



What's Happening at I.H.M. May 1-9 2008

The Week at a Glance:

Fri	May 2	May Crowning Mass 9am 7 th grade Field Trip
Sat	May 3	First Holy Communion Mass 5:15 pm
Tues	May 6	Hot Lunch~Mosticcolli 1st grade field trip Calvin College
Thurs	May 8	Hot Lunch~Beef Stir-fry Mass 9am
Fri	May 9	Mass 9am

Happy Birthday to You!

- 1 Jacob Polakovich, Nicole Joseph
- 2 **Mitchell-Pickle-Puck-Lowe***, Ella Rossi, Harrison Rohen, Alexis Lomonoco
- 3 Jack Vicari
- 4 Griffin MacDonald, Hannah Soltysiak, Ann Balke, John Boman
- 5 Anna MacLachlan, Gabriel Milanowski, Monica Passinault
- 6 KaLeigh-Jo Kirby

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MAY CROWING = Really Big Deal Here At Immaculate Heart Of Mary School!

TOMORROW, MAY 2, AT 9AM, JOIN US FOR MASS, led by our 8th grade soon-to-be-graduating class. Then, process with us over to the front lobby of the school for the blessing of our new Mary Statue. Right after that, we'll draw for the rights to the old Mary Statue! **Full uniform must be worn by all students, that means pants and skirts/jumpers, no shorts on Friday.**

Also~ all students/teachers/parents are encouraged to bring fresh flowers to place at the feet of the new statue in school. Students will be allowed to put them in the vases provided first thing in the morning to keep them fresh.

PRAY THE LITANY OF MARY everyday from the school sign as you drive to school--watch it change every day during the Month of May, the Month of Mary!

BLESSINGS ON OUR 2ND GRADERS AS THEY JOIN CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST for the first time tomorrow. Our Lord is especially attentive to the voices of children. Pray well, 2nd graders, and tell Jesus you love him every time you receive him!

1-st GRADE PARENTS: Please remember to bring your 2 dozen home baked cookies to the school kitchen on Friday, May 2 for the 1st Communion Reception on Saturday. Wrap your cookies tightly and mark it **"1st Communion"** ~Thank you!

HOT LUNCH VOLUNTEERS: Tuesday, May 6 - Elizabeth Jamieson, Anita Johnson, Amy Herro, Donna Bramble, Eileen McCaffrey - Supervisor; Thursday, May 8 - Laura Lomonoco, Xan Swailes, Mike Lomonoco, Eloise Mika/Kelli Cain, Paula Vicari, Sue Brueggeman - Supervisor. Sign in at the office and head to the kitchen by 11:00 am. Thanks for all your help!

STILL IN NEED OF 3 VOLUNTEERS TO HELP ON MAY 29 FOR THE LAST HOT LUNCH OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

Call Patty Rohen @ 245-826 to volunteer.

DRESS CODE FOR MONTHS OF MAY/JUNE: Lands End or Educational Outfitters is your source for uniform shorts and skorts. All students must wear socks that cover the ankles—not just touch the bottom of the ankles. **They must cover the ankles. On a trial basis, all girls may wear ankle socks instead of knee socks with their shorts/uniform skirts/jumpers/skorts.**

EXODUS REVISITED: There are approximately two weeks left to get your **CSA pledge form into the parish office.** To date, **60** school families have pledged to CSA. **There are 227 of us.** Father warned us there will "Money-Homilies" but with this slow and low turn out, could he really be masking a more dire future? **ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS GET THE FORM BACK INTO THE OFFICE...**please submit it now.

HAPPY CINCO DE MAYO! All women of the parish and school are invited to the "festivities." The celebration to be held Monday, May 5th in the DeMazenad Room at 6:30. Lots of food, fun, and games. Questions, please call Stacey Braun 975-3987 or Stephanie Tepper 243-9856.

MARY PROCESSION: Tuesday May 13, 2008 is our parish's **Marian Day of Prayer and Study**. Our entire student body will celebrate the anniversary of the appearance of our Blessed Mother at Fatima with a procession beginning at 2:30. We'll begin at the main entrance of school and move around the IHM campus concluding in the IHM gym at 3:00. During the procession everyone will be involved in praying the rosary, stopping for each mystery and praying the final decade in the gym. Parents and families are invited to join us!

BLESSINGS ON PATRICK MAST'S younger brother, Noah, as he is Baptized in the Faith tomorrow at the school Mass at St Thomas. Patrick will be his God-father!

PROTECTING GODS CHILDREN: All volunteers/coaches-to-be who still haven't attended a VIRTUS training, this could be the time. Check for the latest round of classes on the website at VIRTUS.ORG All adults having regular contact with children within the Diocese must go through this training.

CLULEY GETS STAR ON WALK OF FAME: (kind of) Hannah was recently featured on the website of the Hearing Loss Association of the Greater Grand Rapids Area. She and her family have been very active with this organization and as part of their National Kickoff for their walk on June 21st, they asked her to provide a testimonial! Go to: http://hlaa.convio.net/site/PageServer?pagename=walk_home_page. Nicely done!

THE TRAVELING VOCATIONS NOVENA TO ST JOHN MARY VIANNEY is moving from the **Vernum Family** to the **Richard Family** next week! The Huynh Family asks that we also pray for the Grand Rapids Community of the Sisters of St. Paul. They've been instrumental in inspiring Peter (1-3) to one day be a priest and for Cecila (K-AM) to become a nun!

SCRIP NEWS:

Our next distribution of profits will be at the end of May. ATTENTION FAMILIES WITH 8TH GRADERS AS THEIR YOUNGEST STUDENT AND THAT STUDENT WILL BE ATTENDING CATHOLIC CENTRAL IN THE FALL!!! **You will need to change your choice of profit distribution from IHM Tuition to Catholic Central Tuition.** Please fill out a new Enrollment Form to show your change of profit distribution. Your action **now** will avoid a mess in the Fall when your profit goes to IHM and NOT Catholic Central!!!

SCRIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

Fridays after school in the gym lobby 3:00-3:30.

Saturdays after Mass 6:15-6:45.

Sundays after 8:30 Mass (9:30-10:00) and before 11:00 Mass (10:30-10:45).

Something has happened to the Friday Schedule Sheet and I don't have it to pass along to you.

A look at the Volunteer Sign-up Sheets that I do have for the month of May show that **NO ONE** HAS VOLUNTEERED FOR **ANY** SHIFT!!!

PLEASE HELP YOUR SCRIP COORDINATORS BY VOLUNTEERING TO KEEP THE PROGRAM ALIVE.

~Your SCRIP Coordinators Charmaine Hoezee and John and Ann Longo.

IHM SPRING CLEANUP TOMORROW MAY 2 FROM 5-8---BRING YOUR OWN TOOLS, RAKES PUSH-BROOMS AND WHEELBARROWS. HIGH SCHOOL KIDS EARN SERVICE HOURS. PIZZA WILL BE THE PAYOFF ONCE THE WORK IS DONE! CALL JOHN RAUCH WITH ANY QUESTIONS 437-1332!

Please pray daily, the following intentions: for Mrs. Loretta Kirby as she continues towards remission; **For OUR 2ND GRADERS AS THEY RECEIVE OUR LORD IN THE EUCHARIST FOR THE FIRST TIME!** ; for all our families to make the commitment to attend Mass every Sunday; For **Luke Passinault's** new baby sister Elizabeth and his doting parents; for **Jack and Emma Koncki's grandpa Dave** whose memorial service will be held in St. Louis on Saturday; thanksgiving for a successful surgery for **Mr. Cusack (Rosie and Carrie's Dad)** and for his speedy recovery; thanksgiving too for **Hannah Soltzyiak's** successful oral surgery and for her speedy healing; For our big brothers and sisters attending Prom in the next few weeks---their safety and purity; for an **increase in priestly vocations** and for **all catholic schools, especially ours, to be full next fall!**

Gentle Woman, Quiet Light

Morning star, so strong and bright

Gentle Mother, Peaceful Dove

Teach us wisdom teach us love