



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

November 10, 2005

“I venture to suggest that patriotism is not a short and frenzied outburst of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime.” –Adlai Stevenson

Thank you for returning the survey on conferences. In next week's FCE I will summarize your feedback. Your input is important to us. If you have not yet returned yours, it's not too late. On Wednesday, Nov. 23, at 10:30AM our school community will celebrate Thanksgiving at a special Mass planned by our 3rd graders. The third grade is asking that every student bring in one can of food by the 23rd. Cans should be brought to the child's classroom. All collected food will be donated to the West Seattle Food Bank. Nov. 23 will be a perfect uniform day – students are expected to be in FULL UNIFORM, which means having the proper uniform sweater, sweatshirt or vest. Thank you for your cooperation. As always, parents are invited to join us for Mass. We love to have you come and pray with us. School will dismiss shortly after Mass, at noon for the Thanksgiving holiday.

VETERANS' DAY HOLIDAY is tomorrow, Friday, Nov. 11. We take time to honor all members of the Armed Services, past and present. Remember, no school on Friday.

A BIG THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR ANNUAL COAT DRIVE. Holy Rosary families donated 300 coats and jackets to benefit needy families in West Seattle. The Leadership elective students, Susan Strmich and Eileen Collopy from the Clothesline Clothing Bank say thank you.

RAFFLE TO BENEFIT ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CONTINUES. Leadership elective students are selling raffle tickets to benefit St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School in Louisiana. Prizes include: an MP3 player, giant snake, cushy pillow and inflatable chair. The four winners will be announced on November 16th. Winners will draw one of the four prizes out of a hat.

FROM MS. CURRAN. In practicing Catholic Social Teaching, Holy Rosary Art Students have designed Thanksgiving greetings for their new friends at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School. Each student in grades 1, 3, 4, & 6 has created an original drawing or painting. Then they composed and attached heartfelt messages for the Hurricane Katrina survivors at St. Elizabeth's. From watercolor turkeys to fabulous fall leaf prints to drawings of the Katrina disaster, our students have shared their feelings through their art and writing. What a gift that is!

A DOLLAR FOR CRAZY HAIR SPIRIT DAY THIS WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16. Holy Rosary students are invited to bring in a minimum \$1.00 donation to enjoy free dress AND crazy hair this Wednesday, November 16th. Students need to “purchase” their free dress on that day. Otherwise

they are expected to wear their uniforms to school. All proceeds will benefit our "twin" school, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, in Kenner, Louisiana. The Leadership elective thanks you for your support.

TEEN NIGHT TONIGHT @ WEST SEATTLE BOWL. OLG's youth minister Kerry Rankins invites all 7th and 8th grade students to get together at West Seattle Bowl next Thursday, Nov. 17th at 7 pm. The cost is \$1.75/ game and teens get free shoe rentals. If you have any questions please contact Kerry Rankins @ OLG 935-0338 ext. 113 or kerryr@olgseattle.com or Ginny Kane @ 938-0673

CHILDREN'S CHOIR TO SING AT CCS CHRISTMAS GALA @ WESTIN HOTEL! Merry Christmas! The Holy Rosary Children's Choir has been invited to sing Christmas songs at the downtown Westin Hotel for the annual CCS (Catholic Community Services) "Christmas for Families" banquet. We will lead the singing of Christmas carols from 8:25-8:45 PM on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2nd. The choir will be the after-dinner entertainment on a stage with lights and microphones and the audience will sing along! We will have 3 Tuesday practices (Nov. 15, 22, 29) from 3:15-4:15 to prepare our Christmas carols. Now is a great time to join the choir! We will sing at the 9:30 mass this Sunday, Nov. 13 and then begin Christmas practices for the CCS banquet and for the 5:00 PM Christmas Eve mass at Holy Rosary. Come and sing with us! Paul Dolejsi, Children's Choir Director, 206-935-8754 (home office)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR. The library was a busy place during conference week. Your purchases resulted in \$424 in new books from Scholastic and \$1389, which will be used to purchase new resources for the library. Special thanks to **Betty Golubiec and Tracey Kipp** for their help setting up and closing the Fair. The Scholastic Book Fair will return during Catholic Schools Week. Thank you for your continued support of the library program, Sue Harris, Librarian

THE USED UNIFORM EXCHANGE/SALE will be open for business right before Parents' Club on November 17th. Please stop by anytime between 5:30 and 6:30—we are on the 2nd floor of the convent. Please note that we won't be open again until 2006 so this is your chance to stock up before the New Year!

MOTHER/SON GLOW BOWL NIGHT – THANK YOU! Many, many THANKS to all of you moms and sons for making our Glow Bowl night a glowing success! And a HUGE thank you to all who helped prepare for the night and the many volunteers who pitched in and helped at various times! I cannot describe enough how much I appreciated all of your help!! Of course, we cannot forget the West Seattle Bowl crew and all the boys who helped either with set up, getting the bowling pens ready to hand out, or loading up the cars at the end! Daisy Bakos of Capture Photography again did a wonderful job of taking photos of all the moms and their sons. We expect to deliver the photos to you sometime in early December. Thanks again and if you have any feedback on the event, please contact **Lisa Roach** at nlroach@seanet.com or 937-7584. Thanks to Lisa for an excellent job!

TRAFFIC SAFETY. Last Friday, the RIGHT TURN ONLY metal sign that is put out on the corner of 42nd and Dakota was accidentally left outside and seems to have disappeared. Please keep in mind that even if the sign is not there, the no right turn is in effect during drop-off and pick-up. If you've seen the sign or know of its whereabouts, please let the office know. Also, a reminder to please remember that it is important that the traffic keep moving during drop-off and pick-up. Leaving your car parked can cause traffic jams. Your cooperation and following the safety rules are greatly appreciated. Thank you, The Safety Committee

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS. Please plan ahead for the Holy Rosary School Christmas programs. Grades kindergarten through 4th grade will perform on Tuesday, December 13th, and grades 5 through 8 will perform on Tuesday, December 20th. Both programs will take place at 7:00PM in the Church. Student participation is required, as performance is an important component of the music curriculum. Thank you for planning ahead and marking your calendars.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Jack Auter, Michael Blatner, Joe Campbell, Alex Chase, Zach Cullers, Tommy Day, Riley Duffy, McNeil Fulmore, Andrew Grueter, Sam Gubelman, William Guppy, Joey Kane, Kirk Medica, Dylan Moorleghen, Mark Rush, Andrew Shields, and Vinnie Sposari** who are the Holy Rosary 4th grade CYO soccer team! They worked and played hard this soccer season, and it showed. They won 4 games, tied 3, and lost only 1! They also represented Holy Rosary very well by playing fairly and treating the other teams with respect. Special thanks to coaches **Jeff Auter, Andy Day, Mike Grueter, and Dino Medica**, and referees **Brian Chase and Ron Gubelman**, as well as all the rest of the parents for their support. Go Gators!

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES:

- O'Dea: Tonight, Thursday, Nov. 10, 6:00-8:00PM
- Seattle Prep: Sunday, Nov. 13, 1:00-4:00PM
- Blanchet: Thursday, Nov. 17, 5:30-8:00PM
- Kennedy: Sunday, Nov. 20, 2:00-4:00PM

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:

- Parent's Club Newsletter (green)
- Scrip Order Form (lavender)
- 7th Grade Students Blanket Drive Flyer (goldenrod)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Veterans Day, Friday, Nov. 11 – NO SCHOOL
- Parish Stewardship Council – Monday, Nov. 14, 7:00PM – Convent
- Parents' Club Meeting – Thursday, Nov. 17, 6:30PM – School Hall
- Grade 7 & 8 Bowling with OLG, 7:00PM – West Seattle Bowl (see above)
- Prayer Service by 4B – Friday, Nov. 18, 8:30AM – School Hall
- *Mad Hot Ballroom* Movie Showing for Grades 7 & 8, 8:00PM – School Hall
- Thanksgiving Mass – Wednesday, Nov. 23, 10:30AM – FULL PERFECT UNIFORM
- Noon Dismissal - Wednesday, Nov. 23, Thanksgiving Holiday Begins
- Thanksgiving Holiday – Nov. 24 & 25 – NO SCHOOL
- Holy Rosary Christmas Tree Sale Begins at Admiral Safeway – Saturday, Nov. 26
- First Sunday of Advent – Nov. 27