

Immaculate Conception School News

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Beef Stick and Mum Fundraiser

I have heard a lot of positive feedback for our first fundraiser of the year! I want to thank everyone for their efforts! Please remember all order forms and checks are due on Monday, September 14th. Please make all checks payable to ICS. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Elliott at erinelliott@immaculate-conception.net

MAP Assessment

The Office of Catholic Schools has directed its schools to administer NWEA MAP (Northwest Education Association - Measure of Academic Progress) testing in grades K-8 (fall, winter, and spring). Therefore, ICS students in grades K-8 will take the reading and math assessments, which take about 45 minutes each. Test dates and times will vary per grade level over the next two weeks. Online MAP testing is dynamic and is designed to measure academic growth and instructional levels rather than provide a singular snapshot of a student's academic standing. *(The test has audio components for Kindergarten and 1st grade, so the items will be read to students by the Chromebook via headphones.)* Test results will be shared with parents at parent/teacher conferences; our intention is to keep the testing low stress for the kids.

Amazon Smile

ICS can get money every time you shop on AMAZON..... But, you have to make sure you are set up!!! AmazonSmile customers can now support the Church of the Immaculate Conception in the Amazon shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones! Simply follow these instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations. *(it's an easy and FREE way to support ICS- tell your family and friends)*

- 1. Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device**
- 2. Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'**
- 3. Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process**

If you do not have the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app, update your app. Click [here](#) for instructions.

Please note: When looking for the charity by name- we are listed as Church of The Immaculate Conception, Monmouth, IL - all proceeds go directly to the school!

Box Tops for Education

Did you know that you can earn money for our school while you shop for groceries? Box Tops for Education has been around for many years. Now they are going digital. All you need to do is download the App and scan your grocery receipts and it automatically sends it to the school. Click on the link to get started today. Each participating product earns the school \$.10, some are doubled. [Box Tops for Education](#) . Please send into the office any clipped box tops you may have before October 1, 2020.

School Entry requirements

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.

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. This form can be found on Parent Portal under resource documents.

COVID reminders

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.

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 instructions

[Church Website and Bulletin](#)

[September Lunch Menu](#)

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Anniversary Prayer for 9/11

O God, our hope and refuge,

in our distress we come quickly to you.

Shock and horror of that tragic day have subsided,

replaced now with an emptiness,

a longing for an innocence lost.

We come remembering those who lost their lives

in New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania.

We are mindful of the sacrifice of public servants

who demonstrated the greatest love of all

by laying down their lives for friends.

We commit their souls to your eternal care

and celebrate their gifts to a fallen humanity.

We come remembering

and we come in hope,

not in ourselves, but in you.

As foundations we once thought secure have been shaken,

we are reminded of the illusion of security.

In commemorating this tragedy,

we give you thanks for your presence

in our time of need

and we seek to worship you in Spirit and in truth,

our guide, and our guardian. Amen.

The Rev. Jeremy Pridgeon is District Superintendent of the Pensacola District of the Alabama-West Florida Annual Conference.