



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL

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Mission Statement

IHM Catholic School challenges students to discover God's gifts spiritually, intellectually, socially and physically within a community that nurtures, honors and respects the unique person.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD: "Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'" Luke 3:21-22

A WORD FROM MRS. HICKS

Welcome back to school in 2019! I hope you all had a joyful and restful Christmas Vacation. The second quarter of school ends January 18. Report Cards will be going home on January 25. The mid-year NWEA testing window begins on January 15 and runs through February 15. Once the assessment window closes, the staff will begin using the new data to plan instruction. A suggestion at the last Talk Time was to begin earlier to allow parents to get to work. So, on January 22, Talk Time will begin at 7:15 to 8:00. Please feel free to drop in at any time as you bring your children to school. Finally, I'd like to thank all of you for the generous Christmas gifts. As friends ask me how I like working at Immaculate Heart of Mary School, I always answer, "It is a great place to be!"

Thanks, Karen

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Geography Bee School Final: We will hold the National Geography Bee school final on Thursday, January 17 after morning prayer, at approximately 8:10. Parents are invited to attend. There are ten finalists, two from each grade (4-8), who will participate in the final. These students will draw random numbers for seating placement. The bee usually takes under an hour to complete. Congratulations to our ten finalists!

Fr. Robert from Uganda ODC: Last year, Fr. Robert came to our school from Uganda. He gifted our school with a beautiful crucifix of an African Jesus, and he spent some time telling stories and teaching our students some songs from his country. Mrs. Johnston promised we would help him this year. Currently, they are trying to find funds to complete their church, Sts. Peter and Paul. They are also trying to raise teacher salaries from \$2 to \$3 per day. The charity is called Children Waiting Everywhere, and they have a website if you are interested. We are offering an ODC on Friday, January 18, for a donation of at least \$1 per child to reach out to Fr. Robert and the people. Thank you for any assistance you can give.

-Happy New Year, Mary Margaret Utess

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

The school year is going by quickly and our boys' basketball season will be coming to a close after Christmas break. We have an opportunity to run the Boys Basketball Finals at Lansing Catholic on Sunday, January 13. There will be three games that day, 1:00pm, 2:30pm and 4:00pm. This will be a great opportunity for our school to raise additional funds for our athletic program. Volunteers will be needed for Admissions, Concessions, 50/50 and Clean up. Please help us out by signing up on the Sign-up Genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094faaae2ba6fd0-cyac1>.

Thanks so much!! Bill Devine

CHRISTMAS GIVING FOLLOW UP

Thought you would like to hear some of the comments from the thank you notes we received from the families we supported at Christmas.

Thank you so, so much! You have no idea how much you touched our hearts! Thank you so much!

We are so thankful for everything that you have blessed us with this Christmas. God bless you and have a Very Merry Christmas!

You shared so much more than we expected. Thank you so much for blessing us!

UPCOMING EVENTS: [Check out the Google Calendar on the ihmlansing.org homepage for more....](#)

January 13, 2019: Boys' Basketball Tournaments, LCHS

January 21, 2019: NO SCHOOL; MLK, JR. DAY

January 31, 2019: CSW Winter Concert, 7:00 pm, Everett High School

WEEKLY LITURGY: Mass Wednesday, 8:00.

SCHEDULE: **January 12:** Gr 7/8/9 Dance, LCHS. **Jan. 15:** NWEA Testing begins. **Jan. 17:** Geo Bee Finals, 8:10 am. **Jan. 18:** End of Second Quarter. **MS Friday Fun Time, 3-5:00.** ODC for Uganda Mission. **Jan. 21: NO SCHOOL, MLK, Jr. DAY.**

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CSW SHIRTS: Once again we would like to have the students in matching tee shirts for the Winter Concert on Thursday, January 31. An order sheet is coming home in the family envelopes with your youngest child. We have a donor to pay half the cost as we know these costs add up. **Please return the order form in Monday** so we can tally the order to Slick Shirts.

GOOD WORK HAS ITS REWARD!: In an effort to promote good routines and tasks well done, if you are reading this bulletin before Monday, January 14, you may claim a prize for your child(ren). Just email Chris Wilcox, wilcox@ihmlansing.org that you saw the message and they can come to school in a casual shirt on Monday, January 14! Keeping up with all the news of the school is crucial. CSW happenings will make January busy. Thank you for reading what we write!

YOUTH CHOIR CSW SESSION: If your child (grades 2-8) would like to participate in the Mass Choir, please read the attached Youth Choir Flyer carefully so that they may attend practices and performances. Thank you, Choir, for the gift of sharing your voices with our school and parish community.

SPIRITWEAR SWEATSHIRT AVAILABLE: A size youth Large hoody is available to purchase if you missed the spiritwear sale. A family found this size to be too small for their child. \$24.00 Available in the office.

PTO POSITIONS AVAILABLE: The following volunteer positions with PTO need to be filled. Are you the one to fill a position and make this school the BEST!? For questions on any position or to volunteer speak with Emily Crockett, PTO President, 303-5576. And thank you to the Sullivan Family for taking on the Volunteer Coordinator Job – wonderful job!!!!

****Bookfair Chairperson:** This person coordinates the three Bookfairs each year with the parish office, Scholastic and school office. They update the forms to go out and coordinate volunteers for the shopping times. Heather Fields is stepping down, but available to work with the new coordinator.

****Recess Equipment Coordinator:** Someone is needed to keep an eye on the playground balls and replace as needed. We are stocked ahead, but the new balls need to be inflated and added to the rotation in a timely manner. Timing is at your convenience.

WAVERLY PIRANHAS SWIM CLUB: Winter Registration 2019 is scheduled for Monday, 1/16, 6:15-7:15 at the Waverly High School Pool. Winter session runs 1-7 through 3-22. For more information/fee schedule, check out: www.waverlyswim.org.

POSITION AVAILABLE: Immaculate Heart of Mary's after school program is in the process of taking resumes for an after school supervisor. The supervisor would assist the director with supervision. For children ages 3-13 for the after school program. You would provide a clean, safe and fun program along with assisting the children in different science, math, pretend-play, games and arts and craft activities. Previous child care experience and education desired. This is a part time, afternoon position and could possibly lead to full time. Please send resume to maherm@ihmlansing.org

LCHS CORKS AND CUISINE: Don't miss the party of the year...the fundraiser that brings together our entire Lansing Catholic community! Lansing Catholic's Corks & Cuisine will showcase palate-pleasing food from local restaurants and sips of wine and beer from area distributors and brewing companies. Save the date!! Saturday, January 26, 2019 from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. at Impression 5 Science Center. For more info: <https://lansingcatholic.org/content/corks-cuisine>

LCC CLASSES: The LCC Youth Program has classes available for enrollment for our Spring 2019 Semester! This semester is four weeks long and are on Saturdays, starting February 16 until March 9. Enroll soon to ensure your student gets a seat. If you sign up at least a 30+ days before our classes start, you get an "early bird" discount of \$10! To enroll, go to www.lcc.edu/seriousfun and click "Learn More" near the top. Not all classes are available for enrollment at this time, but we will be adding them at a later date. Please check our website often for future updates!

LCHS TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID MEETING: Tuition and financial aid meetings for Lansing Catholic High School's 2019-20 school year will be held on January 22 & January 30, 2019 at 6pm in LCHS's library. Any family (current or incoming) with tuition and financial aid questions are welcome to attend either of these meetings. LCHS's Tuition Advisor Renee Fischman will review the financial aid application process for the 2019-2020 school year and answer any questions families have about tuition or assistance. This meeting is not mandatory, but is a great opportunity to ask questions and walk through the financial aid process. (March 1, 2019 is the deadline for families to apply to be eligible for the maximum number of financial assistance opportunities at LCHS.) For more information or questions, please contact LCHS Tuition Advisor Mrs. Renee Fischman at 517-267-2107 or renee.fischman@lansingcatholic.org or visit Lansing Catholic High School's website: <http://lansingcatholic.org/admissions/financial-assistance>

LCHS PROSPECTIVE FAMILY NIGHT: Lansing Catholic High School will host its winter Prospective Family Night on Wed., Feb. 6, 2019 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. This event is open to prospective families with children of any age to learn more about what LCHS has to offer. Parents and students are welcome. Please note there is a set schedule for this event. Families will be taken on a school tour led by a LCHS student, attend breakout sessions (on curriculum, tuition, college planning, and extracurricular and athletic activities), and attend a question and answer session. Registration is not required, but is appreciated for this event. Please contact the admissions office at 517-267-2102 or admissions@lansingcatholic.org to register.