



# SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

May 12, 2011

Dear Parents,

Last Monday evening The Parish Pastoral Council convened a meeting of the leadership of all our parish groups to promulgate our new Parish Mission statement. It is:

“YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, WITH ALL YOUR MIND AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH. YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF”. Mark 12: 28 -31.

Jesus called it the greatest commandment of all and told the young man who asked him the question that if he followed it he would be close to the Kingdom of Heaven.

I am committing myself along with The Pastoral Council to living out these words of Jesus in my dealings with all individuals and families in our community – whatever it takes. I am writing to ask you to join me in doing the same. That means using this quote for prayer at home and at parish and school meetings: see Deuteronomy 6: 4—5: and Luke 10: 25—28 as well as Mark. If we all use this as our guiding principle in our communications and interactions with one another, I am confident that it would change our lives.

If we would use this when we thinking of others in our community it could change the nature of our relationships. Not only would we be close to the Kingdom of God but it would generate a positive energy flow in all our thought processes. This in turn would change our whole environment; it has the God potential to move us from the darkness of the negative to the brightness of positive interactions in all aspects of life.

This is the reason for a Catholic education along with our academic excellence and the opportunity to have sports opportunities for the children and have fun social

interactions. Putting this Mission statement at the forefront of everything so that it influences all our thoughts and plans would, as Jesus said, make us as close as we could be to the Kingdom of Heaven.

I invite you to join us in holding each other accountable for making this happen. This Easter season is a great time to begin.

Fr John.

Holy Rosary Parents and Parishioners,

The Holy Rosary School Commission has 2 openings for at-large members, starting in the 2011-12 school year. This is your opportunity to provide a voice for all Holy Rosary parents, and to be a leader in your school community. School Commission is an advisory group that works with the principal and pastor on policy-related issues. Examples of ongoing issues on which the Commission collaborates are the school budget, uniform policy, health and wellness, technology, and the school's strategic plan. We do not make decisions that affect day to day operations of the school. We also do not make decisions regarding academic curricula – that is the responsibility of the principal and his staff. The entire committee meets on the first Thursday of every month, and there is usually some subcommittee work to be done outside of the regular meeting. You will serve a 4-year term.

If you are interesting in contributing your knowledge and insight as Holy Rosary parents and parishioners to the future of our school, please complete the attached application, and return it to Sherri Chun (sherri.chun@att.net) by Monday, May 16. Please feel free to email me if you have questions. Thank you.

Sherri Chun

School Commission President

(see attachment)

### **Parents' Club Meeting: Meet our New Principal**

Parents' Club has rescheduled our final meeting of the school year for Thursday, May 19th at 6:15pm. Please mark your calendars, as this is your first opportunity to meet our new principal, Michael Cantu. Also, join us in presenting Frank Cantwell, the principal of Holy Family School with the money we raised for them at the HEART Auction. We will recognize our volunteers and wrap up any business before we break for the summer, so mark your calendars because this is an evening you won't want to miss!

**Important Band News:** Next Wed. May 18, band students will be picked up from school at 3:00 by bus to be transported to Kennedy High School for the Band Festival. As Wed. is a 2:15 dismissal for Holy Rosary, our staff will provide a study hall for band students that day. All band students who remain at school between 2:15–3:00 on May 18th must attend study hall and should come prepared with work to do.

### **HRS Band News**

The bands at Holy Rosary are busy preparing for upcoming concerts.

The annual Band Festival held at Kennedy Catholic High School will be on May 18th this year! This special event will be followed by our very own Gator Band performing at the HRS Talent Show! A lot of work still to prepare!

Spring is always an exciting time!! Stay tuned.....more details will come!!

### **The Holy Rosary Band Wagon is Ready to Take Off!**

**Checklist for upcoming events;**

Band Fest forms are now due!

Band Festival – Wed, May 18

Talent Show – Fri, May 20

4th Grade Recruit Assembly – Mon, May 23rd – School Hall

Band Camp (KESBC) forms are out! –July 11–15 12:15– 2pm

### **4th Grade Charity Bake Sale Tomorrow (Friday May 13th).**

Students will be able to purchase delicious baked goods during all of the lunches tomorrow so send in your change! All proceeds will go to Catholic Relief Services. We appreciate your support---Thank you!

**Field day is fast approaching.** We are in need of adult sized clothing for one of our relays. If you have any of the following items you would be willing to donate (they will not be returned) please drop them off at the school office on or before Friday, May 20. Please label them "field day". Thank you.

Items needed:

shorts-6

button up shirts-6

neck ties-6

### **Recess Duty 2011-2012**

Double your volunteer hours for next year now by signing up for next year's lunch recess duty. The time is 11:15am - 1:15pm daily. Double volunteer hours are given for this enjoyable task. We ask that you choose one specific day per week for the entire year. Please complete the form attached to today's eFC and return to Ms. Judd by May 19th. Thank you

### **Bike To School Month**

May is Bike to School Month and Holy Rosary School is hoping for an overflowing bike rack!

Please join us in riding to school when you can. In addition, Friday, May 20 is the official Cascade Bicycle Club Bike to School Day. All riders on May 20 will receive a special sticker and a **Free Dress Pass**! Passport calendars are available in the school office. All calendars must be turned in by June 1 in order to distribute prizes by the end of the school year. We'll see you on the road!

### **All Kinds of Minds**

The month of May we are focusing on the construct Higher-Order Cognition which is thinking creatively, trying new things, and understanding and using steps to solve problems. For Preschool, Kindergarten and Grade One this could mean a strong reliance on sensory data and perception, a need for empirical discovery (awareness) of concepts, and/or initial encounters with abstract symbols. For grades 1-3 it's the use of

experiential knowledge for reading comprehension, an assimilation and confirmation of rules (as in spelling), and/or an overriding of sensory data with logic. For grades 4–8 it is the emergence of preferred modes of thought, a stress on abstract concepts, and/or a call for flexible rule application and generalization. Please come check out our new AKOM bulletin board outside the faculty lounge and ask your children about AKOM lessons taught in the classroom.

### **World Book Web – Free Trial**

Everyone in the HRS school community has a free trial access to the World Book Web. Designed to make reference resources and research tools accessible at all learning levels, this free trial delivers World Book's entire collection of online products to cover the needs of students at all levels.

Point your browser to: <http://tryit.worldbookonline.com>

User name: americas

Password beginning May 3: buttercup

Your feedback is vital as we evaluate this resource. Please send Mrs. Sue Harris an email with your reactions after you and your children have had the opportunity to use many of the available products. Share your reactions. Which of the products did you find to be most valuable for your child or children? Would this be a helpful resource for your family to use from home? Thank you.

### **The SPROUT small group program for parents with children 18 months and younger..**

A combination of MOPs & PEPs meet Jesus!

Meeting Fridays, in the Parish Center from 10:00 am – 11:30 If you are interested in joining this program please contact Jennifer Wong at [jwong@holyroaryseattle.org](mailto:jwong@holyroaryseattle.org)

### **Join the Holy Rosary Gators in the fight against breast cancer!**

Holy Rosary has been hit hard by breast cancer in the past year: 3 staff members have been diagnosed and are currently completing their treatment. Please join us in

celebrating these wonderful women at the **2011 Komen Puget Sound Race for the Cure on June 5<sup>th</sup>**.

The Race for the Cure is a family-friendly event with a Kid's 1K event, 5K walking and running events, and fun entertainment.

- General Race Information (<http://komenpugetsound.org/komen-race-for-the-cure>)
- Join the Holy Rosary Gators ([http://pugetsound.info-komen.org/site/TR/RacefortheCure/SEA\\_PugetSoundAffiliate/1691095944?pg=team&fr\\_id=2079&team\\_id=156876](http://pugetsound.info-komen.org/site/TR/RacefortheCure/SEA_PugetSoundAffiliate/1691095944?pg=team&fr_id=2079&team_id=156876))

### **Dance and pizza party**

It's not too late to sign up for the SunDance dance and pizza party on Friday June 3rd from 6–8PM! Kids will play dance games, eat pizza and learn a new routine. All proceeds go to the Holy Rosary HEART auction.

### **Green Tip**

Calling all gardeners! Holy Rosary is hoping to create a community garden next year. The garden would involve students and parishioners, and provide learning experiences and food for Holy Rosary's ministries. We know there is a wealth of talent for this project in our community, so if you have interest and some extra time, please contact Maggie Lucas at [spike1175@comcast.net](mailto:spike1175@comcast.net).

Also, for all PCC members, please vote in the election for the board of trustees. Voting closes on May 19.

### **PARENTS' CLUB NEEDS YOU IN 2011-12!!**

The following positions are OPEN for next school year:

Parents' Club Vice President

Parents' Club Secretary

Leadership for the Christmas Tree Lot Committee

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Meg Peterson.

## **Community Postings**

**“Sealth Basketball and Life Skills Camp”** is in its 14th year and has been a staple in the West Seattle community for many years as a positive summer program promoting both life skills and basketball fundamentals. The link to the camp brochure with registration and other information can be found on the Chief Sealth International High School website at <http://www.seattleschools.org/schools/chiefsealth/> . Contact Head Coach Colin Slingsby at (206) 854-8142 or [caslingsby@seattleschools.org](mailto:caslingsby@seattleschools.org) for more information.

### **SunDance presents our “Spring Spectacular”**

Do you have a child in SunDance, or a friend who participates in this program? This is a show you won't want to miss! SunDance Spring Spectacular Dance Recital will be Saturday May 14th at 7:00PM in the Holy Rosary School hall. Open seating will start at 6:30. Admission is \$5 per adult and FREE for children. Please bring a can of food for a local donation.

### **Kennedy High School Football Camp**

Who: Camp is open to all 7th–12th grade boys (2011 school year)  
\*Athletes may come late if required because of school dismissal times\*

When: May 31st–June 14th (Scrimmage @ Bellevue Stadium on the 11th & at Mt Si on the 14th)

Time: 3:00 – 5:30 (7th & 8th graders may arrive a little late if needed & miss for graduation they also will not participate in the scrimmages)

Facts: Individual and Team fundamentals will be stressed daily.  
Controlled scrimmages will be run daily.

Awards: Camp Shorts and T-Shirts will be given to all campers

Staff: Kennedy Varsity Coach Bob Bourgette, his staff & former Lancer players.

Cost: \$50

Questions: Call Bob Bourgette @ Kennedy 206–246–0500

Please make checks payable to Kennedy High School

(Your cancelled check is your receipt)

\* See attached Flyer for registration







## **Northwest Boychoir Auditions**

Saturday May 21st, 2011









Boys currently in Kindergarten – Third Grades are eligible to audition.

206.524.3234/ [www.nwchoirs.org/](http://www.nwchoirs.org/) call for your audition appointment!

## **Included in This eFC**

-  **Recess Duty Form**
-  **West Seattle Bowl Summer Program Flyer**
-  **Bishop Blanchet Summer Camp Flyer**
-  **Lee's Martial Arts Summer Camp Flyer**
-  **Hot Lunch Menu**
-  **Hot Lunch Order Form**

## **Upcoming Events And Important Dates:**

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|  <b>May 12</b>  | <b>Mass Honoring Mary 8:45 am /Play – 7PM</b> |
|  <b>May 13</b> | <b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Bake Sale</b>         |
|  <b>May 18</b> | <b>Band Fest Kennedy</b>                      |
|  <b>May 20</b> | <b>Talent Show</b>                            |
|  <b>May 23</b> | <b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Recruiting</b>   |
|  <b>May 26</b> | <b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade Wax Museum</b>        |
|  <b>May 27</b> | <b>Field Day – Noon Dismissal</b>             |
|  <b>May 30</b> | <b>Memorial Day – No School</b>               |



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Liturgical Color – The Easter Season color is white reminding us of victory and joy.

*Are the days getting lighter and lighter? Light is a sign of grace, peace, and life. During Advent we lit candles on the wreath to show that Savior brings God's light into the world's darkness. During Christmas time we recall the words of Simenon, who called Jesus the "light of revelation." We put lights on trees and*



*in windows, remembering that light of the star that led the wise men to the stable. Now during Eastertime, we celebrate Jesus again with symbols of light. The paschal candle, the giant candle that is lighted during this season whenever we celebrate in the church, shows that Jesus lives. His light was not put out with death but shines now because of his resurrection.*

*Point out the Paschal Candle to your children in church. It is located either by the baptismal font, or by the alter. It will be lit all during this Easter Season.*