



March 15, 2016

Spiritual  
Virtue  
Meets  
Academic  
excellence



GRIT

G – Guts, moral fiber, showing courage

R – Resilience, keep trying, bounce back

I – Integrity – Doing what is right

T – Tenacity – never giving up

## From the Desk of Michael Zientek



Next week is **Spring Break** and “**Holy Week.**” “**Holy Week**” is all about being Catholic. It is the heart and soul of our Catholic Identity and our Faith. I am sure many of you are thinking and planning to take a Spring Break vacation. I hope and pray that Spring Break does not cause you to take a break from

your faith at this most holy time of the liturgical year of Mercy. When we are on vacation, we often get out of our routine and because we are not in our home parish, we forget about taking part in the Sacred Triduum. Here is a webpage you may want to consider using if you are out of town:

[www.thecatholicdirectory.com](http://www.thecatholicdirectory.com)

The Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, continues through Good Friday and Holy Saturday, culminates in the Easter Vigil, and concludes with Evening Prayer of Easter Sunday.

**The first day of the Triduum**, the Christian Passover, is from Holy Thursday sunset until Good Friday sunset; it is the day of Jesus’ death, and has been likened to the sixth day of creation, when God formed us from clay and breath. It includes the liturgies of “The Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper” and the “Celebration of the Lord’s Passion.”

**The second day of the Triduum**, from Good Friday sunset until Holy Saturday sunset, is the Paschal Sabbath, the day of rest. In burial, the Lord rested, and we rest in him (even from liturgy).

**The third day of the Triduum**, beginning Holy Saturday at sunset, is the great surprise, the Easter surprise. This third day begins with the holiest night of the year, the vigil of Easter, leading into the day of days, the queen of feasts. Its liturgy is the queen of the royal liturgical family.

According to the Roman Missal:

- Holy Thursday’s service is “The Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper.”
- Good Friday’s service is “The Celebration of the Lord’s Passion.”
- Easter Sunday’s services are the Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday services during the night and Easter Sunday.

Even though the Roman Missal does not call for a “Sunrise Service,” as it does a Mass at Dawn on Christmas, the sunrise service, a relatively recent innovation, has become popular in the US. Some credit the origin of this practice to Moravians. These Czechoslovakian immigrants brought the custom to the US in the late eighteenth century. - **The Catholic Source Book**

**The teachers, staff and administration hope and pray you have a safe and Holy Spring Break and Mercy filled Easter!**

## ***This and That***

**Summer Camps:** We are planning to have STEM Camps in June and July. The dates we are looking at are listed below: (See flyer on page 3)

- June 20-23 (M-Th) Steamtastic Summer Fun (1-4 p.m.) Ages 3rd-6th grade
  - June 27-30 (M-Th) D is for Dinosaur Dig (9-11 a.m.) Ages 3-5 years old
  - July 25-28 (M-Th) Lego Master Builders (9-11 a.m.) Ages 5-9 years old
- [www.computerexplorersmemphis.com](http://www.computerexplorersmemphis.com) - to register for Summer Camps on line.

**Advanced Ed Survey:** In an effort to improve system practices, the Diocese of Memphis conducts a Parent Survey each year. We value your opinion and ask that you take the time to complete this survey. In order to complete the survey go to:

<http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/2752397>

Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. The final date to respond to the survey is March 18, 2016.

**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART** -- Many thanks to all who participated! ICS raised \$1300 for the American Heart Association in memory of Bree Parker.



**Spring Uniforms will begin after Spring Break on Tuesday March 29th. Please consult your Parent/Student Handbook for details.**



**Lenten Rice Bowls are due Friday, November 18, 2016. Please either send in a check or currency to assist us in the counting process.**

### **COMPETITIVE BASEBALL TRYOUTS...**

Incarnation is putting together a Competitive Baseball team for boys 10 and under—3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grades. The season will run April – June with tournaments being played in close proximity to the Memphis area. The financial commitment for this competitive league is minimal. If you are interested in more information, please contact Robbie Atkins at 901.517.0024.

# SUMMER camps

662-890-4821

Register On Our Website

[www.computerexplorersmemphis.com](http://www.computerexplorersmemphis.com)

COMPUTER  
EXPLORERS

\*\*\*All camps will be held at Immaculation Catholic School\*\*\*

## STEAMtastic Summer Fun

Step into the world of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) and surround your young Einstein with endless possibilities! This camp will open their eyes to brand new ways of perceiving the world around them. Daily STEAM challenges will cultivate team work and higher level thinking. STEAMtastic campers will dive into Lego Robotics, Power Machines, Circuits and the dynamic world of coding! Your camper will have a blast exploring STEAM concepts with fun hands-on tools such as iPads and programmable floor robots. This camp will give them a glimpse into the inner workings of machines, electronics and technology used in their everyday lives! Take STEAM to the next level in this action-packed camp!

June 20—23 (11 pm—4 pm) Cost: \$150

## D is for Dinosaur Dig

Beginning paleontologists learn about dinosaurs and the techniques used in extracting fossils in this hands-on class. Go on your own fossil dig, analyze and assemble skeleton pieces, produce a fossil reconstruction, create a mural, use iPads to learn more about dinosaurs... and take home lots of cool dinosaur daily projects!

June 27—30 (9 am—11 am) Cost: \$121

## Lego Master Builders

Dive into endless Lego possibilities! This one of a kind Lego camp will exercise your Lego Master Builder's innate gift for building. Tap into their genius with daily Lego challenges, guided free-build missions, Lego car speedway races and so much more! Campers will get up and move with our interactive team-driven, Lego-based games and competitions. Your child will explore their imagination when they engineer minifig zip lines, boats, cars, bridges and other action packed designs. Everything is AWESOME when you sign up today!

July 25-28 (9 am—11 am) Cost: \$121



## Calendar

### MARCH

March 14-18  
Wednesday, March 16  
Thursday, March 17  
**March 21 – March 28**  
March 29 & 30-  
March 31 & April 1

Easter Basket Collection - for Fayette County Outreach  
ERW  
3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Awards Mass  
**Spring Break, Easter Break– NO SCHOOL**  
Preschool Vision Screening  
Preschool St. Jude Trike-a-Thon

### APRIL

Wednesday, April 6  
April 5 & 6  
April 7 & 8  
Friday, April 8  
Friday, April 15  
April 18-29  
Wednesday, April 20  
April 18-22  
April 19  
April 21 & 22  
Friday, April 22  
  
Saturday, April 23  
Monday, April 25  
Friday April 29

ERW  
Preschool Farm Animal Day  
Preschool Chapel  
Student Talent/Variety Show  
NO SCHOOL - Spring Festival  
Iowa Assessment  
ERW  
Scholastic Book Fair  
Dinner at the Book Fair  
Preschool Fire Safety Lesson  
Grandparents Day - Mass at 10:00  
Noon Dismissal  
First Communion 10:30 am  
Confirmation - 7:00 at the Cathedral  
Field Day

## ICS Prayer Box

**Please keep our ICS families in your prayers.**

For the repose of the soul of Jane Carrasso, she passed away on March 10, 2016 following a battle with cancer.

For the repose of the soul Albin Dlabaj grandfather of Malerie Young's who passed away on Sunday.

For the Christians in world who are suffering from the attacks by terrorists.

Pray for Mr. Cole's daughter who is being treated for an illness.



## From the Desk of Mrs. Malerie Young

God created you and me so we could live happy lives that service him. This week during the Pre-school Chapel lesson, students learned about their emotions. They discussed being happy, sad, frightened, excited, etc. The three, four, and five year olds also brainstormed lots of ideas that make them happy. Our Pre-school students showed their understanding of emotions by sorting faces into not happy and happy groups. Have your child identify which of these faces is happy and which are not.



# From the Desk of Susanne Angelillo

Published on ADDitudeMag.com

## Learning Disabilities: Myths and Realities

Think you know the facts about disabilities? Read on to learn about common myths-and truths – surrounding LD.  
*By Devon Frye*

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### **The Truth About LD**

Learning disabilities are a common-but occasionally misunderstood-condition that affects children and adults alike. Read on to separate fact from fiction, and educate yourself about LD.

#### **Myth 1: Learning disabilities are more common in people with low intelligence.**

False! By definition, a learning disability can only be diagnosed in someone with average or above-average intelligence. Those with learning disabilities often have a high IQ-however; the LD is holding them back from demonstrating their true intelligence in daily achievements.

#### **Myth 2: LD is only a problem in school settings.**

Not true. While learning disabilities certainly make school more difficult, their influence can extend beyond the classroom. Difficulties expressing yourself verbally can lead to social problems and LD can hold people back in the workplace-particularly if their job is heavily linked to reading, writing or math.

#### **Myth 3: Dyslexics read backwards.**

This is a common myth, but it simply isn't true. Dyslexia comes in many forms, and while some people may experience word reversal (seeing bat as tab, for instance), not all dyslexics experience this. Some struggle with single letter reversal ( reading does as dose, for example), while others have difficulties telling single letters apart or stringing multiple sounds together to form a word.

#### **Myth 4: Children with LD are just lazy or unmotivated.**

This myth plagues children with ADHD, too. A learning disability is not a character flaw, and children who struggle with LD are often trying as hard – or harder- than their peers. It's important that parents and teachers offer support and understanding; otherwise, children with learning disabilities can develop low self-esteem or set low expectations for themselves and become apathetic about school and their future.

#### **Myth 5: Accommodations give kids an unfair advantage; that's why so many claim to have LD.**

Accommodations for LD mirror those for any other legal disability – they exist to level the playing field and help children with LD stand eye-to-eye with their peers. In reality, only 24 percent of college students with LD inform their schools about their conditions-indicating that students are not eager to self-disclose, even when doing so would provide them with much-needed accommodations.

#### **Myth 6: Lack of parental involvement causes LD.**

While researchers aren't exactly clear what causes LD, they know what doesn't cause it-and parental involvement in early childhood is not a factor. Other mythical causes of LD include vaccinations, bad teachers, and too much television.

## From the Desk of Susanne Angelillo, Cont

### **Myth 7: Learning disabilities affect more boys than girls.**

This one is tricky. While more boys are diagnosed with learning disabilities (66 percent of children receiving accommodations in the United States are boys), experts believe that they actually affect both genders at the same rate. Girls may be flying under the radar, and may require closer observation and more proactive intervention.

### **Myth 8: Glasses can help fix learning disabilities, particularly dyslexia.**

Learning disabilities have nothing to do with vision. Many parents assume that their child struggles with reading because he can't make out the letters- and certainly vision tests should be conducted on all children to rule out potential problems-but dyslexia is a brain-based disorder, not a vision-based one.

### **Myth 9: People with LD can't be successful.**

This is far from the truth! Many successful people have LD, including some famous folks-like Whoopi Goldberg, Jennifer Aniston, and Steven Spielberg. Success stories like these prove that LD challenges need not preclude a person from achieving the highest levels of society.

### **Myth 10: Medication can be used to treat LD.**

Many people wrongly believe that learning disabilities can be treated with stimulant medications, much like ADHD. However, medications have no effect on learning disabilities. If the child also suffers from ADHD, stimulants can help control attention-related symptoms, but it's important for the learning disability to be separately diagnosed- and treated.

### **Want More on Learning Disabilities?**

Check out

Learning Disabilities: Symptoms and Diagnosis

Learning Disabilities: Accommodations and Treatment

Beyond the ADHD Diagnosis: Common Learning Disabilities

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## HOME AND SCHOOL



**H&S Open Positions 2016-2017** The Home and School Board NEEDS YOUR TALENT!!! There are still a few more vital positions to fill for next year. Please consider filling one of the remaining open positions as we rely on this integral team of parents to keep our Home and School Association running smoothly.

Here's a summary of the positions that will be voted on at the final **H&S General Meeting on April 6th** and a short description of the responsibilities for the remaining open positions:

Please contact Sherrie Goodwin at [sgoodwin73@comcast.net](mailto:sgoodwin73@comcast.net), Michelle Mundy at [mgmundy@bellsouth.net](mailto:mgmundy@bellsouth.net) or any Board Member with any questions.

Executive Board: (Attend Board Meeting – once a month)

Co-Presidents: Sherrie Goodwin & Allison Waggoner

Past President: Michelle Mundy

Vice President with intent to be President – **OPEN**

Treasurer – Anju Dias

Co-Treasurer with intent to be Treasurer – Ayesha Crasta

Secretary – **OPEN**

Board: (Attend Board Meeting – once a month)

Public Relations – Maria Gonzalez

Fundraising – Anna Durante and Jennifer Easton

Co-Fundraising with intent to be Fundraising Chair – **OPEN**

Teacher Appreciation- Amy Faverty, Lisa Micheletti and Joan Mitchell

Room Parent Coordinator – Laurie Jackson

Hospitality – Lynn Bray

Committee Heads: (Don't attend monthly Board Meeting)

Sunshine – Lindsay Thompson

Used Uniform Sales– Stephanie Barlovic

Spirit Shop – Jessica Balderson

Helping Hands – Terra Parker and Ashley McGaw

Box Tops – Kay Herring

School Supplies – Mia Leoni

Kroger Card – Tara Williams



## Home and School—CONT

### Description of Responsibilities:

- Board Members are asked to make every effort to attend the monthly Board Meeting and the General Meetings. The monthly Board Meetings are typically held during the school day and every effort will be made to schedule monthly meeting at a time that all Board Members can attend. Younger siblings are welcome to attend.
- We hold 4 General Meetings per year (Sept, Nov., Feb., and April) usually held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. or Friday after morning drop off. These meetings are run by the co-presidents.
- All Board Members are asked to serve in various voluntary capacities throughout the school year at Home and School events.

### Vice President with the intent to be President: Responsibilities include:

- Attend monthly Board Meetings and General Meetings providing input and advice on agenda items discussed.
- This person intends to roll into Co-President position for two years after one year as Vice-President.
- Coordinate and plan Guardian Angel Day.
- Act as a school liaison for our parish's annual Spring Festival

### Secretary: Responsibilities include:

- Take and keep permanent record of all Board and General Meeting minutes.
- Distribute minutes to all board members who were unable to attend meeting(s).
- Attend monthly Board Meetings and General Meetings providing input and advice on agenda items discussed.

### Co-Fundraising: Responsibilities include:

- Attend monthly Board Meetings and General Meetings providing input and advice on agenda items discussed.
- Shadow the primary Fundraising chair and to provide assistance with Fundraising roll where needed.
- This person intends to roll into Fundraising Chair position for one year after one year as Co-Fundraising Chair.



**MARCH TEACHER'S LUNCHEON** Our next monthly teacher's luncheon is scheduled for tomorrow, March 17th. There are still a few more slots needing to be filled. Please go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4caaae2bab9-simply> to sign up! As always, thank you for your support of these luncheons for our wonderful teachers!

## HOME AND SCHOOL—CONT



**SPRING FLOWER SALE (March 15th – April 8th)** ICS Home and School is once again offering spring annuals for sale. This is a great way to make your yards beautiful this summer and support your school at the same time.

These flowers will be bought and supplied by MorGreen Nursery.

Morgreen has been a generous donor to ICS in the past and their awesome support continues.

They will be contributing all proceeds from the sale to ICS, which will be around \$5 per flat.

All of the order information is coming home with your children in their Tuesday folders. Here's a summary of the information:

- The plants are landscaper size with 18 four-inch plants to a flat  
The plants are sold by entire flats only and the only sale options are those on the order form.
- The cost is \$15 per flat for standard items and \$24 per flat for Wave Petunias, Dragon Wing Begonia and Lantana. Please see your child's Tuesday Folder for an insert with all the flower pictures.

**All payments and orders are DUE by Friday, April 8th.** Please make checks payable to ***Incarnation Catholic School.***

The plants will be ready for you to pick up from MorGreen Nursery April 22nd-24th (subject to change). Please ask your friends and family to order something they already buy anyway, and thanks so much for supporting ICS and MorGreen Nursery!!

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact Amber Vandersommen at [ambervanders@yahoo.com](mailto:ambervanders@yahoo.com) or 901-275-1435.

Have a wonderful week!

Michelle Mundy and Sherrie Goodwin

Home and School Co-Presidents 2015-2016



# Holy Week & Easter

# Theme Weeks!!!!

This year for Incarnation Spring Festival, we are going to help fill the auction baskets by having theme weeks for donations. We decided to do it this way so that the room parents don't have to oversee any certain basket. We will be doing this for 8 weeks leading up to the festival. Participate in as many as you can, we need your help to make this event a success! These baskets will be auctioned off at the spaghetti dinner on April 15<sup>th</sup>, which is the kick-off to the spring festival. All of the proceeds go to help fund the school, preschool, and church - so our kids will directly benefit from the profits!

Thanks for your help...and don't worry, we will be stalking you in car line to give you friendly reminders and accept your generous donations of (new) items, gift cards, and cash! If you have something that's not in a category, we will still take it! We will also take any items at any time; you don't have to wait for the designated week.

## Week 1 (feb 8-12): Mexican Week, Ole!

Gift cards to Mexican restaurants, grocery stores, tequila, margarita mixes, margarita glasses, Mexican kitchen items, etc.

## Week 2 (feb 15-19): Girly Girl Week!

Toys r Us gift cards, Target gift cards, all things girly (all ages), toys, disney things, board games, arts and crafts stuff, barbies, legos, sports stuff, star wars, movies, beach toys, swim stuff, etc

## Week 3 (feb 22-26): Wine Week!

All the wine! Any color! Wine glasses, Wine store gift cards, wine themed accessories, we want beer too! etc.

## Week 4 (feb 29-mar 4): Boys will be Boys Week!

Toys R Us gift cards, Target gift cards, all things boy (all ages), Sports Equipment, Disney things, cars, Star Wars, Legos, board games, beach toys, movies, swim stuff, action figures, etc.

## Week 5 (mar 7-11): SEC Week!

University themed chairs, umbrellas, balls, games, books, glass ware, shirts, hats, cups, towels, etc.

## Week 6 (mar 14-18): Italiano Week!

Pasta, wine, cook books, seasonings, Italian themed kitchen accessories, etc.

## \*Spring Break\*

## Week 7 (mar 28-apr 1): Liquor Week!

All the liquor! (God bless the Catholics) tequila, vodka, rum, gin, triple sec, tonic water, bar tools, glassware, you get the idea, (beer and wine too) etc.

## Week 8 (apr 4-8): The Great Outdoors!

Camping supplies, grilling essentials, outdoor games, gardening tools, pool stuff, etc.

## Spring Festival April 15-17!

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