



# Eagle Express News

Inspiring Hearts & Minds

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

As I write this last letter of 2017, I am really moved by the community here at IHM School. What an amazing year it has been so far – from community service projects like Pajama Drive, to fun events like Prairie Fire Theater and Grandparents Day, our days are full of blessings! God bless you and your family, and may the peace of Christ be with you through Christmas and the New Year!

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> and final Advent prayer service for this Advent season was today, led by the Kindergarten and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. They did a great job!

If you have a child that will be in Preschool, 4K, Kindergarten, or Middle School next school year please attend one of our information sessions coming up in January and February! It is a great way to learn about the programs, and to get your questions answered. Please share the information if you know of a family that is thinking of IHM for one of those classes. There is a flyer in the Eagle Express this week with the information!

And, finally, a Christmas prayer from Robert Lewis Stevenson for all of our precious families:

*O God, our loving Father, help us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the Angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the wise men. Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Deliver us from evil by the blessings that Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts. May Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving, and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

Merry Christmas!

Callie Meiller, Principal

## Thank You!

Thanks a million to Mrs. Binzak for the beautiful Christmas concert! Her love of music and enthusiasm is contagious! Thanks, also, to our amazing audience, who helped to pick up the chairs at the end of the night!

## Office Reminders

- ♥ Students who get dropped off before 8 AM should be dressed in their winter gear: snowpants, boots, hat, & mittens. Just like at recess, they will be outside until 8 AM if the temperature/windchill is over 0 degrees. Let's keep everyone warm and safe!
- ♥ All library books should be returned to the IHM library before Christmas vacation. Thank you!

## Upcoming Events

### December

- 21 8:30 All-School Mass
- 22 **Pajama Day**
- 25-Jan 1 **PreK, 4K, K-8: No School**

### January

- 2 PreK, 4K, K-8: School Resumes  
6:00 SAC Mtg.  
7:00 HSA Mtg.
- 4 8:30 All-School Mass
- 8 **4K: No School**  
6:15 Athletic Committee Mtg.
- 9 6:00 "Day in the Life of a Middle Schooler"
- 10 18-19 Enrollment Open
- 11 8:30 All-School Mass  
6:30 Band Concert
- 12 No Uniform Day  
10:00 School Band Concert
- 15 **PreK, 4K, K-8: No School**
- 17 11:30 Kindergarten Lunch & Learn
- 18 8:30 All-School Mass
- 19 **PreK, 4K, K-8: No School**
- 24 Mid-Term Reports Available
- 25 8:30 All-School Mass  
11:30 4K Lunch & Learn
- 26 No Uniform Day
- 27-Feb. 2 Catholic Schools Week

## PICTURE OF THE WEEK



*Mr. Beechtree plays Santa during the Christmas Concert!*

### In the Eagle Express This Week:

January Menu & Calendar  
Christmas Concert DVD Order Form  
Teen to Toddler Information Sessions Flyer  
NEW Early Childhood Education Flyer  
Athletic Wear Order Form  
Christmas Card from IHM Staff  
MGHS Future Freshman Night Flyer (8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

### IHM Eagles Basketball

No IHM Sports over Christmas Break.  
Schedule resumes January 6<sup>th</sup>.

**GO EAGLES!**

### Did You Know?

All of the gifts in the Christmas Carol  
"The 12 Days of Christmas" would  
equal 364 gifts!



### Lunch Line Volunteers This Week:

Thu. 21<sup>st</sup>: **Nathan McGree & Beverly Speece**  
Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup>: **Donna Steffens**  
Mon. 1<sup>st</sup>: **No School**  
Tue. 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Shirley Diedrich**  
Wed. 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Aurea Garcia-Xelhua & Lisa Bent**  
**Thank you for your help!**

### HSA News

**Fish Fry Raffle Reminder!**  
Have you sold your 12 raffle tickets yet? The upcoming Christmas holidays are a great time to ask family and friends to support IHM school by purchasing some raffle tickets (1 for \$10 or 3 for \$25). Plus they may win a cash prize of \$3,000, \$2,000, \$1,000 or \$500! And remember - the family who sells the most raffle tickets wins \$200 in their choice of SCRIP gift cards!