

“LET CHRIST GUIDE YOUR WAY”

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST: Fr. Carl reminded us that we may be the only Gospel people read so we should always live a good life. He also reminded us that the Bible is a love letter from God.

TEST WEEK: Students in grades 2-8 will be taking the Iowa Basic Tests next week. Tests are not the “end all, be all” of what your child knows. These tests are indicators of what level they are at academically in comparison to others in the school, diocese, and nation. The scores can help determine areas of growth needed for your child and possible changes to curriculum.

Help your child feel their best everyday next week (actually these tips are good for any day):

- **Movement and exercise**
- **Getting plenty of rest**
- **Sticking to your usual bedtime routine**
- **Avoiding excessive screen time**
- **Providing a protein-rich breakfast in the morning, like oatmeal or eggs**
- **Keeping conversation positive, encouraging, and lighthearted**
- **Share laughter and sing favorite songs on the way to school, if driving.**
- **Leave your child with a big hug and words of encouragement**

PEDAL THE CAUSE: We collected \$1434.92 on Friday!!!! It is truly heartwarming to see everyone come together and donate for this.

MORNING DROP OFF: In order for the morning drop off to flow and keep everyone safe PLEASE pull all the way up to the farthest available pole to drop off your students. This lane should only be used for those that have students that can get out of the vehicle by themselves. If you need to get out of your vehicle please pull into the lot and the crossing guard will ensure that they are safe as they cross the lane and I will be there to make sure they get into the building.

DRESS CODE: Now that it is getting cooler it is good for all of us to be reminded of the dress code regarding sweaters and sweatshirts. *“Sweaters and sweatshirts must be Solid navy blue – with or without an ICS logo. Students may opt for a long-sleeve white/ blue shirt underneath their uniform as an alternative to a sweatshirt. Students may also wear white, black, or navy*

blue button-down sweaters. NO HOODIES OR OUTER GARMENTS MAY BE WORN INSIDE THE SCHOOL unless permission is granted by the principal due to classroom conditions.”

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: ICS is still collecting the Box Tops for Education. This is FREE money for the school. You can still cut them off the actual boxes and you can also simply scan your receipt using the app. (see link)). NOW - you can turn in your receipts to the school office and we will do all the work for you. Again, this is FREE money to ICS!!!!

https://www.boxtops4education.com/-/media/gmi/boxtopsforeducation/crc-downloads/2020/2020-08/site_download_btfeoverview2020.ashx?la=en

PARENTS AND FRIENDS:

Interested in helping plan our largest Parents & Friends fundraiser of the year??? Join us for the 2022 ICS Dinner Auction Committee Kick-Off Party!

SUNSET OVERLOOK

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

HAPPY HOUR AT 5:30PM

MEETING AT 6:00PM

There are many roles to fill & we need your help!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring their 4th annual Auto Show on Saturday, October 2, 2021 on the ICC upper parking lot. Please plan to attend and see the cars, trucks and tractors of fellow parishioners and enthusiasts. Kids can vote for their "Kids Choice Award". Registration of vehicles begins at 9:00am, with the show from 11:00am until 3:00pm. Food, music and awards.

GIBAULT INFO:

Shadow Visits

It's our favorite time of the year at Gibault Catholic - Shadow Season! Spend the day living the life of a Gibault Hawk: attend classes, meet teachers and other students, spend off mods on the patio, and enjoy lunch in our cafeteria! Shadow students are paired with a student ambassador who shares similar interests and will help your child feel welcome.

If your student is interested in shadowing, contact our Director of Enrollment, Kelly Day, at kday@gibaulthawks.com.

Learn A Latte about GCHS!

Visit with us from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m:

- Bean Tree Café (Waterloo) – 10/1
- Proving Ground (Columbia) - 10/14

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/2YAJ8lc>!

LAST CALL for Top Golf!

Register now to be part of our Top Golf Fundraiser on Oct. 3! We still have open bays, so gather a group for a day of golf. Each and every dollar earned benefits the students of Gibault! Join us for a day sure to put the "FUN" in fundraiser! <https://one.bidpal.net/gchstopgolf2021>.

Oktoberfest 2021

Join us for our Hawk-toberfest on October 23! This is our 50th Oktoberfest, and we can't wait to celebrate! At this time, we are planning for an in-person event. Tickets are on sale now.

Donations of new items are being accepted. Donations can be dropped off at the Gibault office during school hours, or pick-up of items can be arranged by calling us at 939-3883.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.bidpal.net/gibault2021. Thank you for your support

Drama Dept

Join us as our Theater Department presents their Fall Play, *A Voice in the Dark: A Salem Story* on September 30- October 3. Performances at 7 p.m. Thursday –Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m.

The show is 60 minutes, with no intermission. Thursday and Friday night shows will be followed by a 30-minute Improvised Halloween Extravaganza! Tickets are \$ 12.00 on Thursday and Friday and \$10.00 on Saturday and Sunday.

Notre Dame High School's Middle School Glow Mixer on Friday, October 1st from 7-9 PM.

<https://ndhs1934.wufoo.com/forms/middle-school-glow-mixer-21/>

YOUNG AUTHORS: It's that time again! Turn in date for the fall Young Authors contest will be **Monday, September 27th.**

Guidelines: Please do not write your name on your story, instead use a post-it note or attach your name on a separate piece of paper with a paperclip. The emphasis of the Young Authors program is on creativity! A parent volunteer will judge your work based on its originality, its organization (does your story have a beginning, middle, and ending?), and on its use of clear, descriptive words. Stories are evaluated based 75% on creativity and 25% on grammar and punctuation. Does your story create a picture for your reader? Does it take them on a journey? You may also enter a poem. Students in grades 5 through 8 may also enter non-fiction essays including classroom assignments. Judges will be looking for clear, descriptive sentences and well-organized paragraphs. Any submission may be written at home or as part of a classroom assignment. Please do not submit work that has been entered in the Young Authors competition in a previous year. Young Authors is designed to encourage the student to write, however a parent can help with proofreading grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Very young authors may tell their story to a parent while the parent writes/types the story. It is important that the story be "in the child's own words," which is the state rule for the Young Authors program. Parents should encourage their children to work on their submissions as independently as possible.

Students in grades K-4 receive their Young Authors' awards at presentations following each judging. Older students receive theirs at the Awards Night in May. All winners from fall and

spring are entered into a drawing, and one randomly selected student from each grade will be invited to attend the regional Young Authors' Conference.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK: I was at the kindergarten soccer jamboree on Saturday when I heard these words from a coach, **"Put your shirt down and get ready for soccer."** (You don't normally hear that too often at a soccer game.)

A student in Mrs. Murphy's kindergarten class is named Hannah. I always call her "Hannah Banana". One day this week Mrs. Murphy tells me that a student told her class she was named after her grandma which led Hannah to proudly exclaim, **"I was named after a banana."**

PRAYER LIST: Diane Corzine, Meghan Friedrich, Mike Conrad, Ken Cress, Peg Aasheim, David Schueler (grandfather of Ellie, Olivia, Jackson Deffenbaugh & Keaton, Nolan, Levi, and Hayden Schueler) 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."