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At Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Parent-Teacher Conferences are a key part of a communication strategy regarding student progress. Meetings are scheduled for the week of November 24-28. Parents are to book a convenient appointment time



by going to the SignUp. All homeroom teachers are available, as well as specialist teachers, by clicking on the correct tab at the top of the page (or choosing from the drop-down menu & clicking "Go"). Detailed steps were emailed to each family on November 7, 2025. Please call the school office if there are questions.

## **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - GIFT CARD ORDERS DUE**

It will not cost you one penny more than you would normally spend on gift cards. A percentage of each gift card purchased gets donated directly to the IHMS Parents' Guild. Share with your friends, family and office! More information can be found on the IHMS website HERE. Forms were sent home with students. Please send order forms to the office or parentsguild@ihms.mb.ca and payment by EFT to parentsguild\_eft@ihms.mb.ca / cash (exact amount) / cheque.



#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - KERNELS POPCORN FUNDRAISER DUE**

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER!! The Order Form along with payment can be submitted to the School Office either by paper copy, or electronically to parentsguild@ihms.mb.ca . Payment must accompany each order. Payment is accepted by cash, cheque (payable to IHMS Parents' Guild) or electronic fund transfer: <a href="mailto:parentsguild\_eft@ihms.mb.ca">parentsguild\_eft@ihms.mb.ca</a> All the proceeds go towards supporting initiatives by the Parents' Guild.

#### **PIZZA LUNCH DAY!**

Pizza is sold for \$2.50 per slice (cheese or pepperoni). Students bring their pizza money by Tuesday morning and order through their homeroom teacher. Pizza must be ordered by noon - no late orders! Other food and drinks can be brought from home to supplement snack time and lunch. Tuesday, November 18 LUNCH day: Thursday, November 20



## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 - HOT DOG DAY

Order Forms were sent out last week, and a delicious hot dog lunch will be served on Wednesday, November 19. Watch the calendar for future order dates, and <u>don't forget to get your change ready!</u> It helps things run smoothly when students have exact change on order day. Please note, although the office does have some change on hand, there is not enough to break large bills.



# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20 - FEAST DAY OF BLESSED JOSAPHATA

On November 20th, the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church celebrate the feast day of Blessed Josaphata Hordashevska ... the co-foundress of the Congregation of the Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate (SSMI), the very order of nuns who own and operate Immaculate Heart of Mary School. A painting of Blessed Josaphata is on display next to the school office. For more information on Blessed Josaphata and her good works, please visit ssmi.org. On Thursday, November 20, Sr. Ruth Aney, SSMI will be visiting each classroom to teach our students on the good works of Blessed Josaphata.

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20 - ST. PHILIP'S FAST | PYLYPIVKA PRAYER SERVICE

Pylypivka began on November 15. Parents, family and friends are invited to join the students and staff at 9:00 AM, Thursday, November 20, for a Pylypivka Prayer Service. The Church offers this time as a reminder of the great celebration of God's love that we will soon be observing as we anticipate the birth of Baby Jesus. This year, during Pylypivka, the students will explore the "Names of Jesus". More information is forthcoming about activities during Pylypivka.



# FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21 -**TERM ONE REPORT CARDS SENT HOME**

The Student Progress Reports provide information regarding a student's academic achievement, attendance and social development. The Progress Report is for parents to keep.

\*\* The Progress Report envelope is to be signed in the space provided and returned to the classroom teacher.



## **IHMS FUNDRAISING RAFFLE**

Two Raffle Tickets were distributed to every family this past week! The IHMS Fundraising Raffle will be held at 7:00PM, Wednesday, November 26 in the school gymnasium. Winners do not need to be present to win. The ticket stubs and money were on Wednesday, November 12.

Tickets are sold for \$50.00.

All IHMS families are responsible for selling/ purchasing a minimum of 2 tickets at a total value of \$100.00.

Thank you for your support!

children in Ukraine at the Pylypivka Prayer Service on November 20 and at the Divine Liturgy on November 25.



#### NOVEMBER

- 17 Gift Card Orders Due
- 17 Kernels Popcorn Due
- 17 Parent/Teacher Conference Sign Up Due
- 18 Pizza Order Day \$2.50 / slice
- 18 St. Mary's Academy and St. Paul's High School Visit Grade 8
- 19 Hot Dog Lunch Day
- 20 Blessed Josaphata Day
- 20 9:00 AM Pylypivka Prayer Service
- 20 Pizza Lunch Day
- 20 'Children Pray for Children'
- 21 First Term Report Card Sent Home
- 24-27 Scholastic Book Fair
- 24 1:00 PM Sacrament of Confession
- 25 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy at Sts. Volodymyr and Olha Cathedral
- 26 7:00 PM IHMS Fund Raising Raffle
- 27 Parent/Teacher Interviews (Evening)
- 28 NO CLASSES Parent/Teacher Interviews

## **DECEMBER**

- 2 Pizza Order Day \$2.50 / slice
- 4 Pizza Lunch Day
- 5 1:30PM St. Nicholas Visit and Program
- 11 2:00 PM EARLY DISMISSAL Staff Spiritual
- 17 K-3 Christmas Concert 1:30PM & 7:00PM
- 18 4-8 Christmas Concert 1:30PM & 7:00PM

December 22, 2025 - January 2, 2026 Christmas Break

#### **HOLODOMOR AWARENESS DAY**

"Holodomor" is the name given to the genocide by famine that occurred in Ukraine from 1932 to 1933. The name Holodomor is the Ukrainian word for "plague of hunger", or "death inflicted by starvation" derived from two words, "holod" meaning starvation/famine and "moryty" meaning to inflict death. Students will learn more about this topic during classroom instruction (at their level).

## **IHMS ANNUAL BOOK FAIR!** BRING THE BOOK JOY - NOV. 24-27, 2025

November is here and so many of you have been asking, "When is Book Fair?" You do not have to wait long! The annual IHMS Scholastic Book Fair will take place Monday, November 24 to Thursday, November 27, 2025.

This is your opportunity to purchase books and fun school tools while supporting our school at the same time! It is an excellent opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping! Profits from the book fair go directly back to the school library and classroom book collections.

A note with more information about the Book Fair will be sent home with students this week.

Mrs. Radawetz (Librarian)



CHILDREN PRAY FOR CHILDREN - His Beatitude Sviatoslav has appealed for support for an important spiritual initiative, "Children Pray for Children", dedicated to World Children's Day (November 20). The goal of this initiative is to unite children and adults in prayer for the children of Ukraine who have been affected and suffered from the war: those Pray for who have been killed, wounded, or forced to leave their homes, and especially for those who have been abducted and forcibly deported by Russian forces. Our prayer will become a powerful spiritual shield and will strengthen faith, hope, and love in the hearts of the Ukrainian people. IHMS students will offer a special prayer for

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