



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

January 14, 2010

We are looking forward to celebrating Catholic Schools Week along with the rest of the nation's Catholic Schools beginning with Mass and Open House on Sunday, Jan. 31st. This will be a great kick-off to an exciting week. We hope many of our school families will join us at Mass and at Open House to celebrate our wonderful Parish community. Students, please remember to come to Mass in full uniform. Please take a moment to review the schedule of events found at the end of this newsletter.

Mid-tri Reports will be going out on January 29th for grades K through 4, instead of January 21st as originally posted on the school calendar. The 5 through 8 mid- trimester grades will be on Power Grade beginning that day.

BOOK FAIR 'DINER' The super-sized Scholastic Book Fair will be delivered on January 28, opened on January 29, and closed on February 7. The theme is "Book Fair Diner" so watch for some tasty treats and blue plate specials as we mix pounds of new books with a dash of library fund raising, topped off with all you can read fun. Volunteers are needed everyday. Please watch for a volunteer flyer delivered by the extraordinary diner wait staff. Thank you for your continued support of reading and the Library program.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING AT HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL. There will be a Safe Environment Training Class in the School Hall on Wednesday, January 27 from 6pm to 9pm. This is a mandatory requirement for all Parish and School volunteers. If you have not yet taken the class you can sign up by going to the Seattle Archdiocesan website www.seattlearch.org and click on Safe Environment Training. If you have any questions you can call Sandy Rottler at (206) 856-0090. Thank you.

PLASTIC GREEN TIP Sing to the tune of "2, 4, 6, 8, who do we appreciate:" "4, 5, 1, 2, all the rest are bad for you!" It's about plastic containers. Containers are marked with a number within a triangle on the bottom. This is known as a guide for recycling, but it's also a clue as to what the container is made of. Containers with the numbers 4, 5, 1 and 2 are safe for food. All others are not; they may contain lead, BPA or other toxins. So, as I know you all use reusable containers for any lunches you pack, take a look on the bottom and make sure you choose the food safe versions.

PARENTS' CLUB is looking for a few motivated people to head-up the Escrip program here at Holy Rosary School. So if you'd like to earn those fundraising hours, but need a more flexible schedule, look no further. To learn more about it, please contact Meg Peterson at 143peterson@comcast.net or 932-0883.

6TH GRADE SUB SANDWICH. It is time to purchase a sub sandwich from the sixth graders for Super Bowl Sunday. Funds from this sale help support the sixth grade three-day sailing adventure on Puget Sound in the Spring. The order form can be downloaded. Husky Deli helps the students prepare these delicious sandwiches. Thank you.

B.A.S.E. Great News! Calendars will now be posted on the school website. Many thanks to Sherri Chun for all her work on this calendar! In our continuing efforts to maintain the viability of the program, B.A.S.E. is making the following policy changes: a) B.A.S.E. is now requiring all calendars to be turned in by the 25th of the previous month (i.e. February calendars would need to be turned in by January 25th), and b) B.A.S.E. is requiring all families to sign up for Electronic Funds Transfer or Credit Card Payments. Payment Authorization Forms are available on the school website or in the school office. Thank you for helping us to ensure the viability of B.A.S.E.

AUCTION NEWS. WHAT IS KREWE? Krewe: pronounced \ 'krü\ n : **any group that rallies around a plan involving Carnival merrymaking!** Why not "make merry" with your favorite families and friends and build your own **Krewe??** Here are some ideas for donation packages that a whole family, or a couple of families together, could donate. **Santa's Helpers Package** - Hang lights on the house, set up exterior decorations, and help put the tree on the stand and into the house (straight). Fresh baked Christmas cookies and gift-wrapping could be provided too! **Love My Pooch Package** - 10 dog walks (perfect job for older kids), 5 dog washes, a fresh dog bed, and some yummy doggy treats. **Take a Break in Your Yard** – Services for weeding, mowing, trimming, debris removal, mulching, and some fresh bedding flowers to finish the scene. Perhaps even a nice cool beverage to the owner of the home who is now your supervisor and resting easy! **Women's Spa Package** – Why not pool some resources at the same spa to provide a spa experience for one, or even two women (a fun mother daughter, or girl friend day). Package could include, a facial, or massage, manicure, pedicure, lunch, and even babysitting (perfect job for those middle school kids)! Visit the Heart Auction website ([link to auction donation site](#)) to enter your donation today. Simply click on the "donate" button to get started. **Submit your donation by Friday to be entered for that \$25 Starbucks card!** Need help? Your Auction Chairs and Procurement Team are happy to answer any questions you might have about auction items or fun donation ideas. Contacts: Tiffany Fuentes 206.650.5152 tcfuentes@comcast.net and Angel Sorensen 206.999.4287 angel_sorensen@hotmail.com

TRAFFIC UPDATE. No cars should be on the playground after 7:45am. The gate will be locked at this time. Also, please help us to reinforce the message that walkers should only cross 42nd Ave. in designated crosswalks.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING CARD ON FILE. According to our records, we have not received a Sacrificial Giving Commitment Card from all of our school families for 2010. We realize that there is often confusion on the part of school families since the cards are renewed on a calendar year rather than a school year. Although you may be contributing to the parish on a regular basis, either with envelopes or through automatic payments, the updated commitment card is one of the requirements for in-parish rates.

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR 2010-2011: The application for tuition assistance for the 2010-11 school year is now available on-line at <http://fulcrumfoundation.org/tuition> (A link to the application is also on the school website under 'School Forms & Other Downloads'.) Please follow these instructions and note that in addition to submitting an application on-line to Fulcrum, paper copies of the completed application must be delivered to Jennifer at Holy Rosary School by **February 5th**:

1. Make 2 copies of your 2008 Federal Income Tax Form(s), IRS 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ, or E-file printout for the financially responsible parent(s) or guardian(s). Note: W-2 forms are not acceptable. Do not send originals.
2. Make 2 copies of any documents related to Non-Taxable income (Part C-3) such as 1099, federal or state aid, alimony or child support.
3. Submit your application form *online at <http://fulcrumfoundation.org/tuition> *At the end of the submission process a printout will be produced. If you have made a mistake, submit a new application and destroy the incorrect printout. When entering names, please do not use ALL CAPS.*
4. Print 2 copies of the completed form. *This can be done immediately after submitting the form.*
5. Sign the forms in Part E.
6. Staple the signed application in front of copies of the financial documents from steps 1 and 2.
7. Deliver or mail the complete application package to Jennifer at Holy Rosary by February 5th. Copies will not be returned.

*Fulcrum will **not** be accepting handwritten applications. If you would like to submit a handwritten application, please ask Jennifer MacDonald to assist you. She may be contacted at (206) 937-1488, ext. 211 or email: jmacdonald@holyroaryseattle.org.

A SEVENTH GRADE SERVICE PROJECT Michael D., Danny S., Kevin S. and Cameron W. are collecting gently used and new Bibles to be distributed at the Holy Rosary weekend women's shelter. Receptacles can be found in the main hallway. Thanks for your support!

TREEHOUSE TOY AND CLOTHING DRIVE Seventh graders, Levi and Henry, are collecting toys and clothing for an organization called **Treehouse** that is an organization that gives new or gently used toys and clothing to foster children. We will have collection bins labeled Treehouse in the school main hallway between Friday, 1/15 and Monday, 1/25. Treehouse really needs boys' clothing sized 4 and up, but they will accept any kind of clothing or toys. Thank you and all donations make a difference! Levi and Henry

BOYS LACROSSE CLINIC-HOSTED BY SEATTLE PREP All boys, new and experienced players age 7 to 14, are invited to get a head start on their LAX season with this clinic on Saturday, Feb. 20 from 8 to 11 am at the Queen Anne Bowl. Cost is \$35 and includes instruction from Seattle Prep coaches and varsity players, a t-shirt and snack. This clinic filled up last year, so register by Feb. 1 to guarantee your spot. Email karenbryan@earthlink.net to receive a registration form.

DO YOU ENJOY LIVE BIG BAND MUSIC? Join us for an evening of dancing and entertainment with music performed by **Bishop Blanchet High School's Jazz Band and Jazz Choir**. Saturday, January 23, 2010, 7-10pm. Ernie Rose Activities Center, Bishop Blanchet High School, 8200 Wallingford Ave. North, Seattle. Tickets: \$25 adults/ \$5 Students/ \$175 for Table of 8. Get tickets at the door or order tickets in advance by calling the Bishop Blanchet Activities Office at 206-527-7704. All proceeds from this popular annual event underwrite travel expenses for the students to attend the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival. For more info, go to www.bishopblanchet.org and click on calendar for January 23.

NORTHWEST BOYCHOIR will be holding auditions for new members on Saturday, February 6th by appointment for spring enrollment. Boys ages 6 to 9, grades 1 through 4, are eligible to

audition. No previous music training is necessary. Auditions are casual and fun. There are flyers available in the school office with more information or you can go to www.nwchoirs.org.

ATTACHED TO THIS FCE:

- Study Hall Enrollment
- 6th Grade Superbowl Sunday Sub Sandwich Order Form
- Parent Education Night at Guadalupe Information Flyer
- West Seattle Bowl Wednesday Bowling League Flyer

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- ✚ Prayer Service by 2B, Friday, January 15, 8:35am – School Hall
- ✚ Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL, MONDAY, January 18
- ✚ School Mass for Christian Unity, PERFECT UNIFORMS, Wednesday, January 20, 8:45am – HR Church
- ✚ 8th Grade Pizza Lunch, Thursday, January 21
- ✚ Prayer Service by 3B, Friday, January 22, 8:35am – School Hall
- ✚ Mid-Trimester Report Cards, Thursday, January 28
- ✚ Prayer Service by KA/KB, January 29, 8:35am – School Hall
- ✚ Catholic Schools Week-----

Catholic Schools Week: Jan. 31-Feb. 5

Saturday, January 30 and Sunday, January 31 - Celebrate Renewal in our Faith Community

- Students wear uniforms to Mass.
- Children's Choir sings at 9:30am Mass
- Holy Rosary School Open House and Reception 10:00-1:00
- Book Fair in the school library open all week

Monday, February 1 - Celebrate our Catholic School

- Perfect Uniform day
- Special activities planned within classrooms

Tuesday, February 2 - Celebrate Lifelong Learning

- Perfect uniform day
- 8th Grade Pizza Lunch
- Grade 1-4 Spelling Bee 8:30-9:15
- Grades 5-8 spelling bee 9:30-10:15
- Grade 7-8 Science Fair, Gr.5-6 Invention Convention, 4th gr. projects on display
- Students and Staff Read-In (2:20-2:50)

Wednesday, February 3 - Celebrate Families

- Perfect uniform day
- No Homework to Celebrate Families
- Grandparents Luncheon
- All Day Book Fair in Library

Thursday, February 4 - Celebrate Service

- Jeans Day
- 4th grade classes deliver thank you certificates to West Seattle businesses
- 5th grade classes deliver primroses to Holy Rosary neighbors
- 2:00-2:45 - Faith Family meeting to celebrate Service, followed by annual primroses planting

Friday, February 5 - Celebrate our School Community

- Students dress in Seasonal Theme: K-2 – Summer, 3-4 – Spring, 5-6 – Fall, 7-8 - Winter
- Spirit Assembly and class cheers 9:30–11:00
- 8th grade vs. Holy Rosary Staff volleyball game – 1:45