

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Seattle, Washington



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.
- Join our email list—send a message to ParishOffice@holyrosaryseattle.org
- Learn more about Holy Rosary's programs and ministries: www.holyrosaryseattle.org

SPIRITUAL HELP

- Submit a prayer request: prayers@holyrosaryseattle.org.
- Request a homebound visit: 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



The Reality of Evil

Graffiti is unfortunately not surprising. A few times a year, it appears on the campus—usually small, and to most of us, unintelligible. The most frequent location is on the back of the school—facing Seattle Lutheran High School.

This past weekend, though, something altogether different happened. In the late hours of Sunday night, or the early hours of Monday morning, the Church and people of Holy Rosary were assaulted. As people arrived Monday morning for prayer, they were greeted by several graffiti marks—on two of the main doors and on the doorstep. The police confirmed what we already knew—it had no apparent meaning to them, no gang affiliation, etc. Which made sense—since the predominant symbol was a pentagram. While it has a varied history, in the modern spiritual context, it is most often connected with the occult and/or Satanism. This is confirmed by some of the other pieces also included in the graffiti on the side of the church building.

Whether it was someone who was mentally ill, someone pulling a well-informed prank, or someone fully conscious of their meaning, in the end it doesn't matter since the invocation of evil is real whether intended or not. Given the locations, though, it is my guess that it was done in true earnest since the signs were placed on the doors and doorway—and therefore connected to those who pass through them, as well as on the side of the building hidden behind bushes—and hopefully therefore lasting longer. In my last parish, we had someone leave a swastika in salt in the parking lot for the Sunday Mass goers to see and drive over as they arrived. While this was quickly washed away with blessed hot water before anyone else arrived, it was also done in the grass in front of the church—to leave a longer lasting imprint, or so they intended. While the police were dumbfounded since they weren't aware of any Nazi-connected groups in the area, to us it was a clear sign—we were being branded with a symbol of hate.

Signs and symbols have meaning. “West Seattle Bridge” is a sign that means something—it refers to a concrete reality. There is no such thing as a harmless symbol of evil. It invokes what it symbolizes—whether fully intended or not. Words, signs, symbols—they all have meaning, and power.

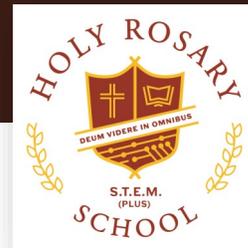
On Friday of this past week, at the end of Mass, we processed around the Church praying the Litany of the Saints. Prayers of exorcism were included, as well as blessing with holy water. Would this have happened inside the Church, it would be the bishop himself who would have to come and bless and rededicate the space. Because the invocation of evil is real—whether fully intended or not. What has been set aside for the Lord—must be reset aside again. Evil is real—and not something to mess with—as its only goal is to consume and destroy.

In Christ, we have nothing to fear from evil. In and through His death, Jesus conquered the Evil One. What appeared as a moment of victory for Satan was quickly transformed through Jesus' Resurrection. It is a powerful scene which is so well analogized by CS Lewis in *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*—the death of Aslan, the apparent exultant evil queen, the rejoicing of her minions—only to face Aslan, risen from the dead.

In Baptism, we become God's children—and so long as we do not leave Him, nothing can pull us away. In this Sacrament we share in the death and Resurrection of Christ. Yes, oppression and possession are real—because through our own actions and choices we can open ourselves up to the Evil One. Not that it automatically results in what we see in the movies (which sometimes accurately portrays reality—though rarely), but when we leave Christ, which is the very definition of sin, when we turn away from His goodness, of course we are opening the door for that which is not good. The Gospels are filled with examples of exorcisms, and this is one of the powers that Jesus hands on to His Apostles as seen in the Acts of the Apostles. Today it is still a ministry—though restricted to those specially trained, and something which only takes place after a long process including meetings with counselors to determine whether the source of the problems are truly spiritual or not, and after frequent recourse to the Sacraments.

The Truth is that these are our best defense against the Devil—filling ourselves with the grace of God, and entering into a deep and mystical communion with Him through these seven gifts. Once we have been baptized, once we have become God's own, staying there by regular, good Confessions and being sustained on the Eucharist are God's greatest helps to us. Evil is real. Sin is real. To deny these is to buy into one of the Father of Lies' greatest lies. There are things that are of God, and there are things that are not. There is goodness, Truth, beauty and love—and things which are not. There is light, and there is darkness—the absence of light. There is good, and there is evil—the distortion or absence of good. There is God, and there is the Devil—one of his fallen angels who chose not to live with Him forever, and now spends the remainder of created time trying to separate others from Him. Let us be sure that in our own lives, we are always fleeing from sin and evil—remaining always with the Lord.

Holy Rosary Catholic School—SPIRIT AND MIND *ignited*



Welcome Catholic Schools Week!! We kick off Catholic Schools Week with students attending weekend masses in their school uniforms. At Sunday's 10:30am mass, we will honor our 2019 Champion of Holy Rosary, William McGaughey. William has continued to volunteer many hours supporting HRS activities after graduating in 2015, honoring us with his support of the school, our current students, and our community outreach. After the 10:30am mass, the school welcomes everyone to join them for a reception in the School Hall and to tour our Preschool - 8th grade Open House from 12-1:30pm (Jan. 27th).

Catholic Schools Week, when schools from diocese nationwide will be celebrating the following daily themes: Sunday - Celebrating our Parish, Monday - Celebrating our Community, Tuesday - Celebrating our Students, Wednesday - Celebrating the Nation, Thursday - Celebrating Vocations, Friday - Celebrating Staff, Faculty, and Volunteers. Follow our Facebook page to see the many events that will be occurring during this special week.

Our 2nd Annual Crab Dinner is on Saturday, February 9th! Enjoy an evening with family-style served salad, steel pot of Crab, seafood varietal, corn and potatoes, ending with dessert. Tickets are now on sale per person: Adults - \$50, Seniors - \$40, and Children (Corn Dog or Crab) - \$10. Seating will begin at 6:15pm. Beer and wine available for purchase. Proceeds benefit Holy Rosary School. Tickets and more information can be found at <https://holyroaryws.org/crabfest>.

Holy Rosary has a rolling admission process with two spots available in our Preschool 2s class. The Preschool 2s class is a drop-off class that meets on Mondays and Fridays from 8:30am-11am, students must be age 2.5 by August 31st.

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@holyroaryws.org.

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

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A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home

Look for ways to reuse or recycle plastic foam packing materials. Some package-shipping offices will accept plastic “peanuts” to be reused in shipping. Larger blocks of Styrofoam can be taken to the Seattle Lighting Clearance Outlet on South Hanford Street in SoDo for recycling.

Thank You for Your Help with Church Decorations

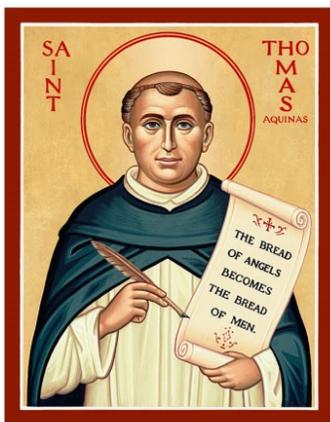
A sincere, big Thank You to all those who helped with the Church decorations over the last two months! From the initial decorations for Advent, the changeover to Christmas just two days before Christmas, and the recent ‘de-decorating’ from Christmas to Ordinary Time, including removal of all the trees. A big shout-out to the Christmas Tree Lot team, who not only scored some spectacular trees, especially the Big One, but also helped with the tree installation in time for some of the Christmas concerts. The decorations really enhanced the beauty of our Church, but it could not have happened without your support. Thank you!

Opportunities for Adults

Welcome Back! Holy Rosary offers opportunities to grow in your faith. The New Year is a perfect time to revitalize your faith! We have a number of opportunities for you, but we recommend starting with:

- **Monday Rosary**—Join us Monday evenings at 6:30pm in the St. Dominic Chapel, Parish Center for a Rosary! This is a simple yet profound way to deepen your prayer life. Our next Rosary will be on **Monday, January 28**, and all are welcome!
- **Inquiry**—an open-ended discussion of life, the universe, and everything from a Catholic point of view! If you're interested in becoming Catholic, are thinking of returning to your Catholic roots, or just curious about some aspect of your faith, this is a perfect opportunity! All are welcome, and no topic off limits! We meet every Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Parish Office, our next meeting is **Tuesday, January 29**.
- **Women with Purpose**—All women are invited to a new series, "Beholding Your King", looking at how the Old Testament points to Jesus Christ as the King of kings. **Wed. at 7:15pm or Fri. at 9:15am (childcare available)**. Register: <https://holyrosaryseattle.org/wwp-registration>.

For more info contact Robert King, PA for Adult Evangelization at evangelization@holyrosaryseattle.org.



Saint of the Week

Every week, we highlight a particular saint. This week, we celebrate St. Thomas Aquinas. St. Thomas was raised as the son of an Italian landowner who intended Thomas for a privileged position at a wealthy monastery. But instead, Thomas was attracted to the poverty and

passion of the newly founded Dominican order. His family kept him prisoner for a year to keep him from joining the Dominicans, but his mother helped him escape. He was a quiet student, bullied by his classmates and called "the dumb ox"; but he eventually became one of the greatest theologians in history and the patron of students everywhere. We celebrate his feast on January 28.

Children's Ministry Corner

Thank you Faith Formation 3rd and 4th grade teachers, families, and students for their generosity in supporting our Women's Shelter. Last December 2018, they distributed non-perishable food, water, socks and gloves to the women who came to our Women's Shelter. The women expressed their thanks and gratitude to you all. Thank you!



1st Communion

Please offer your special prayers to all our Holy Rosary Children who are preparing themselves to receive the most precious body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the first time this coming Easter Season. This is a special and exciting time as they continue their life journey with God and looking forward to that day where they will be nourished by the food of eternal life in the Eucharist.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) for Children

We are now in the middle of the year for our RCIA classes. Our Catechumens and Candidate are looking forward to that special day where they will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church by receiving the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Please offer your prayers for them as they continue their faith journey.

If you have any question about 1st Communion, Children's RCIA and Sunday School/Faith Formation please email Sr. Stella at sr.stella@holyrosaryseattle.org.



Is your child ready for a summer of a lifetime? Summer CYO Camp dates and registrations are now available. CYO Camps open to grades 1-12, day and overnight camps at

Don Bosco and Hamilton as well as Tatonka Adventure for high schoolers. There is a CYO Camp for every child and teen...Register Now! <https://cyo.camp>.

World Day of the Sick Mass, Providence Mount St. Vincent, Feb. 9, 10:00am

Archbishop J. Peter Sartain will lead Mass and Anointing of the Sick for World Day of the Sick on Saturday, Feb. 9, at Providence Mount St. Vincent in West Seattle. The public is invited to attend Mass, which begins at 10:00 a.m. and includes a reception afterwards. It will be in the Pigott Chapel at Providence Mount St. Vincent, 4831 35th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98126.

Ecological Crisis Retreat, Feb. 9, 8am-3pm at St. James Cathedral

Join us for “Am I Sleeping Through the Ecological Crisis?”, a retreat based on the teachings of integral ecology in Laudato Si. Taking place on February 9th from 8am to 3pm at St. James Cathedral and led by Sr. Alexandra Kovats CSJP, this retreat invites participants to reflect on how a healthy lifestyle can influence global warming. Please RSVP by February 4 to: Ruben de Anda: rubeytues@icloud.com / 206-914-4592 or Patrick Barredo: pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org / 206-382-4515.

Rachel’s Corner

“I sought the LORD, and He answered me, delivered me from all my fears. Look to Him and be radiant, and your faces may not blush for shame.” - Psalm 34:5-6

It all starts by seeking God and His mercy. Are you ready? The year can begin with you seeking His mercy, and He will do everything for you by delivering you from all your fears, regret and shame. Extend your hand and touch His loving heart as He invites you to join us on a Rachel’s Vineyard™ Retreat, a program of Catholic Community Services.

Now registering for our next healing retreats: March 8-10 and April 5-7, both in English.

Call for a compassionate, confidential conversation.

English: (206) 920-6413 / Español: (206)-450-7814

www.ccsww.org/projectrachel

You are loved with an everlasting Love!

Marriage Prep at St. Edward Catholic Church.

If you are engaged to be married or considering becoming in engaged consider signing up for the upcoming marriage preparation program, Engaging the Engaged: Preparing for a Lifetime of Success in a Sacramental Marriage.

Engaging the Engaged will help deepen your love for one another, strengthen communication skills, and thoroughly immerse your relationship in God’s hope and purpose for marriage in the Church. There are six three hour sessions on Weds nights beginning on January 30 (2/20, 2/27, 3/20, 3/27, 4/10). Presenter: Dr. Robert Fontana, marriage and family therapist. Cost: \$200. Location: 4205 S. Orcas St., Seattle. To register or for more information, call the parish office at 206-722-7888.



**ARCHBISHOP BRUNETT
RETREAT CENTER AT
THE PALISADES**

**Upcoming Retreats: Register online at
PalisadesRetreatCenter.Org**

FEBRUARY 1-3

“Lord, Teach Us to Pray: The Life of Prayer for Catholic Young Adults”

Young Adult Retreat

Led by Fr. Kyle Mangloña & Sr. Mary Vianney, MSSR

FEBRUARY 15-17

“Angels to One Another: Messengers of Love and Guides to God”

Married Couples’ Retreat

Led by Fr. John Marie Bingham, OP

FEBRUARY 15-17

“‘The Winter’s Tale’ by William Shakespeare: Love Lost and Found”

Shakespeare Retreat

Led by Fr. Stephen Rowan, Ph.D.

MARCH 22-24

“Seeing the Extraordinary in the Ordinary”

Women’s Lenten Retreat

Led by Fr. Richard De Lillio, OSFS

Sunday, January 27, 2019

- Coffee and Donuts after Masses today
- School Open House Noon-1:30pm

Monday, January 28

7:45 AM	Word & Communion Service
6:30 PM	Pray the Rosary Chapel

Tuesday, January 29

7:45 AM	Daily Mass
After Mass	Tue morning Breakfast Reception Rm
1:00 PM	Blood Drive Reception Room
5:30 PM	Confession
6:30 PM	Liturgy Commission in Parish Office Conference Room
6:30 PM	Teen RCIA Reception Room
6:30 PM	Adult Inquiry Parish Office Basement

Wednesday, January 30

8:35 AM	School Mass Church
9:30 AM	Adult Bible Study Parish Office Basement
2:15 PM	Youth!Choir Practice Chapel
5:30 PM	HR Handbell Practice Chapel
7:15 PM	Women With Purpose in Reception Rm
6:30 PM	Adult RCIA Conference Room
7:00 PM	Contemporary Choir Practice Church

Thursday, January 31

7:45 AM	Daily Mass
6:30 PM	Adult Confirmation Parish Center
6:30 PM	Children's RCIA Reception Rm
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice in Church

Friday, February 1

7:45 AM	Daily Mass
8:30 AM	First Fri Adoration & Benediction Church
9:15 AM	Women with Purpose Reception Room
1:00 PM	League of the Sacred Heart Reception Rm
7:00 PM	Friday Night Men's AA in Reception Rm

Saturday, February 2

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

Up Next

February

- 4 Baptism Prep 1
- 9 Baptism Prep 2
- 9 Crab Feed
- 23 Esoterics Concert
- 27 Confirmation Mass, 7:00pm

March

- 3 Ministry Fair
- 6 Ash Wednesday
- 16 HEART Auction
- NW Symphony Concert
- 24 NW Boy's Choir Concert

April

- 14 Palm Sunday
- 21 Easter

Praying for those who have died, especially

Alex Link

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Weeks:

- January 29: Louise Martinelli, RIP
- January 30: Jimmy Picinich, RIP
- January 31: Cliff Williams
- February 1: Marilyn Houser
- February 2: Ron Young, RIP (8:35am)
Holy Rosary Community (5pm)
- February 3: Alex Link, RIP (8:30am)
Chris Eggers, RIP (10:30am)

Last Week's Collection

Last Week's collection: \$17,617.26
Weekly budgeted collection: \$23,534

Donations were made to the Fr. Mallahan Endowment Fund

Holy Rosary School wishes to thank a generous donor for the recent donation to the Father Mallahan Endowment Fund on behalf of the teachers and staff of Holy Rosary School.

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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