ICS Baseball State Bound!

The ICS Boys Baseball team will be competing this *Friday, October 1* against Mt. Pulaski for an opportunity to advance to the Final Four and a chance to compete for a State Championship. *The game is at the Eastside Centre in East Peoria and starts at 11:30 a.m.* Please remember we won't have school on Friday so students, families, and staff can cheer on the boys as they compete at the STATE tournament! We hope to see everyone there!

Medical requirements deadline approaching

If you have a student that is new to our school, please be reminded that we need a copy of the official county Birth Certificate and a current School Physical Examination. *A dental exam is required for Kindergarten, 2nd*

Grade & 6th Grade. Eye exams are required for Kindergarten before October 15th.

Students entering Kindergarten or 6th grade are required to have a school physical by their family physician by October 15th.

Also, if your student needs an inhaler or takes a required medication prescribed from a doctor, we will need to have this information from their doctor. <u>Permission for Administration of Medication</u>

Mrs. Simmons sent out a notification to the families of the students that need a copy of the Birth Certificate. Please get those into the school office ASAP!

Blessing of the Pets

St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day is **Monday, October 4th.** Therefore, Father Hepner will bless your pets on Monday morning. Students are to be dropped off at the playground beginning at 7:40. ICS faculty and staff will be there to supervise students as they get dropped off. Father will Bless the pets at 7:55am. Please make sure to have someone there to take pets home when the Blessings are complete. Please feel free to park wherever spots are available.

Masks at school

The ICS disposable mask supply is running low! We continue to order disposable masks as needed but we ask parents to please send a mask with your students to school and a few extras in their backpacks. Please know we have no problem providing a mask if a student forgets, but please send students to school with a mask. We appreciate your attention to this.

WIRC Project Santa Program

WIRC-CAA is a social service agency based in Macomb and their programs extend throughout several counties in western Illinois, including Warren County. Since 1983, the mission of the Project Santa program has been to provide a happy holiday full of gifts, food and clothing to children of eligible low-income families in need. On average, this program spends \$100 on each child, including toys and clothing. Also, each family receives a holiday meal to prepare at home. Attached is this year's application packet. The first page lists the eligibility requirements, and the second

page contains the paper application. Parents can also sign up through the website at https://wirpc.org/projectsanta/ or by calling their office at 309-837-2997.

The application deadline is Friday, October 8th.

ICS Band and Choir Fundraiser

It is time for our Music Department Butter Braid Fundraiser! There will be 7 different flavors of butter braids, selling at \$15 a piece. However, the Four Cheese & Herb flavor will be \$16. The fundraiser starts **Friday October 8th** and ends **Monday October 25th**. Orders will be submitted, **Tuesday October 26th**. They will be delivered **Tuesday November 16th** starting at 2:45 pm. Please make checks payable to <u>Immaculate Conception</u> <u>School or ICS</u>. Be on the lookout for ICS Band and Choir members next week and thank you for supporting the ICS Music Department!

Virtue of the Week

Every week ICS will be focusing on a different virtue. This week our Virtue of Hope is HOPE. The virtue of hope is a gift from God, placed or infused in our souls at Baptism, that gives us the strength to firmly trust that God will give us the endless happiness of Heaven and the means to obtain it, if we do what He requires of us. I have also attached information focused on the Virtue of TRUST that may be able to assist you.

Picture Retakes

You can log onto <u>www.mylifetouch.com</u> with picture ID EVTK2BZ77 to place an order. *ICS Picture retakes* are scheduled for <u>Monday, October 4th.</u> Please feel free to send students in an outfit for pictures and then they can change into school uniform attire after they take school pictures. If this is a retake with pictures already ordered please return the order with the student. If you need a new order form please contact the office.

COVID reminders

For your reference, some of the common symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- fever of 100.4 degrees;
- loss of taste/smell;
- fatigue/achy muscles;
- sinus/nasal;
- sore throat;
- nausea/vomiting/diarrhea;
- cough; and
- shortness of breath.

If you or your child(ren) display(s) any of the symptoms stated above, or if you have any questions, it is recommended that you contact your physician/pediatrician for further instruction

Also please remember that If anyone in your household has been tested for COVID and is waiting on results the child/ren in that family needs to stay home until a negative test result is confirmed.

Church Website and Bulletin

ICS Calendar

October Lunch Menu