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SIGN of REPENTANCE



We enter  
the HOLY  
SEASON  
of LENT

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February 18, 2018  
First Sunday of Lent



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## Mass Schedule:

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

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## Confessions:

Saturday:  
3:30-4:30 PM

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

*“Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to  
those who keep your covenant.”*

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Dear Parishioners,

Last Saturday we had our annual school auction. It was a tremendous success. So much effort goes into planning and carrying out such an event. A special thanks to Sue Venable, our principal, the co-chairs and all the volunteers who had a hand in the preparation and execution of this wonderful event. The environment was so pleasing and beautiful, the fellowship among the participants was cordial and the generous support for our school was outstanding. The auction netted over \$120,000 for our school which is an almost 15% increase over last year.

A few things to report: Last year we made a push to get our school endowment to over a half a million dollars. We accomplished that goal and with generous donations this year and the return on the investment we are happy to report the School endowment is now at \$642,000. The growth of the endowment is going offer our school a more secure future, and donating to it is a great way to support the school's future.

The “fund a dream” at this year's auction was to resurface and stripe the upper parking lots. The playground for the school is the main upper parking lot and with the deterioration of the surface the striping is essentially gone. The plan will be to repair, resurface and restripe the lot for playground games and parking. We are happy to report that almost \$50,000 dollars was raised at the auction for this project. This amount from the auction along with a generous donation by a parishioner will allow us to move ahead and complete this much needed project.

Last Sunday Mary Hupf with the many volunteers of the Religious Education program put on a wonderful Lenten family preparation program in the Pastoral Center. Over 200 families participated. Families moved from different stations to various activities and crafts focusing on the themes of Lent: Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving/service. Letters of encouragement and prayers were written for especially selected parishioners, toiletries were prepared for St. Francis House who serve the homeless, and crafts included caterpillars, cocoons and pretzel baking. A special thanks to Mary and her minions for putting on this program to help our families prepare for Lent.

We are in the first week of Lent. The Gospel this Sunday tells of the temptation of Jesus in the desert for 40 days. Temptation is a distraction, meant to derail us from our true purpose in life. Satan tried to sidetrack Jesus and derail him from his mission of Salvation. Satan could not get Jesus off his track nor separate him from the will of his Father. In our lives Satan tries to sell us short, separate us from God's will, and compromise ourselves for a false goal, an empty ideal, a false god.

Jesus is here to help us in our moments of temptation that would compromise the dignity of which we are made and called to be. Jesus experienced temptation himself and wants to help us in our struggles in overcoming those distractions that take away from our becoming the best versions of ourselves. I wish everyone a fruitful and grace-filled Lenten Season.

In Christ,

Fr. Vincent

# CALENDAR

- Sunday, February 18, 2018**                      **Blessed John of Fiesole**  
*Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15*
- **No Coffee'nd today.** (Presidents Day Weekend)
  - **No Faith Formation Classes.**
  - **Blood Pressure Clinic** in the Reconciliation Room after all Masses.
- Monday, February 19, 2018**                      **St. Conrad of Piacenza**                      *Frank Rocco, Sr./RIP*  
*Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25:31-46*
- **8AM Mass**
  - **Presidents Day—Parish Office and School Closed**
- Tuesday, February 20, 2018**                      **Sts. Jacinta and Francisco Marto**                      *Monica Ilacqua/RIP*  
*Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15*
- **8AM Mass**
- Wednesday, February 21, 2018**                      **St. Peter Damian**                      *Gil Martelino/RIP*  
*Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32*
- **8AM Mass**
  - **Soup Night** in the School Hall, 6PM.
  - **“Prayer, Intimacy with God”** in the Pastoral Center, Rm. 206, 7PM.
- Thursday, February 22, 2018**                      **Chair of St. Peter**                      *Patricia Collins/RIP*  
*1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19*
- **8AM Mass**
  - **Mahjong Group** meets in the Pastoral Center, Family Life Room, 1PM.
  - **Latin American History Class** meets in the Pastoral Center Conference Room, 1PM.
  - **Traditional Choir** rehearsal in the church, 6:15PM.
- Friday, February 23, 2018**                      **St. Polycarp**                      *David Wells/RIP*  
*Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26*
- **8AM Mass**
  - **Little Blessings** meets in the Family Life Room, 10AM.
  - **Stations of the Cross, Exposition and Rosary**, in the church, 7PM.
- Saturday, February 24, 2018**                      **Blessed Luke Belludi**  
*Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48*
- **8AM Rosary** in the church.
- Sunday, February 25, 2018**                      **Blessed Sebastian of Aparicio**  
*Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Romans 8:31b-34; Mark 9:2-10*
- **Coffee'nd** hosted by Second Grade families.
  - **RCIA—Dismissal** at 9AM Mass
  - **Confirmation Class** meets in the Pastoral Center, Rm. 206, 12:15PM..

<b>Weekly Offering—Thank you for your support!</b>		
Date	On Line/ Mailed Offer- ings	Basket Offerings
January 20/21	\$3,592.00	\$15,126.86
January 27/28	\$61,504.00	\$13,860.24
February 3/4	\$41,4456.69	\$19,383.06
February 10/11	\$9,021.00	\$13,592.00

If you would prefer to set up an online account for giving; please visit: [holyroseyedmonds.org](http://holyroseyedmonds.org) and click on “Donating” in the upper right corner of the website, and then choose “Sunday Collections.” You may create an account and donate via credit card or electronic bank transfer, your choice. *Thank you for your ongoing support.*

If you have old palms you wish to dispose of, the appropriate disposal is simply to bury them.

**Extra rosaries** you no longer use would be welcomed by the hospital ministry. You can leave them at the Parish Office to be shared with patients who wish to have one.

## FAITH IN ACTION

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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** — Ethan Blocker, Marianne Jurich, Mark Sacmann, Byron Mizuha, Tracey Hollcraft, Katherine Christensen, Branden White, Peggy Trahar and Marie Larson.

**A Time to Mourn** — Jason Svendsen and Lucy Johnson.

Please contact **Roberta Tassani** at 425-778-3122 or [robertat@holyroaryedmonds.org](mailto:robertat@holyroaryedmonds.org) with prayer requests.

## FAITH FORMATION

**BEST LENT EVER: Don't Give Up Chocolate for Lent.** This year, do something different. Join our parish for BEST LENT EVER, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you have a life-changing Lent. Each day, you'll receive an email with...

- Inspirational Videos
  - Practical Tips
  - Encouraging Stories.
- Sign up at [DynamicCatholic.com/40Days](http://DynamicCatholic.com/40Days).

**The Matthew Kelly event in April is now sold out.** If you wish to be placed on a “wait list” in case any more tickets become available, please contact the Parish Office.

**SOUP NIGHTS** begin next Wednesday, **February 21st, at 6PM** in the School Hall. All are welcome. Please sign up in the vestibule after mass to bring soup or bread.



After Soup Night, join us in Room 206 for **“Prayer, Intimacy with God”** at 7PM, beginning a series of presentations by John Peters.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Middle School:** This January we kicked off our “Encounter” Bible series! New middle schooler are welcome and encouraged to join us! Our next meeting is **February 27th**. We meet Tuesdays from 7-8:30PM. All 6th-8th graders are invited. Please see the parish website for the schedule and registration paperwork ([holyroaryedmonds.org](http://holyroaryedmonds.org)>Serving You>Youth and Young Adult> Middle School Ministry). Paperwork can be turned in at the school or parish offices. For more information please email Kelly ([kellyg@holyroaryedmonds.org](mailto:kellyg@holyroaryedmonds.org)).

**High School:** Are you or your high schooler interested in a small group faith experience? An exciting new opportunity is available. Contact Kelly for more information ([kellyg@holyroaryedmonds.org](mailto:kellyg@holyroaryedmonds.org)).

Stay tuned for our next large group event.

**Confirmation:** Preparation for Confirmation of High School students is underway. Students must be in 10th grade or beyond to receive the sacrament Monday, April 23rd. Questions? Email Kelly ([kellyg@holyroaryedmonds.org](mailto:kellyg@holyroaryedmonds.org)).

## MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

We will offer a Blessing of the Womb on April 22nd at the 9AM Mass, by request. If you would like to receive a Blessing, please contact the Parish Office.



**Is Your Marriage All it was Meant to Be?** Are you struggling in your marriage? Do you feel a sense of disillusionment or sadness? Do you wish you could rekindle the spark you once had, but don't know how? Let Retrouvaille help. For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning **March 16-18, 2018** call **206-706-2608** or visit our website at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank:** The food bank continues to receive many requests for food. This week more of these items are needed: chili, peanut butter & jam (strawberry, raspberry), spaghetti sauce, cookies (Girl Scout cookies are great), laundry detergent, paper towels. *Thanks for caring and giving so we can help those in need.*



**SAVE THE DATE** Ladies, Mark your calendars now: **Thursday, March 15th**, for the Women's Association Annual St. Patrick's Salad Luncheon with entertainment, a raffle and door prizes. There is no charge, just bring a salad to share, 8-10 servings. More info to follow.



**Holy Rosary's annual 8th grade play** is scheduled for **March 2nd and 3rd**. We have sponsorship opportunities available for advertising in the play program. Cost for space starts at \$25. Please contact Tanya Mills at 206-715-8485 or [btanya40@gmail.com](mailto:btanya40@gmail.com) if you are interested. Proceeds benefit the 8th grade retreat.



**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** will begin next month for **4th through 7th Graders** who wish to serve your parish and be involved in the liturgy of the Mass. Choose from two training sessions, **Monday-Thursday, 5-7PM** in the church:

- **February 26th-March 1st, OR**
- **March 5th-8th.**



Please register online by **February 18th, 2018**, at: <https://tinyurl.com/altarservers2018>. After the first full year of serving (June-May), Altar Servers celebrate the year with a trip to Wild Waves! For more information, contact: Alfons Menanno 818-472-9647 or [amenanno@gmail.com](mailto:amenanno@gmail.com).

**EASTER BASKETS: Save the Date—Friday, March 16th!** We need your help to assemble 850 Easter Baskets! Your cash donations are also needed to support this outreach ministry to eight community agencies serving children. You may drop your check off at the parish office now.



**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.)

**Rachel's Corner**

*Hope and Healing After Abortion*

*"Has it felt sometimes like God has abandoned you? Or is it just beyond what you can handle to ponder reconciling with Him? Let God do the hard part! He is ready and yearns to hold you in His arms again!"*

Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

**March 9-11, 2018 Seabeck WA**  
**April 20-22, 2018 Stanwood WA**

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

***You are loved with an everlasting Love!***

*Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.*



PERPETUAL  
ADORATION AT  
HOLY ROSARY

**Prayer and meditation** before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to build your closeness to Jesus during Lent. Reflect on His Word or just keep Him company. He very much wants time with you! Drop-in or sign-up for a certain day & hour of prayer. Questions? Call Maria at 206-452-8932.

**LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY CLASS** continues with Colonial Latin America. Please join us on **Thursdays** at 1PM, in the Pastoral Center Conference Room.



**LITTLE BLESSINGS:** Are you a parent of young children, looking for a chance to gather with other Holy Rosary parents who are at a similar stage of life? Join us for Little Blessings on **Friday mornings, from 10:00AM until 11:30AM** in the Family Life Room in the Pastoral Center.



**ASSISI TO ROME CAMINO Save the Date:** Tuesday, March 13th, at 7PM in the Pastoral Center, Father Vincent will be sharing his experience of his Assisi to Rome Camino.

## SCHOOL NEWS



### Dates to Note Week of February 18th

- **Monday, Feb. 19th** - No School—Presidents Day
- **Friday, Feb. 23rd**—Spirit/Pizza Day  
9:00 AM School Mass
- **Monday, Feb. 26th**—February Birthdays, Free Dress.

**SCRIP is available to buy** after all masses. Thank you for supporting your school!



**BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION** for Holy Rosary School! May be turned in at the school office to support fundraising efforts.



## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**LENTEN LECTURE SERIES:** To include “Re-Enchanting the Universe” with Dr. Hans Boersma, Professor of Theology at Regent College, Vancouver, B.C. and author of *Heavenly Participation: The Weaving of a Sacramental Tapestry*. **February 23rd, 7PM and Saturday, February 24th, 9AM**, at North Sound Center, 201 4th Ave. N., Edmonds. All are welcome to attend this ecumenical presentation.



**Stand in solidarity with our neighbors in need!** Join with hundreds of Catholics as we put our faith in action to advocate for just policies at **Catholic Advocacy Day** in Olympia, **Wednesday, Feb. 21st**. The day will include briefings on legislative issues, Mass and appointments with legislators. More information at [www.ipjc.org](http://www.ipjc.org).

**ESL PROGRAM:** Edmonds Community College is offering English as a Second Language (ESL) at a low-cost tuition to local residents who qualify. This is a chance to learn English at EdCC and help open the door to opportunities. Please see the poster displayed outside the church entrance for requirements and contact information.

## HOW TO REACH US

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS  
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8:30 AM TO 4:30 PM.

THE ANSWERING SERVICE WILL RELAY  
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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS  
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## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

INFANT BAPTISM - Parents and godparents attend one session to prepare to celebrate this sacrament. We encourage parents to attend before the birth or adoption of their child. Please call the Parish Office at least six weeks prior to the desired Baptism date to register your child. Next preparation class is on April 22nd, 2018 beginning with mass at 11AM and ending by 2:30PM. Please call the Parish Office to register. Upcoming baptisms are on April 8th and May 13th, 2018. Baptisms are scheduled with Father Vincent on the *second Sunday of the month, after the 11AM Mass*. Parishioners who prefer to have the Baptism at “their” regular mass time may make that request through the parish office.

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. Catholics are to be confirmed prior to celebrating marriage. 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 the Parish office or email [kellyg@holyrosaryedmonds.org](mailto:kellyg@holyrosaryedmonds.org) for information. Adults who have not been confirmed may also celebrate the sacrament, which is a requirement for the Sacrament of Marriage. 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 the Parish Office 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.