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**Celebrating 165 years of Mission, Community, Service.**

**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.**

*Merciful God, you are the Divine Builder, who calls us to build your Church. Guide us in building our new **Catholic Education & Activity Center**, so that we can build the Church of the future by passing on the treasure of our faith to future generations. Bless the work of our hands, and keep us strong in faith, hope and love, so that all we do might bring glory and honor to you, forever and ever. AMEN*



**REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN THE LORD!**

Bienvenido el parrochia!

V. 44 #45

May 3, 2019

Dear Parent,

**MOVING PREP IS HERE. WE NEED HELP AT THE Garden level at 8:00 am tomorrow.**

We are going to move the organizational stuff out of the storage unit onto shelving that we finished this week in the new building. That will allow us to move the shelving that the stuff sits on now into the new building in the storage room next to the stage where all the athletic stuff will be stored. Needs to be done so the next two Saturdays will be about final cleaning in the building before the floor waxing begins. We are saving thousands doing much of the work ourselves and gaining ownership! Please help so we are ready for the really BIG MOVE.

**CALLING ALL CLEANERS!** We will begin the first stage of cleaning our new Catholic Education and Activities Center. Below are listed the cleaning times

Saturday, May 11th - 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Monday, May 13th-6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14th-6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

It has been requested that during the work week, cleaning crews not be in the building until after all work crews have left for the day. No supplies will be required by individuals to bring to the Building. We will begin by cleaning the upper level classrooms and halls. As areas are completed, we will then move on to them.

If you are able to help, even if it is just for an hour, please contact me by phone or email.

Cell: 314-303-5352 (Call or Text) E-Mail: [tjdbusinessservices@yahoo.com](mailto:tjdbusinessservices@yahoo.com)

Thank you in advance!

Teresa Dorshorst

**First Communion** was a big day in many of our lives. Renew your First Communion this Sunday at 11:00 while we congratulate the newest members of the parish who are welcomed to the Table. The Bread of Life is a direct connection to our heavenly home! Congratulations to:

Lucas Anderson  
Tyler Balee  
Amelia Blaskiewicz  
Cooper Chandler  
Kaylee Eichenseer  
Gabby Glasscock  
Bree Heimburger  
Megan Hornacek  
Ian Klingert  
Billy Kurich  
Kegan May  
Eliana Muehl  
Keiran Schloemann  
Jack Watters

Maximilian Antolik  
Lucas Beabout  
Drew Boyd  
Maxine Conner  
Wyatt Embrich  
Nathan Gregozeski  
Addison Homeyer  
Braden Huntman  
Lillian Kolweier  
Tyler LoPorto  
Violet McGuire  
Owen Neff  
Alice Sternau  
Julia Webb

Arilyn Baker  
Alexandra Behrmann  
Maggie Buhr  
Morgan Conrad  
Timothy Faulkner  
Dylan Harrington  
Audrey Homeyer  
Peyton Jones  
Luke Kolweier  
Lauren Madrid  
Abigail McLean  
Alaina Patton  
Isaac Thieret  
Brynn Wray

Karis Baker  
Brooke Canull  
Sam Dewig  
Michael Gilbreth  
Collin Hauck  
Luke Homeyer  
Nicholas Juengling  
Mia Kostelac  
Nolan Mathews  
Brynn Moore  
Wiley Sasser  
Colby Vogt



**THE SOUND OF MUSIC** was much more than just that! It was one delightful “ear-worm” song after another and so hard not to sing along. MaryBeth’s casting was spot on again, we had the best crowds ever, and \$1465.00 was donated to Sr. Thea Bowman School which is a new world record for us! I sure hope you were able to make it! Thanks to Emily Brutton for her help, Laura Whelan with stage crew, and all of MaryBeth’s “behind the scenes tech and lighting crew, stage crew, program, house managers, parent help, and ticket takers. We hope the next production will be October 17-20 on our new stage! Jeans Day for Cast and Crew on May 7! GIVESTL IS MONDAY. Thanks go to the Dorothy Weinel Eppinger Foundation for underwriting production and the ICS Builders Club too! We were blessed with the Sound of Music!

**BC Week** 80 students were honored for virtues during the week:

**Creativity** - Carmen Meyer, Brooke Andres, Drew Curry, Bella Schuette, Bree Heimburger, Mia Kostelac, Maria Hake, Sam Bollone, Avery Melliere, Eleanor McGuire, Sophia Schuette, Cheyenne May, Kaiden Timmons, Lindsay Harget, Lily Barrett, Emma Tippen

**Humor** - Rhett Johnson, Wyatt Witges, Maria Holdener, AJ Heinen, Ian Klingert, Nick Juengling, Xavier Voegel, Liam Johnson, Liam Heinen, Ryan Kroenig, Jack Thieret, Gabe Thebeau, Carter Groppe, Dustin Swindle, William Sanker, Cameron Ellner

**Leadership** - Nora Hake, Trey Keeven, Sienna Gianino, Koda Hudson, Cooper Chandler, Nathan Gregozeski, Grant Tucker, Ayven VanMatre, Claire Wachtel, Easton Dill, Shawn Stuart, Hope Schwartz, Avery Herrmann, Sadie Loless, Blake Powers, Brock Murphy, Colin Mueth

**Kindness** - Emmett Bodinet, Olivia Unterseh, Josie Wells, Emmalyn Sander, Celine Capellan, Issac Thieret, Brooke Hagedorn, Lily Braun, MaryGrace Henneberry, Delaney Glasscock, Cailynn Mueth, Kaila Jerkatis, Keeley Cooper, Ava Hrdlicka, Kristina Videmschek, Drew Roche, Sydney Wahle

**Forgiveness** - Ellie Deffenbaugh, Zoe Hobbs, Grady VanMatre, Alaina Ettl, Lauren Madrid, Owen Brooks, Isabel Roche, Rina Baker, Sloan Wilson, Malia Schaffer, Emma Tyler, Karina Jerkatis, Mason Voegel, Hope Pollmann, Sam Glasscock, Emma Schmidt

**And we had a Trivia contest** Gr. 5-8 winners: (Who was the first Principal/Teacher of ICS?)

1st: Maryann Imhoff, Paul Ott, Summer Harrington, Sydney Wahle, Brock Murphy, Hope Pollmann, Cam Ellner

2<sup>nd</sup>: Caroline Roche, Layne Traxler, Mariska Lyle, Vance Ray, Owen Dalpoas, Izzy Foutch, Emma Schmidt

3<sup>rd</sup>: Cheyenne May, Aubrey Thomas, Thad Brauer, Emily Rose, Sam Glasscock, Ty Griffin, Drew Schmoll

**Lower grades:**

1<sup>st</sup>: Amelie Knaus, Emmalyn Sander, Maggie Buhr, Wiley Sasser, Karis Baker, Isabel Roche, Noah Ettling,

Julia Hoeflinger, Carolyn Randle

2nd: Bryce Frierdich, William Wynn, Lizzie Funk, Nick Juengling, Emmett Gilbreth, Turner Haywood, Hogan Story, Rina Baker, Claire Wachtel, Mason Homeyer

3<sup>rd</sup>: Stella Hart, Henry Wachtel, Alyssa Eichenseer, Mia Kostelac, Emelia Doerr, Daniel Huels, Taylor Rose, Cam Donjon, Jack Siegel, Easton Dill

**Talent Show:**



Winners 1-2-3 Sadie Loless, Adrian DeClue, Lindsay Harget

Also starring Brock Murphy and William Sanker "Country Roads

Eva Haywood - hockey skills

Brooke Heimburger- "Daydream Believer"

Cailynn Mueth- Tap dancing to "Mama Mia"

Maria Biske- "Naughty " from "Matilda"

Adrian Declue - Dance "Piece by Piece"

Riley McGill, Drew Hagedorn, Keegan Thompson, Charlie Hake – "Eye of the Tiger" on the Sax

Hake Family – " Simplified"

Ava Blaskiewicz- "lost boy" from "Peter Pan"

Danny and the boys 8th Grade - basketball

Kaila Jerkatis- clarinet "Happier "

Sadie 6th Grade - Tap Dancing

Mariska Lyle – "Walk Me Home"

Kaiden Timmons – "Imperial March" from Star Wars

Lily Barnett and Marisa McGill – "Dark side"

Hope Pollmann and Elisabeth Schaefer – Cold Magic Show

Lindsey Harget - "The Entertainer "

Allison Stark 7th Grade – "My Favorite Things" from the "Sound of Music Jr."

**Dear ICS Faculty, Staff, and Family,**

Thank you for your unwavering thoughtfulness, kindness and unbelievable support during this difficult time in our lives. I feel truly blessed to be surrounded by such supportive loving friends and coworkers. The beautiful notes, cards, stories and laughter has been such a comfort and source of healing for me and my family.

You have given me such strength and teach me grace everyday. I am so very proud to be a small part of this loving ICS family. My heart is filled with gratitude when I think of all of you. You are special people and me and my family feel so very blessed to have all of you in our lives.

With love and gratitude, Carol Fetcho



**ICS DARE Essay winners:** were **Summer Harrington, Emily Rose, and Brady Moore.** Brady won the best essay for us and is pictured with Hannah Nowak from CMS and Officer Zach Hopkins, instructor. The essayists visit Busch Stadium for a tour on May 7th with Officer Hopkins and the CMS winners and then out to lunch!  
**DARE Essay Brady Moore**

*What are drugs? Drugs are things that are not food or water that affect your body. I have life goals and things I hope I can complete in my life and I don't want to miss out on experiences because of something like drugs. I also have friends and family that I wouldn't want to negatively affect. I know that sometimes I don't know when it is time to stop and that I get carried away and I don't want that to happen with drugs.*

*I have life goals. I know that people who are addicted to drugs can't do as well as people who aren't. I know you can't live a calm or happy life if you are doing drugs or are addicted to alcohol. I hope that one day I can have a good job and a family, but I know that these are things that you need to work hard for and can't accomplish if you have a problem as big as alcohol addiction or drug addiction in your way. I know that there are people that have had goals that got set aside and forgotten because of their addictive behaviors.*

*I don't want to lose friends. I have people in my life that I don't want to lose. I know that I depend on these people and would be lost without them. I wouldn't want to affect my family or my friends with drugs or alcohol. I also learned that if my family or friends do get affected by these things I should step in and help them.*

*I know that sometimes I have addictive behaviors. It scares me that I know that if I did something like that I could be one of those people. I also seek things out to distract me when I am stressed and I don't want to end up being an alcoholic or a drug addict. I have realized that sometimes I don't know when to stop doing something. During the summer I would stay up late and I know I should have gone to bed earlier.*

*D.A.R.E. has been very helpful and has shown me how things like drugs and alcohol (if not controlled) can affect someone's life so negatively. I have things that I want to accomplish and I can't let something like this get in the way of my life. When I see people in these situations I should try to help them. Knowing that I can get carried away doing something has shown me that if I don't have self control I can hurt me and the people around me. D.A.R.E. has taught me how life is a good thing that shouldn't be wasted when everyone has so much potential. (used with permission)*

**GIVE STL DAY-** the 24 hour online campaign organized by St. Louis Community Foundation to inspire philanthropy in the St. Louis area' inspired our people as we had 167 donations for \$10,082.25 and maxed out the \$10K match of Parents and Friends. AND \$1000 from our Power Hour and a few others coming! What a great job Donna and Joyce and Committee! We made the leaderboard even!

**TEACHER APPRECIATION – MAY 6-10** It's that time of the year again...when we get to put our fabulous teachers up on a pedestal for the week! But, we need your help in two ways. 1. We need Eucharistic Ministers and volunteers to chaperone the classrooms during mass on Thursday morning, May 9 @ 8 a.m., while the teachers enjoy a yummy, homemade breakfast. 2. We need items for the breakfast. Help spoil our teachers!

For those willing to volunteer their time during mass on Thursday, please click [here](#) to sign up. For those who are able to contribute breakfast items on Thursday morning, please sign up [here](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Kara Boyd at [knboyd2@yahoo.com](mailto:knboyd2@yahoo.com)

## **Illinois Math League 5th Grade Contest ---Congratulations!**

**1st Place tie Cailynn Mueth, Jack Thieret, Connor Thoma**

**4th Place tie Riley McGill, Paul Ott**

**Commendable Score Avery Ellner, Oliver Unwin**

**ICS Jazz Band** has been flooded out. **No** National Anthem tomorrow night at Soccer Park.

**ICS NEWS...** Features two PSAs from Mrs. Weiler's class! [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=na\\_TAWW1Ku8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=na_TAWW1Ku8)

## **UNIFORM RESALE July 27, 2019 Immaculate Conception CEAC (Palmer/Quarry RD)**

**There are many lunch boxes, jackets/coats in the lost & found at ICS.** Please have your children pick up their items by May 15, 2019. Miscellaneous Items left at ICS after this date will be donated forwarded.

## **Uniform resale will be held on Saturday – July 27, 2019 – 8:30am-1:00pm.**

Resale will be held at our new school, exact location is yet to be determined.

Please send all uniform apparel (only) to ICS by Wednesday, May 15, 2019.

Final day to leave uniforms at ICS will be Wednesday, May 22. Should you have items to donate after this date – please call Skip Ward – 281-1974.

**YEARBOOK ORDERING IS NOW OPEN.** Please make sure to order via link to ensure a yearbook. There is not a guarantee we will have extras in the fall.

Thanks! Yearbook staff

<https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1075521/Immaculate-Conception-School/>

**CALENDAR LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: May 22, 2019. Early release with the District buses at 2:00.** There Will Be **No Afternoon Latchkey on our last day.** The first day for next year is August 15, 2019. And we will pack...

**THE SPORTING NEWS... TRACK & FIELD NEWS** We had a great meet Saturday despite the rain.

---7th grade boys relay qualified for state: Drew Roche, Andrew Donjon, Jack Keeven and Mason Voegele

---Izzy Foutch qualified for state with first place in Discus (she threw her best of the season).

---Abby Eichenseer qualified for state in the 100M and 200M.

---Dominic Voegele qualified for state in the Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus and 100M- 1st in all 4 events!

---Diocesan is May 4th at Althoff High School.

Thank you for your support!



**St. Louis Storytelling Festival** Mike Anderson delighted Pre-School to grade 4 along with Sherry Norfolk as part of the the annual May Festival. They are speaking all over the St. Louis Area this week. You cannot beat having an imagination---just ask Focus 5!

## **Memories on Main**

For 166 years, the Main Street Immaculate Conception School has been a second home for many families in the area. It has been the foundation of our faith, education, and livelihood. Although we are incredibly excited to create new memories in a different location, it is always important to remember our roots. A Facebook page -

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/memoriesonmain/> - has been created to share and

reminisce the memories made throughout the years for all who have been blessed to walk the halls of the Main Street campus. Additionally, we will be hosting a farewell event on June 1 from 1-3 p.m. at the ICS Main Street campus (see the event within this group) for guests to share memories and visit the school one last time. Please invite other alumni, teachers, and those who have played a part in making ICS the school it is today, to join the page and attend the event on June 1!



**Guest racketeer! Tennis is a life sport. You can play it at even middle age!**

**GRADS IN THE NEWS**... Sarah Rose has won the Sophia and Elmer Oerter Charitable Foundation Scholarship for \$1000! Congratulations Sarah!

**THANKS for \$30.11 for St. Raymond's.**



**BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION \$734.50!!! THANKS FOR CLIPPING!(But not in hockey!) Changes are coming to the Box Top Program!!** No more clipping box tops. Starting in June you will download a free app, select Immaculate Conception School and scan your grocery receipt to earn points. We will still collect Box Tops from packages as the program slowly switches over. Watch this space for more information as it becomes available.

### **GIBAULT HIGH SCHOOL NEWS:**

Gibault Catholic High School is seeking a full-time school secretary. This vital position is unique because of the wide range of activities handled. A partial list of responsibilities: works within our learning management system TeacherEase, manages all immunizations of students in accordance to code and reports to ISBE, collects and inputs data for registration, handles incoming calls and emails, posts announcements to our webpage, manages teacher absences data, orders supplies and handles emergencies. Provides input and recommendations to the administration as needed. This position requires professionalism and the ability to handle confidential information. Interested applicants should send a letter of interest and resume to [russhart@gibalthawks.com](mailto:russhart@gibalthawks.com). Closes May 10.

Gibault Catholic High School is seeking a full-time teacher of Spanish. Qualified candidate will have 3-5 years' experience, a master's degree in Spanish and a commitment to lead students in co-curricular and ministry activities. Teaching responsibilities may include all levels of Spanish, but will include SLU 1818 Spanish III and IV. Interested applicants should send a letter of interest and resume to [russhart@gibalthawks.com](mailto:russhart@gibalthawks.com).

### **Summer Camps**

Gibault is proud to host a variety of summer camps, including:

- Boy's and Girl's Basketball
- Boy's and Girl's Soccer
- Boy's and Girl's volleyball
- Band
- Theatre

For more information, including registration forms, please visit <https://gibalthawks.com/news/summer-camps/>

**COLUMBIA HIGH SCHOOL CAMPS** [Here are the camps offered at CHS this summer:](#)



**Kaylee and Luke** crowned Mary. **Thanks to Cyra Herrmann for helping us honor our Spiritual Mother!**

**May is the month of Mary.** The Rosary will be said before each weekend Mass in May. The IC Council of Catholic Women will lead the prayer the first weekend and the Knights of Columbus will lead it the other weekends. It would be nice if we could get people to Mass early and participate with us.

Rosary at ICS on May 10, May 17, May 21

**Danielle Dorlac** is still struggling and in the hospital. Continue saying your prayers for her, Constance, Jamie, and Teresa please.

**PRAYERS: Special Intention** Danielle Dorlac, Dion Scherr, Stella Moll, Shawn Eichoff, Jim Edgar, Charlie Stockes, George Perry, Angela Roepke, Joyce LaPrade, Jan Hoffmann, Bill West, Jennifer Nesser, Bill Anderson, Patrick Kish, Tom Kish, Owen Jordan, Patti Rottler, Mike Taylor, Richard Prater, Donna Kania, Libby LoPorto, Lindsey Herbeck, Judy Gundlach

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER FIRST COMMUNION** Jesus is popping up all over. And now it is time to catch some fish. Fish are there or not, bite or not, or get scared off or not. Another good reference for people. But this Sunday the boat won't hold them all, Peter proves we can walk on water with Faith(figuratively for sure), and in the end, it's time to eat. First Communion reminds us all of this great Sacrament, that we have to work together, that we have to try something different when things don't work, that we can have a faith that walks on water, and that we must eat together. Does it get any more appropriate than this? What a God we have! Come to the Table and share the meal of the Lord!

*Mike Kish*

Principal

**PS As per School Board policy, all student fees (past tuition, book bills, lunch, band, latchkey) must be paid prior to graduation and before registering for next year.** Our budget is based on total collection of all fees. Please call Mr. Keith Huels at 281-5105, extension 350 if you are having a problem. Next Week we will hold registration. We will send it home and save you a trip in if you are already in the system here. Please be sure you are current on all bills.

PS Awards Night is May 10 at 7:00 with a dance to follow till 11:00 for Grades 5-8 only. Chaperons needed please. Best manners. All school rules apply. Dance with everyone. Celebrate a great year! Thanks to Mrs. Tiffany Taylor, Ms. Tara Kennedy, and Mr. Dale Anderson for their help!

**LOWER GRADES AWARDS ASSEMBLY** will be May 21 at 2:00 p.m.

Spring Exams 2019

<b>5/6</b>	<b>5/7</b>	<b>5/8</b> PA 8 Exam part 2 PA 7 exam part 1	<b>5/9</b> PA 7 exam part 2 Math 6 Sci 8 Geog 8	<b>5/10</b> <b>NO EXAMS</b> Day after Band
<b>5/13</b> <b>(8th grade last day)</b> 8 English (take home exam due today)	<b>5/14</b>	<b>5/15</b> Eng 7	<b>5/16</b> 6 His Proj. Due 7 His Proj. Due  6 English	<b>5/17</b> <b>NO EXAMS</b> Day after Graduation
<b>5/20</b> Geo 7	<b>5/21</b> Sci6 Sci7	<b>5/22</b>		



## BALANCE CHALLENGE---ARE YOU INSPIRED TO MAKE A CHANGE FOR \$250?

*Please take time to read this.*

I have been wondering what the parenting and family experience is like with onset of social media and use of media devices. Facebook is already 15 years old, but 15 years ago when I had children in grade school the challenges of screens was minimal compared to now.

As a therapist, I experience daily the good, bad and ugly that social media presents to children. I really have concerns about all of us and how so much of our life experiences are now vectored through screens.

Have you found yourself wondering if your phone, or ipad, or tablet or computer habit has become too much? I know for myself I have had to mindfully change my screen behavior in order to have balance.

A study conducted by researchers at the University of Pennsylvania claims to be the first to find a direct causal link between cutting back on social media use and improvements in loneliness and depression. Psychologist [Melissa G. Hunt](#) published her findings in the December [Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology](#) in November 2018.

My hope in writing this is to educate before it's too late. Of course, imagining your child as a young adult seems far, far away. But it's so much easier to prevent bad habits rather than to break bad habits. And every day in my office I hear of situations related to social media use that aren't good: loss of sleep, school work compromised, peer issues, access to/misuse of inappropriate information to name some of the bigger issues.

If you are still reading, I HOPE you would consider taking on the BALANCE CHALLENGE for the summer. I would love to inspire and encourage less recreational device use this summer. So, I would like to encourage FAMILIES to make a change in the direction of balance. What would this look like?

- 1) Let's start by taking a guess-estimate how much time you think you spend on screen time in a normal day. Parents, start with yourself, and then see what your children are logging.
- 2) Then, take a week and actually log when you are so you can see your own reality (and your child's).
- 3) Then it's action time: make a choice to spend less time with screens. Here are some ways to do this:
  1. turning off notifications for apps by weaning yourselves away one app at a time
  2. commit to only ( xx) minutes a day of Facebook or Instagram, Pinterest, etc.
  3. Set a timer for how long you are "cleaning up email".
  4. Designate for yourself and/or your children the replacement behavior:

Fill your time with GREEN TIME. What can you/are you doing instead?

Reading a book, walking outside, playing an instrument, visiting a friend, writing a letter (like the snail mail kind!).

Send me an email once a week ([karenslundy@gmail.com](mailto:karenslundy@gmail.com)) and submit your changes. You can submit once a week only. Every submission is entered into a drawing and at the beginning of next school year I will draw a name out with winnings of \$250.