



HOLY ROSARY PARISH
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Parish Mission Statement

*Led by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist,
Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Parish strives
to be a welcoming servant community.*

*We celebrate the goodness of God's unconditional love
through worship, education and service.*

Parish Council ~ October 2007



December 18, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Advent



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Mass Schedule:

Sunday:
7:30, 9 & 11 AM
Monday-Friday: 8 AM
Saturday: Communion
Service: 8AM
Saturday Vigil: 5 PM

Confessions:

Saturday:
3:30-4:30 PM

The Catholic Cemetery
serving Holy Rosary is
Holyrood Cemetery.
206-363-8404

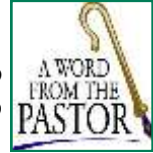
“Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.”

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Dear Parishioners,

Our Sunday offering last weekend was up substantially. Thanks to everyone for helping us correct our negative cash flow/deficit so we can manage the debt.



The Catholic Church always stands with the most vulnerable; defending the dignity of every human being is a priority. Presently the most vulnerable in our society are the unborn, the poor and the immigrant. I would like to direct your attention to two things that have come to us recently from the Archdiocese.

The Bishops of Washington State released a letter on poverty a few weeks ago. It is entitled: “Who is My Neighbor: the Face of Poverty in Washington State.” The letter can be accessed on the Holy Rosary website at the following link: holyroaryedmonds.org. Also, the Archbishop and Auxiliary bishop of Seattle released a letter last week addressing the U.S. Bishops’ and Archdiocesan commitment to helping the immigrant. You will find this letter in today’s bulletin.

The great feast of Christmas is very near, the feast of God becoming man in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and his birth in Bethlehem. He was born in a stable, or cave, a place where animals were kept in very poor and mean circumstances. Jesus came into this world and left the world poor to show us what is most important. It was the love that existed in the Holy Family; the love that Mary and Joseph had for each other, the love they both had for baby Jesus and that Jesus had for them. The family is always where we first experience love. May the love of the Holy Family permeate your family as we prepare to celebrate once again this great feast of Christmas.

In Christ,

Fr. Vincent



END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS: To be eligible for the 2016 tax year deductions, any contributions made to the parish must be *postmarked* no later than December 31st, or if hand-delivered, must be *in hand* by December 30th. (The office is closed on Dec. 31st.). **Please note—dating the check for Dec. 31st will not suffice if it is not in hand or postmarked by the 31st.**

MAILING ADDRESS REMINDER

that all parish mail should be addressed to:
Name of recipient (if applicable)
Holy Rosary Parish (or School)
760 Aloha Street
Edmonds, WA 98020-3019

Also, if you make your parish contributions through a “Bill Payer” function from your bank account, please remember to change the mailing address in that account.

Sunday, December 18, 2016

St. Flannan

Isaiah 7:10-14; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

- **Coffee'nd** is hosted by the Knights of Columbus, after the 9AM and 11AM masses.
- **Blood Pressure Clinic** in the Reconciliation Room following all masses.
- **Youth Mass at 11 AM.**
- **Confirmation Class** meets in the Pastoral Center, Rm. 206, Noon to 1:30PM.

Monday, December 19, 2016

Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a; Luke 1:5-25

- **8 AM Mass**
- **School closed for Christmas break;** classes resume January 3rd.
- **Edge Night** (Middle School) in the Pastoral Center, 7PM.

Dan Driscoll/RIP

Tuesday, December 20, 2016

Isaiah 7:10-14; Luke 1:26-38

- **8 AM Mass**
- **St. Vincent de Paul Society** meets in the Pastoral Center, Rm. 206, 7PM.

Tom Braidech/RIP

Wednesday, December 21, 2016

St. Peter Canisius

Songs of Songs 2:8-14; Luke 1:39-45

- **8 AM Mass**

Paul Jeffers/RIP

Thursday, December 22, 2016

1 Samuel 1:24-28; Luke 1:46-56

- **8 AM Mass**
- **Traditional Choir** practice in the church, 6:30PM.
- **Contemporary Choir** practice in the church, 7:40PM.

Francis Hendricks/RIP

Friday, December 23, 2016

St. John of Kanty

Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24; Luke 1:57-66

- **8 AM Mass**
- **Parish Office closed.**
- **Individual Confessions** in the Reconciliation Room, 8:30-9:30AM.

Teri Butoric/RIP

Saturday, December 24, 2016

St. Marguerite d Youville

2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Luke 1:67-79

- **8 AM Communion Service**
- **5PM Masses in Church and Pastoral Center**
- **10PM Mass** in the Church (Carols and music start at 9:15PM)



Sunday, December 25, 2016

The Nativity of the Lord

Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18

- **No Coffee'nd today.**
- **Regular Sunday Mass schedule**

Advent and Christmas Schedule 2016

Individual Confessions:

December 23rd—8:30AM—9:30AM

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve Vigil—Church and Pastoral Center—5PM

Christmas Eve Vigil—Church—10PM (Carols and Music start 9:15PM)

Christmas Day—7:30AM, 9AM and 11AM

Other Reconciliation Opportunities:

Dec. 19th—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton- - 7PM—8:30PM

New Year's Masses

New Year's Eve Vigil—5PM

New Year's Day—7:30 AM, 9AM and 11AM



PRAYER SUPPORT... *“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.”*...-Matthew 11:28-29

A Time to Heal — Joe Sackmann, Brian Butler, Frank and Valerie Rocco, Jim LeFevre, Gil Martelino, Cornelia Tomici and Julie Mackin.

A Time to Mourn — Anne Stott and Gary Betz (step-father of Keely Rogel).

“Welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain, but fullness of peace and joy.”

-Catholic Blessings & Prayers

Please contact **Roberta Tassani** at 425-778-3122 or robertat@holysaryedmonds.org if you have a prayer request.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE— **Wow! We did it!!!! THANK YOU**, one and all, for your tremendous participation in this wonderful project. As always, your response was tremendous—and even with one less weekend to do it. That huge pile of gifts is now being distributed to well over 500 people. Thank you to all of you: **those who took the tags and brought back gifts, the drivers** who delivered the gifts to the four agencies, **Mrs. Kelly Stevens and her 8th grade students** who decorated the tags, **Roberta Tassani, Lin Lacy, Linda Denton and Colleen Lemeshko** who answered many questions, took many phone calls, and quietly oversaw the whole project; and **Angus McDonell** and his **“Confirmation Kids”** and his **“Edge Kids”**, who helped sort packages—and to our wonderful pastor, **Father Vincent**, who wholeheartedly supports this project. A special thank you to **Helen Jolly**, who works with the agencies and drives this project so successfully. You all played an important part, and we thank each and every one of you. May you all have as happy a Christmas as you have made for so many other people. **THANK YOU!!**



ACOLYTE TRAINING: Training sessions for new acolytes, (4th—7th grades) begins on Monday, January 9th. Being an acolyte is a great way to serve your parish. Training takes place in the church, Monday-Thursday from 5-7PM, January 9th-12th and 16th-19th. See the insert in the bulletin for registration form, to be turned in to the school or Parish Office by January 6th, 2017. For more information, contact Alfons Menanno, 818-472-9647 or amenanno@gmail.com.



FAITH FORMATION

BIBLE STUDY: Deacon Ray will soon start a new ten-part Bible study on ***Revelation: The Kingdom yet to Come***. This study shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. Classes will begin on **Thursday, January 19th**, with a morning session from 9-10:30AM, and an evening session from 6:30-8PM, in the Pastoral Center. Information and a registration form were in last week’s bulletin insert; additional copies are available in the vestibule or the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

A BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT FAMILIES: The nine months of pregnancy are a time of much anticipation. We, the parish family, want to prayerfully support you during this time. **On Sunday, January 8th at the 9:00 AM Mass**, all expectant families are invited to receive a blessing. Let us know if you wish to take part! Email littleblessings@holysaryedmonds.org to let us know that you plan to be there. Please let us know your expected due date.

Attention Married and Engaged Couples: Natural Family Planning Class—NFP is a form of family planning that is safe, healthy, and 99% effective, besides being in accord with the Catholic Church's teachings on marriage. Starting Sunday, January 8th at 3PM, a 3-class session will be offered at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Everett in the Faith Formation Building. For more information or to sign up, contact Adrienne and Kirk Wieber at 425-239-4995 or kirkadrienne@gmail.com or visit the Couple to Couple League's website at www.ccli.org.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank: SVDP members delivered food to 50+ needy families on Sat., Dec 17th. We couldn't do this without your generous support—thank you! Now we need to replenish our shelves and need peanut butter, jam, tuna, canned fruit. Many of the people we have helped recently are living in motels, campers, or are homeless. For these clients we need microwave meals (like Compleats), granola/power bars, individual fruit & pudding cups, & individual juice drinks. *Thank you for all of your donations. Have a Blessed Christmas!!*



SECRET SANTA: This year the St. Vincent de Paul Secret Santa program provided 70 children who live here in Edmonds with Christmas gifts. We are grateful to the generous people who support this effort. *Thank you all for bringing Christmas joy to the families we serve.*



UPCOMING EVENTS—SAVE THE DATES:

- **Saturday, January 14th—New Life Group** will have their annual White Elephant Exchange & potluck dinner after the 5PM mass.
- **Thursday, January 26th—Senior Moments**—Mass at 11AM in the church, followed by our potluck luncheon in the Pastoral Center.



A Psychologist is available to treat concerns such as depression, anxiety, grief and loss, and family problems. This service is offered for adults and children of the community. If you need assistance, please call **Dr. Jeff Baird** at 425-977-4534 to leave a message (your call is confidential and will be returned within 24 hrs.)

Christmas gifts are still being collected for our parish nursing home residents. We are asking for tops, cardigans, socks and slippers in all sizes for men and women. Body lotion is also a welcome gift. There is a box for your **wrapped gifts** in the vestibule. A label identifying the gift and designating whether it is for a man or woman is helpful. If you have questions please call Roberta Tassani at 425-778-3122. **The deadline for returning the gifts is today, Sunday, Dec 18th.** *Your kind generosity is much appreciated.*



The monthly Blood Pressure Clinic is this weekend, **December 17-18th**, after all masses, in the Reconciliation Room. Please take this opportunity to monitor your health and well-being.



POINSETTIA PROJECT: Parish volunteers recently delivered about a hundred poinsettias to grateful parishioners. Some thank you's included; "I was praying a Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe; receiving the poinsettia, was like the flowers our Blessed Mother gave to the Bishop through Juan Diego"; "its beauty radiates love, caring and support from my parish family." We were able to continue the tradition by cutting expenses like the delivery charge when volunteers picked up the flowers in South Seattle, rather than having them delivered. A special thanks to Lynn Lagreid and Donna Picardo for braving the threat of snow to do so, to Rosemary Gray for helping to organize the plants, and all of our wonderful volunteer drivers.



National Migration Week is January 8-14

A Prayer for Justice for Immigrants

Blessed are You, Lord God,
King of all creation.
Through Your goodness, we live in this land
that You have so richly blessed.
Help us always to recognize our
blessings come from You

and remind us to share them
with others, especially those who come
to us today from other lands.
Help us to be generous, just, and welcoming,
as You have been and are generous to us.

Some additional resources: USCCB.org, justiceforimmigrants.org.

Creating a world where immigrants, refugees, migrants, and people on the move are treated with dignity, respect, welcome and belonging, —*Migration and Refugee Services Vision Statement.*

SCHOOL NEWS

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December 17 and December 18, 2016

Past and Upcoming Events:

- **Tuesday, December 8th**—the 8th grade had a fund raiser at the Red Onion in Mountlake Terrace from 4-8 PM.
- **Friday, December 9th**—the 7th grade went to Moore Theatre to watch Blanchet's version of *A Christmas Carol*.
- **Friday, December 9th**—the 1st grade went to the Everett Performing Arts Center to watch a play.
- **Tuesday, December 13th**—the Kindergarten went to Edmonds Landing to help seniors and the 5th grade went to Quail Park Assisted Living to sing to the residents.
- **Monday, December 19—Monday, January 2nd**—Christmas Break; School resumes on Tuesday, January 3

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Rachel's Corner *Hope and Healing After Abortion*

"Women carry the abortion experience within their bodies. We [men] carry the abortion experience within our minds. For both of us the pain is very real and so is the healing."

- Testimonial from Retreat

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and allow God to replace your pain with His merciful peace.

March 10-12, 2017

Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673)

You are loved with an everlasting Love!

Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.

New Sunday TV Mass for the Homebound on KVOS (MeTV) Channel 12 at 6:00AM.

This Christmas morning and every Sunday, Heart of the Nation will televise Catholic Mass at 6AM on KVOS (MeTV) Channel 12. Please share the time and channel information with friends or family members who are unable to get to church because of age, illness, or other struggles.

Prayer intentions from viewers, uplifting homilies, a Prayer for Spiritual Communion during distribution of the Holy Eucharist, and closed-captioning make Heart of the Nation's Mass on TV and online a time of spiritual comfort and belonging for the homebound. To watch the Mass online, please visit www.heartofthenation.org.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY

8:30 AM TO 4:30 PM.

THE ANSWERING SERVICE WILL RELAY MESSAGES WHEN THE OFFICE IS CLOSED.

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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS
7:30AM TO 4PM MONDAY-FRIDAY



SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

INFANT BAPTISM - Parents attend two sessions to prepare to celebrate this sacrament. We encourage parents to attend before the birth or adoption of their child. Baptisms are normally celebrated at a weekend liturgy on the first weekend of the month. Please call the Parish Office at least six weeks prior to the desired Baptism date to register your child. Next preparation classes are on Monday evenings, January 23rd and 30th, 2017, from 7-8:30PM in the Parish Office. Please call to register. Upcoming baptisms are on February 4th, 2017 at 5PM, and Easter Sunday, April 16th, 2017 at 11AM.

MARRIAGE - Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the parish at least 6 months prior to the desired date. Preparation for celebrating and living the sacrament is required. Contact Roberta Tassani for more information.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - is celebrated any time there is a serious illness or health crisis. Contact the parish office to make arrangements. The sacrament is also celebrated periodically at a Sunday liturgy and on weekdays.

FUNERALS - Please contact the parish after a death, and before making arrangements with a funeral home.

CONFIRMATION - The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated yearly for those who are age 16 or older. Attendance at preparation sessions is required. Contact Angus McDonell, Youth Minister.

Adults who have not been confirmed may also celebrate the sacrament. Contact Roberta Tassani for information.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST EUCHARIST - Children are prepared for these sacraments after completing a year of remote preparation in either the school or a religious education program. This is a two-year program; the first year is a general introduction, and the second year being specific preparation. Parents attend preparation sessions for each sacrament. Contact Mary Hupf, Director for Elementary Faith Formation, for more information.

ADULT INITIATION - Adults who wish to join the Catholic Faith participate in sessions of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) Contact Roberta Tassani for further information.

WE CAN SERVE YOU BETTER IF YOU ARE A REGISTERED MEMBER OF HOLY ROSARY PARISH. PLEASE CALL US FOR A REGISTRATION FORM OR CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR AN ON-LINE FORM.