



St. Francis Xavier Academy
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Gray Notes 12/12/19

Memory Verse: Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." – Luke 1:38



THE CHRISTMAS BREAK IS COMING SOON

Last Day of School (Students and Staff)

Friday, December 20, 2019 (Early Dismissal @ 12:30 pm) **NO AFTERCARE!!!**
All students must be picked up by the 12:30 p.m. dismissal. Please plan to have your child(ren) picked up on time. The doors of the school building will close promptly at 12:45 pm.

Return to School (Students and Staff)

Thursday, January 2, 2020

CHRISTMAS ANGEL PROJECT

The Christmas Angel Project is currently underway. All donation of items must be submitted no later than **Monday, December 16th**. We have an incentive for the class with the most items collected.

ITEMS

Infant Socks or Caps
Socks
Gloves/Mittens
Knit Caps
Scarves

GRADE LEVEL

Pre-K and Grade 4
Kindergarten and Grade 5
Grade 1 and Grade 6
Grade 2 and Grade 7
Grade 3 and Grade 8

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Tuesday, December 24, 2019 (Christmas Eve) - Join Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church on the night before Christmas:

Caroling and Mass @ 6:30 pm

Wednesday, December 25, 2019 (Christmas Day)

Morning Mass @ 10:00 am

HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE(S) REMINDER

Catholic High School choices were to be made by Monday, December 9th.

If you have not made your selections, please contact Mrs. Smith at (202) 581-2010 before 10:00 am - Friday, December 13th.

WINTER PERSONALITY PHOTOS

Winter personality photos with or without Santa will be taken by Studio K at Saint Francis Xavier Academy on Tuesday, December 17th. Order forms were sent home with students on Monday, December 2nd. Order forms and payments should be given to Mrs. Harris.

MOTOWN CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

St. Francis Xavier Academy presents "A Motown Christmas" on Thursday, December 19th. There will be two shows on Thursday, December 19th. Matinee Show at 1:30 pm and Evening Show at 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$5.00 per person. **TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW! PLEASE SEE A MEMBER OF THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM COMMITTEE. TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE DOOR.**

FINGERPRINTING POLICY CHANGING

This is to inform you that there are new fingerprinting policies. All parents who wish to participate in school-related field trips must be fingerprinted. The new policy goes into effect on January 1, 2020. Please contact the school's Administrative Office for details.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

In case of inclement weather, parents should listen to the local radio and television stations for updates. You may also receive a message from the school via "School Notify" regarding closings, delayed openings or early dismissals. **We follow PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS for weather related emergencies.**

If Prince George's County Public Schools open two hours late due to inclement weather, Saint Francis Xavier Academy will open two hours late.

PLEASE NOTE: On days of delayed openings Before Care is not available.

If Prince George's County Public Schools open two hours late due to inclement weather on a previously scheduled early dismissal day for Saint Francis Xavier Academy, Saint Francis Xavier Academy will not open.

School may open late or close early due to inclement weather or other emergencies. It is important that the school has current emergency contact information to reach parents/guardians or other designated persons when there are early closings. Please be advised that during such emergencies, the Extended Care Program will not be offered. Please refer to the 2019-2020 Parent/Student Handbook.

CALENDAR

December 2019

- 13 Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service
- 17 Photos with/without Santa
- 19 Motown Christmas Program (1:30 pm and 5:00 pm)
- 20 Early Dismissal @ 12:30 pm (NO AFTERCARE)**
Christmas Break Begins
- 24 Caroling and Mass (Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church) @ 6:30 pm**
- 25 Morning Mass (Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church) @ 10:00 am**

January 2020

- 1 New Year's Day (School Closed)**
New Fingerprinting Policies are now in effect
- 2 School Resumes**
- 3 Epiphany Blessing of the School
- 10 Mass
- 17 Liturgy Service (Pre-K through Grade 6)
March for Life
- 19 Mass w/Archbishop Gregory
- 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (School Closed)**
- 21 2nd Installment of Graduation Fee Due**
- 26 Catholic Schools Week (01/26 – 01/31)
- 31 Faculty Retreat (School Closed for Students)**
2nd Quarter Ends

