



# St. Francis Xavier Elementary Marquette Campus

## Dates for your Calendar:

- **Friday, Mar. 11**—Stations of the Cross at 9 AM with Mrs. Hintz's 4th grade reading and Mrs. Scherer's 2nd grade doing the illustrations. Also Reconciliation for grades 2-4.
- **Friday, Mar. 11**—Paid Casual Day for Catholic Relief Services/Ukraine Relief.
- **March 12 through March 20—Spring Break.** Have a great week off!
- **Wednesday, Mar. 23**—Grade 3 to the Middle School to have an introduction to Band/Orchestra.
- **Thursday, Mar. 24**—Grade 4 to Madison to visit the Capitol.
- **Friday, Mar. 25**—Stations of the Cross with Mrs. Jedwabny's and half of Ms. Kluck's class reading and Mrs. Candell's class illustrating.
- **Friday, Mar. 25**—Songs, Stories and Fun at 9 AM.

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## From the Desk of Laura Barnett

### Happy Spring Break!

I hope that next week brings you rest, relaxation and some fun family times.

It always seems as though the time after Spring Break moves at a breakneck speed toward the end of the year.

On the week we return, our third graders will be heading over to the Middle School to check out their options regarding orchestra and band for next year. I hope you will encourage your children to try a musical instrument. There are so many benefits to be had from playing an instrument, from increased eye-hand coordination to an increase in patience, reduction of stress, and an increase in skills connected to reading. Beyond all this, be-

ing involved in music is just great fun!

On Thursday, the fourth graders will be going to Madison. We are very excited to have this trip once more on our calendar. Adding back these things has certainly filled us with hope that everything is back on track again after having gone through a couple of very challenging years!

Once we hit April and May, our calendars will be filled with Holy Week, Easter and special Masses (including our VIP Day Mass, 1st Communion Celebration and Fourth Grade Farewell).

This is an exciting and busy time. I look forward to seeing parents at these upcoming events!

### Lenten Pop Top Collection

Our Kindergarten class is organizing the collecting of aluminum pop tops for Ronald McDonald House Charities, and we have had a great start! After just a few days of collecting, we already have 47 lbs. 7 oz. of can tops brought in. This is a contest to see which class can bring in the most tops by weight. Currently the standings are:

6th place—4th Grade  
5th place—PK classes  
4th place—K classes  
3rd place—2nd Grade  
2nd place—1st Grade  
1st place—3rd Grade (who brought in 17 lbs. and 11 oz. so far!)

Keep up the good work!

## Reminder about Friday's CRS Casual Day for Ukraine

On Friday, Mar. 11, we will be holding a paid casual day to benefit Catholic Relief Services' efforts to help the people of Ukraine. For 25¢ or more, your child may

wear casual clothing to school.

I also want to remind you about a correction that I recently sent out for those who would like to

write a check for this event. **The check should be made out directly to Catholic Relief Services and NOT to Xavier Catholic Schools.**

# The Northeast Wisconsin Passion Play

## LIVE ON STAGE!

This year's powerful, original musical drama features new scenes and songs in addition to a contemporary Christian score offering a moving portrayal of Christ's ministry presented with beautiful costumes, stunning lighting and dance in a production appropriate for all ages.



Bring your family to experience this inspiring production celebrating the joyous time when Our Lord walked the earth and commemorates His teachings, Passion and Resurrection.

7:00 pm April 7, 8, 9

1:00 pm April 9, 10

\$13 Adult • \$12 Senior Citizen • \$9 Student

[www.newpassionplay.org](http://www.newpassionplay.org)  
(920) 733-8840

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## A Prayer for The First Week of Lent

Almighty and ever living God, you invite us deeper into your world, your people, your Lent.

Help us live a Lent focused on freedom, generosity, and encounter.

May this time be one of outward focus; seeking you in those we often ignore.

Give us hearts hungry to serve you and those who need what we have to give.

- Author Unknown



## Strong Minds and Strong Hearts

Mrs. Brege has a wonderful display in our hallway of students and others who speak more than one language.

Mrs. Brege recently wrote, "This captures the center of my heart for my students: as someone who's lived in non-English speaking countries myself for several years, in Slovakia, Chile, and Algeria, I want students to know that although having an immigrant background presents some challenges, being multilingual and multicultural are strengths - and that they themselves are amazing treasures, possessing inviolable dignity, loved by God and a shining gift to those around them."



I hope you get a chance to stop in and see this display!

# Before You Can Volunteer at Xavier Catholic Schools

If you are willing to volunteer, you are **REQUIRED** to complete **ALL** 3 steps listed below & receive confirmation **BEFORE** volunteering. This is the Safe Environment Program that St. Francis Xavier Catholic School System has in place to protect our volunteers and youth.

## Step 1—Complete Application

Complete online application with your full legal name in which you will:  
~Authorize a criminal background check and receive a satisfactory report  
~Provide references that will be contacted and approved  
To begin visit [www.gbdioc.org](http://www.gbdioc.org). Roll over “Protecting Our Children”. Click on “Background Checks”. Click on “eAppsDB” link. **Access code: gbdioc04**

## Step 2—Complete VIRTUS Training

Register at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) to complete training videos online.

## Step 3—Sign Agreement Form

You agree to follow and adhere to the Diocesan Code of Conduct for Volunteers and submit the signed form to your campus secretary.

*\*This form needs an updated signature annually.\**



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# Antes de hacerse voluntario en las Escuelas Católicas Xavier

Si usted está interesado en hacerse voluntario, se le REQUIERE completar TODOS los 3 pasos enumerados a continuación, y recibir confirmación ANTES de hacer servicio voluntario. Esto es el Programa de Ambiente Seguro que el Sistema St. Francis Xavier usa para proteger a nuestros voluntarios y jóvenes.

## Paso 1—Rellenar la Aplicación

Complete el formulario en línea con su nombre legal completo. En este documento, el solicitante:

- ~Autoriza una revisión de antecedentes penales, y necesita recibir un resultado satisfactorio del chequeo; y
- ~Proporcione información de contacto de varias personas como referencias que serán contactadas y aprobadas.

Para comenzar, visite [www.gbdioc.org](http://www.gbdioc.org). Pase el cursor sobre "*Protecting Our Children*" ("Protegiendo a nuestros niños.") Haga clic en "*Background Checks*"

("Verificaciones de antecedentes.") Haga clic en el enlace "eAppsDB". **Código de acceso: gbdioc04** (El proceso de la aplicación *por internet* requiere un número de Seguro Social. Si alguien quiere hacerse voluntario sin ese número, *todavía se puede*, pero es necesario pedir una copia en papel y rellenarla a mano. Hay una versión disponible en español. Póngase en contacto con la oficina escolar para pedirla.)

## Paso 2—Hacer entrenamiento VIRTUS

Regístrese en [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) para mirar videos de capacitación en línea.

## Paso 3—Firmar el formulario del Acuerdo

Usted acepta seguir y cumplir con el Código Diocesano de Conducta para Voluntarios, y devuelve el formulario firmado a la secretaria de su escuela.

*\*Este formulario necesita una firma actualizada anualmente.\**



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