

“LET CHRIST GUIDE YOUR WAY”

“Remember That Thou Art Dust and Unto Dust Thou Shalt Return”



CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST: Fr. Nick reminded us to let go of certain habits and surrender ourselves to God. Fr. Carl reminded us to let God lift the weight off our shoulders.

NO SCHOOL: MON, MARCH 7 in observance of Casimir Pulaski Day.

WASHINGTON D.C: Our 8th graders are off to D.C. on Sat. and returning Thu. morning. I will be going with them along with Mrs. Hrabusicky, Mr. Kassebaum, Mr. Hake and Mrs. Blaskiewicz from our staff.

PARKING LOT DISMISSAL: Jim Stokes will be dismissing the cars in the afternoon on Tue and Wed next week while I am on the D.C. field trip.

KIDS HEART CHALLENGE: We had 92 students participate this year and raised \$11,612.68. Congratulations to Sydney Zabel who raised \$2385.83!!! We had 35 students raise over \$100. These students get to splatter paint either Mrs. Whelan or Mr. Gregson. We had another 13 students collect over \$150. These students get to splatter paint Ms. Whelan AND Mr. Gregson. The American Heart Association is the biggest winner of all with this!!!

SPEECH MEET RESULTS:

Maria Hake & Isabel Roche - 1st place duet
Avery Herrmann & Genevieve Nadziejko- 2nd place duet
Claire Wachtel - 1st place solo
Julia Hoeflinger - 1st place solo
Jack Williamson - 2nd place solo
Ayven VanMatre - 2nd place solo
Sophie Conrad - 2nd place solo
Layne Traxler - 3rd place solo

DRESS DOWN: We collected \$1210.25 today for our dress down. The money will be donated to Kyle Rose (ICS alumni) for his Eagle Scout project on our playground.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Mrs. Lundy is in need of a children's choir to sing at the 9 a.m. mass on Easter morning. Children best suited for this are Grade 3-8.
Rehearsals for this mass will be
Monday April 4 from 3-4:15
and Monday April 11 from 3-4:15

HELP WANTED: Immaculate Conception School is seeking a Technology Coordinator/Teacher
Check out our website for more details: <http://www.icscolumbia.org/job-opportunities.html>

SOCCER COORDINATOR: Brian Boyd will be stepping down as our soccer coordinator. Thank you so much Brian for all your time and talents you have given to IC in this capacity. You have shown what it means to part of the IC community. **LOOKING FOR A NEW PERSON TO TAKE OVER - PLEASE CONTACT ME IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.**

CO-ED VOLLEYBALL/BASKETBALL: Parishioners/Parents of Immaculate Conception - interested in playing coed volleyball and/or basketball? Anybody interested is welcome to join. Volleyball will be held on Sundays from 4-6pm. Basketball on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30-10:00pm.

2022 K of C - CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP - ESSAY CONTEST: Sunday, March 13 @ 12:30 pm. The Contest is currently scheduled to be held in ICS/CEAC - Room 225 (Mr. Kassebaum classroom). In accordance with Contest rules: No late entry/or make-up dates. The Contest prize is one \$2000 scholarship - payable in (4) installments of \$500 - directly to the Catholic high school of winner's choice. The Contest participant must be an ICC Parish Member, who will be an entering freshman of a Catholic high school for the 2022-2023 school year. **Contest will be socially distanced due to Covid-19. It would be helpful to get a headcount of participants prior to the event, so room lay-out can be set.** Please contact Kevin W. Hutchinson @ 314-974-7072 by March 8, with name(s) of planned participants and/or questions.

K of C LENTEN FISH FRIES: The Knights of Columbus will be holding their drive-thru-only fish fries on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, and Fridays, March 18th, April 1st, and April 15th. They need help on any given fish fry day from 2pm until 7pm. Duties would include, but are not limited to, cutting and breading fish, cooking, plating, traffic control, dish washing, clean-up, and order taking. Your flexibility is appreciated, as needs change throughout the day. We request anyone interested in helping please email the Knights at gk@kofc6165.org or go to their website at www.kofc6165.org to sign up online. Come enjoy good fellowship and fun times while helping a great cause.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS: THANK YOU to our auction chairs Mandy McGuire, Jolene Sasser, Tricia Haywood & Maggie Bollone! Your hard work is so much appreciated! To the committee members, supporters, volunteers and attendees - THANK YOU!

Our next meeting is Monday March 14th - 7pm Garden Level

We have 3 executive board positions opening up in May! President, Treasurer & Public Relations... Nominations may be made to any current executive board member.

Save the dates: Give STL day Thursday May 5th, Mother/Son Saturday May 7th 1pm-4pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Feel free to join our students every Friday during Lent for the Stations of the Cross at 2:15.

GIBAULT INFO:

Top Golf: Fill a bay at our Top Golf Fundraiser! March 20, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., with Registration at 10:30 a.m. and Lunch at 11:30 a.m. For more info or sponsorship opportunities, visit <https://one.bidpal.net/gibaulttopgolf>

Visit Us!: It's always a great time to visit Gibault! We welcome 7th-8th graders and current high school students as Shadow Visitors. The best way to learn about life as a Gibault Hawk is to spend the day as one! The whole family is invited for a Private Tour where you can ask questions and see our campus.

Schedule your Shadow Visit or Private Tour at <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.

Taste of the Region: Tickets are now on sale for Taste of the Region, presented by The Gibault Women's Club. This year's event will be held on Saturday, March 26, from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. at Gibault. Featuring over 20 vendors and live entertainment! Tickets available at the Gibault office or online at <https://GHS-WomensClub.square.site>

Be Part of our Spring Musical: Gibault Catholic High School is casting 2nd -8th graders in our production of The Wizard of Oz! Auditions will be held Thursday, March 3, beginning at 5:30 in Gibault's auditorium. For the audition, you will be asked to sing (about 16 bars of a song...Happy Birthday is fine!), read from the script, and learn a quick dance. Performances will be held April 7-10.

There is a \$25.00 play fee for each performer, and you will be asked to provide parts of your costume. Rehearsal schedule will depend on role, but mandatory rehearsals for the entire cast will begin on Monday, March 28, and will be every day through April 10. For more info: contact Mary Beth Babcock at actorsattic@gmail.com.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK: I was talking to Mr. Hake in his room when two 4th graders entered and told him that there would not be many more students coming to class. Mr. Hake asked them why and one of them replied, **“There are a lot of students abstinent.”** (She meant to say absent.)

As a kinder student was entering the building on Friday for our dress down day she showed me two dollar bills and said, **“ I have two different presidents with me today.”**

On Monday Fr. Nick came into the PreK room to talk to the 4 year olds about ashes for Wednesday. On Wednesday one of the PreK boys asked Mrs. Helfrich, **“Will the ashes burn when they sprinkle them on my head?”**

PRAYER LIST: Denny Voegele (grandfather to Xavier), Olin Gossett (cousin to Ian and Zoe Klingert) Diane Corzine, Larry Pelker (grandfather to Steven Schaefer), Thomas Moll (grandfather of Mrs. Ettling and great-grandfather to Noah and Alaina Ettling), Mike Conrad, Ken Cress, Peg Aasheim, Anna Smugal-Ingram, Charlotte Bender (grandmother to David Callico) and all those serving in the military.

“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.”



**Eagle Scout Project
Immaculate Conception School Playground Pavilion**

My name is Kyle Rose. I've been in scouting since I was in first grade. In Tiger Scouts, our leader taught us about scouting and the path to become an Eagle Scout. When I was seven years old I told my Mom, I was going to be an Eagle Scout someday. While she would have preferred not to be awoken in the middle of the night for this news, she told me you can achieve anything you desire and to go back to bed.

I have advanced in scouting to the rank of Life Scout and now I am working to achieve the highest rank in scouting - Eagle Scout. The last requirement before becoming an Eagle Scout is to plan and execute a service project that will benefit the community, school, or religious organization. I am working with the Immaculate Conception School (ICS) in Columbia, Illinois, to construct a pavilion on the playground to provide needed shade to the students and staff.

ICS provides a faith-based education that compels their students to achieve their full potential by building on the core Christian values of Mission, Community, and Service since 1853. I am a 2019 graduate of ICS and while I did not attend ICS at their current location, as a former student, I can see the need to provide an outdoor shaded area that can be used as a classroom or at recess. The current school property does not offer a shaded location except in the shadow of the school building itself.

The approximate cost of this project is \$7,500. If more than what is needed is raised, the extra money would be donated to ICS to assist with the purchase of picnic tables for the pavilion. Will you please consider contributing to this project?

I am very grateful for any assistance you can provide. Upon completion of my project, I will notify all donors. Hopefully, you can visit ICS to see finished pavilion and the much-needed shade it provides. Donations can be made payable to Victoria Rose and mailed to:

Eagle Scout Project – ICS
105 N Metter Ave
Columbia, IL 62236

Thank you for your time and your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kyle Rose

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