



St. Francis Xavier Elementary Marquette Campus

Dates for your Calendar:

- **Friday, Dec. 17**—Ugly Christmas Sweater (or other Christmas themed wear) casual day (free).
- **Friday, Dec. 17**—Third and Fourth grade students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- **Sunday, Dec. 19**—Christmas Concert will be sent out at 4 PM, for your viewing enjoyment.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 22**—**Red and Green Casual Day.** Lessons and Carols in the church at 9:00 AM.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 22**—Everyone will gather in the church at 2:15 to watch the Christmas concert together. Christmas Break begins at the end of the day.
- **Monday, Jan. 3**—School Resumes.

Happy 3rd week of Advent!



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From the Desk of Laura Barnett

Merry Christmas!

I know that I am a little early, but since I will not be doing a newsletter next week, I wanted to be sure to wish you a safe, happy and holy Christmas Season. I know that I speak for the whole staff when I say that when we count our blessings over this past year, we surely include our school families. This year continues to be another year of challenges due to the continuing pandemic. We all know, however, that we can count on all of our families for the support and for the prayers that ensure the success of our school. Thank you for all you do.

Come the New Year...

When we return in January, things will once again be filled with the usual busyness of the school year.

On January 4th, we will begin the second session of Club Invention. This is an after school STEM club that is similar to Camp Invention held in the summer. If you have questions about this, please contact Nicole Jedwabny here at school.

Kidstage starts their second session on January 11. The students will be putting on Moana this winter. This session will run from January 11 to March 8.

January 30th will be the start of Catholic Schools Week. We will be having some fun activities for all to enjoy. We will be holding a literacy day, dressing up for "Decades Day" which will include classroom "dance parties," and other school-wide events that will make this a special week of celebration.

There is one change to our usual offerings for Catholic Schools Week—we will not be holding our usual VIP day on that Wednesday. After discussions with the staff and our Home and School officers, we thought that it would be better to delay our VIP day this year. We plan on holding this in the spring so that we can be sure that gathering such a large group together is a wise thing to do. You will be receiving more information about Catholic Schools Week and our Spring VIP Day in the New Year.

Lastly, I would like to remind you that our next Songs, Stories and Fun event will be held on Friday, January 7th at 9 AM in the library. If you have a little one at home, you are invited to join us for this creative story time.

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 [click here!](#)

Advent Prayer

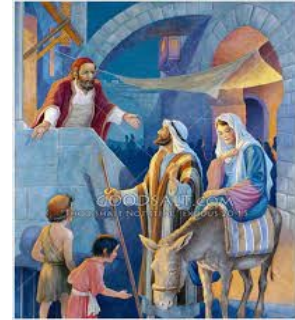
Holy Father, Lord of all creation, you have power and might over heaven and earth. You speak a word and mountains move. You whisper and the sea obeys. You turn darkness into light, and transform broken things into beauty.

Lord, help me to see the wonder in your creation, to find the joy amidst the trials. For in you I can rejoice and be glad. No

matter what the world brings, I can find joy in you. Help me to celebrate with joy and gladness this Christmas, for in you all things are made new.

You are working to restore and remake all the broken pieces of my life and of this world. In you I will be glad and rejoice forever, delighting in you with joy.

All this I pray through Jesus Christ, your only son, your greatest gift to this world. Amen.



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT
of HEALTH SERVICES

To find a COVID-19 vaccine location in Wisconsin, visit [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) or call **211** or **877-947-2211**.

As we continue to see high case activity throughout the state, it's also important that we all add layers of protection, like getting vaccinated, getting your booster dose,

wearing masks, and staying home when feeling sick.

We appreciate your continued diligence, and all you are doing to be safe and protect yourselves and others in your communities.



**NO ONE WILL BE
TURNED AWAY**

Anyone age 5+ can get a COVID-19 vaccine.

To get a COVID-19 vaccine:

- You do not need an ID.
- You do not need proof of residency.
- You do not need health insurance.
- You do not need to pay, it's FREE.

If you have been turned away by a vaccinator due to lack of an ID and/or health insurance, please report the violation by emailing DHSCovidVaccinePublic@Wisconsin.gov or call 844-684-1064 (toll-free).

YOU STOP. SPREAD



The O Antiphons

Most familiar today from the Advent hymn, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," the seven traditional "O Antiphons" are actually more than a thousand years old. They have long been used at the very end of Advent (Dec. 17-23) in the liturgical prayer of the Church. Each Antiphon invokes the coming of the Messiah, beginning with a biblical title and closing with a specific petition. In the traditional arrangement, when viewed from Christmas Eve backward, the first letters of the Latin texts (Emmanuel, Rex, Oriens, Clavis, Radix, Adonai, Sapientia) spell out the phrase **ero cras** ("I come tomorrow").

December 17 – O Sapientia

English: O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from one end to the other, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

December 18 – O Adonai

English: O Adonai, and leader of the House of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush and gave him the law on Sinai: Come and redeem us with an outstretched arm.

December 19 – O Radix Jesse

English: O Root of Jesse, standing as a sign among the peoples; before you kings will shut their mouths, to you the nations will make their prayer: Come and deliver us, and delay no longer.

December 20 – O Clavis David

English: O Key of David and scepter of

the House of Israel; you open and no one can shut; you shut and no one can open: Come and lead the prisoners from the prison house, those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

December 21 – O Oriens

English: O Morning Star, splendor of light eternal and sun of righteousness: Come and enlighten those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

December 22 – O Rex Gentium

English: O King of the nations, and their desire, the cornerstone making both one: Come and save the human race, which you fashioned from clay.

December 23 – O Emmanuel

English: O Emmanuel, our king and our lawgiver, the hope of the nations and their Savior: Come and save us, O Lord our God.

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Healing Team and Volunteers.



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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2021

4PM - 6PM

119 West 7th Street

Kaukauna, WI 54130

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2022 Baseball Registration

Open January 1, 2022!



Grand Chute Baseball provides a competitive level of baseball while maintaining our commitment to teach baseball fundamentals, sportsmanship, and teamwork in a friendly environment.

When: January 1 – March 31, 2022

Who: Co-ed; ages 5-12yrs.

What: T-Ball (ages 5-6), Rookie-Machine Pitch (ages 7-8),

Kid-pitch-Minors 46/60 (ages 9-10), and Majors 50/65 (ages 11-12)

Where: Online registration at www.grandchutebaseball.com

Click the register tab and follow the directions. NO RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS

Season dates: June 1 – July 28 @ Plamann Park and Patriot Park

Weekend Tournament Teams: 7U through 12U players can try out for GC weekend tournament / travel teams.

If you have questions, please email: admin@grandchutebaseball.com

We look forward to seeing you this summer!