



# SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

December 19, 2007

**"The magical dust of Christmas glittered on the cheeks of humanity ever so briefly, reminding us of what is worth having and what we were intended to be."** -Max Lucado

Congratulations to the following students who achieved straight A's the first trimester: Fifth Grade: Sophie Baker, Thomas Bowers, Michael Dennehy, Julia Dolejsi, Colleen Donahue, Siena Jeakle, Chloe Kuhar, Henry Leaming, Keely Markey, Chloe Miller, John Roach, Jake Ryerson, Michael Sasonoff, and Regina Spadoni; Sixth Grade: Rocco Buty, Alex Chase, Katy Clarke, Carrie Diedrich, Anna Fellin, Jake Fitzharris, Kerri Gardner, Sam Gubelman, Kiana Hammington, Anna Lewis, Celeste Miles, Dylan Moorlegghen, Annika Pedersen, Mary Rising, Andrew Shields, Miranda Whitters, and Geoffrey Wukelic; Seventh Grade: Anthony Baker, Bella Campagnaro, Jackson Diller, Chris Dwyer, Mac Hubbard, Claire Illich, Katie Kipp, Samantha Murphy, Allisia Rangel, Emily Suhadolnik, and Nicole Southerland; and Eighth Grade: Celina Baker, Kira Baker, Will Baker, Whitney Brown, Maggie Cain, Tommy Clarke, Hannah Crockett, Gretta Dattan, Reily Dever, Claire Fritts, Anna Hefflin, Olivia Gillies, Colleen Kane, Clarissa Koszarek, Hope Miles, Sammie Pless, Lexi Popich, Hadley Scharer, Kayli Schulz, and Daniel Thiel. This represents 28% of our fifth through eighth graders! Excellent job, students – we are proud of you!

We thank the PATS Committee of Carol Ann & Kevin Joyce, Roseann Ryerson, Lisa Roach, Terri Rambosek, and Laura Miller for the wonderful Christmas party. Thank you, also, to Ed and Alice Merklin for opening up your home to all of us. It was an absolutely perfect party with fabulous food and snazzy drinks (thanks to the bartender)!

We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with family and friends. To those of you traveling, be safe and enjoy your time away. We will see you back at school on Thursday, January 3.

**HEALTH UPDATE.** The "cold" season is upon us now as we move into winter. The holidays are an awful time for anyone, especially a child, to be sick. I would like to remind everyone to WASH YOUR HANDS! Please remind your children to wash their hands after playing outside, after using the restroom, before eating and after sneezing or blowing their nose. Remind them to sneeze or cough into the small of their elbow and not into their hands. I would also like to remind you all to continue weekly "head checks" for early lice detection/treatment. You all have been doing a wonderful job this year. We are all working together. Happy Holidays, Patricia McBrien RN

**ATTENTION 8<sup>th</sup> GRADERS.** Please submit all parish membership verifications for high school applications to the parish office by January 10, 2008. Thank you.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR.** You can now access the application for tuition assistance for the 2008-2009 school year on-line at <http://www.fulcrumfoundation.org/Tuition>. You can apply on line or download the application and fill it in by hand. Whether you apply on-line or in paper form the application needs to be completed and forwarded to Jennifer MacDonald in the school office by February 21, 2008 with your Federal Tax Return. You can e-mail Jennifer at [jmacdonald@holynosaryseattle.org](mailto:jmacdonald@holynosaryseattle.org).

**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE.** Dec 17-21, 8am morning mass: Anna Lewis, Max Lorbiecki Dec 22, 5pm: Tommy Day, Emily and Maddy Winter Dec 23, 8am: Anthony and Sophie Baker, Jim Killeen Dec 23, 9.30am: Katy, Kelly and Tommy Clarke, Joel Scanlan Christmas Eve, 4pm: Isabella and Ali Campagnaro, Nicole Southerland, Alex Chase, Anthony Baker Christmas Eve, 7pm: Annika Pedersen, Emily Suhadolnik, Savannah Davis Christmas Eve, 11pm: Anthony Parker, Alex Isner, Nicholas Jaramillo Christmas Day, 8am: Miranda Whitters, WE NEED TWO MORE SERVERS!!!! Christmas Day, 9.30am: Laurel Kuehl, Kevin Simmons, Rocco Buty Dec 29, 5pm: Julia Nark, Mark and Robert Rush Dec 30, 8am: Anthony and Sophie Baker, Claire Illich Dec 30, 9.30am: Reilly Dever, Dylan Jergens, Chloe Kuhar, Allyson Ylvisaker Dec 30, 11.15am: Rocco Buty, Mitchell Penner, Allisia and Diego Rangel Jan 3-4, 8am morning mass: Charlie McLean, Matthew Meucci Liturgies School Penance Services: Dec 17 - Grades 3-5 at 10am, Grades 6-8 at 1pm Parish Communal Penance Services: Dec 15 at 10am, Dec 19 at 7pm, Dec 22 at 4pm Christmas Eve masses: 4pm, 7pm, 11pm Christmas Day masses: 8am and 9.30am Solemnity of Mary: December 31 at 7pm, January 1 at 9am Thank you, Patrick Barredo.

**HONOR BAND 2008 AUDITIONS!** All school band members (gr. 6-8) have received information regarding the upcoming Honor Band auditions. The auditions will take place as follows: Clarinets/Saxophones/Oboe and Drums will audition on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm, and the Flutes/Bells/Trumpet and Trombone will audition Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:15pm. Auditions are held at Kennedy High School @ 140 S 140<sup>th</sup> Street Burien WA.

**HANDICAPPED PARKING IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH AND RECTORY.** We have had several complaints about people parking in the handicapped parking spots in front of the church and the rectory without the appropriate handicap permit. This is happening all of the time but especially during drop off and pick up. In the future, if you do not have the appropriate handicap permit designation and you are parked in a handicap parking spot you will be ticketed.

**NOTICE FROM WEST SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL.** Michael Tolley, the Head of High Schools for the Seattle Public School District, will present at a WSHS PTSA sponsored event at 7:00 p.m. on January 23rd in the WSHS library. Of interest to our community is the upcoming return of the 6 period academic day at WSHS and a discussion about academic rigor and possibly the resumption of an honors program. Mr. Tolley needs to hear our input about the importance of academic excellence that is required to attract parents back to WSHS. Join them if you can.

**FREE THROW COMPETITION.** Show off your basketball skills. The Our Lady of Guadalupe Council and the Holy Rosary Round Table Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Free Throw

Competition for all boys and girls age 10 to 14. It will be held Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM for all boys 10 to 14 years of age and Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM for all girls age 10 to 14. The competition will be held at the Roxhill Elementary School Gym, 9430—30<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW, Seattle. Each age group champion will be eligible to advance to the District Competition to be held the end of January. You must provide proof of age (birth certificate, etc.).

**LYRIC OPERA NORTHWEST** presents Englebert Humperdink's Classic Holiday Opera "Hansel and Gretel". See and hear it with Outstanding Pacific NW Singers in full set, costume and with orchestra!! 5 performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 17, 18 and 19, 2008 at the Meydenbauer Center for Performing Arts 11100 NE 6h Street, Bellevue, WA 98004. For more information, go to [www.lonw.org](http://www.lonw.org) or ticketwindowonline.com.

**UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:**

- ∞ CHRISTMAS VACATION, Thursday, December 20 – Wednesday, January 2
- ∞ School Resumes, Thursday, January 3