

**PIZZA LUNCH DAY!**

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

PIZZA ORDER DAY: Tuesday, December 2

PIZZA LUNCH DAY: Thursday, December 4

N.U.T. DAY (NO UNIFORMS TODAY) - CHRISTMAS WEAR on DECEMBER 3

Let's get into the Christmas spirit with a N.U.T. Day! Christmas Red and Green Day! Wear any red, green, and festive clothing! On non-uniform days students must adhere to appropriate attire. Disrespectful slogans on t-shirts, crop tops and torn or tattered jeans are not permitted.

**CHRISTMAS MOVIE DAY - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3**

Organized by the Student Council, the Grades K-3 students will enjoy a morning movie beginning at 9:00AM, and the Grades 4-8 students will enjoy an afternoon movie beginning at 1:00PM. Thank you to the Student Council for organizing this spirit activity.

**HOT DOG DAY!**

Hot Dog Order Forms will be sent home on Wednesday, December 3, and are due Friday, December 5. Please use the Hot Dog Order Form to place an order with the homeroom teachers. Exact change is needed. Orders after 12:00 noon cannot be accepted.

Single Hot Dog - \$2.50 Full meal (Hot Dog / Chips / Drink) - \$5.00

HOT DOG ORDER FORMS DUE: Friday, December 5

HOT DOG LUNCH DAY: Thursday, December 11

**FEAST OF ST. NICHOLAS / ST. NICHOLAS VISIT - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5**

St. Nicholas will be visiting IHMS! All parents, friends and family are invited to the St. Nicholas Program at 1:30 PM, Friday, December 5, presented by the children. The program will take place in the gymnasium. The students will greet St. Nicholas with a few Ukrainian songs and poems. St. Nicholas is always very thoughtful and generous ... he might even have a few treats for the children! Younger brothers and sisters at home are invited to meet St. Nicholas.

**'NAMES OF JESUS' ... A SCHOOL-WIDE PROJECT**

This year during Pylypivka, students will spend time learning about the different 'names of Jesus'. We recognize that each of these special names describes Jesus as a role model. We understand how these 'names of Jesus' are actually virtues we can aspire to.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE FOR THE LINK

Immaculate Heart of Mary School's social justice team, "Students Making A Change", are enthusiastic about their Christian service project during this Pylypivka season. To support The Link, IHMS will collect non-perishable healthy snacks. Examples such as Granola bars, Bear Paws, Welch's fruit snacks or Fruitsations, Goldfish crackers, Juice Boxes and Raisins. A Pylypivka Note was sent home last week with more detailed information. A donation box will be located in each classroom to collect items brought in throughout the Pylypivka season. We appreciate your support and thank you in advance.

**MARY'S ANGEL CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT**

During Pylypivka, the school will be selling 'Mary's Angels'. The Angels are a keepsake of remembrance for deceased loved ones or someone who is very ill. When an individual purchases an Angel, a prayer card is filled out at the school with the loved one's name. The cards are attached to the Angel ornament and placed on the 'Mary's Angel Tree' in the school's front foyer. A Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by the students and staff on Friday, December 19, for the intentions of the loved ones. Before the Christmas Break, the angels will be sent home with each family that purchased an angel. Each Mary's Angel ornament costs \$5.00. The Order Form is on the Pylypivka Note sent home last week.

IHMS CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

SAVE THE DATE! Join Immaculate Heart of Mary School for delightful children's Christmas Concerts ... the perfect way to get into the spirit of the Christmas season. Students are preparing to share the real meaning of Christmas with TWO musicals for everyone to enjoy!

*** All students are required to attend both performances for their respective age group ... the afternoon show, and as well the evening show.

Wednesday, December 17 - Grades Kindergarten - Grade 3 will present *Humbug!* at 1:30PM & 7:00PM.

For *Humbug!* music and lyrics click [HERE](#)

Thursday, December 18 - Grades 4-8 students will present *Aloha Christmas* at 1:30PM & 7:00PM.

For *Aloha Christmas* music and lyrics click [HERE](#)

Please follow the links above for music and lyrics which can be used for practicing at home.

Important information about Christmas concert costumes is forthcoming.

The Grades 4-8 Christmas Concert cast is beginning to rehearse every morning at 7:25AM. Attendance at rehearsals is very important.

**DECEMBER**

- 2 Pizza Order Day - \$2.50 / slice
- 3 N.U.T. Day - Christmas Wear Day
- 3 Hot Dog Order Forms sent home
- 3 9:00 AM Grades K-3 Christmas Movie
- 3 1:00 PM Grades 4-8 Christmas Movie
- 3 3:15 - 5:00PM Volleyball Teams Wind-up
- 4 Pizza Lunch Day
- 5 Hot Dog Lunch Orders Due
- 5 1:30PM St. Nicholas Visit and Program
- 8 Mindful Monday - bring \$2 and it's a N.U.T. Day
- 9 & 10 Christmas Bake Sale - \$2 / item
- 11 Hot Dog Lunch Day
- 11 2:00PM EARLY DISMISSAL - Staff Spiritual Development
- 12 Mary's Angel orders due
- 17 K-3 Christmas Concert - 1:30PM & 7:00PM
- 18 4-8 Christmas Concert - 1:30PM & 7:00PM
- 19 10:30AM Divine Liturgy at Sts. Volodymyr and Olha Cathedral
- 19 Last day of classes before Christmas Break

December 22, 2025 - January 2, 2026
Christmas Break

IHMS FUND RAISING RAFFLE DRAW

Thank you to all who purchased tickets for this year's Annual Fund Raising Raffle. The proceeds are so important for the children's educational programs at the school. Gratitude to the Fundraising Committee. The 2025 IHMS Fund Raising Raffle winners are listed [here](#).

**SHARING YOUR MUSIC TALENTS**

- THERE ARE STILL SOME SPOTS LEFT!
- Students and families are encouraged to share their musical talents by performing
- Christmas carols in the front foyer of the school during arrival and dismissal times. Please email or call the school office to schedule a time to perform (December 9-13).

**GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER**

THANK YOU to everyone who was able to support the Gift Card Fundraiser, organized by the IHMS Parents' Guild. Over \$845 was raised ... the best results to date!! An email will be sent to all participants once the gift cards are ready for distribution. All orders need to be signed for by an adult, or parents must notify the office if their child is picking up the Gift Cards.

