

## ***“LET CHRIST GUIDE YOUR WAY”***

**CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST:** Fr. Carl reminded us to Let Christ Guide Your Way as he leads us away from evil spirits and temptations.

**2:00 DISMISSAL:** We will dismiss on **WED, SEP 8** at 2:00 for a meeting. **THERE IS BUS SERVICE AT 2:00 ON THIS DAY.**

**LUNCH ORDERS:** There is talk that food companies are having difficulties hiring enough employees to work for them. This could have an impact on the food that is delivered and served in the cafeteria. There is a chance that the menu may change at the last minute. We will do our best to inform you if this is the case.

**YEARBOOKS:** 2020-2021 yearbooks are for sale for \$20 if you did not order one. You can buy them in the office. There are a few extras. First come-first serve.

**COUNSELOR SERVICE:** Karen Lundy has once again offered her services to the ICS students. Karen has been counseling at ICS for 12+ plus years. If you would like to contact Karen feel free [karenlundy@gmail.com](mailto:karenlundy@gmail.com).

**GRANDPARENTS MASS:** We will Celebrate the Eucharist with our grandparents on **WED, SEP 15, 9:00 AM.** Grandparents are welcome to visit with the kids in the classrooms until 11:00.

**DAY AFTER THE PICNIC:** We will have school on TUE, SEP 7. This is the day after the picnic. **THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH SERVED ON THIS DAY (MILK WILL BE AVAILABLE).**  
**STUDENTS WILL NEED TO BRING A LUNCH.**

**Little Church Begins Sept. 12!** During 11am Mass, children ages Preschool – Kindergarten (and potty-trained) can learn the Gospel of the Day, Pray, and Play during Little Church! Hosted in the school preschool area, registered friends can meet their catechists at the doorway in the Pieta Hallway (connector between church and education/activity center). Register at <https://www.icc-columbia-il.us/little-church-registration> (under the Faith Formation tab). Questions? Contact Director Lauren Bernhard at [lbernhard104@gmail.com](mailto:lbernhard104@gmail.com).

**Grades 3-5<sup>th</sup> Parents: A Mini-Mini-Retreat Just for You!** If you are the parent of a child in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grade, also known as “non-sacramental years,” guess what? The Church is still offering you guidance as you lead your Domestic Church at Home. Please join us in the Garden Level for a visit from Deuteronomy 6 Ministries on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm, for a brief but informative reflection on parenting in the between-years, the power of prayer at home and ways we can support you and your growing-up family. No registration is necessary, but feel free to check in with Lizanne at [young@iccmil.org](mailto:young@iccmil.org) or 314-306-0981.

**Parents & Friends:** Parents & Friends: Please mark your calendars for our first meeting of the 2021-22 school year! We'll meet Monday September 13<sup>th</sup> at Herbeck's Lake (1007 Centerville Road, Columbia) at 7pm. We will have a virtual option too but would love to see your faces in person. The agenda and more details coming soon.

**BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** ICS is still collecting the Box Tops for Education. This is FREE money for the school. You can still cut them off the actual boxes and you can also simply scan your receipt using the app. (see link). NOW - you can turn in your receipts to the school office and we will do all the work for you. Again, this is FREE money to ICS!!!!

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**ROOM PARENTS:** Room parents are needed for the 2021-2022 school year. We typically have 2-3 room parents per class with one parent per grade level being responsible for the finances for the year. Some of the responsibilities for room parents throughout the year include: trivia night silent auction items, dinner auction items, class parties, teacher birthdays, and secret santa around Christmas. If you choose to sign up as a room parent, you will receive more detailed information regarding these responsibilities. A sign up genius will be posted on the ICS Parents & Friends Facebook page on Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> to sign up for spots along with a sign up for other Parents & Friends committees. Please contact Erin Pechacek at [elpechacek@gmail.com](mailto:elpechacek@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

**JOE HOGUET GOLF TOURNEY: FRI, SEP 24** (see attachment)

**Donations Needed:** The Fathers Club needs donations for our Barrel of Booze raffle for the Joe Hoguet Golf Tournament. If you can donate a bottle (or two or three!!!) of liquor or wine, please drop it off at the school office. You can also contact Bob Wachtel at 618-531-9169 and he'll come pick it up. We'll be collecting donations through Tuesday, September 21. Thank you!!!!

#### **GIBAULT INFO:**

##### **From our Enrollment Office**

Save the date for Open House 2021 on November 7. More information will be coming soon! As always, if you are interested in learning more about Gibault, contact our Director of Enrollment, Kelly Day, at [kday@gibaulthawks.com](mailto:kday@gibaulthawks.com).

##### **Patriotic Living Rosary**

Please join us Friday, Sept. 10, for our Patriotic Living Rosary. The Rosary will begin at 7:20 a.m. outside Hustedde Gymnasium. All area First Responders are invited to be part of this event, as well.

##### **Top Golf**

We had so much fun last year, we're bringing back our Top Golf Fundraiser! Join us on Oct. 3 for a day of golf to benefit the students of Gibault. Registration and sponsorship information available at <https://one.bidpal.net/gchstopgolf2021>.

## **Oktoberfest 2021**

Mark your calendars for our Hawk-toberfest on October 23! This is our 50<sup>th</sup> Oktoberfest, and we want to celebrate with our Gibault community! At this time, we are planning for an in-person event. Donations of new items are being accepted. Donations can be dropped off at the Gibault office during school hours, or pick-up of items can be arranged by calling us at 939-3883. Thank you for your support!

**We're #gibaultproud of: our student volunteers** for representing Gibault at the Waterloo Optimist Club's 5K and Fun Run this past weekend. Our students had a great turnout, and they enjoyed being of service to their community!

**YOUNG AUTHORS:** It's that time again! Turn in date for the fall Young Authors contest will be Monday, September 27st.

Guidelines: Please do not write your name on your story, instead use a post-it note or attach your name on a separate piece of paper with a paperclip. The emphasis of the Young Authors program is on creativity! A parent volunteer will judge your work based on its originality, its organization (does your story have a beginning, middle, and ending?), and on its use of clear, descriptive words. Stories are evaluated based 75% on creativity and 25% on grammar and punctuation. Does your story create a picture for your reader? Does it take them on a journey? You may also enter a poem. Students in grades 5 through 8 may also enter non-fiction essays including classroom assignments. Judges will be looking for clear, descriptive sentences and well-organized paragraphs. Any submission may be written at home or as part of a classroom assignment. Please do not submit work that has been entered in the Young Authors competition in a previous year. Young Authors is designed to encourage the student to write, however a parent can help with proofreading grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Very young authors may tell their story to a parent while the parent writes/types the story. It is important that the story be "in the child's own words," which is the state rule for the Young Authors program. Parents should encourage their children to work on their submissions as independently as possible.

Students in grades K-4 receive their Young Authors' awards at presentations following each judging. Older students receive theirs at the Awards Night in May. All winners from fall and spring are entered into a drawing, and one randomly selected student from each grade will be invited to attend the regional Young Authors' Conference.

**QUOTES OF THE WEEK:** On Wednesday (the day after I sent out the message regarding the vaccine/test mandate) a 5th grader asked me, **"Is it fun being a principal?"**

One of the staff members helped out in the cafeteria one day handing out the milk. Her 3 yr old went home and told his dad, **"Mom is the milk lady."** (I think he was very proud of his mother.)

**PRAYER LIST:** Diane Corzine, Meghan Frierdich, Mike Conrad, Peg Aasheim, all those serving in the military

***“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.”***