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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 20, 2017

Bienvenido el parrochia!

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Dear Parent, Guardian, Student, Teacher, Friend,



FALL YOUNG AUTHORS:

Winners:

- K: AJ Kish, Hunter Tharp
1: Wiley Sasser, Luke Kolweier
2: Isabel Roche, Dante Gianino
3: Will Schmoll, Lucas Sheehan
4: Caroline Roche, Avery Herrmann
5: Audrey Randle, Brooke Heimburger
6: Lily Barrett, Rhyan Ward
7: Abby Eichenseer
8: Ally Curry

Runners-Up:

- K: Andrew Daigel, Alaina Ettling,
Olivia Day, Layla Greer
1: Emmett Gilbreth, Lilly Kolweier,

- Kaylee Eichenseer, Nick Juengling
2: David Callico, Hogan Story, Sophie Conrad, Wes Jasper
3: Anna Hornacek, Garrett Patton, Sean Frederick, Eli Thebeau
4: Drew Hagedorn, Keegan Thompson, Hope Schwartz, Elliott Unwin
5: Summer Harrington, Owen Dill
6: Maddie Mauch, Joseph Tyler, Kyra Newton, Hope Pollman
7: Audrey Sullivan, Sydney Wahle 8: Adelynn Murphy, Autumn Ramey

Socrates said “do not write things down. It weakens the mind.” We know this because someone wrote it down. Writing uses the most parts of our underutilized brain. Thanks to Robin Nadziejko for chairing and all our judges and teachers and writers!

MICAH AWARD Fr. Chris will be honored on Friday November 3. See last week’s letter to register. We are very proud of this big humble man! Make a donation if you can’t attend. He only accepted the Award to bring attention to all who work in prison ministry.

Please purchase your tickets by Thursday, October 26, 2017. You can call (618) 646-9712 and reserve/purchase your tickets. Come and enjoy a fun and informative evening which includes our Silent Auction and the introduction of our Micah Award Winners!

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. JEN SCHAUSTER again on her *Mary McHugh Citizens of Character Award*. See last week's letter to make the Awards dinner. We are proud of you and your dedicated service to so many!



6th Grade field trip - Cathedral Basilica is Byzantine style of Architecture and home to the largest mosaic collections in the Western Hemisphere. They were asked to do the math on the installation of the mosaics, which started in 1912 and were completed in 1988. We looked for Mrs. Weiler then did the math and managed to come up with the 76 years it took to install. Wow! There were 41.5 million tesserae pieces used to create the images on the domes,

lunettes, transepts and arches totaling 83000 square feet. Our very own Emil Frei who created the windows in our old church was apart of that installation.

CityGarden to learn and interact with installation art. We had our lunch on the serpentine wall and off to view "Big Suit" by Erwin Wurm described and discussed by our docent. Self exploration of works – Ringed Figure by Keith Haring, Two Rabbits, by Tom Claassen – Tai-Chi Single Whip by Ju Ming were just some of the exhibits. That Rabbit looked like Adeodatus, Father Carl?

St. Louis Art Museum for a self-guided tour of the Medieval and Early Renaissance galleries. Here the students were asked to find inspiration for a mosaic piece they will be creating in the style found in the Basilica and take a picture for reference.

Crucifixion by Pietro di Miniato - Posthumus Miracle of St. Stephen - Madonna and Child Enthroned with Sts. Peter, John the Baptist, Dominic, and Nicholas of Bari – Madonna and Child Enthroned with Sts. Christopher, Blaise, Sebastian and Francis – Reclining Pan and many others.

Many thanks to our Chaperones Heather Pollmann, Andrea Harget, Lynetta Newton, Chris Videmschek, Holly Blaskiewicz, Melissa Schaefer, Jean Swip, Libbi Kostelac, Molly Hake, Kim Diesel, Angie Kesler and Lauren Powers.

ALL SAINTS DAY We will attend mass at 8:15 next Wednesday at the new church. Permission forms have already been signed. Please attend with your child and let our teachers know if they won't be **riding the school bus there OR back.**



Mrs. Watters and Mrs. Buchanan came to speak with the fourth graders of ICS about the Daughters of the American Revolution and read them the book, "America's White Table." This story is about the tradition of setting a table to honor the soldiers who did not return home from war. This tradition started during the time of the Vietnam War. There is a white cloth to honor a soldier's pure heart when he answers his country's call to duty. A lemon slice and grains of salt are placed on a plate to show a captive soldier's bitter fate and the tears of families waiting for loved ones to return. There is an empty chair for the missing soldiers who are not here, and there is a black napkin for the sorrow of captivity. A glass is turned over for the meal that won't be eaten and a white candle for peace. Finally, there is a red rose in a vase tied with a red ribbon for hope that all our missing will return someday.

STUDENT-PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES continue tonight. We hope to get 100% contact! Mr. Kassebaum is out today and will be happy to reschedule any conferences upon his return. Communication is the key---Student-Parent-Teacher!

The Builders Club will have a dance for Grades 6-7-8 (ICS and registered PSR only) from 7:30-9:30 Tonight---- 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.

To View pictures from the play "**James and The Giant Peach**" go to www.keevenevents.com

National Championship in the 9-12 year old Tap Dance This summer, **Cailynn Mueth** was part of a dance squad that won the National Championship for her solo Tap Dance. Congratulations Cailynn!

This Fall, **Colin Mueth** helped Holy Childhood finish 2nd in the Diocesan Baseball Tournament. They upset previously undefeated Queen of Peace, 2-1 in the semi-finals then came up a little short vs. Blessed Sacrament in the Championship game, 5-3.

Scholastic Bowl! Scholastic Bowl tryouts will be November 14th & 15th for 7th & 8th graders only. Tuesday, November 14th from 3 – 3:45pm and Wednesday, November 15th from 3 – 4:30pm. Limited to 15 players due to State. Scholastic Bowl is a large time commitment beginning in late November and ending in early May with practices or matches two nights a week. Practices conclude at 4:30pm, and matches usually conclude at 5:30/6pm (add travel time if away). Mrs. Taylor (ttaylor@icsmail.org).

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

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) 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 Contact Jessica Wachtel [314-749-1663](tel:314-749-1663)

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 if interested in helping.

I am planning to making an ICS memory t-shirt quilt for the dinner auction and I'm hoping you might be able to help me out.

I am trying to get my hands on any kind of ICS t-shirt or polo shirt - school spirit, sports, academic, the arts - anything I can cut up. I can use fronts/ backs/ logos. I have more recent ones like the theme shirt (I.e.The Joy of Love and Fr. Car's birthday shirt) but I am looking for additional items - anything to do with ICS, present or past. I cannot stress enough that I can use just about anything! I will return items I cannot use, but please give with the knowledge that they could end up in a quilt. The size of the quilt will depend on how many items I can get my hands on. It could go as a silent auction item or a live auction item, again depending how it turns out - awesome, I hope, and the envy of many, so I can raise some \$\$\$ for ICS!!

Please leave anything you are willing to contribute with Mrs. Epplin and I will get them from her. If you want anything back that I cannot use, put your name on it and I will make certain it is returned to you. I don't want to wait until the last minute, and we all know how time flies, so the sooner the better.

With many thanks, and for the benefit of ICS!

Jeanette Melliere (Grandma of the Melliere and McGill ICSers)

ICS Father & Son Fishing Tournament Father-Son Fishing Derby-152 total fish were caught! (in Scripture, that would fill the boat!) Luke Kolweier caught the most at 17 and Logan LoPorto caught the biggest fish! NO FOOLIN!

Dodgeball Tournament: The Monroe County CEO class of 2017-2018 is putting on a countywide dodgeball tournament; we are a group of juniors and seniors in high school learning about entrepreneurship. Friday night November 10th starting at 5p.m. will be the night for the middle school kids (ages 12-14). The teams consist of six players (+ two optional subs), and are \$5 a person. If you get hungry, don't worry we will be selling chick-fil-a, water and Ski. The ways to sign up are online at www.monroecountydodgeball.com, or sign up sheets will be in the school office(See Mrs. Epplin). Also as an attendance prize you could win a PS4, by just writing your name on a slip and putting it into a hat. We will be pulling one name out at the end of the night. You have to be present to win. Hope to see you there!

**TRUNK or TREAT & HAYRIDES Sunday, October 29th starting at 4:30pm
Immaculate Conception Church Lower Parking Lot**

Calling all ghosts, goblins and creatures that go bump in the night! You are invited to an evening of food, fun and fellowship. If you are decorating your trunk, please arrive by 4:00pm so we can close the lot to traffic. If you are not decorating your car/trunk, please park on the top lot and come down through the church entrance and down the stairs. Food and drink will include hot dogs, chili, soda and hot apple cider provided by the Knights of Columbus. The parade of costumes, raffles and hayrides will complete the evening. **Please contact Lizanne Young at the parish office or lyoung@iccmail.org and Hope Weinhoff at hwienhoff@iccmail.org**

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.

Basketball Team Pictures

Basketball team picture are Monday Oct. 30, 2017. Please meet in the cafeteria at your team's scheduled time. [Order form attached.](#)

4:45pm 6th grade girls (game)
5:15pm 5th grade girls (no game)
5:30pm 5th grade boys (no game)
5:45pm 7th grade girls (game)
6:00pm 6th grade boys (no game)
6:15pm 7th grade boys (no game)
6:30pm 8th grade boys (no game)
6:45pm 8th grade girls (game)

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 Open to all students 4-8 grade. 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 need help sewing, if you have a machine and some time we could use your help. Email cfetcho@icsmail.org

Box Tops: Thank you all for the participation in our Box Tops contest. We collected close to

Children's Choir will be from 3-4pm on:

Wed, Nov 15

Wed, Nov 29

Wed, Dec 6 Wed, Dec 13

Ms. Brutton will be primary teacher for this choir, and Mrs. Lundy will be there as she is able. Please email karenslundy@gmail.com or ebrutton@icsmail.org if you are interested. Thanks! Mrs. Lundy

MAGAZINE DRIVE Go to www.gaschoolstore.com --- order on-line. Our ID # is 2710556. We get 40%!

SOCCER UNIFORMS: Please launder and return all soccer uniforms. Make sure NAMES are on them when they come in so your child gets credit.

MIX IT UP DAY will be Nov 2 this year. Grade 6-7-8 of Sister Thea Bowman School is coming here. Adventures in Learning will be here! Thanks Mrs. Weiler!

GIBAULT NEWS...

FALL RUMMAGE SALE

The Gibault Women's Club will hold its fall rummage sale on Sat. **November 11, 8AM to 3PM** in the auditorium. Clean out the clutter! Donations will be accepted **Nov. 6-9**, from **8AM-8PM.**, and **Nov. 10** from **9AM-2PM.** Please, no large furniture or exercise equipment, TVs, or computers can be accepted. Come check out the bargains! There will be special deals from 1-3 p.m. Spread the word and Don't Miss It!

Comparing high schools? Our innovative schedule and electronic curriculum will get your 7th or 8th 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). 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!***

BUILD UP 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, Hayden Lieber, Brady Moore, Sophia Kienzle, Morgan Conrad, Brock Murphy, Parker Kish, Mariska Lyle, Mariska Lyle

Dan Whelan is back in the hospital for a medical fix. Please keep up the prayers for our miracle man!

GOD'S PEACE TO **Jenny Swip**, Aunt of Mrs. Diane Zika, who was laid to rest on Monday and **Joe Schmid**, Uncle of Mrs. Christine Matrisotto and Grandfather of Joe, Eric and Ben, will be laid to rest on Monday. Our family in faith calls us to support each other and we cling to the hope of the Resurrection!

ROXY PULLUM. A 6th grade student at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Herrin, died this week after a courageous struggle with brain cancer. Please keep her, the family, and OLMC in your prayers. Natural law is God's plan. Rest in peace Roxy.

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, 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

JESUS MADE THINGS SIMPLE he took the Ten Commandments and 612 Jewish rules and prescriptions and reduced them to the Two Great Commandments. Now if only we could follow them and human nature would not get in the way! Go against the grain---be counter-cultural---follow the simple rules and you shall LIVE! (Funny how the simple always makes things complex---come and hear the Good News this weekend!)

Mike Kish assisted by Bev Epplin

Principal

PS: see attachment [for National Drug Take Back Day](#)