



# THE IHM WEEKLY

## *Immaculate Heart of Mary School*

Immaculate Heart of Mary School is a Community of Faith in which school and parents join together in the formation and education of each child to achieve a balance of faith, character, and academic excellence.

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*We challenge one another to be globally aware people and peacemakers who accept the poor of this world with a hospitality mirroring **Gospel values**.*



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL  
NOVEMBER 16, 2022

Dear Eagles,

Yesterday, we celebrated our 50th day of school. We are nearly one third of the way through our school year, which means that the trimester will be closing soon. Students, please make sure to check in with your teachers regarding your progress, any areas for improvement, and the possibility of making up any missing or incomplete assignments. Thank you for all your hard work thus far ... Keep it up!

As Thanksgiving draws near, I just want to say thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for being such amazing families. Thank you for trusting us and for blessing us with your amazing children, whom we hold dear to our hearts as our own. I have you all to be thankful for as IHM would not be what it is today without you all!

As this will be our last newsletter before Thanksgiving, I pray that you have a very blessed and safe Thanksgiving break with your family and friends! Again, thank you students, parents, faculty, and staff for all that you do. See you for Mass and our Thanksgiving potlucks on Friday!

In His Service,  
Ms. Bautista

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EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT!  
WHAT'S GOING ON AT AND AROUND IHM?

- We have just a few more chocolate boxes for sale as our **World's Finest Chocolate** fundraiser comes to a close. We are collecting money at the office through Tuesday, November 22nd. Any balances on chocolate boxes will be added to your Blackbaud Tuition account by the end of the month.
- The IHM parish is looking for students in grades 4th-8th to be trained as an **altar server**. For grades 6-8, altar serving will count towards your Junior High service hours. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Balmonte and let her know if you want your own albs. Training will be given ASAP.
- In order to strengthen the safety of our community, the use of **car stickers** has been implemented to monitor the vehicles that come onto our campus. Volunteer parents will be helping us with enforcing this policy. If you have not yet purchased your sticker, they are available at the front office for \$10.
- The Immaculate Heart of Mary Church parish office will be closed on November 24th for the **Thanksgiving holiday**. There will only be one Mass on this day at 8 AM. The school office will also be closed from November 23-28 for Thanksgiving break. We are so grateful for our IHM community!
- The annual parish fiesta to **Our Lady of Guadalupe** will be held on Sunday, December 4th from 9 AM-5 PM. Please join us on the school yard for delicious food and a raffle. The Guadalupean festivities include a Novena of Masses to Our Lady of Guadalupe from Dec. 3-11 at 7 PM (1 PM on Dec. 4 and 11), mañanitas with mariachi on Dec 12th at 4 AM, and a Holy Mass with mariachi on Dec. 12th at 5 AM and 7 PM.
- This year, for the **Our Lady of Guadalupe raffle**, the prize is \$100 for 4th prize (5 winners), \$200 visa gift card for 3rd prize, \$1,000 for 2nd prize, and a grand prize of \$2,000! Winners will be chosen during the fiesta, but do not need to be present. Please stop by the school or parish office to purchase tickets!
- Our **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming December 12-16! Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them to become Bolder, Prouder, and Stronger Readers. AND—as always—every book they buy earns rewards for our school. Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping - <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/immaculateheartofmarysch4>.



- **Nov. 18:** Thanksgiving Mass and potluck - Dress Your Best; Adopt-A-Family due
- **Nov. 23-25:** Thanksgiving Break - No School
- **Nov. 27:** First Sunday of Advent
- **Nov. 30:** Parish Raffle Ticket Sales due - mandatory for in-parish tuition
- **Dec. 2:** 1st Trimester Ends
- **Dec. 6:** 7 PM PTA meeting via Zoom
- **Dec. 7:** 5 PM Family Tech Talk Webinar
- **Dec. 8:** Mass for the feast day of the Immaculate Conception (no Mass on Dec. 9)
- **Dec. 9:** 6 PM TK-2 Christmas Program
- **Dec. 12:** 3rd-8th gr. Advent Reconciliation; 1st Trimester Report Cards Published
- **Dec. 13-15:** Parent-Teacher Conferences (12:30 PM Dismissal)
- **Dec. 16:** Christmas Break begins - no E.D.P. See you again on January 3, 2023!



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You are invited to join an "Internet Safety" Zoom meeting on Wednesday, December 7th at 5 PM. In addition, please make sure you have familiarized yourself with the School's Internet Safety Policy that can be found on pp. 50-53 of our Parent/Student Handbook. Thank you!



# Family Tech Talk

**Learn the risks your kids face online & Internet safety tips**



This free Zoom event is presented by an Internet safety expert from Trend Micro's Internet Safety for Kids and Families Program.

## Parents will learn:

- Online gaming and social media insights
- Managing screentime
- App settings for age-appropriate content
- Best practices to be safe online
- How to prevent online risks
- Parental controls and tips on kid's device setup
- Plus, a live Q&A session!

*Available in multiple languages*

DATE	PRESENTED BY	TIME
<b>7 Dec</b> Wednesday	<b>Trend Micro</b> <i>Internet Safety for Kids &amp; Families</i>	<b>5 PM</b>

**Join this virtual event at:**

<https://trendmicro.zoom.us/j/96780819218?pwd=R290QXgrQVBPL28rR0NOWFR4aDd3Zz09>

**Passcode 395999**

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