

# St. Francis Xavier Religious Ed News Bulletin February 21, 2020

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## Important to Remember

### ABSENCES

Call RE Office prior to the start of class at 708.352.4555 or email [sfxreligioused@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxreligioused@sfxlg.org)

### 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.

## Coordinator's Message

Our Theme For The Year

Be the Light!

*Step out like it's the 20's!*

SFX Theatre Night  
Wednesday, March 4th

Roaring 20's reception  
6:45-7:45 pm  
Includes light bites, beer & wine  
Live Performance 8 pm

Tickets \$35 each  
(Save when you buy 4 for \$120)  
Register to attend on our website  
([www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org)) or in the rectory.  
ALL proceeds benefit SFX Parish  
and their ministries

THEATRE  
Western Springs  
**THE  
GREAT  
GATSBY**

The poster features a woman in 1920s attire holding a martini glass, with the text 'THEATRE Western Springs THE GREAT GATSBY' on the right side.

Enjoy an evening out! Looks like a good time.

Consider purchasing your tickets at

[www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org) or at the rectory.

Classes resume Sunday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 26. Our weeks of Religious Ed are coming to an end so please make every effort to have your child(ren) present.

Traffic has become a major issue on Wednesdays. We **NEED** to be respectful of our neighbors on Waiola and on Spring Avenues. **PLEASE DO NOT block driveways.** You may also need to drive around the block IF a resident is trying to get home from work and cannot get thru.

### Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 26, is Ash Wednesday. Children who attend the 4:00 and 6:15 Sessions on

Stop in the RE Office to sign your child out.

**This is only on an emergency basis.**

### PICK UP PROCEDURES

Please do not double park. 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

Wednesday will receive ashes at a prayer service during class time on that day. Sunday morning students are welcome to come to the afternoon service which will be at 4:15 in church. Sunday students need to be accompanied by an adult to that service.

Ash Wednesday, will find the parking lots open. **PLEASE** be aware of children walking thru the lots **IF** you use that space for parking.

The parish bulletin has information about all of the opportunities offered to parishioners this Lent. Make sure you pick up a bulletin after Mass this weekend.

### Rice Bowls (CRS)

Lent is a time for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. One way to put this into practice is by giving to the Catholic Relief Services. Students and their families are encouraged to do with a little less for one meal a week and put what would be spent on that meal in the Rice Bowl. Children are also encouraged to put in the Rice Bowl whatever would be spent on a candy bar, ice cream treat or pop if any of those are being given up for Lent.

### Eucharistic Prep Liturgy

The second Eucharistic Prep Liturgy for children and their parents who are preparing for First Communion in May is scheduled for this Sunday, February 24 at 1:30pm in church. This is your Mass for the weekend. Children who come to class on Sunday morning still have class.

### Fourth Grade Reconciliation

An email was sent to families of fourth graders with info regarding the upcoming service on March 7 - 8. Please check your email with detailed information.

### Seventh Grade Reconciliation

Sunday Seventh Graders will be celebrating Reconciliation during class time on February 24.

### **Fourth and Fifth Grade Service Projects**

Parents of these grades are asked to check the flyer fourth grade has already brought home regarding collecting "easy readers" for the children of families who come to our Food Pantry AND fifth grade flyer going home on Sunday and next Wednesday about the collection for dish soap and laundry detergent. **These are NOT all school collections.**

### **Catechist Appreciation Fund**

Our annual mailing for donations to our Teacher Appreciation Fund was sent out by U.S. mail. Several donations have already come in. Thank you!

Our catechists volunteer their time to this ministry. this is our opportunity to recognize the time they give to our children.

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW)**

CLW happens at the 5:00pm Saturday Mass for children in grades K-4. Check the church bulletin for the schedule as to when children will be invited to participate in their own reflection of the readings or when the children's Choir will be leading us in prayer and, therefor, the readings will be proclaimed from the Children's Lectionary.

### **Stewardship**

You will notice a **Quick Link** box to the top left that gives us all the opportunity to **Donate On-Line** for our weekly contributions to the parish. Stewardship is an attitude that leads to the devotion of time, the sharing of our talents, and the giving from our treasures so that we bring the gospel to life in word and action.

### **St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry**

The St. Francis Xavier Family Ministry Group is excited to share the following service opportunities for the 2019-2020 school year! SFX families are invited to participate in these service events. The idea behind the Family Ministry is to give families a chance to have fun and work together while serving

others in need. Please help to make a difference.  
[Click here](#) for a flyer with information about these opportunities.

### **New Parish Instagram and Twitter Accounts**

The parish is increasing our social media presence and is on Instagram and Twitter. Like and follow for updates on SFX happenings, upcoming events, and more! @sfxlg\_parish

### **Absences**

Please remember to phone in (352-4555) or email [sfxreligiused@sfxlg.org](mailto:sfxreligiused@sfxlg.org) your child's absence prior to the start of class. Thank you!

**See You In Church!!!**

*Terri Simeoni*

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