



December 6, 2018

*"God chose you, and appointed you to go and bear fruit." John 15:16*

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Happy Advent Season!** It is a time of hope, waiting, preparing. The birth of Jesus Christ is discussed daily with your children. In honor of Advent, we are conducting a **Food Drive** and it is going well – thank you for your kindness. If you haven't contributed yet, there is still time! The Franciscan Brothers of Peace will be here on December 17 to pick up the food.

Our second grade students celebrated the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** last Saturday. Congratulations to Saiya Fremling, Mateo Idrovo Cuesta, Vivian Michael, Anthony Placencia, Krisley Sarmiento, Megan Sarmiento and Celeste Inamagua Vilchis. Thank you to Mrs. Kulikowski for preparing the children and teaching all of the second graders about forgiveness.

Our **Preschool concert** was Tuesday evening and it was magical with a special appearance by Santa Claus. Thanks to all the families for supporting our youngest learners!

**Two upcoming concerts** remain and the flyer is included today. We need each of the children present. It will be joyful!

Please come in to pick up your **poinsettia** if you purchased any – we are grateful for your support. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade candle sale was very successful and we are excited that you supported the oldest children as well. Special thanks to Pam Patnode and the School Advisory Council for working on this project.

Our **Boxtop winners** this month are Bella Roche, Penelope Freeman-Pogue and Christos Alexandrou, plus the Third grade class gets the trophy – yeah!

We had a tremendous honor on Tuesday to host the **Aim Higher Foundation Board** meeting. They are generous to our students with tuition assistance. They loved our school and we are proud to share it with people that are so generous to our community.

Finally, we have included a green sheet which explains a way you can **give to the staff at ICS for Christmas** through a monetary donation. The form explains all.

Counting our blessings and each of you is a blessing,

Jane Bona, Principal

Mission Statement

The School of the Immaculate Conception is a Catholic community ministering to the children within the parish and throughout the surrounding neighborhoods. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are dedicated to fostering academic excellence, spiritual growth, and a strong commitment to living Gospel values.

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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

**—Catholic School—**

# Christmas Concerts

**Immaculate Conception School Auditorium**

**Grades 4 - 8 Band & Chorus**

**Thursday, December 13, 2018**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Grades K - 3 Choral**

**Wednesday, December 19, 2018**

**7:00 p.m.**

*Enjoy an evening of both sacred and secular Christmas classics performed by Immaculate Conception students under the direction of Katherine Wall, Tucker Moore, and Phil Smithley. Accompanist, Dr. Ray Bannon.*



**Admission is free - all are welcome!**

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## Christmas Gift Giving for the Teachers & Staff at ICS

During this Christmas Season it was determined that cash gifts given to the staff were appreciated as much or more than gift certificates. Anyone interested in choosing this option of gift giving may use the form provided on the back of this letter to indicate who the gift is for, whom it is from, and the dollar amount of your gift. You can allocate different amounts to different teachers and/or staff members with only one check.

**This is an entirely optional program. You do not have to participate and you should not feel obligated to do so. The individual dollar amounts are also voluntary.**

Before the Christmas break, each teacher or staff member will receive a Christmas card with the cash gift inside and a list of the names of each student and family who contributed to the gift.

**Please note:** The inside of the card will read only the names of the people who have donated a monetary gift to them. No dollar amount will be listed.

Please return the completed form with cash or check (payable to ICS)  
**no later than Monday, December 17, 2018 (by 8:00 am)**

Please place in an envelope marked "**Attention: ICS Office.**"





## Christmas Gift Donation Form

<b>Grade/ Department</b>	<b>Teacher/Staff Person</b>	<b>Gift Amount</b>	<b>From</b>
<b><i>TEACHERS</i></b>			
Pre-Kindergarten	Ms. Kuka		
Pre-Kindergarten	Ms. Bridgeman		
Kindergarten	Ms. Topitzes		
Grade 1	Mrs. Kurt		
Grade 2	Mrs. Kulikowski		
Grade 3	Mrs. Wallrich		
Grade 4	Ms. Harlander		
Grade 5 and Middle School Social Studies	Ms. May		
Grade 6 and Middle School Math	Mrs. Wall		
Grade 7 and Middle School Science	Mrs. Pender		
Grade 8 and Language Arts	Miss Brown		
Computers	Mrs. Blake		
Physical Education/Athletics	Mr. Couillard		
<b><i>STAFF</i></b>			
Pre-K and Kindergarten Aides			
School and Office Staff			

