
- **VBS Celebration Sunday - "Sundaes on Sunday,"** during and following the 9 a.m. mass, Gillespie Hall
- **Blessing of the Backpacks, during the 9 a.m. mass**

## Sunday, August 18

- **Mass** at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 1 p.m. (1 p.m. in Spanish)
- **Children's Chapel** during the 9 a.m. mass, Gillespie Hall
- **Nurseries are open** during the 9 and 11 a.m. masses
- **Rally Sunday - Register for Sunday School,** following the 9 a.m. mass

## Sunday, August 25

- **Mass** at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 1 p.m. (1 p.m. in Spanish)
- **Children's Chapel** during 9 a.m. mass, Gillespie Hall
- **Nurseries are open** during the 9 and 11 a.m. masses
- **First Sunday of Sunday School, VPK-12th grade,** following the 9 a.m. mass

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- **Sunday School resumes on Sunday, August 18, with Rally Sunday.**
  - **The Children & Families Lending Library** is in the reception area of the second floor of the Robinson Center. Feel free to browse, make your selection, and enjoy a book at home. Don't forget to bring books back so others can enjoy them!
  - Our **Nurseries** are for children ages 6 weeks to those who are not yet 4 years old. They are open during the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. masses on the second floor of the Robinson Center. **Greeters** welcome families before the 9 a.m. mass.
  - **A Mother's Lounge,** for convenience and privacy when nursing babies, is directly across from our nursery suite.
  - **Children's Chapel** takes place during the 9 a.m. mass throughout the year.
  - During the 1 p.m. mass (in Spanish), students and teachers leave for **Sunday School** before the Gospel is read and return at The Peace.

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**For more information about Children and Families at Redeemer,  
contact Director of Children's Christian Formation Jacki Boedecker at  
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