



**CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST:** Fr. Steve reminded us to forgive our friends and enemies as God forgives us.

**SPECIAL THANKS:** Members of the Columbia Police Dept and the Monroe County Sheriff's Dept volunteered their time to work with the entire school and parish staff conducting an active shooter drill on Tuesday.

**PICS OF THE WEEK:** Every Friday evening I always post random pictures of the students taken during the week on the ICS FaceBook page. I take some and the teachers send me many. It is a great way for parents, relatives, and friends to see what we do at ICS. You can see these PICS OF THE WEEK on the Immaculate Conception School-Columbia, Illinois FaceBook page.

**WELCOME TO THE ICS FAMILY:**

Heather Billmeyer (Kindergarten): For the past two years Heather has been a substitute teacher at ICS while also being a stay at home parent. She has previously taught 3rd grade and completed part of her student teaching experience in a Kindergarten classroom. She attended Southeast Missouri State University and received a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary and Early Childhood Education. Heather, her husband, and two boys live in Columbia and both of her boys attend ICS. Heather is really excited to officially be a part of the ICS Family!



Michael Crean (4th Grade): Mike has been an elementary teacher for 16 years, mostly in 4th grade. He's taught in a diverse range of schools across four states and overseas as well. Most recently he's spent the last few years at home with his three children. Mike earned his B.A. from College of the Holy Cross and his Master's Degree in teaching from Notre Dame. Mike is excited to join the Immaculate Conception family and get back to doing what he loves most: teaching!



Cafeteria Staff: Welcome to our new members of the cafeteria staff: Cindy Strathmann, Melissa Schuchardt, and Tasha Adams.



**BACK TO SCHOOL SOCIAL:** Sunday, Aug 20, 3:00pm-5:00pm. Come join us in the bottom parking lot for a little get together. This will be a chance to meet new people and get reacquainted. You can also find out about our Parents and Friends, Father's Club, and School Board. (SEE FLIER BELOW)

**PEDAL THE CAUSE:** On Sunday, Aug 20th the Whelan family will be pedaling for 11 hours to raise money for Pedal the Cause. Why 11 hours? Mrs. Whelan's late husband, Dan, was the 11th child in his family and 11 holds a special place in their hearts. They want to raise money to help fund cancer research right here at Siteman Cancer Center. You can follow them on Youtube during their ride. You can donate during the ride or wait until later when we have a dress down day at school. (SEE FLIERS BELOW).

**ICS SPIRIT WEAR:** The ICS Spirit Wear store is live! Be sure to check out the updated store for new designs, with updates coming every couple of months.

A few notes:

- The store will be live year round, with orders placed on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Turnaround time is 2-3 weeks.
- Most apparel designs are available in five options. To get something other than a t-shirt, click on the design and select from the drop down menu to select your preference.
- The design you see on the front is the one that will be placed on the shirt color you select. There are too many options to place the design on each color. If you would like to see a mock-up, please reach out.

If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to Emilee Dufford at 618-616-6878 or [emileedufford@gmail.com](mailto:emileedufford@gmail.com).

The store can be found here: <https://immaculate-conception-schoolparents-friends.square.site>

#### **ICS EVENTS:**

September 1: Field Day

**September 4: NO SCHOOL (Labor Day/Parish Picnic)**

**September 5: Picnic Clean up, 8th Grade attendance only.**

**(Pre-S - 7th grade: NO SCHOOL)**

September 14: Grandparent Mass

September 20: 2:00 Dismissal (Normal dismissal bus)

September 22: Bi-County Field Trip-8th Grade;

September 22: Joe Hoguet Golf Tournament

September 25: IOWA Testing Week

September 28: Bags & Bubbly

September 29: No Bus at 3:00

**GIBAULT INFO:** Full Moon Ride (SEE FLIER BELOW)

**QUOTES OF THE WEEK:** I told a kindergarten boy that he looked like he grew 8 inches over the summer and he replied, “**No, I’m still 5.**”

During our 1st all school mass on Thursday a kindergartener asked Mrs. Billmeyer, “**Is the show almost over?**”

The teachers attended a workshop on Monday with a presentation from McKendree Professor Dr. Kelly Stewart regarding the book *The Energy Bus*. She told the teachers, “**You have two choices in the morning: You can rise and shine or you can rise and whine. It is up to you.**” (What a great quote.)

**PRAYER LIST:** Jill Dalke, Jamie Moravec, all those serving in the military. (If you would like a loved one added to this list please email me.)

**INTERNAL REST:** Please keep in your prayers Diane Zika and her family as she mourns the passing of her mother JoAnn Swip.

***“The mission of Immaculate Conception School is to provide experiences to inspire, challenge, and nurture the mind, body, and spirit of our students within the framework of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the tradition of the Catholic Church.”***



# ICS BACK TO SCHOOL SOCIAL

All ICS students, families, faculty & staff are invited!

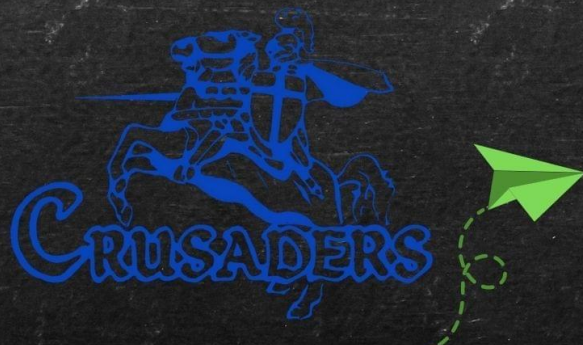
Sunday, August 20, 2023 3pm

At the IC Garden Level Parking Lot & Playground

FOR THE KIDS: Free sno-cones from the Kona Ice truck and play with your friends on the playground!

FOR THE PARENTS: Meet other ICS parents, welcome our new families, and check out ways to get involved through different school organizations.

This event is BYOB. Water will be provided.  
In the event of rain we will move the event into the Garden Level.



Hosted by ICS School Board, Parents & Friends, and Fathers Club

# 2023 ICS Golf Tournament: The Joe Hoguet Memorial

**Friday September 22**

**The Acorns Golf Links in Waterloo, IL**

**Golf Starts at 1:00 p.m.    Lunch/registration starts at 12:00 p.m.**

**\$600 for a team of four**

**Includes skins, lunch, dinner, and drinks on the course**

**Bring cash for 50/50, booze raffle, etc...**

**Sponsorships are available and appreciated!**

**Register your team and/or sponsor the tournament at:**

**[ICSfathers.square.site](https://icsfathers.square.site) (payment due at registration)**



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**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2023**  
**FULL MOON RIDE**

### **Gibault Men's Club Family Bike Ride**

Come join us for a family bike ride through Waterloo, IL to celebrate our community and a chance to ride the streets with family and friends.



### **Five Mile Family Bike Ride**

**7:00 pm Assemble at  
 Gibault High School, 8:00  
 Ride through Waterloo**

**Individual: \$25.00  
 (includes t-shirt) Family:  
 \$75.00 (includes 4 t-  
 shirts if registered by  
 8/21/2023**

**Poker Run: \$10 buy in for  
 five cards and 50/50 split  
 of pot for winning hand**

### **REGISTER NOW:**

Email: [mechler96@gmail.com](mailto:mechler96@gmail.com)

Phone (Text): (618) 972-9989

<https://gibaulthawks.square.site>

### **Gibault High School CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

c/o Full Moon Ride  
 501 Columbia Ave  
 Waterloo IL 62298  
 618 939 3883



**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS**

**August 20, 2023**

# **6th Annual Pedal-a-Thon**

**join us on Youtube Live for 11 hours**

**8:11-7:11**

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**A WORLD WITHOUT CANCER.**



# MISSION & IMPACT



## OUR MISSION

is to provide critical funding for cancer research at Siteman Cancer Center and Siteman Kids at St. Louis Children's Hospital through our annual cycling challenge. It is our hope that research funded by Pedal the Cause will ultimately lead to a cure for cancer.

100% of participant-raised donations fund innovative cancer research at:



SINCE 2010:



# \$40,807,523

DONATED SINCE  
2010 FUNDING

203 CANCER RESEARCH PROJECTS } 155 ADULT  
48 PEDIATRIC

PEDIATRIC TOTAL INCLUDES TWO  
PIECES OF CRITICAL EQUIPMENT  
USED FOR CANCER RESEARCH

# \$4,543,878

RAISED IN 2022



FOR EVERY \$1 PEDAL THE CAUSE  
DONATES TO CANCER RESEARCH, AN  
ADDITIONAL \$12 ON AVERAGE IS  
OBTAINED IN FEDERAL FUNDING