



# St. Francis Xavier Elementary Marquette Campus

## Dates for your Calendar:

- **Friday, Nov. 5—**  
Songs, Stories and Fun  
for children ages 2-4.  
This story time begins  
at 9:00 in the library.
- **Friday, Nov. 5—**  
Free Casual Day.
- **Sunday, Nov. 7—**  
Daylight Savings Time  
ends!
- **November 8-11—**  
Conference and Book  
Fair Week! Look for  
details in this newslet-  
ter.
- Tuesday, Nov. 9—  
NO KIDSTAGE this  
week. There will be  
KidStage as normal on  
Nov. 16th.
- **Wednesday, Nov.  
10—**Early Dismissal  
for Conferences.
- **Thursday, Nov.  
11—**Early Dismissal  
for Conferences.
- **Friday, Nov. 12—**  
**No School** for Stu-  
dents or Staff.

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## From the Desk of Laura Barnett

With Thanksgiving occur-  
ring later this month, we  
often make a special effort  
to consider all of the bless-  
ings in our lives.

There have been countless  
studies that have shown the  
benefits of gratitude in our  
lives. Mostly it helps us to  
develop a more positive  
attitude and allows us to  
open our hearts to the  
needs of others. When we  
are more satisfied with  
what we have been given,  
we have more room in our  
lives for spreading the  
blessings around.

During the seasons of  
Thanksgiving, Advent and

Christmas, we tend to be  
especially mindful of  
those who go without.  
Beginning on November  
14 and ending on Decem-  
ber 3 (the feast of St. Fran-  
cis Xavier) we will be  
holding our Food Drive  
for St. Joe's Food Pantry.  
Each grade will focus on  
different items so that we  
can offer a variety of  
things that families need.  
I recently read an article  
from someone who  
worked at a food bank and  
who offered suggestions  
for those who bring in  
items for food drives. The  
author said that things  
such as flour, sugar and  
other baking supplies are

much appreciated since  
they are not commonly  
given. Another item that is  
not often given and much  
appreciated is ground cof-  
fee and tea. The same is  
true for paper items,  
cleaning supplies and toi-  
lettries. So when you look  
over the giving theme  
your child's classroom  
has, do note that all of the  
items represented may be  
pretty common things on  
most of our shopping lists,  
but for families struggling  
with food insecurity may  
mean the world.

I thank you in advance for  
your generosity to this  
year's appeal!

## News Items...

### Xavier Theatre Presents:

All Together Now! - A cav-  
alcade of Broadway's  
Greatest Hits.

Live on Stage at the Xavier  
Fine Arts Theatre at 7 PM  
on November 12th, 13th  
and 15th, and at 1 PM on  
November 13th and 14th.

We're thrilled the New  
York licensing agency, Mu-  
sic Theatre International,  
has offered Xavier Theatre  
the opportunity to present  
this never-before-seen re-  
vue of Broadway show mu-  
sic as part of a global cele-  
bration of the return of live

performances. For more  
information, go to:

[www.xaviertheatre.com](http://www.xaviertheatre.com)

### Christmas Stars

Ticket sales are now open  
for this spectacular Broad-  
way-style holiday-themed  
extravaganza featuring  
singers, dancers and actors  
ages five through senior  
citizens.

Performances are at 7 PM  
on December 2, 3, 4, 9, 10,  
and 11—and at 1 PM on  
December 4, 5, 11, and 12.  
Purchase your tickets on  
the website  
([www.christmasstars.org](http://www.christmasstars.org))  
or visit the box office on

Mondays or Wednesdays  
from noon—3 PM

Your stuff misses YOU too.



### Lost and Found

We are beginning to gather  
a collection of items in our  
lost and found (which is  
located outside the office  
on the first hooks you  
come upon in the 4K hall-  
way). Stop in and see if  
you recognize some of  
these lonely clothes.

## Women's Recollection Retreat

Elizabeth Ministry International, Zechariah House of Healing invites you to a **Women's Recollection Retreat** at our new Retreat and Resource Center in Kaukauna led by Whitney Stager, MS, LMFT, CCPS.

If you've been on retreat with us before at our old Elizabeth Ministry Center, or for an Abiding Retreat or Mother

Daughter Retreat at our new Zechariah House of Healing Center, you know that two of our main goals are hospitality and community.

**Women's Recollection Retreat**  
Led by Whitney Stager, MS, LMFT, CCPS  
& the Zechariah House of Healing Women's Team  
Friday, November 12th, 6pm - Saturday, November 13th, 12pm

\*Retreat will conclude with mass

**\*SIGN UP DUE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10th at 6pm**

To learn more about our retreat and to sign up, please visit our new website:

<https://www.zechariahhouseofhealing.org/womens-retreat>

For more information, please email [Alexah@Elizabethministry.com](mailto:Alexah@Elizabethministry.com) or view our website

## Prayer for All Souls

Dear God of Mercy,  
I pray this day for all souls, both known and unknown to me, who, although touched by death, have not yet entered Your Heavenly Kingdom.

So in my love for them, I offer my prayers, and my small works of

mercy in the hope that Your perfect love will flow to them and bring them to eternal peace with You.

May they intercede for me for the graces I may need to live out my life on earth in obedience and love of You, my Father, so that I, too,

may join them in everlasting life with You in Heaven.  
Amen



## Conference Week

Conference week will be held on November 9-10-11. As you know, we will be holding virtual conferences again this year. If you have the need for an in-person conference, or if you would like to have an interpreter available to you, please contact your child's teacher directly to set that up. If you would like to meet with one of our teachers in the special areas of band, orchestra, music, library, counseling EL, Phy. Ed or learning services, you are asked to contact them directly as well, using their school email.

You will be receiving information from your child's teacher regarding conference day sign-up on Friday, October 29.

The schedule for conference week will be as follows:

**Tuesday, November 9**—The school day will be a normal one. Conferences on this day will be from 3:40 until 7:00 PM. There are no changes in the hours for Before or After Care, and our extended Day Care runs as usual.  
**Wednesday, November 10**—This is an early release day with conferences going from after

school until 4 PM. The bell rings at 11:25, and students will be dismissed at this time. There will be Care available for students from the time the bell rings until 6:00 PM, but there will be no hot lunch that day. If you are using care, please be sure to pack a lunch for your child.

**Thursday, November 11**—This will be another early release day with conferences until 7:00 PM. The Care Schedule is the same as on Wednesday, with students needing a lunch from home.  
**Friday, November 12**—No school for students or staff.

## **Thanksgiving and Advent Food Collection – November 15th through December 3rd**

Each year we hold this special collection to benefit the St. Joseph Food Pantry. It has proven to be a very successful way to make a substantial donation of needed items for area families who struggle with food insecurity. I am excited to once again invite you to be a part of this service project!

As we know all too well, the upcoming holiday season can put a strain on the family budget. While this is true for all of us, it is more significant for those families who struggle to put food on the table from week to week. Please join us in making the holidays bright for those who are in need in our community.

### **Preschool classes – Taking Care of the “Littlest” Needs**

Baby food, baby wipes, diapers and other related items.

### **Kindergarten – Toiletries**

Items in this category include shampoo, soap, shaving cream,

### **Grade 1 – Fruits, Vegetable and Side Dishes**

Those things that make a meal more complete, such as canned fruits/vegetables, boxed potatoes/potato dishes, pasta, rice, etc.

### **Grade 2 – Baking Supplies**

During the holidays, we all like to have special treats on hand. You can make the holidays all the more special for families in need by donating flour, brown sugar, sugar, spices, canned pumpkin, cake/cookie mixes, canned frosting and the like.

### **Grade Three – Main Dish Items**

During this week, we are looking for donations of things that make up the main course of any meal. These items can include cereal, pancake mix, soups, stew, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, tuna, or any other protein rich items that would make a healthy main course for a family.

### **Grade 4 – Cleaning Supplies and Paper Goods**

We all go through more cleaning supplies, paper goods, detergent, etc., when we have family visit during the holidays.

**\*\*\*As an extra incentive, the grade that brings the highest number of items per student in that grade will receive a special treat of Italian Ice as a reward.\*\*\***

Thank you in advance for your help! Your generosity to our brothers and sisters in Christ will set a wonderful example of giving for your children, and teach them the true meaning of the season!

Laura Barnett, Principal

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- Student eWallet **NEW**