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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.

OPEN THE DOORS OF MERCY!

November 13, 2015

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Dear Parent, Guardian, Student, Teacher, Friend,

THE VISIT OF BISHOP BRAXTON JEANS DAY MONDAY!---YOUR PRINCIPAL WAS SO PROUD OF HIS STUDENTS AND FACULTY AND STAFF!



Best question of the Bishop: Maggie Schulte *What does it take to be a true Catholic school?* (Being Christian to each other, prayer, attending Mass, studying and growing in the faith, following Jesus.) Our Bishop is a Teacher. It really came out. He was relaxed, interested in what we were studying, talked about the recent relic pilgrimage of St. Maria Goretti to the Cathedral, Confirmation, The Racial Divide, and Pope Francis visit to the United States. He fielded questions about the Muslims (Koran cannot be translated. God gave it in Arabic so you have to know Arabic to read it. 1.3b Muslims----1.2 b Catholics)

Emma Melliere asked *what inspired you to write the Racial Divide?* (No one was addressing it. I was filling a void.) And his most profound statement on why there is suffering in the world: **“God is not God the way you would have God be God if you were God.”**

Kaiden Timmons asked about his pectoral cross---Angels on it. It was given to him as a gift. It was a great visit. Yes we were prepped but he inspired us too! Faith is believing in the unbelievable! Thanks to our Faculty and Students for a great morning!

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS...ICS Trivia Night- Saturday November 14th Doors open at 6pm, Trivia starts at 7pm in the Gym Reservations: Tammy.hoeflinger@charter.net Get a group of 10 people together for a fun night out. Trivia starts at 7pm, doors open at 6pm. Trivia in the Gym. 10 Players per table; \$15 per person (this includes mulligans). Tables that register AND pay in advance will be entered into a special drawing for drinks to enjoy. BYOB and food We need runners for trivia night! If your child is looking for service hours for Builders Club, we need their help at trivia night to be a runner. If your child can help, please email Jessica Wachtel- jesscurl@yahoo.com

COLUMBIA MCDONALD'S November 17th from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. RONALD MCDONALD WILL BE THERE TO VISIT WITH ALL FROM 4 - 5 p.m. Come and give your support to ICS! Mom and Dad ~ Give yourselves the night off from cooking! ICS receives a portion from every sale made during these 4 hours! It is the perfect time to buy those gift cards for the upcoming holiday season! Please help us to exceed our previous years ~ it is a wonderful evening of community and laughter. As always, we can plan on seeing many of our wonderful teachers, staff and school board members working behind the counter! Mrs. Tolan will be doing her best to keep the lobby clean for us, as well!! Enter for a giveaway with your purchase receipt! Gift cards, Christmas items and even a little "bling" will be given that evening to our winners! Teresa Dorshorst



Terrific Kid – November 2015

Mrs. Diewald: **Logan LoPorto** – Logan is a Terrific Kid for the month of November. Logan is a great friend to all of his classmates and he is always willing to help others. He is a hard worker in the classroom and strives to do his best work.

Mrs. Meyer: **Avery Herrmann** – Avery is a Terrific Kid for November. She is a caring student, who is always sensitive to her classmates' feelings. She also participates well in class and enjoys learning.

Mrs. Wilkerson: **Summer Harrington** - Summer is very helpful in the classroom. She always completes her tasks on time. She is quiet, respectful and reads an AR book while waiting on others.

Mrs. Matrisotto: **John Bollone** – John is determined, excelling in accelerated reading, and has truly become an excellent student.

Mrs. Donjon: **Owen Dalpoas** - Owen is always getting his work done in a timely fashion. He works hard in class and finds his own things to do when finished with work. He comes to school to learn, and on the side he manages to have fun! Truly a Terrific Kid.

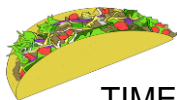
Mrs. Ettlign: **Constance Barnett** – Constance is a Terrific Kid because she always tries her best in everything she does. Constance cares about others and always does the right thing.

Mrs. Taylor: **Lexi McQuade** - Lexi has been working hard this school year to stay organized and on top of things. She is kind and caring to her classmates letting students borrow supplies when they forget their materials.

Mrs. Schauster: **Drew Schmoll** – Drew is a young man who always tries his hardest. I can count on Drew to give everything he does his best effort. Drew is well liked by his classmates and always treats people with kindness.

SPEECH MEET Good luck at St. John's tomorrow! Emma Tippen and Abby Eichenseer will perform "This Man Needs Help", Sydney Wahle will do "Girls", Josie Thomas will perform "Happily Never After", and Marie Prindiville and Anna Haubrich will do "Ask a Big Sister". Thanks to Coach Sam Watters and Coach Lucy Hollman for getting us ready!

PARISH WORK DAY tomorrow morning! A holy way to do your Full Stewardship! Come to the old Church at 8:00.



TACO NIGHT! Benefiting 2016 8th Grade Class to Trip to Washington DC
WHEN: Monday, November 16, 2015

TIME: 4:45 pm-we run out! Come to ICS cafeteria for tacos, instead of cooking!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT Thursday November 19 6:00-7:30 in the cafeteria. [SEE THE FLYER.](#)

MENU CHANGE

November 20th: Chicken Tenders, baby carrots, pretzels, and peaches

November 24th: Hot dog on bun, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, pineapple

HONOR ROLL FIRST QUARTER 85% OF Grades 5-8 made the Honor Roll. No wonder our Iowa scores are so good! And vice-versa!

First Honors: Alex Bira, Maria Biske, Spencer Biske, Emma Blaskiewicz, Paula Boser, Allison Curry, Dominic Dalpoas, Abby Eichenseer, Claire Eppinger, Matthew Epplin, Andrew Feldker, Jacob Feldker, Ryan Gallagher, Eli Garcia, Zach Gibson, Emily Gillan, Jacquelyn Gogolek, Katie Grawitch, Robbie Guetterman, Ben Haney, Andrew Harmon, Anna Haubrich, Lexi Hennes, Reagan Herrmann, Claire Huebner, Cole Huebner, Hannah Janson, Kalia Jerkatis, Ben Lambert, Jessica Lambert, Grant Mathany, Caleb Matthews, Emma Melliere, Eve Melliere, Colin Mueth, Addie Murphy, Mary Clare Murphy, Noah Newton, Bryce Pautler, Glenn Powers, Marie Prindiville, Nick Prindiville, James Ramette, Autumn Ramey, Danny Repp, Holly Repp, Georgia Sasser, Collin Schmidt, Emma Schmidt, Drew Schmoll, Maggie Schulte, Caitlyn Schwartz, Ally Shuler, Rose Sippel, Jordan Smugala, Charlie Soetaert, Audrey Sullivan, Zoe Swip, Josie Thomas, Emma Tippen, Ben Traxler, Sydney Wahle, Tyler Wahle, Reece Ward, Mary Wessel, Jane Whelan, Jacob Whitworth

Second Honors: Anna Adams, Ariel Adams, Jack Basler, Allyse Broske, Jack Burke, Devin Cason, Noah Chism, Katrina Costner, Andrew Epplin, Isabella Frasure, Kaylum Furlow, Stephen Johns, Abby Mathany, Kyle Rose, Joe Soetaert, Brian Stark, Hannah Stearns, Tyler Stern, Aiden Sullivan, Molly Tippen, Dominic Voegele

PATRIOTIC ROSARY



An inspirational event! PO SL2 David Bollone highlighted our program and swore Ryan Gallagher in to the USN! The story of veterans is “lives interrupted”. Careers put on hold, families put on the “worry watch”, and anxiety over what might be. Thanks to all who have given---all give some, some gave all!

Average combat days during WW II 35 days During Vietnam 260 days---helicopters.
Average age of a soldier in WW II: 26 Vietnam: 22 70% of Veterans in Vietnam were volunteers.

FROM SR. THEA BOWMAN SCHOOL: Good Morning, Mike. First I want to thank you and your staff for the great Mix-It-Up Day. The cooperative activities brought our students together quickly and all had a wonderful time. Will be hard to top that next year!

Second...our Advent Prayer Service Rehearsal is on Wednesday, December 16, at 10am. The evening prayer service is the next day Thursday, December 17, at 7pm. We look forward to seeing you and students. Your school is always so respectful and supportive of what we do. Many blessings, Mary McGeathy, Principal, Sr. Thea Bowman School

Chess Practices will be held from **3:00-4:15 every other Tuesday for each group** and the groups will alternate weeks. Contact Mrs. Herrmann (cherrmann@icsmail.org) with questions.

Lower Grades (1-3):- November 17, December 1, 15, January 12, 19, February 2, 16, March 1, 15
Upper Grades (4-8): November 24, December 8, January 5, 12, 26, February 9, 23, March 8, 22
cherrmann@icsmail.org to be placed on the distribution list.

THE LITTLE MERMAID Emma, Olivia and Ava Blaskiewicz are in this Disney classic December 3rd-5th 7:30 and December 5th and 6th 2:30 p.m. at the Ivory Theatre, 7620 Michigan Ave., St. Louis, MO 63111. Tickets on Sale igniteunderthesea.brownpapertickets.com Under the C!

SECRET SANTA PROGRAM Mrs. Waterman brought this program to us and chaired it for decades. Mrs. Borgmeyer and Mrs. Neff have now volunteered. The program has changed in how they are collecting gifts. Instead of getting a specific child with a wish list, you will be assigned a gender and age group to purchase gifts for. Info will be out soon. The gifts will be due Monday, November 30th. We are dropping them off on Tuesday, December 1st. Let us know if you have any questions. Thanks! Mandy Borgmeyer and Jen Neff

ASK ME ABOUT MY MERCY SHIRT Charley Stewart-Aubry Thomas-Molly Tippen-Eli Garcia-Lilly Barnett-Ava Hake-Jane Whelan-Hope Pollman-Dominic Dalpoas-Josh Matthews-Kaylum Furlow-Avery Herrmann-Kyra Newton-Marisa McGill-Jessica Lambert-Owen Dill-Thomas Schaefer-Ava Langhans-Keegan Thompson-Nick Traiteur-Grant Monheiser-Gali Palicious-Goudey-Steven Schaefer- Shawn Stuart-Izzy Foutch-Sophia Schuette-Alex Bira-Glenn Powers-Owen Dalpoas-Ava Hrdlicka-Josie Thomas-Kaiden Timmons-Jaylyn Brister-Lindsey Harget-Lila Griffin-Emma Tyler-Rhyan Ward-Noah Newton-Ryan Gallagher-Avery Melliere-Emily Rose-James Ramette-Constance Barnett-Genevieve Nadziejko-Katie Grawitch-Emma Schmidt-Carson Timmons

2015 K—3 Christmas Play DATE CHANGE---PLEASE NOTE. December 15 at 7:00. School Board to follow. Every year the K-3 puts on a Christmas Play as a part of their music curriculum. The performance this year will be on Thursday December 17th at 7pm in the ICS Gym. **Every student is a part of the play as a chorus member.** Those who would like to participate as a part of the **Cast** will participate in simple audition (for placement only as all who would like to be in the cast will receive a part) and be required to attend rehearsals after school in the cafeteria/band room. The rehearsal schedule is as follows:

M	11/16	3-4:30	T	11/17	3-4:30			
Th	11/19	3-4:30	M	11/23	3-4:30	M	11/30	3-4:30
T	12/1	3-4:30	Th	12/3	3-4:30	M	12/7	3-4:30
T	12/8	3-4:30	Th	12/10	3-4:30	M	12/14	3-4:30

Th 12/15 Show at 7pm; arrive in costume no later than 6:30pm

(The play is still being written and will be an original production. MaryBeth Babcock has always made this night a highlight of the year. Please remember there is a time commitment involved and transportation must be worked out. Thanks again for helping this great event that grows our children into better people and gives them a confidence they never knew they had!) Mr. Kish

MaryBeth Babcock-Mike Kish

Godspell Jr. pictures can be viewed at www.keevenevents.com no password

THE SPORTING NEWS...

6th grade girls placed 2nd in the St. Clare Tournament, losing to Holy Trinity last Saturday. Congratulations to Emma Melliere, Emma Blaskiewicz, Ally Curry, Allyse Broske, Emily Everett, Addie Murphy, Autumn Ramey, Caitlyn Schwartz, Allison Shuler, Reece Ward, Jacqie Gogolek, Ariel Adams, Anna Haubrich, Emma Schmidt, Audrey Sullivan, Josie Thomas, Lexi McQuade and Coach Jaylene Murphy!

PARENT HOMEWORK Child Protection update: I received the list from the Diocese and am a little surprised by some of the names on it. Busy? Yes. Required? Yes. **Please do it today and get updated.** The Diocese wanted everyone updated by September 30 for the annual audit required by the USCCB.

COMMON CORE Here is a 9 minute video recommended by Carrie Boser to help you understand about Common Core math. <https://vimeo.com/110807219> Thanks Carrie!

SQUARE ONE ART CATALOGS have been sent home. You have until November 14th to order. If any questions, contact Jolene Sasser or Carol Fetcho.

GIBAULT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Gibault Mother's Club Rummage Sale is scheduled for this Saturday, November 14th.

Gibault Catholic High School Placement test for the incoming class of 2020 will be held Sat., Dec. 5th from 8:30 AM -11:45 AM. Gibault Auditorium. RSVP to Susan Mackin. If the date doesn't work, schedule an alternate date and time. (smackin@gibaultonline.com).

It's beginning to look a lot like.... Gibault Catholic High School invites you to celebrate the joy of the Christmas season with us at our **Christmas Concert and Art Show** on Sunday, December 6th at 7:00 PM in the Hustedde Gymnasium. Enjoy the displays from our talented artists and listen as our bands and choirs perform Christmas favorites to celebrate the season. Tis' the season of joy!

GIBAULT FRESHMAN REGISTRATION Mar 14 & 16 from 5PM – 8PM.

PARISH NEWS...



Our pews look like they have always been there...Sacred Heart---
Presiders chair too! The chapel at Gibault!

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR will be singing at mass Nov. 22 at the 9 a.m. Mass. Practice on the 18th

***17TH ANNUAL PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY** December 12, 2015 in the ICS Gym

*Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

* *Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

*Soda & Beer included with meal.

*Music and Dancing provided by "A Family Affair"

*Visit from Santa Claus

*ALL ARE WELCOME(Parish and friends!)

*Reservations are required, Please Pay in Advance.

*Please contact John Haubrich for reservations at [618.281.6021](tel:618.281.6021) or email john at kcchristmasparty@gmail.com

*Ticket information:

*Adults (13 and older): \$12

*Children (ages 7–12): \$6

*Kids 6 and under: FREE!

Brian Sherman, Vicki Chism's brother-in-law is very sick and needs some prayers.

Mrs. Schilling is doing well with her back surgery. Keep up the prayers.

Please pray for Amy Meyer(cyst on spleen) and Connie Huebner(cyst on pancreas) who will have surgery on Monday. God be with their surgeons!

PRAYERS: Brian Sherman, Connie Huebner, Joanne Schilling, Amy Meyer, Eve Dorshorst, Russell Sheddon, Dominic Matrisotto, Daniel Webster, Marcella Heinrichs, Rick Abrahamson, Denise Conner, Arlin Stechmesser, Josephine Chapman, Florence Dorshorst, Bill Pennock, Patty Juengling, Marian Keim, Dan Whelan, Pat Weber, Ed Hengel, Josh Ritter, Vince Webb, George Stein, Desiree Frasure,
Special Intention

MK: 13 *“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.” Life is terminal.* As my Dad used to say, “work like you are going to live forever. Pray like you are going to die tomorrow.” Dad went home in 2003. Yet he is more alive today than he ever was. The Second Coming of Jesus will be a personal event for us. The early Christians were either terrified by the thought or excited about what was to be. After a while, they realized He wasn’t coming soon so they began to write down what they had learned from Jesus and thus we have the Scriptures! None of us will ever really be ready for our final end but living a good life is a consolation for us. Time-talent-treasure adds up to a life well-lived!

Mike Kish
Principal

Ps Workday New and old Church November 14

Ps Iowa Test results---in the analysis stage. I have met with the 8th - 7th this week. Great scores!

Ps **THE CRAFT FAIR** I will need some BC members to post signs around the community---Main Street and The Market Place. Permission form coming out.

Ps Good luck to James Ramette at Lindberg High School tomorrow for the Gateway Chess Tournament!

Band Schedule Week of Nov 16-20

Monday

8:05-8:35 5th Flute

8:35-9:05 6th-8th Flute and Clarinet 1

9:05-9:35 6th-8th Clarinet 2

10:35-11:05 4th Clarinet

11:05-11:35 4th Flutes

Tuesday

7:15-7:50 **Jazz Band**

8:55-9:25 5th Clarinet

9:25-9:55 6th-8th Saxophone and F Horn

9:55-10:35 6th-8th Trumpet

11:05-11:35 4th Trumpet

11:35-12:05 4th Saxophone

Wednesday

8:05-9:05 **Concert Band Full Band**

9:05-9:35 Percussion Ensemble

10:35-11:35 **Beginning Band Full Band**

1:15-2:15 **Intermediate Band Full Band**

Thursday

7:15-7:50 **Jazz Band**

8:55-9:25 5th Saxophone

9:25-9:55 6th-8th Low Brass

9:55-10:35 6th-8th Percussion

11:05-11:35 4th Percussion

11:35-12:05 4th Low Brass

Friday

8:05-8:35 5th Percussion

8:35-9:05 5th Trumpet

9:05-9:35 5th Low Brass

10:35-11:05 Jazz Band Sectionals

11:05-11:35 Smart Music Lab