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Welcome to St. Xavier Catholic School's Newsletter published by the High School Mass Communication Class. The Newsletter will be published several times a year with our purpose to inform you concerning personnel, students, and events at St. Xavier Catholic School.

Science and Spaghetti—Oh My!



Science and spaghetti—all in one night! That sounds like it was so much fun!

On Thursday, March 2, the students in the lower grades put the science projects that they had been working so hard on public display! The students in grades K through 6 were involved in this project.

The visitors to the science fair also treated themselves to a delicious meal of spaghetti (sponsored by Activities). After a meal of spaghetti, sauce, salad, and bread sticks, many returned to take a second look at the projects.

What a fun way to spend an evening with our Ramily. —Mrs. Becker



Join Us Observe “Read Across America”

St. Xavier students spent extra time on reading during the past few days. “Read Across America Week” is a national event

celebrated from March 2nd to 6th — it begins on the birthday of the beloved author, Dr. Seuss. The elementary students read many different Dr. Seuss books to honor his birthday.

At St. Xavier, we are observing “Read Across America Week” on March 6th to March 10th. The national slogan for this year’s event is “Read Books. Spark Change.”

Its purpose is to get everyone involved in reading and to show how important it is. Some special activities are planned for the week. They include these dress up days: Monday—Monochromatic Day; Tuesday—Geometric Shape Day; Wednesday—Historical Figure Day; and Friday—Fairy Tale Character Day. Who doesn’t love Dr. Seuss? –Jakob B.

**Salina Diocese Motto for this School Year:
"Lord it is good that we are here." –Matthew 17:4**

Second Graders Create a Wax Museum



The 2nd graders created a project that displayed the qualities of what makes someone a hero. They learned about how history changes over time and included that information in the project. Students and parents came to see all the beautiful displays of their creations.

Some of the favorite displays that the 2nd graders created were Betsy Ross, showing her with her family in their kitchen, and a wilderness display, showing animals and Lego creations. The students each had their own project.

These were the projects: Ensley W.—Dolly Parton; Darren D.—Jackie Robinson; Charles W.—Corp. Conroy; Bernhards C.—Capt. Smith; Preston E.—Gen Patton; Anastasia B.—Harriet Tubman; Declan B.—John Fremont; Billy H.—Einstein; Mia S.—Rosa Parks; Nicholas W.—Houdini; and Freya W.—Betsy Ross.

Mrs. Haines has worked with these kids since their kindergarten year, and this was the most excited they have ever been for a project.

They supported and were very kind to each other throughout this project. These kids really showed the qualities of being a hero. –Sierra S.

High School Boys Team Excited to Go to Substate



The boys high school basketball team beat Peabody-Burns in the first round of Substate to advance to the next round. The next team the high school boys' basketball team faced off against in Substate was Southern Cloud.

The team played at Burton on Friday, the second of March. For the game, the school organized a caravan to proceed to the game on Friday.

Mr. Augustine commented, "I am thrilled for our team and how much they have grown this year to be able to compete in this semi-final game." The high school boys coach, Cameron Augustine, commented, "With perseverance and determination we played our best game of the year against Peabody-Burns and are looking forward to our matchup against Southern Cloud." –Noah F.

Regional Music Time is Here!



KSHSAA Regional Music Contest is taking place at Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS, on Saturday, April 15. The individuals that are going to this event volunteered to participate and represent our school.

The St. Xavier students that are participating are: Charles Q.: Clarinet; Annabelle H.: Marimba; Becky P.: Vocal, Trumpet, Small Group Vocal; Crissy S.: Flute; Hana M.: Vocal, Small Group Vocal; Grace Lichtensteiger: Vocal, Tenor Sax, Small Group Vocal; Tobias G.: Clarinet; Charles Q., Crissy S., and Tobias G.: Woodwind Small Group.

Anyone scoring a 1 and meeting the requirements of professionalism and performance will be able to participate in state. Ms. Moeller hopes that most, if not all, get to go to state. –Hana M.

A Trip to Remember



As the Seniors grow closer and closer to graduation, they decided a trip could be just what they need! They have been planning for a while now, and the day is finally here.

The Seniors plan on going to Branson, Missouri, a well-known tourist destination full of many exciting activities. “The Seniors have been raising money since the day they have been able to. Started in the 7th Grade, and throughout their Senior year, along with the profits from the Prom they planned.” –Ms. Robison. The Seniors will spend 5 days in Branson partaking in all the activities they can within their budget. Some of the highlights of the trip will be Silver Dollar City, The Mountain Coaster, and The Titanic Museum. Each of the Seniors picked one big event that they each will enjoy, and then smaller activities to go with.

The Seniors will leave on Saturday, March 11, to arrive at the Air BnB the same day. They come back after 5 days of fun. The main purpose of the trip is to reward the Seniors for all their hard work at St. X and provide one last adventure before they graduate and move on to bigger things. We wish the Senior class the best and hope their trip is filled with the excitement they deserve! –Casey S.

February Honorees—Congratulations!!



Congratulations to our February teacher of the month, Ms. Morgenstern! She always has a smile on her face and brings so much joy to the classroom. Ms. Morgenstern is enthusiastic and is creative with her lessons. Parents appreciate how much work she does to make sure they stay

updated on what is going on in the classroom and with their child. She is an awesome teacher and a great role model for her students! Ms. Morgenstern has also shared her time and talents by coaching the MS girls' basketball and will coach MS/HS track this season. Excellent work, Ms. Morgenstern!

Congratulations to our February middle school student of the month, 8th grader, Vienna Wolfe. She always works hard and does well academically. Vienna asks questions in class and helps her fellow students. She is also friendly and caring toward her peers. Way to go, Vienna!

Congratulations to our February high school student of the month, Senior, Grace Lichtensteiger! She is a leader for fellow classmates as well as the younger students. Grace is always willing to help out and gives 100% at all times. She is involved in many activities and has participated in the following this year: volleyball, basketball, cheer, scholars bowl, FBLA, and forensics. Grace also plans to go out for track this season. She is strong in her faith and is always looking out for and encouraging others. Nice job, Grace! –Mr. Augustine

St. Xavier Catholic School's Photo Gallery



Dr. Seuss' Birthday!!



Forensic team at Sacred Heart.



Jakob B. examining the pictures he took of Ash Wednesday's Mass.



Mrs. Coughlin's art students' snail trail.



Grace L. speaking to 1st Grade about her time at St. X.



Middle school and high school participating in Stump-A-Chump!



Bishop Vincke greeting Ms. Morgenstern and her class at Mass.



Ms. Serpan and Scott W. discuss Catholic School's Week activities.



Casey S. and Sean C. participating in Catholic School's Week activities.



MS basketball girls discussing pre-game plans.



B I N G O--Families playing Music Bingo.



PreKers—learning is so much fun!



Kindergarteners posing for a picture with Rowdy.



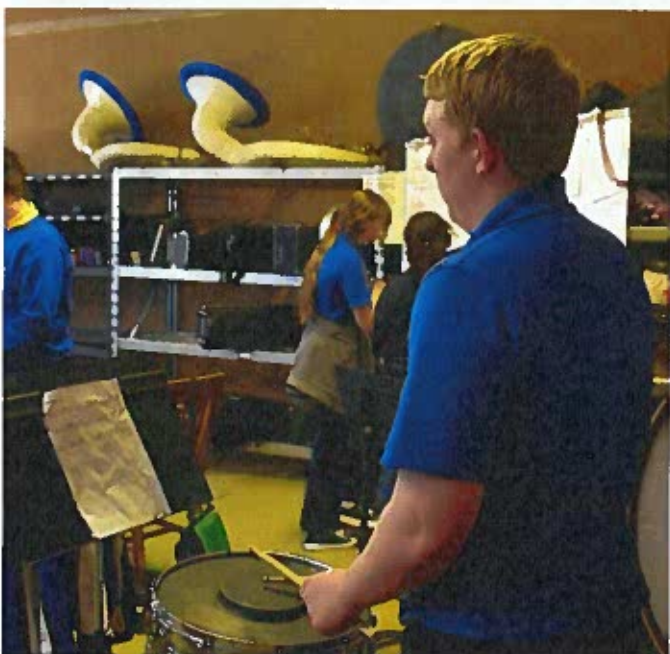
Assembly during Catholic Schools Week.



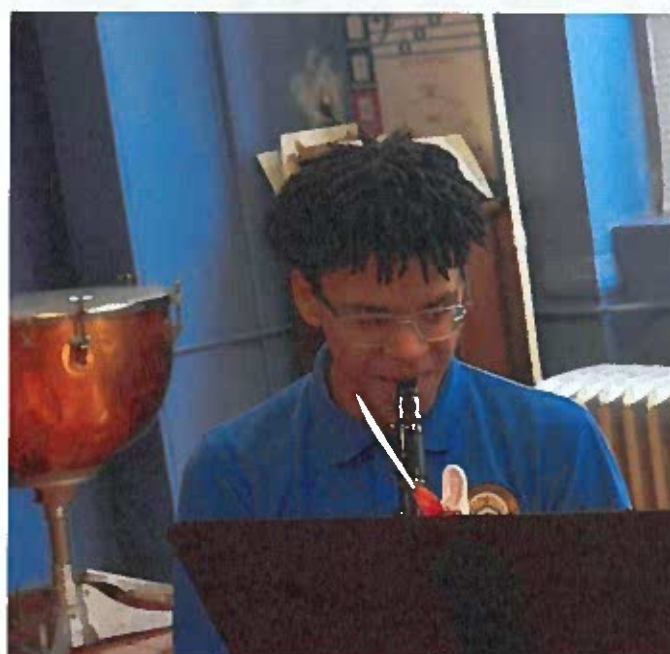
The Bishop delivering the homily.



Teachers demonstrating teamwork!



Heston J. perfecting the percussion part.



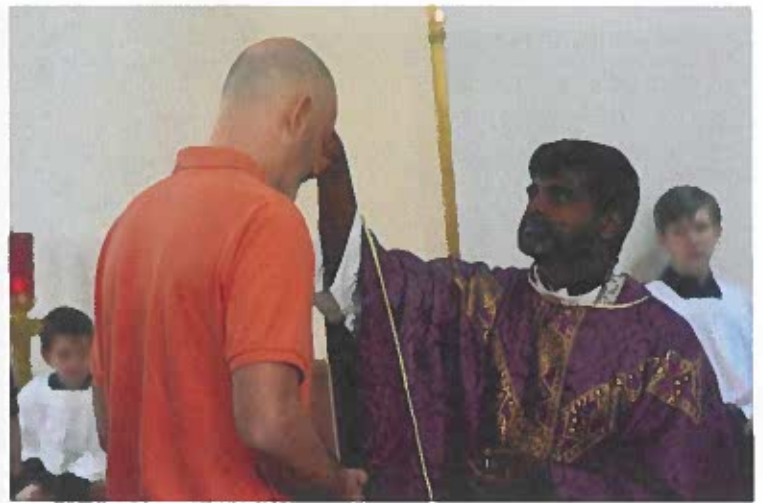
Charles Q. practicing his music piece.



2nd Grade posing for the picture.



Some creations from the Origami Club.



Danika E. and Mr. Stramel receiving ashes at Ash Wednesday Mass.



Members of StuCo make Candygrams for Valentine's Day.



Rowdy makes a special visit to the kindergarten classroom.



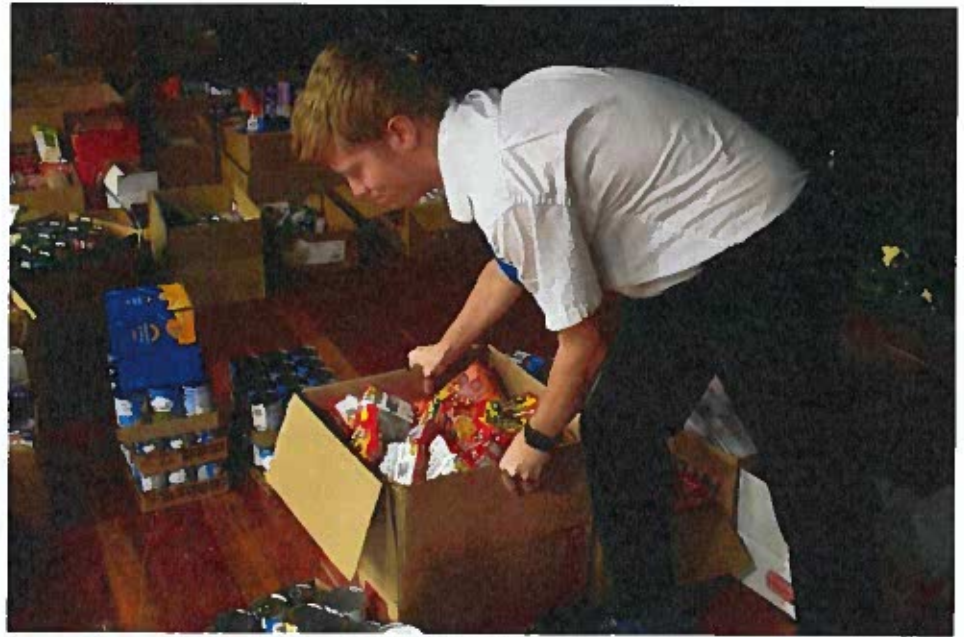
Janis C., Kassidy J., and Caleb J. serving at Mass on Ash Wednesday.



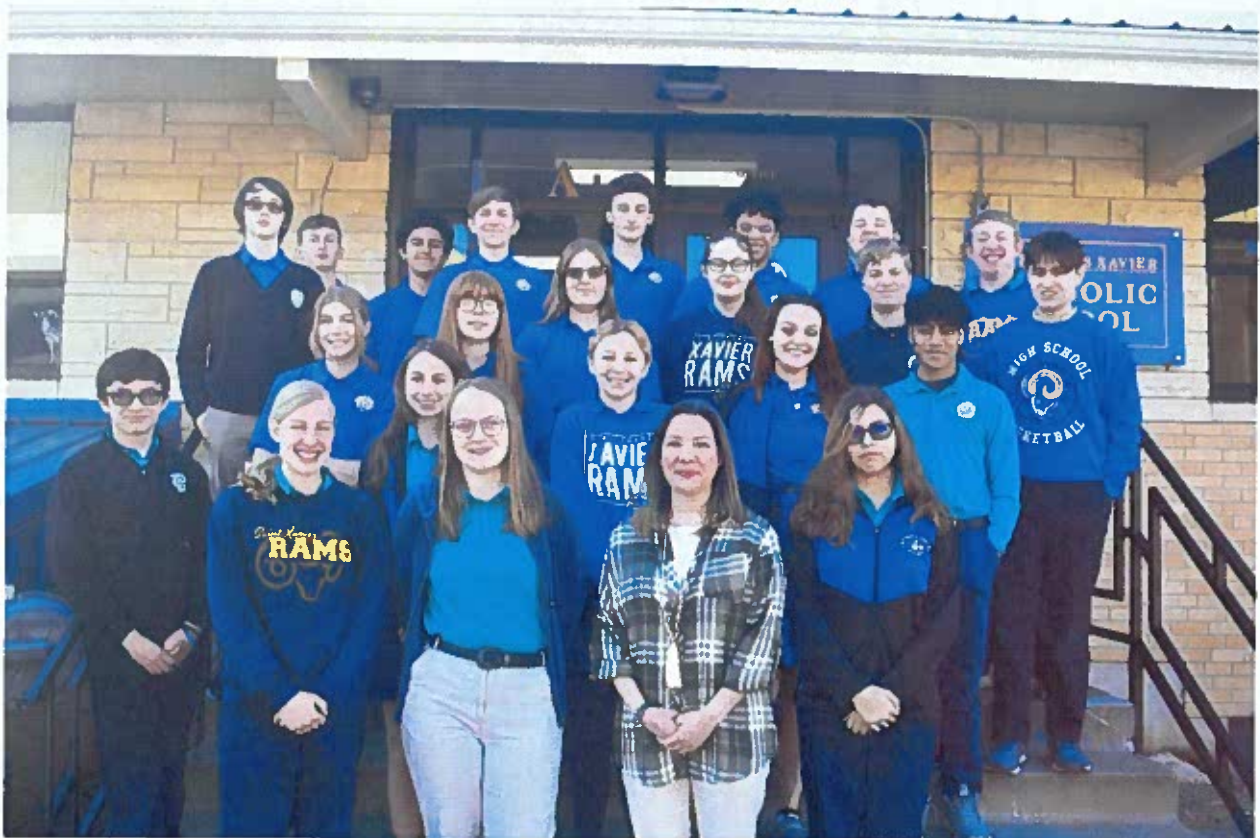
Fr. Peter presenting the the St. George Medal to Mr. Culbertson.



Pre-k does some painting.



Casey S. loading up food items collected during Food Drive.



FBLA have enjoyed so many great speakers this year—Speaker Mrs. Robison.

**EDUCATING FOR ETERNITY THROUGH
FAITH & REASON**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 *K-12 Read Across America Week	6 *3:45pm- Auction Mailing Party *4:15pm- MS Scholars Bowl Meet @ FHCS *3:30pm-MS & HS Track Practice Begins *5:30pm- Track Parent Meeting	7 *End of 3 rd Quarter *12:25pm- HS Vocations to the Priesthood Lunch *6:30pm- Elementary Spring Program	8 *7:40am- Junior Optimist Club Meeting *8:30am- School Rosary *12:25pm- Instagram Meeting *3:45pm- Activities Committee Meeting *4:30pm- Auction Decorating Meeting *5:30pm- Confirmation Mass	9 *8:20am- Class Meetings *8:30am- Student of the Quarter & 3-6 Honor Roll *1:45pm- ICARE that YOU Read Project Recognition *2:00pm- K-6 AR Party *4:00pm- P/T Conferences	10 *No School *8:00am- P/T Conferences	11 *Senior Trip to Branson *8:00am- State Chess @ Emporia
12 *Senior Trip to Branson	13 *Spring Break *Senior Trip to Branson	14 *Spring Break *Senior Trip to Branson	15 *Spring Break *Senior Trip to Branson	16 *Spring Break	17 *Spring Break	18
19	20 *4:15pm- MS Scholars Bowl @ Cair Paravel	21 *Class Pictures in Uniform *3:30pm-Track Pictures	22 *5:00pm- PTO Meeting	23 *8:20am- FBLA Speaker *3:15pm- Ice Cream Thursday *5:00pm- Recruitment Meeting *5:30pm- School Council	24 *7:45am- Rosary Club *8:30am- School Mass *3:00pm- Live Stations of the Cross	25
26	27 *7 th , 8 th , & 10 th ELA State Assessments *4:15pm- MS Scholars Bowl @ Salina Diocese	28 *7 th , 8 th , & 10 th ELA State Assessments *6:00pm- Live Stations of the Cross	29 *7 th , 8 th , & 10 th ELA State Assessments	30 *7 th , 8 th , & 10 th ELA State Assessments	31 *7:45am- Rosary Club *8:30am- School Mass *3:00pm- Stations of the Cross *5:00pm- PreK-4 Spring Fever Dance *7:00pm-5 th -8 th Spring Fever Dance	
			1 *3:30pm- Come and Go Baby Shower for Eden Crabb *5:30pm- Auction Meeting *6:30pm- Confirmation Rehearsal	2 *8:20am- StuCo Meeting *5:00pm- Science & Spaghetti	3 *7:45am- Rosary Club *8:30am- Mass & Adoration *3:00pm- Stations of the Cross *6:00pm- HS Boys' BB Substate Semifinal @ Burton vs. Southern Cloud	4 *9:00am- Chess Tournament @ Lawrence *HS Forensics @ Silver Lake

