

# Immaculate Conception Grade School



Year in Review 2024-2025



# Our Mission

As an educational ministry of Immaculate Conception Parish, we partner with parents to prepare students for lives as Catholic leaders. As Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit, we focus on formation through prayer, message, concern, and service to community. We teach students to live a life that embodies these values, is centered in Christ, and strives for their greatest academic potential. They will experience a world around them rich in God’s love.



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VERY REVEREND THOMAS L. PAUL, V.F. K.H.S.  
Pastor  
Immaculate Conception Parish

## DEAR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GRADE SCHOOL FAMILIES,



We have just completed the celebration of the 125th Anniversary of Immaculate Conception Grade School. Without a doubt, we have all experienced a year of great happiness in the many ways that we have remembered this historic event. The year began in August with the back-to-school mass. At the end of the liturgy, we gathered in front of the church and witnessed students push the button to illuminate the front of the building. ICGS has been a beacon of light and hope shining on the lives of thousands through the years. The outdoor picnic was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone in attendance.

As the students returned to school a special 125th prayer composed for this year began to be recited on a daily basis. The prayer served as a constant reminder to the entire school community of how grateful we all are to be a part of this time in our history.

In honor of Mary the Immaculate Conception, our patron, Bishop Hicks joined the school for a special liturgy and Anniversary Mass. It was a beautiful liturgy in which the children truly participated and prayed together. Bishop Hicks was very touched by the entire atmosphere that he found not only in our liturgy, but also in the classrooms he visited. He later often remarked how impressed he was because of the joy and sincerity that he found at IC. The students also enjoyed

# A Message From Our Pastor

throughout the day a variety of special events and, of course, food. They watched a movie, played games, and spent time enjoying each other's company. It was the intent of the feast day celebration to be a day that the children in a special way would be able to celebrate together. Many of them mentioned that it was the best day of the year.

The hard work and commitment of the 1900 Club once again was seen in a successful Christmas Tree Lot. The best trees in Elmhurst come from IC. Beautiful ornaments were created with the symbol of 125th Anniversary on them. In March, a gathering took place in which many Diocesan, civic, and business leaders were invited to attend. Both the past and present chairpersons of the DuPage County Board are alumni of our school. All in attendance were grateful for the opportunity to be part of this event and to learn more about how great ICGS is. The DuPage County Board issued a declaration in recognition of the school's anniversary. Likewise, the City of Elmhurst City Council also made a declaration in the school's honor.

The yearlong celebration concluded with the beautiful liturgy celebrated by Bishop Hicks on Saturday, May 10th. The joy present at this mass was evident. The tremendous participation was felt by everyone. Many alumni as well as former teachers were in attendance. We were also very blessed to have four of the Sisters of St. Agnes join us for this festive occasion. Following the liturgy, a memorable reception took place in our gymnasium. People were overwhelmed by how beautiful the room looked. Likewise,

the music, food, and memorabilia present added tremendously to the gathering. It was without a doubt an outstanding closing celebration to the 125th year.

In a special way, I'd like to thank all who helped to make this celebration what it was meant to be. We had a year of joy and thanksgiving; a year filled with happiness for the past and hope for the future. The many people who contributed to the success of this effort certainly need to be commended. The Development Office from our grade school once again showed great leadership in every part of this celebration. The support given by the Parents Club was an integral part of everything we did throughout the year. The administration, staff, and faculty of the grade school all joined together with the many parent volunteers to create a year to remember. The support of many parents was clearly evident in significant ways in our school throughout the year. May the 125 years of our past continue to form the foundation for the success of our future.

May God continue to bless all of you!  
May Mary, the Immaculate Conception,  
watch over us and pray for us.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Very Rev. Thomas L. Paul, V.F.



125th Anniversary Mass



Father Tom with Students at  
125th Celebration



Mrs. Koukar, Father Jeremy, Father Tom, Mrs. Meyer



Distinguished Graduate Mass



Mrs. Meyer with Students

# A Message From Our Principal

## DEAR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GRADE SCHOOL FAMILIES,



As I reflect on the 2024–2025 school year at Immaculate Conception Grade School, I am overwhelmed with pride and gratitude for all that our students, staff, and families have accomplished together. We began this milestone year by celebrating 125 years of Immaculate Conception Grade School with a joyful mass, while honoring our legacy of educating students in a tradition in faith, family, and academic excellence and being the light of Christ to all.

Throughout the year, we celebrated with Bishop Hicks, engaged in Faith Family events, and introduced a special anniversary prayer written by our students. These moments deepened our Catholic identity and reminded us why we do things differently at ICGS. This prayer truly became a source of inspiration throughout the school year, and its spirit was reflected in everything we did.

Our distinguished graduates this year were not just one person but all of our senior alumni. A highlight was in March, when we hosted ICGS Community Day, welcoming local stakeholders for a prayer service, school tour, and reception. We ended the year with a final mass celebrated by Bishop Hicks and a parish reception that brought together current families, alumni families, former staff members, and friends of ICGS. We were especially blessed to welcome four Sisters of Saint Agnes, former ICGS teachers from the 1950 to the 1970s. This year, we were honored with proclamations from both DuPage County and the City of Elmhurst, recognizing our school's impact on the community and the many contributions made.

We hope your children came home each day knowing they are part of something truly special—a school built on a legacy of Catholic faith and excellence. At ICGS, we continually remind our students that God is always with them and that we are called to use our gifts in gratitude and service. We know that in all we do, we are called to be the Light of Christ for others. We believe that recognizing our gifts is the first step to living a life dedicated to making the world a better place empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Throughout the year, we had the privilege of hearing stories from proud ICGS alumni, many of whom contributed time and care to create scrapbooks and picture boards documenting the school's legacy. This memorabilia was on display at our May 125th Anniversary Celebration, allowing all in attendance to appreciate how ICGS has grown and flourished while remaining rooted in strong Catholic values. Throughout the year, we witnessed many powerful examples of ICGS alumni living as the Light of Christ shining through their service, compassion, and commitment to faith.

Our hearts swell with pride when we witness the goodness of God reflected in the daily life of our school. Whether it's through classroom collaboration, acts of service, participation in clubs, or simple moments of kindness, our students are living their faith. Each day, our students showed faith in action—through academics, service, kindness, and leadership. This could not happen without the love and dedication of our teachers, staff, clergy, parents, alumni, and volunteers. Your efforts made this anniversary year truly special.



MRS. SHARON MEYER  
Principal,  
Immaculate Conception Grade School

We would like to extend my deepest thanks to Father Tom, Father Jeremy, our dedicated staff, supportive parents, alumni, school board members, and our wonderful Parent's Club. The Holy Spirit is alive in all of you, and your contributions made this year unforgettable. To our staff, your unwavering dedication to our mission and your faith-filled service inspires me every day. Thank you for creating a nurturing, academically rigorous, and spiritually rich environment for our students. Your commitment to individual student growth, prayer, and service is truly unmatched. To our parents, thank you for going above and beyond to help us mark this milestone year. From organizing school plays, enrichment activities, athletic events, holiday celebrations, the book fair, and Explore More Days, to planning a joyful Field Day—you made this year magical for our students. Your generosity of time, talent, and treasure has modeled true Catholic service for your children. Thank you for being part of this legacy and for helping ICGS continue to be a shining light in our community. May God and Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception bless our ongoing journey. Here's to the continued success of our beloved ICGS.

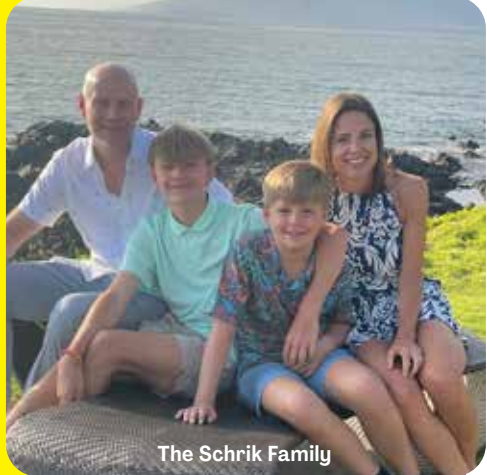
With heartfelt gratitude,  
Sharon Meyer







Seminarian Frank at St. Patrick's Day Parade



The Schrik Family



# School Board Highlights



It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as President of the ICGS School Board and work alongside such a talented and devoted group of fellow board members. I am proud to be a parishioner of Immaculate Conception Church and member of the ICGS community. The ICGS community is a true blessing, and I am grateful for the care all its members pour into supporting it.

As is tradition, I would like to share a few accomplishments the School Board assisted the ICGS administration with this school year:

Completed our celebrations of the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Joliet with special events such as a day of service and reciting the 75th Jubilee prayer from the beginning of the school year through December.

Celebrated the 125th anniversary of Immaculate Conception Grade School in Elmhurst with very special events throughout the year.

- ~ Bishop Hicks commemorated the jubilee by celebrating mass and spending time afterward listening to presentations from the school children. The students were then treated to a set of fun festivities throughout the school day to kick off the 125th anniversary celebrations.
- ~ Helped organize a mass honoring distinguished alumni of the school
- ~ Held a community open house welcoming distinguished community leaders such as the Mayor of Elmhurst, Elmhurst Police

Chief and the President of Elmhurst University.

- ~ Finished celebrations with Bishop Hicks officiating a jubilee mass that was followed by a beautiful reception in our air-conditioned gym.

As we celebrated the past 125 years, we look forward by creating a Strategic Plan. All members of the board worked diligently alongside school administration, Father Tom and Father Jeremy to build on the school's philosophy, vision and development of seven pillars through which we believe the school can achieve success.

- ~ Supported Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Koykar, ICGS administration and teachers through consistent planning and thought exercises to maintain high rates of retention for staff and administration.
- ~ Conducted the 2023 to 2024 Annual Appeal to raise funds to help with ongoing support for ICGS facilities.
- ~ Directed earnings from the ICGS Endowment to provide retention bonuses to teachers returning for the 2025-2026 school year as well as some funds to help support special school building upgrades.
- ~ Built on our partnership with the ICGS Parent's Club fostering continuous communication to create a more cohesive working relationship to best utilize the extensive parent involvement and generous donations.
- ~ Welcomed new families via phone, email and in-person visits.
- ~ Supported the ICGS Development Office to build on marketing strategies



MR. JAMES SCHRIK  
School Board President,  
Immaculate Conception Grade School

designed to enhance enrollment and shine the ICGS brand. Helped the Development Office to host Prospective Parent's Night, Open House for current families, participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and serve as an ongoing resource for prospective and new families.

I am very grateful for the leadership of Father Tom and Father Jeremy. We are blessed to have their guidance for the Board and our beloved school. Their combined commitment to excellence in education, rooted in Catholic Faith and commitment to parent involvement provides an ever so important foundation for success in developing well rounded students and members of the community.

Thank you to our retiring board members Matt Severs and Kristen Spiering (again). You both brought many talents to the Board. We appreciate your time and talent. Many thanks to our Past President, Anna Nehs. Anna brought much knowledge and thought, the Board will be much different without her. All three of you will be missed.



## School Board Members 2024-2025

Finally, on behalf of the entire ICGS School Board, thank you to all our priests, sister, deacons, administration, teachers, staff, volunteers and parents for an excellent 2024 - 2025 school year. I believe all your time, talent and commitment to our community nurtures an environment where students can thrive. Your dedication helps the school support Catholic Education and leads Immaculate Conception Grade School into a bright future. We are blessed to be part of such a wonderful Catholic School and supportive community. May God continue to bless you all.

May His blessing rest on you,  
R.J. Schrik, President

We feel incredibly grateful to be part of the ICGS community. The teachers create a caring, faith-filled, and academically challenging environment that brings out the best in our children. The parent and family community is welcoming and supportive, making IC feel like an extension of home. Most importantly, ICGS is forming not just smart students, but kind and faithful young people who are learning to live out their Catholic values each day.

The Bruen Family



The Spiering Family





MRS. JENNIFER PETERSON  
Parents' Club President  
Immaculate Conception Grade School

## Parents' Club Highlights



As we close another book to another enriching year at ICGS, we are reminded of the vibrant spirit and collaborative commitment that make our Catholic School community amazing. Our exceptional leadership, dedicated faculty and staff, outstanding students, and supportive families have all contributed to creating a nurturing and vibrant school community. It is the collective effort and heartfelt dedication of everyone involved that truly make ICGS an extraordinary place to learn and grow.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the families, friends, and sponsors who have played a crucial role in bolstering the Parents Club's fundraising endeavors for our beloved school. Your support has been invaluable. Through our various 2024-2025 initiatives, the Parents Club raised approximately \$325,000 to benefit ICGS and directly impact our students' education and experience. These funds were allocated to the following:

School's operation budget (\$140,000)  
Teacher bonuses (\$145,500 total - \$85,375 of that total was from the Paddle raise)  
Endowment Fund (\$10,000)  
Annual Appeal (\$11,500)  
Elementary grades Science Books (\$11,838.16).

Our Initiatives are thoughtfully designed to not only raise funds but to build community, connections and create lifelong memories. This

year, our parents lent their time, talents, and treasure to the "It's Your Lucky Knight" Dinner Dance and Raffle, 1900 Club Gold Outing, Back to School Bash, Halloween Trunk or Treat, Junior High party, Marcia May "Light the Knight" run/walk, Santa's workshop, Trivia Knight, Walkathon, Teacher Appreciation, newcomer mentoring, prayer group, community meals, and special gatherings such as, Grade based swim parties, Daddy Daughter Dance and Mom Son Prom.

Additionally, we organized activities to enhance the students learning experience: Book Fair, Cardio Club, Destination Imagination, hot food days, junior high dance classes, enrichment/fine arts program, sacrament receptions, graduation activities, classroom parties, end of the year picnic, and the school play, "Frozen".

We are blessed to raise our children in the community that is IC.

WE ARE IC!

Thank you to Father Tom, Father Jeremy, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Koykar, our faculty, staff, and school board for your leadership, support, and dedication.

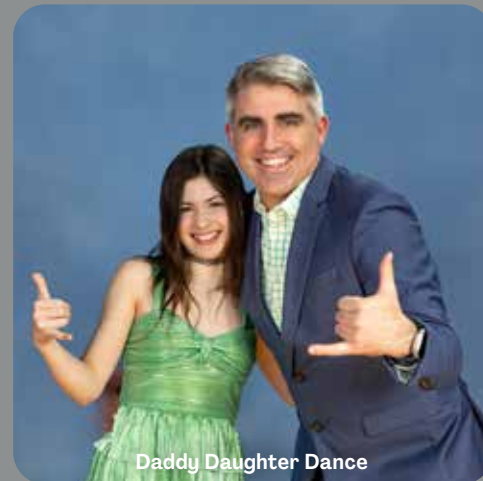
Jen Peterson  
ICGS Parents' Club President



Christmas Tree Lot



Lucky Knight Dinner Dance



Daddy Daughter Dance



Walk-a-Thon



1900 Club Golf Outing



Be the Yellow Enrichment Day



Book Fair



Teacher Appreciation



Volunteer Appreciation Mass



125th Carnival Celebration



Mom Son Prom



Junior High Dance Class



Thank you for providing a safe environment where our children can achieve academic excellence, be guided by strong Catholic values, and - perhaps most importantly - be part of a strong, engaged, and welcoming community. It takes a village to raise children and we are grateful to be a part of the ICGS village.

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GRADE SCHOOL

1899-1900  
2024-2025

The Vanderkamp Family



# Academic Highlights



We have a reputation for setting high academic standards at every grade level. We want our students prepared for their transition to high school, as such, our teachers incorporate time management, organization, self-discipline, memorization, public speaking, and group and individual study. Our curriculum is aligned with the learning standards of both the Diocese of Joliet and the State of Illinois.

While our expectations are high, we understand that not everyone is on the same level, so we have created support programs to meet the needs of our students at every academic level in the core subjects of Math and Reading. Our administration constantly works with our Academic Support Teachers and Homeroom Teachers to assess students in each grade level as we consider the additional programs needed.

Throughout the year, we assess our students using different tools so improvement can be identified and needs can be addressed. The following standardized tests and benchmarks were utilized this year:

## Kindergarten - 3rd Grade

Reading and Math Easy Computer-based Measures (CBMs)

## 1st Grade - 2nd Grade

Cognitive Abilities Test (CoGat)

## Kindergarten - 8th Grade

iReady Reading and Math diagnostic tests administered 3x a year

## 5th Grade and 8th Grade

Assessment of Children Religious Education (ACRE)

## 7th Grade

U.S. Constitution Test

## 8th Grade

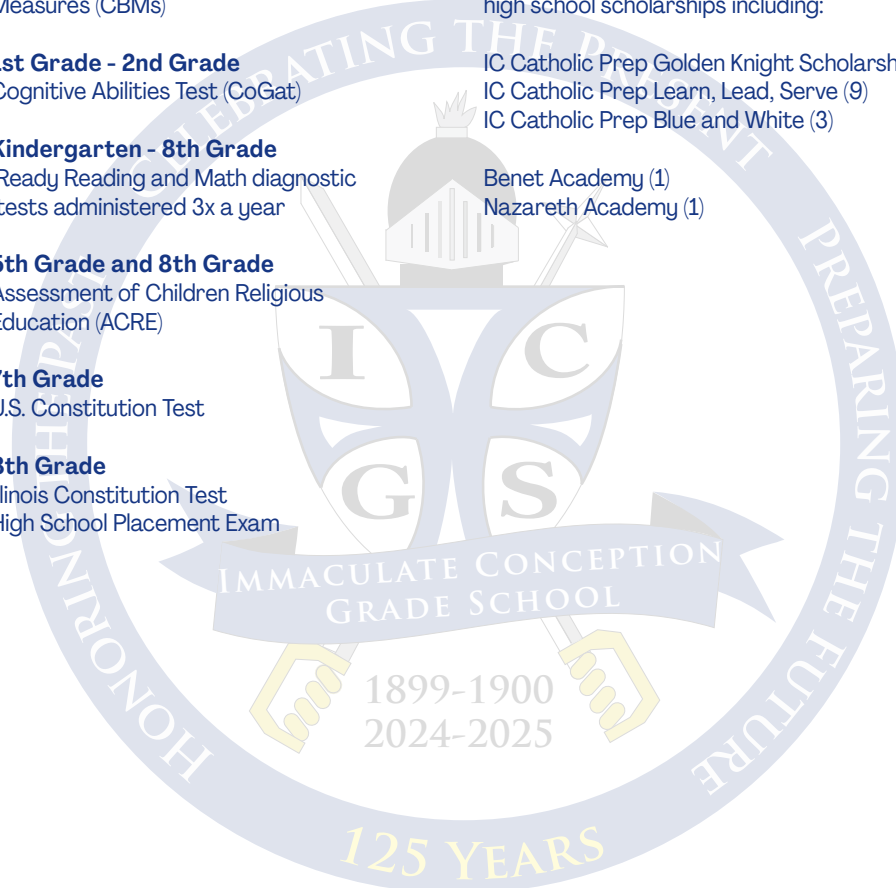
Illinois Constitution Test  
High School Placement Exam

## ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Several 8th Grade students were awarded high school scholarships including:

IC Catholic Prep Golden Knight Scholarship (3)  
IC Catholic Prep Learn, Lead, Serve (9)  
IC Catholic Prep Blue and White (3)

Benet Academy (1)  
Nazareth Academy (1)



2nd Grade Dioramas



6th Grade History Fair



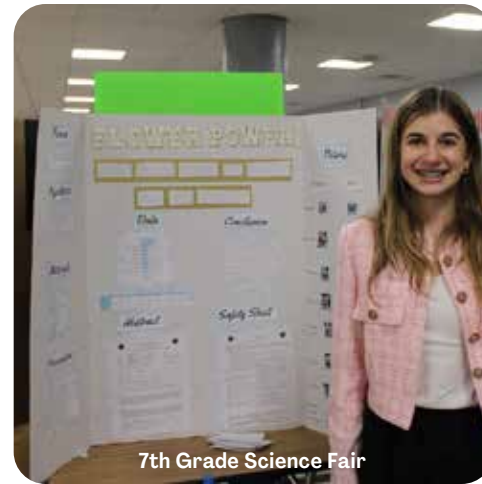
2nd Grade Pioneer Day



3rd Grade Wax Museum



8th Grade High School Math Class



7th Grade Science Fair



Preschool 100 Days of School



4th Grade Christmas Around the World



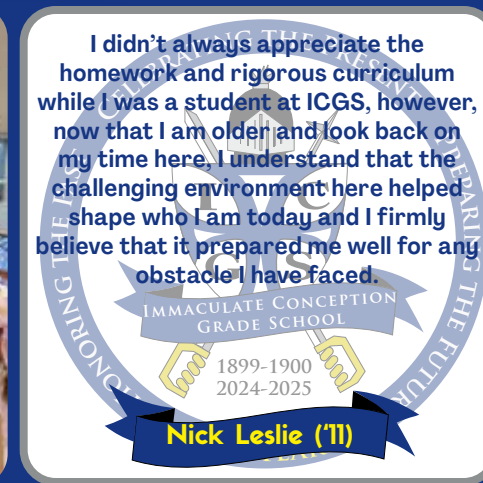
Spelling Bee



5th Grade Heritage Fair



2nd Grade Pioneer Day



I didn't always appreciate the homework and rigorous curriculum while I was a student at ICGS, however, now that I am older and look back on my time here, I understand that the challenging environment here helped shape who I am today and I firmly believe that it prepared me well for any obstacle I have faced.

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1899-1900  
2024-2025

Nick Leslie '11



Pre-K Baby Chicks



# Catholic Faith In Action



**We educate and nurture the faith formation of our students so that they not only learn our beliefs but put those beliefs into action.** We believe that faith requires a

response, for it permeates every aspect of our lives, every decision that we make, and every action that we take. From the curriculum to the community, to the classroom, to the athletics court, our Faith is the foundation from which we build.

Our students are reminded daily of the many blessings bestowed upon them by God.

From that awareness flows a sense of responsibility and discipleship. Our students not only pray for those in need but they realize from the earliest stages of their education that they are called to action. Throughout the year, our school community initiates and takes part in a variety of outreach activities to serve those in need.

*The following are just some of the service projects are students our students participated in:*

- ~ Collected Food for the IC Food Pantry
- ~ Made cards for alumni, IC priests, deacons and local police, fire, and healthcare workers
- ~ Participated in the IC Parish Lenten outreach project to raise funds for Our Lady of Angels Mission
- ~ Collected "Souper Bowl" canned soup in honor of the Super Bowl
- ~ For the 125th Anniversary each grade participated in a service project
- ~ Collected gift cards for Thanksgiving for the IC Parish outreach
- ~ Collected gift cards for Christmas for the IC Parish outreach
- ~ Collected Easter basket donations for IC Christian Ministry Outreach
- ~ Diocese 75th Anniversary Service Weekend



Service Hours



Feed My Starving Children



First Holy Communion



Faith Family



Christmas Nativity



Food Pantry Collection



May Crowning



Cathedral Days



Living Stations of the Cross



1st Grade Christmas Tree



All Saints Day Mass



PK4 Food Pantry Collection

Throughout our years at ICGS, one thing has remained consistently remarkable: the strength of the community. No matter what life events have impacted our school, the unwavering support, faith, and collective resilience of this community continue to stand out.

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GRADE SCHOOL

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2024-2025

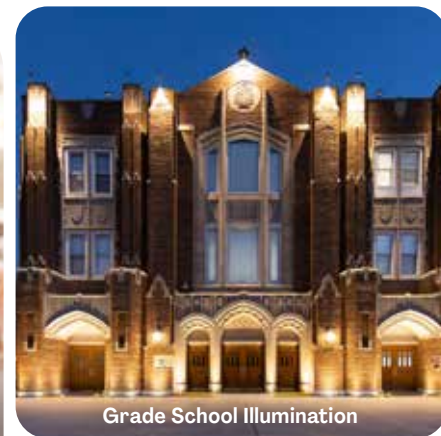
The Landas Family



# 125th Celebration Highlights



125th Anniversary Back-to-School Mass



Grade School Illumination



Back-to-School Mass Teachers



Grade School Inaugural Illumination



WGN Flyover



125th Anniversary Logo



For 125 years, Immaculate Conception Grade School has formed its students on the strong foundations of faith, family, and academic excellence. The 2024–2025 school year was a joyful celebration of that legacy and a call to be the Light of Christ—as we honored the past, celebrated the present, and prepared for the future.

Our quasiquicentennial celebration began with the Back-to-School mass and Social in August. It was during this special mass that we witnessed the inaugural illumination of the Church and school buildings—symbolizing the light of Christ shining through our community. We were also blessed to be a part of WGN news during a morning flyover, sharing our incredible legacy with everyone.

The students helped write a special 125th Anniversary prayer that was recited each day, setting a spiritual tone that echoed throughout the entire school year. This prayer was more than words—it was reflected in all we did.



125th Christmas Tree



First Day of School



Faith Family Event



Ribbon Mass

Every activity became an extension of the 125th Anniversary and a testament to how our students Grow in the Light of Christ. From the cherished tradition of the Marcia May Fun Run—honoring our beloved teacher Mrs. May—to decorating a Christmas tree in Wilder Park with handmade ornaments from every Faith Family and preschooler, the spirit of IC shone brightly in every joyful moment, uniting our community in faith, love, and celebration.

Throughout the year, students learned about the rich and inspiring history of our school and embraced what it truly means to grow in the Light of Christ. Most importantly, they came to understand the powerful truth behind the words: “Once a Knight, Always a Knight.”

Heavenly Father,  
We give you thanks for the gift of ICGS.  
For 125 years, you have blessed us with  
A tradition of faith, family, and  
academic excellence.  
  
Help us to always keep Jesus Christ  
at the center of our lives  
Give us the grace to keep growing in  
mind, body and spirit,  
And guide us as we look toward the future.  
  
May we continue to be Christ's head to educate  
with excellence,  
Christ's hands to serve others with gratitude,  
Christ's heart to love others with kindness,  
And Christ's feet as we lead others  
as we follow You.  
  
We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ your son,  
In unity with the Holy Spirit,  
And through the intercession of our Mother Mary,  
The Immaculate Conception.  
  
Amen



Marcia May Fun Run





We remembered and valued the lessons, achievements, and rich heritage of the past 125 years. With deep appreciation, we honored the nuns, priests, teachers, faculty, and alumni whose sacrifices, traditions, and contributions have shaped ICGS into the vibrant school it is today. We take great pride in our alumni and their impact—not only within the IC community but throughout the world.

The enduring tradition of IC has laid a strong foundation that continues to challenge and inspire students to become thoughtful, faithful leaders. Our graduates are equipped to contribute positively to society, guided by strong moral values and a deep commitment to their faith.

By honoring the past, we remain connected to our roots and continue to inspire future generations to carry forward those same values with pride and purpose. Our distinguished graduates this year, were ICGS Class of 1960 or earlier.

By celebrating the present, we embrace the experiences, and accomplishments that bring the school community together.

In preparing for the future, we look to our students to be the future leaders of tomorrow and inspire those around them.

In December, Bishop Hicks joined the students and staff at ICGS to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and the 125th. The day's festivities included a movie, food and carnival games led by our 7th and 8th graders.

The 125th Celebration has been about pausing to give thanks—recognizing what we're doing now, who we are becoming, and how far we've come. We are truly blessed.



Having three kids experience college and high school, there is no place as special as IC. The teachers, administration and priests care deeply for our children. Our kids are successful today thanks to the foundation they received from IC. Being a part of ICGS was the best decision our family made.



Bishop Hicks, Mrs. Meyer, Father Tom, Father Jeremy, Mrs. Koykar



125th Carnival Celebration



125th Celebration



125th Carnival Celebration



Bishop Hicks Classroom Visit



2025 Distinguished Graduates - ICGS Class of 1960 or Earlier



8th Grade Graduates with Preschool 3



Distinguished Graduate Mass



Faith Family



Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass



125th Carnival Celebration



125th Carnival Celebration





The 125th Anniversary Celebration beautifully embodied our mission by bringing together the ICGS community and the broader Elmhurst and Diocesan communities. In March, we welcomed distinguished guests to join in our celebration, including members of the Diocese of Joliet, former State Senator Dan Cronin (Class of '73 and ICGS alumni parent), and leaders from the Elmhurst community.

During the event, Cindy Cronin Cahill (Class of '72) presented a Proclamation on behalf of the DuPage County Board and Board Chair Deborah Conroy (Class of '77), recognizing the lasting impact of ICGS.

In April, the City of Elmhurst also issued a Proclamation in honor of ICGS' 125th Anniversary, further affirming the school's legacy and strong ties to the community.

We concluded our 125th Anniversary Celebration in May with a special Mass and reception. Bishop Hicks presided over the Mass, joined by current and former priests, faculty, and students. We were especially honored by the presence of several of the Sisters of St. Agnes, whose legacy remains a vital part of ICGS history.

The reception, held in the gym, featured historical displays, music, and delicious food—creating a warm and welcoming space to reflect and rejoice. This celebration beautifully united our faith community—past, present, and future—in gratitude and joy.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this culminating celebration so meaningful. We cannot wait to see what the next 125 years will bring!



March 27th Community Open House



Cindy Cronin-Cahill ('72) on behalf of the DuPage County Board and Chair Deborah Conroy ('77) issues a Proclamation



Community Day Classroom Visit



Mayor Scott Levin and the City of Elmhurst issue a Proclamation



Community Day Classroom Visit



Community Day Classroom Visit



Bishop Hicks Celebrating Mass on May 10



May 10th 125th Mass



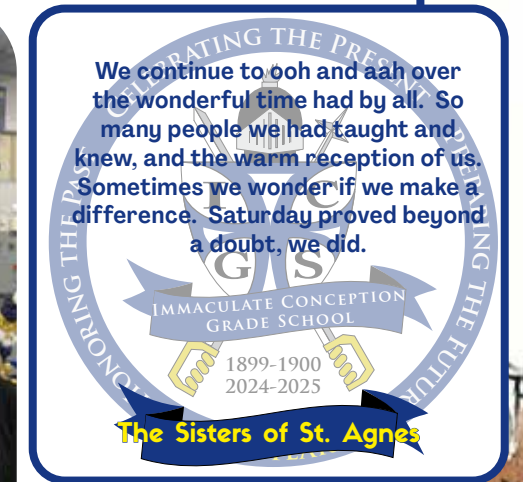
May 10th 125th Mass



Sisters of Saint Agnes, Mrs. Meyer, Father Tom, Mrs. Kogkar



May 10th 125th Reception



May 10th 125th Reception



May 10th 125th Reception





# Alumni Highlights



nce a Knight, Always a Knight. Our Alumni continue to make us proud, year after year and never cease to amaze us!

The members of the ICGS Class of 2021 are no exception. From earning National Honor Society recognition and prestigious college scholarships to being accepted into top universities and receiving numerous high school honors, their hard work, character, and dedication continue to inspire our school community.

## Illinois State Scholars Class of 2021

Elizabeth Cook, Liliana Cruz, Clare Kapsch, Keira Kapsch, Audrey Mulay, Olivia Nybo, Jack O'Leary, Jacob Schierl, Gabriella Simzyk, Lauren Wilson

## AP Honors for 2025

Grace Kapsch (2020), AP Honors, Keira Kapsch (2021), AP Scholar Honors, Clare Kapsch (2021), AP Scholar with Distinction, Olivia Nybo (2021), AP Scholar, Lauren Wilson (2021) AP Scholar

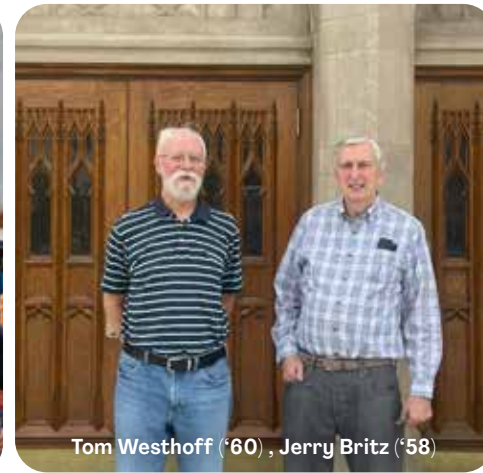
Andrew Mackey (2021), named to College Board National Recognition Program, Patrick Cahill (2021) is attending Rose Hulman Institute of Technology on a Destination Imagination Scholarship, Charlie Rucker (2020) was named to the University of Alabama President's List for a 4.0 GPA  
Anna Dray (2017) graduated Summa Cum Laude from Notre Dame



Fr. Bill Conway (\*60)



Alumni Nick Leslie (\*11) for Veterans Day



Tom Westhoff (\*60) , Jerry Britz (\*58)



Explore More Days



College T-shirt Mass (\*21)



Principal for a Day

# 2024-2025 Highlights



Father Tom, Father Jeremy, Teachers, and Staff



Pi Day



Plunkett Field Score Board Blessing



Spring Sing



Student Council





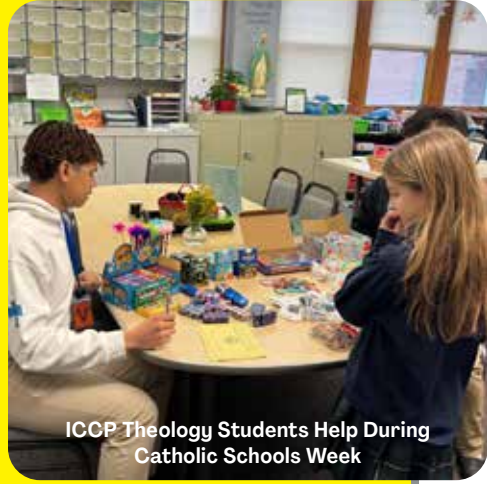
125th Carnival Celebration



Grandparents Day



Talent Show



ICCP Theology Students Help During Catholic Schools Week



Curriculum Night Open House



ICGS & ICCP Thanksgiving Prayer Service



St. Patrick's Day Parade



Pep Rally



Frozen Jr.



Catholic Schools Week Bingo



Pre-K 4 Dr. Seuss Week



Golf Outing



6th Grade Poetry Party



Kindergarten Graduation





Chess Club



Safety Patrol



Altar Serving

## Extracurricular Highlights



Our students are encouraged to expand and explore their talents, creativity, and passions outside the classroom and off of the playing field. We offer our students an array of extracurricular activities that allow them to try something new or to grow their interests and talents.

Mentor relationships are formed with teachers who serve as moderators, as well as the older students who mentor the younger students who participate in the various activities.

*The following are a sampling of the extracurricular activities that were offered this past year.*

 Altar Serving

 Art Club

 Band

 Battle of the Books

 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts

 Chess Club

 Liturgical Choir

 Destination Imagination

 Drama Club

 Junior High Dance Class

 High School Entrance Exam Prep

 Math Minds

 Safety Patrol

 Science Club

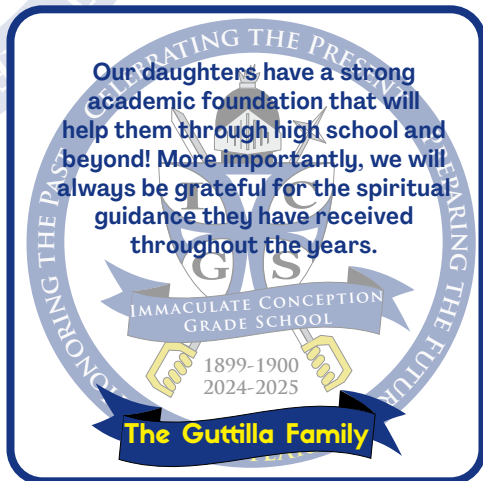
 Spring Musical

 Student Ambassadors

 Student Government

 Talent Show

 Yearbook



## Destination Imagination Highlights



Global Champions

**This year, IC had 5 teams compete at Regionals.**

**3rd Grade - Team Goat**

**3rd Grade - IC Aliens**

**4th/5th Grade - Team Glassixez**

**6th Grade - Time-Traveling Knights**

**7th Grade - The Fournadoes**

4 Teams participated under various categories at the State Tournament. 3 Teams qualified for Globals and did exceptionally well with one becoming World Champions! Amazing Job!

### 3rd Grade

#### I.C. Aliens-Science Division

1st place at Regionals; 1st place at State; Qualified for Globals

### 6th Grade

#### Time-Traveling Knights-Science Division

2nd place at Regionals; 3rd place at State; Qualified for Globals

### 7th Grade

#### The Fournadoes

1st place at Regionals; 2nd place at State; 1st place, World Champions, at Globals! Amazing job 7th graders!



Liturgical Choir



Drama Club



Battle of the Books





Mr. Brad Johnson  
Athletic Director  
Immaculate Conception Grade School

# Athletic Highlights



We are so proud of our ICGS athletes for the 2024-2025 year. Each athlete developed and grew as an individual and as part of a team. Our students are proud to represent ICGS in the Suburban Parochial League (SPL, TriCounty Catholic Conference (TCC), the Classic League and the Northside Catholic Football Conference (NCFC) We want to thank the parents and students for their hard work and dedication and look forward to the 2025-2026 year.

## IC-VIS Cross Country

Boys SPL-State Conference Champions (team) and Individual Champion

Girls SPL Conference - 3rd Place Sectionals

## Football

JV League-1st Place in Division

Varsity League-1st Place in Division

## Track & Field

SPL League

## Volleyball

5 Girls TCC League

6 Girls TCC League

7 Girls TCC League

8 Girls TCC League

5 Boys Classic League-3rd Place Conference

6 Boys Classic League 2nd Place Conference

7 Boys Classic League- Gold Division playoff

7 Boys Classic League- 3rd Place-Varsity Silver Division

8 Boys Classic League-3rd Place Gold Division

## Basketball

5 Girls TCC League

6 Girls TCC League-Conference Champions

7 Girls (A) TCC League

7 Girls (B) TCC League-Conference Champions

8 Girls TCC League 2nd Place

5 Boys (Blue) TCC League

5 Boys (White) TCC league

6 Boys (A) TCC League Conference Champions

6 Boys (B) TCC League Conference Champions

7 Boys (A) TCC League

7 Boys (B) TCC League-Conference Champions

8 Boys (A) TCC League- 3rd Place

8 Boys (Blue) TCC League

8 Boys (White) TCC League



5th Grade Boys Basketball



8th Grade Boys Volleyball



Boys Cross-Country



7th Grade Boys Volleyball



JV Football



Varsity Football



6th Grade Boys Basketball



5th Grade Girls Volleyball



Elisa Dacre ('21)



Girls Cross Country



8th Grade Girls Volleyball



8th Grade Boys Basketball







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