

Immaculate Conception † St. Joseph School Newsletter

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With support from families, we respect and encourage students to reach their potential **Spiritually** by developing a strong relationship with Jesus and knowledge of His church, **Academically** by igniting learning, leadership and life skills, **Physically** by learning about and living healthy habits and **Socially** by becoming active members of the community who serve others as stewards of the Gospel so they are the light of Christ in the world.

FEBRUARY Habit of the Month: **THINK WIN-WIN**

- ★ Remember to attend Mass and grab a **bulletin!** (Have your child write his or her name on it and turn it in on Monday, or collect them and turn them in at the end of the month.)
- ★ Remember to discuss putting first things first as a family!
- ★ How is your child living "Habit 4: "Think Win-Win" at home based on some of the key concepts we have been learning about this month?

No Waterloo buses February 24 & 25

IC/SJ Yearbook Sale

Order forms for the 2021-2022 IC/SJ yearbooks are **due Monday, February 28**, with payment. The cost is \$15.00 for each yearbook.

2022-2023 Kindergarten and Preschool

We are gathering numbers for our 2022-2023 kindergarten and preschool classes. If you have a child who will be entering kindergarten or preschool next year, or if you know of someone who has a child, please fill out the form in this newsletter and return to the school office.

Tuition Assistance

The Our Faith, Our Children, Our Future School Tuition Organization (STO) and Bosco Catholic School System (BCSS) are pleased to once again provide tuition assistance to qualifying families.

The STO program will be utilizing FACTS Management to assist in determining the level of assistance to be awarded.

The FACTS application needs to be completed no later than April 15, 2022. The online FACTS application can be found at <https://online.factsmtg.com/aid>

Parents of Current 7th and 8th Graders

There will be a parent/student interest meeting **Wednesday, March 2**, at 6:30pm. The meeting will be in Mrs. Rohret's Room 121 in the high school. This meeting is for anyone interested in attending NCYC in 2023. NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) will be held in Indianapolis in November of 2023. At the conference, students will be with thousands of other high schoolers partaking in the sacraments, prayers, and other fun activities such as team building and trading. Come to the meeting to find out more information!

Tuition Statements

Tuition statements will be sent out Friday to families that have a balance remaining. Thank you to those families that are current on your payments. If you are behind on payments, please bring them up to date as soon as possible. If you would like to make arrangements for payment, please call or email either, Mrs. Douglas, Mr. Redmond, or Leigh Anne Schares. Call or email Leigh Anne if you have any questions on your balance. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday Mass

March 2 is Ash Wednesday. We will have an all school Mass at 7:45.



**Please send all newsletter items to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org
by 3:00pm on Wednesday, March 2.**



From Mrs. Schroeder...

Great things have been happening in the IC library this year. First, over 600 wonderful books have been added to our collection through the generous donation of books from several different sources. Thanks to Kay Delagardelle for pulling picture and chapter books from the St. Joseph library to be brought down to the IC library. The librarians, Diane Schares, Teresa Schmitz, Julie Frost, Kim Nissen, and Jodi Bauwens spent many hours getting the books ready to be added to the shelves. Secondly, two new wooden browsing bookshelves were added to hold all the new picture books. We were able to get the bookshelves through a generous donation from the Jim Schmitz Memorial. Thank you, Teresa Schmitz and family for your generosity. Bill and Rhonda Bloes donated their time and talent in designing and making the browsing shelves. The students were speechless when they walked into the library and saw the beautiful new shelves. We are so grateful to everyone who has helped to make the library so awesome this school year.



Help Us Determine Parish Viability Measures

So, what does a viable parish look like? You can help identify the criteria needed to make that determination by completing the synod survey you received earlier this month. Completed surveys can be submitted by mailing it to: Survey Archdiocese of Dubuque, 1229 Mt. Loretta Ave, Dubuque, IA 52003. You can access the survey at www.dbqarch.org/survey.

It's due no later than Tuesday, March 1, 2022.

Nurse's Notes

Our 4th and 5th grade students are participating in the SWITCH program again this year. We are starting week number 5 which is CHEW week. The goal is to eat 5 servings of fruits and or vegetables per day. How many servings do you get every day? Try to incorporate one serving in each meal and a snack. The serving size is 1/2 a cup of fruits and vegetables except green leafy vegetables which is one cup for a serving size. Think of the rainbow when selecting fruits and vegetables to get a good variety. Have your child help select what they would like to try. Clean and prep them for all week at one time. If they are available and ready to go they are more likely to get eaten. Marianne Hickey RN

Lady Don's Softball

We are working on coordinating the Lady Dons Softball Season for the spring/summer. If your daughter is in 1st through 6th grade and interested in playing please send an email to Ladydons22@yahoo.com with the following information as soon as possible and no later than April 1. Player Name, current grade, parent contact information: names, phone/ email.

The Lady Dons play within The Cedar Valley Summer League which has previously included: Janesville, Wapsie Valley, Denver, Hudson, Dysart, La Porte, Dunkerton.

Here is an idea of the season based on past years:
Home field: Pint Softball Complex in Raymond - Practice: starting mid April on M/W - Games: starting mid May M/W through end of June
Equipment: each player will need a glove, face mask, cleats (more information to come on requirements for face mask and glove size)
Fees: player season fees are based off final cost of umpires, field rental, equipment replacement and uniform needs.

Once we have a list of players from each grade the coaches will reach out to parents on further communication, uniforms, equipment needs, etc.

Thanks, The Lady Dons Coaches

Daddy Daughter Dance

- Friday, March 11, 2022 from 6:30pm-8:00pm in Saint Mary Center
- Girls can bring Dad, Grandpa, Uncle or other special guest
- This event is open to all ages from BCSS and St. A, as well as friends and family
- Tickets are \$5.00 per person. A flyer was sent home with your daughter. Please RSVP if you plan to attend by returning the flyer to school
- **Hosted by the Fun Run Committee**

Fine Arts & Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Nominations Sought

Do you know a Don Bosco High School Alum that should be recognized for their accomplishments? We are looking for nominations for the Don Bosco Fine Arts & Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame.

Applications and qualifications are listed on the school's website at <https://www.boscocatholic.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/>

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Fine Arts Nominations are due to Heidi Rottink (hrottink@boscocatholic.org) by March 1. Honorees will be notified, and the awards will be given at either the Spring Musical or Spring Concert. Distinguished Alumni Nominations are due to Chris Kangas (ckangas@boscocatholic.org) by April 1. Honorees will be recognized at this year's graduation ceremony.

Other Hall of Fame awards: The Athletics Hall of Fame honorees are inducted over the Thanksgiving break and nominations are due to Tom Hogan (thogan@boscocatholic.org) by the 15th of October. The Volunteer of the Year award is presented at the Feast of St. John Bosco Mass during Catholic Schools Week. Nominations are due to the PTO by the end of December.

Due to the Covid-19 virus we have only recognized the Volunteer of the Year award in 2020 and 2021 and we will resume our other recognitions with the Fine Arts awards (multiple awards) this spring.

Subs Needed

Do you have a Bachelor's Degree, Associate's Degree, OR have you completed 60 hours of college credit? If so, you could become an authorized substitute teacher!

For more information, click on the link below. The course is 10 hours online and 10 hours meeting via zoom!

[Substitute Authorization – AEA Remote Learning Courses](#)



We are beginning to prepare for the 2022-2023 school year!

It's time to **RESERVE** your child's **spot** in our
3 year old, 4 year old, or kindergarten program.

If you know of someone who has a 3 year old, 4 year old, or kindergartner,
please let us know or share this form with them!

Our after school program (ABC) will be available for all 3 and 4 year olds enrolled in our full day
classes. ABC is open to PK-5 students.

Grade in 2022-2023: (circle one)

Kindergarten

Preschool 4 yr old

Preschool 3 yr old

Please circle the 4 year old option you are interested in:

M-F 7:30-2:15

M-W-F 7:30-2:15

M-F 7:30-10:30

Please circle the 3 year old option you are interested in:

M-F 7:30-2:15

M-W-F 7:30-2:15

M-F 7:30-10:30

M-W-F 7:30-10:30

Child's Name: _____ Male Female (circle one)

Child's Date of Birth: _____

Parent Names: _____

Street Address, PO Box: _____

City, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Catholic Non-Catholic (circle one) Parish registered: _____

Leader in Me Monthly Challenge

Hello families!

As part of our mission of developing students *spiritually, academically, physically, and socially*, we have been focused on the importance of **attending Mass** and our **Leader in Me habits**.

Here's how it will work:

- February focus habit: THINK WIN-WIN
 - As a family, talk about thinking win-win at home
 - Tell us what you did on the form below.
 - **Turn the form in by Monday, Feb. 28**
- Go to Mass
 - Have your student (one for each child) collect a bulletin
 - Make sure the bulletin is dated (Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27)
 - It can be from any church you attend that weekend
 - **Turn the bulletins into your teacher the following week.**

Prize: The February prize is **D**  **nuts with Mrs. D**  **uglas**

Two students from each unit (K-2, 3-5, 6-8) will be drawn. You will get your name in a drawing for filling out this slip and once for each bulletin you bring in. The prize will take place the following week.

February Habit of the Month

Habit 4 : Think Win-Win

How is your child living "Habit 4: Think Win-Win" at home based on some of the key concepts (thinking win-win, win-lose, lose-win, or win-win or no deal situations) we have been learning about this month in K-8?

Child's name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

6TH ANNUAL

Gilbertville Fire / Rescue and
Law Enforcement Banquet & Auction



Saturday, March 5th, 2022
American Legion, Gilbertville

Serving top sirloin dinner with a limited amount
Of Ham Steaks for a second option from 4:30-6:30

\$20 For Dinner and Mick Staebell & Aaron Lentzow Dueling Pianos
\$10 For Dueling Pianos Only

Silent Auction 4:30-7:00

7:00 Announcement with Live Auction to Follow

***** MICK STAEBELL and AARON LENTZOW**

Dueling Pianos "Las Vegas Style" ***

After the live auction



A FEW LIVE AUCTION ITEMS



Lake Michigan Fishing Trip for 6

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Signed Don Bosco Singlet
Log Furniture
2 Sides of Beef
Riverside Golf Package

AND MANY MORE!

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SUPPORTERS!

Dew Drop, Isle of Capri, Black Hawk Waste, Gilbertville Locker, USA Mortgage, Fischels Farm,
Allen Weber, Woodland Vet, Armin's Auto Sales, Shane Clark, Raymond Bow Hunters,
Young's Plumbing and Heating, Riverside Casino, Brian Delegardelle, B&B Farm Store,
Sheetz Towing, Morg's Diner, Steve Hubbard State Farm Insurance, Ray Mount Towing,
Precision Auto, Schares Landscaping, Janet Woods/Catholic Order of Foresters, Nate Phillips,
Freedom Flag Poles, Spring Creek Farms, Chad & Shelia Even Custom Feeding, Al & Connie Mangrich,
B&B Farm Store, Rydell Chevrolet, HyVee, The 10th Inning

Supporters as of poster production date