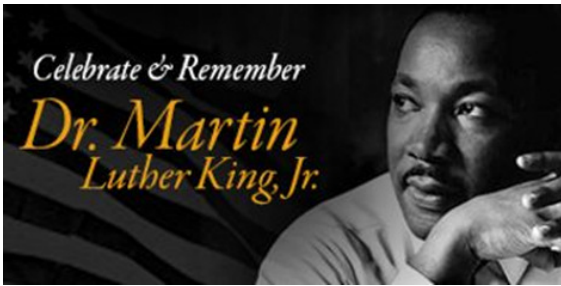


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Week of January 17, 2021

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.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." John 1:35-36

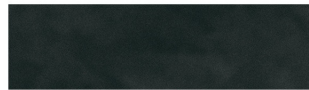
A Word From Mr. Weber

The virtue of the month is Humility



**WE MUST IN STRENGTH
AND HUMILITY MEET
HATE WITH LOVE**

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When I sit down each week to write the bulletin column, I reflect on all the happenings within the last seven days, and the words that come to mind are: WOW! WHEW! Can you believe that we are only half way home for the school year? We have come so far and still have quite some time to make even more progress. The collective persistence has made this possible, and I am in awe of our teachers and proud of our students and families for all of our daily contributions that have made a memorable semester.

On this Martin Luther King, Jr Day, I implore you and your families to spend time engaging in conversations about standing against racism, intolerance, and hate.

Simply, we are all children of God, thus, regardless of our differences, we have a wonderful unity in God's love. We have a tremendous opportunity each day to stomp out hate in our world with kindness. Certain talking points include: (taken from *A Reflection of Dr. Martin Luther King*, Catholic Health Association)

- Who do we remember now who has advocated for us and who helped us to get to this place in our lives?
- In what ways do we need to continue the process of change for ourselves, re-shaping ourselves from people of comfort to examples of Jesus?

- Where in my life or work might I renew a commitment to be an example of Jesus?

Teachers will be submitting grades by Tuesday evening. We will be distributing report cards Friday. Please focus on the learning, and not the grade itself. Teachers take great efforts in their comments. Should you have any questions, please reach out to your teacher first.

Catholic Schools Week is Jan 31 - Feb 5. Marketing will be compiling three videos for Catholic Schools week. We would ask parents to record a short video of why they send their children to Catholic schools. We will compile a video of students and then teachers/staff. You may send your videos to weberp@ihmlansing.org. Student Council will be coordinating spirit days and activities.

Based on Governor Whitmer's press conference January 12, I will be updating our Safe School Plan; I do not foresee any major changes to the school day. In other news, nearly all of the staff have registered for vaccinations, around half have appointments, and we should be fully vaccinated by March 1st.

Considering the past year, we will need to fill the gaps with consistent learning, necessitating online learning in the event of a snow day. The teachers and I will devise a learning plan for online learning should there be a snow day. At this time, the state allows for 6 snow days each year.

Keep fighting the good fight out there!

Go Eagles! *B. Patrick Weber V*

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Monthly Awards: We ended up with an online Google Christmas Meet for our November/December Assembly. Certificates for awards were distributed this week and the wonderful candy bars for our birthday celebrants too. Student Council will meet Monday to plan in hope for our January assembly.

Rejoice! Mrs. Utess

TUITION CONSULTANT

FINANCIAL AID OPEN: Applications are now being accepted being accepted for tuition assistance for 2021-2022. All families MUST fill out an application through FACTS Management Online. The deadline is March 1. There is a \$30.00 fee payable to FACTS through their online application process. Applicants can complete the online form by clicking the FACTS line here: <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid> Once the FACTS online form has been completed, the following information will need to be submitted to FACTS:

- Copies of your most recent Federal tax forms including all supporting tax schedules and W2's.
- Copies of supporting documentation for Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation and TANF.

The link will close March 1, 2021. **The deadline for applications is March 1, 2021. DO NOT MISS THIS DATE!**

Please be aware, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there are additional questions specific to the financial impact you may have experienced this year.

Applying through FACTS is an application to the Diocesan Grants at LCHS and Immaculate Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary School Goeddeke fund.

I am here to help, so if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me in the school office or contact me via email at putmane@ihmlansing.org

Liz Putman

UPCOMING EVENTS: **Check out the Google Calendar on the ihmlansing.org homepage for more....**

January 18: Martin Luther King Jr. Day-No School

January 19: Lansing Catholic Tuition and Financial Aid Meeting 6:00

January 22: Report Cards posted

January 29: ODC

WEEKLY LITURGY: MS Mass Wednesday, 8:00. Gr. 2-5 Mass Thursday, 8:00.

SCHEDULE: No school January 18 for F2F students or Eagle Academy

EVENTS: Lansing Catholic High School Tuition and Financial Aid Meeting

LANSING CATHOLIC TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID NIGHT: On Tuesday, January 19 at 6:00, all incoming LCHS or returning LCHS families who have tuition and financial aid questions are welcome to attend this meeting. LCHS's Tuition Advisor Mrs. Renee Fischman will review the financial aid application process for the 2021-2022 school year and answer any questions families have about the financial aid process for LCHS.

PRESCHOOL NEWS: We are open for preschool from 7:50-11:00 am and child care from 11-5:30 pm. If you are interested in sending your child to preschool starting January 11, please contact Mary Maher maherm@ihmlansing.org anytime!

We have been fortunate to have a healthy program and it is our goal to keep the children safe and healthy. We are washing our hands, playing outside, practicing social distancing, having fun, learning, socializing and making new friends.

Please keep us in mind for preschool for your 3, 4 and 5 year old child!

HOUSEKEEPING: The lost and found is growing with sweaters and jackets with no name in them. At this time of year, especially, students are dropping off their layers and leaving them behind. PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME IN EVERYTHING!!! **ALSO: Please provide your children with a fresh mask and backup mask in their bookbag each day.**

POP CANS: The eighth grade class is collecting pops cans for the potential end of the year eighth grade experience. Cans can be left in the school breezeway, or you may contact Katie Young at 517-898-7671.