



IHM School Newsletter **October 17, 2018**

Dear Crusader Families,

Since our professional development day on October 5th, the teachers have been using the knowledge they gained about Makerspace to identify how we can best serve the needs of students in each grade level. Simply put, a Makerspace is a place that is designed and dedicated to creativity. This can look different based on many variables. The Makerspace will give students the opportunity to problem solve and create in a variety of ways. Some creations will be physical products, some digital products and others would be cerebral -based.

We will be purchasing a variety of supplies to enhance this space. Some of these items will be non-consumable and will be able to be used multiple times, and others will be consumable. Some of the items we need are found in most of our homes. We will begin to ask for items that your family can collect to contribute to our Makerspace.

Immediately, we are asking you to send in: paper towel rolls, toilet paper rolls, Legos, wood blocks, Keva planks, Lincoln Logs, and K'Nex items. If you have any of these items, please send them to school with your child. We will have bins in the cafeteria for all STEAM donations.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and programs.

Blessings,

Mrs. Devine

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Thursday, October 18th

Picture Re-Take Day

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| 8:15am | All School Mass – 7R
Church |
| 6:30pm | Confirmation Leader Training
Cafeteria |

Friday, October 19th

SPIRIT WEAR DAY

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| 9:30am | 1 st & 8 th Grade Field Trip
Cincinnati Zoo |
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9:30am Kindergarten Field Trip
Bonnybrook Farm

Sunday, October 21st

Food From The Heart Collection
Church

Monday, October 22nd

7:00pm Education Commission Meeting
School Library

Tuesday, October 23rd

1:00pm Christ Communities
School Campus

6:30pm Reconciliation
Lourdes Room – Church

Wednesday, October 24th

6:00pm Families Growing in Prayer & Discernment
Cafeteria

Thursday, October 25th

8:15am All School Mass – 3W
Church

7:00pm PTO Junior Spelling Bee
Heritage Hall

Friday, October 26th

SPIRIT WEAR DAY

Preschool Halloween Parade

8:30am 2nd Grade Field Trip
Cincinnati Zoo

Sunday, October 27th

Coat Collection
Church

8:30am Confirmation Kick Off
Heritage Hall

9:30am 8th Grade Student Ministry Mass
Church

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ATTENTION ALL FAMILIES

The last entry bell in the morning is 8:00am. The front door will be closed at that time. If your child arrives after this last entry bell they will be considered Tardy and will receive a slip to enter class. We have been lenient these first weeks of school, but now will be following school policy. To insure your child is not Tardy, please have them arrive to school before 8:00am. If your child arrives late due to bus transportation they are not considered Tardy.

ATTENTION ALL AFTER CARE FAMILIES! We will be serving Domino's pizza at After Care on Halloween, Wednesday, October 31. The pizza will be served around 4:00. There is no extra charge, and Mrs. Connelly will take your child's order when he/she checks in on Halloween. Happy Halloween!

SOS: Signs of Suicide Parent Presentation

This Parent Presentation will be held on October 30th at 6:30pm. Presented by Mrs. Turpening and Mrs. Ochsner, the SOS Parent Presentation helps parents identify signs of depression and suicide in their children and their peers. This program, also presented to the Jr. High students on October 31st during the school day, identifies risk factors and effective responses to build resiliency in students. Coaches, group leaders, parents and grandparents are encouraged to attend.

Find IHM School On Facebook AND Twitter AND Instagram!

We ask all our parents to "like" our school Facebook page (different than the IHM PTO Facebook page).

Our Facebook handle is **@immaculateheartofmaryschool**

We ask that you also follow our school on Twitter!

Our Twitter handle is **@ihm_school**

You can also follow us on Instagram!

Our Instagram handle is **ihmschool**

Meet The Teacher!

Mrs. Torrie Fielden – Gifted Specialist

This is my second year back in Ohio as a Gifted Intervention Specialist with the Hamilton County Educational Service Center. I worked for seven years with gifted students in Alpharetta, Georgia where I received my gifted endorsement. Before that my family was in the Dayton area where I received both my bachelors and masters in Science education. I am excited to be at IHM School!

School Pictures

Re-Take Day for School Pictures is TOMORROW, October 18th. **If you plan to get re-takes you must return your ENTIRE packet in order to not be charged.**

If you would like to order online our Picture Day ID is: JC018091Q1

The Seam Team

This sewing club is open to the first 10 registrants from each grade level. A new club will be opened each month. Be sure you can commit to 3 weeks of attending, so we have adequate time to complete the project. October's project is embroidery hoop ghosts. This project will be practicing hand-sewing buttons (eyes & mouth) and machine stitching straight lines (hem).

OCTOBER <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080848afaf2fa5fc1-october>

High School Information

**** Click [HERE](#) to see an online calendar of HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE DATES in the Cincinnati Area.**

St. Ursula

Open House Sunday, October 28th from 1:00pm to 3:30pm
www.saintursula.org

Ursuline

Open House Saturday, November 3 – 10:00am-1:00pm and Sunday, November 4 – 1:00-4:00pm
<https://www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions/open-house>

Fall Musical Grade School Night is Friday, November 9 – 6:00pm
www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions/admissions-events/fall-musical-grade-school-night

IHM PTO INFORMATION

CHECK IT OUT! A reader friendly version of this newsletter can be found on the PTO webpage under Parent Resources or you can click on this [Quick Link](#).

FUNDRAISING

Win-It Wednesday Giveaway ~

Win-It Wednesday \$50 Giveaway starts today! For every \$100 donation to the Fall Fundraiser, the donor received an entry. And the winner of \$50 is Jeri Kubicki. Congratulations!

Fall Fundraiser Out of Uniform dates for the week will be 12/3-12/7 and the individual day reward will be 12/10. Lists will be sent home mid November.

EVENTS

CRUSADER CARNIVAL

Presented by the IHM PTO

Saturday, November 3rd

6-9pm

Pizza by the Slice 6-8pm

served by the IHM Knights of Columbus and Father's Team.

Come check out new games and events as well as enjoy old favorites. Carnival games for all ages, CakeWalk, Ninja Course, Face Painting, Fun House Hallway & Haunted Hallway!

TICKETS PRE-SALE - Pre-order Deadline is Friday, October 26.

It's so easy to buy Game Tickets and ordered pizza online! Just log in to myschoolanywhere.com or use the convenient app. Please contact ihmpto@gmail.com if you need your log in information. You can also return the order form with payment c/o Crusader Carnival. Tickets will be distributed at the Will Call table in lobby at the carnival.

See [Carnival Tickets & Dinner Flyer](#) in Wednesday Envelope.

WHAT'S THE BUZZ? SIGN UP FOR THE SPELLING BEE!

The 3rd and 4th grade Jr Spelling Bee will be Thursday 10/25 at 7:00pm. The winner of the Jr. Bee will be invited to participate in the Spelling Bee (5th-8th graders) on Wednesday 11/7 at 1:00pm. For the 5th through 8th graders interested in participating, each class will hold a spelling test from the list of words they will be asked during the Spelling Bee. The approx. 10 students from each grade will advance to participate in the Spelling Bee on 11/7. Please find further details on the flyer in this week's Wednesday Envelope or by clicking [Spelling Bee Flyer](#). You

can register online MSA – go to www.myschoolanywhere.com or the app and select “SignUps”, or send in the paper form.

Our ultimate winner will have the chance to compete at the local and possibly national level! Contact Pam Burek at jonpam2005@yahoo.com with questions. Please contact ihmpto@gmail.com if you need your MSA log in information.

Jr High NEON Dance Party!!

DJ - Dancing - Pizza - Treats - Selfie Station

Don't miss the fun on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH from 8:00 - 10:00 PM - IHM Cafeteria.

Wear white or neon colors that will glow under the black lights. Neon markers will be available to permanently decorate the tee shirts if desired. Register by going to MySchoolAnywhere.com* or the app or return the [Jr High Registration and Permission Form](#) to school with \$7 check payable to IHM PTO. Register by Monday, November 5th. Questions? Contact Julia Fox at leighfox@me.com or MC Anderson at markandmc@cinci.rr.com. *For login information, contact ihmpto@gmail.com

FAMILY MATH NIGHT

It's that time of year again to be in awe of our amazing students! This fun filled evening is not to be missed! Bring your mathematician to FAMILY MATH NIGHT and give your students the opportunity to show you what they know on Wednesday, November 14th from 6:30- 8:30. Students rotate through age-appropriate math stations to earn an IHM spirit wear t-shirt! They can demonstrate their math skills to parents, while parents are thrilled to see their children so enthusiastic about math. Wait, there's more! Your child will receive a certificate for attending. If your student gives the certificate to their math teacher the following day, they are rewarded with yet another surprise! To register, login to www.myschoolanywhere.com or the app and go to “SignUp” or send in the [Math Night Registration Form](#) located in your Wednesday envelope. Registration must be received by Monday 11/5/18 to receive a t-shirt. Email Angel Westerkamp at angel@logicnet.cc with questions.

IHM WINTER COAT DRIVE

The winter coat drive is going on now! Bins are in the school lobby until Friday, Oct 26. Pull out those coats that are too small or no longer worn and donate them to help keep someone else warm this winter!! Any and all sizes are accepted and will benefit St. Leo The Great Parish in Cincinnati. St. Leo's serves a diverse group of parishioners and is home to many immigrants and refugees. We also accept new/gently used gloves, mittens & scarves and new winter hats, but no boots. Please put glove/mitten pairs in a ziplock bag marked with size. Please contact Melissa Nolan for questions melhnolan@aol.com.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The **Jr. Spelling Bee** for grades 3 and 4 is scheduled for 10/25 from 7- 9 pm and the **Spelling Bee** for grades 5-8 is also coming up on 11/7 from 12:30- 2:45. Volunteers are needed to assist with setting up, running the events and closing the events!

Please consider volunteering for these great academic experiences!

To volunteer please click on the following link [Sign Up Genius - Academic](#) or contact Pam Burek with any questions at jonpam2005@yahoo.com.

The **Carnival** is coming up on Saturday, November 3rd, with set up scheduled the night before on the 2nd. Many volunteers are needed to help make this a fantastic event for the kids! Volunteers are needed to run the many fun games, concession stand, ticket sales, prizes, the cake walk, the popular Haunted Hallway, and to help with closing the event. We appreciate your consideration, as this cannot be done without your help! Please click on the following link to volunteer: [Sign Up Genius - Carnival](#) or contact Carie Masoner at cariemasoner@gmail.com or Carolyn Krisko at carolyn.j.krisko@gmail.com.

The **Jr. High Dance Party** is scheduled for 11/9 from 8-10:00! Volunteers are needed to help with set up, helping in the dance area, assisting with food and closing the event. Please consider volunteering Jr. High parents! This is sure to be a fun event! Please sign up to volunteer by clicking on the following link: [Sign Up Genius - JrHigh](#) or contact Julia Fox at leighfox@me.com with any questions!

Family Math Night is right around the corner on 11/14 from 6-8 pm. Volunteers are needed to assist with setting up for the event, volunteering throughout the event and closing the event! Please consider volunteering for this popular event, if your time allows it! Please sign up to volunteer by clicking on the following link: [Sign Up Genius - Academic](#) or contact Angel Westerkamp at angel@logicnet.cc or Angie Albrinck at danalbrinck@live.com with any questions!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

10/16 – Start of Winter Coat Drive
10/17 – Staff Appreciation – Grades 1 & 8
10/25 – Jr Spelling Bee
11/1 – Poinsettia Sale
11/3 – Carnival
11/7 – Spelling Bee
11/9 – Jr. High Dance Party
11/12 – PTO Meeting, 7PM St. Matthews Room
11/14 – Math Night

**Missing a flyer or need another form? Flyers and forms for current events and contests can be found by following this [Quick Link](#) to the Parent Resources tab on the PTO Webpage.

IHM PARISH INFORMATION

Altar Server Training

All current 5th- 8th grade students are invited to consider serving the church as an Altar Server. Training will be held on **Thursday, October 25th, 6:30 p.m. in the church**. Please contact Ed Bayliss or Gloria Ann Castleman at ihomservers@gmail.com with questions and to reserve a place at the training.

Date Night! Married Couples Dinner

Married Couples Dinner will be held Saturday, November 10th in Heritage Hall at 6PM. (Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres at 6pm, Dinner at 7pm, Speaker at 8pm). Susan Vogt will be presenting on "**Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers**." The cost is \$50 per couple, unless you are a couple who is attending for the first time. Couple new to the Married Couples dinner receive half-price discount, so \$25.

To register, please go to <https://ihom.weshareonline.org>.

Fall Series for Growing in Faith

Join us for our "Fall Series for Growing in Faith!" To make it easier for your busy schedule, we will offer dinner at 6pm in the cafeteria. After dinner, around 6:45pm, we will move to Heritage Hall for our Faith Formation Event. The cost for each evening is a donation to cover the cost of food. The time will run from 6pm-8pm.

Wednesday, October 24th- Growing in Faith: Effective Decision Making Through Discernment- After dinner, Deacon Mike Cassani will lead teens and adults in a discussion on discernment – the only truly effective process to make significant, life-impacting decisions. Children ages 6-12 will meet with Nicolette Chmiel in a classroom, so they can also learn how to make good choices. Our children are faced with many decisions as they grow up: What high school to attend? What major to focus on in college? Should I marry this person? Etc. This evening will give you an understanding of the process to make these life decisions wisely.

Tuesday, November 27th- Growing in Faith During Advent- Grab dinner and relax with a Family Movie Night watching The Star! This will get us in the mood for Advent, and you may take home Advent Booklets for children. If you need an Advent Wreath, those will be available for sale as well, for \$10. Please indicate on registration that you would like one, so we know how many to order.

To register for one or more of these evenings, please go to www.ihom.weshareonline.org.

For children age 1 and walking up to age 5, we will offer babysitting. Please register a few days ahead of time by going to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044ea9a622ab9-childcare5>

IHM meal packing event November 10

Check your calendars! We will work with Northern Kentucky Hunger Relief to provide meals to 20,000 recipients. This is a great way to show service to God by serving others less fortunate than ourselves. This project works for confirmation service hours as well as high school service hours. Breakfast snacks will be provided.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49a4a923a0fa7-ihmmeal>

Mission Sunday Multicultural Mass

IHM SACC and Hispanic Ministry invite all parishioners to participate in the annual Mission Sunday Multicultural Mass on October 21st at 6pm. The theme for this year's Mission Sunday is "Together with young people, let us bring the Gospel to all." The 1:30pm IHM music group will sing and the petitions will be read in several languages by our parishioners. There will be a Parade of Nations of children dressed in native costumes from a variety of countries. If interested in taking part in this mass by reading an intercession in German or another language or participating in the Parade of Nations, please contact Maria Lanzot zamaris_lan@yahoo.com or Sue Keefe skkeefe37@gmail.com. We welcome all to this mass where we celebrate with joy our diversity and our oneness.