



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEKENDER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Catholic Schools: Faith • Academics • Service

Catholic Schools Week was a huge success! The week included the educational assembly on Amelia Earhart, a "Minute to Win It" competition, a VIP Breakfast, the annual Talent Show, a Catholic Schools Week Mass, and many fun out-of-uniform days.

Special thanks to:

Bingo Bonanza

- *Chairpersons & committee members - it takes a lot of planning to make this event happen!
- *Bingo Callers - Father David, Mrs. Cook, Ms. Bowman, Milton Stephens, Ms. D'Aurora, Mr. Bestler and Ms. Cook.
- *Bingo Bonanza Volunteers - thanks for giving of your time on this evening!

Teachers & Staff of IHMCS who planned and coordinated the many Catholic Schools Week activities and events!!

Remember, IHMCS students and their families will participate in the parish masses this weekend (February 4 & 5). ***I am hoping all students will wear their uniforms to mass this weekend to show our parish community how proud we are of our school and how much we appreciate the ongoing IHM parish support of Catholic education.***

All teachers will be present for the **Open House** on **Sunday, February 5th** from 9:00 am until noon. Coffee, donuts and juice will be served in the school cafeteria after the 8:30 & 10:30 masses. Be sure to invite family, friends & neighbors to this event!
Thank you for giving your child/children the gift of a Catholic education at IHMCS!

Archdiocesan Catholic Schools Marketing Campaign:

The Archdiocese of St. Paul & Minneapolis has a new marketing campaign that invites parents to **Aim Higher** and choose Catholic schools for their children. You can visit the new website at : www.AimHigherMN.org and find out more about Catholic education throughout the Archdiocese. Each school in the Archdiocese is expected to support this marketing campaign and is assessed a marketing initiative fee of \$1.25 per student.

By choosing a Catholic education, parents ensure that their child is surrounded each day by people who share their values and high aspirations. Catholic schools develop the whole child by fostering academic excellence, personal responsibility and commitment to service. Catholic schools **Aim Higher** to provide students:

- Better academics and outcomes
- Individual attention
- Spiritual and character development
- A supportive community

Thanks for giving your child/children the gift of a Catholic education at IHMCS!

Cheri Gardner
Principal



ON THE CALENDAR AT IHMCS

Sunday, February 5 – Catholic Schools Week Mass and Open House
IHMCS students participate in Sunday Mass
Wednesday, February 8 – School Mass 2:15 (gr 2 – Mrs. Thue)
Thursday, February 9 - 5th grade Zoo Overnight
Tuesday, February 14 – Valentines Day – Class Parties last hour of the day
Thursday, February 16 – 8th Grade History Day
Friday, February 17 – Junior High Retreat
Monday, February 20 – President’s Day – NO SCHOOL/NO KIDS CARE
Tuesday, February 21 – Two Hour Late Start – Kids Care Available
Thursday, February 23 – Band “Pops” Concert
Friday, February 24 – End of Second Trimester

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School Mission Statement

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School is dedicated to providing a program of academic excellence and spiritual formation for students in preschool through eighth grade. Parents, students, educators and the Catholic community are all partners in providing a faith-filled learning environment that maximizes the individual gifts of our students, fosters a relationship with God, and models the Gospel in respect and service of others.

★ CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSE ★

Plan now to join us for our annual
Catholic School Week Open House
Sunday, February 5 from 9:30 - 12:00

Fellowship will be served in the cafeteria, then stop by your child’s classroom to see what has been going on at IHMCS!

We encourage you to invite friends and family who may be considering our school to share in this opportunity to spend some time with the IHMCS community!

IHMCS Annual Fund

Thank you to the families who made donations to the IHMCS Annual Fund at the end of 2011. We greatly appreciate your support!

If you did not make a donation to the Annual Fund yet, please consider a gift of support for our school. Whatever the amount, please know that your contribution will have a direct impact by supporting our on-going operating expenses for staff and maintenance on our facilities.

To make a donation, please complete the information below and return to the school office. IHMCS will also accept gifts of stock or securities. Please contact Rollie Brouillard in the parish office to discuss this gift option.

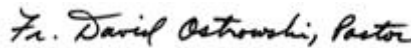
If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Stanley, IHMCS Advisory Council Development Chair, at 952-949-6694.

On behalf of our community, thank you for helping to ensure that Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School continues to deliver an excellent Catholic education to our students.

Sincerely,



Cheri Gardner
Principal



Fr. David Ostrowski
Pastor



Anastasia Benz
Advisory Council Chair

IHMCS Annual Fund Donation

Donor Name:

Address:

Phone Number: _____

Contribution Amount: \$ _____

Please detach and return this form with your check, payable to IHMCS to:

IHMCS – Annual Fund
13505 Excelsior Blvd
Minnetonka, MN 55345

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School is a non-profit organization, please contact your tax professional on contribution deduction.

Catholic High School Happenings

BSM to present *Schoolhouse Rock, Jr.* March 2-4

The Benilde-St. Margaret's drama department will present this year's junior high production, *Schoolhouse Rock Jr.*, March 2-4. Show times are 7 p.m. on March 2 and 3, and 2 p.m. on March 4. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$6 for students and seniors, and children under age 5 are free. Tickets may be purchased online at www.BSMschool.org/dramatickets. To contact the box office with questions, call 952-915-4358, ext. 2495.

Holy Angels Basketball Clinic for Girls – Information and Registration on the next page of this Weekender

Holy Angels Basketball Presents...

STARS Girls Basketball Clinic



FOR: 7th and 8th Grade Girls Basketball Players

DATES: April, 16, 23, and 30
May 7, 14, and 21

COST: \$40 per player

CLINIC TIMES: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

LOCATION:

Academy of Holy Angels
6600 Nicollet Avenue
Richfield, Minnesota 554



Sponsored by AHA's girls basketball coaching staff!

Want to play basketball at AHA? Here's a great opportunity improve your skills and understanding of the game and to build a foundation for becoming an AHA basketball player. (This clinic is appropriate for girls who play traveling or school basketball.)

- Learn AHA's offensive and defensive system.
- Learn game skills and drills
- Get an AHA basketball T-shirt

Make checks payable to: AHA Girls' Basketball
6600 Nicollet Avenue
Richfield, Minnesota 55423

No registration confirmation will be mailed. Email Questions to Nathan McGuire:
nmcguire@swc833.org

Stars Girls Basketball Clinic
(Deadline April 2)

Name: _____ School: _____ Grade _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Parent Email: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Player Email: _____