

## SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

**November 16, 2006** 

## "A joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful." - Book of Common Prayer

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, it is important for me, on behalf of the faculty and staff, to say THANK YOU to you, our wonderful parents. Thank you for supporting our teachers and helping to motivate your children; thank you for the countless number of hours you spend on WestFest, the Magazine and Gift Wrap Sales, the Christmas Tree and Poinsettia Sale, and the Auction; thank you for your involvement in clubs, commissions and committees, all of which help our parish and school to run smoothly and evolve with the times; and finally thank you for your endless generosity to our parish, school, and service projects. You help to make Holy Rosary the fabulous place that it is! I will be remembering you with deep gratitude at Thanksgiving Mass.

**CATCH THE TEAM SPIRIT DAY.** This **Friday, November 17**<sup>th</sup>, the leadership elective invites students to "Catch the Team Spirit for this Giving Season". Students may wear a team t-shirt, jersey or uniform if they bring in a can of food for the food drive OR a coat/blanket for the coat and blanket drive. **Dressing as a fan or vender is not allowed.** Students may wear jeans if wearing a shirt or jersey to show their spirit. Thank you for your spirit and support!

<u>PARENTS' CLUB</u> will meet on Thursday, Nov. 16 at 6:30 pm in the school hall with hospitality beginning at 6:15 pm. The parish and school mission team to Uganda will make a presentation. Terry Swanson will speak briefly on how to get rid of lice! Special refreshments will be served – this is the last Parents' Club meeting until January 18. Please mark your calendars now!

THE TEEN AND FAMILY MASS on Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm is at Holy Rosary this coming Sunday, Nov. 19, and the following Sunday, Nov. 26. It will move back to Our Lady of Guadalupe for the month of December.

<u>FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING.</u> Just a reminder....the second opportunity to attend the parent meeting for First Reconciliation is this Saturday, November 18, from 10 to 11:30 in the School Library (note change of place from School Hall). There are still some parents that I haven't heard from yet. If you've already attended, I know who you are and don't need a reply. Our new pastor, Fr. John Madigan, will speak to the parents. From JoAnn Tobin

<u>THANKSGIVING MASSES AT HOLY ROSARY.</u> Our school will celebrate Thanksgiving Mass together on Wednesday, Nov. 22, at 10:45 am. School will dismiss at noon from the classrooms following the Mass. Thank you to our fifth grade classes for helping to plan the Mass. Students are required to come in perfect uniform, which includes the correct uniform sweater, sweatshirt, or vest. Thanksgiving Mass at Holy Rosary Parish will be at 9:00 am on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23.

POWERSCHOOL PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT FOR GRADES 5-8: If you are the parent of a child in grades 5-8, you are invited to a special PowerSchool Parent Information Night on Tuesday, November 28, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the School Hall. We invite you to attend to find out how you can access your child's grades, attendance, and other school activities online. Remember, Parent Night will be held on Tuesday, November 28, from 7-8 p.m. in the School Hall. Please mark it on your calendars and plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you there. For more information about PowerSchool, please visit <a href="http://www.powerschool.com">http://www.powerschool.com</a>.

<u>CONFIRMATION 2007</u> There will be a meeting this Sunday evening after the 5:30pm Mass for any adult or teen who has not been confirmed and who is anticipating being confirmed this spring. If you will not be attending the 5:30 Mass, the meeting will start about 7pm in the school hall. Any questions, you may call Patrick Barredo at 937-1488, Ext. 212, or JoAnn Tobin at 937-1488, Ext. 203. Bishop Joseph Tyson will be here Thursday evening, May 3, 2007 at 7pm in the church to confer the sacrament of Confirmation.

MOTHER/SON GLOW BOWL NIGHT IS THIS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18!! West Seattle Bowl will be filled with glowing Holy Rosary moms and sons. Just a reminder, the bowling action begins at 5:30 pm and ends at 8:30 pm, but arrive a bit early (after 5:00 pm) to get your shoes, face painted, hair sprayed, etc. To eliminate the hair spray fumes from building up inside, we are planning on setting up the glowing hair spray station outside (out front). If your son would like to have his hair sprayed, please have him do so before he puts on the bowling shoes. The bowling shoes should not be worn outside. If the weather is horrible, we may have to move it back inside. We plan to start serving pizza around 6:15. Don't forget, there will be a photographer taking pictures of moms and their boys from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Please call Lisa Roach (937-7584) if you have questions, forgot to sign up, or can help out. We are looking forward to a really fun night!

<u>B.A.S.E.</u> is closed for Thanksgiving Holiday November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. The families at holy Rosary are truly blessed with wonderful children. Happy Thanksgiving! Donna and the BASE Staff

<u>ULTRAKEY DEYBOARDING SOFTWARE:</u> UltraKey keyboarding software orders have been sent. Deliver time is 4-6 weeks. Thank you!

<u>INTERNET SAFETY.</u> At the last Parents' Club meeting (10/19), Detective Malinda Wilson from the Seattle Police Department's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit gave a presentation on Internet safety. Additional handouts from the meeting are posted on our website: <a href="http://www.holyrosaryws.org">http://www.holyrosaryws.org</a>. Click on the <a href="Internet Safety">Internet Safety</a> link under "Quick Links" on the home page. Please read through the handouts. Thank you!

<u>CHRISTMAS PROGRAM!</u> Mark your calendar NOW for these wonderful presentations: K - 4 December 7 at 7PM and Grades 5 - 8 with the school band on December 12 at 7PM. Both programs will be held in the church. Please check the "Music Department" link on the Holy Rosary website for updates and more information as these dates draw nearer. Please contact **Ms. Mudge** at 937-1488 X 322 - Thank you!

**BISHOP BLANCHET OPEN HOUSE** will take place Thursday, November 16 from 5:30-8:00PM. It will be a free flowing format. All interested families are invited to attend. This is a great

opportunity to interact with teachers and students, learn more about the curriculum and cocurricular programs, and see all the great NEW facilities. Bishop Blanchet is located at 8200 Wallingford Ave. N. For more information call (206) 527-7711.

JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE will take place on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00PM. Faculty, staff and students at Kennedy welcome 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their families. Discover JFK honors, college-prep and basic skills academic programs. Learn about the 54 clubs and co-curricular activities offered to JFK students. Explore award winning Lancer athletic programs; and delve into the ways JFK encourages students to build their faith.

**SEATTLE PREP OPEN HOUSE** is scheduled for Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00-4:00PM. This is an opportunity for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents to meet the faculty, tour the school and find out more about curriculum and student activities! Any questions, please call the Seattle Prep Admissions Office @ (206) 577-2146.

<u>SPEND SPRING BREAK IN CABO SAN LUCAS</u> Rent our luxury room Spring Break in Cabo San Lucas at the beautiful Pueblo Bonito Rose Resort. Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> through Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Check in at 4pm and out at noon. This luxury junior suite will sleep 6. The bedroom has 2 dbl beds and the living room couch pulls out to a dbl or queen size bed. The room also has a small kitchen with stove, microwave, refrigerator and dining table. The resort is 6 blocks from downtown Cabo, on Medano Beach (Sea of Cortez). It faces the famous lovers arch on Lands End. The resort features a health spa, restaurants, deli/store, 200ft pool, kid's activities and more. We are asking \$1540 for the week. If interested, please contact Brad or Danette Carufel at 935-6517.

## **INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:** (white unless otherwise stated)

- Yearbook Order Form (pink)
- Spirit of Giving Flyer
- Tree Lot Flyer (Christmas green)
- Art Wizards Flyer
- Kenney Christmas Open House Flyer (light green)
- Kenney Dollhouse Raffle Announcement (pink)
- Pied Piper Art Sale Notice (bright salmon ½ sheet)

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Endowment Board Meeting 5:30PM, Thursday, November 16 Staff Room
- Parents' Club Meeting 6:30PM, Thursday, November 16 School Hall
- Prayer Service by 4B 8:45AM, Friday, November 17 School Hall
- Spirit Day, Wear Team Logo & Donate Food or Clothes Friday, November 17
- Mother/Son Glow Bowl 5:30-8:30PM, Saturday, November 18 West Seattle Bowl
- Alumni Sub-Committee Meeting 6PM, Tuesday, November 21 Uptown Espresso
- Thanksgiving School Mass 8:45AM, Wednesday, November 22 Holy Rosary Church
- Noon Dismissal Wednesday, November, 22 Thanksgiving Holiday Begins
- Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday and Friday, November 23, 24 –NO SCHOOL
- Tree Lot Opens 12NOON, Saturday, November 25 Admiral Safeway
- Blessing of the Trees -12NOON, Saturday, November 25 Admiral Safeway
- PowerSchool Parent Information Night Tuesday, November 28, 7:00 pm School hall
- Grants Committee Meeting 6:00PM Wednesday, November 29 Staff Room
- Gr. 7 & 8 to ACT Theater for "The Christmas Carol" 11:30AM, Thursday, November 30