

Immaculate Conception † St. Joseph School Newsletter

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March 30, 2023

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.

Dear Bosco Families,

As we enter into Holy Week, we are reminded of the ultimate sacrifice God made in offering his son, Jesus, to save each of us. Through his works and then through his suffering, Jesus had an impact on those around him then and still has a lasting impact on us today. It is by His glory and grace that we are who we are today, placed in this Catholic school, to help prepare students to be HIS light in the world.

In today's world, it is more difficult than ever to stay the course of the faithful. There are pressures all around us to tempt us into taking easier, more self-gratifying paths. Our kids are inundated with these temptations. We are working hard here at Bosco Catholic Schools to instill faith based values, morals, and work ethic. We value the partnership that we have with you, our parents, and our parishes as it takes a team effort to support our kids.

We are ever grateful that you have chosen a Catholic education for your child(ren). We also wish you a very blessed Holy Week and Easter. May this time of year renew you in your faith and fortify your resolve to raise your children with Catholic values.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Douglas

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 6

7:00 PM (IC)

Good Friday, April 7

3:00 PM (IC) Liturgy of the Word

7:00 PM (IC) Tenebrae

Holy Saturday, April 8

8:00 PM (IC)

Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord, April 9

8:00 AM (SJ)

8:00 AM (IC)

10:00 AM (IC)

Blood Drive

The National Honor Society is hosting their spring blood drive on Tuesday, April 4 from 1:00-6:00 in the DB gym. Please consider scheduling an appointment to help us fill our remaining appointments.

We have Power Red appointment openings at 1:30, 2:00, 3:00 and 5:00.

We have Regular blood appointments beginning at 3:15. You can sign up at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time>

or by calling the school at 319-296-1692.

We appreciate your help with this life-saving mission.

PTO Meeting

Our next PTO meeting will be held Tuesday, April 4 at 6:00pm in Room 209 at Don Bosco. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.



Please send all newsletter articles to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org
by 3:00pm on Wednesday, April 5.



Update from Ms. Kallie...

With a very heavy heart I wanted to inform you that I will not be returning next year. This was one of the toughest decisions I have had to make, but I have accepted a position at Dike-New Hartford as their school counselor. As you may know, this is where my kids go to school. It is extremely difficult leaving such a fantastic school, but I am doing it to be closer to my kids. Each and every student will always have a special place in my heart. Thank you to everyone who made the past year such a memorable experience.

Middle School Concert & Art Show

Congratulations to Mrs. Knepper, Ms. Carolus and the middle school students on a great Concert and Art Show last evening.

From Mrs. Neverman... Reading Fun

March was a special month for us here at school because we celebrated **Read Across America Week** all month with guest and mystery readers coming into our K-2 classrooms. It was a major hit enjoyed by all.

Some of our second graders practiced their reading skills by reading the book *Curious George* to the kindergarteners. They spent time learning new words and practiced reading phrases to make the story easier for their audience to enjoy. Our young kindergarten friends loved listening to the story and eating some delicious banana bread afterwards. Reading aloud and listening to a reader was a **WIN WIN** situation for everyone!



Tuition Assistance deadline is April 15

The School Tuition Organization (STO) and Bosco Catholic School System (BCSS) will once again provide tuition assistance to qualifying families.

The FACTS application needs to be completed no later than April 15, 2023. The online FACTS application can be found at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>

Ever wondered if you may qualify for STO? Here are the income guidelines.

2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines

Persons in Household	Poverty Guideline	300%	400%
2	19,720	59,160	78,880
3	24,860	74,580	99,440
4	30,000	90,000	120,000
5	35,140	105,420	140,560
6	40,280	120,840	161,120
7	45,420	136,260	181,680
8	50,560	151,680	202,240

Here is a link to the FAQ for STO that you may find helpful. <https://www.ourfaithsto.org/faqs-for-parents>

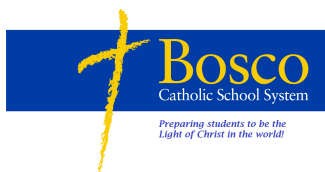
If you need assistance filling out STO, contact Tom Hogan at thogan@boscocatholic.org or call at 319-296-1692.

Nurse's Notes

Last week was Poison Prevention week. The Poison Control is 800-222-1222. Put the number in your phone and post it at home where it can be seen if needed. The theme for this year is "When Poison Happens, We Are Here For You." Common household cleansers may look like "juice" to a toddler. Store them in a locked cabinet or cupboard out of reach. Most accidents actually happen when you are using the cleanser and have your back turned. Medications are another frequent cause of poisoning. It may be that too many doses were taken or given or again exploring little ones may think they are candy. Did you know that Poison Control may also be able to advise you about bites or stings? Be prepared. Prevention is the best defense against accidental poisoning. Marianne Hickey RN

Spring Concert Dates

Mark your calendar for the K-5 Spring Concert and Art Show on May 3 and the MS/HS band & choir concert on May 17.



Lost Island Season Passes

Donna Delagardelle has Lost Island individual season passes for both the Water Park & the Theme Park. Water Park cost is \$156.00 per individual pass & Theme Park cost is \$200.00 per individual pass. A combine ticket can only be purchased through Lost Island, Donna needs to know by April 15 the individual names on the ticket, phone number & e-mail. Checks can be made out to CAC. Contact Donna Delagardelle at 319 239-9945.

IC Youth Choir

Students in grades 3-12 are invited and encouraged to sing with the youth choir at the 10:00am IC Mass on Sunday, April 16 and April 30.

Mark Your Calendar

Leader in Me Family Night will take place at IC on April 26 from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. It will be a fun night for all K - 8 students and families to experience the Leader in Me Habits. Watch for more details!

Youth Football Program



The Gilbertville Youth Football program, a division of the *Youth Sports Foundation*, is available to any Gilbertville area youth entering the 5th or 6th grade in the fall of 2023.

The YSF tackle football program begins the week of August 14. This program includes introduction skills for tackle football and a six game schedule. Games are held on Sundays beginning September 10.

A YSF Football flyer is being sent home with 4th & 5th grade students today.

Information about YSF football is communicated to the team using the [Team Reach App](#) and would love if anyone interested in the program would download the app and sign up using Group Code: JRDons2020

This is where we will update team and parents about meeting and practice times and cancelations etc. Shane Klein 319-239-9421



1st-6th Grade Lady Dons Softball PARENT Meeting

Monday, April 3 @ 6:00pm – St. Mary Center
This will be an informational meeting about the league, rules, schedule, uniforms, etc.

We will be collecting fees, so please bring CASH or CHECK, no Venmo will be accepted this year.

If you have any outgrown gear that can be passed down for others to use, feel free to bring it. Please plan to attend if able & your daughter is planning to play this season. We are looking forward to a FUN season!

MARCH Habit of the Month: **Synergize**

Parents of 1st and 2nd Grade Girls

We are trying to gauge interest in girls wanting to learn more about softball. Pending interest and help, we are thinking a 6-8 week season potentially 1 to 2 times per week. We may try and find a small town with the same league that we can play some games. We definitely need at least 2 other parents to help in some capacity. Please contact Leah Reiter lschmit2000@yahoo.com 757-620-1248 or Lisa Even lkin380@gmail.com 319-239-3155. **Deadline is March 31.**

Parents of 3rd & 4th Grade Girls

We are trying to get numbers for the upcoming softball season for the 3rd & 4th grade girls.

The league starts to figure out schedules in March, which is why I want to be able to let them know if we will have one or two teams.

If your daughter is planning to play or interested, please send me an email or text message. If they run the league the same as previous years, our games will be Monday & Wednesday evenings in the months of May & June.

Please contact Kindra Christensen kindrac@invisionarch.com 319-404-3431



Bosco Baseball Skills Camp

This skills camp is for students in grades 1-6 and will focus on hitting, fielding, and pitching. Flyers are available in the office. Deadline to sign up is Friday, April 14.

2023 Junior Dons Baseball 3/4 and 5/6

Baseball season is upon us! This is for boys currently in 3rd -6th grades. League games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights in May and June. There will be a coaches meeting and then a parent meeting closer to the end of March to get more details to you.

If you would like your son to play summer league baseball, please send the following information:

for 3/4 grades text Kurt Schmitz at 515-460-8989
for 5/6 grades text Andy Frost at 319-239-0368

- Player's name • Grade • Parent's name
- Note if interested in helping coach. There is never too much help!

GRW T-Ball & Boys Pitching Machine League

The 2023 GRW T-Ball and Boys Pitching Machine League sign up is underway. Please return all forms and money to I.C. or St. Joseph office by **March 31, 2023** to the attention of Andy or Crystal Frost or mail to PO Box 17, Raymond IA, 50667. If you have any questions, please call Crystal Frost at 319-215-9599 or Andy Frost at 319-239-0368.

No school April 6-10, 2023



OUT OF UNIFORM K-12

HOW THIS STARTED:

The 8th grade Class started the service learning project of feeding the hungry.



DONATE!

Bring in \$1 to have an out of uniform day. This money will be used to support the little food pantries and help with making them. Please help us feed the hungry and spread the love of God.

THE DATE:

APRIL 13TH

"If your enemy is hungry feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink."

Romans 12:20

SAVE THE DATE AND SPREAD THE WORD: Bosco Catholic Booster Club is hosting the Bosco Car Show on Saturday, April 29, 2023 from 10-1 in the Plaza. Trophies for Best Car, Truck, Interior, Engine, & Paint! Concessions will be available.

BOSCO *CAR SHOW*

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

Hosted by Bosco Catholic Booster Club

10 AM- 1 PM

**DON BOSCO PLAZA
405 16TH AVE GILBERTVILLE**

Contact Cody with
questions 319-290-6272

**TROPHIES
CONCESSIONS**

PLAYGROUND FOR KIDS



**ONLY
\$10 PER
VEHICLE
ENTRY**

BEST CAR, TRUCK, INTERIOR, ENGINE & PAINT