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Mission Statement: IHM Catholic School challenges students to discover God's gifts spiritually, intellectually, socially and physically within a community that nurtures, honors and respects the dignity of each person.

Jesus Christ is Risen!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Easter Sunday: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and glad."(Psalm 118:24)

A Word From Mr. Weber
The Virtue of the Month is Honesty

WRONG
is **WRONG,**
even if *everyone*
is doing it.

RIGHT
is **RIGHT,**
even if *no one*
is doing it.

I spent two days on the Diocesan evaluation team at St Mary Star of the Sea in downtown Jackson this week. What is refreshing and reassuring are the similarities and differences we all have as Catholic Schools. I saw passionate teachers and leaders working to lead children closer to Christ through education. The church and school were established in the late 1800s and you can just be blown away by the character and beauty in the architecture. Finally, the power of collaboration among learners young and old is what makes a great school.

Fr. Tim gave his homily to the students in Jackson on the sin of Judas. It wasn't the betrayal, it was that he believed he could not be forgiven. Fr Tim insisted that we strive to defeat our sin, and to never, ever give up hope --- simply, never give up.

Spring Break Travels & Self-Isolation: We intend to return to in-person instruction on Monday, April 12, 2021. In order to protect our community from exposure to COVID-

19, we are asking all families who plan to travel or to gather in large groups to observe the "48-hour" rule. A person who tests positive for COVID-19 is considered contagious for 48 hours prior to the development of symptoms. If you are traveling or attending large gatherings during spring break, we ask that you provide a 48-hour buffer before returning to school in order to protect our entire community from the virus. Adhering to this 48-hour rule will ensure that our school can maintain in-person instruction leading up to the final weeks of school and end of year events.

I pray you all have a prayerful and joyous Easter this weekend. Enjoy your family the safest ways possible. Please observe our 48 hour request and we look forward to finishing strong this 2021 year with you.

Go Eagles! *B. Patrick Weber V*

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Almsgiving: Thank you to all who were able to support our almsgiving efforts to support Loaves and Fishes this Lenten season. We were able to send them approximately four paper boxes of winter clothing and socks. God bless you all.

Rice Bowls: If you participated in this almsgiving as a family, please send your money directly to your parish. I will pass on any donations sent directly to me to Catholic Relief Services through Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish.

What Do I See at Calvary? Our Lenten prayer concludes this week with Two Other Crosses, a Sponge, the Spear, and the Temple Curtain. Please continue the journey as a family with Blood, the Empty Cross, and Heaven. This is always our journey, always our destination.

Rejoice! Mary Margaret Utess

TUITION CONSULTANT

Thanks also to everyone who has submitted their students 2021-22 school enrollment paperwork. Please remember to get it completed by April 11, which is just over a week away, so you can pay the \$25 enrollment rate before it jumps to \$75 on April 12.

If you should run into trouble filling out the enrollment over Spring Break, do not panic. I will be in and out of office during the week to answer emails, but also this year is a learning curve, so you will not be charged the larger fee if you cannot complete the paperwork before April 11.

When creating the online enrollment packet, we chose to include all the paperwork the families would normally receive at the start of the next school year. The goal was to make things easier for families as well as the front office. Unfortunately, as is often the case with new procedures, this has not been the case. When filling out the enrollment packs, some of the forms are not fillable, and would require you to print them out and then send them into the school. Rather than that, just don't worry about printing anything out. I will plan on sending out those forms on the first day of school, just like we have done in past years. We'll call this a learning experience, and something to improve upon next registration period.

If you haven't received your re-enrollment packet in your email account, please reach out to me and I will resend it. I've had a few families who were included in the initial mass mailing, but did not receive their packet. I truly appreciate everyone's patience as we all learn this new enrollment program. If you have any questions or need help with something, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. I'm here to help.

Peace and blessings, Liz Putman

UPCOMING EVENTS: [Check out the Google Calendar on the ihmlansing.org homepage for more....](#)

April 1: *NEW* No School

April 2: Good Friday-No School

April 5-9: Spring Break

April 14: Meet the Cougars Night-6:00~7:15

April 16: April Birthdays ODC

April 30: Progress Notes Posted

WEEKLY LITURGY: Middle School Mass Wednesday, 8:00 Gr. 2-5 Mass Thursday, 8:00.

SCHEDULE: Spring Break

EVENTS: None

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: We have vacancies on both our School Advisory Committee as well as our School PTO. There are three spots open on the SAC and if you're interested in becoming more active in the school community and filling one of these spots, please contact Mr. Weber at weberP@IHMLansing.org to set up a time to meet.

PTO is looking to fill the President, Vice President, and Treasurer positions. If you are interested in nominating someone to one of these positions, or are interested in filling one yourself, please contact Emily Crockett at emilycrockett@gmail.com

PRESCHOOL NEWS: We are in the process of taking preschool registrations for the 2021/2022 school year. Our three and four year preschool programs (by September 1 and potty trained) are Monday through Friday, 7:50am - 11:00am. Child care hours are 11:00am-5:30pm. Your child will be exposed to a variety of exciting theme-based activities that includes, arts and crafts, indoor and outdoor play, writing, math, science, reading, music and daily prayer. We are preparing children for elementary education and life-long learning skills.

For more information: Please email Mary Maher~Program Director at maherm@ihmlansing.org or call 517-882-6631 ext. 223

MEET THE COUGARS NIGHT: Wed., April 14, 6:00pm-7:15pm-Incoming 9th graders and their parents are invited to meet and talk with our coaches for each sport as well as meet with our band, choir, and drama director, service coordinator, and campus ministry/students activities coordinator. Meet the Cougars, get questions answered, and learn about the sports and activities that your student may participate in next school year. Please note there is a set schedule for this event: [Meet Cougars Agenda](#). If you're unable to attend, please feel free to reach out to [our coaches by email](#).

LANSING CATHOLIC ALGEBRA BYPASS TEST:

Attention graduating eight graders:

The Lansing Catholic algebra bypass testing dates are as follows:

Tuesday, May 25, 3:15 - 5:30 PM

Wednesday, May 26, 3:15 - 5:30 PM

The test will be timed at 2 hours with a ten minute break in the middle, (110 minutes of total testing time).

Students will need a computer and a calculator. If they need either of them, LCHS does have a limited supply available. Please have the student indicate on the registration form if they request the use of a calculator or computer so we can schedule accordingly. Follow the link below to register for the test. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Gina Hipple, Math Department chair at 517-267-2144.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfb93yAaMOIZNhcANfg5WBtlycHBv5rjC1R4djCSOIh6vWSg/viewform?usp=pp_url

JUNIOR COUGAR TRACK AND FIELD:

- Practice starts on March 29, 2021 at Lansing Catholic High School - practice times 4 pm - 5:30 pm
- Cost is \$100 which includes uniform / \$75 if you already own a uniform.
- For more information contact, Coach Kyle Melinn at melinky@gmail.com or (517) 285-3344 or LCHS Track Coach Tim Simpson LCCXC@aol.com.
- Registration form attached (bring form and check to first practice).
- The MHSAA/NFHS Guidance for re-opening sports considers Track and Field a low risk sport. The coaches will be following MHSAA guidelines for Track and Field safety. <http://www.mhsaa.com/portals/0/Documents/AD%20Forms/PACKET%20TRACK.pdf>

TODD MARTIN YOUTH LEADERSHIP SPRING TENNIS: TMYL (Todd Martin Youth Leadership) is offering USTA Junior team tennis this spring. Details are below and through the link.

Lansing Catholic High School girls tennis coach Shelia Tansey Johnson will be supervising the Saturday matches. Ben Morris, TMYL staff and Pro at Court One will be supervising practices. Cost is \$30 for 5 weeks, 1 practice and 1 match per week. Equipment is provided for kids who do not have it.

MORE DETAILS:

This spring, the USTA will be running a middle school tennis league similar to the one held in 2019. <https://tmyl.org/usta-team-tennis>

What: Practice and team tennis match play for all Mid-Michigan 6th, 7th and 8th graders boys and girls. Beginners welcome; players will be matched with opponents based on experience.

When/Where: Practices: Location and time TBD (most likely Letts Community Center outside courts)

Matches: Saturdays, April 24 - May 22 from 10am – 12pm. Schedule and locations of all matches will be available after registration closes.

Cost: \$30, covers USTA fees as well as practice and equipment costs. Need-based scholarships available through Rebecca (rebecca.johnson@tmyl.org).

All other details including registration and payment at: [USTA Team Tennis — Todd Martin Youth Leadership](#)

HOUSEKEEPING: The lost and found is growing with sweaters and jackets with no name in them. At this time of year, especially, students are dropping off their layers and leaving them behind. PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME IN EVERYTHING!!! You can find the lost and found in a bin underneath the sign-out table in the school entryway.

ALSO: Please provide your children with a fresh mask and backup mask in their book bag each day.

CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS: Mr. Fogel was on Spring Break with his graduating senior this week, but that didn't mean learning stopped in fourth grade. The fourth graders learned about tall tales this week, and a story about Johnny Kaw. Johnny Kaw is big and tall like Paul Bunyan. This is what the fourth graders think Johnny Kaw would like to have for dinner.



