

# St. Francis Xavier Elementary Marquette Campus

## Dates for your Calendar:

- **Wednesday, Mar. 25— Feast of the Annunciation**  
National Manatee Appreciation Day.\* (Who doesn't appreciate manatees?)
- **Thursday, Mar. 26—**  
National Spinach Day\*  
(A great day for a salad!)
- **Friday, Mar. 27—**  
National Scribble Day\*  
(Don't tell Mrs. Wimmer about this)
- **Saturday, Mar. 28—**  
National Black Forest Cake Day.\*
- **Sunday, Mar. 29—**  
**The Fifth Sunday of Lent** and National Vietnam Veterans Day\*.
- **Monday, Mar. 30 -**  
National Doctors Day\*  
(Please say an extra prayer for doctors and other health care workers).
- **Tuesday, Mar. 31—**  
National Crayon Day\*  
(Now this is a day that Mrs. Wimmer can get behind!)

(\*From the National Day Calendar)

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## From the Desk of Laura Barnett

I hope this note finds all of you well.

As we move through this unprecedented time together I want you to know that you are never far from our thoughts. The teachers have been working diligently to provide meaningful and enjoyable lessons for the children. All of us at school want to support you in whatever way we can to make sure that this time apart will remain filled with activity and learning.

I have seen some of your posts and am pretty impressed with all the fun activities and learning that you are experiencing with your children. You are doing an amazing job!

As we move forward, however, I am sure that

there may be times when it is hard to get to a particular day's lesson.

Please know that this is fine—that we all need to do what we can to balance family, work and self-care needs. Please know that even when your children are in school, they are not seated at their desks for hours on end. They have recess, time for art, music, PE, library, Spanish, read-alouds, snack and lunch. And then there are those times when they get an extra recess for great behavior—or we have an assembly—or we take a field trip. So, remember that this educational journey is not to be done at a breakneck pace—but can be savored and enjoyed.

For our part, we are sad

to be missing out on these weeks with your child, but we also know that you are gaining some special time with your children. We also miss praying with your children at our weekly liturgies and special Lenten prayer times. I know that many of you are taking advantage of the video Masses that local parishes are providing. Our school and the System are also finding various ways to help us all stay connected in prayer.

So, take care of yourselves and hold us in prayers—as we hold all of you in ours.



## Lenten Prayer for the Fourth Week of Lent

Almighty and Everlasting God,  
You have given the human race  
Jesus Christ our Savior as a

model of humility.  
He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man  
And giving His life on the Cross.  
Help us to bear witness to You  
By following His example of suffering  
And make us worthy to share in His Res-



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# Virtual Spirit Week!

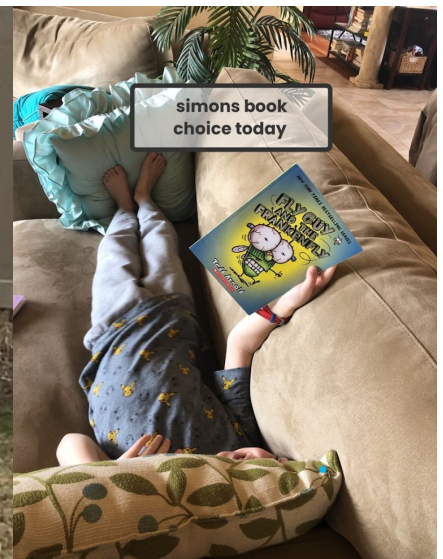


My Little  
Pony  
Equestria  
Girls-Through  
the Mirror  
Aleksandra



This week we held a virtual Spirit Week. Here are a couple of pictures of the things you have done as of Tuesday—great to see you keeping active and reading some great books!

It's not too late to send some pictures to your teacher for inclusion in next week's newsletter!



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