



# Show your ICS Spirit for "The School Raffle"



"The School Raffle" is returning to I.C.S. and is sponsored by Catholic United Financial. Catholic United is covering all the costs for this fundraiser which means every dollar the students raise will stay at our school! **That's a 100% profit!**

ICS is asking every family to sell a set of 10 or more tickets starting January 12 through February 25, 2018 to reach our goal of \$8,000. Each ticket is \$5.00 & everyone has an opportunity to win if they buy a ticket!

Every family with a student in Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade will receive a packet of 10 tickets to sell in the *January 11<sup>th</sup> Communicator*. The tickets will be in an envelope and marked as such. Once you sell the first 10 raffle tickets you received, you can then request additional tickets to sell.

If a parent of a Pre-K student would like to help support ICS, they may request a packet of 10 tickets to sell by contacting the school office at 763-788-9065 or by informing their child's Pre-K teacher.

Remember to always carry your tickets with you and sell them to your neighbors, friends, family members, parent's co-workers or anyone you encounter.

## 1 GRAND PRIZE = 2018 Chevy Trax -or- \$20,000 Cash

\$5,000 Dream Vacation (1 winner)	Duluth Family Getaway (3 winners)-includes tickets to the Great Lakes Aquarium, Glensheen Mansion and Lake Superior Railway Museum plus hotel stay
55" HD Smart TV (4 winners)	Twins Tickets (4 winners) iPad (5 winners)
\$200 Cabela's Gift Card (6 winners)	\$150 Amazon Gift Card (10 winners) \$100 Visa Gift Card (15 winners)

Help us to be **1 of 3 top-performing schools** to win a *\$3,000 grant!* **The top-selling students** at ICS win a *pizza party* and the **top-selling student** wins a *Woowee Robot!* All these prizes are provided by Catholic United Financial.

In addition to those prizes, I.C.S. will award each week (6 weeks total, Mon.-Fri.):

- Every student who sells **10 tickets or more within one week** will have their name placed into a drawing to play "Pop a Balloon".
- Every student who sells **20 tickets or more within one week** will have their name placed into a drawing to "Spin the Wheel for \$".

Also, classrooms will compete against each other (see the list below) with the challenge of: **whichever classroom sells all their tickets first that the students were initially given (1<sup>st</sup> set of 10 tickets), the winning class will choose one (1) of the following items to enjoy:** extra gym time with Mr. Couillard or Ms. Vickie's homemade cinnamon rolls and beverage.

Kinder vs 3<sup>rd</sup> grade  
1<sup>st</sup> grade vs. 4<sup>th</sup> grade

2<sup>nd</sup> grade vs 7/8<sup>th</sup> grades  
5<sup>th</sup> grade vs 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Also don't forget, the entire student body has a chance to win extra prizes by reaching the total dollar goals listed below by the designated dates

**Landmark Goal** - Goal of \$2,100 by 1/22/18 = Snack/Beverage Day; Goal of \$4,600 by 2/5/18 = Ice Cream Snack Day; Goal of \$8,000 by 2/21/18 = Games/Activities Day.

**Stretch Goal** - Goal of \$8,800 by 2/26/18 = Guest Entertainer Day (e.g. Magician, Clown, Play, Singer/Musician)



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# Join in the fun selling raffle tickets!

***As the school raffle ticket sale begins please remember:***

## **Selling Tickets:**

1. You cannot begin selling tickets before Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> and all sales of tickets must be stopped by the end of the day on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>. **No one under the age of 18 years old can purchase a raffle ticket.**
2. If you are selling tickets to someone out of town or out of state, you cannot mail the entire ticket (it's against the law and can immediately disqualify ICS to participate in the raffle). The person can send their money to you, you complete the ticket stub(s) & mail back the ticket receipt they can use for tax deductions.

## **Completing Ticket Stubs and Collecting the Money:**

1. When you sell a ticket, make sure the person prints clearly & has completed the following information:  
First and last name, complete address and phone number  
School = ICS (Immaculate Conception School) School City = Col. Hgts. (Columbia Heights)
2. Please make sure the ticket stubs are readable and complete. If the ticket can't be read or doesn't have the necessary information, the winning person won't be able to be contacted.
3. If a check is being written, make it out to I.C.S. (Immaculate Conception School)


## **Sold/Unsold/Lost Tickets:**

1. When you have all 10 tickets sold, return the ticket stubs and the money to the school office. You can then request additional tickets to sell.
2. If you have trouble selling your tickets, you can:
  - Sign-up to sell tickets after weekend Masses (Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun. 8:00 am or 10:00 am).
3. Return any unsold tickets to the school office as soon as possible to prevent them from being lost. We will then redistribute those tickets to someone who can sell them.
4. If you lose any tickets, please report the ticket numbers you've lost immediately to the school office.

## **Returning Tickets:**

1. ALL tickets you receive **MUST** be returned (sold or unsold)!
2. Return the ticket stubs and money together in an envelope.
3. Any tickets in your possession that are not returned to the school office **MUST** be paid for.

**Thank you for selling raffle tickets and helping us to reach our goal of \$8,000. Remember that every dollar we raise stays at Immaculate Conception School. **That's a 100% profit!****

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# How to Prevent Technology from Tearing Your Family Apart



Does your family struggle with overuse or misuse of the internet and social media? Are you concerned about today's easy access to pornography and its impact on kids and adults? Is the technology use in your home a constant source of conflict?

**Kalley Yanta**, a former news anchor and Relevant Radio host, will address this topic at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> in Doran Hall at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Minneapolis. Kalley is a wife and a mother of six, who will share her insights about this struggle from the perspective of a media professional and a mom.

**All adults are invited to attend this FREE event** that is hosted by the St. Charles Council of Catholic Women.

**Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:30 pm**  
St. Charles Borromeo Church (Doran Hall)  
2727 Stinson Blvd NE, Minneapolis

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helps religious education, service and family social events get off the ground

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We've given **\$7.2 million** to the parishes and schools in our area through these programs!



Contact me to get started!

Sales Representative

**Jim Suek, FICF**

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Dear Parents:

To provide greater security for our young people, and in response to the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* adopted by the Catholic Bishops of the United States, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis has implemented safe environment training for adults and children. This safe environment training specifically addresses how parish and school communities can help protect all of God's children from sexual abuse.

I firmly believe, as has been repeatedly taught by our Church, that "parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2223). With this in mind, I am pleased to send you the enclosed "Protecting God's Children: Teaching Touching Safety" in the hope that it will assist you as you and your children adjust to your new parish or school. This resource guide is intended to help parents, guardians, and other caring adults speak with their children about personal safety. I encourage you to read this guide and to share with your child the information you believe to be age-appropriate.

I know that this is not an easy topic to share with your child. However, I also know that the entire Church community has responsibility for helping to keep all children out of harm's way. I would also like to invite you, as parents and guardians, to attend one of the *VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children* sessions scheduled throughout the Archdiocese. You may find a complete listing of sessions at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

If you have other questions about safe environment training in the Archdiocese, please contact the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 651-290-1622 or [opcy@archspm.org](mailto:opcy@archspm.org).

Thank you for sharing your faith with your children.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda  
Apostolic Administrator  
Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis