

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

March 13, 2008

"Amid our Lenten disciplines we may at times forget that we do not save ourselves. Salvation is a free gift from God which we accept. We trust in God's mercy and love. God's love is what frees us to love ourselves and others. This is the most glorious message of Holy Week." -Henri Nouwen

PALM SUNDAY is this weekend and we begin the most sacred week of the church year, HOLY WEEK. Our students will celebrate the first two days of the TRIDUUM, the three days right before Easter Sunday, HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, AND HOLY SATURDAY. Both Holy Thursday and Good Friday are perfect uniform days. On Holy Thursday students will gather with their Faith Families at 2:15 to remember the Last Supper. Our eighth grade students will lead the Faith Families in this prayer service. Students will return to their classrooms in silence after the service to practice for our silent dismissal from school on Good Friday. Parents are welcome to join their children for this Last Supper Remembrance. On Good Friday, members of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will lead us in the Living Stations of the Cross at 11:00am. Thank you to **Max** Mierzejewski, Gretta Dattan, Reilly Dever, Anna Heflin, Jason Helle, Jazmine Brown, Whitney Brown, Tommy Clarke, Charlie McLean, Madison Beiler, Emilv Winter, Robbie Rush and Amanda Henry for presenting the Living Stations. Thank you for Mrs. Sue Harris for directing the students. We will dismiss from the church in silence; students will return to their classrooms and then be dismissed from school at noon. Keeping in mind what it is that we celebrate on Good Friday, we ask everyone to leave Holy Rosary respectfully in SILENCE. Students who walk home from school need to remain silent until they are across the street from the school or church. Thank you very much for your help and cooperation.

Teachers are busy preparing second trimester report cards, which will be given to the students on Good Friday. After reviewing your child's report card, please sign the envelope, put it in a safe place, and remember to return it to school on Monday, March 31. If you have questions regarding your child's progress, please contact the appropriate teacher. Students in grades 5-8 who have achieved a 3.5 or above (first or second honors) will be listed in the April 3 school newsletter. We are proud of the excellent academic progress of all of our students.

The news is out! Auction tickets are selling fast. Please see the message below from the Auction Committee and be certain to get your reservations in soon. You won't want to miss out on a night in an old west saloon. Get ready to kick up your heels, or would that be boots!

**BROWN BAG FRIDAYS FOR ST. MARTIN de PORRES.** You are invited to also send in a pair of men's socks along with the lunch tomorrow. If you are interested in delivering the lunches one Friday during Lent, please contact Peggy Cunningham in the school office. Thank

you to <u>Ginny Kane and Sharon Ridgway</u> for volunteering to deliver lunches today, March 13! The children who will be taking them to the shelter will be able to tour and learn more about St. Martin de Porres. The items to be included in the lunches for the remaining Fridays of Lent include: Thursday, March 13 - deodorant March 14 NO SCHOOL; March 21 (Good Friday) – aftershave, shaving cream. Thank you for your almsgiving during this Lenten season.

**BIG CHURCH NEWS: TEENS WILL LEAD GOOD FRIDAY EVENING MUSIC** <u>MINISTRY!</u> This year (for the first time!), our YOUTH MASS singers and musicians will lead the 7pm GOOD FRIDAY evening service at HOLY ROSARY. Junior & Senior High teens from Holy Rosary and Guadalupe lead the music on Sunday evenings for the 5:30 Youth Mass. Every year our young singers and musicians are getting better and better as music ministers. And this year we feel that they are up to the task of leading us in one of our most solemn Catholic liturgies. Please plan on joining us this year for the 7pm Good Friday Service on March 21 at Holy Rosary. Amen!

<u>DO YOU HEAR THAT RUMBLING OFF IN THE DISTANCE?</u> It's not a thunderstorm rollin' in, that's the sound of all those people who have RSVP'd making their way to the 2008 HEART Auction! After only 4 days we are closing in on another sell out. If you intend to come to this years auction, don't delay getting your reservation turned in. Please feel free to contact Janet Pedersen 935- 5032 (janetpedersen@comcast.net) or Sharon Cavanagh 933-8824 sjcavanagh@comcast.net) with any reservation questions.

**RAFFLE MADDNESS\*RAFFLE MADNESS\*RAFFLE MADNESS\*RAFFLE** Raffle tickets are available now. Check out the end of this for a printable pdf of the fliers. Hard copies will go home in the FCE next week. Don't forget about our pre-sale incentive: Receive a free drink ticket for every \$100 in either raffle: Best of the Live and/or Tuition Raffle. If you would like to earn Fund Raising Hours for the 2008-09 school year consider selling raffle tickets at the auction this year. If interested please contact Laura Douglas (h)206-932-5921 or (c)206-850-9272.

**NEED HELP AT THE SILENT AUCTION.** Looking for a fun and easy way to earn some fundraising hours at the Auction? Join the Table Closing Team for the Silent Auction! We round 'em up and shut 'em down between the hours of 4-9:00 pm on April 19. Call or email Leigh Tevaseu at 937-4267 or <a href="mailto:leightevaseu@hotmail.com">leightevaseu@hotmail.com</a>.

<u>GATOR SWEATSHIRT/SWEATPANTS ORDERS</u>. The website order form is open and will be open until March 31, then the orders will be processed. Please be patient if you have put your order in already. It is more cost efficient to Order in bulk. Thank you! --Kellyann and Kevin Padon Email <u>kmpadon@comcast.net</u>

<u>TRACK</u> practice begins Tuesday April 1 and continues every Tuesday and Thursday from 4:30-6:00pm at Hiawatha Track. If your child is in another sport please talk to Coach Shelly Neal. She can be reached at 941-1399 or at mishel90@hotmail.com.

<u>CYO BASKETBALL</u>. the final basketball games for our high school teams were played this past weekend. Thanks again to all of the volunteer coaches who spend their valuable time with our kids during the long basketball season. We absolutely could not run this program without your help. THANK YOU!! Basketball uniforms should be turned in now – if you find that you still have your jersey or shorts – please return these to your coach or the CYO office immediately.

<u>CYO SOCCER COORDINATOR NEEDED</u>. The fall CYO season is still a ways off – we are looking for someone to pickup the absolutely fabulous work that Bob Patten and Mary Kay Sposari have turned in these last few years. Under their leadership the program has doubled in size, we have replaced our uniforms and equipment and added the summer training session. Our Holy Rosary soccer program is running more smoothly than ever. This is a great time to add your leadership skills to managing this program. Please contact Mary Kay Sposari or Rick Diedrich with interest and questions.

JUNIOR HIGH AND MICROFINANCE. As a follow-up to their Lenten study of Catholic Social Teaching, our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are contributing to a special "Microfinance Fund." The fund has a matching donor to \$500. It will be directed through Catholic Relief Services to women in developing countries who will be able to prosper in business when they have access to credit. This is one small way we can work for justice in our human family. Of course, we welcome any extra contributions!

<u>BOWL TO BENEFIT THE WEST SEATTLE HELPLINE</u> March 22, 2008 from 3-5pm our friends at the West Seattle Bowl have generously offered to have a portion of all proceeds from these two hours go to benefit our own local service provider, West Seattle Helpline. So bring your kids, your grandkids, friends and neighbors to have some fun and help a worthy organization continue to provide a helping hand to those in need here in West Seattle. See you there! Any questions, please call Suzanne Nevan at 206-525-9480.

<u>GOOD NEWS AT KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL!</u> But then, there is always good news at JFK!! Mr. Jim Paynton, Kennedy's wonderful band director, received the 2008 Soundview Outstanding Music Educator Award! This well deserving honor was presented at the MENC convention in Yakima last month!

<u>ST. CHRISTOPHER ACADEMY</u> is relocating to Seattle Lutheran High School effective July 1, 2008, we currently enrolling for Fall classes. St. Christopher Academy is a high school program for students with learning differences such as ADD/ADHD, Dyslexia and for student who may be academically at risk. Establish in 1982. Core Values: Small Class Size, Direct Instruction, Experienced Staff, Close Monitoring of Students & Close Contact with Parents, Modified Curriculum Open Enrollment Excellent Educational Environment, No-Cut Athletic Programs. Contact Information: Director, Darlene Jevne 206.246.9751 or visit our website at www.stchristopheracademy.com

JUST IN TIME FOR EASTER. We have 7 baby rabbits (about 5 weeks old) for sale, \$5.00 each to a good home. The Cullers Family (206) 767-6338.

NEEDED: AFTER SCHOOL TUTORS/MENTORS AT MADISON MIDDLE SCHOOL. The YMCA is looking for tutors/mentors for a variety of after school programs. If you are interested in helping them out or if you would like more information about the programs please contact John Akbar At (206) 252-9135.

**ITALIAN KIX FOR KIDS** is an Italian Language-Soccer Program for kis from 6 to 11 years old. It is a class 80 minute long (60 minutes of soccer and 20 minutes of language) for four weeks. If you are interested please call Leonardo Lanzolla at (206) 890-1042 or email him at lanzolla@aol.com.

## **INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:**

- <sup>(2)</sup> Best of Live Heart Auction Pre-Sale Incentive Form
- <sup>(2)</sup> Heart Auction Tuition Raffle Form
- <sup>(2)</sup> Stone Soup Theatre Flyers (2)

## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Thursday, March 20 Holy Thursday, Perfect Uniforms Faith Family Last Supper Remembrance at 2:15pm – Parents Welcome
- ③ Friday, March 21 Good Friday, Perfect Uniforms, Living Stations of the Cross at 11:00am – Noon Dismissal and SILENT DISMISSAL
- ⑦ Friday, March 21 Second Trimester Report Cards go Home
- ③ Monday, March 24 Friday, March 28 Easter Vacation
- ① Tuesday, April 1 7A & 7B Field Trip to Benaroya Hall for a National Geographic lecture
- ③ Wednesday, April 2 Friday, April 4, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Education at Camp Seymour
- ⑦ Thursday, April 3 School Commission 6:00pm Staff Room
- ③ Saturday, April 5 Father/Daughter Glow Bowl West Seattle Bowl
- ⑦ Monday, April 7 8A & 8B Field Trip to Olympia
- Wednesday, April 9 Noon Dismissal/Teacher Inservice (Required Meeting on Safety)
- ⑦ Tuesday, April 8 Thursday, April 10 6B Sailing Trip
- Wednesday, April 16 Friday, April 18- 6A Sailing Trip
- ③ Saturday, April 19 Forging the Future in the HEART of the West Auction - A REAL WING DINGER OF A GOOD TIME - that you won't want to miss!