



## 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.

### **Cookie Dough Pick Up**

Plan to pick up all cookie dough and Cinnabon orders on Wednesday, November 1 between 2:30pm and 6:00pm in St. Mary Center.

### **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.



Mrs. Wellman's homeroom met their Box Tops goal and earned a jean day with their spirit or uniform shirt Wednesday, November 1.



### **Leaf Raking Service Project**

The middle school students will be participating in our annual leaf raking service project next Friday, November 3. We need parent volunteers! If you could help us

out, please contact the school at 296-1089 or email Mrs. Berry at [cberry@boscocatholic.org](mailto:cberry@boscocatholic.org).

We are also asking for each 6th grade student to donate one package of lawn/leaf bags. Each student will need to have a rake. Please make sure you have their name on the rake before sending it to school. You may send them in at anytime and we will store them in homerooms. No rakes on the Waterloo buses.

### **3rd Grade to Museum School**

Our third grade students will 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.

### **Yearbook Cover Design**

The yearbook committee is getting started on the 2017-2018 yearbook, any student interested in designing a cover, hand drawn or digitally created, the due date is Monday, Nov. 6, 2017. Guidelines are: on 8.5 x 11 white paper, create design in one color, must have Immaculate Conception - St. Joseph Catholic School on it.

### **Hot Lunch Reminder**

Parents and grandparents are always welcome to have lunch with students. Our school lunch program has established nutritional guidelines that must be met to qualify for commodity foods and financial assistance. Please remember, if you bring lunch in, sodas are NOT allowed in the lunch room. All visitors/guests must sign in at the office before going to the lunch room.

### **Food Drive**

Starting October 30 the IC/St. Joseph students will be joining the IC & St. Joseph 2018 Confirmation Class, along with DBHS students, in a food drive. We will be collecting items from October 30 - November 10. The students are asked to bring in canned food and nonperishable items. They can also donate money. The IC/SJ student council has set a goal of 1,000 items for the K-8 students. Canned food and nonperishable items are worth one point. Each dollar donated is worth 4 points. The classroom from K-4 and 5-8 that brings in the most food items based on number of food items per student will get a card from Freddy's for a free cup of custard.

### **Post Season Football Tickets**

Tickets for Friday's game can be purchased at the Don Bosco office for \$6.00. The office is open from 7:00am-3:00pm. each day. No school passes are accepted for playoff games.

### **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.

**Please send all newsletter items to [icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org](mailto:icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org) by 3:00pm on Wednesday, November 1.**

### *Nurse's Notes*

This week is Red Ribbon Week. One of the things that we need to consider is prescription and over the counter medications. I would like to encourage you to take a look at your medication cabinet. Are there medications in there that need to be thrown out? Old prescriptions or over the counter drugs that have expired? It may also be a good time to assess how accessible they may be to children. Are there medications that should be locked up? Are they stored out of the reach of children or those that should not have access to them? If you have medications that need to be destroyed look for a drug disposal event. If there isn't one scheduled it is recommended that you mix medication in a bag with dirt, kitty litter or used coffee grounds. Throw the bag in your trash. Mark out or remove any labels with personal information on them. Medications are important when they are used correctly.

When is a sore throat more serious than just a sore throat? We are still seeing new cases of Strep Throat. Strep Throat is caused by a specific type of bacteria, Streptococcus. When someone has Strep Throat their tonsils are inflamed, also the back of the throat may appear red and pus or drainage may be present. If a sore throat persists whether or not it is accompanied by a fever, headache, stomachache, or extreme fatigue, you should call your primary care provider. The provider will perform a rapid strep test and usually a longer term culture if the initial test is negative. If antibiotics are prescribed be sure and complete the whole course of treatment. Before returning to normal activities you need to be on antibiotics for 24 hours, also be fever free for 24 hours without medication. Clean common surfaces with a cleanser that kills Streptococcus, paying close attention to the dwell time on the surface. Toothbrushes should also be changed. Frequent hand washing is a must. If you have any questions check with your primary care provider. Marianne Hickey RN

### *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.

### *Bosco System Fall Play*

The Bosco System Drama Department will present *How the Other Half Dies* By Eddie McPherson.

A murder mystery parody sure to delight and amuse audiences as they try to figure out who killed the man on the couch. With cameo appearances by faculty members, this is a can't miss production!

Performances are Saturday, November 4 at 7:00 PM and Sunday, November 5 at 1:00 PM in the Don Bosco Gym. Admission is \$5.00.

### *Sunday's Word - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

#### Synopsis

One of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking "Teacher, which commandment is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

#### One-Minute-Homily

- Every family, every community, and every faith has laws or rules. These laws and rules should serve the relationship they are designed to guide and guard.
- In today's Gospel, Jesus explains to the Jewish scholars that above the law is something even more important: their relationship to God and to each other.
- Disciples need to realize that sometimes enforcing the rules can strengthen and preserve a relationship; at other times it may diminish or destroy it. Laws are secondary to the relationship and meant to serve it; this does not make them "relative" but it does make them "relational."
- The Eucharist is first of all an expression and an experience of our relationship to God and to one another.

#### For Reflection or Discussion

Question for Children: What rules do you have in your family and how to serve the family?

Question for Youth: Can you identify the rules which help strengthen your relationship with family, friends and church and the rules which don't?

Question for Adults, Families and Faith Communities: Do people get the impression that we care more about the rules than about the relationship? How can we change their impression?

**If throughout the school year you need to make updates (address, phone #, e-mail address, emergency contact info, medical/medication info) please log in to PowerSchool to make the changes. By doing this, SchoolMessenger is automatically updated and the school will be notified of the updates made.**

## ***Bosco Catholic School System Hall of Fame***

We are excited to continue to recognize those individuals who have contributed so much to the Bosco Catholic School System! Below you will see the different awards and criteria that we recognize within our Hall of Fame. You can see the individuals/groups that have been inducted in the past by stopping by Don Bosco Catholic High School and see plaques of them on the wall across from our concession stand. Help to spread the word and submit your nominations for the awards below! Thank you for your time with this.

### **Distinguished Alumni Award**

The Distinguished Alumni Award is the highest honor bestowed on an alumnus/alumna by the Bosco Catholic School System. This award is given to alumni who have reached the pinnacle of their career and have brought credit to themselves and the Bosco Catholic School System through distinguished accomplishments in ALL of the following areas:

- Business or professional life
- Community affairs at local, state or national levels
- Support of the advancement and continued excellence of the Bosco Catholic School System

The Distinguished Alumni Award is presented to recipients at the Don Bosco Catholic School System Commencement Ceremonies

If you would like to nominate an individual for the Distinguished Alumni Award, please complete the form online (link below). If you have any questions, contact Casey Redmond at 319-296-1692 or [credmond@boscocatholic.org](mailto:credmond@boscocatholic.org)

The induction for this will take place at the graduation ceremonies on May 20, 2018.

<http://www.boscocatholic.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Advancement-Alumni%7CDistinguished%20Alumni%20Award>

### **Athletics Hall of Fame**

To submit nominations click on the link below or email Tom Hogan at [thogan@boscocatholic.org](mailto:thogan@boscocatholic.org) with who you are nominating, the background and reason why they are deserving, and what sport you are nominating them for.

<http://www.boscocatholic.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Don%20Bosco%7CDB%20Athletics%3E%3EHall%20of%20Fame>

This year the induction ceremonies will take place on Friday, November 24, 2017.

As of now, the schedule is as follows:

6:30 pm: The induction for the Class of 2017 into the Bosco Catholic School System Athletic Hall of Fame in the Don Bosco Gym.

7:00-8:00 p.m.: Social at American Legion (Adults Only)

8:00-12:00 a.m.: Dance at American Legion (Adults Only)

Need a couple people who are willing to take gate at the legion for the social and dance. Please contact Casey Redmond at [credmond@boscocatholic.org](mailto:credmond@boscocatholic.org) if you are willing. Thank you!

## **Volunteer Hall of Fame**

Its purpose is to honor those people who have given and sacrificed through the years to sustain Catholic education. There are many ways these wonderful people have given their time, talents, and treasures because they value and support the Catholic education. These people have offered years of service as faculty, staff personnel, or volunteers. They have gone above and beyond in giving of their time and/or helping support financially.

If you know of someone who fits this description, please provide the name of the nominee and include a letter explaining why you think this person would be an outstanding choice. A committee then votes on the nominations based on the above criteria.

Your nomination can be sent to [bschares@asiowa.com](mailto:bschares@asiowa.com)

The inductee will be recognized in January during Catholic Schools Week.

### **Fine Arts Hall of Fame**

To submit nominations email Heidi Rottink at [hröttink@boscocatholic.org](mailto:hröttink@boscocatholic.org) with who you are nominating, the background and reason why they are deserving, and what they participated in. Accomplishments can include things that they did while in high school, college, and/or during their adult professional career that relates to Fine Arts. A committee will then look at all of the nominations and select a candidate.

The inductee(s) will be recognized May 16, 2018, during the Spring Concert if being recognized for music or art. If being recognized for Drama it will be during the Spring Musical in April.