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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*



## REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN THE LORD!

November 2, 2018

*Bienvenido el parrochia!*

V. 44 #20

Dear Parent,



**FEAST OF ALL SAINTS** Add Marilyn Frasure unofficially...

**We have relics of St. Blanda and St. Beata** under our altar. They are from Africa.

Fr. Carl took the ingredients out of the pot for making saints during his homily. He is holding up a smiley face. As Pope Francis reminds us, holiness and happiness go together. Sourpusses have a hard time being holy. Notice Walter Novack on the end---his 1949 Nashville team took third place in State and he also played minor league baseball I think. *He later got to wear the big money glasses as a reminder that the ultimate financial plan is to bounce the check to the undertaker.* Money is only a means to an end. Walter was the biggest kid at the altar!

**Counselor's Corner:** Fr. Gary hit the nail on the head on All Saint's Day. He shared that he doesn't know a single story about a saint who didn't suffer. And why? Because: people. People create suffering for one another. We have to endure each other—I am enduring you, and you are enduring me. How do we endure this suffering? The Beatitudes! They are the attitudes that we have to be. Blessed are the MEEK, the MERCIFUL, POOR IN SPIRIT, the PEACEMAKERS, etc, etc, etc. We sing about it every Thursday at our all school liturgies. We can take such a message home with our children. When I am talking with a student who is bothered by another student I will often ask, "What would you do if you knew that "John" or "Jane" would never change? Would you continue to be unhappy or would you learn how to be happy in spite of this person? I think this is the idea Fr. Gary so eloquently presented. And what a beautiful world it would be, if we could all just get along. Rejoice in the Lord and be glad.

Karen Lundy, ICS School Counselor  
The Teaching Never Stops



**St. Raymond's!** Kindergarten! Halloween Trekkers! **\$557.24** going room to room! Thank you for loving your brothers and sisters at St. Raymond's Parish in the city of San Carlos Alzatate, in the State of Jalapa and the Diocese of Jalapa in Guatemala. Mucho gracias!

**ALL SOULS DAY IS TODAY.** Mass at 7:00 tonight to remember those who have died the past year.

**THE WEBB FAMILY** Our community raised \$12,000 for the Webb Family last Friday night. Thanks for your support and the help of all players and coaches as we joined together.

link: <http://republictimes.mycapture.com/mycapture/folder.asp?event=2218609&CategoryID=79177>

**BUILDERS CLUB "HUNGER IS SCARY":** People need to eat all year, not just during the holidays. We will hold a canned food drive **till Monday, Nov. 5.** Prizes will be awarded based on per capita of 1) jeans day, hat day, gum day 2) hat day, **gum day** 3) **gum day.** **St. Vincent DePaul will help us transport. Ariel Adams is our chairperson. We have only 634 items so far.** Our best year was 4140. Thanks for feeding the hungry all year long!

**EXTENDED TO MONDAY---**you can also send in any excess Halloween candy you might like to get out of the house. Thanks for being so sweet!

**BUILDERS CLUB ELECTION RESULT** Midterm elections usually have a smaller turn-out. We only had 68% of our eligible voters register. Results are posted at the end. Thanks to Chairpersons Josie Thomas and Anna Haubrich and helpers Emma Tippen, Brock Murphy, and Thomas Schaefer. Be sure and vote on Tuesday!

**ICS TRIVIA NIGHT.** This is a major fundraiser for us! Thanks for your support!

When: Saturday November 3 Where: ICS Gym

Time: Doors Open at 6pm, Trivia Starts at 7pm

Cost: \$200 for a table of 10- this includes your mulligans and extra games- Heads or Tails and "I Never" for a chance to win gift cards.

Dress in your favorite 90s outfit- prize for the best dressed!

Bring your own snacks and drinks. See attached flyer

Email table reservations to [lcstrivia@gmail.com](mailto:lcstrivia@gmail.com) ; please send in payment to Mrs. Epplin

Questions? Please contact Jessica Wachtel [314-749-1663](tel:314-749-1663)

**BOXTOPS** The results are in! Total submission of 7,676 box tops - \$767.60! Plus, we should receive around \$150 from our end-of-school round-up in May. Tight race between 4<sup>th</sup> grade rooms!  
 Kickball Party and Jeans Day - Mrs. Ettling (also wins the teacher's incentive \$15 scrip)  
 Crazy Hat Day - Mrs. Donjon  
 Crazy Sock Day - Mrs. Borgmeyer

- McDonalds has provided free item coupons for all the students who turned in more than 25 box tops.
- Carolyn Randle is the winner of the drawing of students who brought in 50 or more box tops - the prize is \$15 iTunes gift card.
- The top student submitter is Joseph Whitworth with 350 box tops! It was a close race and there were several students who brought in more than 250 box tops.
- The Box Tops committee appreciates all the work the students (and parents) put into counting/gluing/taping - we have already achieved 77% of our annual goal!
- Deidre will help chaperon the kickball party and provide snacks. We are working on the dates

Thanks for all your help! Deidra Doerr

**Honor Roll 1<sup>st</sup> quarter:** We're off to a great start. The key to the future is to get better every day.

**1<sup>st</sup> Honors:** Kate Adams, Claire Barbour, Constance Barnett, Grace Barrett, Jack Basler, Maria Biske, Ava Blaskiewicz, Olivia Blaskiewicz, John Bollone, Owen Dalpoas, Adrian DeClue, Owen Dill, Andrew Donjon, Abby Eichenseer, Avery Ellner, Cameron Ellner, Andrew Feldker, Broedy Furlow, Zachary Gibson, Andrew Hagedorn, Charlie Hake, Ben Haney, Owen Haney, Lindsay Harget, Summer Harrington, Lucy Haubrich, Eva Haywood, Avery Herrmann, Maryann Imhoff, Kalia Jerkatis, Karina Jerkatis, Jack Keeven, Max Keeven, Gavin Kesler, Sadie Loless, Charles Matthews, Madison Mauch, Marisa McGill, Riley McGill, Sadie Metz, Grant Monheiser, Brady Moore, Cailyn Mueth, Colin Mueth, Brock Murphy, Genevieve Nadziejko, Kyra Newton, Paul Ott, Hope Pollmann, Bryce Raby, Audrey Randle, Abigail Repp, Danny Repp, Drew Roche, Caroline Roche, Emily Rose, Thomas Schaefer, Emma Schmidt, Andrew Schmoll, Henry Schulte, Hope Schwartz, Allison Stark, Audrey Sullivan, Jack Thieret, Connor Thoma, Aubry Thomas, Keegan Thompson, Kaiden Timmons, Layne Traxler, Emma Tyler, Joseph Tyler, Elliot Unwin, Oliver Unwin, Anna Videmschek, Kristina Videmschek, Sydney Wahle, Tyler Wahle, Michael Wessel, Joseph Whitworth, Maggie Williamson

**2nd Honors:** Ariel Adams, Briana Baldrige, Keeley Cooper, Michael Costner, Luke Dalpoas, Sam Glasscock, Lila Griffin, Ava Hake, Zackary Harrington, Brayden Hines, Aiden Howard-Maul, Ava Hrdlicka, Stephen Johns, Ava Langhans, Logan LoPorto, Mariska Lyle, Cheyenne May, Blake Powers, Kyle Rose, Addison Sanker, Ava Schmidt, Sophia Schuette, Maddi Swip, Gabe Thebeau, Josie Thomas, Aubrey Thompson, Lauren Thorne, Emma Tippen, Rhyan Ward

Please set aside the **MOVE WEEK** on your calendar to help us move. Maybe you can block out a day or two? We will have "Sign Up Genius" to help us.

**March 9-17** We will need several hundred hands and want to have it all moved in by Wednesday, March 13, so teachers have a couple days to get acclimated.

March 18 Opening Day, will be one of the most exciting in our school history.

**IOWA SCORES** I meet individually with the 7th and 8th grade students to explain why we take standardized tests, how relative they are, how they can be analyzed, how you can become "test wise", how plus or minus 7 can be a significant change, how we should all "own" our education, and also go over their quarterly grades since Grade 5 with hopes for the future.

There are 9 Multiple Intelligences. Not all students test well. Sometimes, they get a "bubble off". Sometimes they are not in a good frame of mind or body. Regarding grades, missing or delayed work often causes lower quarterly grades. Yet some have outstanding grades with low test scores or vice-versa. All this can be analyzed for improvement.

I don't do this to drive anyone out of their minds. I do it because I wish someone had done it for me. I wish I could have gone to this school as a kid, even though I am a graduate.

**Yearbooks:** We have extra yearbooks in the office, if you did not get yours ordered in time for last year's book, come to the office---on sale for \$20.

**VOCATIONS** Please do all you can to encourage your children to consider the priesthood and religious life. Marilyn Frasure gave 8 years of her life as a nun before she discerned a vocation to marriage. I spent 5 years in the seminary discerning. Our Parish has a Chalice Program for Vocations for prayer. Please email Joanne Schilling at [jrs530@htc.net](mailto:jrs530@htc.net) to take a week. John Haubrich is on the Parish Vocations Committee and there will be raffle sales this weekend at Church to help fund our promotion efforts.

**MAGAZINE DRIVE** \$158.40 from more on-line sales! Thank you! For CEAC!

**GIBAULT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS...Open House** at Gibault Catholic is Sunday, November 4 from 11AM-2PM. Come see what we have to offer... **something better, within reach!** Visit with teachers, learn about our electronic curriculum, tour our classrooms, and watch some of our students in action.

**Finish some early Christmas shopping** at Gibault Catholic's spirit wear store! Our online store will open on November 15 and close on November 29, with delivery to Gibault Catholic on December 15- just in time for Christmas! Visit our store: <https://gcs2018.wswebstore.com/store?preview=tjq8d9>

**Fall Rummage Sale:** The Gibault Women's Club will hold its fall rummage sale on Saturday, November 10 from 8AM to 3PM. Donations will be accepted November 5-8. Please, no large furniture or exercise equipment. TVs and computers will be accepted. Come check out the bargains!

### **Thanksgiving Dinner Donations Needed**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council needs your help with the Belleville Thanksgiving Dinner that will be provided again this year at St. Luke's Parish Center on Thursday, November 22, for those who are alone and would like to join others for a delicious dinner and enjoyable conversation. The following items are needed: **pies – store or bakery purchased** (health laws will not allow home-baked items)  
**fruit cups** (individually packaged)                      **drinks** (individually packaged...Capri Sun, etc.)

**Donations may be dropped off on: Tuesday/Wed. Nov. 20-21, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. each day:**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council                      #13 Vieux Carre Drive, East St. Louis  
(Loisel Village area/immediately off Route 157—across from the new Save-A-Lot store)

Or **Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22, 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.:**

St. Luke Parish Center---226 North Church Street, Belleville

Cash donations are also greatly appreciated; mail your check, payable to St. Vincent de Paul, to: SVDP, P.O. Box 3415, East St. Louis, Illinois 62203. Be sure to mark "Thanksgiving" in the memo portion of your check. **Thank you so much for your generosity!**

**COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE** 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 21 at Immaculate Conception Church. Pastor Keith McDevitt, from St Paul UCC will deliver the message

**The 2018 Parish Christmas Party hosted by the KCs** is right around the corner.

\*Annual Immaculate Conception Parish Christmas Party

\*Saturday, December 8, 2018 in the ICS Gym

\*Doors open at 5:30 p.m., Dinner at 6:45 p.m., and Dancing until 10:30 p.m.

\*Ticket information: \*Adults (13 and older): \$12 \*Children (ages 7–12): \$6

\*Kids 6 and under: FREE!

Abby and Allysa Eichenseer's grandfather, **Charlie Stockes**, was just diagnosed with Leukemia. Please keep him in your prayers.

**George Perry**, Karen Weiler's dad, is having a hard time getting relief. Please turn up the prayers that the code is cracked and he gets better.

**PRAYERS: Special Intention** Danielle Dorlac, Pearl Mueller, Charlie Stockes, George Perry, Tom Johns, Angela Roepke, Gerald Kish, Joyce LaPrade, Tabitha LaPrade, Kathy Neal, Jan Hoffmann, Bill West, Jerry Weiler, Jennifer Nesser, Bill Anderson, Patrick Kish, Owen Jordan, Patti Rottler, Mike Taylor, Richard Prater, Pat Schwartz, Donna Kania, Libby LoPorto

A 3 year old goes to All Saints Day Mass. *"Do they have any snacks here?"* You bet! Spiritual ones with no calories!

**K.I.S.S.** When I used to teach math, a major theme was to simplify your answer. Simplify  $10/2$  to 5. Or  $600/60$  to 10. “**Keep It Simple, Silly**” was the reminder. The Jewish rule of law and regulations and rituals had over 600 to follow. One for each bone in the body. One for each day of the year. And on and on. And before long you have over 600. Jesus came to simplify the complexity of life for us. God had mercy on our whining that “*You don’t know how hard it is to be human*”. So He sent His Son. And then---simple became complex since “others first” goes against ‘survival of the fittest’, the ‘gospel of wealth’, and the ‘golden rule’---“he who has the gold makes the rules”. So Ten Commandments become Two Laws of Love. 8 Beatitudes are how we will be judged. Can you K.I.S.S.? Come to the Altar and help the complex become simple. It is silly to try to go through life without God.

Praised be Jesus Christ!

*Mike Kish*

Principal

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**PS If you don’t read anything else in this newsletter, read this one. Paige used to be liturgical director at the College Church at SLU. Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Mt 25:31:46**

All Souls: *What you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.*

In a talk I heard more than a decade ago, John Carr, then executive director for the U.S. Bishops’ Office of Justice, Peace and Human Development, said that Matthew 25 is the only place in the Gospels where we are told what we need to do to get to heaven. His assertion stuck with me. Even if it is exaggerated a bit, one can’t deny that Jesus seems very clear about this message. Jesus identifies with those who are in need and judges those who could meet the need. Perhaps there were implied exclusions, but I honestly can’t find them. Nothing about the needy being one of our own or worthy or “legal.” It is something to think about on this All Souls Day. What life will bring us a sense of satisfaction as we prepare to cross the great divide?

*Generous God, show me the way to be a person for others.*

[Paige Byrne Shortal](#)

### Decking over the trusses



### Mortar for the cause



# Builders Club Mock Election Results:

**Builders Club**  
**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**GENERAL ELECTION**  
**NOVEMBER 8, 2018**  
**PUBLICATION**  
**Mock Election**  
**Results**  
**MONROE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

To vote, insert the card in the LEFT of your ballot. Do this. To vote a write-in only, insert the card in the LEFT of the ballot. Do not insert the card in the RIGHT of the ballot. For write-in candidates, write in the name of the person you wish to vote for in the voting booth. If you have space, check or an asterisk mark the ballot, return it to the election judge and retain the ballot.

**FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 JIM BRITTON Republican 84  
 BRUCE RAUVER Republican 59  
 JULIANA STRATTON Democrat 1  
 ENRY W. SANDRIETTI Republican 1  
 GRAYSON KASH JACKSON Republican 4  
 DANIEL M. KAPLAN Republican 4  
 WILLIAM ROSE MCCANN Communist 4  
 MARION MERRIGAN Republican 4

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 KOWAME RAJUL Democrat 16  
 ERYKA HANCOCK Republican 14  
 RUSSELL HANBY Democrat 14

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 JESSE WHITE Democrat 34  
 JASON HELLAND Republican 35  
 STEVE DUTNER Libertarian 4

**FOR COMPTROLLER**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 SUSANA A. MENDOZA Democrat 84  
 CHARLISE BRIDGER Republican 30  
 CLARE BALL Libertarian 15

**FOR TREASURER**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 MICHAEL W. FRENCH Democrat 17  
 JIM DOOGIE Republican 45  
 MICHAEL LEHENEY Libertarian 10

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**  
 TWELFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 BRENDAN KELLY Democrat 50  
 MIKE BOSE Republican 14  
 RANDY ALDRIDGE Democrat 10

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
 ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 JERRY COSTELLO Democrat 85  
 DAVID FRIEDS Republican 14

**FOR COUNTY CLERK**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 JASON R. JONES Democrat 38  
 JONATHAN M. Egan Republican 49

**FOR COUNTY TREASURER**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 NO CANDIDATE Democrat  
 KEVIN WYRONGETTER Republican 16

**FOR COUNTY SHERRIFF**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 NO CANDIDATE Democrat  
 NEAL ROLAND Republican 76

**FOR COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 NO CANDIDATE Democrat  
 CARL O. HUERTZ Republican 76

**FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**  
 (ELECTION AND PARALLEL COUNTY COURTS)  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 NO CANDIDATE Democrat  
 MELTON DAVID Republican 75

TURN BALLOT OVER

**EDUCATIONAL SUPERINTENDENT**  
**FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**  
**1ST CLAIR COUNTY**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 SUSAN SANDFATY Democrat 76  
 NO CANDIDATE Republican

**COLUMBIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT LEVY**  
 Shall the Columbia Fire Protection District levy a special tax at a rate not to exceed .20% of the value of all taxable property within the district as authorized or assessed by the Department of Revenue for the purpose of providing ambulance services?  
 YES 39  
 NO 27

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 NO CANDIDATE Democrat  
 RONALD L. SCHULTZ Republican 76

**JUDGE**  
**FOR JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT**  
 FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
 (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Richard P. Gaskins)  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 KEVIN T. HENRIESE Democrat 24  
 DAVID K. OVERSTREET Republican 45

**FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT**  
 TWENTY-NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
 (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. John V. Fife)  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 HEIDI RUDOLF Democrat 26  
 KATHARINE RUDOLFO Republican 46

**FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT**  
 TWENTYTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
 (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Michael Logsdon)  
 (Vote for ONE)  
 JOHN J. CYGARA Democrat 26  
 PAUL J. EVANS Republican 10

**NOTE BY THE PROSECUTOR WITH REGARD TO ALL BY ANY OF THE JUDGES LISTED ON THIS BALLOT:** No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office.  
 SHALL EACH OF THE PERSONS LISTED BE RETAINED IN OFFICE AS JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, TWENTYTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?  
 YES 48  
 NO 21

**DANIEL J. ENIG**  
 YES 27  
 NO 21

**ANDREW J. GLEESON**  
 YES 42  
 NO 32