



CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST: Fr. Eric reminded us that God's Word grows in us as we are His soil. Fr. Steve reminded us Mary shows us how to respond to God. Fr. Steve had the students bless and hug their grandparents as we celebrated the Eucharist with them on Thu.



(The students get these reminders during the week. Hopefully they are getting another reminder each weekend during the Celebration of the Eucharist with you.)

EARLY DISMISSAL: Wed, Sep 20, 2:00 dismissal. The after school bus will be at the normal time.

DONATIONS NEEDED: The Fathers Club needs donations for our Barrel of Booze raffle for the Joe Hoguet Golf Tournament. If you can donate a bottle (or two or three!!!) of liquor or wine or a pack of beer, please drop it off at the school office. You can also contact Bob Wachtel at 618-531-9169 or Josh McGuire at 618-580-3717 or Derek Pechacek at 618-559-5792 and they'll come pick it up. We'll be collecting donations through Tuesday, September 19

BAGS & BUBBLY: (SEE FLIER BELOW)

PANERA: 8th grade fundraiser meal MON, SEP 18. (SEE FLIER BELOW)

HONORED TEACHER: Mrs. Murphy was honored, through a drawing at Eckert's, as Eckert's Kindergarten Favorite Teacher. Her class received homegrown apples, freshly pressed apple cider and apple pie. The students had a great week, learning the parts of an apple, tasting different kinds of apples, eating apple pie, drinking apple cider, discovering how many seeds are in an apple and making homemade applesauce.



CANCER AWARENESS: We collected \$900 on Friday for our dress down. All proceeds will be donated to the Pedal the Cause organization. Most of us know someone who has been affected by cancer. Hopefully someday there will be a breakthrough and researchers will find a cure. .

YEARBOOK: We know that many of you are eagerly awaiting the arrival of last year's yearbook. So are we. Josten's claims they were delivered in August but we did not get them. They tell us they will be here in a few weeks. As soon as we get them we will let you know. If you are wanting to order one for next year you can order online or send back the form your child received with cash or check. **If you send a check please make it out to ICS.**

SEPTEMBER 11: On Monday, student's in Mrs. Hrabusicky's social studies classes learned about the events on Sep 11 and then spoke to survivors in New York via live message. We must never forget the past.

CHICAGO FIELD TRIP: Seventh grade students had an amazing time learning outside of the classroom on their field trip to Chicago. Chaperones, teachers, and students departed ICS via a charter bus at 1:00 AM, took a Metra commuter train from University Park into downtown Chicago, visited the Shedd Aquarium, Field Museum, Museum of Science and Industry, Navy Pier, took an architecture River boat cruise through the heart of downtown Chicago and returned to



ICS around 12:00 AM. Thank you to all of the chaperones: Megan Gilbreth, Kara Boyd, Kyle Doerr, Ryan Glasscock, Michelle Juengling, Kelly Klingert, Sarah Thieret, Amanda Buhr and Gene Jackson, along with our teachers: Mrs. Scheibe, Mrs. Tolan, and Mrs. Hrabusicky who made this trip possible.

PRAY AND PLAY AT LITTLE CHURCH: Little Church begins it's new school year in Preschool Room #220 of the Catholic Education & Activity Center on Sundays at 11am. We are looking forward to greeting all our friends and sharing God's love together! (Register through the parish website!) Little Church participants must be 3 (and potty trained) this September, and may participate through kindergarten. The Little Church School Year ends the Sunday before Memorial Day, and takes holiday breaks. For more information, contact Lauren Bernhard at 314-461-3530 or lbernhard104@gmail.com. (REGISTRATION FLIER BELOW)

YOUNG AUTHORS: Fall Young Authors submissions will be due Monday October 2nd. Any parents interested in assisting with judging the submissions can reach out to Susie Funk medic4837@gmail.com. (GUIDELINES FLIER BELOW)

ICS EVENTS:

September 18: 8th Grade - baseball, 4:15 Legion Park
September 20: 2:00 Dismissal (Normal dismissal bus)
September 22: Bi-County Field Trip-8th Grade;
September 22: Joe Hoguet Golf Tournament
September 25: IOWA Testing Week
September 28: Bags & Bubbly
September 29: No Bus at 3:00

ICS FANS: Come on out and cheer on our athletes at many of the home games. (SEE FLIER BELOW)

BIBLE BLESSING: The 4th graders received their Bibles and a blessing by Fr. Eric. They will use these for the next 4 years at ICS and hopefully for the rest of their lives.

GIBAULT INFO: Oktoberfest 2023: Mark your calendars for October 21 for this year's Oktoberfest - "*Havana Nights!*" For full event info, including ways to get involved, visit www.Gibault2023.givesmart.com.

OPEN HOUSE: Save the date for Open House 2023 on November 5! We'll have more event information for our Future Hawks soon!

SHADOW VISITS: We're excited to announce we are officially scheduling shadow visits! On select Tuesdays and Fridays, your 7th or 8th grader or current high school student can spend the day living like a Gibault Hawk. Shadow visitors will be matched with a current student with

similar interests and together, they'll attend classes, meet teachers, enjoy lunch in our cafeteria, and more! Get started at: <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>

NOTES FROM MS. SHEA (Mrs. Christensen):

Hi all!

We are well into the quarter, and some of you may have gotten some lessons from your kiddos on our new Character Education program. The Crusader Virtues look a little different than last year because, at the K-4 level, we are following a faith-based social emotional learning curriculum called Friendly that utilizes evidenced-based practices to increase empathy and positive social interaction in students.

Each month we will have a different Virtue "Catchphrase", and this month's Catchphrase is "We Need Each Other." So far we have learned from Genesis that God created us so that we would not be alone (Adam and Eve), and that sometimes we need our friends for help on our most difficult days.

Now, I should preface – both kids *and* adults need space every once in a while. However, I think it is fair to say we would not be the same person we are now if we were isolated from other people for our entire lives. Our community – the people we surround ourselves with – is meant to lift us up when we cannot do that for ourselves. They are meant to encourage us when doing hard things, and to celebrate successes and joyful moments.

We have just as much power to bring someone's day down as we do to build them up, so, as Mr. Gregson would say: Make it an awesome day for somebody.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK: A student came into the office to ask Mrs. Epplin about something and she asked why he didn't ask his teacher. He replied, **"My teacher is on vacation, I have a sub."** (The teacher was actually on a field trip. Believe me, field trips are far from vacations.) Mrs. Neff's 1st graders had a STEM challenge where they had to build a plant that stands on its own. One of the boys commented, **"Wow, God sure is incredible to make something so difficult."** (What a great quote!)

On Wednesday our soccer teams played against St. John Neumann school. I was principal there before I came to ICS. Ms. Wright overheard a few of the younger SJN girls saying, "There's Mr. Gregson." The other girl asked, "Who is that?". The first girl replied back, **"You know, that old guy who used to be our principal. Let's go say hi."**

PRAYER LIST: , Jill Dalke, Jamie Moravec, all those serving in the military. (If you would like a loved one added to this list please email me.)

Please keep Mrs. Weiler and her family in your prayers. Her dad is having serious health issues.

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2023 ICS Golf Tournament: The Joe Hoguet Memorial

Friday September 22

The Acorns Golf Links in Waterloo, IL

Golf Starts at 1:00 p.m. Lunch/registration starts at 12:00 p.m.

\$600 for a team of four

Includes skins, lunch, dinner, and drinks on the course

Bring cash for 50/50, booze raffle, etc...

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SEPTEMBER 28, 2023