



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

January 23, 2014

REMEMBER!

This coming week is Catholic Schools Week. There will be special masses on Sunday featuring the students. The Principal will be preaching at each mass. We will be honoring our "Outstanding Alums" at the 9:30 mass. A representative from the Endowment will be presenting the school with their allocation for financial aid for this year. It will be over \$60,000! Open House, in the school, will be following the 9:30 Mass. All are welcome. Bring friends. Bring neighbors. The Parents Club will be serving refreshments. A detailed breakdown for the week can be found in last week's newsletter. The Grandparent Lunch will take place on Wednesday as part of our festivities.

Also ----- the yearly school survey went out with last week's newsletter. I deeply appreciate all the individual complementary letters that came in on a number of the staff members. They were great. The survey will close tomorrow --- Friday.



2014 HOLY ROSARY HEART AUCTION

AUCTION UPDATE!

Join us on Saturday, April 5 for The Party of the Century! Ladies, time to polish your pearls. Gentlemen, let's dust off that skinny tie and dress to impress! The Party of the Century has gone retro! We're adding some mid-century, swanky

style to the celebration. From start to finish – this will be the hippest event HRS has ever seen.

THIS IS THE LAST WEEK TO DONATE TO THE AUCTION!

Follow this link to donate: www.heart.holyrosaryws.org

1. All donations need to be in by TOMORROW! (1/24)
2. We still have 50% of our families to go.
3. Cash donation only after the 1/24 deadline

FREE DRESS PASSES – The class with the highest donation value by 1/24 wins a free dress day!!! Free Dress Passes for the winning class go home this week with your children.

HERE ARE SOME OF THE GREAT ITEMS THAT HAVE ALREADY COME IN:

- 2 Pre-season tickets to the Seahawks 2014 Seattle (Section 127 row P. time and date TBD)
- Portland Soccer Weekend (2 night stay at the Marriott Downtown Portland Waterfront, two tickets to the Sounders-Timbers game, date of game is Sunday, August 24)
- Skull Candy Aviator Headphones
- Whidbey Island Ladies Weekend

Important Dates:

January:

1/24 - Last day for online item donation

February:

2/21 - 1st curb-side drop off

2/28 - 2nd Curb- side drop off

2/28 – All Auction Items due to school

March:

3/06 - Auction Invitations go home

Catholic Schools Week

CHILDREN'S CHOIR CELEBRATES CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S WEEK @ 9:30 MASS

The Holy Rosary Parish Children's Choir will celebrate Catholic Schools Week by singing at the 9:30 mass this Sunday! The choir is for parish kids of all area school's in grades 3-5. Our next rehearsal will be Tuesday, February 25 in preparation for Lent mass on March 16. After that, we'll sing for Easter and Mothers' Day! For more info, contact Paul Dolejsi <pdolejsi@holynosaryseattle.org>.

JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR SINGS for CATHOLIC SCHOOLS @ SUNDAY 5PM MASS

The Junior High Choir sings this Sunday, January 26 at the 5pm mass for Catholic Schools Week! Lots of fun, familiar music! The band will be there! Come and sing—or even play guitar! **Please RSVP** so that I know how many microphones to set up. Please wear **perfect uniform**—as we're celebrating Catholic Schools. All students will be in uniform. Please **arrive at 4:10** in the church for rehearsal. 8th graders: You earn **community service hours** by participating in the Junior High Choir. You earn 2 hours for each mass and practice. See you Sunday night! For more info, contact Paul Dolejsi <pdolejsi@holyrosaryseattle.org>.

Grandparents and Special Friends Lunch

On Wednesday we will host over 200 special guests! We are looking forward to this special day.

Reminders - a few details to share with your guest(s):

- Gates to playground/ parking lot opens at 10:30 am
- West Seattle Christian has given us permission to use their parking lots
- Lunch starts promptly at 11:30 in School Gym (Lanigan)
- Students join grandparents and friends after lunch (12:30)
- Scholastic Book Fair in School Hall especially on 1/29

Questions? 206.937.7255

Book Fair

The Book Fair opens tomorrow, Friday, January 24 and the students are ready to enjoy the Fiesta and all the fun reading provides. All students and parents are challenged to read 100 pages during Catholic Schools Week in honor of our Centennial. Can we do it? Yes, we can!

On Wednesday, January 29 before the grandparents arrive, the Book Fair will be moved downstairs into the School Hall. This is a larger space and it should help provide a more pleasant shopping experience for our special guests. Remind the grandparents that they will not need to climb the stairs or wait for the elevator and can browse more easily with their grandchildren.

With a purchase, students will be entered in a daily contest to win a special lunch, or free books or other wonderful treats. Plan on stopping by and shopping at the book fair sometime during CSW. Maybe you will find a Valentine Day treat or can stock up on birthday gifts. This is the major fund raiser for the library program. With the proceeds, resources are purchased that connect to every aspect of the curricula at HRS. Thank you for your continued support of reading and learning.

Click this link (insert link here) to connect to the book fair website provided by Scholastic. It lists the dates and times for the book fair as well as a link to shop online if you are not able to attend in person. If you have any questions, please email Sue Harris at sharris@holynosaryws.org. Thank you.

Upcoming Open School Commission Meeting.

The second open School Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, February 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. Members of the community are welcome to attend. Any community member who wishes to address the commission should contact the President, Ann Summers at ann.summers@kingcounty.gov in advance.

THANK YOU FROM THE PRESCHOOL

The preschool staff would like to extend a big thank you for all of the wonderful donations of toys and games. They will be enjoyed and appreciated more than you can imagine!

Centennial Gala Recap

(View on school website.)

2014-2015 Holy Rosary School Registration for New Families

Applications for NEW students are available in the main office and online. The deadline to get your application in is Friday January 31st. If you have questions regarding our application process, please contact Kimberly Tish, Registrar at ktish@holynosaryws.org.

***Please note, do not complete an application for currently enrolled students. Registration for current students will begin in March 2014. Thank you.

Magazine Drive

Questions about magazine drive orders should be directed to:

A.P.Hearst Customer Service:

By phone: [\(1-800-284-9711\)](tel:1-800-284-9711)

Customers can also check the status of their order online at www.aphearst.com Go to "*Check on your order*" on the lower right hand side underneath the Facebook information on the A.P.H. Home page.

If there are still issues, don't hesitate to contact us here in the office. Be sure to leave a message or contact Deb via e-mail. deb@yes-fundraising.com 425-483-6713

CYO News

Support our sports! New Gator CYO Jackets available!

Whether you are teaching, coaching, cheering our teams on, or just want to show your support, this is for you!

We now have a new line of Women's Gator Jackets available for purchase. Ladies Tech Fleece, Water Resistant, Full-Zip, Hooded Jacket with thumb-holes and shoulder side zip pocket!

Please return your order form to the office with checks payable to Norwest Graphics. All proceeds will benefit our CYO program. These jackets are available for adult purchase only and are not considered uniform pieces for students. Samples for fit available. Look for more exciting Gator Gear to come!

Questions? Contact: Kathy Eckelkamp at kathykamp2@gmail.com (See website.)

Do you enjoy flowers? Two or three dedicated persons are sought to care for the flowers in the church. Volunteers will work together in a team of two to shop for flowers, bring them to the church to arrange in large vases, clean up the previous week's arrangements, water and maintain. This is generally done on Friday morning or afternoon but that could be flexible. No experience is necessary aside from an appreciation of what is beautiful. Volunteers are needed immediately! If interested, contact Paula Thiel (206-724-8482) or Patrick Barredo in the Parish Office.

Adult Confirmation

For those adults (anyone out of high school) who have not yet been confirmed, Holy Rosary will be offering a series of sessions beginning Wednesday evening, Feb 5 from 7:00PM to 8:30PM in the Parish Center. Bishop Eusebio Elizondo will be here Sunday, May 11 at the 11:30AM Mass to confer the sacrament of Confirmation for both our teens and adults. For more information or to register for the sessions, please contact JoAnn Tobin at 206-937-1488, Ext. 203, or email at jtobin@holyroaryseattle.org.

Come Pray the Rosary with Us. As we celebrate 100 years of Holy Rosary School, we believe it is fitting to revive that tradition of community members joining together to pray. Whether you regularly pray the Rosary, or have never experienced the beauty of the Rosary before, we would love to have you join us. No prior knowledge or experience is needed, and all ages are welcome. As Blessed Pope Pius IX said, "Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world." We will gather each month on the second Tuesday at 7 pm in the Chapel. Those dates will be February 11 and March 11. If you have any questions, contact Ann at jandasummers@msn.com or Maritherese at maritheresethomas@yahoo.com.

Community Notices:

West Seattle Girls Softball

Register now open through February ages 6-15. Register at westseattlegirlssoftball.com. No experience necessary. Practices start in late March. Schedule TBD.

Youth Free Throw Competition

Our Lady of Guadalupe Council Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Free Throw Competition for all boys and girls ages 10 to 14. The competition will be held on **Saturday, February 1, at 10:00 am** (registration opens at 9:45), at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Life Center (3410 S.W. Myrtle).

Each boy and girl age group champion will be eligible to advance to the District Competition to be held in February, followed by the Regional and State Competition. Participants are required to furnish proof of age (birth certificate, etc).

Marriage Retreats

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

A Short Retreat for Couples

Sunday, Jan 26, 1 - 5 p.m.

"I would recommend to any couple to attend Sunday Afternoon...it was a short and refreshing time to connect with your spouse and focus on what is important. Susie and Todd

At Sunday Afternoon you will talk to each other about: Why you married years ago; your life together now. Your Sacramental Marriage in theory and practice. Your wedding vows for today.

Place: Parish Center, Holy Rosary, Seattle

Time: 1– 5 p.m. **Cost:** \$10 per couple

To Register: Call Robert Fontana @ 509-731-6012 or email Robert@catholiclifeministries.org

HIDDEN TREASURE

A Workshop Series to Help You Discover the Amazing Gift of your Marriage

Sundays, February 9 & 23 (Part I)

(Part II dates coming this spring, TBA)

Place: Guadalupe Church, W. Seattle

Cost: \$40 (includes workbook)

Time: 1-4:30 p.m.

You will...

- ◆ *have fun, and deepen love and friendship.*
- ◆ *learn effective skills in speaking /listening.*
- ◆ *assess and discuss major areas of married life.*
- ◆ *learn how to protect the relationship from negative words and behavior.*
- ◆ *grow in faith and understanding of your Sacramental union.*

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West Seattle Little League registration is now open!

2014 is shaping up to be an exciting year for West Seattle Little League. A new division of play called Double-A Rookies is being introduced and is specifically designed for 8 year old kids moving up from Coach Pitch before playing in the Minors. This division will continue the focus on education and development, and will introduce players to pitching, hitting against kid pitchers, more advanced defensive play, and umpires calling balls and strikes.

Also new for 2014 is a revised Little League rule regarding residency and boundaries. Children that attend schools within the West Seattle Little League boundaries will be able to play in our league even if they live outside the boundaries. This is a wonderful rule change that will enable friends from our schools to play baseball together even though they may live in different parts of West Seattle.

And finally, WSL is honored to have been selected as the host league and site for the 2014 Washington State Little League 11-12 year old All Star Tournament. The tournament will take place in early July at Bar S Fields. This promises to be an outstanding culmination to the 2014 season with 13 of the best teams in Washington coming to West Seattle to battle for the opportunity to represent the state at the NW Regional Tournament. Many of you may recall our "neighbors" from Lake Sammamish who advanced all the way to the National Semifinals in Williamsport PA last year. Stay tuned.

To learn more about WSL and to register for the 2014 season, please visit the league's web site at: www.westseattlelittleleague.com or contact us at playeragent@westseattlelittleleague.com.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- ❖ **Jan 26 – School Open House 10:30 – 1:00**
- ❖ **Jan 26 – 31 – Catholic Schools Week**
- ❖ **Jan 29 – Grandparents Day**