

# Middle School Weekly Newsletter 2/28/24

What will I do for my soul? pray, fast, give

### Weekly Mass

Mass is generally celebrated at 9:26 am 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.

### Lost and Found

Please <u>click here</u> 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 February 29th!

### 8th Grade Class Shirts

Order forms for the 8th grade class t-shirts and sweatshirts were sent home with 8th grade students. <u>All orders are due March 11th</u> Please <u>click here</u> for the order form.

### 8th Grade Camp

Coming soon our 8th grade students will have the opportunity to participate in the 8th grade outdoor educational retreat! Beginning a few years ago, 8th grade students have had the opportunity to travel with their class to Camp Anokijig in Plymouth, WI for a retreat experience that integrates 8th grade curriculum and spiritual enrichment. This year's trip will take place from May 14th to May 16th. Forms and information on fees will be coming home with your students the week after Spring Break.

In order to make the trip run successfully, we are in need of both male and female chaperones. Staff from both school and camp attend and run the camp but we could not make it happen without your support and aid. If you are willing to chaperone please contact Ashley Turner at <u>aturner@xaviercatholicschools.org</u>.

### Fine Arts Night

On Wednesday, March 6th, we have an exciting event to showcase all of the wonderful things our Xavier fine arts students are doing. Xavier Fine Arts night will involve 3rd - 12th grade students and is a chance for us to share an evening of music, visual art, and theatrical performances from students across the Xavier system.

Please consider volunteering to help at this wonderful event. Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for a Sign-up genius to volunteer throughout the night. (Don't worry - you will be able to see your child's performance). St. Francis Xavier Fine Arts presents THIS PRETTY PLANET XAVIER FINE ARTS NIGHT 2024 MARCH 6, 2024 - 6-8PM XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL

Featuring the choir, band, orchestra, theatre, and visual art programs of the Xavier Catholic School System



### Solo & Ensemble Festival

Our Xavier Middle School Band & Orchestra departments will be hosting our annual Solo & Ensemble Festival on **Monday, March 18th.** The event will run from 4:00 pm - 8:00pm. Students form 5th - 8th grades will be participating. Family and friends are always welcome to attend and cheer on their favorite musician. Please consider volunteering to help at the event. No musical ability is required. All volunteers will be able to hear their child's performance. Please <u>click here</u> for the volunteer sign up.



Our genuine and heartfelt appreciation to all who sponsored, donated, attended, volunteered, or helped in some way to make Celebrate 2024 another success. Everyone came together once again to help our students soar higher!

Thanks to the generosity of our many amazing supporters, we were blessed with another record-breaking year and a preliminary net amount of \$645,000 raised at Celebrate 2024! We are beyond grateful to everyone for making this night such a tremendous success. Note: Employer matches are still coming in and are an additional great source of revenue for Xavier Catholic Schools. Did you make a gift at Celebrate that could be matched by your employer? <u>Click here</u> to be directed to our Giving page to enter your employer to see if there is a match available. Thank you!

Save the date now for Celebrate 2025! We look forward to "Celebrate"-ing with you again next year on February 1, 2025!

#### Xavier Middle School VEX IQ Robotics Camp 2024

- Xavier Middle School Robotics Club is hosting a robotics camp again this year.
- Dates: June 3rd, 4th, 5th, & 6th (Four Days)
- The camp will be from 9:00am –2:00pm.
- Students entering 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th Grade in the 2024-25 school year may participate.
- What will the campers be doing at camp?
  - Campers will:
    - Design and build a robot with VEX Robotic parts and equipment.
    - Program their robot to drive itself through a challenge.
    - Problem-solving solutions to challenges.
    - Design a robot for the VEX IQ Challenge for the 2024-25 VEX Season.
- \$250 per student (The camp fee will be collected through Blackbaud Tuition)
- The camp is only available for 18 campers. Once it is full, sign-up will be closed.
- There will be a snack break, lunch, and outside time incorporated into the day's activities. Students must provide their own snacks and lunch.
- If you are interested in attending, please fill out the online signup form:<u>VEX IQ</u> <u>Camp Sign Up Form</u>

Contact me if you have any questions: Brian McKinnon - <u>bmckinnon@xaviercatholicschools.org</u>

### XHS Summer PE Class

Attention 8th Grade Parents. Is your child interested in taking a summer PE class for high school? <u>Click here</u> to register.







PLEASE RESERVE YOUR TICKETS BY SCANNING THE QR CODE AND FILLING OUT THE FORM LIMITED SEATING. TICKET REQUIRED FOR ENTRY

DONATIONS CAN BE MADE AT EVENT CHECK-IN (CHECKS MADE OUT TO DAN'S HOUSE OF HOPE)

### Grand Chute Baseball

**2024 Baseball Registration Open NOW!** Grand Chute Baseball provides a competitive level of baseball while maintaining our commitment to teach baseball fundamentals, sportsmanship and teamwork in a friendly environment.

- When: January 1 March 31
- Who: Co-ed; ages 5-12yrs old
- What: T-Ball (ages 5-6), Rookie-Machine Pitch (ages 7-8), Kid-pitch-Minors 46/60 (ages 9-10), and Majors 50/65 (ages 11-12)
- Where: Online registration at <u>www.grandchutebaseball.com</u> Click the register tab and follow the directions. NO RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS
- Season dates: May 28th July 31st @ Plamann Park and Patriot Park

Weekend Tournament Teams: 7U through 12U players have the opportunity to try out for GC weekend tournament / travel teams. If you have questions, please email: <a href="mailto:admin@grandchutebaseball.com">admin@grandchutebaseball.com</a>. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

### **River Surge FC Soccer Club**

Spring 2024 registrations for River Surge FC Soccer Club are now open! Pleas <u>click here</u> for more information or visit <u>www.riversurgefc.org</u>.





Take a peek at all of the financial options for fall <u>HERE</u>.

### From the Scrip Office:

### FAST FUND FEBRUARY 2/1/24 - 2/29/24

Receive an additional 5% discounted rate on the fundraising cards below

- Gift Card and Fuel Only Cards: 10% (reg 5%)
- Grocery Only Card: 20% (reg 15%)

Type in **"Kwik Trip Local**" in the search bar on your laptop or Smartphone Raiseright App and then select the dollar value. Look for a picture of a store or price tag and not the Kwik Trip logo.

### **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.

# DONT MISS THE XAVIER SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

FRIDAY-MARCH 1, 2024

24-25 XAVIER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

XAVIERCATHOLICSCHOOLS.ORG ADMISSIONS > SCHOLARSHIPS ON LINE APPLICAITON PROCESS

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<u>Attachments</u>

### Lunch Menu

• February

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- March
- 5th Grade Heckrodt Wetland Trip <u>AM</u> (2/29/24) -<u>Permission Slip</u> (Due 2/19/24)

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- 5th Grade Heckrodt Wetland Trip <u>PM</u> (2/29/24) <u>Permission Slip</u> (Due 2/19/24)
- <u>Americanism Essay Contest</u> Deadline March 1st

## Links/Information

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

## **Community Events/Information**

- St. Pius X Covenant of Love Date Night March 8th
- Sacred Heart Lenten Fish Fry March 8th & 22nd



- <u>Tech Savvy March 9th, 2024</u> (Online registration open)
- <u>Camp Invention</u> June 10th 14th (Discount available until 3/27/24)
- Junior Achievement Summer Camp June 17th 21st

### **Upcoming Events**

### Thursday, February 29

- 5th Grade to Heckrodt
- 3:00 4:00 pm Gamers Club
- 3:45 pm German Speaking Contest

### Friday, March 1

- 3:00 4:30 pm Hawk Night
- 3:00 3:30 pm Math Club

### Monday, March 4

• 3:00 - 3:45 pm - Science Club

### Tuesday, March 5

- 9:26 am Mass
- 3:00 3:45 pm Art Club

### Friday, March 8

• 3:00 - 3:30 pm - Math Club

### Monday, March 11

- 8:00 am Extra Curricular Group Photos
- 3:00 3:45 pm Science Club

### Tuesday, March 12

- 9:26 am Mass
- 3:00 3:45 pm Art Club

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