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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.

"We are people of joy"

April 16, 2015

V. 40 #47

Dear Parent, Guardian, Student, Teacher, Friend,

WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD! I hope you can still feel the thrill of your first reception of the Eucharist. No other faith has their God staying with them this way. It is just another reason I am so happy to be Catholic! Congratulations to

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| Logan Acevedo | Kate Adams | Brianna Agnew | Elliana Ames | Cash Bailey |
| John Ballone | Jade Becker | Addison Butler | Carson Campbell | Chloe Campbell |
| Summer Clancy | Elsy Dandurand | Lucas DeGroot | Ava Denison | Owen Dill |
| Paige Froess | Victoria Gonzalez | Carter Groppe | Owen Haney | Henry Hankes |
| Summer Harrington | Brooke Heimburger | Brady Hemminghaus | Logan Hicks | Ethan Hogan |
| Ava Hrdlicka | Ava Langhans | Lucy Leitschuh | Sadie Loless | Lucas March |
| Riley Mathews | Joe Matlock | Sadie Metz | Grant Monheiser | Brady Moore |
| Marlie Pulcher | Drake Ramage | Audrey Randle | Vance Ray | Sophia Roderick |
| Elliott Romano | Emily Rose | Grant Ruess | Jack Ruess | Olivia Ruess |
| Addison Sanker | Ava Schmidt | Henry Schulte | Jeremy Schwab | Charlie Steckler |
| Ava Sticht | James Thebeau | Blake Thompson | Lauren Thorne | Kaiden Timmons |
| Mason Voegle | Fred Weisenborn | Michael Wessel | Hailey Wilkerson | Lux Woodrome |



Immaculate Conception School in Columbia made school history on April 11 at Holy Trinity School in Fairview Heights as all 4 students received perfect scores in the year ending meet!

Isabella Garcia and Sophie Spurgeon performed the duet "Prom Terrified", **Mason Babcock** performed a humorous selection titled "The Grand Tour" and **Lucy Settle** delivered a serious speech entitled "The Sandpiper". The team was coached by Sam Watters and Lucy Hollman.



CONGRATULATIONS TO US! You nominated the Principal for the Peabody Energy "Leaders in Education" Award and we will split \$1,000 for our new school (\$900) and Sr. Thea Bowman School (\$100). You also honored the principal for his 66 ¾ birthday and 40 years as Principal (52 total years here)! Everyone in the world should be so lucky! You made my life flash before my very eyes, reminding me again that we are special because of Who we follow and Whose we are! You do the work and I reap the benefits...but really, we do it together. Maureen

Moore of Peabody presented but Mason, Grant, Grant and Sophie had to get the answers right!

Mrs. Epplin ran the microphone, Mrs. Lewis was "Assistant Principal" for the day and did all the sneaky stuff, Karen Lundy wrote another "recordable song", our School Board President spoke, the students and teachers put on a first class talent show, an original work of art from Mrs. Fetcho and Grade 7 was presented, Mrs. Kish was honored, Fr. Carl and Fr. Steve Humphrey led the blessing and the cards and gifts of cardinal and Disney bucks from families and congrats were so humbling for me. Best of all is getting things in perspective! One first grader said "*Happy 40th birthday Mr. Kish*" and another asked "*who will be Principal when you die?*" To the Lord I say: "Why have you been so good to me?" Thank you 40 times over!

SCHOLASTIC CHALLENGE--- 100 questions in History, Geography, English, Literature, Science, Mathematics, and general knowledge. 7th/8th grade students competed in the 8th grade level contest with the following students ranking in the top 10 at ICS: Spencer Biske, Sarah Rose, John Adams, Thomas Young, Adam Stearns, Jack Sainz, Hannah Weiler, Lucas Herrmann, Sophie Spurgeon, and Ben Traxler. Students in 5th/6th grades competed in the 6th grade level contest and the top 10 ICS students were: Noah Newton, Katie Grawitch, Georgia Sasser, James Ramette, Jessica Lambert, Paula Boser, Jacob Whitworth, Eli Garcia, Jacob Feldker, and Kalia Jerkatis. Congratulations!

SWIC Red Bud Campus Poetry Contest: **Spencer Biske** placed third and will be honored at the SWIC Red Bud Campus on April 21 at 7:00 pm!

TERRIFIC KIDS FOR APRIL

Mrs. Emily Meyer- Brooke Heimburger is a terrific student because she is honest and a hard worker. Brooke creates wonderful stories that she shares with her classmates. She is a great addition to ICS and we are happy she is a part of our class.

Mrs. Sarah Diewald- Natalia Palacios-Goudey is our Terrific Kid for the month of April! Natalia is a caring person who is always willing to help cheer up a friend. She is a hard worker in and out of the classroom.

Mrs. Barb Greenfield- Olivia Blaskiewicz is a Terrific Kid because she comes to school well-prepared, and works hard in the classroom all day. She shares her creative writing talents, and is always willing to help others. Coming to a new school can be hard at times, and we are glad she has joined our ICS school family.

Ms. Tara Kennedy- Jack Keeven is a Terrific Kid because he works hard in the classroom and participates very well during class. He has also been working hard to improve his self control. Not only is Jack a hard worker, but he is very organized and always on top of his work.

Mrs. Maren Donjon - Audrey Sullivan is a kind student and a fantastic friend. She likes to help others in the classroom and volunteer for extra tasks. Audrey is compassionate and caring to each student. She is truly a terrific kid.

Mrs. Angie Ettling- Sydney Wahle is a Terrific Kid! Sydney always tries her best on all of her assignments. She works well with all other kids in the class and is a good friend to everyone. She is always helpful to others while also taking care of her responsibilities. Sydney is a great model for other students.

Mrs. Jen Schauster-Jacob Whitworth is a Terrific Kid because he has an optimistic outlook on life. He is always smiling. Jacob is willing to help any student in our room and is a very hard worker.

Mrs. Tiffany (Green) Taylor-Mrs. Taylor's Terrific Kid for April is Caroline Keefe. Caroline is kind and caring in the classroom and is always willing to help out her classmates. She is inquisitive and always asking great questions in class.

PARISH COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD DISCERNMENT 2015

Discernment Meeting - April 22 7:00pm KC room Discernment Selection - May 9 at 5pm Mass

We need 8 to fill the big shoes! *Take your turn, just like your mother taught you!*

WILL YOU COME? Life is busy. There are so many things we need to do, and just finding 5 minutes to yourself sometimes seems like it's impossible. Between work, the kids and their activities, the house, the yard, the family... the list goes on and on. When was the last time you took time for just yourself? Without any guilt? Just as we try to be diligent about taking our kids to the doctor or scheduling our dentist appointments, it's important that every now and then we stop to take some time for a check up on ourselves. A weekend away for YOU- spending time with other women building each other up, laughing, talking, and praying. No distractions, no to-do lists, just some time for you to re-center yourself, and check in with your faith in a calm, safe place. Sound intimidating? It's really not. It's just a weekend full of love. I am personally inviting you to join me at King's House **April 30-May 3** for the Women's ACTS retreat. We meet at church at 6:30 on Thursday evening, and then come back for the 11:00 mass on Sunday. No cooking, no cleaning, no outside stress, just time for you to relax and be you. If you have any questions or concerns please email me at andrea@biske.com, the application form is attached and can be returned through the Parish or ICS office. Scholarships are available if the cost is what is holding you back (that information is kept strictly confidential). I would love to get to know you better, so will you come? Come as you are... we'll be waiting. Sincerely, Andrea Biske

41 souls in a Windy City tomorrow! We leave for Chicago at 12:50 am tonight. Thanks to our chaperons for going! Please pray for good weather for us.



Our D.A.R.E. winners in the dug-out at Busch 3 on Tuesday! Thanks to Sgt. Jason Donjon, the Columbia Police Department, and Chad Stultz of Columbia DQ for all their support! Communicate instead of medicate!

GOOGLE "YOU SOCKDOLOGIZING OLD MAN-TRAP"...Harry Hawk brought out the laughs and the gun was fired...ABRAHAM LINCOLN---ONE HUNDRED FIFTY YEARS AGO this week.

The nation's sadness became a collective grief for the more than 620,000 who died due to the war. It would be impossible to factor in all the lives of the enslaved lost in *The Middle Passage*. Or the 4000 plus Americans who lost their lives to lynching during the jim crow years and civil rights struggle. It is a good time to pray for peace and remember the power of one! Civil rights belong to all of us in the dignity of being a child of God. We are all divine heirs! "With Malice Towards None, With Charity for All" rang out so strongly in Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address, with the assassin looking on over his shoulder.

REGISTRATION Please send us your friends and neighbors! **Word of Mouth** is still the best advertising! And that is exactly how the Gospel message is still spread!

PARENTS AND FRIENDS YARD SALE SATURDAY APRIL 18 Would you like to have a yard sale and get rid of stuff but don't live in town? Parents and Friends has the solution! We will be renting

spots on the school parking lot on Saturday, April 18th, during Columbia's City Wide Yard Sale Event. Help Parents and Friends out by cleaning out your house and make some extra cash for yourself. 14 x 14 ft spot for \$10. [See attached form last week for more information and to register.](#)

SCHOOLA CLOTHING DRIVE APRIL 18-24. We will accept gently worn kids' (toddler to teen) and women's' clothes, shoes, purses. Just throw it into a bag or box and bring it up to school either Saturday (April 18) morning/early afternoon or during school hours April 20-24. We could also use a few packing boxes to ship it off in? Clean out your closets for ICS! josasser@yahoo.com

POETRY ON OUR TERMS Congratulations to **Claire Eppinger** this Sunday on being published! These books are a treasure!

ST. JUDE MATHATHON RAISED \$1886.00. Students participating were **Avery Herrmann, Allison Stark, Anna Haubrich, Maria Biske, Owen Haney, Jack Basler, Drew Schmoll, Luke Dalpoas, Georgia Sasser, Tyler Wahle, Lindsay Harget, John Bollone, Riley McGill, Jack Thieret, Genevieve Nadziejko, Gavin Kesler, Sydney Wahle, Jacqie Gogolek, Maggie Williamson, Mary Wessel, Connor Thoma, Emma Tippen, Jack Basler.** If you ever get to visit the Pavilion at St. Jude's, you will be so proud of Danny Thomas, the power of one person, and how much progress we have made against children's cancer! Thank you!

ROE Monroe/Randolph Art Contest is Monday, April 20 at SS. Peter & Paul, 217 West Third Street, Waterloo, IL. Contestants--- be there by 5:00pm for registration. Contest begins promptly at 5:30pm -6:30pm, students then return to gym/cafeteria and judging begins(30 minutes for judging). There will be **NO BUS, parent transportation needed.**

Competitors are: **Caitlyn Schwartz, Emma Melliere, Ally Curry, Allison Shuler, Jacob Whitworth, Kalia Jerkatis, Noah Chism, Tyler Stern, Anna Adams, Delaney Lundberg, Jane Whelan, Maggie Schulte, Spencer Biske, Kaylum Furlow, Kaleb Chism, Sarah Rose, Isabella Garcia, Maggie Parks, Hannah Weiler**

We will have practice in the Art Room Wed. 4-15, Thurs. 4-16 and Monday, 4-20 during recess. Go to the Art/Science room right after lunch. Mrs. Fetcho - cfetcho@icsmail.org

BUILDERS CLUB WEEK April 20-24 This will be defined better next week...Committee: Rachel Groppe, Kaleb Chism, Johnny Adams, Andrew Gibson, Thomas Young

PENNY Pinch all week! Fill up your jug with change for BC Charities! 3 Class prizes!

Monday, April 20	PJ day(pajamas)---(Mason says no nighties or suggestive or "lost and found rules clothes rule the day")
Tuesday, April 21	Super Hero Day BC TALENT SHOW starring Gr. 5-8
Wednesday, April 22	Career Day (wear your ties Grade 3!)
Thursday, April 23	Sports Team jerseys <u>with uniform bottoms</u> ---Mary Poppins
Friday, April 24	Mission Day sponsored by the 8 th grade. Prizes needed! Raffle! Dimes rule the day! Pay the missions to dress down day! 50 cents per item (tops-bottoms)

St. Louis Storytelling Festival Here! Feel welcome to come!

Wed. April 29 at 9:45 am (pre-K to 1st grade), 80 students

Wed. April 20 at 10:45 am (2 – 4 grade), 93 students

THE END IS NEAR The last day of school will be May 21 with early release at 11:25. Kindergarten graduation will be that morning at 9:30 and the Class of 2015 will graduate that evening at 7:00 in our new Church.

ICS Chess Camp- Will be held HERE afternoons the week of June 22-26 from 1:00-4:00. The Team Members from Webster University will be our instructors once again. They just had a three-peat and won the National Chess Championship earlier this month! A full flyer with more details will be attached to next week's newsletter. Contact Mrs. Herrmann with any questions.

MAGAZINE DRIVE When you pay, we get paid! Thanks for fulfilling your orders. Prizes have been awarded on projected sales. Let the sale become a reality. Another \$264.80 has come our way!

CARDINAL GLENNON CHILDREN'S MEDICAL CENTER is looking for submissions postmarked by May 8 for their annual CARDS FOR KIDS holiday card project. K-8---crayon---marker---paint---chalk or colored pencils---8 ½ X 11 paper to create their cards---winners will be chosen from Religious, Christmas, General Holiday themes---winning cards will be on sale on glennon.org starting in October.
meredith_kusky@ssmhc.com

GRADS IN THE NEWS...See KMOX today for some good work by Patrick McDermott '11 and CHS friends. And I had Cindy Groce for student teaching! Great work people!

<http://www.kmov.com/Clip/11389315/news-4-schools-metro-east-high-school-students-assist-peer-with-disabilities>

THE SPORTING NEWS...Please launder and get your uniforms in to Mrs. Whelan this week!

TRACK We have a couple of girls breaking their own records each meet.

"Soccer Made Simple" Instructional Camp

Camp information . . .When: July 13th-16th, 2015 (Friday, July 17th make-up date in case of a rainout during the week)

Where: Oerter Soccer Park (on route 3 in Columbia, IL)

Time: 5:30pm-7:00pm (K-3rd graders) 7:15pm-8:45pm (4th-8th graders) **grade entering Fall 2015**

Cost: \$65.00 (Includes camp T-shirt)

See attachments on the webpage---payment to: Soccer Made Simple, 5706 Beefwood Ct., St. Louis, MO 63129

COMMUNITY NEWS... Picking up an easy "Franklin" for ICS Gibault is hosting a test drive and Sunset Ford of Waterloo in partnership with Ford Motor Co. will donate \$20.00 (up to \$6,000.00) for each qualified test drive! All proceeds will benefit Gibault Catholic High School

- Test drive will take less than 10 minutes
- Drivers must be 18 years of age or older
- Limit of one qualified driver per address

Event Details:

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Gibault Catholic High School, 501 Columbia Ave., (Gymnasium Parking Lot), Waterloo,

The Gibault Men's Club will donate \$100 to us for promoting participation in this event. There will also be a class contest. Participants (registrants for test drive) will be given an opportunity to assign one vote to a school and class/group (example: ICS – 6th grade) of their choosing. Group with most participation from each school will win a jeans day and gum day. The Gibault's Men's Club will be also be hosting a BBQ at the event, and all children who have a parent drive will receive a **free hot dog**. Come and enjoy lunch and a drive!

IT'S MARY POPPINS! on April 23-26 as the Gibault Catholic High School drama department presents Mary Poppins! The cast and crew are joined by students from our local Catholic grade schools to bring you this fantastic production. Shows will be performed Thursday-Saturday evenings

at 7:00 PM and Sunday at 2:00 PM in the gym. It will be **Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!** Grades 2-8 will be permitted to attend the morning matinee on April 23. Permission form will be emailed out. **Have you seen "Saving Mr. Banks"?**

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT Friday, April 24th starting at 7:00 pm

Please come and join us in the Fellowship Hall-Lower Level of the Immaculate Conception Church on Palmer Road as the Knights of Columbus presents the next film from BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH program: "THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE". We will have **free popcorn and drinks available**. If you would like to, bring comfortable chairs, bean bags and/or sleeping bags. If you have any questions, contact Nick Matrisotto at (618) 281-0427, Brian Repp at (618) 281-9547 or Ted Haney at (618) 281-5990.

SISTER CITIES Thanks to Herr Andreas Heuser, Ms. Bretta and Mrs. Tolan for a great morning. Many of the original Columbia settlers came from the Gedern area! **Sister-Cities! Thanks again Mrs. Tolan!** Presentations were made entitled:

Typically German, Popular Music in Germany, Sports in Germany:Featuring Judo and Mountain Biking, Munchen-Munich, Soccer in Germany, Gesmthschule Gedern, Teenager Life, Holidays in Germany, Frankfurt am Main, Cinema of Germany, Education in Germany, German Traffic, Days in Our Lives

SUMMER TUTORING I will again offer summer tutoring / enrichment at ICS for a 6 week session. I extend this service to you to consider for your child who may be struggling in Reading/ Language Arts and or Math. I can review and enrich a grade level or work on the next level's skills to aide a student's transition. I could also teach a child wishing to master a grade level in anticipation of moving up in Math as well. My plan would be to work for an hour once or twice a week. The session will run from the week of June 22 through the week of July 27 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact me if you have questions or are interested in signing up. Thank you.
Carol Waide 281-4186; 618-910-1648 c. cjwaide@htc.net

CAMP ONDESSONK Hit the website www.ondessonk.com. Be sure and get registered early so you get the dates you want for a great summer experience!

FIRST COMMUNION

April 18 Photos and Practice - 9:00am at church

April 19 First Communion 11:00am Mass children arrive by 10:40am to the Fellowship Hall---Garden Level. There will be a cost of @\$25.00 for materials being used at the retreat. The group photo is mandatory. Professional individual photos are available. There will be opportunities for parents to take photos throughout the church.

Please pray for Patrice Thebeau's niece **Kaylee Fogarty**, who is 23. Two weeks ago she was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

PRAYERS: Bill Pennock, Zac Epplin, Kaylee Fogarty, Erin McKean, Patty Juengling, Marian Keim, Dan Whelan, Edward Pelker, Pat Weber, Ed Hengel, Josh Ritter, Vince Webb, George Stein, Desiree Frasure, Special Intention

IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD...The Eucharist binds us together in the Communion line of billions of people who "Take and Eat, This is My Body. Take and Drink, This is My Blood". Come to the Table this Sunday, young and old, rich and poor, happy and sad, and know you are one in the Lord! Thanks to all our teachers and parents and Fr. Carl and Fr. Chris and Mr. Peterson who have prepared our children for this Feast!

**Mike Kish
Principal**

PS *Pentecost is a divinely human celebration!* (Mike Kish) It took the Holy Spirit for us to have the real "AHA" moment!

PS Scholastic Bowl Varsity: 37-4 JV: 30-4 "When you lose, say nothing. When you win, say even less"!

Band Schedule Week of April 20-24

Monday

8:05-8:35 6th-8th Clarinet 2

8:35-9:05 5th Flute

9:05-9:35 6th-8th Flute and Clarinet 1

10:35-11:05 4th Flutes

11:05-11:35 4th Clarinet

Tuesday

7:15-7:55 **Jazz Band**

8:55-9:25 6th-8th Trumpet

9:25-9:55 5th Clarinet

9:55-10:35 6th-8th Saxophone and F Horn

11:05-11:35 4th Saxophone

11:35-12:05 4th Trumpet

Wednesday

8:05-9:05 **Concert Band Full Band**

9:05-9:35 Percussion Ensemble

10:35-11:35 **Beginning Band Full Band**

1:45-2:45 **Intermediate Band Full Band**

Thursday

7:15-7:55 **Jazz Band**

8:55-9:25 6th-8th Percussion

9:25-9:55 5th Saxophone

9:55-10:35 6th-8th Low Brass

11:05-11:35 4th Low Brass

11:35-12:05 4th Percussion

Friday

8:05-8:35 5th Low Brass

8:35-9:05 5th Percussion

9:05-9:35 5th Trumpet

10:35-11:05 Jazz Band Sectionals

11:05-11:35 Smart Music Lab

Saturday

State Contest Meet at ICS 8am

