



Middle School Weekly Newsletter

10/11/23

Prayer for the Synod on Synodality

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what it right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen

Happy October!

The leaves are flying and the air is crisp. Unbelievably, we are over halfway through the first quarter.

Each Monday, we begin the week with a short school assembly. Together we pray, say the pledge, acknowledge any students/events, and look through the upcoming week. I end the assembly with a thought, virtue, or character trait to carry through the week.

Last Monday, I talked about seeing God's beauty all around us and taking the time to recognize the small joys. I talked of a time I was apple-picking with my young daughter. I busily collected apples and she slowly appreciated each one. She shouted with delight and showed me an apple that was smiling at her. Her joy made me stop and appreciate the moment. I showed the picture and told the students that I was happy she helped me see this joyful part of God's creation.



Later in the day, during 8th grade lunch, a table of boys excitedly called me over. One of them was about to take a bite of his grilled cheese sandwich and noticed the cheese smiling at him. The boys said, "We are noticing the small things, Mrs. Meyer!" We all had a good laugh.

I am so blessed to have these experiences in my

day.

Enjoy this season and I wish you many little blessings such as these!

Mrs. Meyer

Weekly Mass

Mass is generally celebrated at 9:26am on Tuesdays at Xavier Middle School. (See the calendar for occasional alternate mass days/times.) We welcome you to join us! Please check in the school office to be directed to the auditorium.

2023-2024 Student Directory

[Click here](#) for the 2023-2024 student directory.

Lost and Found

Please [click here](#) to take a look at the Lost and Found items we have collected to see if any belong to your family. Your child can pick their things up from the office lobby. **All lost and found items will be donated after October 31st!**

Calling All Heroes!

To celebrate Veterans Day, we are looking for veterans from our Xavier and Appleton communities to come and share their experiences with Xavier's 7th grade class. In Social Studies class, the 7th graders will be working in groups compiling interview questions to ask the veterans. Then on Wednesday, November 8th, veterans can arrive at 8 am for our assembly honoring their service and stay for the student interview and a light breakfast until 9:40 am. If you know of a veteran that would be interested in sharing their story please email social studies teacher Blake Hensley at bhensley@xaviercatholicschools.org.

From the Choir Room:

Hi Xavier Middle School choir families!

The 6th, 7th, and 8th grade choirs are hard at work preparing for their first performance of the year! We will be singing "Give Us Hope" at the high school choir/band concert tonight, October 11th. Please see [the attached sheet](#) for details and let me know if you have any questions!!

Thank you!!

Anna Van Eperen

Orchestra News!

Friday, October 13th

The 8th grade orchestra class will be going to St. Norbert with the high school to work with violin professor and conductor, Dr. Taylor Giorgio, in preparation for our upcoming concert. We will leave at 8:50am and return just after noon.

Fall Concert, October 18th

The 7th, 8th and high school orchestras will perform a concert on Wednesday, October 18th at 7pm at Xavier Middle School. We are very excited to perform pieces that have some "Halloween" feel as well as beautiful pieces played by each group. A combined 8th grade and high school piece will be on the program as well as small chamber groups from the high school. Please come support these wonderful students and celebrate all of their hard work.

Concert details:

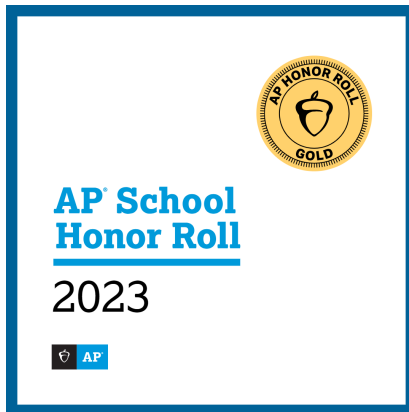
Dress: Black bottoms, black shoes and a white top

Concert Call Time: be in the orchestra room by 6:30pm

Location: Xavier Middle School Auditorium

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Laura Kenney (lkenney@xaviercatholicschools.org)



XHS on the 2023 AP School Honor Roll

We are proud to announce that Xavier High School was named to the 2023 AP School Honor Roll! The AP School Honor Roll recognizes schools whose AP programs are delivering results and broadening access for students. Schools can earn the Honor Roll recognition annually based on their ability to increase their school's college-going culture, to provide opportunities for students to earn college credit, and to maximize college readiness. This year, Xavier has achieved Gold status, with two-thirds of the Class of 2023 having taken at least one AP

course, more than half of the class earning college credits through the AP program, and approximately one in six recent graduates completing 5 or more AP tests.

Gamers Club: TV Donations

It begins again!!!!

All students who are interested in playing video games are invited to attend The Gamers Club. It will take place after school during Hawk Time. The Gamers Club is starting up in November. More information about dates will be coming soon.



We are currently looking to replace the old box TVs we have with flat-screen TVs. If you have a flat-screen TV just sitting in your house and it needs a new home, please consider donating it to the Gamers Club. We also accept Gaming System donations.

Donations: Any Size Flat-Screen TVs and Gaming Systems

If you have any questions, please contact Brian McKinnon (bmckinnon@xaviercatholicschools.org).



XAVIER SERVICE CLUB
PRESENTS

halloween party



FRIDAY
OCTOBER 27TH AT XAVIER
HIGH SCHOOL 4-7 PM



FREE
ENTRY

*Canned good donations are
encouraged for St. Joe's Food
Pantry

JOIN US FOR GAMES, CANDY, CRAFTS
AND A HAUNTED HOUSE!
DON'T FORGET YOUR COSTUME!

Xavier Theatre Presents



Join us for a special one-hour version of the classic 1939 movie musical,
a perfect first-time live theatre experience.

7:00 pm November 3, 4*, 10, 11

2:00 pm November 4, 11

Adult \$12 · Senior Citizen \$11 · Student \$10

Xavier System Student with ID \$6

***Family Night Discount for 7:00 pm November 4 performance only**

ALL SEATS \$6

Ticket prices do not include service fees on credit card purchases.

These fees are established by Showtix4u, our box office vendor, and are nonrefundable.

www.xaviertheatre.com

(920) 733-8840

Box office open for phone orders and walk-up sales

Mondays & Wednesdays, noon to 3:00 pm

Ticket sales open October 4

9am online, box office open at noon

Attendance Guidelines

Students will be sent home and must remain home until they are symptom free for 24 hours if they are experiencing any one of the following symptoms

- Fever (temperature 100 or above)
- Diarrhea
- Nausea and/or vomiting

Students **MUST** remain home until they are symptom free for 24 hours without the help of any medication.

XHS PREVIEW NIGHT



High school is a time to put yourself on the track for a future worthy of who God made you to be.

Monday, October 16 at 6:30 pm
Xavier High School Theatre

Attachments

- Lunch Menu
 - [October](#)
- 8th Grade to St. Norbert (10/13)
 - [Permission Slip - DUE 10/2](#)
- [Sacred Heart Fall Fellowship Day](#) - 11/4
- [Feed My Starving Children Event](#) - St. John Nepomucene - 12/1 - 12/3
- [St. Pius X - Women's Group](#)



Links/Information

- [XMS Daily Schedule](#)
- Hawk Time Availability: [5th Grade](#), [6th Grade](#), [7th Grade](#), [8th Grade](#)
- [2023-2024 Student Directory](#)
- [XMS Anticipated Absence Form](#)
- [XCS Lunch Program](#)
- [XCS Care Program](#)
- [Xavier Online Spirit Store](#)
- [Xavier Catholic School Volunteer Procedure](#)
- [XMS Parking Lot Map](#)
- [2023-2024 XMS School Calendar](#)

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, October 11

- 3:00 - 4:00 pm - Strength & Conditioning
- 3:05 - 3:45 pm - Campus Ministry Meeting
- 7:00 pm - Fall Choir & Band Concert @ XHS

Thursday, October 12

- 7th Grade trip to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help
- 3:00 - 4:00 pm - Strength & Conditioning

Monday, October 16

- 3:00 - 4:00 pm - Strength & Conditioning

Tuesday, October 17

- 9:26 am - Mass
- 3:00 - 4:00 pm - Strength & Conditioning

Wednesday, October 18

- 3:00 - 4:00 pm - Strength & Conditioning
- 7:00 pm - Fall Orchestra Concert @ XMS (7th, 8th & highschool)

Thursday, October 19

- 3:00 - 4:00 pm - Strength & Conditioning
- 3:05 - 3:50 pm - Inside Out Cafe
- 3:15 - 4:20 - Cheer & Dance

Saturday, October 21

- VEX Tournament

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