

St. Francis Xavier

Parent Memo

January 6 ,2010



- Happy New Year!
- Recently we have had a staff change in the Faith Formation department. Katie Eng is our new Faith Formation Assistant. Katie is a 2009 graduate of the College of St. Benedicts in St. Joseph, Minnesota. Katie can be reached at 763-684-0075 X 106 or email Katie at katie.eng@stfxb.org. We welcome Katie and all her gifts and talents to the Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs. Katie will be speaking at Grounded this coming Sunday Night January 10th
- Over Christmas break we reorganized the Faith Formation offices. Katie Eng and Michael Deisting are now in the double office, Tim Stanoch has moved next to the double office. David LaCroix and Kory LaCroix are across the hall from the double office. David is now at extension 107 and the rest of us remain at our same extension numbers.
- We were recently notified that a Level 3 sex offender moved into the Buffalo Community upon his release. This individual has been in prison for almost 20 years for crimes involving force and coercion. His victim was a boy younger than 13 years old. He has served his sentence and is not wanted for any other crimes; therefore he was freed on December 23rd. Because he does not have a permanent address, he will be housed at the Wright County Jail for proper supervision. He will be released for 20 hours per week with an electronic monitoring system so that he is able to look for employment. Level 3 sex offenders are most likely to reoffend. We will continue to have our preschool – through second grade students signed in and out of their classes. We encourage other parents to escort their students in and out of the building as well. We ask that the only doors you use to enter or exit our building be our front main entrance and the entrance by the chapel. These two doors are monitored with security cameras. Please do not exit out of any other door unless there is an emergency.
- Tonight is the first Wednesday of January, parents will meet with Fr. David Hennen in Trinity Hall.
- For a full menu of our Wednesday evening meals please see the weekly bulletin or look on line at www.stfxb.org and click on weekly bulletins. The menu is listed in the Faith Formation section of the bulletin. Tickets can be purchased from Preston Alex in the parish office by Monday of the week you wish to eat.

- **Class / grade(s) specific Information:**
- **2nd Grade** will continue to work on First Reconciliation materials in class. Students should bring home First Reconciliation pamphlets. On the fourth page are some information/ activities to follow through with your children.
- **Middle School Youth Group** this month is January 13th; all Middle School students will meet in Trinity Hall.
- **9th Grade** – Worksheets are now available on the website. Our next video lesson is January 20th
- **10th Grade** – Confirmation Retreat information and permission slips will be coming home tonight with the Confirmation candidates. Permission slips are due Wednesday January 20th at class time. All Confirmation candidates must attend a weekend retreat. Confirmation worksheets are now available on our website www.stfxb.org
- **High School** – Our Deanery #11 High School event will be Wednesday January 27th here at St. Francis Xavier. Paul Bernabei will be speaking on topics of depression, self esteem drugs and cutting. All 9th and 10th grade students will need to be here that night from 6:45 – 8:30 p.m. Please note the time change.
- **Middle School and High School Mission Trips**
- This Sunday evening (January 10th) will be our kick off for our 2010 Summer Mission Trips. Middle Schoolers will be heading back to Duluth this summer and High Schoolers will be going to Washington D.C. This informational meeting is for all middle school students, high school students and their parents. We will meet in the Education Center Cafeteria from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.