

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

February 26, 2009

A Lenten Prayer Dear Lord,

Thank you for your life and love.

Thank you for the food we eat, for family, and for friends.

During this Lenten season,

May we grow in appreciation for all you have given and

For all you continue to give.

May we grow in life and love

So that someday we may become

The people you created us to be: perfect reflections of you.

Amen.

A little white surprise this morning! Hopefully today will be the last of the icy conditions, but just in case, please remember that there are three Holy Rosary Schools. If you do not get the information about the opening of school from our website, please be certain the Holy Rosary you see listed on TV or hear on the radio, says Holy Rosary, **Seattle.** A late start for Holy Rosary is always 10:00am. Thank you for your understanding and safe driving!

The sixth grade classes did an excellent job leading us in our Ash Wednesday Mass yesterday. Thank you sixth graders! Children have written their Lenten promises on boomerangs as they reflect on habits that will help them to "Return to the Lord". Classes have signed up to attend the 8:00am morning Mass during Lent on the following days: You may want to copy this and post on your refrigerator.

- P Wednesday, March 4 5A, 7A, & 7B
- \bigcirc Friday, March 6-3A
- Wednesday, March 11 − 3B
- ① Thursday, March 12 4A, 4B, & 5B
- ⊕ Friday, March 13 2A & 2B
- Wednesday, March 18 − 1A & 6B
- Wednesday, March 25 − 1B & 3B
- Thursday, March 26 7A & 7B
- ① Friday, March 27 8A & 8B
- Wednesday, April 1 − 3A & 4A
- Thursday, April 2 − 4B
- Friday, April 3 KA, KB, & 2B
- Wednesday, April 8 − 6A & 6B

On Fridays, beginning tomorrow, families are invited to send in one extra brown bag lunch for the men living at St. Martin de Porres Shelter. Tomorrow, Feb. 27, the extra item is a pair of men's socks. The extra items

for the remaining Fridays in Lent are listed later on in this newsletter. Thank you to Mary Gubelman, Sam and Veronica Gubelman, Jake Fitzharris, and Ebbe Bertelotti for delivering the lunches and socks tomorrow. On Wednesdays, we invite our students to fast from desserts. See the notice entitled "One on One" in this newsletter to learn about another opportunity for almsgiving. Thank you so very much for joining us on our Lenten journey. May God bless and reward you abundantly!

Next Thursday, March 5, there will be an open School Commission meeting beginning at 6:00pm. All parents are welcome to join us for the first half of the meeting. We will meet either in the school hall or the staff room.

Fr. John and I are nearly finished interviewing the 76 new families interested in Kindergarten next year. Remember that next Friday, March 6, there will be no school for the current kindergarten students, due to the testing of the new kindergarten students. Thank you to our second grade parents for providing hospitality for our new kindergarten families. We are excited to welcome more than 30 new families into Holy Rosary next year.

The 5:30pm Sunday evening Mass returns to Holy Rosary for the month of March.

ONE and **ONE** isn't just for basketball! At Holy Rosary \$1 on the 1st of every month supports our ongoing school service project to educate and support our 3 Ugandan students- Elizabeth, Judith and Sam. Learn more about this special project in the weeks ahead. Thank you for your support and encourage your student to bring \$1 on Monday to their classroom jar.

BROWN BAG FRIDAYS FOR ST. MARTIN de PORRES SHELTER DURING LENT begin tomorrow, February 27. You may also bring in a pair of socks with the lunch. If you are interested in delivering the lunches on one of the remaining Fridays, please contact Peggy Cunningham in the school office. The children who will be taking them to the shelter will be able to learn more about St. Martin de Porres. The items to be included in the remaining Fridays of Lent include: March 6 – toothbrush and toothpaste; March 13 – bar of soap; March 20 NO SCHOOL; March 27 - deodorant; April 3 – aftershave, shaving cream. Thank you for your almsgiving during this Lenten season. The extra items should **not** be put in the brown bag lunch – thank you.

AUCTION NEWS! For questions about the auction please email Sarah Mackay at oceanskimmer@comcast.net Interested in Volunteering? You can sign-up online by going to heart.holyrosaryws.org/volunteer.html. Beginning today you have the opportunity to purchase a table at the auction. You and your crew mateys can share a table for 10. Best of all you can pick where you want to sit and it's only \$10 more per person First come, first serve! Look for the flyer and form in your FCE envelope. Donate a bottle of wine for the wine cellar. It's a great auction item! You can bring it to Curb Side Drop- Off or bring it to the school office. Thank you to everyone who has made their donation for the auction; we greatly appreciate your generosity. We have some incredible items to bid on so get excited! There are just a few families that we have not heard from. Another notice will go out in the FCE this week so please contact procurement if you need help with your donation. Thank you, Sarah

<u>THE PARENT COMMITMENT HOUR year for 2008 — 2009</u> will end on February 28, 2009. All hours worked must be documented and received in the school no later than March 17, 2009. All hours not completed by February 28th 2009 will be invoiced to you at the rate of \$75.00 per hour. If your hours are in arrears please plan accordingly. Final statements are included in

this week's FCE. Invoices will be included in the FCE in the middle of March. After invoiced, families must pay for the uncompleted hours by March 31, 2009 to receive registration papers for 2009 - 2010 school year. Please see the Family Handbook for more information.

JUNIOR HIGH RALLY. This coming March 14th marks the annual Jr. High Rally at Highline Community College. It is an all day event starting at 8:30am and ending at 9pm. The Archdiocese of Seattle puts on the event and welcomes an average of more than 800 middle school students. Holy Rosary would like to send as many of our own 6th, 7th and 8th grade students to represent our school and community. The Rally presents students with 2 workshops of their choice dealing with faith, personal growth, relationships and leadership. Archbishop Brunett will lead a Mass later that evening followed by a dance to end the night. The fee for the event is \$25.00, which includes a tee shirt, but does not include meals. For more information please email Kelsey Boys @kboys@holyrosaryws.org *If you are a parent and would be willing to chaperone or help out please send an email to Kelsey Boys at the address above.

GREEN TIP FOR FEB 26, 2009. Please join the Green Team for a meeting on our current events and your ideas this Thursday, February 26, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. All interested parents, parishioners and neighbors are welcome! February is Energy Month. Here's the tip: Remember what your mom always said......turn off the lights when you leave a room!

THE 7TH GRADE DRAMA ELECTIVE NEEDS YOUR HELP. We will be performing Through the Looking Glass on May 27th and 28th and are in desperate need of costume assistance. Unlike last year's The Shoemaker and the Elves, Through the Looking Glass includes a number of characters (about 20) with relatively elaborate costumes (White and Red Queens, Humpty Dumpty, Tweedle Dum and Dee, 3 flowers, White and Red Knights, etc.). If you possess some talent in the art of costume design (or know someone who does) and would like to: 1. Earn enough service hours to last you a lifetime (or at least 9 years of education) and 2. Earn the undying love and respect of 19 budding actors and one overwhelmed director, then please contact Miss McLaughlin at dmclaughlin@holyrosaryws.org. Also, if you have any connections to theaters and/or drama programs in the area, that would also suffice. The sooner the better! Thank you.

<u>SUMMER CAMP INFORMATION NIGHT.</u> Our Lady of Guadalupe Parent Org is hosting a Camp Informational night on Thursday, March 5th in the Parish Hall from 7:00 - 8:30pm. Representatives from CYO (did you know they are offering Day Camp this year?), Skyhawks, Arena Sports, our local community centers, the Aerospace Camp Experience at the Museum of Flight are just some of the camps/programs that will be on hand to answer questions and have information available. Questions? Contact Michelle Turcinec 206-764-936. Parking is available in the North parking lot, OLG 3401 SW Myrtle Street Seattle, Wa 98126.

<u>7th AND 8th GRADE PARENTS.</u> Hope Lutheran is inviting Holy Rosary students to a dance this Saturday, Feb. 28th at Seattle Lutheran High school. Students are encouraged to dress in 80's neon theme. Dance permission slips were given to 7th and 8th grade students by their respective teacher. Thanks, Beth Clifton

<u>FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY WITH HELP FROM H&R BLOCK.</u> Holy Rosary can earn \$25 for each new client referred to H&R Block. To receive the program reward, new clients must mention Holy Rosary to the H&R Block preparer at the time of service. Call 206-935-2163 today to make your appointment at 3717 California Ave SW. Thanks, Beth Clifton

SAINTS SEATTLE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL CAMP for players ages 5-10 will take place on March 7 & 8 at the SLHS gym. There are registration forms available in the Holy Rosary School office.

Included in this FCE:

- > March Calendar
- > Auction Spirit Day Announcement Flyer
- > Auction Flyer (green)
- > Auction Flyer (pink)
- > After School Study Hall Sign Up Form (cherry)
- > Irish Dinner Flyer and Sign Up (green or white)
- > Colon Cancer Letter and Half Marathon Pamphlet
- > OLG Summer Camp Information Flyer (view or download only)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- © Fifth Grade Parent Meeting for Camp Seymour, 6:30pm Library
- @ Green Team Meeting, Thursday, Feb. 26, 7pm Parish Center
- ② Brown Bag Lunch and A Pair of Men's Socks for St. Martin de Porres Friday, Feb. 27 Thank You!
- ② Prayer Service by 2A, Friday, Feb. 27, 8:30am School Hall
- ② Youth Mass, Sunday, March 1, 5:30pm Holy Rosary Church
- ① Development Committee Meeting, Monday, March 2, 6pm Staff Room
- ② 1A/1B Field Trip to the International District, Tuesday, March 3
- ① Joint Grants and Technology Committees Meeting, Tuesday, March 3, 6pm Staff Room
- ① Gr. 2A to the Burke Museum, Wednesday, March 4
- ② Archdiocesan Principals/Pastors Meeting, Wednesday evening, March 4 and Thursday, March 5 Palisades Retreat House
- ② School Commission Meeting, Thursday, March 5, 6pm Staff Room or School Hall
- © Kindergarten Testing, NO SCHOOL FOR KA AND KB STUDENTS, Friday, March 6 School Hall
- ② Youth Mass, Sunday, March 8, 5:30pm Holy Rosary Church
- ② 8th Graders to Olympia, Monday, March 9
- ② Auction Committee Meeting, Tuesday, March 10, 6:30pm Staff Room
- ① Lenten Evening Talks "Encountering Jesus in the Mass" with Dr. Tom Curran, Wednesday, March 11, 7pm Holy Rosary Church
- ① Auction Spirit Day, Dress in Theme of Auction "Nautical", Thursday, March 12
- ② Parents' Club Meeting, Thursday, March 12, 6:30pm School Hall
- © Second Trimester Ends, Friday, March 13
- ② All School Sing-a-Long, Friday, March 13, 2pm School Hall
- U Irish Dinner and Dance, Saturday, March 14, 6:30pm Lanigan