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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.

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

August 24, 2018

Bienvenido el parrochia!

V. 44 #08

Dear Parent,



REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN THE LORD!

LABOR DAY PICNIC --- SEPTEMBER 3 There are 3 legs to our Labor Day Picnic, just like stewardship. We need your time, your talent, and your “fun money” to have a successful day. The amount of the tri-pod you have may vary but please fill these holes and take the burden off the chairpersons and strengthen the bonds of fellowship as we work together, get to know one another better, and renew old acquaintances.

Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D4FA8AB2AA6F85-iccp Parish> You can also reach out to Kate Kienzle at kate.kienzle77@gmail.com to find a shift that fits your schedule and talents.

If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen! HELP NEEDED IN A/C DINING ROOM

49 slots are not filled and need to be filled if we are to operate the Chicken Dinner Dining Room for our picnic patrons. Urgent Slots: Minimum number of workers needed are listed by each slot.

Dining Room Wet and Dry Station Workers (3 needed)

Dining Room Maintenance 3 needed (keep tea and water filled at drink stations and manage trash)

Patron Assistant (6 workers needed 7 grade and older)

Pie and Cake serving Line (3 needed)

Ticket Taker 1:45-4:45 shift (1 need)

Wait staff (servers) High School or older

10:15-2 pm (4 needed) 1:45-4:45p, (5 Needed) 4:30- END(Clean-up) (8 needed)

Ushers (Need 3 per shift, only one signed up.)

10:15-2 (2 needed) 1:45-4:45 (3 Needed) 4:30-End (3 needed)

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44 spots are still open in the Children's Games, especially the last shift (6:30-9). We'd hate to have to close the games early due to lack of volunteers. Parents-please take a shift and work with your kid(s) to show them work can be fun! Kids aged 13 & up can sign up individually. 7th and 8th grade jump in! We also ask the 6-7-8 graders to help break down the gym after the dinners. When you hear the call from the microphone, head to they gym and in 15 minutes it is all gone!

Please click the link below and scroll to find your game choice and the shift that works for you.

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/70a0d4fa8ab2aa6f85-iccp Parish>

Contact Carrie Boser or Sandra Whitworth if you have questions.

The absolute best way to get to know people is to work together for a common cause. The spiritual side of stewardship is just that---our common cause---the call to the Gospel to be people of action. If you are new or have young children, this is a great starter to parish life. It all started here with donated lot #25 and digging a foundation by hand. Let's keep digging! Build memories!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS Parents and Friends have committed \$500,000 to the new Catholic Education and Activity Center. They also fund Art, Spanish, Counseling, Technology, and anything else we can dream up. Entertainment Books are a major fund raiser. The baton has been passed this year from Carrie Boser to Julie Howard-Maul, and Shannon and Jeff Howard. We are very grateful to them. 15 minute **kick-off Assembly is Monday morning at 8:05 in the gym. Books will be sent home for sale. Follow directions closely.** These books pay for themselves in a couple of uses and the rest is gravy for you!

MISSION-COMMUNITY-SERVICE---THAT'S US! Former ICS teachers **Sr. Ann Fearday, ASC,** and **Sr. Janet Wilhelm, ASC** will be here on Monday for a presentation on their work in Bolivia. Some give to the Missions by going and some go to the Missions by giving. We will take donations for their work and they will also have some \$1-2 hand-made items for sale. Our Builders Club donated \$400 for their work this past year. If you can't go to Bolivia, talk to someone who lives there!

BACK TO SCHOOL SOCIAL NIGHT----Friday, August 24th from 6:00 to 9:00 pm---TONIGHT! All are welcome for the Back to School Social Night in the Garden Hall-Lower Level of the Immaculate Conception Church on Palmer Road as we celebrate and kick off a new school year. Food and drinks will be available. Music and activities for the kids. Kids can make their own ice cream sundaes and floats. So come and enjoy a night out with family and friends. If you have any questions, call Nick Matrisotto at 314-609-7092. (When God gives me the gift of tri-location, I will make all 3 invites I have for tonight. Tonight Washington University move-in tour is the winner.)

FIELD DAY IS COMING!!! HERE IS SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- parent volunteers needed to make the day run well. If you would like a sack lunch, please let Mrs. Eplin know by Thursday. You can eat lunch with your child.
- Send a re-useable water bottle with your child-WITH THEIR NAME ON IT! We will have water stations to refill the water.
- Put sunscreen on your kids before school.
- As a volunteer you will be in charge or be helping with a game. Make sure you are Child Protection certified!
- Please be at school by 8:40 a.m. if you intend to walk with us to the Legion Park
- If you are coming straight to the Legion-be there by 8:45 a.m.
- permission forms out on Monday



FIELD



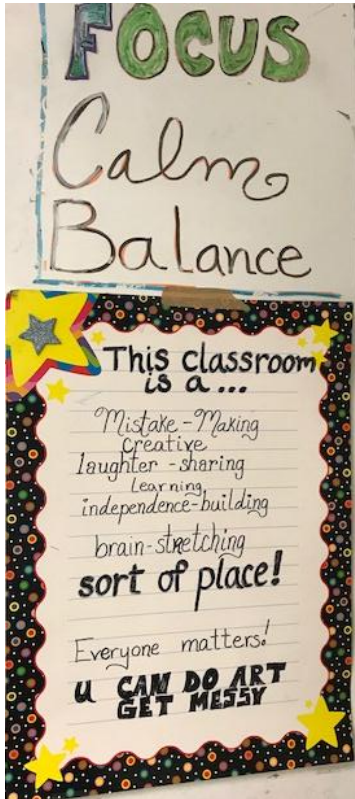
DAY WATER

We are asking each family to bring a **re-usable water bottle with student name** on it from home. Go green. We will bring water from the well at school, just like my Mom. See her collapsible cup she used in the late 1920's! [Order an ICS Waterbottle](#), Stephanie Roccasalva is selling ICS Sports water bottles and 50% of the proceeds will go back to ICS Parents and Friends---order form went out last week.

Show your ICS Pride and check out our ICS Spirit Wear Web Store. All orders are online, and the deadline is: Friday, Sept. 14th. It will take about 2 weeks after the deadline to receive your items. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Jessi

Gianino: jessicawaldron13@yahoo.com The proceeds of this fundraiser go to ICS Parents and Friends. Thanks for supporting ICS! We will also be offering a school theme t-shirt in the near future, so be on the lookout for that as well!

[ICS Apparel 2018](#)



FOCUS 5 *It all started with you!* Someone had the idea to nominate the principal for the Peabody “Leader in Education Award”. He was selected. One perk was a free workshop at COCA in the Loop on Arts Integration into the curriculum. The Principal did not want to go since he draws stick people. He called and asked to send his Art Teacher. COCA said no. Both come for free. Principal and Art Teacher loved it. Teachers started imitating it. Next summer 7 attend. Next summer 18 attend. Past summer 3 attend. AND now we have the chance to bring in one of the Focus 5 Teachers, Jamin Carter THIS WEEK for 2 days of in-classroom in-service to fine tune what we do and gain even more! Title IV money will cover expenses. As I look back over my career, I wish I had had this 40 years ago. Arts Integration has impacted our school far beyond any “cure-all d’jour” and we have tried a ton of them. When we all speak the same language, use the same techniques, and practice what we learn, we become an even better school. Body-Voice-Imagination-Concentration-Cooperation---FOCUS 5! If we discipline ourselves, we do not have to be disciplined by others.(Johnny Wooden) Jamin called and the schedule is under construction!

Picture from Mrs. Fetcho’s classroom this morning. Focus 5 at work! Calm-Focused-Balanced-Jesus!

PARENTS AND FRIENDS Why we do what we do(Jesus) is more important than what we do. How we can do what we do, can be attributed to stewardship and the great work of our School Board and Parents and Friends and Parents and Faculty and Staff and Volunteers. On Monday, September 10th—join us for the first Parents and Friends meeting of the school year, 7pm at Reifschneider’s Grill and Grape. Light appetizers will be provided and we will make plans to pull off another great year! Thanks to President Holly Blaskiewicz, Vice-President Joyce Randle, Secretary Christy Wegmann, Treasurer Kate Kienzle, Public Relations Director Kara Boyd and all our chairpersons for the life they bring to us! You spoil us!

SCHOOL SAFETY DROP-OFFS With Main Street all tore up and “Streetscape” to happen this Fall(Madison to Whiteside improvement), we need you to be extra careful for drop-offs and pick-ups. Best is The Abbey parking lot on Main and our saint Frances Asselmeier crossing guard. We do have a zone on Liberty for drop-off only and a bus zone on Metter. Please drop-off and move. Save the \$75 ticket!

LATCHKEY Mrs. Hope Wienhoff will be needing some help. Our numbers are great, but she needs some help so we are safe. Paid position. This starts right after school at 3:00p.m. Please contact us if you can help.

MSP We still have some bugs. Patience please!

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY Everyone starts with the initial training and there is the annual refresher course. This year's course is on boundaries and it serves to remind us of professional relationships and responsibilities. **Go to the ICS website, choose parents and click refresher course.** You can take the test till you pass.

Fall School Pictures Sept. 7, 2018 [An Order form is attached.](#)

Volunteers needed to help on school picture day. Free picture package for volunteers. Please contact Pam Keeven at 314-773-3587 or pam@martykeeven.com

FOUND DRILL AND LONG HANDLED NIPPERS. To claim, present proof of purchase, social security number, serial number, and family tree. Or contact Mike Kish.



A big thank you to those who helped promote ICS in this year's Columbia Daze parade. It was hot, but it is always fun to show off how great our school is to the community! A special thank you to Ed and Mary Schaefer, Sean and Andrea Drury, Chad and Meghan Friedrich, and Kory and Tricia Haywood who donated their trailers, tractors, trucks, and hay for our fabulous floats. We could not have done this without you!



LOOK THROUGH ANY WINDOW, WHAT DO YOU SEE? On the stairs by the elevator---block going up right against the building to meet Fire Code. We will dry-wall the windows over on the inside.



3 schools in a small town all had old schools. They came up with the idea of building one new school and sharing services. To maintain their independence, they had 3 entrances. One group said, "We want "best teaching" over our entrance. The next said "Okay, we'll put "best athletics" over our entrance." The principal running the Catholic school said "That's fine. Just put "main entrance" over ours.

BONDS---Maybe Grandpa and Grandma have some of their estate sitting in a savings account paying a whopping .25% interest? Our Bonds are paying 5.5%! The slides and prospectus can be found on the parish website under Fr. Carl's picture and Parish Mission Statement <http://www.icc-columbia-il.us/>. FYI, bonds can be purchased in an IRA as one option with future potential tax benefits for donations. Please contact Keith Huels if you have any questions. Thanks for your continued support of the CEAC.

The CEAC Finance Committee, Fr. Carl, Keith Huels

THE SPORTING NEWS.. ICS Soccer

We have soccer pictures and several games scheduled for tomorrow at Oerter Park. Considering the rain, we may have some game day decisions to make. Even if the games are canceled due to wet fields, we will still have pictures unless the weather at the time does not allow it. All of these decisions will be communicated via the Parents & Friends Facebook page, the text messaging service we set up this year (sign up here - <https://www.remind.com/join/ics2018s>), and through your coaches. Please be sure to check these channels tomorrow morning before coming to the park.

Also, any cancellations due to heat index or rain are made at the host school's discretion. All attempts will be made to have the decision made prior to school dismissal to help with communication. A one-way text service has been set up to let parents know of any last minute issues. If you would like to be added to this, [click here](#).

The post-season Diocesan tournament for upper-grade teams will begin Sept 24th with the plan to finish during the week and not go into the Sept 29th weekend. 5th/6th Grade games will be played at O'Fallon Sports Complex, 7th/8th Grade games will be played at Althoff High School. St. Clare is the host school for the tournament. As always, feel free to contact the ICS Soccer Coordinator, Brian Boyd, at bmboyd02@yahoo.com

See these attachments: [CHS Jr. Eagles Cheer Camp](#)
[Kiwanis Fall Fishing Derby 2018](#)
[Girl Scouts 2018 Flyer](#)



Elisa Edesa has been staying with Teresa Dorshorst for several years on an annual student exchange and has been helping us in Spanish class and shadowing Constance Barnett! She lives close to the Catalonia region in Spain. Bienvenido Elisa!

CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU! Lisa Patton (Garrett, Alaina, Steve) has received the ***“Good Fortune Grant”*** from the [Moneta Charitable Foundation](#) for this month and she selected ICS to receive the \$1,000 honorarium. We will purchase **Learning Ally** for our Resource Program. We are grateful to Lisa and Moneta for making ICS a better school! Mrs. Zika and Mrs. Henneberry are excited just like the Principal!

THANKS---Pedal the Cause You can donate through November in memory of Dan Whelan.

The Whelan Family had a very successful ride this week!

https://www.mypedalthecause.org/riders_profile.jsp?MemberID=21355

MORE THANKS---OFFICE DEPOT You made a purchase, designated us and we made \$52.77 the

last 3 months! Thanks!

MAGAZINE DRIVE Another check for \$32.40 from Bill-Me-Later and \$22.00 from On-line sales. If you read magazines, please order from us online and 40% of the price stays here with us in prizes and payments to our Catholic Education and Activity Center fund!

Sgt. Patrick Keeley, United States Army, ICS '02 Mom Sharon Keeley, Dad Patrick Keeley, and Patrick's friends held a fund raiser in his honor this summer and brought in \$2500 for our new Catholic Education and Activity Center. Patrick was fun to be around and a bright student. May he rest in peace and all veterans who have served our country be blessed!

Revolutionary War Patriot To Be Memorialized The Whiteside Station Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is planning a Memorial Marking for their namesake, William Whiteside, who served in the Revolutionary War. The event is planned for Sunday, Sept. 23, at 2 p.m., at the Shoemaker Schoolhouse on the south end of Columbia. Parking will be at Christ Community Lutheran Church or at the Oerter Soccer Park. A shuttle will be provided. A reception will follow at the church. Those attending may wish to bring a lawn chair. We talk about this Scotch-Irishman on our Columbia-Monroe County Field Trip!

GIBAULT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS... will celebrate our seniors and freshmen at a special Mass on Friday, August 31 at 9:00AM in the school gym. Please join us as our seniors receive blessed class rings and the freshmen are welcomed into the Gibault family. Refreshments and tours of our campus available afterwards.

The **Gibault spirit store** is open until the end of August with delivery to Gibault in mid-September. If you are interested in ordering Gibault gear, check out <https://gcs2018.wswebstore.com> We also would like to invite all to follow Gibault Catholic on facebook, instagram, and twitter in order to stay up-to-date on the Gibault story!

Kara Hoke, Assistant Enrollment Director, Gibault Catholic High School, Waterloo, Illinois

CHILDREN GRADES 3-8 ARE INVITED TO SING IN THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR.

Choir practice will be **most** Wednesdays from 3:05-4:00. I will let you know via email and school newsletters if choir will be cancelled. The first rehearsal will be September 19th. In choir we focus on practicing music for all-school liturgies and for a once-a-month Sunday liturgy.

Dates: **Oct. 21st at 9:00 Nov. 11th at 9:00 Christmas Eve 5:00 9:00 a.m. liturgy on Easter**
Even if your child cannot attend mass that weekend, they may still attend choir practice. I look forward to singing with your child! Please email the following information prior to the first practice to me at karenlundy@gmail.com :

Child's name: _____

1. Parent/Guardian name: _____

(phone)_____ (email)_____

2. Parent/Guardian name: _____

(phone)_____ (email)_____

3. Anyone else who may be giving your child a ride: name: _____

(phone)_____ (email)_____

Thank you! Karen Lundy 618-719-1815

BUILDERS CLUB 2018-2019 Installation of officers on Monday--drawn by lot and the Spirit!

President- Maria Biske

Vice-President- Audrey Sullivan

Secretary- Abby Eichenseer

Treasurer -Drew Schmoll

Service Director- Ariel Adams

Fundraising - Josie Thomas

Talent Show Director- Ben Haney

Social Director Aidan Sullivan

Kids Against Hunger-Emma Tippen

FEAR OF THE LORD Fr. Carl talked about this in last week's homily. He said the fear is really reverence for the Lord. It struck a chord with me. FEAR is either false emotions appearing real or forget everything and run! When it comes to fear of the Lord, we should not be afraid of our God, nor should we run from Him. God will always catch us and fear should be temporary and change to awe!
OWEN JORDAN received a liver transplant Wednesday afternoon. Latest update: he is doing great! Keep up the prayers please for baby Owen!

DANIELLE'S BATTLE Constance Barnett's mother was diagnosed with Primary Progressive MS in May of this year. Danielle has additional underlying issues that are still being investigated by Mayo Clinic. It has actually been suggested by her Wash U physicians that she may have a new form of MS. Danielle worked at Walgreen's as a pharmacy tech. Her tenacity kept her working even when she had great difficulty walking and speaking. Danielle now spends most of her days in a wheelchair, however, Danielle still remains focused on getting better and returning to her job, her beloved co-workers and her life with her beautiful daughter! Any and all assistance is appreciated. Dinner, dancing, and a silent auction will be held at the Oakville Elks Lodge, 2726 Oakville Elks Lane, St. Louis, MO 63129 on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door by contacting Teresa Dorshorst at 314-303-5353 or Tdorshorst79@gmail.com. Silent auction items are appreciated. Please join us in supporting Constance's Mom Danielle!

Thank you, Teresa Dorshorst 314-303-5352

Brian Leavell, Avery Melliere's maternal grandfather, passed away last week from brain cancer. There will be a celebration of his life in early September in Indiana. God's peace to Grandpa Brian and all his family.

Uncle **Bernard Maliszewski, Sr., (niece Jeanne Kish)** died Sunday night at age 91. He was from the greatest generation and his Mom signed off so he could join the U.S. Navy at age 17 and serve on an LST in the Pacific Theater. He cheated the wait for death Sunday night as his family gathered for food and fun prior to his move to assisted living on Monday. He died in his favorite chair. We all have these stories. God's peace to Uncle Bernard and his family as he is laid to rest tomorrow.

We are going to re-do our prayer list by request. Please update this list by contacting Mrs. Eppin if you want to be left ON. We will start over next week. We have great blessings from our list. When you see a prayer list like this, lay your hand on the names or on the names on the parish bulletin and pray for all them at once!

PRAYERS: Special Intention Danielle Dorlac, Owen Jordan, Chet Waver, Andrew Rhyder, Patti Rottler, Mike Taylor, Pearl Mueller, Richard Prater, Jerry Kish, Dylan Walsh, Tom Giovanni, Arlin Stechmesser, Angela Roepke, Paul Thode, Pat Schwartz, George Perry, Donna Kania, Kaylee Fogarty, Larry Pelker, Brandon Martin, Susan Adams, Laurie Austin, Alicia Cohen, Denise Conner, Rachel Warden, Bill Kesler, Dan Borisuk, 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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3 GREAT READINGS THIS WEEKEND *Will you love the God who saved you or the ones you make your gods? The love between a bride and groom is the love Christ has for the Church. Lord, to whom shall we go? You alone have the Words of life.*

Do I go to Mass to play music or do I play music to help celebrate the Mass? My freshman year of college was spent at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary on the campus of Lewis University in Lockport, Illinois. I was literally dropped off by my parents who turned around and drove the 5 plus hours home. I was met at the registration table by sophomore Danny Franklin who noticed me carrying the \$25 guitar I bought from Ed Baumann. Danny said "great---you're playing at 5:30 Mass". I told him I did not know how to play and was going to learn. Danny said he would play with me. (Danny played and upside down reversed string left-handed guitar. I knew more than Danny.) I sang loud and faked through it. Little did I know but that \$25 guitar would save me from homesickness and rock and roll had progressed to 3 chords so I could teach myself by playing along with the radio. I still sing loud, play a 12-string so I can make twice as many mistakes, and hope I play to help celebrate the Mass and not massage my ego. Lord, you have the Words of everlasting life!

Mike Kish

Principal

*Above all, trust in the slow work of God.
We are quite naturally impatient in everything
to reach the end without delay.
We should like to skip the intermediate stages.
We are impatient of being on the way to something
unknown, something new.
And yet it is the law of all progress
that it is made by passing through
some stages of instability—
and that it may take a very long time.
... Give Our Lord the benefit of believing
that his hand is leading you,
and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself
in suspense and incomplete.
--Rev. Teilhard de Chardin, SJ.*

The NOT-Mad Hatter with Mrs. Murphy's Kindergarten

