



BULLETIN

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL

10-8-09

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TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE WHEN YOU ARE GOING THROUGH CARPOOL. IT IS AGAINST THE LAW TO DRIVE AND TALK ON THE PHONE. SET AN EXAMPLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN. PEOPLE ARE GOING THROUGH CARPOOL ON THEIR PHONE AND RUNNING OVER CONES. YOU NEED TO BE PAYING ATTENTION TO THE CHILDREN. PLEASE TURN IT OFF!

ATTENTION PARENTS OF SECOND GRADERS

Completed "Application for First Holy Eucharist" forms are due for each child you would like to receive the sacrament. Please send the completed form along with the \$30 fee to the Office of Faith Formation, St. Francis of Assisi Parish. You may mail the form and fee to P.O. Box 929, Seahurst, WA 98062 or just drop it off in the Church office.

HEALTH SCREENING – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed on Friday, November 6th from 8:15-noon. If you can help, please contact Beatrice van Tulder at van_tulder@msn.com.

EDP HOURS DURING CONFERENCES

EDP will be open on Wed Oct 21 from Noon-6pm on conference day noon dismissal. Please send a lunch, a drink and a change of clothes with your students. Students may also be dropped in during your conference time as well.

HARVEST FESTIVAL CANDY CONTEST!!

Please send in bags of candy with your children to support this year's Harvest Festival on 10/23/09! The classroom that collects the most bags of candy wins a day of free dress! Please note that we can only accept pre-packaged bags of miniature individually wrapped candies. Self-bagged or unwrapped candy will not be counted. Thank you for your support to this great fundraising event! Questions regarding this year's candy drive? Please contact Kim Newton at 206-390-5548.

SOCK IT TO THE HOMELESS

Make a difference in the life of a homeless person! Homeless people are on their feet all day, and rarely have more than one pair of socks – and those are often wet. Offering a clean, dry pair of socks to a homeless person can make a huge difference. Each year, St. Francis of Assisi supports Operation Nightwatch in collecting new adult men's white socks to distribute to homeless people throughout the winter. Start collecting socks now and bring them to the parish office by October 23rd. We will take them to the Operation Nightwatch, or Operation Nighwatch invites you to their Open House on Sunday, October 25th from 1:30-3:00. They are located at 302 14th Ave. S. (between Jackson and Yesler). If you have questions or would like to RSVP, call 206-323-4359.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EVENTS

Join us for the Back to School Breakfast on Sunday, November 8th after both Masses. As always, we welcome any parents who are looking for service hours. Volunteers can contact Ken Devos at ken.devos@comcast.net or 206-248-2543. Kitchen help and cleanup after the second breakfast are always needed.

CLASSROOM AUCTION PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We're still looking for a few more volunteers to work on the classroom projects for this year's auction, particularly for KB, 3B, 5A and 5B. It's a great opportunity to volunteer in your child's classroom and earn fundraising hours. If interested, please contact Valisa Smith at valisasmith@hotmail.com or 206-244-6686.

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REGISTRATION FEES

The remainder of your registration fee is due by the 10th of October.

FINANCIAL AID

The St. Francis of Assisi School Financial Aid Committee will be meeting soon for the first of three annual financial aid reviews. If you need assistance with tuition for the 2009-2010 school year and would like to be considered for this or any of the following review periods, the form is available in the school office or online at www.stfoa.org under School Forms & Downloads 2009-2010 Financial Assistance. Requests currently on file for this school year can be updated at any time. Please send applications &/or updates for this initial review by the St. Francis of Assisi Financial Aid Committee to the attention of Diane Smith c/o the school office. The deadline is Monday, October 12th at 4:00 p.m.

PARISH NEWS

Annual Financial Report will be mailed to all those who receive Sunday envelopes. If you want a copy of this report and do not receive envelopes, contact the Parish Office at 206-242-4575. A special thanks to Terry Douglas, Finance Council Chairperson, for giving the annual report at our weekend Masses.

Thank you to the Sacramentors: This men's group meet weekly to share their faith and offer their service. This weekend, they cleaned Unity Place kitchen from top to bottom. Also, thanks to Lil Isernio who coordinated this effort.

Fall Clean Up Day: is next weekend. We will be cleaning the grounds, flower beds, garage, roof, and Unity Place boiler room from 9:00-3:00pm. Lunch is provided.

REMINDER: CREATING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

The Archdiocese of Seattle has developed the Safe Environment Program, putting in place policies and procedures for the prevention of and response to sexual abuse, sexual misconduct and sexual harassment of our children. All of our school staff and our extended daycare program and our CYO coaches have received training in how to identify and prevent sexual abuse, misconduct and harassment of our youth.

We offer the Safe Environment training for all parents and parish members each year. Since many of our parents serve as volunteers in the classroom, drive on field trips, or assist in after-school activities, we feel that this training is a valuable tool for them. Parents who have taken the Safe Environment class have said that they really learned from it, and that all parents should attend a training class.

Although the Archdiocesan requirements state that "volunteers with ongoing unsupervised contact with minors and vulnerable adults" must attend the Safe Environment training, we would like *all* of our parents to take this class, especially if you plan to drive on a field trip this year. To this end, we are offering two classes at St. Francis this fall:

10/15/09	6:00p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Wiegand Resource Center (auditorium)
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To register for these classes, go to www.seattle.setanet.org/classes.php. Scroll down and select the date and location of the class you would like to register for. Once you have found the class that is convenient for you, click on "Register Here" on the right side. You may register for any class that is convenient for you.

If you cannot attend the class at St. Francis, some other locations are as follows:

10/10/09	10:00 a.m.	Holy Rosary	Edmonds
10/14/09	6:30p.m.	St. Patrick	Tacoma

For a full listing of class dates and times, please visit the website listed above. Please try to make one of these classes, if possible. Safety of the children is our primary concern.

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8TH GRADE GIRLS' SOCCER

St Francis 8th grade girls soccer team have shown they are a force to be reckoned with as they are undefeated and they need one more win to secure a playoff spot. Their next game is at St. Bernadette's. Please come out and show you support - GO LADY EAGLES!!

O'DEA HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, November 10, 2009 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

This is an excellent way for your families to see our school, meet our talented teachers and students, and decide if O'Dea is a good place to attend high school. Please contact Jeanne Flohr, Director of Admissions, at 206-622-1308.

SEATTLE PREP OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, November 4, 2009 from 5:30 - 8:00 pm

Seattle Prep is a Catholic Jesuit High School located on North Capitol Hill. Meet the faculty, tour the school and find out more about curriculum and student activities. If you have questions, please call Seattle Prep Admissions Office at 206-577-2146.

CYO NEWS

Attention: CYO basketball registration closes this Monday, October 12. All children grades 4 - 8 who are registered by the deadline will be placed on a team. Submit registration and \$75 fee to the school or parish office. Late registrations will NOT be accepted. The form is attached for your convenience and is available at www.stfoa.org. Questions? Contact Kati or Willy.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEK OF October 10TH:

Saturday -		Caelin McDonald, Leoul Hancock, Brittany Johns, Lea Manley
Sunday -	8:00am	Jessie Dirks, Allyson Kline, Kyle Pierce, Brenagh Sanford
	10:00am	Nick Galando, Peter Herold, Nathan Gordon, Haley Anderson
Monday -		Brogan Meyers, Leoul Hancock
Tuesday -		Elliott Newsom, Randy Schmidt
Wednesday		Communion Service
Thursday -		Nathan Gordon, Cabrini Taylor
Friday -	8:00am	Nathaniel Tolton, Chaz Bergseth