



Immaculate Conception School

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Principal's Message

We have now begun the season of Advent and we are getting our hearts and homes ready for the birth of Christ. I invite all families to share in this special season of Advent at home, with your own families.

It is a busy time of year, especially in the school. While this Advent season looks a little different this year, we are trying to fill the hearts of our students with hope and joy. Concert practices have begun, and while our concert will be virtual this year, Christmas carols fill the hallways and there is an excitement in the air! In the midst of the holiday cheer, we remember the less fortunate in our community and in our world. We remember all those who are sick and suffering at this time.

This year has undoubtedly been challenging, but during this Christmas season, we take the time to remember our greatest blessing of all... Jesus!

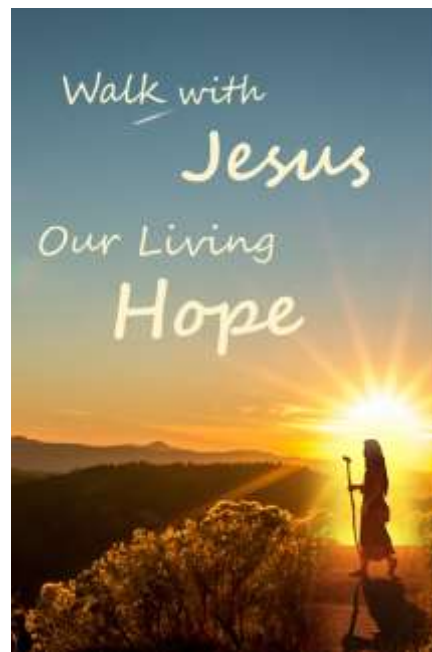
Wishing you all a very blessed Christmas season!

Immaculate Conception Explained

In our Catholic tradition, December 8, is the day we mark the "Feast of the Immaculate Conception". In this instance, a feast does not mean a big meal, but a special day to mark a significant person or event. The Immaculate Conception refers to the Catholic belief that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was born without sin, she was immaculate. In this way, she was ready to carry Jesus, the son of God. Our school is named after this amazing miracle.

This year we will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception in class on Tuesday, December 8.

"Walk with Jesus, Our Living Hope"



Upcoming School Events

December 1

MunchaLunch opens for January ordering, 3 pm

December 4

The Giving Tree donations due

December 8

Feast Day
Red & Green Day

December 10

December 10-11, Purdys
Order pick-up

December 11

First term reports go home

December 15

MunchaLunch closes for January ordering at noon

December 18

Christmas Sweater Day
Noon dismissal for Christmas Break

January 4

Classes resume Monday, January 4, 2021, at 8:30 am

Faith Matters

Christmas Eve Mass sign up is full. NO walk-ins permitted.

Parents

Christmas Concert – Costumes and Recording Dates

“From Oz to Bethlehem”

This year's Christmas presentation will be a recorded version of “From Oz to Bethlehem”, a re-telling of the Christmas story with the help of the characters from the Wizard of Oz. All students will be taking part in the production through their music class. Filming of the production will be held the week of December 7-9. We ask that all students bring their costumes to school starting Monday, December 7. Costumes will be sent home once filming is finished.

Red & Green Day

Remember to wear red & green to help get into the festive spirit on Tuesday, December 8. It is a non-uniform day.

More Important News & Information

The Giving Tree

The last day to donate to The Giving Tree is Friday, December 4. A list of items can be found on our school website [HERE](#). Thank you to all who have donated.

Communicating Student Learning

Communicating Student Learning Reports for term one will go home on Friday, December 11. Please watch for these to come home and follow the directions on returning the signed envelope to the school by Friday, December 18.

Kindergarten Registration 2021

Registration for Kindergarten 2021 is open and we are accepting applications. If you have a child who is scheduled to enter Kindergarten in September, please make sure to submit an application form before Christmas Break. Forms can be found [HERE](#) or on our school website admissions page.

Faith Matters Important Dates

Please visit the parish website to reserve your ticket to attend through eventbrite

Mass Schedule IC Parish

**Daily Mass 9 AM Mon – Sat
Saturday 6PM**

Sunday 9 & 11AM, 7 PM

Pastor: Fr Chris Lynch

www.icparish.ca

Important Information and Forms Due

December 4

The Giving Tree donations due

December 7

Filming of the Christmas production will begin on Monday, December 7. Please have students bring their costume to school with them starting that week

December 15

MunchaLunch closes for January ordering at noon

December 18

Signed first term report envelopes due by noon

Christmas Break

The Christmas break will begin on Friday, December 18, **with early dismissal at NOON**. Remember to wear your Christmas sweaters to school. This is a non-uniform day. School will resume on Monday, January 4, at 8:30 am with a full day of classes.

PSG Information

A promotional graphic for the Gift/Shopping Cards program. It features a blue background with white snowflakes. On the left, there are three Christmas ornaments (red, green, and blue) hanging from a holly branch. The title "Gift/Shopping Cards" is written in a large, blue, cursive font. Below the title, it says "Order by December 6th, 2020" in red, followed by "To receive cards before Christmas" in a smaller, italicized font. The main text reads: "Order your gift and shopping cards today through Immaculate Conception School! A percentage of all cards is returned to the school to support school and parish initiatives. We greatly appreciate your support!". Below this is the "Ordering Information" section, which includes three bullet points: "Order forms are available at the school office or online: icschool.ca/parents/shopping-card-program", "Please pay in person at the school office, or send payment to school with your child.", and "Payment can be made by cash, cheque, or credit/debit card* or by going online to icschool.ca Pay Online*. Please make cheques out to: ICS PSG." At the bottom left, there is an illustration of Santa Claus and a snowman. To the right of the illustration, it says "Questions? Please send inquiries to Nick at: icspsggc@gmail.com". At the very bottom, in a small italicized font, it says: "*Please note that we have to pay a 2% transaction fee for all online and credit card transactions. Please keep this in mind when ordering! Thank you!"

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NUFC Information

Hi Players, Parents and Members,

NUFC's 2021 Winter indoor registration is now open on our website! All programs are held up at the Northern Sports Centre and will run 9 weeks starting January 12/21 and conclude March 13/20. As we continue with Indoor programming we encourage you

Parent Support Group

PSG Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 19, at 7 PM.

PSG Hot Lunch FB Page

Please check out the IC Hot Lunch Support Group Facebook page.

You can find the link [HERE](#)

PSG Dates To Remember

December 6

To receive your shopping cards before Christmas, please submit your order to the office by Friday, December 4, at noon or to Nick Reiffarth at icspsggc@gmail.com by December 6

to register early as we are limited to space therefore limited to the number of players!

NUFC's U4-6 & U7-8 Grassroots programs will remain the same with sessions on Wednesdays & Saturdays. NUFC's U9-12 & U13-18 programs will look a little different in the new year!

These two programs will run 3 nights/week with training on Tuesdays & Thursdays and games on Friday evenings. We are incorporating game play Friday evenings which will increase the programs from 18 sessions to 27 sessions. This will be a league, with teams and standings. This is a trial to see if we can increase the number of players in these age groups but most importantly, it will be at no extra cost to our members!

For more information on our Winter indoor programs or to register please click the link below:

<https://northernunitedfc.ca>

If you have any questions, comments and/or concerns please feel free to be in touch.

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