



## Upcoming Dates

### February 15

- ❖ Snowflake Ball, 5:30-8 p.m.

### February 17 Presidents Day

- ❖ No School

### February 18

- ❖ K-8 Student-led Parent Teacher conferences, no classes
- ❖ PK Parent Teacher Conferences

### February 20

- ❖ School Mass, 8:30, all welcome

### February 23

- ❖ Sacramental Prep Family Session I, 1:30-3:15, PC

### February 25

- ❖ Science Fair, 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grades
- ❖ PFO Nativity Night at Chicago Pizza & Redline, 5-8 p.m.

### February 26 Ash Wednesday

- ❖ School Mass, all welcome, 8:30

### February 27

- ❖ Group/Team Photos, 1:00

### February 29

- ❖ Quest for Excellence, 8-12:30, RHS

### March 2

- ❖ PFO Skating Party, 5:30-7:30, at the Fun Factory

### March 5

- ❖ School Mass, 8:30, all welcome

### March 6

- ❖ First Friday, Spirit Wear Day

### March 12

- ❖ 5<sup>th</sup> grade Wax Museum

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# The Weekly Nativity Newscast

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## 14 Days to Save on Registration Fee

## Do Small Things With Great Love



Kindergarten is working hard on the February service project! Like St. Therese, we are learning that we can do small things with great love, and make a big difference. We got together to make sweet cards for our parish/school community. Some of our cards are being delivered to homebound parishioners to brighten their days. If you have a family member that is ill, homebound, or in need of some kindergarten love, please send an email to [tminton@nativityindy.org](mailto:tminton@nativityindy.org) or [gdunn@nativityindy.org](mailto:gdunn@nativityindy.org) and we will send a sweet card your way.

"Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love." —St. Therese of Lisieux

## Don't Miss Out – Student-led Conferences on Tuesday

It is very important for students to have the opportunity to present and explain their school work in their Leader In Me binder to their parents and teachers.

If you have not already scheduled your conference for **Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**, please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/tabs/4307fde00a7ccee2-2020conferences>. **First, find your child's teacher's tab at the top**, click on it, then schedule a time that works best for you. Be sure to sign up over the weekend, as the signup genius will close at 9 a.m. Monday.

**There will be no classes on Tuesday. Students and their parents need to be here only during their scheduled 20 minute conference.**

## A Note From The Parent Lighthouse Team



**Habit 6: Synergize!** Together is better.

This habit is used everywhere we interact with others - school, work, teams, and home. We asked some Nativity families how they try to synergize to make their lives better at home.

- The Rail family recently had to move a large couch out of the house. It took everyone's mental & physical effort to succeed. It couldn't be done alone, so synergize!
- The Schoettle family has "7 o'clock pick up!" Around that time every night, "7 o'clock pick up" is declared. Everyone stops what they are doing and helps clean up the house for about 15 minutes. That's some great teamwork to get a job done most don't like to do!

Let us know if you have an example of synergizing in your life and we'll highlight in a future Newscast!

## Tuition Assistance

If you are interested in tuition assistance, please read the attachment and contact the office. Requests are kept confidential.

In brief, to qualify for tuition assistance:

- A student must be currently registered for the next academic year.
- There must be a demonstrated financial need for tuition assistance.
- A student's account must be in good standing.

Many thanks to all who have registered! If you have not, please register soon to save \$25 and secure your child's spot. You can re-enroll online at <https://school.nativityindy.org/re-enrollment-forms> with a credit card (\$100 plus \$5 cc fee) or in the office with a paper re-enrollment form (attached) with \$100 cash or check. The fee increases to \$125 on February 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Nativity Singers Shine At CYO Contest

Nativity Catholic School had a tremendous day at the annual CYO Music Contest held at Bishop Chatard High School on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Our musicians represented Nativity very, very well. Every single one of our performances garnered a first place superior rating!

We had six vocal solos and our students sang really, really well! We had two fifth grade soloists: Abby Helfrich and Lila Miller. Their judge was highly complementary of both of their performances! Lila ended up winning "Best in Class" honors from among all the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade soloists!

Our seventh grade soloists included Melody Miller and Molly Resler. Each of these performances was excellent! David Wilson had worked incredibly hard for the contest but became ill and was not able to compete.

Our eighth grade soloists included Jackson Maples and Ella Mayer who also did a tremendous job. I was particularly proud of our eighth grade performers who each sang a very difficult piece and performed them incredibly well. Unfortunately, eighth grader Page Boyle also became ill and was not able to compete.

We had two duets who were each awesome in their presentations! Sariya Kitchen and Lila Miller wowed the judges with "Anything You Can Do!" They were particularly complimented on their stage presence. Our other duet included seventh graders Melody Miller and Maggie Smith. They sang a particularly difficult piece called "Remember Me." CYO Director Bruce Scifres sat in on their performance – not knowing the girls were from Nativity – and was so impressed by how well the ladies sang! Maggie and Melody also won "Best in Class" for their duet performance!!!

Our seventh grade ladies quartet not only received a first, but they were selected as the "Best in Class" performers among all of the small ensembles! This talented group included Melody Miller, Maria Paynter, Molly Resler and Maggie Smith! Their piece was a lovely arrangement of "The Snow Begins to Fall." For the third year in a row, this quartet has won "Best in Class" in the small ensemble category!!! We are very proud of them!

Our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Recorder Choir made their very first sojourn to the contest this year. And in the instrumental category, they were the only recorder group. The judge was highly complimentary of their fantastic performance!

And finally, our Middle School Choir performed in the Large Ensemble category! There were several excellent choirs in the competition this year, but our choir performed really well under pressure. Singing "The Circle of Life with Nants Ingonyama," from the "Lion King," we were praised by our judges for a tremendous performance. The choir received a first place honor.

Congratulations to all of our fabulous music students! Your hard work really paid off! Thank you to the parents for supporting your young musicians! And congratulations to Mrs. Margie Hamm for leading our students to another fantastic exhibition of talent!

## Sports Registration Ends Tuesday!

It is time to register for spring sports! This includes Girls Kickball grades 3-8, Boys and Girls Track and Field grades 3-8 (3rd cannot run in City Tournament), Coed Soccer grades 5-8, and Girls Softball grades 6-8.

**Registration closes February 18<sup>th</sup>.** Registration and fees will need to be paid on the CYO Website. Any late registrations will be assessed a \$25 late fee. Contact these coordinators for any questions: Kickball - Ali Leffler; Track and Field - Adam Smith; Soccer - Bill Babcock; Softball - Jeff Silcox

## Prayer Chain Ministry

If you have intentions and need prayers you can write them down and place them in the basket located near the book of intentions in the new church. The stand is right next to the painting of Mary and baby Jesus. Have a blessed day!

## Attention all Camp Invention Alumni and Future Inventors!

Plan for lots of fun and learning at Camp Invention this summer! Once again our own Ms. Dunn is the camp director. This year the camp will be held at IMPACT Bethany, 4727 S. Sherman Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46237 during the week of **June 8-12**. Register at <https://www.invent.org/programs/camp-invention>

## Cultural Diversity Celebration

Roncalli would like to invite you to "R Family Day," a special gathering in celebration of our cultural diversity. The event will be on **Saturday, March 7 from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.** in Roncalli's cafeteria and gym. This celebration will include education and performances from countries around the world such as Myanmar, Mexico, Nigeria, India, and many others. "R Family Day" is student-driven with the support of local organizations. The event is open to the public and free of cost; however, donations will be gratefully accepted.

## News from Cathedral High School

Shadow at Cathedral High School: Come be a VIP—"Very IRISH Person"—for a day! We invite all 8th grade students to spend a day in the life of one of our students, meeting teachers, attending classes and experiencing what being IRISH is all about! Visiting students will be hosted by a freshman student who has similar co-curricular interests and/or academic abilities. Go to [gocathedral.com/shadow](http://gocathedral.com/shadow) for more information or contact Maribeth Cloud at [mcloud@gocathedral.com](mailto:mcloud@gocathedral.com).

STEM Conference for students 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Register today for Cathedral's first ever STEM Conference offered to all 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, **February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** You will get first-hand experience with Cathedral Teachers and Students. Registration is \$50 and included T-shirt and Lunch. Register today at [gocathedral.com/stemconference](http://gocathedral.com/stemconference).

**Attachments:** Re-enrollment forms for K-8 and PK      Tuition Assistance Letter  
Jr. Rebel Theatre registration

### **Nativity Catholic School Mission Statement**

Nativity Catholic School, a ministry of Nativity Catholic Church, will LEAD through:  
**L**ove rooted in Christ;  
**E**ducation focused on academic excellence and service to others;  
**A**chievement through personal effort and perseverance; and  
**D**evelopment of mind, body and spirit.

#### **Vision**

By inspiring greatness, all children of Nativity Catholic School will realize their worth and reach their fullest God given potential.

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