



# SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

March 15, 2007

## **A LENTEN LITANY**

Fast from judging others; **Feast on patience.**

Fast from apparent differences; **Feast on the unity of all life.**

Fast from words that pollute; **Feast on words that inspire.**

Fast from complaining; **Feast on appreciation.**

Fast from bitterness; **Feast on forgiveness.**

Fast from discouragement; **Feast on hope.**

Fast from suspicion; **Feast on trust.**

Fast from idle gossip; **Feast on purposeful silence.**

Fast from problems that overwhelm; **Feast on prayer that strengthens.**

**THE SCHOOL'S PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY** is tomorrow, **Friday, March 16.** We will begin the day with a special St. Patrick's Day Mass planned by our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes. You are invited to join us for this Mass beginning at 8:45am. **WEAR GREEN!** Due to the Mass, students may not paint their faces or dye their hair. It's not too late to write a note of appreciation or send in a St. Patrick's Day card for Fr. John. Please have your cards in the office by 8:30am tomorrow. These will be presented to him after Mass. Thank you.

**PARENTS' CLUB** will meet tonight Thurs., March 15. Please plan to come and learn about e-Scrip. Becky Smith will have laptops available to sign up for e-scrip tonight. We hope to see you there! See enclosed agenda.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER.** It's just around the corner...our annual parish St. Patrick's Day Dinner and this year it's on the day, Saturday, March 17. This event is always a wonderful family night out including great food, lively music, kid's crafts, a rousing raffle and plenty of craic (Irish for good fun). So get your green order forms into the school office or pick one up and join our parish family for this fun event! Any questions, please contact Suzanne at 206-313-4690 or Davi at 206-931-5117.

**LOOK FOR YOUR HEART AUCTION INVITATION IN YOUR FCE TODAY!** Here's your opportunity to help ***Raise the Green at Madigan's Pub!*** Seating for the Dinner and Live Auction is limited, so please be prompt in returning your reservation card ***with*** your payment. Reservations will only be confirmed when payment in full is received. Your reservations contacts are Sharon Cavanagh ([sjcavanagh@comcast.net](mailto:sjcavanagh@comcast.net) or 933-8824) and Janet Pedersen ([janetpedersen@comcast.net](mailto:janetpedersen@comcast.net) or 935-5032). And we would like to extend a very **HEARTfelt Thank You** to **Virgie Sheldon** for her wonderful design work on this years invitations!

**AUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING COMMITTEE MEETING-TUESDAY 3/20-6:30PM STAFF ROOM** Our next committee meeting is next Tuesday. Please plan to attend so we can continue making great progress on our big event. These meetings are a great way to work as a team to make this the best HEART Auction ever! If you are unable to attend and need help or have questions about your area of the auction, please let me know. Thanks - Ann Martin ([peediedogmartin@aol.com](mailto:peediedogmartin@aol.com) or 937-1079)

**CURB-SIDE Drop-off of your Auction Item(s)** Have you seen the signs? We want to help you get your donation(s) in! On **FRIDAY, March 16th**, members of the Auction Committee will take your donations from your car during **MORNING DROP-OFF in front of the school**. The only rule - you make sure any corresponding donation paperwork is *securely* attached to the item(s) - we want to make sure you get credit for your donation! We will be in front on the school from 8:00am to 8:25am. Let's get those donations in!

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR BROWN BAG FRIDAYS DURING LENT.** Lunches for the remaining Fridays of Lent include: **Tomorrow, March 16 – bar of soup**; March 22 (Thursday, no school on March 23, Friday) – shaving cream; and March 30 – a pair of men's socks. Thank you to Mary Rose Blatner and Ann Martin for delivering the lunches tomorrow. Please do not include the toiletry item in the lunch bag. These should be separate so that they can be distributed as needed. All of the food is refrigerated, so perishable is fine (pb&j sandwiches are recommended). Meat sandwiches are fine, but mayo isn't recommended as the men take the lunches at 7am and eat them throughout the day. Thank you again for your generosity.

**MORNING MASS DURING LENT.** The following classes will attend the **7:45am Mass** next week: Wednesday, March 21 – 8A & 8B; and Thursday, March 22 – 4A & 4B. Thank you.

**ST. JUDE HOSPITAL MATHATHON** During this Lenten season, students have the opportunity to share their time, treasure and talent by participating in the St. Jude Children's Hospital Mathathon. Students answer approximately 200 math problems; then, find sponsors willing to pledge some amount of money for each correctly answered problem. St. Jude is the only pediatric cancer research center where families never pay for treatments that are not covered by insurance, and families without insurance are never asked to pay. 78 students have returned a registration form to participate in the St. Jude Mathathon. A second order for books and CD-ROMs will be placed on Monday. If your child would like to participate, please return the permission/registration by that time.

**THE PASSION ACCORDING TO LUKE PERFORMANCE** will be held Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Church. In a beautiful and honest performance taken directly from scripture, Leonardo Defilippis re-enacts the death and resurrection of Christ. The Passion opens with Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and carries us through the last Supper, The Agony in the Garden. His death on the Cross, and finally to the Resurrection. A majestic musical score enhances the drama of the piece. Free-will offering at the doors of the church.

**TIME FOR MEN – A WORD FROM FR. JOHN.** The men's group has continued to meet on Saturday mornings from 7:00-8:00am in the school hall. There are regularly over 20 guys in attendance who are enjoying the time together in meaningful discussion. We are missing you and would love if you would come and join us. Just check us out and we won't keep you if you don't want to stay! Some of the men are getting ready for a men's retreat getaway on Fri. evening March 23 and Sat March 24 at Cle Elum. Don't be worried that you will be on your knees all weekend! A couple of married men with kids are helping to direct and they are practical about

what can be done. Check my bulletin column this weekend in the church for more details. Give yourself the gift of coming and carpooling with us. We'd love to have you. Fr. John

**A NOTE FROM FR. JOHN regarding the revival of the parish adult Faith Formation Commission.** I am delighted to have received requests to have ongoing adult spiritual and faith formation going on in our parish. We all need to continue to grow our relationship with God and our knowledge of God. We want to begin by recruiting new members and do formation for a new commission. If you could be interested please call either **Nick Roach 937- 7584** or **JoAnn Tobin 937-1488 ex203**. We look forward to hearing from you.

**MANNA FROM HEAVEN.** There are a variety of groups in our parish who offer opportunities for service. One group I would like to highlight again is called Manna from Heaven. They take turns bringing simple meals to people who have short term needs mostly around the birth of a new baby. They could use reinforcements so as to expand their list to ensure this is not overwhelming for anyone. Call Jody Underwood 571 1996. You may need Manna from heaven some day yourself!

**SAFETY FIRST-TRAFFIC FLOW.** Last week's FCE had a "gentle" reminder about safety in our drop off and pick up zone. There are still a few glaring safety issues that still need attention: 1. **It is totally not okay to exit your vehicle during drop off or pick up!!** Please **STOP** doing this as it halts the traffic flow, is not safe and it is so RUDE to the other families who are following the rules. I hear excuses of "I just need to help carry this project into the school" or "I just need to drop off something real quickly in the office." Park away from the drop off zone on 42<sup>nd</sup> and the alley if you need to get out of your car for any reason. Thank you. 2. The **Heart Auction** parking spot behind the school, off the alley is purchased each year by a family supporting HRS. This parking spot should be available to this family **24 hours a day/ 7 days a week!!** As a school community we need to honor this supportive auction purchase and not block access or park in that spot at any time. 3. Be a hero. Report a violation. Thank you, The Traffic Safety Committee

**FATHER AND DAUGHTER GLOW WAS A GREAT TIME!** Please watch for your pictures to come in the FCE. If you are interested in getting additional copies please send an email to [nikipage1@gmail.com](mailto:nikipage1@gmail.com) and I will let you know how to order them. Lisa Roach, Tara Turpen, Karen Raines, Carol Ann Joyce and our photographer Ben Swanson thank you all for your help making Glow Bowl so much fun!!!

**WESTFEST 2007.** It is now time to start thinking about Westfest! With this reminder, please do a few things... Number 1: Thank **Jeanne Marie Butterworth** for her three great years of co-chairing. Please let her know how we all appreciated her hard work and dedication to this great parish and school event. Number 2: Please also congratulate and give a big thank you to **Sarah Dahleen** who will be taking Jeanne Marie's place and co-chairing with **Jodi Sherwood**. Number 3: Think of ways you can help with this great event. It can be in the form of new ideas, suggestions on changing anything, or ways in which you want to volunteer. Comments can be e-mailed to [jodi.sherwood@comcast.net](mailto:jodi.sherwood@comcast.net) or [sdahleen@comcast.net](mailto:sdahleen@comcast.net).

**USED UNIFORM SALE.** Mark Monday, March 19th on your calendars! The used uniform sale will be in the Parish Center dining room from 3:30-6:30. If your kids are seeing more of their socks than they like, can't find that sweatshirt or have busted out the knees on that last pair of pants, this is the sale for you. We have lots of stuff to trade or sell for an amazing price.

**GOODSEARCH.COM WHAT IS IT?** An easy way to help Holy Rosary School earn money. Goodsearch.com is a search engine like google that will contribute about one penny to our school for each search. It is really easy to use, go to [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) click on Holy Rosary School-Seattle under Who do you search for? That's it. Set Goodsearch to your home page, let family and friends know about it and watch the pennies add up. You can see how much we are earning under amount raised. Check it out and start searching!

**LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO?** The Hi-Liner's MainStage presents Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella ~ March 24 - April 1, 2007 at The Highline Performing Arts Center at 401 S 152nd St. in Burien. For ticket information go to [www.hi-liners.org](http://www.hi-liners.org) or call 206-617-2152. Tickets will also be available at the door. Come and support a great group of performers!

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

- ∞ Auction Invitation (green)
- ∞ Auction Flyer (bright green)
- ∞ Parents' Club Meeting Agenda (bright blue)
- ∞ Used Uniform Sale Flyer
- ∞ Hot Lunch Menu (3/26-4/27)
- ∞ Hot Lunch Sign Up Form (3/26-4/27)
- ∞ WSU Summer Reading Skills Flyer
- ∞ A Child Becomes Summer Camp Flyer (yellow, orange or white)
- ∞ West Seattle Christian Preschool Handout
- ∞ West Seattle Community Centers & Pool Brochure
- ∞ Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk Flyer (pink)
- ∞ West Seattle Bowl Flyer (bright blue)
- ∞ Seattle Lutheran High School Baseball Clinic Flyer & Registration Form

**UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:**

- ∞ Parents' Club Meeting – Thursday, Tonight, March 15 – 6:30pm – School Hall
  - ∞ **St. Patrick's Day School Mass/Pastor Appreciation Day – Friday, March 16 – 8:45AM – Tis the Wearin' of the Green (no face painting or dyed green hair)**
  - ∞ Brown Bag Lunch & A Bar of Soap for St. Martin de Porres – Friday, March 16
  - ∞ St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Saturday, March 17, Doors open at 6:00pm – Lanigan Gym
  - ∞ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes to St. James Cathedral – Monday, March 19, Leave at 9:00am
  - ∞ Grade 2B to Burke Museum – Tuesday, March 20
  - ∞ Development Committee Meeting – Tuesday, March 20, 6:00pm – Library
  - ∞ Auction Committee Meeting – Tuesday, March 20, 6:30pm – Staff Room
  - ∞ 7:45am Mass, 8A & 8B – Wednesday, March 21
  - ∞ Fast from Desserts/ Sweets at Lunch – Wednesday, March 21
  - ∞ Grants Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 21, 6:00pm – Staff Room
  - ∞ Kennedy High School Choir – Wednesday, March 21, 1:15pm – Church
  - ∞ 7:45am Mass, 4A & 4B – Thursday, March 22
  - ∞ Grade 2A to Burke Museum – Thursday, March 22
  - ∞ The Passion According to St. Luke – Thursday, March 22, 1:00pm, Gr. 4-8 - Church
- Soup Supper followed by Stations of the Cross, Wed., March 21 – 6:15pm – School Hall