



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

January 13, 2011

Holy Rosary Fundraising Survey

We would like to direct your attention to the link below asking for your participation in the Holy Rosary fundraiser survey. Please consider taking the time to assist us in the important process of getting feedback on this critical aspect of our school's operating budget; we need the broadest response possible in order to best inform the important work of planning in a way that will ensure Holy Rosary School's financial viability for many years to come. The survey will be up until Tuesday, January 18th. We currently have 66 responses and are hoping for additional participation. Thank You. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/hrfundraisingsurvey>

Parent Commitment Hour Program Parent Commitment Hour Quarterly Statements will be sent home next week. Hours completed from 3/1/10-12/31/11 are included in this statement. THE PARENT COMMITMENT HOUR year for 2010 — 2011 will end on February 28, 2011. All hours worked must be documented and received in the school no later than March 15, 2011. All hours not completed by February 28th 2011 will be invoiced to you at the rate of \$35.00 per hour. If your hours are in arrears please plan accordingly. Invoices will be sent out in mid March. After invoiced, families must pay for the uncompleted hours by March 31, 2011 to receive registration papers for 2011 - 2012 school year.

Please remember only adult (over 18) family members may contribute to a families' hours. Please take a moment to look at the Family Handbook for more information on the Parent Commitment Hour Program.

CYO Group Pictures Needed

The yearbook staff is in need of CYO group pictures with students dressed in their sports uniforms. We need basketball, cross-country, volleyball, and soccer from the fall and winter 2010-2011. Individual candid pictures may or may not be included in the yearbook, but feel free to send them. Please email photos to jbarker@holynosaryws.org by Friday, February 4th. Thank you.

“Here's looking at you, families!”

Lights, Camera, Auction! is ready to accept your donation.

- Family donations are due to be entered online by Friday, January 21st! *“Go ahead, make my day”*, and visit the [HEART](#) website for suggested [ideas by class](#).
- Do you have something else in mind or already lined up? We'll take it! *“Mama always said life was like a box of chocolates. You never know what you're gonna get.”*
- Do you have a vacation home, are you a great cook, do you love to entertain? We're up for it all, or just one of the above, because *“Nobody puts Baby in a corner.”*
- Still stumped? Would you rather *“show me the money?”* Make your \$100 cash donation through the HEART website [cash donation](#) page.

For more help, or for further answers to your donation questions please contact your Auction Donation Team at: auction-procurement@holyrosaryws.org.

Thank you all in advance for your contribution. *“My mother thanks you. My father thanks you. My sister thanks you. And I thank you.”*

“You talkin’ to me?”

Need fund raising hours? “I’m going to make him an offer he can’t refuse.”

Live Auction Project Managers: there are two specific decoration jobs that need to be managed for the Live Auction.

Live Auction Decorations Crew: These are jobs for builders, painters, and seamstresses that are available for weekends & evenings. The jobs can be completed at home or at the school.

Silent Auction Signage: This is a job for someone who likes to work with printing and graphics to make signs to be used throughout the Silent Auction.

Seamstress: there is a onetime project that is available for you if you need to complete some hours for this year.

Clean-Up Chair(s): If you are fastidious and want double fundraising hours and are a leader, one of these rolls is for you. The call is out for two Clean-up Chairs; one for Saturday evening, and one for Sunday morning.

Security and Distribution: This is a perfect position to fulfill your fundraising hours in one weekend. This is a weekend of the Auction job.

Please contact: auction-volunteers@holyrosaryws.org. Thank you in advance for your contribution of time and talents!

Call out for Stage Props!

Lights, Camera, Auction! is looking for the following props:

- White primer – do you have a full can, ½ can? No need to buy that kitty litter to dispose of your white colored primer. We’d love to put it to use.
- Unused 35mm film... can you believe it? Here’s an opportunity to dump the old stuff!

If you have either of these items and would like to donate please contact the Decorations Team at: auction-operations@holyrosaryws.org.

Grandparents Luncheon

We're one day closer to spring, though you wouldn't know by looking outside. This means that we're one day closer to our annual Catholic School's Week Grandparent Luncheon, which will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011. If you need more hours, please join me in preparing for this important and much loved event. We can use as many volunteers as we can get. Setting tables, picking up balloons, filling water glasses or wrapping those beautiful primroses - we have as few or as many jobs for you to choose from. We will need volunteers for Tuesday Feb. 1 for set-up from 6pm - 7:30pm and on Wednesday, Feb 2 starting after drop-off until about 10am and also during the lunch from 11:15 until 1:45pm. There will be many shifts and flexible times. If you would like to dedicate your time to making this a wonderful memory for our beloved grandparents, please contact Allyson Schreck allysonschreck@hotmail.com or call 206-933-5942. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Green Tip

Resolve to be greener in 2011! Go to http://www.calacademy.org/join/sustainable_future/ and select Sustainability Made Simple from the choices in the bar on the right. You can download a nifty card created by the California Academy of Sciences that sets out some good and easy ideas to be green, greener and greenest in the new year! Every little bit does make a difference. Resolve to start one new good habit this year and see how easy it can be to be green.

Volunteer Hour Opportunity: As we look ahead to our annual primrose planting during Catholic Schools Week, we realize that the planting beds are pretty hard and a bit crowded with weeds. If you have a green thumb and would like to spearhead or assist in this effort to prepare the beds before planting day, (Tues. Feb. 1st) we would greatly appreciate it! Please contact Mary W. in the main office for more information.

Parents in Touch Happy New Year! Please consider starting off the new year with Parents in Touch! You are welcome and invited to pray with other parents for the intentions of our school and parish community. We meet from 8:30am (after drop off) until around 9am in the Reservation Chapel (off the narthex in the church) to pray the rosary each Friday morning of the school year. It is a wonderful way to conclude the week, remembering those who need our prayers, as well as giving thanks for the wonderful community that is Holy Rosary School. (Note: enter the church via the side - 42nd St. - door as the main doors are usually locked at that time.) We look forward to seeing you there! Any questions, please call Jillian Kane.

All Kinds Of Minds

During the month of January we are focusing on the construct Memory which is the place in your mind where you store and find information. For Preschool, Kindergarten and Grade One this could mean a call for deliberate paired associate learning (e.g. grapheme:phoneme) or an introduction of abstract, symbolic visual memory. For grades 1-3 it's a stress on convergent single-item recall (math facts, sight words), experience with rote learning, and/or differentiation of abilities by format. For grades 4-8 it is a demand for rapid simultaneous recall, a need for active working memory and/or stress on automatized recall of facts and procedures (as in mathematics). Please come check out our new AKOM bulletin board outside the faculty lounge and ask your children about AKOM lessons taught in the classroom.

8th Grade Pizza Lunch

Happy New Year! Your 8th grade pizza lunch team is rolling out what we hope will be an easier process for the remainder of the year:

- On line system data entered in January is not included so be sure to look at the attached to ensure accuracy
- The name of every child who ordered at least once this school year should be on the attached along with their order (alphabetical order by child)
- If your child wants pizza on January 27, and the order is correct, you may submit a check payable to Holy Rosary School for the amount due
Envelope should list the name and classroom of your child(ren)
- You may modify, remove or add an order by emailing Chelle Chase (thechases@comcast.net). Please be sure to include the child's name and the details of the order. Emails must be received by Friday, January 21st to change the January 27th order.

The final January list will be used for the rest of our lunches in 2011: 2/24, 3/24, 4/21, 5/26. If desired, you may pay for the remainder of the year at one time or pay as you go. A reminder list will be sent out two weeks before each lunch to allow for changes and updates.

As a final note, we have many families who still owe their payment from December. You will be receiving a separate communication if that is the case. We would truly appreciate your returning your December and January payment at the same time.

Thank you again for your support!

Scholastic Book Fair

During Catholic Schools Week we celebrate our school: the students, parents, grandparents, staff, parish and community. In the Library we celebrate reading. The Scholastic Book Fair transforms the Library and everyone enjoys the excitement, games, contests and special activities. This book fair is also the most important fundraiser for the library program. The profits supplement the minimal budget and fund the purchase of new books. Remember, as you read about the activities of Catholic Schools Week, the Library and the Book Fair are open and you are invited to share in the fun from Sunday, January 30 through Sunday, February 6.

Get ready for an old-fashioned carnival atmosphere when the Scholastic Book Fair opens during Catholic Schools Week at Holy Rosary School with a "Book Fair Carnival" Your Ticket to Read! To make this major Library fundraiser a success, volunteers are needed to help:

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Setting up on Friday, January 28 working as cashiers packing up and cleaning up on Sunday, February 6.

Email sharris@holyroaryws.org if you can help with this fundraiser or complete the book fair form included in this eFC. Thank you.

Catholic Schools Week is celebrated the week of January 30th, throughout the United States. Our week here kicks off with the weekend Masses on January 29th & 30th and an Open House Sunday, January 30, from 10:00-1:00. Students will be serving in various roles during weekend

Masses. Watch for sign up forms next week. The highlights of Catholic Schools Week are printed below. More details will be coming in the next couple of weeks.

Catholic Schools Week: Jan. 30-Feb. 4

Sunday, January 30 - Celebrate Renewal in our Faith Community

- Students wear uniforms to weekend Masses/Children's Choir sings at 9:00am Mass
- Holy Rosary School Open House
- Book Fair in the school library open all week

Monday, January 31 - Celebrate our Catholic School

- Perfect Uniform day
- 2:30 – All School Bingo

Tuesday, February 1 -Celebrate Service

- Jeans Day
- All grades will select a service to perform this week
- Annual Primroses planting- students should bring a small digging tool

Wednesday, February 2- Celebrate Families

- Perfect uniform day
- No homework to celebrate families
- Grandparents luncheon (Please fill out attached RSVP form and return ASAP)
- All Day Book Fair in Library

Thursday, February 3 - Celebrate Lifelong Learning and Staff Appreciation

- Perfect uniform day
- Students are encouraged to make a card for their teachers
- Spelling Bee
- Grade 7-8 Science Fair, Gr.5 Invention Convention
- Students and Staff Read-In (2:20-2:50)

Friday, February 4- Celebrate our School Community and Honor our Students

- Students dress in theme Winter Wonderland – “Keep God Warm in Your Heart”
- Spirit Assembly in the morning/8th grade vs. Holy Rosary Staff volleyball game in the afternoon

Saturday, February 5 – Catholic Schools Basketball Classic at Key Arena

Sunday, February 6 – All Students are encouraged to attend Mass in Gator sweatshirts to close out Catholic Schools Week.

Epiphany Program

The annual Christmas Program is now the “Epiphany Program”! It is 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 tonight, 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. Thank You

Catch the Holy Rosary School Band at the Epiphany Program on

Thursday, Jan. 13th @ 7p.m./Church. Band members in grades 6-8 are asked to arrive at 6:30p.m. This is a graded performance/attendance is required! Thank you! We look forward to sharing the sounds of this special season with you!
Miss McKamey

BASE: Thank you to all families who have been submitting BASE calendars by the 25th of the prior month. In order to adequately plan for staff, it is very important for BASE to have calendars on time. Therefore we will charge a \$25 late fee beginning in February for all calendars turned in after the 25th of the prior month.

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. There is an order form attached to this eFC. Husky Deli helps the students prepare these delicious sandwiches. Thank you.

PowerSchool Access - Our PowerSchool server has been migrated successfully to Pearson. It has also been updated to the newest version, so you may notice a few differences. **Please note, to access PowerSchool, you will now use the following**

URL: <http://holyrosaryws.powerschool.com>. Remember to update your bookmarks and/or favorites otherwise you will get an error message. Also, in the coming weeks an announcement on how to access PowerSchool through your mobile phone will be given. Look for it in the eFC! Thank you very much for your patience and please contact me if there are any problems with PowerSchool. - Jon Barker, Technology

Holy Rosary School Student Published Nationally

In November, 4A student, Gabriella Jeakle,, was selected as a Scholastic News Kids Corps

reporter, one of 50 in the nation. Gabriella competed against more than 200 students for the honor, which is open to students ages 10-14. Gabriella is one of only a handful of 10 year olds in the nation to be selected.

Her first story, an interview with Lisa Hoashi of Mercy Corps, one year after the earthquake in Haiti, was published today on the Scholastic News Online site.

<http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=375>

Congratulations, Gabi!!

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@holynosaryseattle.org
Thank you.

VOLLEYBALL SIGNUPS: Basketball is well underway and volleyball is just around the corner. Volleyball is available for students in grades 5 - 8. Attached to this eFC are the registration and head trauma forms that are due back in the school by **January 21, 2011**.

Safe Environment Class

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

Community Postings

Free Throw Competition- Show off your basketball skills

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Council and the Holy Rosary Round Table Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Free Throw Competition for all boys and girls age 10 to 14. It will be held Saturday, January 29th at 2:00 PM for all boys and girls 10 to 14 years of age. The competition will be held at the Holy Rosary School Gym, (behind the school--parking lot entrance off of 41st Ave SW) 4142--42nd Ave. SW, Seattle. Each boy and girl age group champion will be eligible to advance to the District Competition to be held in February. You must provide proof of age (birth certificate, etc.).









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January - Ordinary Time - the liturgical color is green which symbolizes growth, hope, and life.

This week the we celebrate the Feast of St. Anthony of Egypt on January 17th
Anthony lived a few hundred years after Jesus did. He grew up in a wealthy family. One day, when he was a young man, he was at church and listened to the Gospel: "Go and sell all you own and give the money to those who are poor." Anthony thought that those words fit him perfectly. He did just that, and he walked into the desert. There he lived for years all by himself, praying, studying and working in his garden. He became so holy, people said his face had a beautiful light about it. He started to teach others about loving God.











Anthony lived until he was 105 years old. In his last year, he had pets and became known for them. In Mexico, and in some Central American countries, children celebrate St. Anthony's feast day by painting stripes or polka dots on cows and sheep! They decorate their chickens and cats with flowers and put clothing on them! (Good luck with the cats.) Then they bring their animals to the church for a blessing.

Included in This eFC

-  **Preschool Intent to Register Form**
-  **Kindergarten Intent to Register Form**
-  **Sixth Grade Superbowl Sub Order Form**
-  **Heart Auction Class themes**
-  **Stone Soup Theater Audition and Winter Class 2011 Flyer**
-  **Catholic Youth Pre-season Lacrosse Clinic Flyer**

-  Hot Lunch Menu
-  Hot Lunch Order Form

Upcoming Events And Important Dates:

-  Jan. 13 Epiphany Concert 7:00 pm (students arrive at 6:30)
-  Jan. 17 No School Martin Luther King Day
-  Jan. 22 Safe Environment Training at OLG
-  Jan. 27 8th Grade Pizza Lunch
-  Jan. 30 Open House 10:00am – 1:00pm
-  Jan. 30 -Feb. 4 Catholic Schools Week
-  Feb. 2 Grandparents Luncheon
-  Feb. 5 Fulcrum Basketball Classic at the Key Arena
-  Feb. 18 Half Day Off for Magazine Sale
-  Feb. 21 & 22 No School – Mid Winter Break