



St. Francis Wolf Post

December 5, 2022

Announcements

Students and siblings that are ill must be kept at home:

In order to keep our school environment as healthy as possible, children with any of the following symptoms should be kept home from school:

- Fever within the the 24 hours (99 degrees and above)
- Covid 19 -symptoms
- severe cold
- runny nose with yellow or green mucus
- a congested cough
- sore throat or earache
- vomiting or diarrhea the pervious day or night
- strep throat, etc..

School Mass- No Mass Wed, Dec. 7th, we will have Mass on Thurs. Dec. 8th at 8:30am for Immaculate Conception. Led by the Student Council

Reminder: No parking in Father Amal's and Auction winners Parking Spot.

SAC and PSO Christmas Gift

Program: Make a donation to the Staff's Christmas Gift Fund, the monies collected will be distributed to all faculty and staff members. **Please see attached flyer for more information.**

PSO Corner

The Christmas See's Candy Fundraiser has concluded. We were able to raise \$388. Thank you to everyone who made a purchase. These fundraisers help fund the PSO events that we hold throughout the year.



Christmas Concert

December 15th at 6pm, please RSVP. See attached letter from Mrs. Neary for more details.
<https://forms.gle/xayhFQERohkAi9f9> - Kids need to be in classrooms at 5:30 PM

Movie Night!

Reserve your spot for Movie Night. 5th-8th grade, Dec. 10th at 5:30pm - *The Chronicles of Narnia: Voyage of the Dawn Treader*. Please see attached flyers.

Coffee Mugs- Great Gift for Christmas

We have St. Francis insulated coffee mugs and tumblers available for purchase. If interested we will bill them to your FACTS account. Stop by the front office to get your mug or tumbler.

Coffee Mugs - \$35; Tumblers - \$30

Why Catholic Schools Didn't Fail:

[link here](#)

Great article, worth the read!



Tuition Assistance Timeline

- Nov. 21 begins the online application process in FACTS for the 22-23 school year.
- **Feb. 1, 2023, is the deadline for online applications**
- Any questions reach out to Ms. Gonzalez or Mrs. Finnell

Virtue of the Month - Generosity

Meaning: Giving of oneself in a willing and cheerful manner for the good of others.

Ways to Cultivate: Be self-giving, focus on one act of charity/kindness each day, share.

Congratulations to Charlotte Johnson and Ainsley Watson for being selected to participate in the St. Mary's Academy TIES Science Mentoring Program.

Happy Birthday, December Birthdays:

Desirae Ward	Jameson Fisher
Lucy Cordell	Alec Zaw-Tun
Jensen Sparks	Claire Aebi
Liam O'Brien	Bella House
Kylee Hayes	Paxton McGuire
Carter Wolfe	Nicco Horvath
Mrs. Huber	Mr. Quinonez

Free Dress: December 9th





Inclement Weather

We follow the Sherwood School District for delays and closures. We will also update the FlashAlert system with any changes specific to St. Francis. This will update the news outlets with our information. A school email will also be sent.

Annual Food Drive

November 14th - December 16th

Classes will be collecting individual items. Please see attached flyer for what each class is collecting. We would like to see 100% student and staff participation. Drop-off bins will be in the school hallway.

Recycle Your Refundable Cans & Bottle at St. Francis

Our Student Council members have been busy labeling dozens of blue recycle bags to continue this fundraising campaign! If you need additional bags, please have your child pick one up from their teacher or the office. You may drop off filled bags at your local Bottle Drop Facility or bring them to the school. No single bag should weigh more than 20 lbs. Only those bottles labeled for Oregon deposit are accepted. All proceeds generated from this fundraiser will go toward PSO funds. Thank you for your support!





Music Notes

Christmas Program news-

The students and I have been hard at work over the last month learning songs for this year's Christmas Program and we are so excited to share them with you! Here are some ways that you can help this year's performance be a success.

What to wear: Students are invited to wear their best clothes to the Christmas Program. I ask that all boys wear nice slacks and a button up shirt or polo (tucked in). If boys have a tie or jacket, they are encouraged to wear them as well. No jeans, please. Ladies are asked to wear skirts, dresses, or nice pants. No jeans or heels, please. If girls choose to wear a skirt or dress (hems may not be more than three inches above the knee), please also wear tights, nylons, or leggings. Make sure straps are at least two inches wide and be mindful to not wear tight clothes. All St. Francis Dress Code rules apply. Thank you for your support in making sure our students are dressed for a successful performance!

When to be there: On the night of December 15 , please deliver your student/s to their classroom/s at 5:30 P.M. Please make sure that they have eaten dinner or had a snack before the program. The program will begin in the gym at 6:00 P.M. Students will walk back to **their classrooms at the end of the performance where you can pick up your child/ren.**

What to bring: This year we are holding a food drive and ask that audience members bring non-perishable items to donate to people in need this Christmas season. There will be a collection bin outside the entrance to the gym.

Choir news-

Our St. Francis Middle School Choir has had so much fun singing in the community! We've enjoyed sharing our music at The Grotto and The Springs and can't wait to sing for our St. Francis community at the Christmas Program.

The St. Francis Elementary School Choir is off to a great start! Fifty 1st-4th graders have signed up and we are making great music together. We are looking forward to singing for our families at the Christmas Program.

Upcoming Dates-

Thursday, December 15 at 6:00 PM-

St. Francis Catholic School Christmas Program



ST. FRANCIS FACULTY & STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT PROGRAM

The Christmas season is fast approaching and, in an effort to show the Faculty and Staff of St. Francis Catholic School our appreciation and gratitude, the School Advisory Council (SAC) and Parent Service Organization (PSO) are organizing a yearly Christmas Gift Program.

It can be difficult to decide what to get each teacher and staff member for Christmas! The SAC & PSO Boards are offering the Christmas Gift Program as a way to honor our fabulous teachers and staff members while taking some shopping stress out of your life. The monies collected will be distributed to ALL Faculty and Staff members. The teachers, faculty, and staff greatly appreciated this last year.

To Make a Donation to the Christmas Gift Fund:

1. Decide how much you wish to give.
2. Click link for electronic contribution -
<https://stfrancissherwoodschool.org/christmas-gift-program>
3. Or Make your check payable to "St. Francis Catholic School". Cash is also acceptable.
4. Place the check or cash in a sealed envelope labeled "SAC Christmas Gift Program"
5. **Return the envelope to the school office by Monday, December 12th, 2022.**
6. The Christmas party for the teachers will be on Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

That's all you have to do! We will take care of the rest!

SAC will present their cash gift to the Faculty and Staff members on December 14th. Your donation is greatly appreciated by our Faculty and Staff and will help spread some Christmas cheer!

Thank you in advance for your generous contribution to our Faculty and Staff Christmas Gift Program. We are hopeful that you will help make this year's Christmas Gift Program a success

Sincerely,

School Advisory Council



Christmas Spirit Week

December 12 to December 16, 2022



12/12 Merry Monday

Dress up in your favorite ugly Christmas sweater, or Christmas-themed shirt. You'll look festive in red and green! Don't forget your Santa hat, reindeer antlers or elf ears!

12/13 Free Dress Tuesday

That's right, a regular free-dress day! We know you love them! Be comfortable, but remember to follow the free-dress code.

12/14 Watch-It Wednesday

For one class period, each grade will watch their favorite Christmas movie. Student council will deliver a special treat!

12/15 Throwback Thursday

Go all out! Create your best outfit from the 70's, 80's, or 90's. Be original and have fun with your outfit!

12/16 P.J. Friday

Come to school in your favorite cozy P.J.s! Be comfortable! Remember, Friday is a half day- school ends at noon. Class parties start at 11:00!

Participation in Spirit Week is optional. Students who do not wish to participate must wear their school uniforms. The free-dress day code applies for all non-uniform days



PRAY EVERY DAY THIS

Advent

Find Peace in Prayer this Advent with Hallow

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for my weary soul. I am finding
peace for the very first time."



Daily Prayers

Start your day with the Daily Gospel, Rosary, Examen, or one of over 5,000 sessions, including daily meditations, homilies, reflections, and Bible studies.



Family Content

Pray as a family with weekly Mass Prep, or guide your little ones with introductory prayer sessions for ages 3 and up as well as sacrament prep.



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**MUGS (NAVY OR WHITE) \$35
TUMBLERS (NAVY OR WHITE) \$30**



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Food Drive for St. Francis Food Pantry

PREK - CASE OF CANNED FRUIT

KINDER- BROWNIE MIX

1ST GRADE - A CASE OF CANNED GREEN BEANS

2ND GRADE - A CASE OF CANNED CORN

3RD GRADE - BAGS OF BROWN AND/OR WHITE SUGAR

4TH GRADE - VEGETABLE OIL

5TH GRADE - MULTIPLE BAGS OF PASTA

6TH GRADE - PEANUT BUTTER

7TH GRADE - BOXES OR BAGS OF STUFFING

8TH GRADE - BOXES OF CAKE MIXES AND FROSTING

HELP US STOCK THE PANTRY BY BRINGING

DONATIONS TO SCHOOL BETWEEN

NOVEMBER 14TH AND DECEMBER 16TH.

**YOUR CONTRIBUTION CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN
THE LIVES OF A FAMILY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



Dear 5th-8th Grade Parents,

The 5th-8th grade teachers will be hosting a middle school pizza and movie night fundraiser on Saturday, December 10th, 2022 from 5:30-8:15 PM in the gym. Why not drop off your child with us, and get some Christmas shopping done at the same time?!

- Pizza will be served, including treats and beverages!
- *The Chronicles of Narnia: Voyage of the Dawn Treader*, will be shown. It is rated PG.
- If your child is interested in attending, please fill out the permission slip below, and send it to the homeroom teacher by Wednesday, December 7th.
- The cost of this event is \$30 and will be billed through your Facts account.
- Drop off your child at 5:30 PM by the gym lobby doors. Pick up is at 8:15 PM.
- Your child is welcome to bring a blanket, or pillow. Wear comfortable clothes!

I give permission for my child to watch *The Chronicles of Narnia: Voyage of the Dawn Treader* on Saturday, December 10, 2022.

I understand that \$30 will be charged to my Facts account.

Child's Name: _____ Parent Name: _____

My child would prefer: Please choose 1 option

2 slices of pepperoni pizza _____ 2
slices of cheese pizza _____ 1 slice
of each _____

School Year 2022 - 2023 Dates

December

December 1-14—STAR Testing Window

Friday, December 2- Noon Dismissal – Professional Development, NO Extended Care

Friday, December 2 - St. Francis Middle School Choir Performance at The Springs Senior Living

Saturday, December 3 - St. Francis Middle School Choir Performance at The Sherwood Tree Lighting

Wednesday, December 14 - SAC Christmas Party - NO Extended Care

Thursday, December 15- Christmas Program

Friday, December 16 - Half Day, Class Parties at 11:00 am

Monday, December 19– Monday, January 2 – Christmas Break

January

Tuesday, January 3 - Return from Christmas Break

Monday, January 16- No School Martin Luther King Day

January 23-27 - Cultural Week

January 29 - February 4 – Catholic Schools Week

January 30 - February 3 - Book Fair

February

Friday, February 3 - No School, Faith Formation

Sunday, February 5 - 10:30am Mass hosted by School - Open House

February, 6-9 - ACRE Testing 5th & 8th Grade

Monday, February 20 - No School - Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 21 - No School - Teacher Inservice

Wednesday, February 22 - Ash Wednesday, Lent Begins

Saturday, February 25 - Mother-Son Social

March

Friday, March 10 - Noon Dismissal - Professional Development

March 27-31 - Spring Break

School Year 2022 - 2023 Dates

April

April 3-14—STAR Testing Window

Friday, April 7 – Good Friday - Noon Dismissal – NO Extended Care

Monday, April 10 - Easter Monday, No School

Saturday, April 15– Father-Daughter Dance

Friday, April 21 Half Day – Professional Development – NO Extended Care

May

Friday, May 5 - Noon Dismissal - Inservice - NO Extended Care

Thursday, May 11 - Spring Concert

Thursday, May 18 - Jog-a-Thon

Monday, May 29 - Memorial Day – No School

June

Friday, June 9 - Last Day for Eighth Grade

Wednesday, June 14 - Eighth Grade Graduation Mass, 10:30 am

Friday, June 16 – Noon Dismissal - Last Day of School, Field Day - NO Extended Care

Monday, June 19 – Summer Break

Friday, June 23 - Report Cards Sent Home

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