



# Saintly News

*February 8th, 2018*

Remember to like us on Facebook!



Good afternoon IHM parents,

Since yesterday was our fifth snow day, we will now no longer be following Boone County. We will be making our own call for snow delays and closings, so please listen for the School Messenger call and check your email each day. We will also post IHM closings and delays on Channel 9 WCPO and Channel 5 WLWT. We appreciate your understanding throughout the remainder of this challenging winter weather.

We are hoping for a great turnout for our social media presentation this coming Monday night February 12th! The evening will begin in the library for a brief PTO meeting at 7:00. Then the Social Media Presentation by Steven Smith will begin at 7:15 in cafeteria. We strongly encourage parents with children in all grades to attend this nationally renowned presentation. Therefore, we have promised the students uniform free Fridays for the entire month of March, as a reward, if we have 30% of school parents attend the presentation!

It is hard to believe that Lent begins next week! Our former principal, Ed Colina, will be joining us for an all school assembly on Ash Wednesday to teach the students about the work he is doing through his mission in Africa. His mission, Journey the Ed Colina Foundation, provides food, shelter and an education to children in the poorest areas of Africa. His mission will be the focus of our school almsgiving. Throughout the Lenten season, for every \$25 a class collects they will receive a goat to color to represent another goat being added to the herd in Africa. A class reward will be given to the class with the largest herd at the end of Lent!

Exciting news to share!

"Dear Applicant for the Blue Ribbon School Program:

The CAPE Private School Review Panel met in Washington on January 11-12th to conduct the initial review of private school applications for the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program. Some of the applications identified for forwarding require some revisions before they are finally submitted. Your school was among those identified for a nomination. Congratulations!"

This exciting news means that Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School has been designated as a finalist to become a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School of Distinction! In addition, the review panel made no recommendation or found no errors with our application and went on to say congratulations on your outstanding writing! Please continue to pray for continued good news this coming September. What a celebration that will be!

God Bless Your Day!

Mrs. Nancy Marcos  
Mrs. Kristin Harper



## Dates to put in your Calendar

- February
- 12<sup>th</sup> - PTO meeting/ Social Media Presentation in Library at 7:00 p.m.
  - 13<sup>th</sup> - Valentine Parties – 1:00 p.m.
  - 14<sup>th</sup> - **Ash Wednesday – mass times – 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:30pm, 7:00pm**
  - 16<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester Ends
  - 16<sup>th</sup> - **No School – Bishop gave us the day off!**
  - 18<sup>th</sup> - IHM Uniform Sale Ends through Idlebrook
  - 19<sup>th</sup> - **No School – Presidents Day**
  - 20<sup>th</sup> - Tag Day – for DPPA
  - 21<sup>st</sup> - Stations of the Cross – 1:30 p.m.
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> - Spirit Wear Day
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> - Club Pictures by Lifetouch
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> - **Report Cards will be released electronically only (NO PAPER COPIES)**
- March
- 5<sup>th</sup> - Stations of the Cross 8:00 a.m.
  - 9<sup>th</sup> - **No Bus Service – Private Transportation**
  - 9<sup>th</sup> - Estimated delivery date for the Feb. IHM uniform sale
  - 12<sup>th</sup> - Tag Day for Ed Colina Foundation
  - 16<sup>th</sup> - Spring Pictures by Lifetouch
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> - Spirit Wear Day
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> - Stations of the Cross – 1:30 p.m.
  - 29<sup>th</sup> - **April 6<sup>th</sup> – No School – Spring Break**

## Items in the February 8<sup>th</sup> Family Folder

- Family Lent Calendar
- Partners in Faith Newsletter
- Social Media Flyer
- Save the date for STEM night

## Topics Covered in the Newsletter

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## Box Top for Education

An easy way to earn a dime at a time. Box Tops for Education helps raise money for IHM by simply sending in the Box Top for Education coupon on many products we use every day. Clip the Box top and send to your child's class today! Box Tops will be collected from the classrooms monthly. Thanks to the JNHS for providing the service of helping count the box tops!

More info on the Box Tops for Education program can be found on **BTFE.com** or you can download the BTFE app today!

The JNHS will once again collect and count the box tops.

**The dates of the collections are:**

**FEB 26**

**MARCH 26**

**APRIL 9**

## Counselor's Corner

### Random Acts of Kindness Week

National Random Acts of Kindness week will take place February 11-17, 2018. This is the perfect opportunity for parents to reinforce our Catholic values of loving one another. Talking with your children about kindness and then following up with real life examples can be a very effective tool in teaching our children to show kindness and compassion to others.

So how do you talk to your kids about kindness? Talk about the importance of giving. Use words like "compassion," "generosity" and "volunteering" and talk about what they really mean. Ask thought provoking questions to get your children to think about what matters. Ask questions such as, "what do you think it's like to be homeless?" or "how do you think it feels to be elderly?" Then follow up by asking "what do you think we can do to make a difference?"

What *can* your family do as a family to make a difference? It might be something as simple as visiting an elderly neighbor or going to a nursing home to visit. It might be baking dessert for the Parish Kitchen in Covington to feed the homeless. Maybe you want to collect gently-used books to donate to an ACUE school. The possibilities are endless, and the positive effects can be priceless.

### Protect Your Children: Social Media 101

(flyer went home in today's Family Folder)

Date: February 12, 2018

Time: 7pm in the Library right after PTO meeting

Facility: IHM School

Contact Name: Mrs. Marcos or Mrs. Williams

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Email: [nmarcos@ihm-ky.org](mailto:nmarcos@ihm-ky.org) or [awilliams@ihm-ky.org](mailto:awilliams@ihm-ky.org)

## IHM Uniform Sale Now Open

<http://ibsports.tuosystems.com/stores/ihmapproved20181>

Click on link above to start shopping!

### STORE OPEN

02/05/18 to 02/18/18

### ESTIMATED DELIVERY

03/09/2018

## CLC News

### BUDDY CARDS FOR SALE!

CLC (Creating Leaders Crew) is selling LaRosa's Buddy Cards. For just \$10 you get 14 offers for a free large cheese pizza with any large pizza purchase (\$150 value)! Cards are activated online and good for 1 year following activation. **The sale starts today and ends February 26<sup>th</sup>.** Cards will be delivered to students the first full week of March. Payment by check only (made out to IHM) can be sent to Ann Williams in an envelope marked with your name, student's name/homeroom and the # of cards you would like.



Creating Leaders Crew is a group of junior high students who participate in leadership activities throughout the year in our school and community (Blessing Backpacks for the homeless, Red Ribbon Drug Prevention Week, food drive for SVDP, cards for nursing homes, etc.). Our fundraiser activities cover a \$500 scholarship to one 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduating CLC student attending a Catholic high school.

For more information, contact Ann Williams at [awilliams@ihm-ky.org](mailto:awilliams@ihm-ky.org) or (859) 689-4303 x. 241.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR STEM NIGHT - April 12<sup>th</sup> 6pm- 8pm**  
Formal Invitation is to come!

### A night out with the Family at the IHM Fairy Tale STEM Night

April 12, 2018

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.













