

Dear St. Francis Xavier CES Community,

**“ I am thinking of what St. Ignatius told us...He pointed out two criteria on love.
The first: love is expressed more clearly in actions than in words.
The second: there is greater love in giving than in receiving.”
- Pope Francis-**

As we continue to navigate through this unprecedented moment in history and slowly begin to see some glimmers of hope for a better tomorrow, there continues to be a steady increase in the number of families who require support from our local Food Bank.

Schools across the York Catholic District School Board are inspired by our Holy Father, Pope Francis' inspiring reflection on the meaning of love as a call to action.

As a response, school communities across the York Catholic District School Board are coming together to support our neighbours in need for a “One Day Nurturing Hope Food Drive”. Collection bins will be placed at the front doors of and monitored by school cameras for safety purposes.

Families are encouraged to take a walk to their school and place a bag of food and/or personal hygiene items in the Food Bank bins.

When: Thursday, May 27, 2021

Time: Approximately 8:30 am - 6 pm

Please ensure that you maintain physical distancing and wear a mask to ensure your personal well-being.

Kindly note that all bins will be held in a 5-day quarantine by the Food Banks prior to being handled by their volunteers.

Items Requested:

- **All Non-Perishable Food Items & Personal Hygiene Products are needed**

Thank you all for your continued support and generosity as we are all truly in this together!

Warmest Regards,

Ms. Naccarato and Ms. Cabral

**The joy that you freely receive from God, please, freely give away:
so many people are waiting for it from you!
-Pope Francis-**