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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.

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July 20, 2018

*Bienvenido el parrochia!*

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Dear Parent,

**ICS Parents and Friends Uniform Re-Sale Saturday, July 28 from 8:30-1:30** in the cafeteria.

Thanks to Skip Ward and Andrea Harget for chairing this one. Bargains galore. Cheap prices.

Recycling in the best kind of way. And yet we make money! Came and save a bundle!

We are still taking clean, wearable uniform donations for the sale in July. Drop off at school during the summer by way of the cafeteria door. Again---UNIFORM RE-SALE DAY is Saturday, **July 28 from 8:30-1:30** in the cafeteria.

**ACTORS' ATTIC SUMMER REP FEST AND CAMP SHOWS PG 13**

Our MaryBeth gets to take center stage on the next production form Actors' attic.

- Gypsy Thursday July 19-Saturday July 21 at 7pm and Sunday July 22 at 2pm starring MaryBeth **STARTS TONIGHT!**

Regarded by many theater professionals as the greatest musical ever created, Gypsy is the ultimate tale of an ambitious stage mother fighting for her daughters' success... while secretly yearning for her own. Set all across America in the 1920's, when vaudeville was dying and burlesque was born, Arthur Laurents' landmark show explores the world of two-bit show business with brass, humor, heart, and sophistication.

All shows will be in the Gibault Catholic High School Auditorium. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at <http://www.actorsatticcolumbia.org/>

**ATHLETIC MEETINGS FOR 2018-19**

**Coaches meeting** for coaches of **ALL** sports at ICS will be held on Thursday July 19 from 6:30-7:30. Band Room. Please make sure you have taken the initial Child protection class and have all the other paperwork handed in. Child protection refresher will be available in August. If the necessary paperwork is not done, you are not allowed to coach.

**Parent meeting** for parents of all athletes at ICS will be Sunday July 29 from 2-3pm, or Thursday August 9 from 6:30-7:30pm in the gym.

**Soccer uniform distribution** will be **Sunday August 5 from 12:30-2 for grades 5-8, and 2-3:30 for grades 1-4**, and **Sunday August 12 from 4:30-6 for grades 5-8, and 6-7:30 grades 1-4.**

PLEASE HAVE PHYSICALS ON FILE AT SCHOOL AND ATHLETIC AND MAPLE GROVE FEES PAID. IF THIS IS NOT DONE, YOUR CHILD MAY NOT GET A UNIFORM. YOU CAN BRING IN PHYSICAL AND PAY FEES ON UNIFORM PICK UP DATES. **Kindergarten uniforms** will be decided upon and given out at school on Aug 17.

## **HELP FOR NEXT YEAR**

Maybe you need to get Grandma or Grandpa out of the house a few days a week to have their spirits perked up by the energy in our cafeteria. We need a kitchen worker on Wednesday and Thursday from 10:45-2:30 and available to fill in as needed on other days. Duties include: supervising students during lunch, setting up cafeteria for lunch, cleaning up cafeteria after lunch, helping to serve lunch, running dishwasher, and other duties as needed. Please email Connie Huebner: [mrshuebner@icsmail.org](mailto:mrshuebner@icsmail.org) Please spread the word!



Stephen Johns was accepted into the BJC Adventures in Healthcare Camp at Memorial Hospital in Belleville. He started this week and each day the campers have various activities throughout the hospital. Tomorrow, all of the BJC camps will meet at Washington University for a day of activities. Congratulations Stephen!

**ICS OPEN HOUSE** Sunday, August 12 will feature Open House at ICS with Pre-School, Pre-K, and Kindergarten from Noon to 2:00 including a pot luck and Grades 1-8 from 2:00 – 4:00. Bring in your school supplies, meet the teachers and get excited for a year we make history. The remaining soccer uniforms will be given out that evening. First uniform distribution is August 5.(See above)

### **ICC Parishioners,**

The CEAC is taking shape and you can participate by purchasing bonds earning 5.50% annual interest. The bond informational slides and prospectus can be found on the parish website home page to the right of the staff list. <http://www.icc-columbia-il.us/>  
Please contact Keith Huels at [khuels@iccmil.org](mailto:khuels@iccmil.org) or 618-281-5105 if interested or have any questions. Thanks for your support of the CEAC. WE have 1 million spoken for...2 to go.

**Illinois State Police Active Shooter Training Drill** Thanks to Sue Lewis(twice), Emily Meyer, Angie Ettling, Karen Weiler, Jenny Neff, and Sarah Diewald for taking part in a summer drill at CHS.

**BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH: *The Family Fully Alive* reminds us the theme for July is WITNESSING TO THE FAITH.**

"Because families play an indispensable role in the new evangelization, we want to share our faith with other families and those who are far away from God."

**What stands out this month in reading from the booklet is from the questions:**

**“what truths might we express through an effective method of arguing?”**

Here is a video you can watch with your family: <https://youtu.be/bydSRRqwBcE>

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**THE SPORTING NEWS...OPEN GYM** Thanks Kevin and Matt!

July 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30 - 8:00pm Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 6:00 - 8:00pm  
The Open Gyms are for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade kids, boys and girls. Questions? Kevin ([kmcgill@ne.com](mailto:kmcgill@ne.com), [314-330-6154](tel:314-330-6154)) or Matt ( [matthew.blaskiewicz@libertymutual.com](mailto:matthew.blaskiewicz@libertymutual.com), [\(314\) 750-6741](tel:314-750-6741))

**PAPA JOHN'S** 40% Off Regular Menu Price Online Orders. Order Online at [papajohns.com](http://papajohns.com)

Promo Code: SUMMER18 Valid at Participating Stores Valid through 8-31-18.

**PRAYERS: Special Intention** Danielle Dorlac, Owen Jordan, Jerry Kish, Donna Kania, Dylan Walsh, Grant Taylor, Patti Rottler, Mike Taylor, George Perry, Richard Prater, Tom Giovanni, Arlin Stechmesser, Angela Roepke, Paul Thode, Pat Schwartz, Kaylee Fogarty, Larry Pelker, Brandon Martin, Susan Adams, Laurie Austin, Alicia Cohen, Denise Conner, Kenny Hamontree, Rachel Warden, Bill Kesler, Dan Borisuk, Bob Springer, Lauren Foran, Carolyn Baker, Scott Schaefer, Katy Basinski, Chrissy Hoeflinger, Barbara Buchheit, Angie Rose, Ken Bolton, Nick Carron, Roy Lansing, Sis Blaes, Marcella Heinrichs, Florence Dorshorst, Bill Pennock, Pat Weber, Vince Webb, George Stein, Desiree Frasure

### **BUILDING OUR CATHOLIC EDUCATION AND ACTIVITY CENTER PRAYER**

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**SCRIPTURE FOR THE WORKAHOLIC** Mark wrote the first Gospel and the shortest one. This Sunday Scripture reminds us that we need to rest. “Wanna get away?” should be “need to get away” just like Jesus did. Jesus takes the Apostles to a quiet place to rest. Good luck Jesus. Crowds followed. We can be like “sheep without a shepherd” but we won’t do well if we make our life about nothing but work. As I age, I seem to be getting worse. I keep telling myself “I am 69”, so I don’t have to work like when I was 40. This is a good time of year for a Festivus Party. I am going to one this Saturday and can’t wait for the “Feats of Strength”, “Airing of Grievances”, and Festivus Miracle. Sarcasm can sometimes be a joy and helps us be brutally honest with the fact that we keep so busy because we don’t think we are enough just as we are. Sheep are basically lost creatures by nature. They need a shepherd because they are so vulnerable to predators, to noxious plants like nightshade, to copperhead snakes, to birthing, and to unfenced pastures. They are looking for a hand-out and the love of a shepherd. Sounds like us, doesn’t it?

Come to the Table this Sunday and “waste” some time with Jesus! He will give us rest!

*Mike Kish*

Principal

### **ICS Tentative Calendar 2018-2019**

(Blood drives added)

July 23-26 Elite FT soccer camp at Oerter ages 3-12 from July 23 to 26 from 6 to 8 pm ---  
www.EliteFT.com Brian Boyd: [bmboyd02@yahoo.com](mailto:bmboyd02@yahoo.com)  
28 school uniform resale day---ICS cafeteria 8:30-1:30 BEST DEAL OF THE YEAR!  
29-August 2 Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:00 Splash Canyon! Register [icc-columbia.il.us](http://icc-columbia.il.us)  
August Soccer hand-out and parent meetings are currently being scheduled. Dates ASAP.  
8 **Child Protection Policy** 6:00 Church Garden Space You need this to coach, volunteer, etc.  
at our Parish and school  
12 **Meet the Teacher Day** Pre-S-Pre-K-Kindergarten luncheon after 11:00 Mass till 2:00, Grades  
1-8 from 2:00-4:00  
15 Feast of the Assumption---Holy Day of Obligation---Come honor the Mother of God!  
16 First Day of School---Full Day---8:00 till 2:55 bus  
21 First All-School Mass  
25 Soccer Pictures at Oerter Park  
30 Blessing of new Bibles  
31 Field Day  
September  
3 Labor Day Picnic on old campus

4 Service Leadership Day---8<sup>th</sup> grade in attendance only  
 6 Columbia-Monroe County Field Trip  
 14 ICS/Joe Hoguet Golf Tourney at Columbia Golf Course  
 16 Blood Drive at our Church  
  
 21 Early Release at 11:20-school improvement day-Springfield Trip Gr. 7-8  
**October**  
 3 Child Protection Training 6:00 Church  
 5 Diocesan Institute-no school  
 8 Columbus Day-no school  
 12 PSR has gym, First Reconciliation Meeting in Cafeteria 6:30  
 11-14 School Musical  
 23 Parent-Teacher Conferences  
 25 Parent-Teacher Conferences  
 26 No school---school improvement day  
 28 Trunk or Treat on lower Church parking lot  
**November**  
 1 All Saints-Holy Day---Mass at 8:15 at Church  
 2 All souls Day---Mass at 7:00 pm  
 9 Patriotic Rosary  
 12 Veterans Day no school  
 14 PSR Gym  
 17-18 Stewardship Weekend  
 18 Blood Drive at our Church  
 20 Pre-Thanksgiving Mass and caramel rolls with the Indians and Pilgrims  
 21-25 Thanksgiving break  
**December**  
 1 ICS Parents and Friends craft Fair  
 7 Vigil Mass Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
 8 Immaculate Conception Holy Day, Parish Christmas Party hosted by Knights  
 11 K-3 Christmas Play  
 13 Band/Art Concert  
 14 Last Home Game in Old Gym  
 20 Last Day of school on Old Town campus, Christmas break 12/21-1/6  
 21 Moving Day to new Catholic Education and Activity Center  
 22-Jan. 2 Christmas break  
  
**January**  
 3 Teacher Institute  
 7 Opening Day on new campus!  
 8 All School Mass  
 20 Possible Dedication Day Blood Drive  
 21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, no school  
**February**  
 13 First Eucharist meeting in new cafeteria  
 18 Presidents Day, no school  
 23 Parents and Friends Dinner Auction at The Falls  
**March**  
 2-7 DC Trip  
 4 Casimir Pulaski Day, only 8<sup>th</sup> grade in attendance  
 17 Blood Drive  
  
 22 Early Release at 11:20, school improvement day  
 24 Confirmation Retreat  
**April**

- 5 Chicago Trip Grade 7
- 6 District Band---TBD
- 16 Chrism Mass---Grade 8 to Cathedral
- 17 ICS has school---no bus service available
- 18 Holy Thursday
- 19 Good Friday
- 21 Easter Sunday
- 18-22 Easter break/NCEA convention
- 26 Parents and Friends 5K Glo Run

May

- 1 May Crowning
- 9 Spring Band Concert and Art Show
- 16 Graduation
- 19 Blood Drive at our Church
  
- 22 emergency snow days

July

- 14 Blood Drive at our Church