St. Francis Xavier Religious Ed News Bulletin January 19, 2018

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ABSENCES

Call RE Office prior to the start of class at 708.352.4555 or email <u>sfxreligioused@sfxlq.org</u>

SIGN IN PROCEDURE

Please make sure to stop in the RE Office whenever you are in the building to sign in before going to your child's class or to a presentation in Joyce Hall.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Parent note required. Stop in the RE Office to sign your child out.

PICK UP PROCEDURES

Please do not double park.

Coordinator's Message

Hope your family is feeling well and is able to stay healthy during this flu season.

The children of our parish who are preparing to receive their First Communion in May received their crosses at a special liturgy last Sunday. These children are encouraged to wear their cross when they are at Mass and will receive a special blessing when coming up at Communion time. Let us encourage these children and support them with our prayers.

Children will be going home with the At Home Lesson for January 28 and January 31. You can <u>click here</u> for another copy of the lesson.

Winter and Snowy Days are always a challenge for drop off and pick up. PLEASE follow the Drop Off and Pick Up Procedure posted in this News Bulletin (attachment section to the left). Remember that children ALWAYS have the right of way. It is also important to remember to be considerate of our neighbors on Waiola and Spring Avenues.

Fifth Grade Liturgy

Our Fifth Graders have worked on and altar piece and the stole that will be worn by the Presider at the Noon Mass on Sunday, January 21. We hope to see all of our Fifth Graders and their families at the Noon Mass this Sunday. There is a liturgy practice at 11:15am Saturday for the students whose parents indicated their presence at the practice. Children always have the right of way. Be considerate of our neighbors on Waiola and Spring Avenues.

CLASS TIMES

Sunday: 9:00-10:15am Wednesday: 4:00-5:15pm Wednesday: 6:15-7:30pm

Please make sure your child arrives five minutes early so that class can begin on time.

Kindergarten parents ONLY may walk their child into the building.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 noon, and 6:00 pm Fifth Graders will also be celebrating Reconciliation during class time on Sunday, January 21 and Wednesday, January 24.

School Messenger

Be aware that we have contracted School Messenger to help us reach RE families in case of any emergency or with special reminders and or announcements.

CWC

<u>Click here</u> to view the google form sign up for 8th Grade Girls to work the Catholic Women's Club Luncheon on February 10. This google form sign up was sent in my Constant Contact this past Tuesday and in my retreat reminder email sent to 8th Grade Families yesterday. Thank you 8th Grade Girls for considering to be of help at this yearly event.

We hope to seem many of the ladies of our parish at this luncheon which promises to be a great time. You can RSVP on line thru the parish website.

Catholic Schools' Week

January 28 begins Catholic Schools' Week. Please see the attached flyer <u>click here</u> inviting everyone to the Open House. Hope to see you there.

Special Presentation

<u>Click here</u> for the flyer informing you about this Presentation: How to raise a socially and emotionally adept child in an anxious world. This presentation will take place in Unity Hall on January 25 at 6:30pm.

Weekly News Bulletins

We continue to reminder you that whomever in your family is receiving this News Bulletin needs to forward it to others in your family whom you requested to receive information. **My News** Bulletins are also on the parish Website under the Religious Education tab.

Visitors During RE

Reminder that parents who come into the building for purposes other than stopping in the RE Office are asked to sign in and wear a visitors' badge. Kindergarten children are allowed to be walked to their class by a parent.

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

Please read the Arrival and Dismissal Procedures which also includes drop off and pick up practices. Class dates and other important dates can also be found in the same attachment section.

Look With Kindness And See Goodness

Look With Kindness and See Goodness is our theme for the year. We are going to focus on looking at the WHOLE person as a son and daughter of God and treating each other with respect and kindness. We can and will discover the goodness in each other when we do just that!

Absences

Please remember to phone in (352-4555) or email <u>sfxreligioused@sfxlg.org</u> your child's absence prior to the start of class. Thank you!

Family Ministry Opportunities

Being of service to others is one of the ways of living out of our baptismal call. Family Ministries provides opportunities for families to being of service to others. <u>Click here</u> for information on various ways you can reach out to others and have some fun while doing it.

Important Dates and Handbook

The Religious Ed Important Dates Sheet and Handbook can be found on the Parish Website. You can click on the **Attachment Section and Website** found on the top left hand corner of each Religious Ed News Bulletin.

See You In Church!!!

Terri Simeoni Religious Education Coordinator