



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

March 4, 2010

“Saint Frances of Rome, help us to see the difference between what we want to do and what God wants us to do. Help us to discern what comes from our will and what comes from God’s desire. Amen.”

-Saint Frances of Rome is the Patron Saint of Drivers and Automobiles

Please help! We are still having difficulties at drop off and pick up with children running in front of cars and parents leaving their cars in the drop off and pick up zones. Please take a moment to review the traffic safety policy in the Family Handbook. This can be found at the Holy Rosary School website at: http://www.holyrosaryws.org/forms/2009-2010_Family_Handbook.pdf The safety of our students is our greatest priority. Thank you!

The **second trimester** ended on February 26, report cards will be going home on March 12. As we head into the final trimester we appreciate you reminding your children to continue to make schoolwork a priority.

Tomorrow, **Friday, March 5** we will be conducting **Kindergarten testing** so the current kindergarteners get the day off! Also, tomorrow students are invited to **wear blue** as a way of promoting screening for colon cancer. Students not choosing to wear blue need to wear their uniforms.

Registration papers for next year’s school year will be in the March 18th FCE. Please remember that in order to receive registration papers, you must be current with all **tuition, tithing, band, auction and other parent commitment obligations**. Also, if you are a member of the parish you must have a **“2010 Parish Stewardship....time, talent, treasure card”** completed and on file at the parish office. These cards are available in the school or parish office. Questions, please call Jennifer MacDonald at the rectory office at 937-1488, ex. 211 or Peggy Cunningham at the school office at 927-7255. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

PARENTS' CLUB MEETING Our next Parents' Club meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 9th** at 6:30pm. School Commission President, Terry Scanlan, will be presenting the budget for next year, including tuition and fees. We encourage you to have at least one parent from each family attend this meeting, as we will be going over changes for the 2010-2011 academic year. We will also be raffling off FREE DRESS PASSES (must be present to win). Childcare will be provided.

PARENT COMMITMENT HOUR PROGRAM: The Parent Commitment Hour year for 2009 — 2010 ended on February 28, 2010. **All hours worked must be documented and received in the school no later than March 15, 2010.** All hours not completed by February 28th 2010 will be invoiced to you at the rate of **\$75.00** per hour. If your hours are in arrears please plan accordingly. Invoices will be included in the FCE on March 18, 2010. After invoiced, families must pay for the uncompleted hours by March 31, 2010 to receive registration papers for 2010 - 2011 school year.

MARDI GRAS MASQUERADE SOIREE INVITATIONS ARE IN TODAY'S FCE. In New Orleans parlance, a "throwdown" is an occasion to cut loose, frolic and make merry. Used as a verb, Mardi Gras is a time to *throw down* and "shake your funky feathers loose." Holy Rosary Krewe, it is time to join this "throwdown" and "shake those funky feathers loose" all in support of *your* Holy Rosary School. Reservations begin tomorrow, March 5th, and are taken on a first come first serve basis. For more Reservation information please click the "Reservations Made Easy" flier, ([link](#)), or look for a copy in today's FCE.

HOLY ROSARY PARISH is partnering with Gallup to more effectively fulfill the parish's mission. We are conducting their ME25 survey, a census of all adult members of our parish that will give you the opportunity to share your opinions about some of the key aspects of our parish life. Your participation in Gallup's ME25 member engagement survey is an important part of this process. The information you provide will be very helpful to your parish.

Online instructions to complete the survey:

1. Go to Holy Rosary Parish's website: www.HolyRosarySeattle.org. On the right side of the homepage, click on the link that says "Complete the Gallup Survey".
2. Follow the instructions on the screen so that you will be directed to the Gallup website in order to complete the survey.
3. Your survey Access Code is: 2BFECF

Your survey responses will be completely confidential. You do not sign your name, and under no circumstances will your personal responses be revealed to anyone in your parish or anyone outside of Gallup. The survey will take approximately seven minutes of your time.

Thank you for your cooperation,
Fr. John Madigan

BROWN BAG FRIDAYS FOR ST. MARTIN de PORRES SHELTER DURING LENT Thank you to **Linda Thorson** who delivered the St. Martin de Porres lunches on Feb. 26. Next week you are invited to include shaving cream with the lunch on March 5. If you are interested in driving a few students to deliver the lunches on Friday, March 26 please contact Peggy Cunningham in the school office. The children will be able to learn more about St. Martin de Porres on their delivery day.

The items to be included in the remaining Fridays of Lent include:

- **March 12** – travel size toothpaste and disposable toothbrush;
- **MARCH 19** - NO SCHOOL;
- **March 26** – aftershave.

Thank you for your almsgiving during this Lenten season. The extra items should not be put in the brown bag lunch – thank you.

8th GRADE PIZZA LUNCH. Great news regarding the 8th grade pizza lunch fundraiser. Not only have we been able to improve the quality of the pizza offered through our new affiliation with Garlic Jim's, but also we are now going to improve your ordering experience. Included in this week's FCE is a revised order form (one per family). You may complete the paper version of this application or, preferred, please go to our new online link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/pizzalunch> to enter your request. Then you may simply attach the form with your check payable to HRS (or cash) and note your family name and that you entered your request online. Please contact Chelle Chase at thechases@comcast.net with any questions or feedback regarding the new process. We realize it will take a couple of runs before we all grow comfortable with the change, but in the long run, this change will provide greater efficiency and likely allow us to keep the ordering window open closer to the actual date of the lunch.

FATHER/DAUGHTER GLOW BOWL. The Father/Daughter Glow Bowl will be held on Friday, May 14th. A registration form is enclosed in this week's FCE. Be sure to turn in your registration early as this fun event fills up quickly and there is a limit to the number of people West Seattle Bowl will allow. Contact Evan Newman at (206) 935-6390 or Katherine Gudgel at (206) 938-4717 or kdgudgel@msn.com for more information. Photographer needed! Help keep our costs down and earn general volunteer hours at the same time. We need a capable parent to take digital pictures at the Father/Daughter Glow Bowl. Would need to provide a disc of photos. The Glow Bowl is Friday May 14th. Contact Evan Newman at (206) 935-6390 or Katherine Gudgel at (206) 938-4717 or kdgudgel@msn.com if you're interested.

IRISH DINNER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED The Irish Dinner is Sunday, March 14 at 4pm. Volunteers (adults and 8th graders) are still needed for the annual Irish Dinner. The event starts at 4pm in Lanigan Gym. If you would like to volunteer, we still need servers for the event and help with clean up. For questions or to volunteer please email holyrosaryirishdinner@gmail.com or contact Jodi Foisy at (206) 794-1951.

SAFETY PATROL On March 22 Team 5 patrol will be on duty due to the 6th Grade Sailing trip on March 29. Team 4 will be on duty March 29 due to their sailing trip on March 22. Thank you!

AFTER SCHOOL STUDY HALL FOR GRADES 4-8 TUESDAY and THURSDAY 3:00-3:45pm. Students are invited to work in the Library from 3:00-3:45 every Tuesday and Thursday. Students should be dedicated to working on homework, research, and silent study time. Please respect the staff's time and commitment to this after-school service; it should not be used as after-school care. Students should be picked up promptly at 3:45. If a student arrives at Study Hall who is not enrolled, he/she will be sent to BASE for which the family will be charged. Tickets are available six days before the event and up to three hours before the event. Availability is limited to 30 students due to space and management. Thank you for making Study Hall a meaningful and valuable time for your child/ren and the staff. Email Jon Barker at jbarker@holyrosaryws.org if you

have questions, technical difficulties, or need to cancel a time/date. hrstudyhall5.eventbrite.com
password is gator

7th GRADERS BUILD UP THE KINGDOM OF GOD. Did you know that our 59 seventh graders gave well over 200 hours of service to help others during the winter months? They served in many different ways: holding bake sales to raise money for Haiti; painting a shelter for homeless men; cooking breakfast at the Sacred Heart shelter; volunteering at Mt. St Vincent and holding a bingo night with Christmas gifts at the Kenney Home; adopting a wounded vet and family at Christmas and gifting them; volunteering time at the West Seattle Food Bank, Northwest Harvest, Family Promise, an animal shelter, and Treehouse (for foster children); collecting soccer shoes, coats, stuffed toys and money for less fortunate children; collecting bibles and raising money for our women's shelter; making lunches for St. Martin de Porres' men, putting together Lunches of Love, and serving at our parish community meals; volunteering in a neighbor church's children's ministry, and cleaning up the yards of elderly widows. Thank you, seventh graders, for living out your call to discipleship. We're proud of you!

PARENTS IN TOUCH HIGHLIGHTS 5th GRADERS! Parents in Touch, Holy Rosary's weekly rosary prayer group, will be focusing their prayer intentions on the 5th graders during the month of March. Parents of 5th graders (and all other grades!) are invited to join us on Monday mornings after drop off (8:30 am) in the Reservation Chapel in the church. Please contact Ginny Kane or Jillian Kane for questions.

TRACK AND FIELD. Please notice the two forms enclosed in this weeks' FCE and return the permission slip to school before March 26th. Thank You. Also, there will be a shoe clinic and Brooks shoes for sale \$34.99 (Adrenalines) and under on March 30th at Hiawatha from 5:45-6:30. Adults can buy too. Please give me a heads up if you think you will be interested in purchasing running shoes. Remember spikes are for 7th and 8th grade only. See you at practice on the 30th! Head Coach Shelley Neal mishel90@hotmail.com

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH RALLY Forms are now available for the Archdiocese of Seattle 2010 Junior High Rally, taking place on March 6th at Highline Community College, and Holy Rosary Youth Ministry will be taking part. The Rally will be an all-day event featuring dynamic speakers, fun workshops, Mass, and even games and a dance! Come and experience your Faith with the rest of the Catholic youth of Western Washington! Registrations are to be returned to the parish office with cash or check for the exact amount. **Holy Rosary will be subsidizing the cost, which is now \$25.** We will be leaving from the church at 8:15am, and returning at approximately 9:45pm. Parents should provide their child with a sack lunch, and dinner will be provided. Transportation will be arranged soon. Drivers and chaperones are needed for this event. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, contact Michael at mdion@holynosaryseattle.org, or call him at (206) 937-1488, ext. 202.

HI YU SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM Tea sandwiches, savories and sweets! Please join us for a Spring Tea and Silent Auction on Sunday, March 21, 2010 from 2-4:30pm at the The Hall at Fauntleroy. Funds raised will support the Miss West Seattle Hi Yu Scholarship Program and help build the float that represents West Seattle at parades throughout the Puget Sound. Our premier sponsor this year is Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes Catering. Tickets are \$25 per person or reserve a table of 10 for \$250. To purchase tickets, please contact Patricia Hahler at 206.937.0263 or hahlermorgan@comcast.net. Only few seats left for this fun event.

SUMMER CAMPS AT A CHILD BECOMES. This year our summer camps are held in the month of July only. Camps are for ages 5-8. 3 days a week, 5 hours a day. ??'s call Teacher Shelley



















206-941-1399. Download a form at achildbecomes.org. Click on Summer Camps, print out and mail back to me. New address 4320 SW Hill.

CAMP INVENTION. In August St. Francis of Assisi School in Burien will be hosting Camp Invention, a nationally acclaimed week-long program for kids who will be in grades 1-6 next fall. Camp Invention engages children in creative problem solving and hands-on science activities that cultivate their understanding of ideas critical to the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math. For more information you can go to www.campinvention.org. There are registration forms enclosed in this FCE.

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE

- Auction Invitation
- Auction Flyer – Reservations Made Easy (purple))
- April Hot Lunch Menu and Order Form
- 8th Grade Pizza Lunch Sign Up Form
- Track and Field CYO Registration Form
- Track and Field Q & A Form
- Father – Daughter Glow Bowl (bright magenta)
- Southwest Music Studio Flyer
- Symptoms of Colorectal Cancer Card (blue)
- Camp Invention Flyer (bright yellow)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

-  Kindergarten Testing for Incoming Students, Friday, March 5
-  **CURRENT KINDERGARTENERS HAVE NO SCHOOL**, Friday, March 5
-  Wear Blue for Colon Cancer Awareness, Friday, March 5
-  Parents' Club Meeting, Tuesday, March 9, 6:30pm – School Hall
-  1st Grade Field Trip to the International District, Wednesday, March 10
-  Prayer Service by 1A, Friday, March 12, 8:30am – School Hall
-  2nd Trimester Report Cards Go Home, Friday, March 12
-  7th Grade Lenten Retreat, Monday, March 15 – Lakeview Christian Centre
-  Auction Committee Meeting, Tuesday, March 16, 6:30pm – Staff Room
-  St. Patrick's Day Mass, Wednesday by the 5th Graders, March 17, 8:45am
-  **WEAR GREEN for St. Patrick's DAY! Wednesday, MARCH 17**
-  Registration Papers for the School Year 2010-2011 will go out – Thursday, March 18
-  Accreditation Prep Day for Teachers, **NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS** – Friday, March 19
-  6A Sailing Trip, Monday, March 22 – Wednesday, March 24
-  8th Grade Pizza Lunch, Thursday, March 25
-  7th Grade Releasing Salmon in Longfellow Creek, Thursday, March 25, 10:20am
-  Prayer Service by Music Department, Friday, March 26, 8:30am – School Hall
-  All School Sing-a-Long, Friday, March 26, 2:15pm – School Hall