CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST:. Fr. Steve reminded us that temptation moves us away from God when we give in. Fr. Eric reminded us that during Lent we should not draw attention to ourselves when we were making sacrifices.
(The students get these reminders during the week. Hopefully they are getting another reminder each weekend during the Celebration of the Eucharist with you.)

NO SCHOOL : Monday, Feb 19

2:00 DISMISSAL: Wed, Feb 21

NO AFTERNOON BUS: Fri, Feb 23

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the cross are every Friday at 2:15 for students. All are invited to join us. Living Stations are March 22 at 1:30 in the gym..

VOLLEYBALL: Congrats to the 8th grade girls on their 2nd place finish in the Holy Childhood volleyball tournament.

Congrats to the 6th grade girls on their 3rd place finish in the Queen of Peace tournament.

Congrats to the 6th grade boys on their 1st place finish in the St. Clare volleyball tournament.

SPEECH MEET: Congrats to our speech team contestants: Lizzy Wittenauer (1st place), Amelie Blaise (1st place), Joey Stuart (1st place), Maria Hake/Sophie Conrad (1st place duet), Poppy Haywood/Reagan Koppeis (3rd place duet).

BUILDERS CLUB: Over $8000was donated for Kids Against Hunger. The Builders Club members, students from Gibault and Columbia, parents, along with members of the Kiwanis Club put together 20,000 meals. What a great way to start off our Lenten journey.

LENTEN JOURNEY: Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
As we draw closer to Lent 2024…God's got your back. The Knights are hosting a 5-week study called "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass". We welcome wives, husbands, families and friends who are 8th grade and older. The program is produced by Ascension Press, and includes a book and companion workbook. The study kicks off on Monday Feb 19th, and will run for 5-weeks. Please check the flier below for specific information on the study content, registration, materials, and meeting dates. Cost for hardcopy materials is $32. Over 40 have registered to date, but we certainly have room for you. For additional information or registration questions, please contact or call Joe Dent:
Joe@dentsoft.com or 618-210-2003.

BOOK FAIR: The 2024 Scholastic Book Fair sales totaled $8,771.68! This amazing result is due to all the wonderful individuals and families that came and purchased from our event and most definitely due to the dedication of our volunteers. I would like to take this time to thank the volunteers listed below:

Constance Barnett (2020 ICS grad), Joe Tyler (2020 ICS grad), Catie Tyler, Kara Dell-Hunt, Nicole Malamas, Jill Weier, Valerie Stokes, Sonya Leppo, Laura Miller, Lori Miller, Andrew Pretto, Kristi Cook, Emily Callis, Lauren Darr, Christie Schuele, Jenny Wynn.

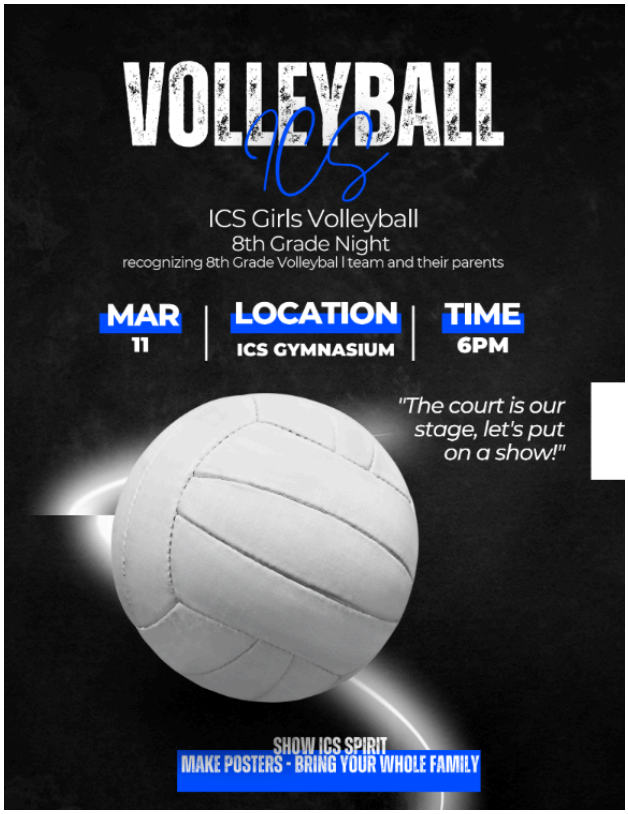
Congratulations and Thank you.
Teresa Dorshorst (Bookfair Chairperson)

DINNER AUCTION: ICS Parents & Friends invite you to A Dinner Auction TO DIE FOR! You'll find all the auction details, info on donations & volunteer opportunities, on the auction webpage: http://ics-pf.weebly.com/ics-dinner-auction.html

CHESS CLUB: Our next Chess meeting will be Wednesday, Feb 21st from 2-3:30. Our first Chess Meet will be Saturday, Feb 24th from 8:15-12 at St. Clare. You must RSVP if you are coming by Wednesday the 21st to play at the meet. Please RSVP by marking your availability on TeamSnap or emailing jwilliamson@icsmail.org.

RECESSES SUPERVISION HELP: We are asking for volunteer help at recess time. All volunteers must be Child Protection compliant. Here is the link to sign up https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4EA9A82FAAFBC52-icsrecess

ICS EVENTS:
February
February 19: NO SCHOOL (President's Day)
February 21: 2:00 Dismissal
February 23: No Bus at 3:00
February 24: ICS Dinner Auction
March
March 4: School in session-No Bus
March 11: 8th grade girls volleyball night 6:00 pm
March 12: 8th grade boys volleyball night 6:00 pm
March 13: End of Qtr 3
March 14: Gibault math Contest 3:30 pm
March 17: New Student Registration
March 20-22: 7th Grade at Space Camp
March 26: Chrism Mass-8th Grade
March 27: 2:00 Dismissal, No Bus at 3:00
March 28-April 1: NO SCHOOL Easter Break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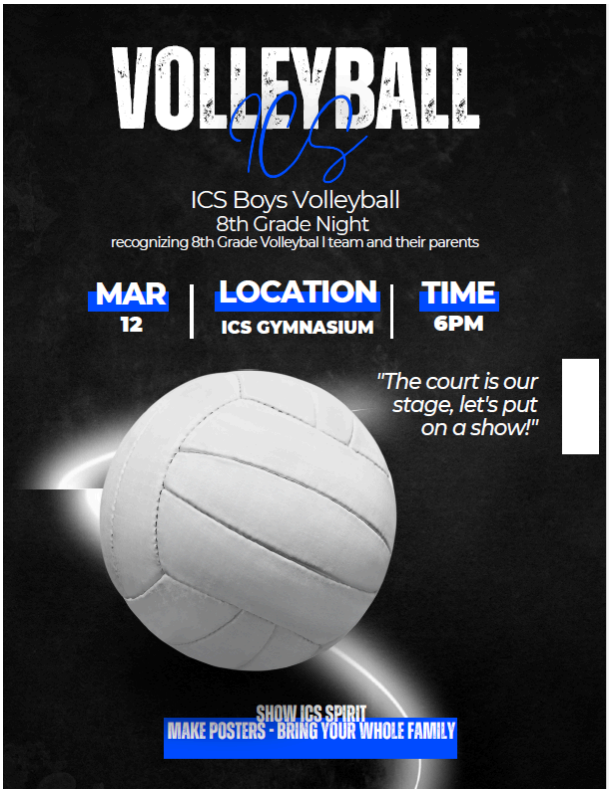
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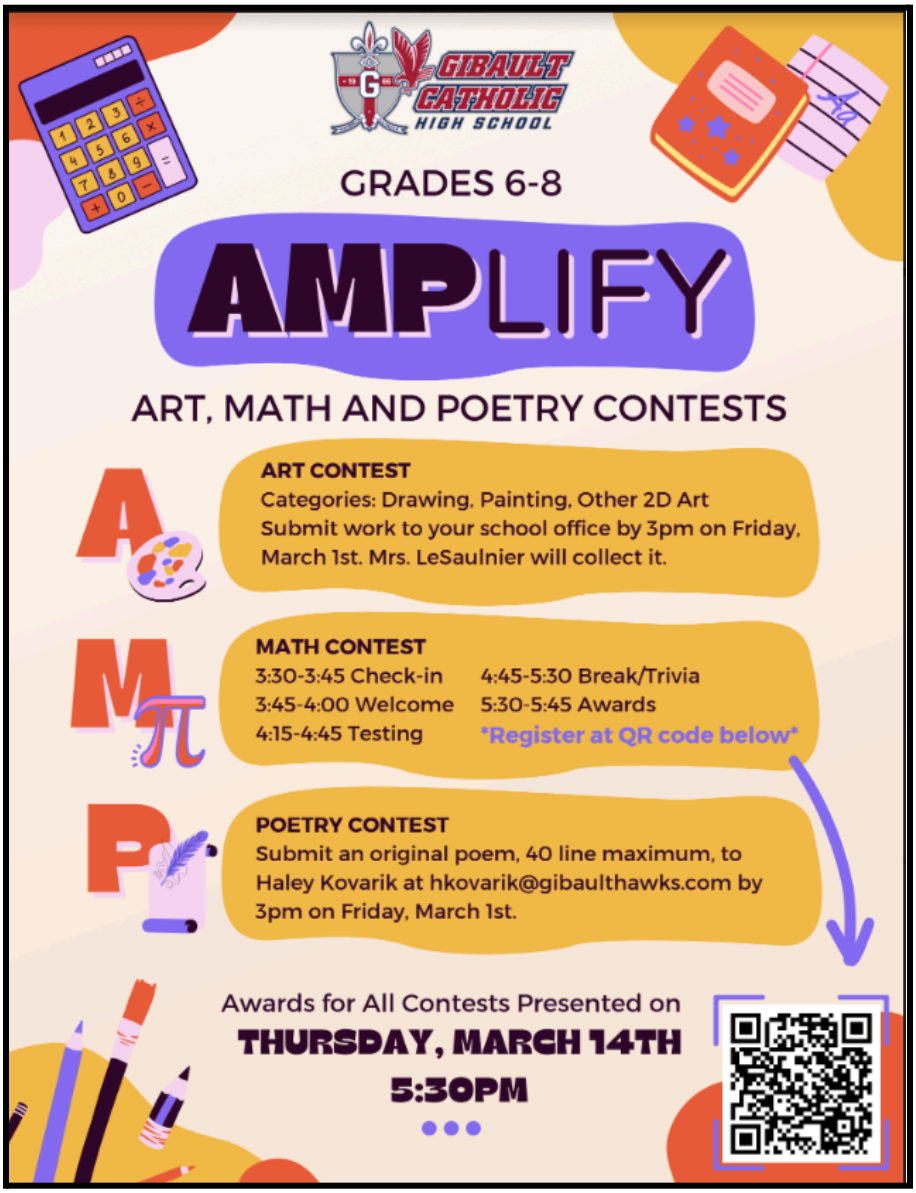
GIBAULT INFO:

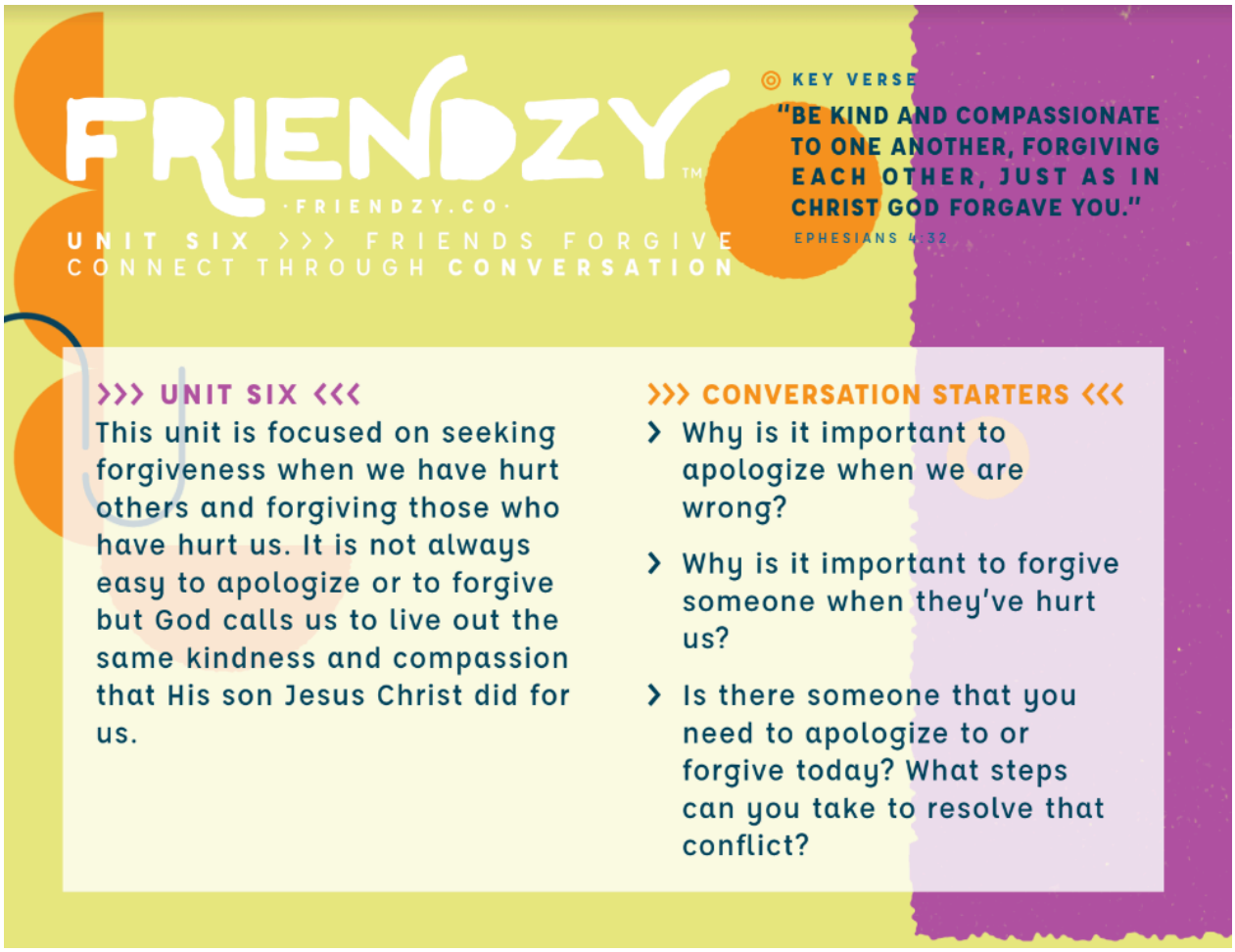
Visit Gibault!

We are accepting Shadow Visitors for the second semester. Your 7th or 8th grader or current high school student can spend the day at Gibault as a Shadow Visitor. Shadows will be matched with a current student with similar interests and together, they'll attend classes, meet teachers, enjoy lunch in our cafeteria, and more! We also offer Private Tours for the whole family. See our campus and get your questions answered by our Director of Enrollment. Get started at: https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire

Taste of the Region: Join the Gibault Women's Club on March 2 for Taste of the Region. For full event info or to purchase tickets, visit: https://givebutter.com/TasteoftheRegion.



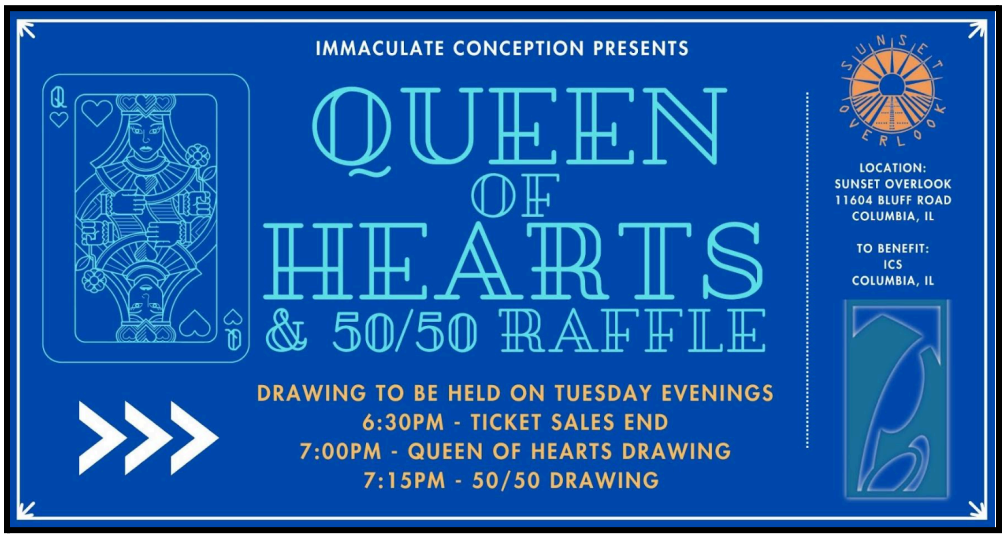
NOTES FROM MS. SHEA: This is from this month's unit from the character ed classes. Feel free to discuss this with your children at home.

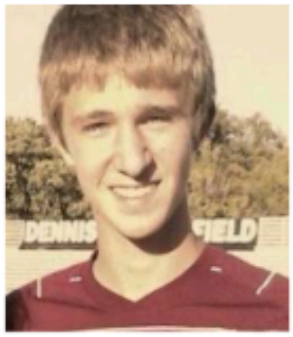


QUOTES OF THE WEEK: One of the teacher's told me to ask her 2nd grade son what he found on his arm last night. When I did he proudly showed me his arm and said, **"Look, I have my first man hair."**

PRAYER LIST: Joanne Schilling, Bryan Kennedy, Greg Thebeau, Mike Conrad**,** Nan Chapman, Kristen Brewer, Stella Schultz, John Belpedio, Donna Ritson, Geri Griffin, Whitney Embick, Mike Neal, Jill Dalke, Jamie Moravec, all those serving in the military. (If you would like a loved one added to this list please email me.)

“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.”





2024 Zac Epplin Memorial Golf Tournament

Friday April 26th, 2024 - Annbriar Golf Course - Waterloo, IL

Zac's Story

Zac was the eldest child of Bev and Doug Epplin of Waterloo, IL and was an alum of Immaculate Conception Grade School and Gibault Catholic High School. He began his battle against cancer at the young age of 17. During his journey he touched all of our lives with his positive outlook, humor, and faith. Despite his illness, his desire to push forward was the beating heart that helped propel his Gibault Men's Soccer Team to an emotional High School State Championship. His inspiration did not stop with his teammates. He inspired his family, his friends, and eventually an entire community. With your help we can carry on his inspiration for years to come.

Our Vision

Our goal is to make sure Zac is not forgotten. With this annual fundraiser and others, we want to raise enough funds to build and name the Zac Epplin Soccer & Athletic Fields at Immaculate Conception Parish in Columbia, IL. We need your help to make this goal a reality.

How You Can Help

Please see the attached flyers for information on sponsorships, golf registration, and dinner-only registration.

We also could use some donations for our booze raffle. If you have a spare bottle of booze (or two or three!!!) please drop it off anytime at the ICS school office. Or call/text Bob Wachtel at 618-531-9169 and he'll come to you.

Sponsorship Opportunities:

All sponsorships can be purchased online using the QR code below or by completing the mail-in form below.

- **Platinum Sponsors (1 per hole)** $1,000 – 4' X 8' color banner with your logo or photo.
- **Gold Sponsors (2 per hole)** $500 - 4' X 6' color banner with your logo or photo
- **Silver Sponsors(4 per hole)** $250 – 3' X 4' color banner with your logo or photo
- **Family/Friend Sponsors** $100 - sponsor names will be placed on a keepsake banner and presented to the Epplin family

*****Please email your high-resolution logo or photo to icsfathers@gmail.com*****

*Please return by April 1st. Questions? Call or text Bob Wachtel at 618-531-9169

Select your level of commitment and make your check payable to:

ICS Father's Club
409 Palmer Road
Columbia, IL 62236
Or pay online at icsfathers.square.site

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_____ Silver Hole Sponsor $250 _____ Family/Friends Sponsor $100

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

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Golf Tournament and Dinner Registration:

4-Person Scramble Shotgun Start at 12:00 noon

All golf packages include all of the following:

18 holes of golf with cart for your 4-person scramble team

Buffet lunch starting at 11:00 a.m. and Buffet dinner after golf

Skins game entry and Mulligans (1 mulligan for each member of the team)

A special commemorative gift and a goodie bag

Beer, wine, and soft drinks all inclusive

- Platinum Plus Package ($2500): Includes Platinum level sponsorship plus TWO teams of four to play in the tournament, plus early access to register (Registration opens online on March 2nd).
- Platinum Package ($1700): Includes Platinum level sponsorship plus ONE team of four to play in the tournament, plus early access to register (Registration opens online on March 2nd).
- Standard Package ($800): Includes ONE team of four to play in the tournament (Registration opens on March 9th).
- Dinner Package ($50): Includes ONE buffet dinner after golf. Beer, wine, and soft drinks are included.

Golf and dinner registration must be done online here:

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LENTEN FAITH ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY

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The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear Him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive Him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. Published by Ascension Press, *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* follows Dr. Edward Sri in a video-based study as he explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. We will cover everything from the meaning of the sign of the cross to the various parts of the Eucharistic Prayer used to transform simple bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ, and everything in between. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

This study, hosted by the Knights of Columbus, is open to both men and women and intended for all members of the parish. Anyone aged 8th grade or up is encouraged to attend this journey of faith within our parish community. *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* will take place at 7pm in the Garden Level on the following Mondays in Lent: February 19th, February 26th, March 4th, March 18th, and March 25th. Note that there will be no meeting on March 11th. Advance registration is appreciated by contacting Joe Dent at joe@dentsoft.com or (618) 210-2003, but walk-ins are welcome. Although not required, we encourage participants to purchase a copy of the study book and companion workbook in advance at a cost of $32 during registration or through the QRCode.

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MARCH 23

MARCH 23

Saturday, March 23rd at 9am

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Registration: $35 dollars, 5 & under are free!

Group, personal, & business participation are welcome

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CHECK OUR FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION

CONTACT US:

email: monroecountystartup23@gmail.com

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Gibault Women's Club presents:

Saturday, March 2nd
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