

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

March 28, 2013

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..."

John 3:16

Dear Families,

When you stop and think what Easter really means to us, it is profound. It forms the highest level of hope I can think of and its effect on humanity has changed the world. We all know of the profound human suffering all around us. The world can be a very troubled place, I think of the suffering Christian people in the Middle East, our Christian brothers and sisters in Christ under extreme duress in Nigeria and elsewhere. Holy Rosary has a long history of helping our sister parish in Uganda. Through my connection to the Carmelites, for many years, my schools have contributed to another parish in Uganda. But like the story of the passion of our Lord, there is more to the story, or as the late Paul Harvey used to say, here is the rest of the story: the Resurrection, the Easter message of Hope.

On Easter Sunday five years ago, I took my late mother for what turned out to be her last outing. She was dying of cancer and apart from a trip to the hospital; she never stepped out of the house again. But here is the rest of the story-it was a glorious sunny day. My mother loved the horse races and we went to Santa Anita, a most beautiful racetrack. She died soon after this, but the memory I have of the two of us at the track, doing what she loved on Easter Sunday and is what I like to remember.

Happy Easter, enjoy the extra family time and keep the Hope of Easter alive in your life.

May God bless you and your family,

Michael Cantu, Principal Holy Rosary School

Auction News

Auction Spirit Day

Heart Auction Spirit Day -- Friday, April 12th! Grab your hats and get ready for race day! The Heart Auction Spirit Day is rounding the corner! This year's theme: **Kentucky Derby!** On Friday, April 12th, come dressed in Kentucky Derby attire! Hats, bright colors, anything horse related goes! It's going to be a great day at the races!

TICKETS:

In horse racing it is all about pole position. Have you bought your ticket yet? Ticket prices go up after Saturday March 30th!! Get your Auction ticket before you head out on Easter vacation. Buy your ticket on the 2013 Heart Auction Kentucky Derby website. Ticket prices are \$75/person or \$150/couple until March 30th. Prices increase on March 31, \$90/person or \$180/couple. Add your seating requests to the special requests section. If you have any other special requests about seating please contact Christina.

Seating questions: Christina Mastrangelo christina@klineplace.com

DONATIONS:

We need your donations delivered to the school by TOMORROW!! Please drop off your donations prior to Easter vacation.

Donation questions: Kamila Kennedy <u>kennedykamila@yahoo.com</u> or Kristin Bentler <u>gkbentler@comcast.net</u>

Sweet Charity - Dessert Auction

Our Kentucky Derby affair is fast approaching and we are seeking your sumptuous creations. If you would like to donate a dessert for the auction, download the Sweet Charity form at the bottom of the eFC. Please complete and return the bottom portion to the main office.

Dessert Questions: Deyette Swegle <u>auction-dessert@holyrosaryws.org</u>.

VOLUNTEERS:

If you have questions about the volunteer role feel free to contact the leader of that group.

Wait Staff volunteers please contact: Marcia Metcalf marciametcalf@gmail.com and Kaiti Grassley kgrassley@hotmail.com our logistic chairs

PARTIES:

Bingo Bash k-5, Bingo Bash 6-8, and Dance Party, you can buy these ON LINE! I know *shut the front door*! So easy squeezy!!

Party questions: Marti McGaughey martimcgaughey@comcast.net

RAFFLE TICKETS:

The gate just opened and the Tuition Raffle is off to a great start, but wait another raffle is coming out of the gate. The 50/50 raffle will be giving Tuition Raffle a run for your money. Who will be the winner of over \$5000.00 prize or a wreath of cash that night?

The tuition raffle has a limited number of tickets being sold, be one of the 100 ticket holders. You do not need to attend the auction to win the year's in-parish tuition!

50/50 is not a new raffle but has been racing for your dollars for many years. This year the 50/50 raffle tickets will be selling for only \$25.00 per ticket, unlimited number of tickets will be sold but you will need to be attending the auction to win!!! Last year's winner won more than \$1,500.00.

Download and turn in your flyer to get in on these races.

Raffle Questions: Angela Nichols jan81697@msn.com

PARENT'S CLUB CORNER

Thank you to ALL who attended our March Parent's Club Happy Hour!

Continue SHOPPING using our Holy Rosary Amazon.com link! REMEMBER the sky is the limit!

Our Holy Rosary community has raised over \$5500 using the Amazon link. Don't forget to share the link with your friends and family everywhere!

Holy Rosary Volunteer Opportunities

Parent's Club is looking for enthusiastic people to join the 2013-14 team! The following positions are OPEN:

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

We strongly encourage anyone to apply for a position. Please complete and return your application to the school office no later than Friday, April 26, 2013.

Questions regarding the positions or your application can be directed to any of the current Parent's Club Executive Board Members.

For more information on available positions:

https://gator.holyrosaryws.org/parentsclub/volunteer-opportunities/

Download Parent's Club Application Form (PDF).

2nd Trimester Honor Roll

Congratulations to our 7th and 8th grade honor roll students. Nice job, your hard work paid off!

8th Grade

High Honors (93% or above in all classes)

Martha B. Olivia D. Max B. Eliot E. Helen D. Emma G. Alejandro F. Bridget H. Claire F. Katie H. Laura H. Samantha P. David R. Regan N. Rachel S. Timmy R. Matthew S. Genevieve P.

Honors (90% or above in all classes)

Kimberly A. Marla M.
Bennett L. Olivia M.
Roman M. Veronica P.
Adele O. Ashley R.

Natalie P.

7th Grade

High Honors (93% or above in all classes)

Jonathan V. Hayley W.

Honors (90% or above in all classes)

Frances W. Brianna B. Isabella C. Matthew L. Grace T.

Pizza Lunch!

Ordering is now open for the next Pizza Lunch, scheduled for Friday, April 12th. The **last day to order online for this lunch will be Friday April 5th.** When ordering online please make sure to leave the payment date at the date the payment system offers you. Online ordering can be found here in Quick Links, "Online Payments" button:http://www.holyrosaryws.org/

Treat for this coming pizza day will be a cookie.

Remaining pizza lunches for the year are as follows:

4/12 5/10 & 5/31

Thanks to all for considering supporting this fundraiser for our 8th graders.

Any questions - please contact Jocelyn Antilla at 5antillajs@gmail.com

REGISTRATION FOR 2013-2014.

2013-14 Registration Paperwork

Yesterday you should have received your 2013-14 Registration Paperwork as it went out last Wednesday March 21st. Please check those backpacks and folders! New this year, please go online to the Forms & Downloads (LINK TO REG. PAPERWORK IN FORM & DOWNLOADS) page to review the following agreements prior to signing the contracts:

-Registration Agreement

- -Parish Stewardship Agreement
- -Parent Commitment Hours Program

Registration fees can only be paid online and completed registration paperwork/contracts are due to the main office by Wednesday, April 10th. Please contact Kimberly Tish with any questions: ktish@holyrosaryws.org

Tuition Assistance Next Step - Smart Tuition Aid Application Deadline is approaching

The deadline for submitting the **SMART Tuition Aid Analysis** is approaching. If you would like to be considered for a tuition assistance award from Holy Rosary School (this is a separate fund from Fulcrum), completing the SMART application <u>is required</u>. Applying to SMART is different from last year. We did not use an outside source last year. Basically, SMART reviews applications and provides recommendations to us as to how much to award you from the *Holy Rosary School Scholarship Fund*.

I am attaching a copy of the instructions. If you need help completing the form, please contact SMART at 1-800-360-8027 or by email support@smarttuitionaid.com You may complete the application online or mail the application directly to SMART. It is important for you to provide SMART with as much information and supporting documentation as you can. Applications are available in the school office. **The deadline for submitting the SMART application for the upcoming school year is April 15th.** As part of the process, SMART prepares a report for us. We will then use their report to determine how much to award you. We hope to be in contact with you by the end of May to let you know the amount awarded to you.

Please let me know when you submit your application. SMART is sending weekly reports to me so I'll be able to see if yours has been received by them.

You will need to know 2013-14 tuition rates for the application. They are as follows:

In-Parish: 1-child = \$5,256; 2 children = \$9,266; 3 children = \$12,184; 4

children = \$15,211

Out of parish: 1-child = \$8,125; 2 children = \$16,250; 3 children = \$24,375

Jennifer MacDonald

Download the instructions from the School Homepage.

Spring Class Photos April 16.

Class and individual pictures will take place on Tuesday April 16. Perfect uniform is required for the class picture. Students may wear free dress for the individual photos.

Chess Team

Congratulations to Mr. Ritscher's Holy Rosary Chess Team for winning 2nd Place in the Annual Bellevue Catholic Chess Challenge!

Giorgio M.

Jake H.

Adam J.

Connor M.

Giorvi M.

JJ H.

Max L.

Michael B.

Special Congratulations to:

Luca K. 1st Place (K-5 Beginner)

Sophia K. 5th Place (K-5 Beginner) and Christian Spirit Award

Lego Robotics

For the last 2 months, 36 students in 6 teams from Kindergarten to 3rd grade have been researching how technology has changed in the life of our senior citizens. The students are applying what they have learned into Lego models and ShowMe posters which will be presented at the FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC.) The FRC is the high school competition which is an amazing event to experience and our students are excited to be part of this larger event. The FRC starts on Wednesday and ends on Saturday. Our students will be presenting their research on Saturday from 10 to Noon to a panel of judges. Come cheer on our Jr's first Expo and stay to watch the High School robot competition. This is an event not to miss!

B.A.S.E. Information

B.A.S.E Parents all April calendars are now due, please send via email or to the main school office. B.A.S.E is open during Easter break – Tuesday April 2nd thru Friday, April 5th. The cost is \$50 per day plus the cost of the field trip.

Remember the lazy, crazy days of summer? They are right around the corner! Summer Camp is available June 17th through August 30th. Our ratio is low: one teacher for every 5 students and there will be field trips three days a week. We plan on having lots of beach and fun planned activities. Sign up at B.A.S.E. Thanks, Donna

Special Note: The ten month contract is an average of all ten months September through June making the June payment the same as the rest of the months during our school year, therefore June payment will not be pro-rated.

1% Receipt Program with Thriftway

This is a reminder to our Holy Rosary parents that we are still collecting the **Thriftway** receipts to get 1% of your shopping back to the school through their ongoing 1% Receipt Program. **Please start shopping at Thriftway more often which means more money back to our school.** You may drop off the receipts in the school office. There is a box placed on the shelf behind the door. If you have any questions, please contact Irene Merz at irenemerz@msn.com. Thank you for your continued support.

Bartell's "B" Caring Card

Holy Rosary School will be entered into a \$500 cash drawing for every 25 new supporters that sign up for a Bartells"B" Caring Card from March 15 to May 31st. The "B" Card is a reward card you show at the checkout stand, the school receives up to 4% of your purchases from Bartell's. Applications will be available at the next Parent's Club Meeting or pick one up at Bartell's.

CYO News

Track and Field 2013

Parents and families, Track season is around the corner and I wanted to let you know the dates for practice, meets and price.

We will begin on April 16th. All practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 PM to 6:15 at Hiawatha Track. Practices will continue until the end of May with our

End of the Year Picnic on Monday June 3rd at 6 PM. The cost for the season is \$30.00 and we ask that track and field participants sign up with the goal that he or she will run in the meets held on all Saturdays in May except Memorial Day weekend. Be looking for registration information at the end of March. Hope to see lots of kids this year! Head Coach Shelley Neal achildbecomes@gmail.com

Are You Married.....But Not in the Church?

We will have an informative evening on Bringing Your Marriage Into the Church on Monday, April 8 at 7pm in the Rectory Basement. Come ask your questions...bring your spouse so they can ask questions! Contact Sherry Smith (937- 1488, ext. 210 or sherry@holyrosaryseattle.org for more information.

There are many people attending Catholic parishes or in Catholic families whose marriage is somehow not fully recognized by the Church. Catholic Church law ordinarily requires baptized Roman Catholics to marry before a priest or deacon. Unless they requested and received a "dispensation from canonical form," Catholics who exchange marriage vows in the presence of only ministers from other religious traditions or authorized civic officials are not considered validly married in the eyes of the Catholic Church. Regardless of why couples marry outside the Church and later seek a Church wedding, the benefits are enormous: peace of heart, oneness with the Church, reception of the Sacrament of Matrimony and God's special blessing upon the marriage!

We are very proud of
Alyce H., Emma H., and Sofia F. for
having completed preparation for Baptism, First Communion,
and Confirmation. These Sacraments of Initiation will be celebrated during
The Easter Vigil
Saturday, March 30, 2013
8:00 PM
at Holy Rosary Church

Please keep them in your prayers.

Lord and God,

You know the secrets of our hearts and reward us for the good we do.

Look kindly on the efforts and progress of your servants.

Strengthen them on their way, increase their faith, and accept their repentance.

Open to them your goodness and justice and lead them to share in your

Sacraments on earth, until they finally enjoy your presence in heaven.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Gift of Women Conference

(Insert Link Here)

Community Postings

2013 West Seattle 5K Run/Walk

Looking for a great way to keep that New Year's fitness resolution and help our local WSHS? Register for the 2013 West Seattle 5K Run/Walk! This years' race will take place May 19th at Alki Beach. Take advantage of early discount registration fees! The first 100 participants are automatically entered in a drawing to win a new pair of running shoes from West Seattle Runner. Help celebrate the 5th anniversary of this PTSA fund raiser! Register now at www.WestSeattle5K.com

Bishop Blanchet Spring Performance

From April 26 through 28th, Bishop Blanchet High School will be performing the musical, *The Children of Eden* at the Moore Theater.

The children of Eden (music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, and book by John Caird) tells the story of the book of Genesis beginning with Adam and Eve, and their sons, Cain and Able, moving on to Noah's ark and the flood. The musical uses the Bible as its plot base while it deviates in many ways.

Summer Prep at Seattle Prep

Seattle Prep would like to invite all current 5th, 6th and 7th grade students (rising 6th, 7th, and 8th graders) to participate in *Summer Prep*! *Summer Prep* camps are one week long and include many athletic camps along with writing, study skills, science, art, theater, and technology camps and many more! New camps this summer include "Intro to Trial Law" ("Mock Trial" for middle

school), "Geometry, Architecture, and Design," "Fizz, Pop: Let's Explore Chemical Reactions!" and several more. We also have many returning favorites such as "Musical Theater" (open to rising 9th graders), "Writer's Workshop," "Smart but Scattered," and "The Human Body" (including the dissection of a cow eye)! Visit www.seaprep.org/summerprep for the schedule, course catalog, and online registration. Email Jenell Kheriaty with questions.

A Child Becomes is offering 7 Camps this summer for kids aged 5 to 8. Please check out our website <u>achildbecomes.org</u>. There is a link to our Summer Camps on the home page or email Shelley at <u>achildbecomes@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

Join us for language camp this summer! Sponge offers half and full day Mandarin and Spanish immersion camps at multiple locations. We help campers build language and cultural competency while having lots of summer fun! Our dynamic, native-speaking teachers will lead campers in crafts, games, sports, and drama. Together we will cook, write, create, and explore!

Camp for Pre-K, K-2nd and 3rd-5th graders will be held at multiple locations around Seattle, Bellevue, and Mercer Island. Go to http://spongeschool.com/sign-up/summer-camps-2013/ for more information and to register or email us at info@spongeschool.com with any questions.



Summer Theatre Camps

Stage Struck, West Seattle's longest-running summer theatre camp program still has room in <u>Mamma Mial</u>
This camp is offered from June 24 - July 5, and is for ages 9 and up. Come join us in this kid-friendly version of the popular musical, featuring the songs of ABBA!
Go to www.stagestruckseattle.com for info and to register.

Upcoming Events

4	March 29	Good Friday	(noon dismissal	silent)
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♣ April 1-5 Easter Break

♣ April 9 ITBS Testing begins

4 April 10 Registration Paper Work Due

♣ April 12 8th Grade Pizza Lunch

♣ April 16 Spring Class & Individual Picture Day (class perfect uniform)

♣ April 20 HEART Auction!