

December 1,
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St. Francis Xavier December Newsletter

The Christmas season is quickly here! In order to prepare ourselves for this wonderful time of year we begin by celebrating the season of Advent. Each Sunday beginning November 27 signifies the 4 weeks of advent and we light a candle (purple or pink) to mark our anticipation of the Birth of Jesus Christ. In commemoration of His blessed birth we sing the song of joy and praise “Come, O Come Emmanuel!”.

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Naccarato*

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Heartfelt Gratitude and Thanks!

We are extremely grateful for the hardwork and dedication to our school over the past few months of our Head Secretary Mrs. Ammendolia. She will be greatly missed. We welcome our new Head Secretary Mrs. Miceli in January who comes from Fr. Michael McGivney. I am sure that she will be a welcome addition to our school!

We also welcome our new Vice-Principal to start in January! Her name is Casey Cabral and she is so very excited to be here.

NEXT CSC MEETING: Wednesday, January 27 @ 6:30 pm

Community Service

Thank-you for your continued support this season and for giving us all a way to help those less fortunate. The Food Drive allowed us to help many needy families that will be donated within

our community. We collected many non-perishable food items and give to the Markham Food Bank.

Inclement Weather Procedures

With winter weather approaching, we still try to enjoy the fresh air here at St. Francis Xavier. The students come prepared to have fun in the snow with friends in their cohorts/classrooms and enjoy nature walks when possible.

***Thank-you
Catholic
School
Council***

On days designated too cold to go outside, we will follow Inclement weather procedures. Students will go directly to their classrooms in the morning and will remain in their classrooms as directed by the teachers throughout the day. Inclement weather procedures will be established under weather conditions that are too cold: - 18 C or colder or extreme wind/slush/ice conditions.

We thank our Custodial staff for always being outside or inside when needed to help keep our walking paths safe. They are always available to give an extra hand!

Grade 8 Graduation 2020

Congratulation St. Francis Xavier Gr. 8 and now in Gr. 9 Graduates!

We were so happy to see our Gr. 8 Graduates come by to receive their diplomas, a celebration program and a fantastic yearbook! Congratulations were sent to all and especially to all those students who received an award. These students who received an award are:

Arts Award	Katie Y, Magdalena H
Athletic Award	Vikesh M and Seniya C
Academic Excellence Award	Jessica S, Darin P
Principal's Award	Ze Sheng L
Valedictorian Award	Rose P, Jessica S
Elizabeth Krucas Memorial	John M
OECTA Award	Serena P
Mathematics Award	Ze Sheng L
Literacy Award	Jessica S
French Award	Cassandra S
Technology Award	Michael K, Sam C
Catholic School Council Award	Seamus C
Community Spirit Award	Qin yu X
Volunteer of the Year	Rose P
Most Improved Award	Zelin C

Congratulations to our November Virtue Winners for JUSTICE!

Ms. Wong	Zoe, Aliyah
Ms. Spano	Rowan, Dante
Ms. Iyora	Annette, Cecilia
Ms. Mazza	Simone, Jesline
Ms. Sunn	Gavlin, Jeneia
Ms. Ngaa	Gabriel. G, Anish. C
Ms. Morra	Zoe
Ms. Julius	Nivisha, Agnes
Ms. Kurdari	Ellie
Ms. Bahen	Tem, Xavier
Ms. Uy	Lucas A.
Ms. Marcelli	Samuel, Christopher
Ms. Gelis	Jadon, Bryan
Ms. Vieira	Leanne, Sara
Mr. Sunn	Steven R
Ms. Gomes	Bosson
Ms. Cordeiro	
Ms. Badali	Christina W, Aaron
Ms. Tomasone	Laila W, Marcus W
Ms. Kirwin	Ashley, Isabel
Ms. Cardinale	Nicole Tountas
Mr. Venier	Emily A
Ms. Melino	Rebecca V
Mr. Coutts	Victoria

Congratulations to our December Virtue Winners for HOPE!

Ms. Wong	Kalea, Juan
Ms. Spano	Nadia, Elena
Ms. Iyora	Cecilia, Zhang K
Ms. Mazza	Marrin, Myles
Ms. Sunn	Perry C, Luciana
Ms. Ngaa	Olivia, Abigail
Ms. Julius	Lucia, Victoria
Ms. Kurdari	Camden, Mackenzie
Ms. Bahen	Mia, Kris
Ms. Uy	Zydelle
Ms. Marcelli	Tien P, Aniyah M
Ms. Gelis	Jayson, Jordan, Declan
Ms. Vieira	Brian, Rylan
Mr. Sunn	Alessandra L
Ms. Gomes	Juliette
Ms. Cordeiro	
Ms. Badali	Enoch B, Rosanna L
Ms. Tomasone	Gloria M, Maliyah
Ms. Kirwin	Iris L, Colin
Ms. Cardinale	Adalia
Mr. Venier	Annie C
Ms. Melino	Adrianna L

Mr. Coutts
Ms. Morra

Logan M
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“We desire to be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas time, not in a cold manger of our heart, but in a heart full of love and humility, in a heart so pure, so immaculate, so warm with love for one another.”

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

Dear Families,

It is that time of year again where we in the Catholic community begin preparing for the coming of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

This time of year is always special because it is a time for all of us to share in the excitement of this joyous celebration. It is an important celebration because God sent his one and only Son to Earth to spread the Word of God and bring us all to salvation. St. Jane Frances de Chantal once said, *“Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about.”* During this unprecedented time in our world today, it is important for all of us to be reminded of these words. So long as our faith in Him remains strong, our love for each other will continue to prevail. Our students, families and staff have demonstrated this time and time again.

This Christmas season and always, I pray that you will have everlasting happiness, joy and hope. I pray that you will be reminded of all the goodness in your life that makes your heart full and happy. I pray that you will always find joy and beauty in all of God’s creation. And lastly, I pray that you will always remain hopeful in your faith and relationship with the Lord, Our Saviour.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I wish you a blessed and safe Merry Christmas.

Yours in Catholic Education,

James Ecker



