

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

April 9, 2009

"Easter spells out beauty, the rare beauty of new life."

-S.D. Gordon

I am praying that Holy Week and the Easter season will provide you with many opportunities to experience the sacred. The Tridium has always been one of my favorite liturgical seasons – and this year it holds particular meaning for me. Good Friday before Easter! Fr. John will be sending an email to all families tomorrow regarding the process that will be used for hiring a new principal. Please know that I will do everything possible to assure a smooth transition. Thank you for your emails and kind notes this week. They have all meant more to me than you probably realize.

Please read the Green Tip this week. Holy Rosary will be celebrating Earth Day on Wednesday, April 22 in many ways. Students are invited to dress in "earth colors" – greens, browns, oranges. You are encouraged to have your children take alternative transportation to school – ride your bike, walk, scooter, or take the bus. We would love to see our bike racks overflowing with bikes! Read the Green Tip for more details on ways HR will celebrate Earth Day.

I hope you have reserved your place and are ready to Set Sail for the Tropics – Saturday, April 25. The Auction Catalogue is enclosed in the FCE today. I have looked through it and I see some fabulous items, services, and parties! Thank you again to Sarah Mackay and all of the parents who are steering the ship! Thank you for your donations. I look forward to sailing with you.

School dismisses at noon tomorrow in honor of Good Friday. You are invited to join our school community for the Living Stations of the Cross presented by members of the 8th grade class. The Stations begin at 11:00am in the church. There will be a SILENT DISMISSAL from church back to school and a silent dismissal from school. If you collect your children at school, please remain silent until you are off campus. Thank you.

I wish each of you a joy filled Easter. May you enjoy the newness and beauty of spring and may you experience new life in abundance. School resumes on Monday, April 20. Be happy and be safe! Happy Easter!

AUCTION NEWS *RAFFLE FACTS* FACT: All raffle tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100 FACT: Purchase your tickets by tomorrow April 10th and receive a FREE DRINK TICKET for every \$100 purchased of the same ticket FACT: Best of Live- must be present to win (attending or working) -Winner selects the item of his/her choice from the Live Auction before it starts -The only exclusions are class projects FACT: Tuition Raffle- NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN -Winner receives in-parish tuition for one child for the 2009- 2010 school year (that is a \$4,200 value) FACT: Forms went home in the envelope 2 weeks ago but are also available in the office or can be downloaded from here or the Auction website FACT: Someone will win each of these raffles FACT: It can't be you unless you buy if you don't buy any tickets **Decorations Tear-Down** **Sunday**. April 26th, 9am to 1pm. We need four people to Tear Down and store the Decorations sets. Need strong people able to lift, bend, tear part and climb ladders. Let's Set Sail!

DESSERT AUCTION. It's almost time for our delicious Dessert Auction and we are looking for a few more confections. Please see the attached flyer to sign-up. For questions email Suzanne Nevan-Casey at s_nevan@yahoo.com or Deyette Swegle at deyette1@comast.net. Thank you!

FRIDAY, APRIL 24 will be a noon dismissal day due to the Auction. Students may enjoy free dress on the 24th as a reward from Rocco Buty and Riley Duffy. The students exceeded the goal the boys had established for their "Pennies for Peace" service project, which resulted in new books for girls in Pakistan. Thank you Riley and Rocco!

CALLING ALL PIRATES! This year's talent show theme is H-arrr-S Pirates Set Sail! The <u>talent</u> <u>show will be on Friday, May 15</u>. Permission slips are currently available in the office and one will go out in next week's FCE. The boat is setting sail soon, so turn your permission slips into Mrs. Kirmeyer or to Ms. Johnson in the office by <u>Wednesday, April 29th</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Kirmeyer at <u>jkirmeyer@holyrosaryws.org</u>. Hope to see you there!

UGANDAN DOLLARS GROW! Last week we collected \$360...for a total of \$1108! The jars are filling up! Thanks for everyone bringing in \$1.

NEED MILK ATTENDANT. If you are interested in getting your general commitment hours set for next year please consider being our milk attendant on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We are looking for someone to set milk out for each grade from 11:00am to 1pm two days a week. A big thank you to Ginny Glidden who has been faithfully doing this job for the last few years! If you are interested in making this commitment for next year please contact the school office.

TRAFFIC COURTESY When using the alley PLEASE pull up as far to the front of the alley as possible!

GREEN TIP April 22 is Earth Day and Holy Rosary will celebrate in many ways! The students will plant and tend lettuce starts for the local food bank in conjunction with Lettuce Link. They will also have the chance to participate in a poetry contest, and we will turn off the school's lights for an hour during that day. As the weather improves, this is a good time to resume our alternative transportation efforts, and students are encouraged to walk, ride bikes, bus, carpool, or otherwise green their commute! Finally, all students are invited to wear free dress and dress in green and blue, the colors of our Earth, on April 22.

<u>CHILDREN AND TEENS TO LEAD SINGING ON GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER</u>! The Holy Rosary CHILDREN'S CHOIR will lead the singing for the 9:30 EASTER SUNDAY mass! Come early (church is packed!) and celebrate Easter with joyful singing from our children! Also, our YOUTH MASS singers did such a great job with music last year, that they will again lead the music for the GOOD FRIDAY evening service at Holy Rosary. Be sure to come to this solemn and awesome evening service on Friday, April 10 at 7pm.

SECOND GRADERS INVITED TO SING FOR MOTHERS' DAY! This year, for the first time, Second Graders are invited to join the Children's Choir and sing on Mothers' Day at the 9:30 mass on May 10! This is an opportunity for our second grade students to see what it's like to sing in the Children's Choir, in preparation for next year's choir! Practices will be after school, from 3-4pm in the church, on the following Tuesdays: April 21, 28 and May 5. For info, contact Paul Dolejsi, 935-8754.

SAVE THE DAY! Holy Rosary is sponsoring the Community Meal at Our Lady of Guadalupe. The meal is served from 1 - 3 PM on April 26th in the Parish Hall at Our Lady of Guadalupe. The meal serves seniors and low income people, but all are welcome. We are in need of desserts for the dinner, as well as volunteers to set up, serve and clean-up. Extra Easter candy would also be welcome! Desserts can be delivered to the OLG School Hall on the morning of the dinner. Sign-up to serve with Patrick Barredo at pbarredo@holyrosaryws.org

HOLY ROSARY TO SHOWCASE KID ART AT THE KENNEY FOR THE WEST SEATTLE ART WALK The Kenney participates in the West Seattle ArtWalk on a monthly basis, rotating work from West Seattle artists as well as Kenney resident artists. The Art Walk is a self guided tour involving multiple West Seattle businesses spanning the neighborhood from Alki to The Kenney. Art work is prominently displayed and labeled with each artist's information. There are always adult and kid friendly food and beverages that mirror whatever theme The Kenney has for that particular month. April's Kid Art theme will include an Easter egg hunt (bring your egg gathering baskets!) and will also include goodies such as PB&J sandwiches, macaroni and cheese and chocolate milk. All children, parents, and grandparents are welcome and encouraged to attend The Kenney's monthly ArtWalk events, especially on April 9th. We hope to see you there! (The Kenney is located at 7125 Fauntleroy Way SW. Feel free to call them with any questions at 206-937-2800)

FUN SUMMER MUSIC CLASSES West Side Music Academy is offering summer music classes. For information go to <u>www.westsidemusicacademy.com</u> or call (206) 937-2343.

TEAM KATY 2009. As many of you know, I have diabetes. I will be participating in the Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes walk/run Sunday, May 17th. Last year we raised a lot of money and had a great time, and we hope to do even better this year. I am excited to get started collecting pledges and team members, but I need your help! Join Team Katy today go to www.beatthebridge.org first click on register, next click on join an existing team, then search for team Katy to find our page. It is easy and the money raised will hopefully, someday find a cure for diabetes. Thanks! ~Katy Clarke

<u>THE DRAMA DEPARTMENT OF SEATTLE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL</u> will present "Murder Takes the Stage" by James Reach. Produced by special arrangements with Samuel French, Inc. The performance times will be on the evening of Friday, April 24, at 7:30pm and the afternoon of Sunday, April 26, at 2:30pm in the Seattle Lutheran High School gym. Admission is \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children age 7-12. Under 7 are free. For more information call the school office at 937-7722.

SAVE THE DATE!!! Please Join Us in Celebration of You, Our Wonderful Holy Rosary Volunteers and their families, that give their time and talents at The Kenney Friday, April 24, 2009 6:00 p.m. Wine and Sparkling Cider 6p.m. Seating in Dining Room 6:20 p.m. Welcome by President and CEO, R. Kevin McFeely 6:30 p.m. Dinner 6:45 p.m. Entertainment (Magician 'Jack Turk') 7:15 p.m. Raffle 7:45 p.m. Thank you and Closing by Volunteer Coordinator, Davi Sobotta 8pm R.S.V.P. to Davi Sobotta by Monday, April 20th 206-937-2800 X5247 Hope to see you there!!!

<u>PETER FEWING SOCCER CAMP</u> Enclosed in today's FCE is a flyer for Peter Fewing Soccer camps with a location right here in West Seattle. Peter has supported HRS for years. Consider supporting this business that supports our school.

Included in this FCE: (white unless otherwise stated)

- Auction Catalog
- Final Auction Checklist (goldenrod)
- Auction Set Sail Flyer (pink)
- Dessert Auction Donation Slip (pink)
- Talent Show 2009 Permission Slip (green)
- After School Study Hall Enrollment Form(green)
- Hot Lunch Menu and Order Form for May
- 8th Grade Pizza Lunch Form (yellow)
- 2009-2010 School Calendar
- Pennies for Peace Flyer (dark green)2
- Lee's Martial Arts Academy Flyer
- Southwest Music Studio Lesson Information
- Peter Fewing Soccer Camp Card
- Stone Soup Theater Spring Audition Flyer (download only)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- Holy Thursday, Faith Families Last Supper Remembrance, Thursday, April 9, 2:15pm
- Good Friday, Living Stations of the Cross, Friday, April 10, 11am- Holy Rosary Church
- SILENT DISMISSAL AT NOON, Friday, April 10
- Easter Sunday, Sunday, April 12
- EASTER VACATION, Monday April 13 Friday, April 17 NO SCHOOL
- Auction Committee Meeting, Tuesday, April 14, 6:30pm School Hall
- 6th Grade Sailing Trip, Wednesday-Friday, April 22-24
- Last Mathathon Turn-in Day, Friday, April 24
- Friday, April 24 Free Dress from Pennies for Peace
- Friday, April 24 Noon Dismissal Teacher Inservice Auction Set-Up
- SATURDAY, APRIL 25 "SET SAIL FOR THE TROPICS" BEGINNING AT 5:00PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL -DINNER AUCTION IN LANIGAN AT 7:00PM – DON'T MISS OUT ON THE BIGGEST PARTY OF THE YEAR!
- 6th Grade Sailing Trip, Monday-Wednesday, April 27-29
- ITBS Testing Grade K-7, Monday April 27 through May 8 No WASL test this year at Holy Rosary
- Special Parents' Club Meeting School Budget Presentation Wednesday, April 29 – School Hall at 6:30pm

• 8th Grade Pizza Lunch, Thursday, April 30