



Immaculate Conception/St. Joseph Newsletter

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The Bosco Catholic School System provides students and families with academic, spiritual, moral, and sacramental formation so that they are prepared to be faithful disciples who are the light of Christ in the world.

Leaf Raking Service Project

The middle school students will soon be participating in our annual leaf raking service project for the elderly and disabled citizens of our community. This is scheduled to take place on Friday, November 3. We need parent volunteers! If you could help us out this year, please contact the school at 296-1089 or email Mrs. Berry at cberry@boscocatholic.org.

We are asking for each 6th grade student to donate one package of lawn/leaf bags. These may be brought in at anytime. Each student will need to have a rake.

3rd Grade to Museum School

Our third grade students have the opportunity to attend Museum School. Museum School is a four day excursion that immerses students in the history of their community with interactive and hands-on learning. Students will travel each day to the Grout Museum October 31 - November 3. Permission forms are going home today.

Nurse's Notes

What is influenza? It is a viral illness. Antibiotics will not treat a viral infection. Influenza viruses may cause fever, aches, cough, and headache. Symptoms last from a few days to a couple of weeks. It does not normally cause vomiting and diarrhea. Influenza can usually be treated at home by resting, drinking plenty of fluids and treating a fever if you have one. An Influenza Immunization is recommended for everyone over the age of 6 months. The vaccine prevents most cases of Influenza. You cannot get Influenza from the vaccine. Also remembering to wash your hands frequently and not having your hands by your face may help. If you think you have Influenza check with your primary care provider for treatment options. Marianne Hickey RN

St. Joseph Catholic Church Harvest Breakfast

St. Joseph Catholic Church will be hosting their Harvest Breakfast, silent auction, and bake sale on Sunday, October 22, 2017, from 8:30am to 12:00pm, at Reuter Hall, 313 E. Central Street, Raymond.

The menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage patties, homemade cinnamon rolls, hash browns, juice, coffee, and milk. The cost is \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for youth ages 4 to 12, and children under 3 are free. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Immaculate Conception Harvestfest 2017

Thank you to everyone who attended our IC Harvestfest. It was a huge success. A BIG thank you to those who volunteered to work a shift or two. It takes many volunteers to fill those shifts.

We will be having our follow-up meeting on Monday, November 6 in the Heritage Room at 7:00pm for the committee members and anyone who wants to attend. We have committee members that have been doing this for many years and would like to "retire". Please think seriously about grabbing a friend to help with a committee and attend our meeting on November 6.

Immaculate Conception Parish Job Opening

Immaculate Conception Parish has a job opening for grounds keeper. This position includes lawn mowing for Immaculate Conception Church, school and St. Mary's Cemetery. Also weed-trimming, seeding and fertilizing when necessary. Averaging approximately 20 hours per week in the summer months. Must also be available for snow-removal in the winter using a shovel and tractor mounted snow blower. Early hours before morning Mass a must. All equipment provided by parish. For more information contact Steve Reiter at 319-230-0145 or Mark Thome at 319-239-0305 and/or if you wish to apply call the parish office at 296-1092 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

Please send all newsletter items to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org by 3:00pm on Wednesday, October 25.

Wednesday, November 1, All Saint's Day

K-1 students will start their day at the IC Center. If you normally drop your student off at St. Joseph, you will need to drop off in Gilbertville on Nov. 1. Students will be transferred to St. Joseph after Mass.

65% Tax Credit Too Good to be True?

Not at all. If you file an Iowa Income Tax Return, your contributions to the Our Faith School Tuition Organization (STO) receive a 65% tax credit. That means for every \$1000 you donate, you receive an Iowa income tax credit of \$650, which reduces your Iowa tax liability by \$650. In addition, the entire amount of your gift qualifies for federal deductibility. And that gift you made? It helps make a Catholic school education affordable for every child, regardless of their families' financial situation. It really is that simple. Visit www.OurFaithSto.org or call the Archdiocese of Dubuque at 800-876-3546 ext. 219 or 307 to learn more.

DB Post Prom Committee Invites You

The 2018 DB Post Prom Committee invites you to an evening of adult fun and entertainment at the Riverside Resort & Casino on Friday, November 10. Tickets are \$40 per person and include luxury coach transportation to and from Riverside Resort & Casino, \$10 free slot play and a \$5 buffet voucher. Live entertainment is scheduled at the Resort that evening including duo performers from Nashville and the Madd Hoss Jackson Band (Classic Rock Dance Music). Gaming and great food also awaits!

Please consider joining in this evening of fun and entertainment while also helping to raise funds for the 2018 Post Prom event in the spring!

Tickets are limited, send or drop off payment to LeighAnne Schares in the High School office to secure your seat prior to departure. Let's fill the bus and have a great time! Post Prom Committee

Reminder

When sending cash/checks to school PLEASE put it in an envelope marked with a first and last name and what it is for.

**No School Monday, October 23
Professional Development Day
Offices will be closed**

Sunday's Word - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Synopsis

The Pharisees sent their disciples to him saying, "Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Jesus said, "Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

One-Minute-Homily

- We live in a busy world where each of us has multiple roles and responsibilities. Often enough we feel trapped between competing or conflicting responsibilities and between our human responsibilities and our responsibilities as disciples.
- In today's Gospel, the Pharisees challenged Jesus by presenting an apparent conflict between their responsibility to God and their responsibility in this world.
- Because we live in the "in-between times," in a world partly redeemed and partly not, we are challenged to live into the Kingdom as best we can under the circumstances, that means trying to fulfill our many responsibilities in this world in a way which is as consistent as possible with God's will.
- The Eucharist is a constant reminder of the "in-between" times, a God who offers Godself to the world, but is not yet fully appreciated or accepted by the world.

For Reflection or Discussion

Question for Children: How do you decide what is the good thing to do?

Question for Youth: Where and how do you feel the conflict between your faith and human needs or responsibilities?

Question for Adults, Families and Faith Communities: How often do we sacrifice our values as disciples to fulfill certain human needs or responsibilities?

Red Ribbon Week was developed in 1988 to promote awareness of the dangers of alcohol and other drugs. This special week was developed to honor the memory of Enrique Camarena. (www.dea.gov/redribbon/RedRibbon_history.shtml) During the week of October 23rd - 27th, we will have special activities to educate our students on the dangers of drugs and the importance of making positive choices.

Monday- No School

Tuesday-Your Choices are Key to Your Dreams
Wear Pajamas to school.

Students will write on keys what they will do to stay drug free.

Wednesday- Promise Your Friends You'll be Drug Free!
Dress up like your friends

Thursday- My Future is Bright and Drug Free/
Real Heroes Don't Do Drugs
Dress up as the future career of your choice or come dressed as your favorite superhero.

Friday- I'm "Red-y" to Say No to Drugs
Come dressed in as much red as possible.

Please use good judgement as it is a Mass day at IC! (No sweat pants, no yoga pants, no leggings as pants, and no face paint.)

Students will participate in a scavenger hunt.

Each homeroom will decorate their classroom door.

Drug Free Pledge

I pledge allegiance to myself and who I want to be,
Cause I can make my dreams come true, if I believe in me.
I pledge to stay in school and learn the things I need to know,
To make the world a better place for kids like me to grow.
I pledge to keep my dreams alive and be all that I can be.
I know I can, and that's because
I pledge to stay DRUG FREE!