

“LET CHRIST GUIDE YOUR WAY”
“PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD”



CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST: Fr. Carl reminded us that God has a call for us and we need to answer as Mary did.

HELP WANTED: Cafeteria worker 2 days/week - W, TH 10:30-2:30. Duties include: preparing the cafeteria for lunch, monitoring students during lunch, running the dishwasher, helping to serve lunches, taking out trash, and mopping the kitchen floor. Great work environment, brand new facility, free lunch. Please contact Connie Huebner at mrs huebner@icsmail.org or call the school office 619-281-5353 for more information. **PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD.**

STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL COMMITMENT FORM: Immaculate Conception Parish has embraced full stewardship. Stewardship is rooted in the Sacred Scriptures and is an expression of our gratitude to God.

Acts 4:32 & 34 (Putting God first means putting others first)

"The community of believers were of one heart and one mind. None of them ever claimed anything as their own; rather, everything was held in common... nor was there anyone needy among them."

Active parishioners, ones who are full stewardship members of the parish, may attend ICS with no tuition. An active parishioner is defined as someone who:

- attends Mass weekly
- makes an annual written commitment to generously share their time, talent, and treasure
- follows through on those commitments

Your stewardship renewal forms are due **JANUARY 7**.

Click on the link for the form: <https://www.icc-columbia-il.us/commitment-form>

BICYCLE: An adult bike was found on the lower level by the garden level doors. It is silver and looks in great condition to have just been left there.

CHESS CLUB: We are hoping to get our chess club going again in Jan/Feb. We have students that are interested but we need a coach. If you are interested please let me know.

MATHCOUNTS: Practices will be held from 3:00-4:00 on the following dates in Mrs. Weiler's classroom: Jan 5, Jan 13, Jan 19, Jan 26, Feb 2, Feb 10, and Feb. 16. Practices are open for students in Gr. 6-8, although the team for competing in the online MathCounts Competition on Thurs, Feb. 17 will be by invitation. Please contact Mrs. Weiler at kweiler@icsmail.org with questions or for more information.

BACK TO SCHOOL: School resumes on **JAN 4**.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: About 10 years ago my wife heard Fr. Carl recommend putting the cards you receive in a bowl by your table. Every night when you sit to eat, pick out a card from the bowl. Say an extra prayer for that family with your meal prayer. We have been doing this at our house. It is a great way to remember your family and friends with a special prayer way after Christmas.

GIBAULT INFO:

Apply to be Part of our Class of 2026: It's time for our Class of 2026 to begin the application process! The application can be found at <https://bit.ly/GCHSApply>.

Visit Gibault! Bring the entire family for a Private Tour or spend a day as a Shadow Visitor. To schedule your tour or shadow visit, <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK: With a short week this week I haven't heard many fun quotes to share. I share with you my favorite Christmas "quote":

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1u3la6msMFw>

NEWEST CRUSADER: Welcome to Dylan Edward Cowger, little brother to Logan, Caleb and Brooke.

PRAYER LIST: Henry Jansen (grandfather to Adam, Grace, Faith and Hope), Christine and Baby Boy Gossett (aunt and nephew to Ian and Zoe Klingert) Diane Corzine, Larry Pelker (grandfather to Steven Schaefer), Thomas Moll (grandfather of Mrs. Ettling and great-grandfather to Noah and Alaina Ettling), Mike Conrad, Ken Cress, Peg Aasheim, Anna Smugal-Ingram, Jacob Werp (brother to Skyler Runde), Charlotte Bender (grandmother to David Callico) and all those serving in the military.

Thank you all for the many gifts and Christmas wishes you have given me. It is an honor to serve as principal and see your lovely children everyday. Nothing puts me in a better mood than getting that high five from your children everyday. I wish you and your family a very blessed Celebration of the Birth of Jesus!!!



“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.”