

# HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Seattle, Washington*

## Can the Blind LEAD THE BLIND?

LUKE 6:39

### WELCOME!

#### COME WORSHIP WITH US!

- Saturday Vigil at 5:00pm
- Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am
- *Daily Mass in the Church:*  
7:45am Tue, Thu, Fri;  
8:35am on Wed and Sat
- *Communion Service:* Monday at 7:45am in the Church.

#### RECONCILIATION IN THE CHURCH

- Tuesdays: 5:30pm to 6:30pm
- Saturdays: 3:30pm to 4:30pm
- or by appointment during office hours.

#### RELAX AND MEET FELLOW PARISHIONERS

- Sunday in the School Hall after the morning Masses
- Tuesday morning in the Parish Center Reception Room after Mass.

#### PRAY THE ROSARY

- Monday nights at 6:30pm in the Chapel.

#### FOR THE KIDS

- The Parish Nursery is available during the Sunday 8:30 and 10:30am Masses
- Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during the 10:30am Mass.

#### STAY IN THE LOOP

- Download our Parish App at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com).
- Join our email list—send a message to [ParishOffice@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:ParishOffice@holyrosaryseattle.org)
- Learn more about Holy Rosary's programs and ministries: [www.holyrosaryseattle.org](http://www.holyrosaryseattle.org)

#### SPIRITUAL HELP

- Submit a prayer request: [prayers@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:prayers@holyrosaryseattle.org).
- Request a homebound visit: [homebound@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:homebound@holyrosaryseattle.org).
- On the *First Saturday* of the month at 8:35am in the Church, we pray in a special way for those who are sick and offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for those in need.

## Fr. Matthew Oakland



### Lent is Almost Upon Us!

It's that time of year. Lent is the season of preparation for Easter. Which means that now is the time to prepare well. With Ash Wednesday just a few days away, now is the time to come up with your plan to grow closer to Christ and share in His sufferings during the season of Lent as we prepare to celebrate the mystery of our salvation at Easter. If we leave coming up with our plan for Lent until Ash Wednesday, I know at least for me it often takes days (or weeks!) to really get started, meaning that we waste what is normally a great opportunity which is given to us during this holy season. So I thought I would give some recommendations now!

1. **First things first.** Sunday Mass is that time when we gather together as the People of God, with Christ in worship of the Father. We do so because He commanded us to. We do so because we love Him. We do so because we realize how much we need Him in our lives. We do so in gratitude for all He has done for us. We do so to share fully in the gift of community that God gives to us. If you aren't going to Sunday Mass each week, giving up coffee for 40 days isn't likely going to help bring you much closer to God. So for Lent, your resolution should be to go to Sunday Mass. If you are going most weeks, then maybe add one or two extra resolutions. If you go to Mass less often, make this your only resolution. It's that important. Make Lent about Sunday Mass. Put it on your calendar. If something is happening one weekend and Saturday night at 5PM or Sunday morning at 8:30 or 10:30AM don't work, remember there are local Sunday night Masses—St. James at 5:30PM, St. Joseph at 5:30PM, or St. Bernadette at 6:00PM. The last chance Mass in the area, as far as I know, is the UW Newman Center, with Mass at 7PM and 9PM. Read the readings during the week. Make Lent about Sunday Mass—worshipping and encountering God with the community that Christ has given us.
2. During His life, Jesus often went off by Himself to be alone with God in prayer. He made a point of it before big decisions or events. At the beginning of his ministry, He even went into the desert for 40 days. During Lent, we are invited to go away with Jesus, to enter into a deeper communion with the Father. There are two parts of this movement. We begin by leaving behind some things and turn away from the world. As we do so, we turn toward the Lord. These two movements are both important for a successful Lent: **Asceticism** and **Prayer**.

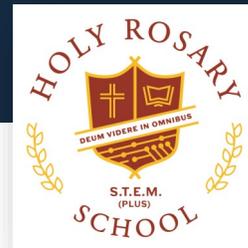
**Asceticism.** In His life and teachings, Jesus was very clear—we must take up our cross. The historical practice of the Church is that we have a communal penitential practice of abstaining from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of the year. In the 1983 revision of the Code of Canon Law, we are now given the option of making some other sacrifice if we choose to eat meat on Fridays outside of Lent, but during Lent, we always observe the abstinence. We also fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday—lowering the amount and number of times we eat. These are things we do together as a community, which is good. But it's important to make our own sacrifices as well. That is true as individuals, and it is true of families. We sacrifice, and give up. Jesus gave up His life for us—the least we can do is go 40 days without chocolate. Being willing to let go of things, in order to hold onto Christ, is very important. Purification of our will, and self-mastery, is also important. Yes, avoiding evil. But also saying 'No' to good things in order to strengthen our will and ready it for the moment of temptation. There is the usual list—giving up alcohol, coffee, desserts, sweets in general, television, pop, etc. But consider some other options: take shorter or cold showers; don't eat between meals; abstain from nonessential material purchases; only use your computer for work, school or essential tasks (absolutely necessary, extremely important); only use your smart phone for essential communications (and don't use it for non-essential texting, app or internet use); fast more often—every Friday, or even every Wednesday and Friday of Lent (fasting = one full meal, and two smaller meals that together don't equal a full meal).

**Prayer.** Spending time with God is important. And if we want to grow in our relationship with God, then spending time with Him is necessary. If you struggle with quiet time with the Lord, spend some of that time with a spiritual reflection aid. Maybe it is the little books we offer at the Church. Maybe it is reading the Scriptures – the Gospels are always good, or the readings of the day. Maybe it is a spiritual book—the biography of a saint, a book of reflections. Maybe it is a daily podcast. Options abound. What is important is that we do something. **May you have a fruitful Lent!**

### Lucas Update

Thank you to everyone who continues to keep my nephew in your prayers, and to ask about him. He will be turning one year old on March 19th, and the next day will be going in for his big surgery. By the grace of God, he was born with a perfectly broken heart—four separate defects that perfectly offset one another so that he still had a very high oxygen saturation throughout his body. Because of this, while the initial plan was to have surgery a week after he was born if he could wait that long, we have been able to wait until he is a year old. This means that there is a much greater chance for a successful surgery without complications. He continues to be in the zero percentile for weight, but tracking normally with regular development otherwise. Thank you for your continued prayers for him and the family.





**School Highlights & Events**

A big thank you to the Tucci-Ringstad family for organizing and donating the King Crab and other shellfish for the Crab Dinner! It was a very fun evening!

First graders did their annual Parade of President’s this week, dressing up as their assigned president and presenting 3 interesting facts to the parents in attendance. The school as a whole participated in “Seuss Yourself” Day on Friday, coming to school dressed in the theme of Dr. Seuss. Many classes enjoyed a reading “across” Holy Rosary by reading together in the hallways, showing their spirit for reading.

The online auction opened February 28th and runs until March 3rd. Be sure and check out all the great items up for bid. We encourage all Parishioners to visit:

<https://holyrosaryws.ejoinme.org/auction>

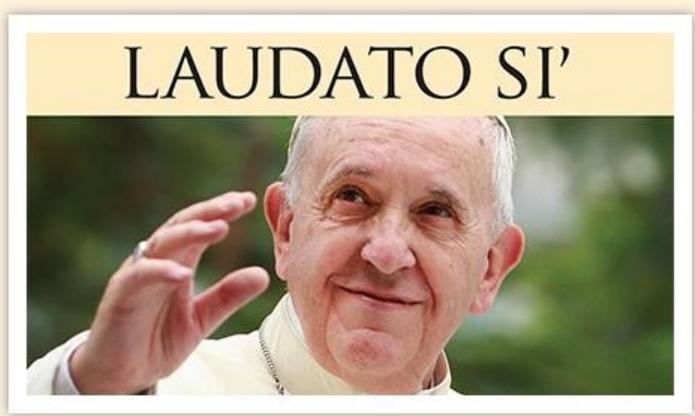
and shop for some great deals. All proceeds from the online auction will go towards helping to close the gap between the cost to educate and tuition charged.

Holy Rosary has a rolling admissions process with spots still available in our Preschool 2s class. The Preschool 2s class is a drop-off class that meets on Mondays and Fridays from 8:30am-11:00am, students must be age 2.5 by August 31st. Monthly tuition is \$281 - application information can be found on our homepage.

At Holy Rosary School, tradition and innovation converge to provide a leading-edge education that is grounded in the Catholic faith. Students are engaged by enthusiastic teachers who provide hands-on curricula designed to spark creativity and encourage critical thinking. Each child is given room to discover and develop their own unique gifts. At every grade level, faith meets action through service and the teaching of compassion and social justice. Holy Rosary’s tight-knit community of passionate teachers and engaged parents creates a safe place where students become leaders from the inside out.

For more information, contact the School Office: 206-937-7255 or [admissions@holyrosaryws.org](mailto:admissions@holyrosaryws.org)

**PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS**



**A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home**

If you use disposable wet wipes, which are sold for a variety of purposes, try to limit their use or find other methods to clean up. Many of these wipes are made with plastic or synthetic fibers that can disintegrate into microplastics that become harmful to wildlife in marine environments. Some wipes also have been shown to damage sewer systems.

**Golden Outreach 2019**

Back by popular demand! Every year our parish checks -in on parishioners over age 80, our golden parishioners. We prepare meals, deliver meals, and see if they need any assistance. The volunteers are part of Shoulder to Shoulder; a group of over 200 parishioners helping members of our parish community who are ill, grieving, homebound, facing an unexpected crisis, struggling to get by, or living independently over age eighty. Sometimes help is as simple as delivering a hot meal, changing a light bulb, or fixing a computer. When there’s a request, all the volunteers are notified and people respond if they can help. Once a year, Shoulder to Shoulder proactively checks in on these golden parishioners through Golden Outreach. The event will be held this year on March 28, 29, and 30th. If you are interested in serving (and earning service hours), go to: <https://www.letsgroopit.com/shoulder>.

## Opportunities for Adults

At Holy Rosary, we have a number of opportunities for you to connect with Christ and with the community here. Here are a few highlights we recommend:

- **Grow Your Faith During Lent.** For Lent, we offer No Greater Love, a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. You can join our regular Wednesday morning Bible Study, or you can register to study from home and join a Facebook-based on-line study group! In either case, please register before March 1 at <https://holyrosaryseattle.org/adult-scripture-study>, so that we can order your book and send you an access code for the video presentations!\
- **Women with Purpose** – All women are invited to a **new series for Lent starting March 13 and 15**, Matthew Kelly's "The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity". Sessions on Friday mornings at 9:15am (childcare available); or on Wednesday evenings at 7:15pm. Matthew Kelly is a founder of Dynamic Catholic, a New York Times Best Selling Author, and has dedicated his life to helping people bring their faith alive. Dynamic Catholic will be offering a free daily email reflection based upon this book "The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity" to help you have the Best Lent ever! Sign-up for the daily email reflections here <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever/#sign-up-form>. Please register at Holy Rosary for this Lenten Session at <https://holyrosaryseattle.org/wwp-registration>. **Stop by the Ministry Fair on Sunday March 3, School Hall after morning Masses to learn more, ask questions and/or pick up a book.** For questions or need a book (only \$1), please email Deyette at [Dswegle@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:Dswegle@holyrosaryseattle.org). Join us for this 5 week session!

For more information, or if you have any suggestions to make, please contact Robert King (206-937-1488 x203 or [evangelization@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:evangelization@holyrosaryseattle.org)).

## Lenten Toiletry and Food Collection for St. Vincent de Paul

During Lent, we will be collecting toiletries and food items to stock our Holy Rosary St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Toiletry items most in need are: shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dishwashing soap, laundry soap, paper towels. Food items that always seem to run out: peanut butter, crackers, canned chicken, canned tuna, canned fruit. Please place your donations in the boxes at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your support!

## Marriage Enrichment Evening at Holy Rosary

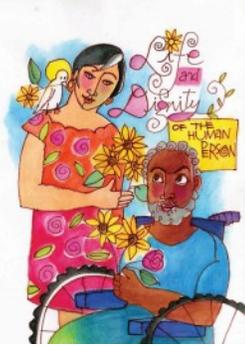
Come join us for a night of **FREE** marriage enrichment on Saturday March 30. Begin with fellowship and blessings at 5pm Mass followed by dinner and fostering friendship in the School Hall. You'll get tools to rekindle romance, improve communication, and manage conflict so you can find greater joy of the sacrament of marriage. This fun evening will be led by parishioners Ken and Nikki Kloepfel who have been facilitating Catholic Engaged Encounter couples retreats for over 15 years. Please RSVP to [sherry@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:sherry@holyrosaryseattle.org) to help us in our planning.

## Come Ring With Us!

Holy Rosary Handbells, our church's handbell choir, is always looking for new members. Come



find out what handbells are all about on March 3, 2019. HRH will ring in the 10:30am Mass, then answer your questions at the Ministry Fair following the service. Handbells are fun and easy to play, and no musical experience is necessary. Younger ringers (students in the 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades) are also welcome with rehearsals conveniently scheduled from 4:30-5:30pm on Wednesdays. For more information, please contact Paul Dolejsi ([pdolejsi@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:pdolejsi@holyrosaryseattle.org)) or Marleen Land ([marleenland@msn.com](mailto:marleenland@msn.com)).



## Life and Dignity of the Human Person

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for

society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and euthanasia. Human life is threatened by cloning, embryonic stem cell research, and the use of the death penalty. The intentional targeting of civilians in war or terrorist attacks is always wrong. Catholic teaching calls on us to work to avoid war. Nations must protect the right to life by finding effective ways to prevent conflicts and resolve them by peaceful means. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

**Join a Voices for Life meeting  
this Lenten season!**

## Holy Rosary Parish School Commission Seeking New Members for 2019/2010

The School Commission is an advisory group to the principal and pastor on school policy and long-term planning, and has openings for several new at-large members starting next school year. This is a wonderful opportunity to provide a voice for all Holy Rosary parents, and to be a leader in our school community. It's also a very exciting time, as we are in the process of finalizing a new strategic plan for the School. Each School Commission member serves a 3 to 4-year term and hours spent on School Commission business count toward fundraising volunteer hours. For the upcoming year, we are looking for parents with backgrounds and expertise in finance and planning, fundraising and development, diversity, equity and inclusion planning, marketing, technology, or facilities. The School Commission meets one Thursday evening each month between September and May (typically the first Thursday). In addition, each member is also assigned to one or two subcommittees based on his/her background and interest. If you are interested in joining the School Commission, an application is found on the School Commission section of our school website. If you have questions about becoming a member or the application process, contact any member of the Nominating Committee listed below. **Please send all completed applications to [scvp@holyroaryws.org](mailto:scvp@holyroaryws.org) by March 10, 2019.** Applicants will subsequently be contacted for interviews.

### Nominating Committee

- Brendan Kolding, President ([bkolding@zagmail.gonzaga.edu](mailto:bkolding@zagmail.gonzaga.edu))
- Julie Leonardo, Vice-President ([Julie.leonardo@gmail.com](mailto:Julie.leonardo@gmail.com))
- Karin Hansen, Member-at-large ([kshansen@msn.com](mailto:kshansen@msn.com))



Northwest Symphony Orchestra continues their season with two performances of

**Beethoven's Symphony #9**

**on March 16, 8:00pm**

**at Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
and**

**March 17 at Bellevue Presbyterian Church**

This concert is part of their annual "Music for the Soul" series. Tickets are \$15- \$20, and can be purchased at Brown Paper Tickets online at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com) or by calling 800-838-3006



The Northwest Boychoir presents  
**Choral Tradition**

**Sunday, March 24, 7:00 pm**

**at Holy Rosary Church**

featuring:

John Rutter's *Gloria*

Brahms, Debussy, Lauridsen, Mendelssohn,  
Mozart, Orff and Rheinberger

**Tickets:**

**[www.nwboychoir.org](http://www.nwboychoir.org) or (206) 524-3234**

# Sunday, March 3, 2019

- Ministry Fair during Coffee and Donuts after both Masses today

## Monday, March 4

7:45 AM	Word & Communion Service
6:30 PM	Pray the Rosary   Chapel
7:00 PM	Shoulder to Shoulder   Parish Office Basement

## Tuesday, March 5

7:00 AM	St. Martin Sandwiches   Lanigan Kitchen
7:45 AM	Daily Mass
After Mass	Tue morning Breakfast   Reception Rm
5:30 PM	Confession
6:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul   Room 203
6:30 PM	Teen RCIA   Reception Room
6:30 PM	Voices for Life Adoration   Chapel
6:30 PM	Adult Inquiry   Parish Office Basement

## Ash Wednesday, March 6

6:30 AM	Ash Wednesday Mass   Church
8:35 AM	Ash Wednesday School Mass   Church
9:30 AM	Adult Bible Study   Reception Rm
2:15 PM	Youth!Choir Practice   Chapel
4:30 PM	HR Handbell Practice   Chapel
5:30 PM	Women's Spirituality Group   Room 203
6:30 PM	Adult RCIA   Conference Room
7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Mass in Church

## Thursday, March 7

7:45 AM	Daily Mass
9:00 AM	Soup Kitchen   Lanigan Kitchen
3:00 PM	Orion Center Meal Prep   Lanigan Kitchen
6:30 PM	Adult Confirmation   Reception Rm
6:30 PM	Children's RCIA   Parish Center
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice in Church

## Friday, March 8

	No Daily Mass today
11:00 AM	Funeral Mass for Sally Herrera   Church
6:15 PM	Confessions   Church
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross   Church
7:00 PM	Friday Night Men's AA in Reception Rm

## Saturday, March 9

7:00 AM	Men's Group   Reception Rm
8:30 AM	Daily Mass
3:30 PM	Confession
5:00 PM	Vigil Mass

## Up Next

### March

- 6 Ash Wednesday
- 10 Parish Lenten Gathering
- 16 HEART Auction
- NW Symphony Concert
- 24 NW Boy's Choir Concert
- 30 Golden Outreach Event

### April

- 14 Palm Sunday
- 17 St. Stephens Living Stations
- 18 Holy Thursday
- 19 Good Friday
- 21 Easter
- 28 Divine Mercy Sunday

### May

- 18 Solemn First Communion
- Esoterics Concert
- 31 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

### Praying for those who have died, especially

Elizabeth Batchelor.

### Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week:

- March 6: Holy Rosary Community (8:35am)
- March 7: Catherine Tarabochia, RIP
- March 9: Mary Tague, RIP (5pm)
- March 10: Peter Patrick Souza (8:30am)  
Holy Rosary Community (10:30am)

### Last Week's Collection:

Last week's collection: \$19,154  
Weekly budgeted collection: \$23,534

**Please contact us if we can be of service to you. Just dial 206-937-1488 and enter the extension**

**Baptism:** Contact Deyette Swegle at least two months in advance of your requested baptism date.

**Marriage:** Contact Sherry Smith six months in advance of your requested wedding date.

**Funerals:** Contact the Parish Office

**Becoming Catholic:** Contact the Parish Office

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