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**CELEBRATING 164 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.

July 28, 2017

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Dear Parent, Guardian, Student, Teacher, Friend,

**ICS UNIFORM RESALE Saturday, July 29, 2017 9:30 am to 2:00pm Contact Skip Ward @ 281-1974.** This is a triple winner---you save, we make money, we recycle some uniforms to other schools! Thanks Skip!

**ONE OF A KIND** Ceeley Toenjes served our school and parish for many years in many capacities. She helped clean our school, worked in our cafeteria, and helped on many special projects. She is one of the few people I feel that could out-work me and not let it get to me. She has been suffering for several years in declining health and it is hard to see this happen to someone you thought would live to be 100. But Ceeley was so active, she probably lived 100 years in her 75. I have missed her for several years but her wonderful children have kept me posted. God's peace to her and her family and all she helped. Thank you Ceeley for the annual "mushrooms for my birthday" which I have missed so dearly. She was Queen of the Mushroom Hunters in Southern Illinois!



**Cecilia B. Toenjes**, Cecilia B. Toenjes, 75 years of Columbia, IL, passed away on July 26, 2017 at St. Anthony's Hospital, St. Louis, MO. She was born December 27, 1941, in Paderborn, IL. She was married to Eugene Toenjes, who survives her. They were married August 23, 1961, in Paderborn, IL.

She was a wonderful wife, mother, and grandmother. Cecilia was employed at Immaculate Conception School for 27 years and a dedicated member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. She loved gardening, canning, and mushroom hunting.

Surviving are Son, Robert (Darla) Toenjes of Columbia, IL; Five Daughters, Catherine (Joseph) Johnson of Waterloo, IL, Jeannie (Robert) Roedl of Waterloo, IL, Donna Toenjes of Evansville, IL, Carol (Neal) Schilling of Waterloo, IL, Ann (Ed) Luedeman of Waterloo, IL; 15 Grandchildren; 2 Great-Grandchildren; Sister, Anna Marie (Jack) Crowe of Freeburg, IL, close friend, Virginia Spier, along with other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents Frank and Helen, nee Schoenborn, Klein, along with 7 Brothers and Sisters.

Visitation will be Sunday, July 30, 2017, 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm, at Lawlor Funeral Home, Columbia, IL. and Monday July 31, 2017, 9:00 am - 10:00 am at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Columbia, IL. **Funeral Mass will be held Monday, 10:00 am at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**, Columbia, IL, with Fr. Carl Scherrer, officiating. Interment will follow in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Columbia, IL. In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to: Immaculate Conception Education and Activities Center Building Fund, 411 Palmer Road, Columbia, IL, 62236. For more information, please access our website, [www.leesmanfuneralhome.com](http://www.leesmanfuneralhome.com).

**It would be great if you could come to the funeral and say thanks to God for all her help.**

**OPEN GYM SESSIONS** With soccer starting, we will have our LAST session on Wednesday, August 1 from 6-8:00 pm. August 10 and 16 will be cancelled. We have generally had between 10-16 kids and probably about 25 different kids throughout the summer. We focused on fundamentals and more fundamentals and saw nice improvements with those that were interested in learning and getting better. Priorities: God, Family Grades  
Motto: Play Hard, Play Smart & Most of All Play Together

The Priorities & Motto are highlighted at the beginning and end of each gym session.

Thanks to Kevin McGill and Matt Blaskiewicz for making this a reality! It will pay off in the sports seasons!

**Soccer Uniforms** will be distributed at the ICS gym on Sunday, Aug 06th for 5th to 8th grade, and Sunday, Aug 13th for 1st to 4th grade. Both days are from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. All athletic balances with the school will need to be \$0.00 for uniforms to be distributed. This includes any Maple Grove fees for the use of Oerter Park. Kindergarten soccer will wear their first day of school blue shirt for soccer this Fall. Any questions please contact Brian Boyd at [brian.boyd@emc.com](mailto:brian.boyd@emc.com) or (314) 591-2693. **New students need to be caught up with soccer. Thanks to our MENTOR FAMILIES for making new students and families feel welcomed and "at home" here at ICS!**

## **SUN-SHINE**



On Monday, August 21, 2017 a total solar eclipse will cross the continental U.S. for the first time since 1918 and we are in its path!

This shirt will be sold on-line through Gillan Graphics. T-shirts can be ordered July 21st – August 8<sup>th</sup>. This is a quick, easy, and convenient way to order and pay for the t-shirt. All orders will be delivered and passed out at school August 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>. Please use this link when ordering

[ICS Total Solar Eclipse T-Shirt](#)

T-shirt order questions can be directed to Shari Murphy at [smurphy@icsmail.org](mailto:smurphy@icsmail.org) Don't forget to order. Thanks to Carol Fetcho & Shari Murphy for the contest and Mrs. Ettling and other committee members for making this day special!



**OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WILL BE SUNDAY, JULY 30 - THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**, from 6-8pm in the lower Garden Level of our church. This year's theme is the "Maker Fun Factory," where we'll learn how wonderfully we have been created! Ages pre-school to fourth grade are welcome, and the registration form is on the kiosk in the Church Gathering Space. **VBS Helpers Needed!** Teens, tweens and adults are needed to help our Factory Favorites make CONNECTIONS to each other and to God! If you can assist with leading

activities, snacks or general wrangling, please contact Shari Murphy at [smurphy@icsmail.org](mailto:smurphy@icsmail.org) or Lizanne Young at [lyoung@iccmil.org](mailto:lyoung@iccmil.org). (VBS is a great way to earn service hours for high school students and confirmation candidates needing parish hours!)

**Cross Country 2017** Cross county is a popular sport in our area.

Middle School aged students run approximately 1.86 miles in the races.

Training begins in late August and ends early October and can be done in conjunction with soccer.

The Goal of CC is not to win races but to develop self confidence by focusing on individual

improvement. **Please let Susan Dalpoas or Ms. Tara Kennedy** [tkennedy@icsmail.org](mailto:tkennedy@icsmail.org) know if you are interested.



4 ICS soon to be 2nd Graders at Helping Strays, Monroe County for their "Rescue Readers" program. They were freshening up their reading skills this summer by reading to homeless animals. Maya Dill, Grayson Ritson, David Bender and JoJo Wynn learning the Franciscan principle that you gain more from giving than you get! For more info on the program, call the shelter at: [\(618\) 939-PETZ \(7389\)](tel:6189397389)

Here are future dates to befriend a creature of God:

Sunday, August 6 - 2:00 pm

Tuesday, August 22 - 6:30 pm

Monday, August 28, 6:30 pm

Sunday, September 10 - 2:00 pm

Thursday, September 14 - 6:30 pm

Our Fashion Show at HS - Sunday September 17 - time tbd

Sunday, September 28 -6:30 pm

Saturday, October 7 - during Mutt n Me - 11:00 - 1:00

Sunday, October 15 - 2:00 PM

Tuesday, October 24 - 6:30 PM

Dates for November – December will be added.

Thanks to Amanda Ritson-Schlemmer, Animal Rescue Volunteer, for sharing!

**OPPORTUNITY!** We are looking for a responsible and energetic person to pick up our two children from ICS at 3:00 p.m. daily and watch them in our home until approximately 5:15 p.m. Position will also require occasional transportation to after-school activities. Great job for a high-school or college student. If you are interested, please contact Christine at [618-660-6463](tel:6186606463).

### **FROM GIBAULT HIGH SCHOOL...**

We are currently looking for good families to become second families to a small group of international students who will be attending Gibault Catholic High School this Fall. To be considered to host with Educatius International, you need to have an extra bed, dresser or closet, and a desk for the student. You must live within 30 miles of Gibault Catholic High School. You will also complete a criminal background check, plus an application/interview process.

Host families receive \$400 each month, for each student placed in the home. Up to two students may be placed in a home. Students have their own insurance, cell phone, computer and spending money.

Please email Desiree Frasure at [dfrasure.educatius@gmail.com](mailto:dfrasure.educatius@gmail.com) if you have any questions, or if you would be interested in being considered as a host. If you cannot host this year, but know someone who would, there is \$100 for you, for every person you refer who hosts.

**GRADS IN THE NEWS...** Jenny Lesko( ICS '05) was just named "District Forester for 8 Counties in Illinois, one of just 18 in the State. She will be operating out of Fairfield, Illinois. Thanks to Mr. Dan Kassebaum for fostering an early love of nature! Save our trees Jenny!

**YES, WE ARE STILL REGISTERING!** Keep spreading the good news that we spread the **Good News** here at ICS! Contact [mkish@icsmail.org](mailto:mkish@icsmail.org) for a tour or questions. LOTS of room in Pre-School and Pre-K!

**LATCHKEY HELP NEEDED:** Contact Latchkey Director Mrs. Hope Weinhoff at [hwienhoff@icsmail.org](mailto:hwienhoff@icsmail.org). Great after-school job for college or high school senior.

**CAR, TRUCK, MOTORCYCLE AND TRACTOR FAMILY FUN SHOW** Saturday, October 14, 2017  
Sponsored by our Knights of Columbus. For info: [KC6165Show@yahoo.com](mailto:KC6165Show@yahoo.com)

**Papa John's** 50% off All Regular Menu Price Online Pizzas! Online promo Code: DM50  
Valid May 26, 2017 through August 20th, 2017 ENJOY your summer!!!Dana

**PRAYERS: Special Intention** Kaylee Fogarty, Larry Pelker, Danielle Barnett, Brandon Martin, Joe Schmid, Annie Boedeker, Barbara Thompson, Dennis Baldrige, Susan Adams, Laurie Austin, Joyce Rose, Donna Barton, Lydia Boyer, Dan Whelan, Alicia Cohen, Jan Habermehl, Denise Conner, Kenny Hamontree, Susie Kish Settle, Dennis Kish, Ken Biske, Rachel Warden, Bill Kesler, Dan Borisuk, Lauren Foran, Rich Cullen, Jessica Stemler Barcik, Josh Ritter, Stella Moll, Gertrude Scherrer, Henry Scott Dabbs, Carolyn Baker, Scott Schaefer, Katy Basinski, Chrissy Hoeflinger, Barbara Buchheit, Angie Rose, Ken Bolton, Nick Carron, Roy Lansing, Sis Blaes, Arlin Stechmesser, Marcella Heinrichs, Florence Dorshorst, Bill Pennock, Pat Weber, Ed Hengel, Vince Webb, George Stein, Desiree Frasure

### **Building a Catholic Education and Activity Center Prayer**

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

**Arts Integration is an approach to teaching**

**in which students construct and demonstrate understanding**

**through an art form.**

**Students engage in a creative process**

**which connects an art form and another subject area**

**and meets evolving objectives in both.**

**COCA** Can you imagine how proud this principal was to have 21 staff members at an Arts Integration workshop at COCA bent on improving education and getting students to own it? I was so proud as a principal and heard time and again from attendees how great my faculty is. Much of what has happened at ICS has come about because we answer the question "why don't we " or "How come we do it this way" and then improve or maybe even go back to a previous way. Mrs. Beth Carrow and Mrs. Christine Matrisotto were program "cohorts" who presented at the Tuesday luncheon and made us proud. You haven't heard the last of Acting Right, Focus Five, Portrait, Tableaus, tech creativity, and movement education. Without art, the earth is just "eh". We funded this through Title monies this year.

**WHAT'S IT WORTH TO YOU?** Matthew 13: 44-46 this week tells us about paying a price to get a treasure. What are we willing to sell to “get” eternal life. Yes, it is already guaranteed in Jesus death and Resurrection but we have to want it, seek it, and cannot hope to “knock on heaven’s door” at the last moment and expect it. Theologians might fight me over this but there is a day-by-day martyrdom price we pay to try to live a Christian life. That is the selling of what we have to get the “treasure in the field” Matthew is explaining to the Jewish community he was writing for. Many of us have collectible Topps baseball cards, fine art prints, coin collections and on and on that only have a value of what people are willing to pay for it. The 1910 cash register in our family only has a value to a collector or for us it stays a memory of our young Dad starting his own business. Some things stay priceless to us but as the Christian message is understood, we will sell or walk away from it all to be with our Lord. Come to the Table, “give up to get”, and enjoy the prize of life!

*Mike Kish*

Principal

PS The dust is flying out at 411 Palmer Road. When you come to church, take notice and if you haven't made a pledge yet, it is time to commit so we can fill the finance hole. January of 2019! The Cross is standing as a sign of our faith and action!

