



# Wednesday News

5.3.17

Dear Parents and Children,

Join me in congratulating our 8th grade students who received the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation by Father Mitzel this evening.

*Jovany Francis Xavier Barrera*  
*Cole Maximilian Biesecker*  
*Jacob Hubert Boccabella*  
*Elizabeth Agnes of Rome Bohner*  
*Evelyn Rose of Lima Flake*  
*Mark Stephen Grenchik*  
*Harley Kateri Tekakwitha Hochard*  
*Griffin Michael Kibler*  
*Emily Clare of Assisi Malesky*  
*Nadia Catherine of Bologna Marquez*  
*Benjamin Isidore of Seville Martin*  
*Leanna Margaret Mary Myers*  
*Zachary George Parr*  
*Daniel Sebastian Sautter*  
*Austin Joseph Stiles*  
*Jacob Isidore of Seville Trostle*  
*Andrew John Paul II Warthen*

Please join us for our First Friday in May Mass this Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:45am. In addition to Mass we will also celebrate our May Crowning as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will honor Mary.

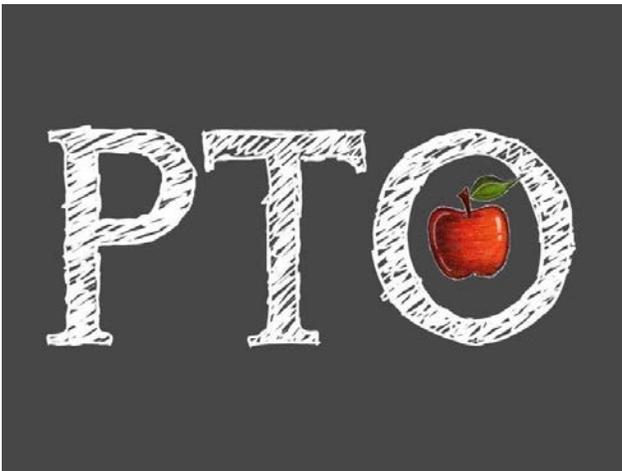
It has been brought to my attention that a reminder is needed regarding Morning Drop off of our students arriving by car. If you wish to walk your child into school in the morning, I ask that you please park your vehicle in one of the parking spots in our lot. Only if you are dropping your students off are you to pull up to the curb. Also, please make sure if you are dropping your child off you are turning left into the soccer field side of our parking lot, not continuing down the center (exit) lane. Thank you again for your cooperation in assisting in making this a smooth drop-off for everyone involved.

**Mrs. Rebecca Sieg**

## LIFEQUOTE

“Don't let fear or insecurity stop you from trying new things. Believe in yourself. Do what you love. And most importantly, be kind to others, even if you don't like them.”

~ Stacy London



JUST A REMINDER SUB ORDERS AND MONEY IS DUE [THIS FRIDAY, MAY 5TH.](#)

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL.

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

“Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly work; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love” ~ St Therese de Lisieux

## COMMUNITY WELLNESS CONNECTION

2nd Annual Adams County Come Walk With Me Event - Saturday, [May 6, 2017](#) (raindate [5/7/17](#))

Time: 1:00-5:00pm

Location: Gettysburg Area School District's Warrior Stadium, 37 Lefever St, Gettysburg, Pa

Participate in *Adams County Come Walk With Me*, which is a FREE community wide event to motivate people of all ages to walk, socialize and have FUN! In addition to walks there will be fitness stations for children and adults, snacks, PRIZES and music. **Registration not required.** Visit [www.adamscountycomewalkwithme.org](http://www.adamscountycomewalkwithme.org) for further information.

Help Stamp Out Hunger: 25th Annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive - Saturday, [May 13, 2017](#)

Time: 12:00-6pm

Location: Gettysburg Area Recreation Park, 545 Long Lane, Gettysburg, Pa

"Help Stamp Out Hunger" by volunteering to sort food collected during the 25th annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive. Donated food is distributed to area food pantries, shelters, soup kitchen and home-bound seniors. **Registration to Volunteer is preferred** by calling United Way of Adams County at [717-334-5809](tel:717-334-5809) or emailing [emessinger@uwadams.org](mailto:emessinger@uwadams.org)

Potato Bagging with Bridget Schell with The Gleaning Project of South Central PA/SCCAP - Saturday, [May 20, 2017](#)

Time: 9:30-11:00

Location: SCCAP, 153 N. Stratton Street, Gettysburg, Pa

Join the Gleaning Project of South Central Pa to re-package recovered (otherwise would-be-wasted) potatoes for families in need throughout our community. Food waste is the 3rd largest emitter of greenhouse gases, quickening the effects of climate change. Irvin Orchards will donate their rejected potatoes (too small, too big, weird shape, etc), which we will then gather to re-package these potatoes for easier distribution to food-insecure families in our community. We'll be working outside, so wear weather appropriate clothing that can tolerate potato dirt. In case of rain, we do have access to an indoor space. For any questions, contact [thegleaningproject@gmail.com](mailto:thegleaningproject@gmail.com) or call Bridget Schell at [717-334-7634](tel:717-334-7634) x162. **Registration is not required.**

Physical Fitness Task Force's Spring Walking Party Series Walk - Wednesday, [May 7, 2017](#)

Time: registration for walk is anytime between 5:00 to 6:15pm

Location: GNMP Peace Light (park by the Gettysburg College Fitness Center)

Enjoy a walk to the Eternal Peace Light organized by Healthy Adams County's Physical Fitness Task Force. Also, get a tour of the College's Painted Turtle Community Farm. (~3 miles, mostly paved sidewalk/road, some gravel path, some hills). **Pre-Registration not required.**

# DROP at the ROCK

Did you buy a Drop at the Rock Ticket? Are you ready to win \$5000!!! Maybe \$2000???



Drop at the Rock Tickets are \$20 each and you or someone you know could win one of 9 Cash Prizes: \$5000, \$2000, \$1000, \$500 or 5-\$100.

The students are excited to have the chance this year to have the event during our Field Day. It will be a great experience for our parents, grandparents, family members and students to witness the excitement of the helicopter dropping 1000 golf balls on our field and then announcing the winners!

We still have **134 tickets** that need to be sold!!! **We need your help to raise enough money to award the cash prizes and support our school's fundraising!**

All our fundraising events help keep our school tuition affordable as well as assist with providing financial aid to families.

## **ATP**

Everyone should have received their ATP Progress Report and if you have any questions or concerns please make sure to talk with Mrs. Sieg or Kelly Brainard.

All ATP units need to be completed by Thursday, May 25, 2017.

2017-2018 ATP can be started on June 1, 2017

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016-2017



May 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Communion 10am	May 30	Kindergarten Graduation @ 5:30pm
May 9	PTO meeting 6:30pm	May 26	Noon Early Dismissal for Memorial Day Weekend
May 13	PTO Paint Event	May 29	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
May 16	SAB meeting 6:30pm	May 31	Last Day of School Closing Mass (tentative)
May 23	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation (tentative)		
May 30	Pre-K Graduation (10am)		

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### MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS TO PASS ON THE GOSPEL VALUES AND RICH HERITAGE OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH, TO ASSIST PARENTS IN THE SPIRITUAL, MORAL, AND ACADEMIC EDUCATION OF THEIR CHILDREN, AND TO PREPARE OUR STUDENTS TO BE FAITH-FILLED MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH, COMMUNITY, AND NATION.

## Belief Statements

### WE BELIEVE...

...that the Creator has made parents the primary educators of their children, and that our school works in partnership with them.

...that St. Francis Xavier Catholic School shares the Church's mission to pass on the Gospel values by example and instruction.

...that all children can learn and should experience success.

...that education helps students discover their talents and equips them to achieve their highest potential.

...that parents, teachers, and students recognize that higher expectations yield higher achievements.

...that the appreciation for learning is taught by example.

...that Catholic education promotes the formation of positive personal values.

...that children have the right to learn in a safe environment.

...that self-esteem is important for success in life.

## Profile of a Graduate

A Saint Francis Xavier School graduate will be a:

### Faith Driven Individual who

- Understands and follows through with Catholic beliefs
- Believes in the dignity of every person as created by God
- Has strong role models and is a mentor to others
- Is prayerful
- Exemplifies virtues
- Lives the Gospel values
- Is accountable for his/her actions

### Life-Long Learner who

- Take on new challenges
- Is thirsty for new knowledge
- Applies his/her knowledge to new situations
- Is a creative thinker and problem solver
- Has developed writing, study, and communication skills
- Has an appreciation of the arts
- Has disciplined work habits and a strong work ethic

### Globally Aware Decision-Maker who

- Is aware of current events
- Has an appreciation of other cultures and traditions
- Celebrates differences and embraces diversity
- Is committed to service
- Recognizes that he/she is part of a global community

### Digital Citizen

- Is responsible, ethical, and competent in the use of technology
- Is knowledgeable about laws governing technology, e.g. copyright, plagiarism
- Knows how to protect his/her privacy
- Will never engage in cyberbullying and will protect others
- Leaves a responsible digital footprint