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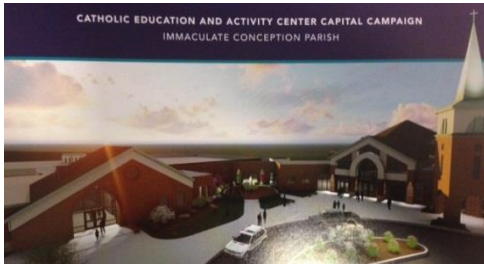
The mission of Immaculate Conception School is to provide experiences to inspire, challenge, and nurture the mind, body, and spirit of our students within the framework of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the tradition of the Catholic Church.

October 27, 2016

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THE JOY OF LOVE

Dear Parent, Guardian, Student, Teacher, Friend,



Update on the Capital Campaign for our new Catholic Education and Activity Center

Joe Hederman will do a third training for us at 7:00 on **November 17** in the Garden Level of the Church. Be there for us! Meeting new people is good for you and us. Joining the campaign makes you a believer and believer!

We are not too proud to beg. We are asking families in our school who are Christians of other traditions or tuition families to join us too. Maybe you could make the **November 17 meeting** and help take on this challenge?

We love our Grandparents too and will be happy to get them a packet to support our campaign. Please contact Mrs. Epplin for a packet so we can keep track. And maybe they can join in on your family pledge (2 in a family can join together) and then we end up with a major gift! Please contact Mrs. Epplin!

We need \$11,600,000 for the current campaign. It may only be money but it is a lot and will take many donations to get us out of here sooner rather than later!

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS On Tuesday! We will have Mass at 8:15 at Church. Why not make this day special and join your children and go in a little late for work. I can write you an excuse if you need it or take some comp time. We will have buses available for transport there and back. Regardless, safety first and let makes a joyful noise to the Lord and sing along with all the saint is in glory. Mass on Wednesday is at 7:00 pm in the evening only! All Souls Day is a great time to remember our loved ones who have gone to their heavenly reward. Two Moms and a sister-in-law will be in my prayers that day.

Dear Former Kindergarten Students,

Monday, October 31st, the Kinders will dress in their Halloween costumes and will be collecting for St. Raymond's, Guatemala. Remember how fun that was? Please be generous with your jingling coins! We will have some funny jokes for you. 38 Kindergarten students times a few cents each equals joy in Guatemala!

Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Herrmann

STUDENT-PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES Thank you for coming. I like to check percentages of parents on this one because we buck the national trends where parents are not involved. If you missed your conference, contact your teacher and we will be happy to talk!

Good Luck to our Speech Team on Saturday at the beginning speech meet at St. Agatha in New Athens. Maria Biske "Mommy's Little Helper"; Audrey Sullivan "Stupid in School"; Rhyan Ward & Olivia Blaskiewicz "How to drive mom crazy from the back seat of the car", Jacqie Gogolek "The Drivers Test is a Piece of Cake"; and Allison Stark "Ode to a Hot Dog".

WE MAKE RULES ABOUT THE THINGS WE VALUE. MIX-IT-UP DAY 4000 schools across America participated! Our 7th and 8th graders traveled to Sr. Thea Bowman School and grades K-6 traveled to different classrooms to share activities on the upcoming election, lunch together, and the Rosary. Thanks to Sue Lewis for all her work keeping us a *National Mix-It-Up School*. We cannot undo the past but we can work for a better future. Prejudice, bias, hate, cannot be a part of the America we want to be nor the Christians we ought to be.

BUILDERS CLUB HUNGER IS SCARY Over 2,800 canned goods so far---135% of our goal with Monday to go! We are going to put the Builders Club in charge of our **Capital Campaign for our new Catholic Education and Activity Center!** Marie Prindiville is chairing for us! Prizes:
1st place: Jeans Day **2nd place:** Crazy sock and crazy hat day **3rd place:** Gum day

MOCK ELECTION---Tuesday during lunch for those in grade 5-8 who registered. Faithful citizenship requires that we be informed voters! The Class of 2017 will vote for President in the next election! There has been a lot of ugliness in this campaign. Checks and Balances keeps our Constitution alive and amendments can make us better. We all know it isn't easy. Please vote!

PATRIOTIC ROSARY We will honor our veterans on November 10 at 1:15 with prayer, a salute to our flag, and Steve Dressler will be our guest speaker. No one loves America more than Steve. He survived concentration camps and was liberated by G.I.s in WW II. His story would be a worthy movie script!



Head Louse: Lice Busters was here today. We have some. We've notified. Please remember to bring proof of treatment when you return on Monday. Notes: Head lice can live 2 days and do not jump or crawl. Parents need to check each week and treat all in the family if found. Items can be bagged for 3 days or hot laundered. Rugs and furniture should be vacuumed. Most combs are slotted too big. After each swipe, the comb should be wiped on a paper towel. No hysteria please.

Papa John's Pizza Night: Sales - 335.95 Donation - \$44.37! Thank you!

PATRIOTIC ROSARY---no greater lover of America that I know than Steve Dressler. He will honor us with his story. Steve has a soft voice. Please Focus Five your kids to the edge of their seats so they can hear his story for it is living history!

SUITE HAIR SALON is having a promotion for ICS: By Appointment ONLY --- Tuesday-Friday ONLY, from December-February, ICS Student Pricing: Bring any ICS students in for a haircut and 40% of each cut will be donated towards the new educational center. Pricing: Ages 3-10 \$25
Ages 11-14 \$35 Any ICS parent will receive a free cut w any chemical service and 20% will be donated to the new educational center. Facebook Page: <https://m.facebook.com/Suitehairsalon/>
Contact Info: Jaime Kish [314-570-3095 jaime@suitehairsalon.com](mailto:jaime@suitehairsalon.com)
Address : 200 South Kirkwood Road Loft 11, St. Louis, MO 63122

Family Fun Night hosted by your ICS teachers. Bring your whole family to share some family time and maybe learn something new. Stations include: art, reading, science, cooking, games and more Learning should be FUNdamental at home too. **Tuesday November 15, 2016 6pm-7:30pm** Any questions? Please don't hesitate to ask your child's teacher.

Box Tops Collection Contest results: 9,591 Box Tops collected (**\$959.10**)

1st place winners = Mrs. Borgmeyer's class (kickball party)

2nd place = Mrs. Schauster's class (hat day)

3rd place = Mrs. Weiler's class (crazy sock day)

Keep clipping & saving Box Tops! The next collection contest will be in January. Thanks to Jaylene Murphy who helped count and sort and our chairperson Carrie Boser!

SCHOOL BLOCK CHALLENGE/QUILTING has begun. We won GRAND PRIZE and a THIRD PLACE last year out of 17 states. We do very well and would like to repeat a win this year. We can do this with some volunteers. We meet in Mrs. Weiler's room after school from 3pm - 5pm on the following dates.

Tuesday, November 1

Thursday, November 3

Tuesday, November 8

Thursday, November 10

Tuesday, November 15

Thursday, November 17

Thursday, November 29

We need help with sewing for all our dates. If you can help by taking one or two sessions, please help. It is hard to get them all finished with one sewing machine.

Contact Carol Fetcho at cfetcho@icsmail.org or text/call [314.565.7354](tel:314.565.7354).

Thank you for your consideration. Mrs Fetcho and Mrs. Weiler

Dear Edwina Jr. Play pictures are ready to be viewed! Got to: www.keevenevents.com
select: Dear Edwin Jr. The password is: 101316 Help? pam@martykeeven.com

Joy of love tee shirts---ICS and PSR students who get picked to wear the shirt **will paint the bulletin board in the hall way.** Tiffany has markers. Addie Murphy, Naomi Langhans, Ella Boyd, Aiden Howard-Maul, Aidan Sullivan. Cameron Donjon, Keeley Cooper, Ava Langhans, Julia Hoeflinger, Hayden Liefer, Charley Stewart, Sadie Metz, Izzy Foutch, Ryan Kroenig

CHILD PROTECTION....ARE YOU IN COMPLIANCE?

With the new school year in full swing, we need to make sure **all parents/grandparents/employees and anyone who volunteers in any capacity** at the school, on fieldtrips, book fairs, etc... are still in compliance with the Diocesan Child Protection Policy. If you have not taken the Initial Training course, please make the effort to do so as soon as possible. **The next one we offer here at IC is going to be November 2, from 6-8 p.m.** in the Garden Level at church. Please call Angie at the parish office to reserve a space (281-5105).

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NOTES...

WHICH FABULOUS ICS BUSINESS OWNERS WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR THIS YEAR'S TRIVIA NIGHT?

Our ICS family tries 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)

ICS TRIVIA NIGHT- Saturday Nov. 5 at 7pm in Gym- Guaranteed to be a Fun Night !!!

Reserve your table of 10 players now, tables are filling up quickly!

Contact Tammy Hoeflinger- Tammy.Hoeflinger@charter.net for reservations. If you don't have a full table but would like to play, let us know, we can build a table for you. Price- \$150 per table of 10 Extras- Silent Auction, Mulligans, 50/50, Heads or Tails, I Never, Booze Raffle

80s Theme Dress Up Optional, Prize for Best Dressed Individual. BYOB and Snacks

**** Runners needed , 6th, 7th, or 8th graders, let us know!*Contact: Jessica Wachtel-[314-749-1663](tel:314-749-1663)**

DC BLUES FUNDRAISER The Blues play the Stars on November 28th. The tickets are \$27 each. Profit goes to students who sell [click link](#) (last week)to order tickets! 3-1 start to the year! Yeo!

Hello ICS families. Several confirmation kids are collecting small travel size toiletries and new socks. We are making several hundred packages to donate to shelter. Please send any new ones that you are wanting to get rid of to school by next Tuesday. We will have a box set up outside office to put them in. Thanks so much for your generosity. Leigh-Anne Feldker and Ellen Sippel.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Winter is just around the corner and the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** desperately needs coats to distribute to those in need. **Gently-used or new coats of all types in all sizes for all ages – toddlers, children, teens and adults (men and women) – are being requested.** Coats can be dropped off at the St. Vincent de Paul office located at #13 Vieux Carre Drive, Suite 2, East St. Louis (Loisel Village area, immediately off Route 157) or call Joe Hubbard or Pat Hogrebe at [618-394-0126](tel:618-394-0126) for additional information. Warm your heart by keeping someone warm – check your closets and donate a coat today!

LOOKING FOR FOOTIE PJ'S SIZE 12 MONTHS TO 5 T FOR HONDURAS

My name is Zach Hennes and I am a senior at St Louis University High school and a graduate of ICS. I will be going to Honduras for the month of January for my senior service project to work in an orphanage/nutrition center that is run by SLUH. We will take several things with us for use in the orphanage. Currently we are collecting footie PJ's for the kids (size 12 month to 5 T) You can send them to ICS & put in a bag marked for Honduras (Zach Hennes) or you can contact me & we will be happy to pick them up. Thanks in advance. 11 so far. Zach Hennes---[618-476-7502](tel:618-476-7502)

THE SPORTING NEWS...

Soccer Wrap-up: Thanks to Soccer Coordinator Brian Boyd and all our coaches for another year of growth and a tremendous finish to the season with two Diocesan second places by the Parochial girls and Junior boys and a very respectable Junior girls team! Next year we will work around the “heat cancellations”.

Parochial Grade Girls 3 wins, 4 losses Junior Grade Girls 4 wins, 3 losses, 1 tie
Junior Grade Boys 3 wins, 4 losses, 1 tie Parochial Grade Boys 0 wins, 8 losses
5th Grade Boys 5 wins, 2 losses 5th Grade Girls 1 win, 3 losses, 1 tie

Thank you Coaches!

<u>1st Boys</u>	Nick Gianino	<u>1st Girls</u>	Greg Sheehan, Kevin McGill
<u>2nd Boys</u>	Andrew Frederick	<u>2nd Girls</u>	Dwayne Kenner, Chuck Hoeflinger
<u>3rd Boys</u>	Jen LoPorto, Kevin McGill	<u>3rd Girls</u>	James Schutte, Catherine Schutte
<u>4th Boys</u>	Maggie Bollone, Ted Haney, Ken Mohr	<u>4th Girls</u>	Ed Williamson, Allen Thomas
<u>5th Boys</u>	Tom Keeven, Devin Dalpoas Becky Stechmesser Mark Swindle, Rob Powers	<u>5th Girls</u>	Melissa Schaefer Kevin McGill
<u>6th Boys</u>	Mike Gibson, Ted Haney, Bill Feldker	<u>6th Girls</u>	Todd Biske, Allen Thomas, John Haubrich
<u>7th/8th Boys</u>	Pat Schmidt, Rob Powers	<u>7th/8th Girls</u>	Jim Stearns, Kevin Schwartz, Jennifer Harrigan

PARISH NEWS...

TRUNK OR TREAT Sunday at 5:00 at the new Church lower lot. Circle the wagons and open the trunks and see who wins the Kevin Bone look-a-like contest!

COMMUNITY NEWS...

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Fall Festival & Hayride

Saturday, November 12th starting around 6:00 pm

Immaculate Conception Church Lower Parking Lot

Everyone is invited to an evening of food, fun and fellowship. We will begin the night's festivities with the Living Rosary. Candles, torches, and a huge rosary rope will make this a special "experience" for all ages. After the rosary, chili and hot dogs as well as smores and hot apple cider will be served. Hayrides, bonfires and raffles, including the Nativity Set Raffle, complete the evening. We would appreciate if families with last names starting with A-M bring a "small" dessert and those with last names starting with N-Z bring a "small" side dish. **Please call if questions, Nick Matrisotto at [\(314\) 609-6092](tel:3146096092), Ted Haney [\(314\)504-5057](tel:3145045057) or Brian Repp [\(314\) 479-3027](tel:3144793027).**

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP Wednesday, November 23rd at 7 p.m. at Christ Community. Pastor Bob Goddard OF St. Paul's U.C.C. will be preaching. An offering will be collected for the Columbia Clergy Fund which allows for food and gas assistance and other needs in the community. All pastors are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate and invite their congregants for this service of Thanksgiving together in Christ!

**Experience the History of the Civil War at the Veteran's Honor-Que Saturday, November 5
10am – 3pm Columbia American Legion www.honorque.com**



Learn about Civil War History
See Sons of Civil War Union Vets in Uniform
Experience Civil War Troop Tents
Watch a Working Cannon in Action
Many Other Activities for Kids Include:
Kickball Tourney – 10am
An Appearance by Budweiser Clydesdale
Music, Food, Drinks and of course BBQ

FROM DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION LIZANNE YOUNG

Go see "Mrs. Packard" at Gibault. October 27, 28, 29 at 7pm, and Oct. 30 at 2 pm. I am not simply telling you to go to see a MaryBeth Babcock production (you should always do that). "Mrs. Packard" is a true story about an American woman, Elizabeth Parsons Ware Packard married to a Calvinist preacher, Rev. Theophilus Packard, in the mid 1800s. When her own reading of the Bible lead to her revelatory interpretation that our God is a God of love and not of punishment, fire and brimstone, her husband had her committed to the Illinois State Hospital for incurable mental distress, then jailed her in her own home. It is a great story of how the law works, the dangers of having a narrow view of God, and a story that still resonates with what is going on today as our country considers the ongoing nature of the division of church and state.

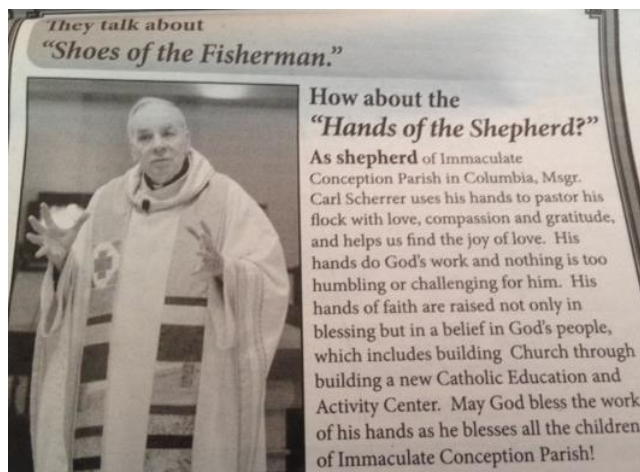
Experience your Catholic high school in action! The **Gibault Catholic Welcome Wednesday** series continues **November 2nd**, 9 – 11 am. Meet Principal Russ Hart for coffee and conversation about **Gibault Catholic** – an area leader in academics, technology, fine arts and athletics. Tour the campus "live" when classes are in session. RSVP: Pat Herzing pherzing@gibaultonline.com or [618.939.3883](tel:6189393883). Join us for part or all of the morning – We would love to see you!

OPEN HOUSE at Gibault Catholic High School **November 6, from 11-2**. Come see what we have to offer... **Something Different Within Reach!** Visit with teachers, learn about the electronic curriculum, tour the classrooms and see some of our students in action. Welcome to the Gibault Catholic family!

THANKS TO THE GIBALT FATHERS CLUB for their donation of \$100 for supporting their "Drive for a Cause" fund raiser a few weeks back! They hit their target and we get rewarded too!

Hope Wienhoff, our Latchkey Director and PSR Coordinator, hopes to come home from the hospital today after some tests. Please keep her in your prayers. Thanks to all who helped us cover Latchkey!

THOMAS LORENZ, age 3, a close friend to the Borgmeyer's, has been diagnosed with cancer! Please say a prayer for strength for this little boy to fight his battle with his family and friends.



The Messenger featured a salute to the priesthood last week. How lucky can we be to have

24 Hours of Prayers for Priesthood Sunday Sign up online to dedicate an hour of prayer on Sunday, October 30, 2016, for the intentions of Fr. Carl, Fr. Chris and Vocations to the Priesthood. Just click on the link to sign up!

<https://goo.gl/forms/DJuRtp6S1d4viwem2>

PRAYERS: Special Intention, Hope Wienhoff,

Thomas Lorenz, Maggie Williamson, Darius Frasure, Mike Juengling, Jessica Stemler Barcik, Dan Borisuk, Dan Whelan, Patricia Steppig, Lauren Foran, Rich Cullen, Barb Winschel, 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, Mary Giovanni, Denise Conner, Roy Lansing, Sis Blaes, Arlin Stechmesser, Marcella Heinrichs, Florence Dorshorst, Bill Pennock, Pat Weber, Ed Hengel, Vince Webb, George Stein, Desiree Frasure,

Our 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

HEY, SHORTY! Anyone who has ever enjoyed being 4 foot 19 ½ can relate real easily to Zacchaeus. Come out of your tree and invite the Lord over to eat. It will change your life, just like Zacchaeus! See you at the Altar!

Sincerely,

Mike Kish, Principal

PS: Parents and Friends attachments of fundraisers coming up. [Laser Tag](#) [Dinner Out](#)

HAPPY HALLOWEEN Don't forget to make this a religious day, remind them of All Saints, and then of All Souls. Another religious trifecta!

ICCCW The Immaculate Conception Council of Catholic Women (formerly Altar Society) had an idea to send letters to new college students. Here is the one to Abbie Meyer, attending Missouri State, received from one of our treasured parishioners Christina Rudolph. It is amazing what she has survived and the love she has to give to others! Thank you Christina from Abbie's Grandpa! Used with permission

Dear Abbie,
at our last Altar Society meeting Mrs. Burns asked if any of us members would like to write you sometimes. I picked your name. I'm 81 years old, yes, very old, and today is my husband's 90th birthday and our 60 year wedding anniversary. We are so blessed to be able to spend all those years together. We have 5 children and 9 grandchildren. I know how hard it is to let your children 'go away' even if it is for education. But you are so very fortunate to do this. I was born in New York & my Mom took me when I was 2 years old to Germany to celebrate my Grandpa's birthday. But just then World War II broke out and I could not return since I was an American. Mom & I spent all the War years in Germany, in the Rhineland, the most bombarded city and area because of the industry. I was not interned because my Grandpa both of them joined the Nazi party to keep me at home. Slightly and daily attacks just seemed

I wish you a very happy Christmas
and much joy in College!
Freddy

almost normal. Every house had to
have the windows open so on our
way to school during Alarm kids
dashed in there, moms never knew
where ^{kids} were. But somehow, thank God,
kids are resilient. Mothers showed no
fear at nights in the basements they
knitted socks for the "Wehrmacht".

I write you all this to remind you
how very blessed you are here in the
US A. Sure things are wrong here too
but, what's wrong here with everyone
pulling the right way, it will change.

There was absolutely no Religion
allowed in Germany Nazism was it.

But there again by an unbelievable
grace I ran into a confessional because
I wanted to know what some of my Lt.
friends did in there. A wonderful Priest
guessed right away that I grew up knowing
very little about. But 6 weeks later I went
with 48 other kids to 1. Hl. Communion!!
2 nights there after I helped some other
strangers arrange the dead bodies of many
of these children in front of the altar, dead.
The rest of the Church was hit hard.

3 17-Tell you this only to tell you that you are very blessed
to grow up in a good looking country, raised by good parents
and blessed with your church and school!