



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 - NO CLASSES - LOUIS RIEL DAY

Louis Riel was the driving force behind Manitoba becoming Canada's fifth province. Did you know, on December 7, 2023, The Louis Riel Act received Royal Assent, bestowing the honorary title of First Premier of Manitoba on Louis Riel!



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20 - DINNER VOLUNTEER SIGN UP DUE

As a 'Volunteer Family', **your family is responsible for providing at least one person, to work at one shift**, to assist with preparations for the Fund Raising Dinner. This is for families that **still require volunteer hours for this year**. Please note that these are volunteer shifts are for adults (21 years of age or older), and we request that you please fill in the name of the person who is volunteering on the SignUp. SignUp opened on Monday, February 12 and the DUE DATE FOR THIS SIGN-UP IS FEBRUARY 20, 2024 AT NOON.



If you have not yet volunteered this year and do not sign up, a volunteer shift will be chosen for you and you will receive an email with your time slot.

If you purchase tickets to attend the Dinner, your volunteering obligations are waived. We welcome anyone to gather a group of friends and book a table!

Tickets for the Fund Raising Dinner are available at the IHMS Office.

Heavy lifters are especially needed for set up and take down of the banquet room. Please use our [Volunteer SignUp link](#) to book your slot!!

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE

Parents, family and friends are invited to join the students and staff at a Lenten Prayer Service at 9:00AM in the school gymnasium. Lent is a special time of prayer, sacrifice and good works in preparation for the celebration of Easter. This year our Lenten focus is on LOVE!! Each week the school will focus on different people we love: Jesus, School, Friends, Family, Self and Community.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - HOT DOG DAY

Order forms were due last week. A delicious hot dog lunch will be prepared by some dedicated parent volunteers on February 22.

EASTER KOUBASSA AND CHEESE FUNDRAISER

Order Forms were sent home on February 13 for the IHMS Parents' Guild - Easter Koubassa and Cheese Fundraiser. Interlake Packers Fine Garlic Sausage (\$9), Interlake Packers Ham Style Course Garlic Sausage (\$10) can be ordered, as well as a variety of Bothwell cheese (4 different purchasing options available ranging from \$8 - \$35). Workplace Order Sheets are also available through the school office upon request. Orders with payment will be accepted until 4:00PM on Thursday, February 29. Orders will be ready for pick-up (from the school gymnasium) on Monday, March 18, just in time to put into your Easter basket!! Thank you for your support!!



BASKET RAFFLE DONATIONS



The IHMS Parents' Guild are already planning and gathering prizes for the Raffle Room at the Annual IHMS Fundraising Dinner (March 9). It is because of your valued support that we are able to put together some very impressive prizes for events such as this! We are looking for new items that would be great prizes for men, women, children and teens. We gladly accept coupons, gift certificates, and cash (to purchase larger prizes). You can make a personal family donation, or if you work for a business that is able to donate, we can provide you with a solicitors letter. These letters will be available from the school office. Please tag donated items with your family name and clearly label them as RAFFLE. They can be left at the school office anytime now.

Some examples of prize donations were listed in last weeks eNews. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Parents' Guild President Lesia Wozny, or another member of the Parents' Guild Executive.

FEBRUARY 24 ... TWO YEARS OF RESISTANCE

February 24 marks two years since Russia's brutal invasion on the innocent citizens of Ukraine. Last week the Canadian Council of Churches issued a pastoral letter on this occasion. This letter was signed by over 45 various churches and ecclesiastical Bodies of Canada, including our Metropolitan Lawrence Huculak on behalf of the Ukrainian Catholic Metropolis. [Click here for English version.](#) [Click here for Ukrainian version.](#) Immaculate Heart of Mary School continues to support, in many ways, families from Ukraine that are seeking refuge. Each morning IHMS students and staff pray for God's blessings on the Ukrainian people both in their homeland and throughout the world. May He grant them the strength of a strong Christian faith, of enduring good health, and the support of a multitude of people of good will. Peace in Ukraine. 🙏



FEBRUARY 'I LOVE TO READ MONTH'

- 19 NO CLASSES - Louis Riel Day
- 20 Fundraising Dinner Volunteer SignUp due
- 22 9:00AM Lenten Prayer Service
- 22 Hot Dog Lunch Day
- 25-29 'I Love to Read Week'
- 27 Pizza Lunch Order Day
- 27 9:00AM Divine Liturgy at the Cathedral
- 28 Fundraising Dinner Ticket Orders due
- 29 Koubassa & Cheese Orders due
- 29 Pizza Lunch Day

MARCH

- 1 NO CLASSES - IHMS Inservice Day
- 4 Spring Fundraiser Information sent home
- 7 7:00PM Parents' Guild Mtg. - Online
- 8 Term Two Report Cards sent home
- 9 IHMS Fund Raising Dinner
- 12 Pizza Lunch Order Day
- 13 IHMS Uniform Shop Open 3:00-5:00PM
- 14 Pizza Lunch Day
- 14 2:00PM Early Dismissal - Staff Spiritual Development
- 18 Koubassa & Cheese Order Distribution
- 18-22 Ukrainian Week!!
- 21 1:00PM Grades K-8 Ukrainian Concert Matinee
- 21 7:00PM Grades K-8 Ukrainian Concert Evening
- 22 Perogy Lunch Day
- 22 Divine Liturgy - Blessing Pussy Willows
- 22 Last day of classes before Spring Break
- 29 Good Friday
- 31 Easter Sunday

Spring Break March 25-29