

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

December 16, 2010

"And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

Luke 2:9-12

Dear Holy Rosary Families,

Merry Christmas! As we draw near to the end of 2010, We would like to thank you for choosing to educate your children at Holy Rosary and for your participation in the life of our parish and school. Your kindness to, and respectful collaboration with, our faculty and staff, your willingness to fulfill countless volunteer roles (without which we could not otherwise function), and your success and dedication in serving as teachers and role models to your children at home all help to make this an amazing community of learners in the service of our Lord.

May each of you and your families enjoy the realization of the promise of Christ's peace and blessings during this holy season, and may health and happiness be constant companions in your home throughout the year to come.

Kind regards,

The administration, faculty, and staff at Holy Rosary School

Holy Rosary Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following junior high students (7th and 8th grade) who have completed the first trimester of the 2010-11 school year with academic honors.

First Honors - (93% or above in all classes)

Katie R.	7th Grade
JT S.	7th Grade
Elizabeth S.	7th Grade
Mikaela W.	7th Grade
Jalen W.	7th Grade

Ali C.	8th Grade
Julia D.	8th Grade
Siena J.	8th Grade
Chloe K.	8th Grade
Angela N.	8th Grade
Allison R.	8th Grade
Teresa R.	8th Grade
John R.	8th Grade
Michael S.	8th Grade

Second Honors - (90% or above in all classes)

Ross B.	7th Grade
Molly B.	7th Grade
Gabby C.	7th Grade
Orla C.	7th Grade
Adam C.	7th Grade
Veronica G.	7th Grade
Zuzu K.	7th Grade
Thomas L.	7th Grade
Zach M.	7th Grade
Claire T.	7th Grade

Parker D.	8th Grade
Henry L.	8th Grade
A.J. L.	8th Grade
Joey P.	8th Grade
Abby T.	8th Grade
Corey W.	8th Grade
Allyson Y.	8th Grade

Hot Lunch

Please remember to turn in your Hot Lunch orders by tomorrow December 17th.

Epiphany Program

The annual Christmas Program is now the "Epiphany Program"! So nice that we can continue our celebration of this glorious Christmas season with the Feast of the Epiphany as our inspiration! Our school band will kick things off on Thursday, January 13, starting at 7:00 PM, followed by each class performing a special seasonal number. Student attendance at this performance is a required part of their grade. Attire for the performance is "Sunday best" unless otherwise stated. Students should arrive no earlier than 6:30 PM and report to their classrooms, unless otherwise requested by Ms. Mudge.

Please mark your calendars now for January 13 for this delightful evening of music & fun! Please watch the EFC for any updates. Any questions – please contact Ms. Mudge via the school office or leave a message at 937-1488 X 248. Thank you.

Lunches Of Love

Holy Rosary School families - Thank you for making and providing a lunch for someone in need! We look forward to receiving lunches of love from students in grades 6-8 this Friday.

Calendar:

Fri. Dec. 17: 6-8 bring lunches

The items in the bag must be all NON-PERISHABLE. (No fresh fruit or sandwiches)

Ideas:

Can of tuna/chicken/salmon (pull-top only!) Snack packs work great!

or Vienna sausages (pull-top only!) No soups please!

protein bar

fruit cup

juice box and/or water

chips – prepackaged

cookies – prepackaged

napkin

spoon (if not included with the non-perishable item)

The application for tuition assistance for the 2011-12 school year is now available on-line at <http://fulcrumfoundation.org/tuition> (A link to the application is 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 4th**:

1. Make a copy of your 2009 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 a copy 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 two copies of the completed form. This can be done immediately after submitting the form. Be sure to sign your tax forms. This is often overlooked, especially with E-filing. Fulcrum will not accept un-signed forms.
5. Sign the form 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 4th. 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@holyrosaryseattle.org
Thank you.

Calling all Screen Sirens, Leading Men, Gaffers and Key Grips!

The premier for the 2011 HEART website featuring this year's theme of Lights, Camera, Auction is ready. Take a sneak preview, and if you are ready, donate now!

Family donations are due online by January 21st, so keep us in mind while you are out and about in the holiday flurry, or as you relax during the holiday break. All families who enter their donation online by Friday, January 7th will receive the incentive du jour, a free dress pass, for each child in your family.

Need ideas to meet your \$100 dollar family HEART commitment? Please see the attached flier for donation ideas by grade.

Need more help with ideas? Contact your Auction Donation Team at:
auction-procurement@holyrosaryws.org.

Safe Environment Class

There will be a Safe Environment training class held at OLG on Saturday, January 22, 2011.



Mustard Seed Corner

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This section of the EFC is written by HR Parish Faith Formation staff and is specially created to present information, inspiration, and education on different Catholic Traditions. (It is not *Imprimi Potest*, *Nihil Obstat*, or *Imprimatur*.)

The Jesse Tree: The Symbols of Advent

During Advent many families feature special signs and symbols that have been traditionally reserved for this liturgical season. The symbols of Advent are the creations of believing Christians who have prepared for and celebrated the birth of Christ over the ages. The most obvious and the most prominent symbol is the Advent wreath. In addition to the Advent wreath, there are other signs and symbols, such as the Jesse tree and the giving tree.

The Jesse tree receives its name from Jesse, the father of King David, from whose house the lineage of Jesus can be traced through his earthly father, Joseph. The Gospels of Matthew and Luke contain lists of the ancestors of Jesus which connect Him to Abraham and Adam. This history helps us to understand the continuous longing of the chosen people for the Messiah. Each day during Advent we hang one name of a significant person or a quote from the Old Testament on the Jesse tree as preparation for Christmas. The Jesse Tree may also be constructed from small branches of a real tree, anchored to florist's foam or even made from pieces of cut felt. Popular symbols to include in a Jesse tree include:

Name	Popular Symbol Used
King David	Crown
Adam	Apple
Jonah	Whale
Noah	Ark or a Boat
Jacob	Ladder
Moses	Tablet of the Ten Commandments
Joseph	Colorful Coat
Blessed Mother Mary	Rose
Ruth	Sheaf of Wheat
Holy Spirit	Dove or Flame

Many blessings to you and yours this Holiday Season – HR Parish Staff

Youth Ministry – Christmas Bonfire and Sing-along - Saturday, December 18 from 3:30 – 5:30 pm at Camp Long. NEED PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Holy Rosary Church has a Youth Ministry program for kids in grades 6th, 7th and 8th! If your child is in one of those grades, we'd like to invite them to join us for a late afternoon at Camp Long for a Christmas Bonfire & Sing-along, as well as hot cocoa and roasted marshmallows! Dress for the weather! We will be outside.

Specifics:

- 1) Your child will need to secure a signed permission slip in order to attend (turn it in at the event). Permission slips need to be turned into the parish offices in the rectory by Friday, December 17.
- 2) Please bring two non-perishable food items to be donated to families in need over the holiday season.
- 3) Pick up at Camp Long is 5:30 pm sharp.

Additionally – WE NEED 6 PARENT VOLUNTEERS! Please let us know if you would be available to remain with us as a volunteer during our activity: 3:30 to 5:30 pm. Please contact Tara Van Vleet, tvanwalt@comcast.net and let us know if you would be available! It should be lots of fun!

Green Tips For A Green Christmas

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/ethicallivingblog/2007/dec/12/toptipsforagreenchristmas>

Community Postings

Dance after school at Holy Rosary!

Does your child love to dance? Are you looking for a fun and creative outlet for your Holy Rosary student after school? Join us!

SunDance presents "A Spring Spectacular"








*Classes begin January 3, 2011 in the Holy Rosary Parish Center

*Check out www.sundancerswestseattle.com for information on this new after school program! *Any additional questions, please contact Dawn Holmes at sun_goddess22@hotmail.com

Included in This eFC

-  Hot Lunch order Form
-  Heart Auction Class themes
-  SunDance Registration Form

Upcoming Events And Important Dates:

-  Dec. 17 Gr. 6-8 Lunches of Love
-  Dec. 17 Noon Dismiss: Christmas Holiday
-  Dec. 20 - Jan.2 Christmas Vacation
-  Jan. 3 School Resumes
-  Jan. 22 Safe Environment Training at OLG
-  Jan. 30 Open House
-  Jan. 30 – Feb. 4 Catholic Schools Week

