



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.

Conference Sign Up Deadline is Sunday

You have until Sunday, February 11 at midnight to sign up for your conference times online. Information on scheduling your conferences online may be found in last week's newsletter. Conferences are February 13 & 15, 2018. **No classes February 16.**

Please print or write down your conference schedule. You will NOT be able to go back to the scheduler after February 11 at midnight.

Ash Wednesday Mass

February 14 is Ash Wednesday. Kindergarten and first grade students need to start their day in Gilbertville. We will have an all school Mass at 7:45. K-1 students will be bused to Raymond after Mass.

No Waterloo buses Thursday, February 15, 2018.

First Eucharist Parent Meeting

The informational parent meeting for second grade students receiving their First Eucharist has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 27, in Room 205 at IC at 6:00pm. Students do not need to attend.



The following homerooms met their Box Tops goal and earned a jean day with their spirit or uniform shirt **Thursday,**

February 15. Mrs. Bolick, Mrs. Neverman, Mrs. Ownby, Ms. McMaster, Mrs. Wellman, Mrs. Olson, Mrs. Schroeder, Mrs. Gutierrez.

7th & 8th Grade Track & Field and Golf

Sign up sheets are posted in the hallway for Track & Field and Golf. Both are open to all boys and girls in 7th and 8th grade. Sign up if interested.

Book Fair

We will be having an USBORNE Book Fair during conferences next week. Please see the flyer below.

STO - Tuition Assistance

STO applications should be simplified this year. If you completed an application last year, your demographic information should roll over into this year's application. You will need to double check that it is current and accurate, but you will not need to enter everything. You will need to answer the financial questions for this year. They can work with your 2016 tax return which is what most of you uploaded last year so you will not need to wait until you get this year's taxes filed. You will simply need to upload your W-2's for this year before submitting. If you have questions or need any assistance with the process please contact Ms. Mayer or Mr. Redmond.

The STO application needs to be completed no later than March 29, 2018. The application is available online at online.factsmtg.com/aid.

State Wrestling

If your student will be gone for the State Wrestling Tournament, please complete the form found on our website. <http://www.boscocatholic.org/vimages/shared/vnews/stories/55dcc0d507de3/Absence%20Request%20form.pdf> Forms should be turned in to the office by Monday, February 12. Please remember students will be responsible for the school work they miss.

Pennies For Patients

IC/SJ will be participating in a "Stuck For A Buck" fundraiser through the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, for those battling Leukemia. It begins Monday, Feb. 5 and ends Tuesday, Feb 13. Students are encouraged to bring in money to donate. For each dollar they bring, they will receive a ticket, with the tickets, they get to put that into a bucket to vote for which teacher, they wish to stick to the wall. For each dollar the student brings, they will receive 1 foot of duct tape to tape the teacher onto the wall.

Please send all newsletter items to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org by 3:00pm on Wednesday, February 14.

Gold Star Awards for Outstanding Teaching

Tell us about a teacher who shines! The R.J. McElroy Trust and KWWL are co-sponsoring the 30th annual Gold Star Award for Outstanding Teaching. Has a teacher made a difference at your school? Nominate a teacher today! We welcome you to nominate teachers of all backgrounds, teaching specialties, and schools. We'd love to hear about your amazing teachers!

Nominations must be deposited in Gold Star box (located in school building) or postmarked by 11:59 pm on Tuesday, February 20. You may go www.goldstarteacher.com to nominate online. The deadline for nominations is February 20.

Post Prom Fundraiser



The Post Prom committee is selling a cell phone Pop-up with the DB logo for \$10.00. We will be selling them in St. Mary Center on February 13, from 5:00-8:00pm. If you are interested in a pop-up please contact Georgia McMahon @ 319-269-1147 or email jgmac210@mchsi.com. Please support Post Prom.

St. Joseph Parish Breakfast

Treat your Valentine to a delicious omelet breakfast Sunday, February 11, 2018, at St. Joseph Reuter Hall, 313 E. Central St., Raymond. Serving will be from 8:00am to noon. The cost for the breakfast is: \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 4-11, and children age 3 and under are free.

The menu includes made-to-order omelet, hash browns, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk, and coffee. The public is invited to attend.

Nurse's Notes

This is Burn Awareness Week. According to HealthyChildren.org "there are many different causes of serious burns in children, including sunburn, hot water or other hot liquids, and those due to fire, electrical contact, or chemicals. All of these can cause permanent injury and scarring to the skin." Safeguard your family. Make sure smoke alarms are in working order. Test them each month and change the batteries every year. Make sure children know what the alarms sound like and will wake up to them. Practice your fire drill. Teach children to stop, drop and roll if their clothing would catch on fire. Keep matches and lighters out of children's reach. Test the temperature of your water. Make sure the water heater is set at 120 degrees or below. Lock up chemicals.
Marianne Hickey RN

2018-2019 Kindergarten and Preschool

We are gathering numbers for our 2018-2019 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 call the school office at 319-233-5980.

Sunday's Word - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11, 2018

Synopsis

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.

One-Minute-Homily

- Early on, we learn that a hand can help or hurt us; a touch can be soothing or painful. In time, we learn that the less physical, more emotional ways that we "touch" people can relieve pain or cause pain, the power of touch.
- We see an example of the spiritual power of touch in today's Gospel. Jesus reaches out to the leper and touches him, a dangerous and audacious thing to do at the time, given the nature of leprosy, but therein lies the cure.
- All around us are people in varying degrees of physical, emotional, mental or spiritual pain; they are saying to us, "if you wish, you can make us clean." Do we have the courage and grace to do what it takes, however audacious or unpopular or dangerous?
- For centuries, most people just knelt and watched the Eucharist. As we receive the host and wine today, we realize that Jesus actually wants to reach out and really touch us.

For Reflection or Discussion

Question for Children: How are some of the ways you use your hands to help or hurt other people?

Question for Youth: Young adults begin to realize that sexual intimacy, has emotional, psychological and spiritual as well as physical components. What are you discovering about the deeper implications of touch?

Question for Adults, Families and Faith Communities: Who among us, or around us, seeks the healing touch that Jesus depends on us to give them? Why are we ignoring them?

For the LOVE of Reading!

Join us at the Book Fair!!
Tuesday, Feb 13th and Thursday, Feb 15th
from 3:00-7:30pm!

*Books and
activities for
Pre-K through
8th grade!*

Teacher Wishlists available.

**50% of all purchases goes to
the library in NEW books!**

