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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*

October 13, 2017

Bienvenido el parrochia!

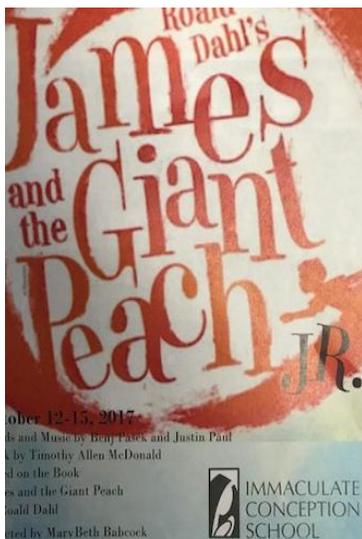
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Dear Parent, Guardian, Student, Teacher, Friend,



**OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY** and today is the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal. Mary appeared to children and asked for the rosary to be prayed daily for peace. Our statue is Our Lady of Fatima. First placed in a garden next to the convent, she was surrounded by stone-cast likeness of the children and sheep they were tending. We will find a place at the new Catholic Education and Activity Center for inspiration and prayer. Her blues eyes have looked over a lot of recess and

prayer since we moved her to the current location in 1987(Thanks Guido Serafini and men of the parish!). **ROSARY RALLY-THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN** is hosting a public Rosary tomorrow, **Saturday, October 14th**, at noon by the fountain at City Hall. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!



**JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH** Opening night was terrific! Lots of laughs and a giant peach saves the day. The casting is “MaryBeth-like”, the music and stage is amazing, and MaryBeth **dedicated our performances to the Dan Whelan Family** for all their support as #11 hits the stage. Nothing has changed the mindset of our school like the arts have since we kicked this off during our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The quilt in the gym is a major symbol of what we started and we are getting even better at arts integration which recognizes every child has gifts. Performances are at 7:00 tonight and tomorrow with a 2:00 matinee Sunday. I am so proud of the cast and crew and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade leads the way again! We take up a collection for Sr. Thea Bowman School at intermission. \$350 last night!!!



### **3 ships in a row!**

#### **Congratulations to Immaculate Conception School students**

for winning the St. John Vianney Academic Tournament of Champions on Monday, Oct. 9! This is the third year in a row that ICS has won this contest of grade schools throughout the St. Louis area. The tourney was held in a quiz bowl style this year with one

round English, one round History/Geography, and one round Math/Science. The ICS team consisting of Ben Haney, Noah Newton, Autumn Ramey, Sydney Wahle, and Jacob Whitworth defeated Holy Child of Jesus School by a score of 70-20 in the 15-question final round. The team won two rounds and tied one match in pool play. A second ICS team with members Paula Boser, Ally Curry, Andrew Feldker, Daylen Litke and Tyler Wahle also performed well winning two out of three matches in pool play. The team was coached by teacher Karen Weiler with assistance from Dan Kassebaum. A rising tide lifts all ships!

**OUT OF COMMISSION** I have rotator cuff surgery Wednesday and will be out a bit. Ladder of subsidiarity to solve problems will be just like in the policies---homeroom teacher, Co-deans of students (Mrs. Weiler and Mrs. Tolan) for discipline issues, Mrs. Eppin for questions and then “wait till he gets back”. The ICS Family will pull together and I shouldn’t be missed if our vision is solid and we work together. Thanks for your prayers. Since my doc worked on Yadi, Waino, Oshie, Pronger, Carpenter, Freese, etc., I am trying to talk him into “tommy john” so I can become a “crafty left-hander” like Fr. Ed Hustedde, Carlton, Tudor, and be the real Mad Hungarian!

**STUDENT-PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES** will be BY appointment on October 24th and 26th. **The Builders Club will have a dance for Grades 6-7-8 (ICS and registered PSR only) from 7:30-9:30 on Thursday night, October 26.** No school the 27TH. Admission for members is \$5 which includes dues of \$2 and \$3 for Grade 6. The Family Affair will spin the spooky music and there is a costume contest. See Reece Ward for questions.

STUDENT-PARENT- TEACHER Conference SIGN-UP

<https://docs.google.com/a/icsmail.org/spreadsheets/d/1eyKRimN5LqfQwTQGxhwhoD8tNK3w1h4hcVVGJ9yZMrhE/edit?usp=sharing>

**PICTURE RETAKE DAY will all be Wednesday, 10/18/17 Starting about 9:30 after mass in the gym.** If your child was absent during school picture day please have them dress up for retake day. If issue with your child’s picture and you want them retaken, write a note explaining the reason and send it with the package you ordered on retake day. Expectable reasons for retakes: Glass glare, focus and eyes closed, bad do etc.

**HUNGER IS SCARY FOOD DRIVE October 16-31.** Class prizes. Allie Shuler is chairing. 1<sup>st</sup> Gum-jeans-hat-sock Day 2<sup>nd</sup> j-h-s Day 3<sup>rd</sup> h-s Day Feed My People!

Speech: Anyone interested in beginners only, speech, meeting will be Monday after

school. The Meet is November 4<sup>th</sup> in Red Bud. Mrs. Watters is looking for someone to shadow and take over next year. Please call the office if your interested.



**Terrific Kid – October 2017** Thanks to Doctor Doyle, Deputy Chief Donjon and the Columbia Kiwanis!

Mrs. Diewald: Lily Braun – Lily is our Terrific Kid! She is a great rule follower and strives to do her best on all of her school work. Lily is also a good friend to others. She is always willing to help someone in need. Lily sets a great example for her classmates.

Mrs. Meyer: Sophie Conrad – Sophie is a Terrific Kid because she is always kind to her classmates and willing to help others. She works hard in the classroom and leads by example. Way to go, Sophie!

Mrs. Matrisotto: Carson Timmons – Carson earned our Outstanding October Terrific Kid Award by working hard in class, participating during Mass, and being kind to others. Keep up the great work!

Ms. Kennedy: Cameron Donjon – Cam is a Terrific Kid because he works hard in class, is responsible for his homework completed on time, and respects his classmates.

Mrs. Donjon: Broedy Furlow - Broedy started 4th grade with a great attitude, is a thoughtful and caring student, tries his best and works until he gets the job done.

Mrs. Ettlting: Anna Videmschek – Anna is a Terrific Kid because she is always kind and helpful to others. She works her hardest all day, every day. She is new to ICS this year, but she has jumped right in and sets a great example.

Mrs. Schauster: Ava Hrdlicka - Ava is always striving to do the right thing. She helps those students who need it without being asked. Ava's smile every morning when she walks into the classroom makes my day.

Mrs. Taylor: Michael Wessel - Michael is kind-hearted, always willing to lend a hand, and is a hard worker.

**KC Car Show this Saturday! Forget Hiway 66---come to 411 Palmer Road!**

**See the flyer!** Motor-heads, gawkers, family fun seekers!

**PARENTS AND FRIENDS TRIVIA NIGHT** Which fabulous ICS business owners would like to sponsor this year's trivia night? This is a very affordable sponsorship for businesses to promote their product/services. Our ICS family try to stay loyal to one another, but we can't be your customer if we don't know about you. And non-local business owners, please remember we know how to spend money outside of Columbia! Contact Kara Boyd ([knboyd2@yahoo.com](mailto:knboyd2@yahoo.com)) or [click here](#) for more info.

**ICS Trivia Night- Saturday November 4**

Time: 7pm, Doors open at 6pm Place: ICS Gym

Price: \$150 per table (Limit 10 people per table)

Extra: Silent Auction, 50/50, Heads or Tails, Booze Raffle

SNL dress up theme optional, prize for best costume  
BYOB and Snacks **Reserve your table today**  
with [tammy.hoeflinger@charter.net](mailto:tammy.hoeflinger@charter.net) Contact Jessica Wachtel [314-749-1663](tel:314-749-1663)

The Teacher Appreciation Committee is coordinating a potluck dinner for our fabulous ICS teachers on **Tuesday, Oct. 24** during the parent/teacher conferences. We are looking for parents to donate and drop off various items by **4:30 p.m.** in the cafeteria on Tuesday, Oct. 24. Please bring enough to serve 25 people. Those leaving dishes or crock-pots are asked to pick up their items between 7:30 - 8 p.m. that evening. Thank you in advance! Please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e054aadae2eabfc1-teacher> to sign up.

SCRIP Volunteers needed: we are looking for new volunteers to help sell Scrip at Mass on the weekends. It's a great way to fulfill your time, talent and treasure! We will schedule you for a mass you already attend. Email Catie Tyler at [rcjettyler@gmail.com](mailto:rcjettyler@gmail.com) if interested in helping.

**PARISH WORK DAY Tomorrow- Time-Talent-Treasure** Come to Church.

Replace Filters Restack stored tables so they don't scratch  
Replace porch lights on Garden level Replace light in chandelier in Church  
Clean front door glass, gathering space glass, office door glass and exterior glass doors in gathering space  
Dust gathering space furniture including the grouping near the elevator. Dust cabinets and counter tops in Father's vesting room.  
Clean lower garden level windows including those in the elevator area. Wipe down the elevator interior walls.  
Clean windows in main stair well as high as can be reached.  
Dust the office area, Father's office, conference room and hallway ledges. Clean glass in these areas also.  
Dust cabinets in warming kitchen and clean counter tops.  
Dust library and clean windows. Dust doors and clean windows in doors to knights room and quilts room Clean stair rails  
Dust west side pews. Dust confessional and ledges in west area leading to back stairs.  
Dust cabinets and counter tops in work sacristy area.  
Dust the east side pews including the music area, piano and organ. Dust music storage room and rear confessional  
Clean upper windows in the gather in space including the altar side.--10-12 foot ladder.  
Clean west side high windows. This takes a 10 or 12 foot ladder  
Clean upper windows on the east side. This will take a 10 to 12 foot ladder.  
Clean wood roof behind altar. This takes a 10 or 12 foot ladder and long pole with dusting attachment. Vacuum flat roof area.

**All Immaculate Conception Parish Fathers & Sons (or Grandsons, Nephews, etc)** ages Preschool-8th Grade are invited to come out for the first ICS Father & Son Fishing Tournament on Sunday October 22 from 3-5PM at Herbeck Lake. Please see the attached flyer for details and return the registration form & money to the ICS Office by Friday 10/13.

**Calling all Crafters and Vendors!** A few spaces remain for the upcoming Immaculate

Conception Craft Fair to be held on Saturday, December 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. To register, please find the registration form below, on the Immaculate Conception School website, or contact Holly Blaskiewicz at [314-707-1045](tel:314-707-1045) or [h\\_blaskiewicz@yahoo.com](mailto:h_blaskiewicz@yahoo.com).

**8TH GRADERS ARE FUNDRAISING FOR THEIR DC FIELD TRIP.** If you would like to order \$1 chocolate candy bars, talk to an 8th grader!

**National Quilt Museum - School Block Challenge** Our ICS team has won this competition three times Taking 1, 2 and 3rd place In our category last year. Open to all students 4-8 grade.

Tuesday, Oct. 17	Wed. Oct. 18	Monday, Oct. 23	Thurs. Oct.26
Tues. Oct. 31	Thurs. Nov. 2	Tues. Nov. 7	Thurs. Nov. 9
Tues. Nov. 14	Thurs. Nov. 16	Tues. Nov. 28	Thurs. Nov 30

All sessions from 3-5pm in Mrs. Weiler room. Attend as many sessions that you NEED to finish. You do not need to attend all of the dates, only what you need to finish and what works with your schedule. We teach you how to sew, piece, iron, cut and make patterns, so come and learn a new art form. We need help sewing, if you have a machine and some time we could use your help. Email [cfetcho@icsmail.org](mailto:cfetcho@icsmail.org) We look forward to seeing you. Mrs. Fetcho & Mrs. Weiler.

**Entertainment Book sales Thank You!** Our gratitude goes out to all who purchased and/or sold Entertainment Coupon Books---over \$8,200 profit!! Raffle winners for Brooke Canull -\$50 Scrip card and Will Davis-light-up Bluetooth headphones. Prizes should be sent home very soon. Be on the look-out. Thanks to Carrie Boser and Paula and all who made this one another winner. Parents and Friends pledged \$500,000 to our new Catholic Education and Activity Center and will be making payments on the balance of the \$350,000 due. One step at a time, one dollar at a time, one

**Young Authors Fall 2017** Winning stories from k-4th will be presented at the Young Authors' assembly, at school, on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:55 pm.

**Children's Choir** Because Mrs. Lundy is not able to work a full schedule right now, our plan for Children's Choir is to focus on Christmas Eve Mass. Rather than meeting each week, we will have four rehearsals to prepare for and lead the music at 5pm Mass on December 24th. The rehearsals will be from 3-4pm on:

Wed, Nov 15                  Wed, Nov 29                  Wed, Dec 6    Wed, Dec 13

We are encouraging students grades 3-8 to participate. Because this is less of a commitment than the weekly scheduled Children's Choir, we would love to have a strong participation in this very important ministry. Ms. Brutton will be primary teacher for this choir, and Mrs. Lundy will be there as she is able.

Please email [karenlundy@gmail.com](mailto:karenlundy@gmail.com) or [ebrutton@icsmail.org](mailto:ebrutton@icsmail.org) if you are interested.

Thanks! Mrs. Lundy

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## **Papa John's! Tuesday night!**

### **THE SPORTING NEWS...**

**Congratulations to our Soccer Junior Boys on taking a Diocesan 3<sup>rd</sup>!** Drew Roche, Andrew Donjon, Jace Mayberry, Jack Keeven, Bryce Raby, Cade Kostelac, Thomas Schaefer, Zack Harrington, Owen Dalpoas, Blake Powers, Dustin Swindle, Gavin Kesler, and Coach Tom Keeven earned the prize!

**School and Soccer Pictures** were sent home on, 9/29/17. [pam@martykeeven.com](mailto:pam@martykeeven.com)



**Cross Country** Today, we took 2 runners to the final Cross Country meet of the season! Owen Dalpoas finished 7th and Drew Roche finished 8th in the junior high division! This race included 5-8 grade kids from approximately 10 schools! They both had personal best times! A Big shout out to Coach Hart from Gibault for including us in these races! It was a great experience. Susan Dalpoas

## **GRAD IN THE NEWS...**



Out of 112 golfers at the 1A Sectional, he medaled as he tied for 6th place with a score of 77. He and Senior Zach Heet (Jake's cousin) advanced as individuals. They will play today and tomorrow in Bloomington.

The team placed 4th of 12 teams but only the top 3 teams advance. This was the best showing for Gibault since 2009 when the golf team won 3rd place at State.

**GIBAULT NEWS...**Gibault's Emerald City Oktoberfest Auction will be on **October 21, 2017**. Admission is \$50 per person with dinner at 6:00

Visit [www.Gibault.gesture.com](http://www.Gibault.gesture.com) to see auction items and for more information, or contact Andrea at [abiske@gibalthawks.com](mailto:abiske@gibalthawks.com). Thank you! Maybe if you are a Gibault grad you could pool an item with colleagues here and put "carrying on the Gibault tradition of excellence at ICS" on the label.

**Comparing high schools?** Our innovative schedule and electronic curriculum will get your 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grader excited about high school! Schedule your student's date to

shadow a Gibault Catholic student for a full day of class by contacting Pat Herzing ([pherzing@gibaulthawks.com](mailto:pherzing@gibaulthawks.com)). Something different within reach. We look forward to meeting you! Follow us on Facebook, Twitter (@GibaultCatholic) and Instagram (#gibaultproud) for more information.

**OPEN HOUSE** at Gibault Catholic High School November 5, **from 11-2**. Come see what we have to offer... ***Something Better Within Reach!***

**COLUMBIA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT** We are so blessed to have a community that cares so much. Thanks to Captain Wes Mathany and the Men in Blue for a great presentation! 87 seconds and out the door we were! Poppy and A.J. helped get the message across!



Don Schachner- Conservation Officer for Monroe County talked to PreK/S during our community helper unit. Thanks to another First Responder!

Thanks for the mulch Mr. and Mrs. Kostelac!



**FIND THE MONARCH!** Sr. Thea Bowman School has a great butterfly sanctuary. (if you love butterflies, the Science center has a great film on

henry Bates in the Amazon trying to evolution by imitation.) We will release our butterflies there this spring. The Gardens were installed by members of our parish! Butterflies are free is a common expression but they need our help too, just like all creation!

**BUILD US INTO THE KINGDOM OF YOUR LOVE** daily shirts: Alex Hrdlicka, Kyra Newton, Eva Haywood, Henry Schulte, Michael Wessel, Malia Schaffer, Sam Bollone, Lillian Kolweier, Nick Doerr, Kate Adams, Joseph Tyler, Isaac Thieret, Xavier Voegele, Audrey Randle We are God's Walking billboard with or without the shirt!

**PRAYERS: Special Intention** Dan Whelan, Kaylee Fogarty, Pat Row, Heather Hughes, Barbara Thompson, George Perry, Pat Huels, Pearl Mueller, Dennis Kish, Donna Kania Archambault, Larry Pelker, Danielle Barnett, Brandon Martin, Joe Schmid, Susan Adams, Laurie Austin, Joyce Rose, Donna Barton, Lydia Boyer, Alicia Cohen, Jan Habermehl, Denise Conner, Kenny Hamontree, Susie Kish Settle, Rachel Warden, Bill Kesler, Dan Borisuk, Lauren Foran, Rich Cullen, Jessica Stemler Barcik, 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, Marcella Heinrichs, Florence Dorshorst, Bill Pennock, Pat Weber, Vince Webb, George Stein, Desiree Frasure

**HOW TO DRESS FOR CHURCH...**Get there first. Clothe yourself in Christ. And as my old friend Adele used to say, "if you don't like it, don't look at it!" The wedding garment needed in the Scripture was the conversion of heart that God seeks, not the actual clothing! See you around the Altar!

*Mike Kish*

Principal

PS Happy Birthday to Cyra Herrmann today! 1974 was a great year!

PS FLU SHOTS FUNDED BY Parents and Friends---thanks for keeping us on the job!

**PS Congratulations to Sophie Eschmann, our oldest parishioner, who is turning - 100 this week!**

PS From the Principal...The ICS Builders Club, Immaculate Conception School, and I would like to say thanks to Mary Beth Scherr Babcock, the CAST of our 11<sup>th</sup> annual musical production **James and the Giant Peach**, and all our parents and theatre friends for their support. Once again, The Dorothy Weinel Eppinger Foundation is co-Executive Producer with us! Dorothy's stewardship to her beloved town lives on in theatre and the arts. We are grateful to Board members Pastor Bill Groennert and Patti French for their stewardship of Dorothy's Foundation. Our school has changed greatly over the past 11 years from the influence of theatre in the life of our school. Thank you Dorothy!

Each year, our selection is picked for a reason. We look for a message. Every lonely kid ought to be lucky enough to have an imaginary world like James Henry Trotter to escape from his two terrible Aunts and invent a new relative. Similes rain early and often as author Roald Dahl (author of one of my all-time favorites **Mathilda**---remember Miss Trunchbull?) has the Old Grasshopper saying "*There are a whole lot of things in this world of ours you haven't started to*

*wonder about yet.*” I can take this one to Scripture as Jesus reminds us to be like children who aren’t caught up in the godliness of the world yet. And then there is the one from the Centipede who says “Young fellow...I have never been a pest in my life. I am a musician.” This one hits me at home! I am a musician and a pest!

During intermission, we will “pass the bucket” to find some magic beans and a Giant Peach for **Sr. Thea Bowman School in East St. Louis**, where the same Gospel message we love is taught. They already have a butterfly garden so we won’t need to look for insects! We will turn the tough situations in life into magic by our generosity. We are so proud of their success and your generosity makes you part of it. The Good News of the Gospel and **James and the Giant Peach** is about dreaming. And Sr. Thea Bowman School turns dreams into reality for so many!

Thanks to all our advertisers and theatre goers and concession stand supporters. Much of the good work of the ICS Builders Club comes from this production.

Finally, where would we be without MaryBeth, Emily Brutton, Dave Boser, our Tinkers(weekly volunteer work crew), Jolene Sasser, Melissa Curry, Holly Blaskiewicz, Sandra Whitworth, Lizanne Young, Beth & George Johns, the Columbia High School “back-stage guild” and all the backstage parents who shepherd the cast.

I heard that the best song of the movie didn’t make our musical but getting stuck in the “**Middle of a Moment**” reminds us we can’t give up--find a way! **James does! Find a way to get to a performance!**

**Alicia Archambault posted this about Mom Donna Kania this week...**Just wanted to post an update on how my mom is doing(sorry I know it’s a long post). As you may know, she has been at Missouri Baptist hospital acute rehab for a little over a month now and is still currently there. Tonight, we had an awesome trip to the labor and delivery floor in the hospital to visit her coworkers. It seemed she absolutely loved to see everyone and see how L&D was doing. She really did pick the best hospital to work at because she has some amazing and loving coworkers! We are so lucky that she can recover where she works! It’s also great that the rehab and therapy nurses are wonderful and so kind, this is the best place she could possibly be while she recovers. She has made huge strides since she’s been here. She has now been walking with a cane (over 40+ feet!!). She has gotten much more mobility out of her right side that was affected by the strokes. Her right leg is doing tremendous with walking and her right arm is slowly getting movement back. Transfers to the wheelchair and bed are getting much easier. She is much more herself now. She is even bossing her nurses around because she knows she can get away with it (typical her lol). She knows what is going on and remembers almost everything before this happened (for example our vacation earlier this summer☐). The one thing she can’t remember is being in the ICU (which is good because the ICU is not something someone ever wants to remember). However, she does remember this past month or so in rehab. This facility’s therapy is doing wonders, a month ago we never thought she would have survived and made it after all of the trauma that happened to her body and the fact that she was in the ICU for 36 days. She is now onto her next step (that means hopefully one step closer to being home!!). She is having surgery to fix some of the scaring on her trachea on Thursday. Then this Friday, the plan is for her to move to Barnes Jewish extended care in Clayton (401 corporate park drive which is close to the galleria). Here she will get more therapy that will hopefully get her strong enough to go home! We are sad we are leaving MOBAP but we keep reminding ourselves that this means her health is improving! I will update if the plan changes (you know how hospitals are).

Thank you again to everyone that has helped me figure these past 2 and a half months out. It really is a medical miracle that my mom is still alive!! I’ve had to grow up fast, so everything no matter how big or small, has not gone unnoticed. I really do appreciate it and I wouldn’t have

made it through without all of the love and support from everyone who has helped out, whether it's been a lovely card sent to us, a meal sent to my door, a visit to my mom, or anything else that has helped make my life a little easier. We have some really great friends and family out there. We really do thank you♥️🙏