



Saintly News

September 14, 2017



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The school year is off to a Great Start! Last Friday the 4th grade led our monthly Faith Assembly, they taught all of us about Our Lady of Sorrow and with the help of Mrs. Terrene Dillon we also learned the sign language and words for the song Forever. It was Amazing to see all the students singing and signing together!

Thanks to everyone who sent in donations for Hurricane Harvey collection, we collected a truck load of personal care items that were packed up and shipped to Mathew 25 Ministries. Special thanks to our cafeteria manager Karen Koeppe for organizing the collection. We continue to pray for all the people affected by the hurricanes and to give thanks for all of our blessings here at IHM!

Prayer for the Hurricane Victims

Lord

We pray for all those whom have been affected by the devastation of Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma. Please be with them during the difficult and scary time. We pray for protection, covering and comfort through all the loss. Please give us strength to come together as a community to help those who are in great need as a result of the destruction of this storm. We pray for your Blessings over these places. Thank you in advance In Jesus Name.

Amen

Dates to put in your Calendar

September 15th – Picture Day
18th – 8th Grade Cookout – 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
18th – PTO meeting in the Library – 7:00-8:00 p.m.
21st – Spirit Wear Day
26th - 8th grade Field Trip – Matthew 25 Ministries
27th -29th – 8th grade going to Camp Joy

October 2nd – IHM Uniform Sale opens through Idlebrook
5th - 3rd grade Field Trip – Farm Frenzy
8th - IHM Uniform Sale Closes through Idlebrook
13th – **No Bus Service – private transportation**
16th – **No School – Professional Development**
17th - Start wearing Winter Uniform today
19th – Spirit Wear Day

Corrected Date 21st -Trunk or Treat – (more information to come)

25th – 6th grade Field Trip – Ky. Symphony Orchestra
27th – Booster Thon/Fun Run (more information to come)
27th - Estimated date of delivery from Idlebrook for the Oct.2nd-8th Uniform Sale
30th – Tag Day for Seminarians (.50 per student/\$1.00 per family)
31st – Halloween Parties (students may wear orange & black) **NO COSTUMES PLEASE!**

No Family Folder This Week!

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2017-18 IHM PTO Spirit Wear Sale - Deadline to Order is Sept. 22nd

IHM PTO Spirit Wear is back on sale! Check out the new designs, colors and products for this school year!! Students are permitted to wear their IHM Gear one designated day per month- so get yours now! The sale will again be online and your order will be sent to the school office for delivery.

Deadline to Order is Friday, September 22nd
All orders will be delivered on 10/16/2017

Please click on the link to place your order: <https://ihmptp20171.itemorder.com/> (NO PASSWORD NEEDED)

Ordering it for Christmas gift? No problem! Simply enter in "Christmas" in the comment section of your order. The order will be delivered to the school office for pick-up.

If you have questions please contact Jennifer Miller at ihmspiritwear@outlook.com, please allow 24 hours for a response.

IHM School Picture Day – Friday, September 15th

Lifetouch will be here to take school pictures on September, 15th, during school hours. Students may be out of uniform.

- Students may wear jeans
- No low washed jeans
- No tears or holes in jeans
- Students in Grades K-3 **may wear** Dresses/Skirts only with leggings
- Students in Grades 4-8 **may NOT** wear Dresses or Skirts

Please keep in mind that Picture day is on an All School Mass Day. Please make sure students wear appropriate clothing.

St. Henry District High School News

Playing for a Purpose information and order form Due tomorrow, Sept. 15th to the front office

The St. Henry District High School and Notre Dame Academy Girls Volleyball Teams will be “Playing For a Purpose” on **Friday September 22, 2017 at Thomas More Gymnasium**. This special event was encouraged by the KHSAA but inspired by Janet Chambers. Janet Chambers is a breast cancer survivor and the founder of I Have Wings Breast Cancer Foundation. The volleyball squads are using the volleyball match to fundraise and promote breast cancer education and awareness. During the matches, the teams will be wearing pink & black uniforms and playing with a pink volleyball. Both schools will be selling t-shirts to wear to the game to show support for the cause. The cost of the t-shirts, are \$10.00 and all the proceeds go to the “I Have Wings Breast Cancer Foundation.” Please make all Checks out to **SHDHS**.

Please fill out the **attached order form** and return to the school office by **no later than Friday September 15, 2017 (tomorrow)** if you are interested in purchasing a t-shirt. The order forms will be picked up at your school Friday before 12:00. The t-shirts will then be delivered to the school office and distributed to each family/student. The more t-shirts we sell the more money we raise to find a cure! If you have any questions regarding the t-shirts please contact Shawn Schwarz at sschwarz@shdhs.org.

If you order a playing for a purpose shirt you may wear it to school, **with uniform shorts** on Friday, September 22.

SHDHS – Game of the Week

The SHDHS Athletic Department is bringing back the Game of the Week. All students from SHDHS and the SHDHS feeder schools will get into the Game of the Week for just \$1. Students can attend one game or all of the games on the designated night and it only costs them \$1. All Game of the Week games will be played at SHDHS or at the SHAC. So come on out and support the Cru!

The September Game of the Week Schedule is:

Week 1 (Doubleheader) 9/6 Girls Soccer vs. Villa (games are at: 5:30 & 7:30); 9/7 Boys Soccer vs. Dixie Heights (games are at 4:30, 6:00, & 7:30)

Week 2 9/14 Volleyball vs. NCC (games are at 6:00 & 7:30 at the SHAC)

Week 3 9/21 Girls Soccer vs. NCC (games are at 5:00, 6:30, and 8:00)

Week 4 9/29 Boys Soccer vs. Henry Clay (game is at 6:00)

IHM Cafeteria Volunteers Needed – Parents & Grandparents are all welcomed!

“Dear Parents, Grandparents and Parishioners:

You would be welcomed by the students as well as our entire staff when you sign up for the exciting adventure of volunteering in the IHM Cafeteria during our school lunch break. Just a little of your time goes a long way when it comes to our students’ lunch enjoyment. Help with opening drinks and yogurts, talk about table manners and the courtesies of socializing, encourage responsibility with cleaning up and having respect for each other.

How often you volunteer is certainly up to you, but for every three times you do so your child will receive an **OUT OF UNIFORM PASS!**

One volunteer is needed per day. Scheduling your days ahead of time is essential for our planning calendar. Please contact me at the options below to set up your agenda.

Virtus trained required.

CALL ME : 859-689-4303 EXT 238 / EMAIL ME: kkoeppe@ihm-ky.org”



EDGE Youth Ministry Night is now expanded to include 6th – 8th Graders

Newly Expanded EDGE Youth Ministry Night EDGE for 7th and 8th grades had been expanded to include 6th through 8th this year! EDGE nights are on the second and fourth nights of each month and are from 7-8:30 in Britt Hall. Cost each night is \$3 and includes pizza, ice cream and drinks. Students will include home school, public school and IHM school students. The opening of the EDGE program is Monday, September 25th. Students will be led by adults and trained high school students. We expect over 70 students and more so encourage your child to attend. Nights include fun icebreakers, short skits, small and large groups, prayer time, praise and worship and of course, food! Students will be given a raffle ticket each time they attend for a chance to win a tablet at the end of the year! For more information or to volunteer to become a youth ministry leader, contact Karen Gutzeit at kgutzeit@ihm-ky.org.

Virtus Training for all School Adult Volunteers, Scout Leaders, & Coaches

HAVE YOU READ YOUR MONTHLY VIRTUS BULLETIN?

Safe Environment for our Children Requirements:

Please be aware that, if you wish to participate in school activities that involve the presence of children, you need to be trained and be in compliance with the safe environment program in the diocese. Your first step is to sign up for a VIRTUS Training class. To sign up for the class go to www.covingtondiocese.org or www.virtus.org. After attending the class contact Kathy Donahue, IHM church secretary. She will give you the application form for the back ground check and the Policy and Procedure booklet. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact Kathy at 689-4303 X224 or kdonahue@ihm-ky.org

Compliance:

- Received the diocesan policies and procedures and signed the 2007 Acceptance Form
- Submitted information (Application Form) for and been cleared through a background check (see below*)
- Registered online at www.virtus.org, signed up for and attended a VIRTUS training class
- Read the bulletins. Must first take the training class.

(To remain compliant, volunteers must complete online monthly VIRTUS bulletins. Bulletins are posted at the beginning of each month. Volunteers have 30 days to complete the bulletin. Bulletins must be kept up to date in order to appear on the volunteer, employee or substitute list at your parish or school.)

A hotline number for the state of Kentucky is 1-800-752-6200. This hotline number is available to report an incident 24/7. When you call this number is will then reference a caller to the appropriate county.

***A little background on the history of Virtus background checks:**

Our goal always has, and always will be, to keep our children safe. Since the Virtus program started around 2003, there has always been the policy in the Diocese of Covington that background checks are to be renewed every five years. I have, as IHM Virtus Coordinator, been the person in our parish (as is done in every parish of the diocese) that has resubmitted the background checks for every volunteer and employee in our parish. When the program first started, the background checks were submitted to the state of Kentucky at no cost. After state cuts, they could no longer keep up with the demands. The diocese began using background companies, eventually costing up to \$15 per person. We still had to renew every background check every five years. It was determined that the company the diocese was using did not adequately report findings beyond the state level. The diocese found that this new company, Selection.com, does comprehensive reports on each person. The cost of the background checks with Selection.com is \$25; however, with this new company the background check never needs to be renewed again as long as you keep your account active. With over 800 volunteers, we simply cannot afford the cost, and so we ask you to pay this one-time fee when you transition from the old system to the new. We do not see these reports. The pastor and, if needed, the principal, are only alerted if necessary, pending the outcome of the background check. All background checks are confidential.

Winter Uniform will start October 16, 2017 and go through March 31, 2018

Starting October 16th students must start wearing their winter uniform. Please Log into the IHM School Website and go to the handbook for the winter dress code.

