

St. Francis Xavier Elementary Marquette Campus

Dates for your Calendar:

- Friday, Jan. 7—
 FREE CASUAL DAY!
- Friday, Jan . 7—
 Songs, Stories and
 Fun in the school library at 9 AM.
- Monday, Jan. 10— Club Invention after school.
- Tuesday, Jan. II—
 The second session of KidStage begins after school.
- Friday, Jan. I 4—
 Paid Casual Day to benefit Vida Free Clinic (formerly Mother and Unborn Baby Care). For a 25¢ (or more) donation, your child may wear casual clothing.
- Wednesday, Jan.
 19—You are invited to a Home and School meeting at 6:00 PM in the school library.
- Friday, Jan 21—NO SCHOOL -End of the Second Quarter;
 Recordkeeping Day.

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From the Desk of Laura Barnett

Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a most special Christmas holiday, filled with all those things that make for happy family memories. In this New



In this New Year I wish everyone new adventures, good health and abundant joy.

An FYI for You

Speaking of new adventures, I would like to share my news with you. I will be retiring at the end of this school year.

These sorts of decisions are always a bit bittersweet. I am quite honored to have been a part of the Xavier System for these

10 years. This is a truly fine place to be—a place that honors its history while it continues to move forward with new initiatives. It is also a place that is mission driven, understanding its call to work with parents to instill a love of Christ and a love of the faith in the next generation of leaders. I will certainly miss this school and the wonderful people I have met here. I am quite sure that when the back-to-school ads start up next summer, I will miss everything even more.

I do look forward to this next adventure in my life, however. I will get the opportunity to spend more time with my grandkids—who are growing up way too quickly, as all kids seem to do. I also look forward to doing some volunteering and exploring some interests that I will now have more time to pursue.

But—I don't want to get too much ahead of myself! We still have half of the school year to go, and a lot of learning and activities to experience. I wanted you to know this news now before my job is posted, but I am not quite ready to walk out the door yet. So, let's continue to make the rest of this school year amazing!

Catholic Schools Week

We are making plans for a special Catholic Schools Week celebration. You will be receiving detailed information regarding this week in next week's newsletter.

Make Plans to Attend Celebrate on February 5th



Celebrate is the premier fundraising event for Xavier Catholic Schools. Funds raised at Celebrate support the entire school system. Everyone is invited to attend, get involved, and support Celebrate.

We are thrilled to welcome guests "back to the ballroom"! Celebrate 2022 is being planned as an in-person event on February 5, 2022 at the Fox Cities Exhibition Center.

Appropriate precautions will be taken and there will still be a small virtual component this year, but our plan is to gather in

person to Celebrate Xavier Catholic Schools and our amazing students and staff. There are many opportunities for you to "Light the Way" for our students and get involved.

To find out more <u>click</u> <u>here!</u>

Prayer for the New Year

Dear God,

Thank you that you make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives this past year, the good along with the hard things, which have reminded us how much we need you and rely on your presence filling us every single day.

We pray for your Spirit to lead us each step of this New Year. We ask that you will guide our decisions and turn our hearts to deeply desire you above all else.

We ask that you will open doors needing to be opened and close the

ones needing to be shut tight. We ask that you would help us release our grip on the things to which you've said "no," "not yet," or "wait." We ask for help to pursue you first, above every dream and desire you've put within our hearts.

Elizabeth Ministry Information

Elizabeth Ministry, Zechariah House of Healing offers these special retreats as one way to encourage Mothers and Daughters to invest their time, energy, and focus on their relationship by creating a meaningful connection and

making special memories. Retreats are customized for each age group and are reasonably priced at \$65 per Mother & Daughter team, which includes lodging, snacks, breakfast, lunch, crafts, materials,

and keepsakes!

Please check out the flyers at the end of this newsletter for more information about retreats geared for elementary or middle/high school girls and their mothers.

A Couple of Reminders

Lost and Found

There are a lot of items in the lost and found. If you think that your child's closet or snow gear is looking depleted, please stop in and check out our lost and found collection.

Culver's Night

We will have a Xavier day at the Culver's on Westhill Blvd. on Friday, Jan 21. The proceeds will be going to our Elementary Home and School Association to support all the wonderful work they do for our school!

Culver's is trying a new program. Instead of the fundraiser being a short window of time where every purchase counts, this year the fundraiser is available all day, and families will need to present a "share card" for their purchase to count.

A share card is essentially a business card with a spot on the back for the cashier to write

in the purchase amount. These cards will be at the campuses by Monday, January 17.

There should be plenty for each family and staff member to have one, plus a few left-overs if anyone asks for extras for grandparents or friends. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more information.





Elementary School Mother Daughter Retreats

JANUARY 21-22: 4-6 YEAR OLD JANUARY 22-23: 7-10 YEAR OLD

SIGN UP ONLINE TODAY!
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HELP US SUPPORT

XAVIER ELEMENTARY ON JANUARY 21, 2022



Present your share card on Friday, January 21, and 10% from your purchase will be donated to Xavier Elementary School!

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