Holy Rosary Catholic Church

Seattle, Washington

"Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted."

Matt 23:12

WELCOME!

COME WORSHIP WITH US!

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

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

(watch this bulletin for more information)

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.

THE JOURNEY OF FAITH WITH

Fr. Matthew Oakland

Another Holy Rosary

Our beloved Holy Rosary Parish in Seattle was the third such church by that name founded in the Archdiocese of Seattle. The first was founded in Tacoma in 1891, and the second in Edmonds in 1905. Four years later in 1909 our community was formed in West Seattle.

This past weekend it was announced with much sadness that the church at Holy Rosary Parish in Tacoma is going to be taken down. The current church building dates back to 1920. Since then, it has stood as an icon in Tacoma, and with the construction of I-5 (and the years of ongoing new construction more recently), a beautiful witness to all sitting in traffic.





Unfortunately, the parish community has been declining in size for many years. As a result they have not had the funds necessary to perform regular maintenance, and have spent all their savings on regular operations such as staff and programming. A year ago, a large piece of the ceiling fell down into the choir loft. Closer inspection discovered many more problems, and Mass for the 200 attendees was moved to the school hall. After an extensive analysis and consultative process, the Archbishop made the difficult decision to raze the church in the face of a final cost of \$7 million to make the church habitable, and \$18 million to fix all the problems. The parish doesn't have the funds, nor does the archdiocese—though even if the Archdiocese did it would be important to ask whether this was the best use of those funds.

You likely heard about this this past week in the news. There is no question that it is a sad day for the Holy Rosary Tacoma community. It

is a sad day for the entire Catholic community, and even all lovers of history and architecture.

Our Holy Rosary church is also quite beautiful. It was built in 1936–37 at the end of the Great Depression. In a time of great want, the members of this parish community sacrificed to build a beautiful testament to the presence of God in our midst. The Gospel written in brick and glass, wood and stone, our parish church has served as a place where the community has come together to worship God and encounter Him.

This summer, as you know, we have undertaken several construction projects in order to ensure the safety and longevity of this gift that we have received. The Bell Tower work has been going on for three months, and this week the stained glass window repair got underway. Four years ago I made a general ask to help with the Bell Tower, and some responded. Most of the rest of the work on the tower is being funded by recent bequests that we have received, as well as some funds from our capital reserve savings. We also received a small bequest. Some of the tower work, as well as all of the stained glass windows work, is also being funded by our rebate from the Called to Serve as Christ archdiocesan capital campaign which is ongoing for the next three years as individuals fulfill their pledges. Thank you for your financial support as we strive to take care of our beautiful church, to ensure that it continues to stand as a living witness to us and future generations of God's presence in our midst.

Welcome!

This week we have a new staff member who will be responsible for helping prepare our youth for Confirmation. She will also be undertaking the work of providing some opportunities for our youth to live and grow in faith, as well. Bridget is including a little introduction in next week's bulletin to share more about herself.

Farewell

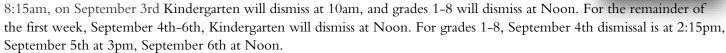
For thirty years, Sherry Smith has served the parishioners of Holy Rosary Parish. It is not just the buildings which have a great impact, but the people too—and Sherry has served countless individuals. She has journeyed with couples preparing for marriage, celebrating the joyous time but also offering wisdom and insight. She has published countless bulletins. She has helped maintain aging technology systems, and in her final months installed new computers for the entire staff. She walked the path of healing with couples seeking an annulment. She help put together the Pounding Tree at Lent or the Giving Tree in Advent. She handled data entry for electronic giving records to provide parishioners with accurate information regarding their giving histories. We thank her for her work and ministry over the years, and wish her well in retirement with her husband Gary, and kids and grandkids.

GROWING IN CHRIST

Holy Rosary Catholic School—SPIRIT AND MIND ignited

School Highlights & Events

The 2018-2019 school year is complete! Thank you parents and students for a wonderful school year! The first school day of 2019/20 will be on Tuesday, September 3rd. School start time is at



Westfest will take place September 20th-21st; volunteer sign-ups will come out in early September. Please make sure to have your Safe Environment Training complete to volunteer at school events. You can log-in at <u>virtusonline.org/virtus/</u> to check your volunteer status. For new families and those who have not completed training, register for the required Safe Environment Course "Protecting God's Children" (3 hr Foundation course) that will be held at Holy Rosary School. Two dates: Saturday, September 7th at 9am or Wednesday, September 11th at 6pm. Both will be held in the School Hall. Register beforehand to make sure you receive credit for the course. (More info on page 4 of this bulletin.)

Holy Rosary has a rolling admissions process with just two 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 (holyrosaryws.org).

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 hand-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.

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS



A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home

If you order takeout food to eat at home, you don't really need the accompanying plastic knives and forks. An easy way to be eco-friendly: Ask the restaurant not to include napkins, utensils or condiments with your order.

Saint of the Week

Every week, we highlight a particular saint. This week, we remember Pope St. Gregory the Great. Most commonly known today for his musical reforms (known as Gregorian Chant), Pope Gregory I also established systems of charity for the poor in Rome and wrote theological treatises that impacted the whole medieval Church. He is a great example of how the Mass, care for those in need, and personal devotion to prayer all work together in



the Christian life. Following him, we can make sure we include all three in our own lives. His feast is September 3.

Opportunities for Adults

We offer several ways to celebrate and grow closer to the risen Christ:

- Inquiry an open-ended discussion of life, the universe, and everything from a Catholic point of view! If you or someone you know, has questions about the Catholic faith, invite them to come! All are welcome and no topic is off limits! This is the ideal preparation for those interested in Becoming Catholic or RCIA. We meet twice a month in the Parish Office, and our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 3. Our topic will be "How can I know God loves me?"
- **Bible Study** We will begin a study of St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians on Wednesday, September 11, 2019. Join us for this exploration of crisis in the early Church! Please register on our website: https://holyrosaryseattle.org/adult-scripture-study
- **Formed** It's like Amazon Prime for Catholics, and it's free! For a wealth of videos, audiobooks, ebooks, and other resources, sign up at https://holyrosaryseattle.formed.org today!
- Women With Purpose Join us for a new series this fall as we learn about Mary in "A Scriptural Journey with Mary" by Jeanne Kun. Meetings are Wednesday evenings, 7:15–9pm beginning September 18 or Friday mornings, 9:15–11am beginning September 20. Both groups meet in the Parish Center Reception Room and childcare is provided for the Friday group. For registration: go to holyrosaryseattle.org/wwp-registration. For questions or to order a book, email Deyette at dswegle@holyrosaryseattle.org.

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

RCIA Adapted for Children

Holy Rosary Church welcomes children who are 7 years or older & TEENS and never been baptized along with their families, on a journey of preparation for initiation into the Catholic Church. If interested in **RCIA** and **becoming Catholic,** please contact Sr. Stella at srstella@holyrosaryseattle.org or call at 206-937-1488 ext. 252.

Children's Faith Formation/

Sunday School ("CFF") provides faith-based classroom education opportunities for children of the parish. Classes are offered from preschool to 6th grade. School Year 2019-2020 registration is already open online. For more information contact Sr. Stella at srstella@holyrosaryseattle.org or call 206-937-1488 ext. 252

Youth Confirmation!

This year, Holy Rosary is offering Confirmation preparation for all youth in Middle School and High School (grades 7 through 12). If any of your children would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in February of 2020, please register them at holyrosaryseattle.org/youth-confirmation. Information Meeting will be Sunday, September 8 at 12pm in the Church. We're also looking for parents to assist as volunteers. (This counts toward your General Volunteer Hours!) If you have any questions about Confirmation, please contact Robert King at evangelization@holyrosaryseattle.org.

Interested in Volunteering at the School and/or Parish? Are you compliant with our Virtus program?

Current Volunteers are required to take updated online training courses every three years and renew their background check.

New Volunteers are required to complete a background check and take a one-time 3 hour class. Holy Rosary will be offering this course twice in September:

- Saturday, September 7 at 9:00am in the School Hall
- Wednesday, September 11 at 6:00pm in the School Hall

Class registration is required: www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm Questions, please call Parish Office at 206-935-8353.

Season of Creation

In 1989, the Orthodox Church proclaimed Sept. 1 a World Day of Prayer for Creation. In subsequent years it was embraced by Christians around the world, and by Pope Francis in 2015. It now begins the Season of Creation, which ends on Oct. 4, the feast of St. Francis. To celebrate this season, the Green Ministry offers a Season of Creation Novena, a prayer that continues over nine days. This novena is specifically designed for the West Seattle area. Copies can be found near the church entrances — you may use the daily prayer and reflection at home or anywhere else, but you are encouraged to visit the sites designated in the novena if possible.

Did you know??

On the First Tuesday of each month, volunteers from Holy Rosary make 300 sandwiches St. Martin de Porres! MORE HELPERS ARE NEEDED! If you'd like to lend a hand, just show up in the Lanigan Gym Kitchen at 8am on the First Tuesday of each month! Your help would be appreciated!!

Invitation to SING with us!

The Holy Rosary Sanctuary Choir invites you to sing with us. Rehearsals begin Thursday, September 5, 7:30-9pm, in the Church Sanctuary loft. All are welcome. No audition necessary – just a generous heart and love of singing. The choir sings weekly at the 8:30am Sunday Mass, September through mid-June. Please contact Mary Ann Lee, Sanctuary Choir Director. (206-325-2477; maryannlee619@msn.com)

Women's Night Out — Stories of Faith by Women of Faith

Come for an evening of prayer, music, refreshments, and conversation. One or more faith-filled women will share their faith journeys with these questions as a guide:

- Who are you and what do you find particularly challenging as a woman of faith?
- Where do you find joy?
- What is a Scripture reading that guides your actions and gives you strength?
- What is a piece of wisdom that you would like to pass on to other women?

As they share their reflections, those attending will be led to reflect on these questions for their own lives.

When: Monday, September 9th, 7pm - 8:30pm Where: Holy Rosary Parish Center, Reception Room Please join us. All are welcome!

Do you have a question for our City Council candidates?

Look for stations in the Narthex and by the side door of the church where you can write and submit your questions. These will be used to develop questions for District 1 City Council candidates Lisa Herbold and Phil Tavel at an upcoming forum. The event, sponsored by the Westside Interfaith Network (which includes Holy Rosary) and the League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County, will be at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14, in the Walmesley Center at Our Lady of Guadalupe, 35th Avenue Southwest and Southwest Myrtle Street. You are encouraged to attend and be informed about the issues!

The Word was made Flesh . . . Following Baby Jesus in the Womb

24 and 25 weeks

Ever since the Annunciation in March, the baby Jesus has been growing in His mother Mary's womb. The baby is filling out. His face and body look more like an infant at the time of birth. The child sleeps and wakes, nestles in his favorite positions and stretches upon waking up. There isn't a great deal of room to move in the mother. As the weeks pass, space gets even tighter. Approximate due date: Dec 25

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Sunday, September 1, 2019

• Coffee and Donuts after Masses this morning

Monday, September 2: Labor Day		
Parish Office Closed		
7:45 AM	Word & Communion Service Chapel	
7:00 PM	Shoulder to Shoulder Room 203	
Tuesday, September 3		
7:45 AM	Daily Mass Chapel	
After Mass	Tue am Breakfast Reception Rm	
8:00 AM	St. Martin Sandwiches Lanigan Kitchen	
8:00 AM	Back to School Parent Coffee School Hall	
5:00 PM	Pre-school parent Info Night Reception Rm	
5:30 PM	Confession Church	
6:30 PM	SVDP Room 203	
Wednesday, September 4		
8:35 AM	School Opening Mass Church	
5:30 PM	Women's Spirituality Group Room 203	
6:00 PM	CYO Soccer Referee Meeting 7B	
7:00 PM	Adult Choir Practice Chapel	
Thursday, September 5		
7:45 AM	Daily Mass Chapel	
9:00 AM	Soup Kitchen Lanigan Kitchen	
3:00 PM	Orion Meal Prep Lanigan Kitchen	
6:30 PM	Back to School Night School Campus	
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice Church	
Friday, September 6		
7:45 AM	Daily Mass Chapel	
4:00 PM	Wedding Music Meeting Church	
6:30 PM	Friday Night Men's AA Reception Rm	
Saturday, September 7		
7:00 AM	Men's Group Reception Rm	
8:30 AM	Daily Mass Chapel	
9:00 AM	Safe Environment Class School Hall	
10:00 AM	Catechists Orientation Reception Rm	
3:30 PM	Confession Church	
5:00 PM	Vigil Mass Church	



Up Next

September

3	First Day of School
5	Back to School Night
7	Safe Environment Class
8	Youth Confirmation Orientation
11	Safe Environment Class
15	WestFest Pancake Breakfast
20	WestFest!
21	WestFest!

November

2 School Open House

Congratulations!

Emma Vignale & Mike Green celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage here this weekend!

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week:

September 5: John Picinich, RIP

September 7: Holy Rosary Community (5pm) September 8: Lillian Sardarov, RIP(10:30am)

Last Week's Collection:

Last week's collection: \$15,205.50 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 the Parish Office six months in advance of your requested wedding date.

Funerals: Contact the Parish Office

Becoming Catholic: Adults (over 18) contact Robert King; Children (age 7-18) contact Sr. Stella

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