



# SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

June 2, 2011

*"This is what we are about. We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development..."*

*We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, and an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.*

*We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker. We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own. Amen."*

Dear Holy Rosary Community:

It is with great sadness that I write my note of farewell to you. Although I have only been at Holy Rosary for a brief time in the long, distinguished history of the school, the experience has been a rewarding, fulfilling and, ultimately, transformative one for me.

Like most of you, I have been profoundly moved and affected by the unparalleled sense of community, the priceless faith life development, and the amazing and dedicated staff that are the foundation of this unique and blessed place. I believe the pieces are in place to not only maintain, but also continue to improve upon, this well-established formula for success.

We have a complete, energized (and energizing) contingent of new families coming in, a highly affirming accreditation process (and set of resulting academic goals) under our

belt, and a recently reviewed and revised strategic plan in place. Our new principal, Mr. Michael Cantu, working collaboratively with Fr. John and our excellent School Commission and Parents' Club leadership, has the experience and the vision to continue Holy Rosary School on a path that will truly honor its upcoming celebration of a hundred years of educating young people in academics and the faith.

By familiarizing themselves with these key academic and strategic goals, by supporting the school and parish leadership in their efforts to bring them about, and by building upon the incredible level of volunteerism and service that exemplify this community, the families of Holy Rosary will continue to "plant the seeds that one day will grow" and "water seeds already planted."

May God's peace and blessings continue to sustain this wonderful learning and faith community for at least *another* hundred years!

Dr. Randal Peters

**The Holy Rosary 2011 Block Party and Ministries Fair** is coming on Sunday, August 14, 12.30pm to 3pm! Mark your calendars to celebrate with your Holy Rosary friends and family at our 3rd annual summer Block Party. We'll close off the street between the school and the church so that we can party in style! Bring your blankets and lounge on the grass!

There will be hot dogs, ice cream and activities for the family. Share some of your own treat at the Potluck table. New this year is our Ministries Fair, so that you can learn more about the dynamic groups that make our parish and school so vibrant both within and around our community! Remember that volunteering counts towards School Service Hours. Contact Kathy Schwartz (towheeacres@hotmail.com) to get involved!

### **Summer Jam at Holy Rosary!!!**

Put some **musical fun** into your summer~~~ come on out to **HRS** for a jam session on

SUNDAY, JULY 17, from 3:00 – 4:45 PM (ending right in time for 5 PM Mass!). Moms, dads, teens, & kids---bring your guitars, ukuleles, fiddles, banjos – whatever! No instrument? We'll have guitars and ukes to loan out. If you know a few chords, great! If not, beginner ukulele players will be given some basic instruction to help you play like a pro! Songsheets will be available. Mark your calendars for 7/17 and come on up to the Music Room in the Parish Center (Classroom 211). For more info or to **reserve an instrument**: email Janet Mudge at: [jmudge@holynosaryws.org](mailto:jmudge@holynosaryws.org) See ya' there!

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) Program**

Starting in September, Holy Rosary Parish will be offering Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) program at the 9:30am Mass. We are conducting a short survey for all Holy Rosary Parents to take (see attached link) so that we can better meet your families' needs this fall. Thank you for taking the survey and helping us make the program a success.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DHVGL6B>

### **2011/2012 Room Parents Needed**

A HUGE thank you goes out to all of this year's hard working room parents. The teachers appreciate your efforts and the Heart Auction wouldn't have been the same without the exceptional class projects you coordinated. As we approach the end of the school year we're ready to start the search for next year's Room Parents. Please respond to Tiffany Fuentes if you're interested at [tcfuentes@comcast.net](mailto:tcfuentes@comcast.net)

### **Holy Rosary Band 2011/2012**

Beginning and Intermediate/Advanced Band will be offered on a regular basis to grades five through eight during the 2011-2012 school year.

If you think you would be interested in having your son/daughter take part in the band program, please fill out the attached flyer and return it to the school office. This is not a commitment, but rather a survey of interest. Thank you!

**Keep the musical spark alive** and have fun doing it during the Kennedy Elementary Summer Band Camp. July 11 – 15th is the big week! All band members have been given a registration form.

Hurry, deadline is June 17th!

### **Green Tip**

Check out this great group at [www.feetfirst.org](http://www.feetfirst.org). Here's a group with lots of ideas for greening our community and some easy ways to support you in your own greening efforts. In particular, check out Feet First's In Motion program, where registered participants earn a dollar for Community Cause every time they choose not to make a drive-alone car trip. The goal through October is to eliminate 10,000 drive alone trips! We can do it!

**Holy Rosary Soccer families**, it is now time to sign up for this fall's CYO Soccer Season. We are glad to announce that Sean Coleman will be our new Soccer Coordinator at Holy Rosary. There are a few changes for all to be aware of: Kindergarten Soccer will be offered for the first time at HRS and there will be a new procedure regarding uniforms (for Soccer and as well for Basketball and Volleyball.) Please note the signup deadline and get your forms in as soon as possible. Let's make this a great Gator Soccer season!

### **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

## **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))

## **Notes from B.A.S.E.,**

BASE will be open for Kindergarteners after their graduation on June 3rd. BASE will also be open the week of June 6th thru June 11th for Kindergarteners. The charge is \$40/day, if you are not on contract. Summer Camp begins on June 13th. Contact Donna at [base@holyroaryws.org](mailto:base@holyroaryws.org) for any questions.

## **Hey Moms**

Have any of you ever had interest in playing softball again. Maybe you use to play in high school and wanted to get back on the field or maybe you've just played on a softball team before kids and thought you'd like to play again. Holy Rosary CYO has and Adult Coed Softball team that may be just the thing you're looking for. We've been together as a team for three years and though we have yet to win a championship, we have a lot of fun together. The season is June 2nd to August 13th. We play on Mondays or Thursdays at one of three fields, St Bernadette in Burien, St Monica on Mercer Island or St Luke in Edmonds. If you are interested, contact Albert Rangel either by phone 206 935-7720 or by email [a.rangel@comcast.net](mailto:a.rangel@comcast.net)

## **Community Postings**

### **Summer Volleyball**

Here's a fun way to improve your volleyball skills during the summer! Get ready for your upcoming beach or indoor season, and join us for high-energy skills clinics. Contact Joe Baleto, West Seattle High School Head Coach at [1baleto@comcast.net](mailto:1baleto@comcast.net)

### **SKILZ & DRILZ**

Hey Everyone!

I'm putting on SKILZ & DRILZ training again this summer for serious (not trying to scare anybody but we will be working hard) hoopers that are ready to take their game to the next level. For those of you receiving this, I've either coached your son/daughter or know you through the West Seattle Community.

I will only be taking the first 10-12 kids for each session. There is no formal registration process.....your son/daughters spot will be saved after I've received an email confirmation (please indicate which session) and payment. Your son/daughter is welcome to invite a friend or two but please pass along that this clinic/training will be for kids that are ready to work hard.... again, I will only be taking 10-12 kids so that they get maximized attention.

Also, our HIGH PERFORMANCE ACADEMY is back....information Flyer below (check link).

### **Looking for a Summer Tutor?**

Summer is the perfect time to strengthen and maintain your child's reading and math skills. Summer tutoring available for students entering grades K-4 by a certified K-8 teacher. Your child will receive private tutoring with lesson plans that are designed with their needs in mind. The hours and location are flexible. Contact Maria Morris for more information at [mmorris@holyrosaryws.org](mailto:mmorris@holyrosaryws.org)

**“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.

### **Included in This eFC**

- ✚ Skilz and Drilz Flyer
- ✚ Seattle Lutheran High School Summer Sports Camps
- ✚ 2011/2012 School Calendar
- ✚ Pizza Lunch List
- ✚ Soccer Registration Forms
- ✚ Recess Duty Form
- ✚ West Seattle Bowl Summer Program Flyer
- ✚ Bishop Blanchet Summer Camp Flyer
- ✚ Lee's Martial Arts Summer Camp Flyer
- ✚ June Hot Lunch Menu
- ✚ June Hot Lunch Order Form

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

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| ✚ June 2  | 8th Gr. Graduation                    |
| ✚ June 3  | Kindergarten Graduation               |
| ✚ June 9  | Noon Dismissal                        |
| ✚ June 10 | Last Day Of School Dismiss after Mass |



### **Mustard Seed Corner – June 2<sup>nd</sup> (Ascension)**

*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 aspects of Catholic Tradition. (It is not Imprimi Potest, Nihil Obstat, or Imprimatur.)*

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

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witness in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth.” And when he had said this they were looking on, he was lifted up, and cloud took him out of their sight.” Acts 1:8,9

Christ’s Ascension is a mystery of faith, just as his Incarnation and Resurrection.

Something happened between Jesus’ bodily rising from the dead and the time when humans no longer physically saw him their presence, but we cannot fully understand what that was. St. Luke describes the Ascension at the end of his gospel and again at the beginning of the Acts of the Apostles, through his descriptions vary in detail.

The Ascension of the Lord always falls on the 40th day after Easter, which is a Thursday. In many dioceses, this important feast is celebrated on the following Sunday. Ascension literally means to go up, and on this day we commemorate the earthly body of Jesus going up to heaven. Jesus and his disciples were on the Mount of Olives near Jerusalem. He told his followers that soon they would receive the power of the Holy Spirit, and then it would be up to them to spread the Good News of his Resurrection to the rest of the world. An angel appeared after Jesus ascended and promised that Jesus would someday return.