



HRS NEWS

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Dear Parents, Students and Staff,



As we wrap up our celebration of *Catholic Schools Week(s) 2010*, the staff and students of Holy Rosary Catholic School want our school and parish families to know how much we appreciate you! Your support and partnership of the mission and ministry of our school is a blessing for our community and especially for our children. Your time, talent, treasure, faith sharing and prayers for our children and school staff make all the difference. It is our blessing to work, learn, play, and pray in our parish and school family.

We Are Called by Christ to be thankful for our many gifts and blessings and we are thankful for you!

Know of our prayers for our parish and school families and all our children every day! You're invited to join us for our weekend Catholic Schools Week mass on Saturday, February 13th at 5:00pm.

With grateful hearts,

Joan Fredrich and Faculty and Staff of HRS



→ → **MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Make Up Day

We will post the make up date from our snow day (Tuesday, Feb. 9) on our school website by Wednesday, February 17th and in subsequent newsletters.

You're Invited!

Each Thursday afternoon at 2:10pm, parents are invited to come into church to pray a rosary for vocations. This timing will allow parents to park in pick up lines and return to cars before the dismissal procedure begins. We hope you'll consider joining other parents in prayer.

"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst." Matthew 18:20

February 11, 2010

Next Newsletter: February 25, 2010

The Holy Rosary School Newsletter is published twice a month and sent home in the Parent Pack on Thursdays. Deadline for articles for the Newsletter is **Tuesday by 3 p.m.**



A BLESSING FOR SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY

God our Creator, bless the love that brings people together and grows ever stronger in our hearts. May all the messages that carry the name of your holy Bishop Valentine be sent in good joy and received in delight.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

LOST AND FOUND



Lost and found items will be on display outside of the concession stand during the week of February 22.

If you are missing uniform items or shoes, coats, gloves, etc., please stop in and check out the lost and found.

HATS FOR HAITI

Congratulations to Holy Rosary staff and students! You raised \$213.61 for the people of Haiti! Great Job!





NEWS FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February	13	CSW Saturday Mass @ 5 p.m.
	15	SCHOOL IS IN SESSION President's Day (<i>Make-Up Day</i>)
	17	Spirit Dress
	17	MASS—Gr. K-8 (5-F plans) Ash Wednesday (<i>No mass on Thursday</i>)
	25	MASS—Gr. K-8 (4-G) plans
	26	Free Dress
March	1-10	ISTEP+ Writing Assessment (grades 3-8)
	3	Spirit Dress
	4	MASS—Gr. K-8 (4-J plans)
	5	First Friday Adoration Benediction at 2:00 p.m.
	5	End of Third Grading Period
	6-12	Eighth Grade Play
	11	MASS—Gr. K-8 (3-Sch plans)
	17	60th Anniversary of Holy Rosary
	17	Spirit Dress
	18	MASS—Gr. K-8 (3-Sew plans)
	18	Penance Service - Grades 2-8 after Mass
	22-26	Spring Break, No School
	29	Classes Resume
	30	Fourth Grade Retreat
	31	Sixth Grade Retreat
April	1	Prayer Service for Holy Thursday (<i>No Mass</i>) (2-A plans)
	2	Good Friday, No School <i>Potential Make-Up Day</i>
	5	Easter Monday, No School <i>Potential Make-Up Day</i>
	7	Spirit Dress
	8	MASS—Gr. K-8 (2-W plans)
	15	MASS—Gr. K-8 (1-D plans)
	15-16	Junior High Band Tour
	21	Spirit Dress
	22	MASS—Gr. K-8 (1-H plans)
	23	No School <i>Potential Make-Up Day</i>
April 26-May 5		ISTEP+ Progress Assessment (gr. 3-8)
April 26-May 6		HR Student Art Show & Book Fair
	28	HR Student Talent Showcase

Weather Reminders

Parents, please be sure to check out what your kids wear/bring to school, or what they *don't* bring, in regards to the weather. We still take the children outdoors for fresh air and exercise even when it's not too cold outside. (We keep an eye on both the temperature and the wind chill during cold weather season and will keep children in when it is appropriate.) Some students come to school unprepared for outdoor recess on colder days. If you're missing jackets or coats, please come check out our lost and found!

SOLO & ENSEMBLE RESULTS

Saturday, February 6, 2010



- Jacob Nasserizafar—Saxophone solo - Silver rating
- Sam Girten—Saxophone solo - Gold rating
- Tori Ann Schaefer—Trumpet solo - Gold rating
- Aaron Betz—Trumpet solo - Gold rating
- John Robinson—Trumpet solo - Gold rating
- Austin Kuhn—Trombone solo - Gold rating
- Hannah Preiser—Violin solo - Gold rating

CONGRATULATIONS!

Mary Tucker/Band Director



WEATHER RELATED INFORMATION

In the case of bad weather, please tune in to the television and local radio stations for weather-related delay, early dismissal or school closing information. In addition, we will use our SchoolReach phone system to contact school families with weather information. Whenever possible, we will also try to post the same information on our school website.

- *If there is a delay to school,
After School Care WILL be in session.
- *If there is an early dismissal
After School Care will also close early.
- *If school is closed due to bad weather,
After School Care will ALSO be closed for that day.

When school closes early or is not in session, all after school & evening activities will also be cancelled on that same day.



From Mrs. Nagy & Mrs. Holderread:

Five students at Holy Rosary School have been chosen to submit artwork in the Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra's Symphony of Color Art Contest. All students in Grades 4 and 5 at Holy Rosary listened to an original composition *Three American Sketches* by Lowell Liebermann during music and art classes as part of an interdisciplinary Art/ Music unit. They then created original art works which interpreted their feelings and ideas about the music.

Students whose art works were selected to represent Holy Rosary School in this Art/Music competition are: *Our Flag* by Lukas Greif, *A Flag in the Sky* by Hannah Preiser, *Purple Mountains of Freedom* by Daniel Lloyd, *Moving Waters* by Chris Huggins, and *Flags and Swirls Forever* by Carson Becker. Students submitted written artist statements about the meaning of their artwork along with their art pieces.

Best wishes to these young artists on a great job. Winners and prizes will be announced at an artist's reception at cMoe on February 21 at which Mr. Liebermann, the composer will meet the Symphony of Color art winners. This contest is in conjunction with the 2009-2010 Young People's Concerts to be performed by the Evansville Philharmonic on March 17-19, 2010 at the Victory Theater.

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From Mrs. Nagy:

Please mark your calendars. **The Holy Rosary School Talent Show Case** will be held on Wednesday, April 28. Students in Grades K-8 will be eligible to perform in the talent showcase. Acts will be comprised of individual and small group acts. Please watch for additional information and official entry forms in upcoming school newsletters and parent packs. If you would be interested in helping to organize this event or be a chairperson of a specific committee for this event, please contact Ann Nagy. She may be reached at Holy Rosary School via email at annn@hrparish.org, through webgrader, or by leaving a phone message at 477-2271 ext. 343.

Holy Rosary School has been nominated for a **Leadership Evansville Celebration of Leadership in the Arts Award**. The nominator wrote "Holy Rosary School does an exemplary job of ensuring that all of its students are included in opportunities to develop artistic skills and an appreciation for the arts. Some of their extra-curricular arts programs have been in existence and flourished for over 30 years. Former students return and assist in putting on current productions. In a time when many other educational facilities are cutting back on the arts, Holy Rosary Arts programs are flourishing because of a strong partnership between Holy Rosary School."

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Congratulations to our Holy Rosary School's music contestants who competed in the piano/vocal **ISSMA music contest** at U of E on Saturday, January 30. Results were outstanding in that all of the Holy Rosary students who competed received first place gold medals in their performance groups. Madison Bitter, vocal soloist, received a gold medal in Group V. Charlie Haynie, piano soloist, received a gold medal in Group II. Anna Zimmermann, vocal soloist, received a gold medal in Group III. We are proud of these students for using their God given talents so well. The instrumental/strings music contest will be held on Saturday, February 6, at U of E.

**Thanks,
Ann Nagy**

Catholic Identity Corner**Lent Schedule 2010**

Wednesday,	Feb. 17: 8:15 Mass, Ash Wednesday
Thursday,	Feb. 18: 8:30 Stations of the Cross, All School
	Feb. 21-26: Stations of the Cross*
	Mar. 1-5: Stations of the Cross*
Friday,	Feb. 5: First Friday Adoration 2:00 Benediction, All School
	Mar. 8-12: Stations of the Cross*
Monday,	Mar. 15: 2:00 Stations of the Cross, All School
Thursday,	Mar. 18: Gr. 2-8 Penance Services
Tuesday,	Mar. 30: Grade 4 Lenten Retreat 12:30-2:45
Wednesday,	Mar. 31: 8:15 Mass Grade 6 Lenten Retreat 12:30-2:45
Thursday,	Apr. 1: Holy Thursday Prayer Service (no mass today)

[**IF** Good Friday is used as a snow make-up day, then we would have an All School Stations of the Cross at 2:00 on Good Friday.]

*Class rooms will pray the **Stations of the Cross** during these weeks as homeroom, grade level or other smaller groups. They will not be "All School" Stations as in the past. This will give classrooms the opportunity to experience the Stations in more intimate groups with more freedom to try different ways of praying the Stations and closer viewing of our stained glass stations.

2010-2011 TUITION GRANT APPLICATION FOR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) is announcing that applications for tuition assistance for the 2010-2011 school year are available at the offices of Reitz Memorial High School Mater Dei High School, at Catholic grade school offices (where 8th graders are enrolled) and at parish offices.

To download, type and print an application from Reitz Memorial High School website, www.reitzmemorial.org, select "Admissions" tab, then "Tuition Assistance".

To download, type and print an application from Mater Dei High School website, www.materdeiwildcats.com, select "About MD" tab, then "Tuition and Fees".

Students wishing to attend either Mater Dei High School or Reitz Memorial High School may apply. CEF tuition awards are based entirely on financial need. Complete confidentiality is assured. Deadline for applying is March 12, 2010. Most of the grant funds will be awarded to those who apply on time. Appeals and late applications will be accepted until July 1, 2010 provided funding remains available.

Beginning early in 2010, a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) will be established under the leadership of the Diocese of Evansville to allow "school choice", or tuition assistance for students who qualify financially, and who wish to transfer from public school to private school. Parents can also apply to an SGO for tuition assistance for a child who will be entering kindergarten. Businesses and individuals are allowed a fifty percent Indiana tax credit in addition to the usual federal deduction for contributions made to an SGO. It is recommended that qualified parents of high school students apply to an SGO first, then to CEF if additional funding is needed.

For more information please call

Margaret Angermeier: 402-6700 Ext. 302.

Email: cef@evdio.org

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS

Financial Aid Applications for those attending Holy Rosary School for the 2010 – 2011 school year are available in the Parish and School Office.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED
BY APRIL 30, 2010

**GIRLS IN BLOOM EXPO**

A day of arts, entertainment and girl power for fifth through eighth grade girls.

Free Workshops for You...Your Friends...
and Your Parents.

Saturday, February 27, 2010, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm
The Centre, Evansville

(Pick up a brochure/registration form in the school office.)

**Got weights collecting dust?**

If you have any spare free weights or hex weights of 3 to 35 pounds, Mr. Wittmer, our PE teacher, would love to use them in some of students' PE classes.

Please contact Mr. Wittmer at awittmer@hrparish.org or 477-2271, extension 306. Thank you!