

St. Ignatius Catholic School Iggie Update

January 2012

Do All for the Greater Glory of God



From the Desk of the Principal, Amy Rabeau

Dear Parents,

Bishop Hebda has invited the students to sing at St. Mary's Cathedral in Gaylord on Saturday, January 28, at the 5:00 P.M. televised mass. It is a tremendous honor for us to be asked, so I graciously accepted his invitation. I understand that this is a Saturday and it's a lot to ask, however, it's a wonderful opportunity for our students to experience a mass at the cathedral and to play a major role in the celebration of the mass. We will leave St. Ignatius School at 2:30 P.M. by bus. I know that many of you will want to attend the mass and will be driving your child over to Gaylord. This is not a problem as long as we have a note. I would like everyone at the church by 4:00 P.M.

Attendance is vital! I have 73 members in the children's choir and count on every one of their voices. Please mark your calendars! Also, we will be stopping to eat somewhere after Mass. A permission slip for this important event will be coming home in January. Thank you for supporting your child and our school in this upcoming event!

Catholic Schools' Week is January 29 - February 4. The theme this year is "Catholic Schools - Faith. Academics. Service." We are planning some fun activities for the students during the week. More information will be coming home in the February Newsletter.

Love and Prayers,
Mrs. Rabeau

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Parent Teacher Guild

The Parent Teacher Guild will be having their monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 10, at 7:00 P.M. in the library. All parents are encouraged to attend.

"We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers." (1 Thessalonians 1:2)

Upcoming Events

- ◆ Box Tops Raffle
- ◆ Sports Banquet
- ◆ K of C Free Throw Contest





Second Grade Parent Meeting

There will be a parent meeting on **Wednesday, January 18, at 6:00 P.M.** in Sister Jean's classroom discussing the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The children will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in February.

School Website

Is anyone interested in earning their parent hours at home by managing our school web site?

Jan Smolinski, a parishioner, and former parent has been running our school website for the last several years and would like to pass over the reigns. She's willing to provide training as well.

*Please call the school office if you're able to help.
Thanks!*

Box Tops Chinese Raffle

Beginning Wednesday, January 4, there will be several prizes on display in the school library. The students may bring in box tops with their name on the back and place them in the appropriate container for the prize they would like to win. The more box tops the students bring in, the better chances they have at winning. This is a great way to generate money for our school

Saints Basketball Schedule

The *father/son* game will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 10. The game begins at 6:00 P.M. Pizza and pop will be served after the game for \$1.00. The *sports banquet* is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 16 at 6:00 P.M. Saints sports players and their parents are invited to attend.

End of Second Marking Period

Friday, January 20, will mark the end of the second marking period. **Thursday, January 19 and Friday, January 20 the students are dismissed at 12:05 P.M.** *Report cards will be going home on Friday, January 27.*

Harbor Nights

St. Ignatius Harbor Nights is scheduled for Saturday, April 21. Our first planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 31, at 6:00 P.M. in the youth room. If you have any suggestions or would like to be more active in the planning of this event, please attend the

and at the same time reward our students for their efforts. **Please be sure to take the extra time to cut each box top along the dotted line. General Mills requires that each one is cut before they are sent in to be counted.** The drawings will be held on Tuesday, January 31. I would like to thank Theresa Kortman for organizing this fun event!

K of C Free Throw Contest

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Free Throw Contest on **Thursday, January 19, at 12:15 P.M.** in the St. Ignatius School gym. Boys and girls ages 9-14 in the surrounding area schools are eligible to participate. Forms are available in the school office and they require a parent signature in order to participate.

Science Olympiad 2012

Science Olympiad is scheduled for Saturday, March 10 at Alpena Community College. This is open to all fifth through eighth grade students. Meetings will begin in January. **I currently need coaches for many of the events. If you are willing to help out, please contact the school office. Thanks!**

meeting. This is a fun night of dinner, casino, auction, and fellowship. Tickets are \$25.00 each and will be on sale in the school and parish office beginning in March. We are accepting new donations for the auction at any time. We hope that your generosity will continue.

Mission Statement

St. Ignatius Catholic School will provide a Christian Education through the cooperation of our families, the primary teachers of our children. Guided by the Holy Spirit, the love of God, and Christ-like living, St. Ignatius is committed to nurturing all children through a strong formation of faith, academic excellence, and compassionate discipline.

Lunchtime News

The following is a schedule for lunchtime volunteers for the month of January. This accounts for one hour of your parent hours at school. Lunchtime duty is from 11:10 A.M. to 12:10 P.M. All families are asked to work at least three lunches.

Please remember to sign the sheet of paper on the clipboard by the calendar, so you will be given proper credit.

Lunchtime Volunteers

2nd No School
 3rd No School
 4th Open
 5th Open
 6th Cella Bade
 9th Missy Bannon
 10th Open
 11th Open
 12th Open
 13th Cella Bade
 16th Sharon Meredith
 17th Open
 18th Open
 19th 12:05 P.M. Dismissal
 20th 12:05 P.M. Dismissal
 23rd Missy Bannon

Jr. High Youth Group

Attention all 6th, 7th & 8th grade students. The January meeting date for Junior High Youth Group is the 18th. The youth group meets in the Youth Ministry Room from 6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M. Come and enjoy an evening of Christian fellowship and fun!

All checks for hot lunch need to be made out to Rogers City Schools. When your child's account is low, we will send home a note from the office. All parents are encouraged to fill out a free and reduced lunch form at the beginning of the school year or throughout the course of the year if their financial status changes. This information is kept strictly confidential.



Vocation Awareness Week January 9-14

Heavenly Father,

Your Son told us to ask You to send workers into the harvest. Bless our beloved Diocese of Gaylord with: holy priests and seminarians who radiate Your love; zealous religious who imitate Your Son's poverty, chastity and obedience; devoted deacons who inspire us to ever greater service; faithful husbands and wives who reflect Christ's love for His spouse, the Church; and single men and women who love You above all else.

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel,

open the hearts of those who have yet to discern their calling to the still whisper of Your voice and the transforming power of Your grace. Send Your Holy Spirit to help us recognize Your will and embrace it in loving trust.

As we each strive to live out our vocation, may our humble efforts proclaim Your greatness and secure this local Church on the firm foundation that is ONLY JESUS!

*Bishop Bernard Hebda
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