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WEEKLY E-NEWS

News for the Week of November 1

All School

This Week's Bible Verse

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. — Romans 8:26

CHAPLAIN'S NOTE: INTENSE LOVE, EXQUISITE PLANS

When we yearn for something, when we are deeply moved by something, when we just want something SO BADLY, we often don't know how to put those feelings into words. All we can do is groan. Our God feels the same way. His love for us is intense, and His plan for us is exquisite. And just as we direct our prayers to Him, so also He prays for us—intercession with groaning. When you don't know how to pray to God, simply thank Him that He is already praying for you.

Prayer and Other Support

Use the **Care and Compassion Support Request form** to submit confidential prayer requests directly to the chaplains. There is also a section on the form to request specific tangible support for yourself or others, beyond prayer, if needed.

Together With Heart: The 2026–27 St. Francis Fund Begins!

We are excited to officially launch the **2026–27 St. Francis Fund** and extend our sincere thanks to everyone who has already made an early gift this year. The St. Francis Fund is our community's most important philanthropic priority, **supporting the people, programs, and opportunities that transform an excellent education into an extraordinary one**. Every gift, at every level, helps ensure that St. Francis continues to inspire students through faith, learning, and service.

As you consider your charitable giving this year, we hope you will renew your support of the St. Francis Fund or make your first gift and join fellow members of the St. Francis community in strengthening the school's mission. Please watch your mailbox and inbox for information about this year's Fund and the many ways your generosity makes a difference. If you would like to **make your gift now, please click here**.

Do you want more information about the priorities that the St. Francis Fund makes possible?

- Please look for the St. Francis Fund packet we mailed to your home address this week.
- **Read the St. Francis Fund booklet.**
- **Visit the St. Francis Fund webpage.**

Thank you, parents, for your generosity that helps make St. Francis extraordinary. We are deeply grateful for your support and for all you do to strengthen our community.

Makeup Picture Day Is November 9

If your student missed Picture Day, please note that Makeup Picture Day for all divisions is Monday, November 9. This day is for any student who is newly enrolled or who was absent on Picture Day. If you have questions, please contact your student's division office manager.

Festival Free Dress Day Winners

Congratulations to all our student winners from the Dunk Tank! Please see the grade-specific free-dress dates below:

- **Eleventh and Twelfth Grades:** Thursday, November 5 (for dunking Dean Baber)
- **Fifth Grade:** Wednesday, November 11 (for dunking Dr. Collins)
- **Third and Fourth Grades:** Wednesday, November 11 (for dunking Dr. Collins)
- **First, Third, and Fourth Grades:** Tuesday, November 17 (for dunking Dean Baber)

Buy Tickets Now: *Disney's Alice in Wonderland Jr.* Is November 13–15 + Join Us for a Very Merry Unbirthday Party on November 15!

Middle School actors and crew have been working hard to bring the beloved story of *Alice in Wonderland* to life at SFE! This show features a fabulous cast of characters, including the Mad Hatter, the White Rabbit, the Queen of Hearts, the Cheshire Cat, and so many more! Want to meet them? We are inviting our younger audience members to

a special preshow party on Sunday, November 15. Enjoy some delectable treats and collect your favorite character's autograph at the Mad Hatter's Unbirthday Party!

Tickets for the party and performances are limited—buy yours now!

PERFORMANCE AND EVENT TIMES
All performances will be held in the Fine Arts Center at Piney Point Campus:

- Friday, November 13, at 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, November 14, at 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, November 15, at 2:00 p.m.

The Mad Hatter's Unbirthday Party will be held on Sunday, November 15, at 12:45 p.m. in the Dining Hall on Piney Point Campus.

Book Fair Is November 16–20

The St. Francis Book Fair is Monday, November 16, through Friday, November 20, on Piney Point Campus, and we can't wait to see our students and families there!

- **Who Will Attend:** All students in grades K–8 will have a designated time to visit the Book Fair the week of November 16.
- **Lower School:** Lower School students will preview the Book Fair on Monday or Tuesday. **View the preview schedule here.** Parents are welcome to join their children to shop on these days. Lower School students may only make purchases on Monday and Tuesday when their parent is present. Lower School students will also visit with their grandparents/special friends/teachers on their grade's Grandparents and Grandfriends Day.
- **Middle School:** Middle School students will visit with their English teacher on Monday or Tuesday. **View the shopping schedule here.** Parents are welcome to join their children to shop.
- **Parents and Primary School:** The Book Fair will also be open for any parents to visit on Monday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We encourage our families with Primary School students to plan on attending during these times.
- **Payments and Proceeds:** Payments accepted are Apple Pay, debit and credit cards, **I:55 gift cards**, and cash. All Book Fair proceeds are used to purchase new books for the library.
- **Volunteer Opportunities:** We have a few **volunteer spots still available** if you are interested in helping.

November Service Opportunity: Houston Food Bank

Join us for our November service opportunity at the Houston Food Bank's Community Resource Center (535 Portwall St.) on Saturday, November 28, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Community Resource Center provides an in-person grocery-shopping experience for our neighbors, serving those registered with the food bank's Food for Change partners by appointment only.

In the morning, volunteers will support neighbors by helping sort and bag fresh produce. In the afternoon, volunteers will also assist with weighing and sorting the produce that neighbors choose, as well as helping neighbors load items into their vehicles.

The minimum age requirement for this volunteer opportunity is 13 years of age. Come serve as a family! **Register here for St. Francis's November service opportunity.**

Spirit Store Restock Alert: Youth Mockneck Sweatshirts

Youth mockneck sweatshirts have been restocked in sizes medium, large, and extra-large. Shop in-store this week on Monday, November 2, and Wednesday, November 4, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., or **order Spirit Store items online**.

Moms in Prayer: Next Meeting Is November 6

Please join us for Moms in Prayer this **Friday, November 6,** at 8:30 a.m. in the St. Clare Chapel on Piney Point Campus. The Chapel doors remain locked, so please enter through the front of the school and sign in at the security desk.

UPCOMING DATES

- ~~Friday, November 20~~ —CANCELED due to Grandparents and Grandfriends Day
- Friday, December 4
- Friday, December 18

For questions or to submit prayer requests, please **email Jasmine Fleece**.

Volunteer With FoFA: Piney Point Campus Art Changeout Is November 10

Come help Friends of Fine Arts (FoFA) change the Lower and Middle School art displayed in the People Place and Gay Foyer on Piney Point Campus. No experience necessary! **Sign up to join us** on Tuesday, November 10, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.

From the Nurses' Desk: Tips for Staying Healthy When the Flu Is Spreading

During the flu and cold season, the nurses want to do everything possible to keep our St. Francis students healthy. Please **click here to learn more about the flu** and ways to help prevent it from spreading. **If your child is diagnosed with the flu, please**

email the nurse on your child's campus (Abigayle Harrington, Madeleine Tiemann, or Fay Gant).

Primary School

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 2

- *Primary II Step Forward to Kindergarten (Capasso and Richardson):* Students only
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3

- *Primary School (PS) Chapel:* 9:00 a.m.; Primary II parents are invited to attend

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Wednesday, November 4

- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *PS Chapel:* 9:00 a.m.; Primary I parents are invited to attend

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Friday, November 6

- *Moms in Prayer:* 8:30 a.m. in St. Clare Chapel on Piney Point Campus
- *Primary II Step Forward to Kindergarten (Theis and Suckow):* Students only

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Saturday, November 7

- *PS Admissions Open House:* 9:00–11:00 a.m.

Monday, November 9

- *Makeup Picture Day*
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 10

- *PS Chapel:* 9:00 a.m.; Primary II parents are invited to attend

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Wednesday, November 11

- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *PS Chapel:* 9:00 a.m.; Primary I parents are invited to attend

Lower School

ERB Testing: November 3–6

From Tuesday, November 3, through Thursday, November 5, ERB tests will be administered each morning to students in third and fourth grades. ERB tests will also be administered to fourth-grade students on the morning of Friday, November 6. Please avoid scheduling appointments on these four testing mornings. There will not be homework on these days.

Lower School Grandparents and Grandfriend Days: RSVP by November 8

Join us for a wonderful celebration! Guests at Grandparents and Grandfriends Days are invited to attend Chapel, enjoy light refreshments, visit students' classrooms, and browse the Book Fair (open 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) and Spirit Store (open until 2:30 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- **Fourth Grade:** 12:15–2:15p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- **Third Grade:** 8:45–10:45 a.m.
- **Second Grade:** 12:15–2:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- **First Grade:** 8:45–10:45 a.m.
- **Kindergarten:** 12:15–2:15 p.m.

Click here to RSVP by Sunday, November 8!

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 2

- *Dress Uniform*
- *Lower School (LS) All Saints' Eucharist Chapel:* 8:20-8:50 a.m.
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3

- *ERB Testing for Grades 3 and 4:* 8:30–11:00 a.m. in classrooms

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Wednesday, November 4

- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *ERB Testing for Grades 3 and 4:* 8:30–11:00 a.m. in classrooms

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Thursday, November 5

- *LS Chapel:* 8:20–8:50 a.m.
- *ERB Testing for Grades 3 and 4:* 9:00–11:00 a.m. in classrooms

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Friday, November 6

- *Car Door Dads:* 7:30–8:00 a.m.
- *ERB Testing for Grade 4:* 8:30–11:00 a.m. in classrooms
- *Moms in Prayer:* 8:30 a.m. in St. Clare Chapel on Piney Point Campus

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Monday, November 9

- *Dress Uniform*
- *Makeup Picture Day:* 7:30–9:30 a.m. in the Hogan Board Room
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *LS Chapel:* 8:20-8:50 a.m.

Wednesday, November 11

- *Festival Free Dress Day for Third and Fourth Grades*
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 12

- *LS Chapel:* 8:20–8:50 a.m.
- *LS Preview of Middle School Musical:* 1:30–2:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center (FAC); students only

Middle School

ERB Testing: November 3–5

On Tuesday, November 3, through Thursday, November 5, ERB tests will be administered each morning from 8:00 to 10:45 a.m. Families of students with extended-time accommodations will be contacted by our learning specialist, Iris Sherman. Students using their extended-time accommodation will need to be in their testing rooms promptly at 7:30 a.m. each day, and will have until 11:00 a.m. to complete the test.

Please avoid scheduling appointments on these three testing mornings. There will not be homework due or class assessments on these days.

Test results are used to provide valuable information about student progress. Additionally, these results are used in determining placement in English and Math courses when students apply for Honors coursework.

HOW TO PREPARE

Before arriving on campus each of these days, students should:

- Have a healthy breakfast.

- Charge their laptops to 100 percent nightly.
- Bring a charger labeled with their name, in case there is a battery issue during the testing session.

FIFTH GRADE: WEAR REGULAR UNIFORM ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

- **Wear Regular Uniform on Tuesday and Wednesday:** Fifth grade will **NOT** have PE on Tuesday, November 3, or Wednesday, November 4, so they may arrive in the regular uniform on those days.
- **Wear PE Uniform on Monday, Thursday, and Friday:** Fifth grade **will** have PE on Monday, November 2; Thursday, November 5; and Friday, November 6, and they should wear PE uniforms to school those days.

Table Talk With the Chaplain: Becoming Who They Are

Few seasons bring as much change as middle school: new bodies, new feelings, and new questions about who they are and whether they're okay. This month, we'll talk about helping our kids receive their changing selves as good and made in God's image, and about how our own words on bodies, food, and appearance shape what they come to believe about theirs.

Join us for our fourth gathering, "Embracing the Self and the Changing Body," on Monday, November 16. We will meet in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Bride's Room on Piney Point Campus from 12:00 to 12:45 p.m.

Middle School Boys' Bible Study Meets Fridays

The SFE Boys' Bible Study offers Middle School boys a space to form meaningful relationships with one another and with the Word of God. Shepherded by Father Wismer, this group will dig into the heart of Scripture and develop a passion for God and His action in their lives.

- **When:** Fridays, during recess
- **Where:** Señora Barclay's classroom
- **Who:** All Middle School boys
- **What:** The book of Daniel

Middle School Girls Are Invited to Join Clare's Company on Fridays

The Clare's Company Bible study offers Middle School girls a welcoming space for fellowship and encouragement each week. It is a wonderful opportunity to recharge the heart and build lasting friendships before heading into the weekend. Grab your lunch and join us!

- **When:** Fridays at 12:05–1:00 p.m.
- **Where:** Picnic tables outside of the Arts hall
- **Who:** All Middle School girls
- **What:** The book of Daniel

Middle School Service Hour Requirements

As part of our commitment to community engagement, all Middle School students are required to complete service hours each year:

- **Fifth Grade:** 10 hours
- **Sixth Grade:** 10 hours
- **Seventh Grade:** 15 hours
- **Eighth Grade:** 20 hours

New Middle School students received an email inviting them to sign up for MobileServe to track their service hours. **An email was resent on October 8 at 4:00 p.m. to those who have not yet claimed their accounts.**

- **Here are directions for creating a new account** for all new students to the Middle School.
- Once your student has access to their account, questions about logging or submitting service hours should be directed to **Rev. Katie Mitchell**.

Handbook Corner: SFE Outerwear

As cooler temperatures have finally started to arrive in Houston, it's a good time for a few reminders about regular uniforms:

- Students should wear the uniform polo shirt underneath a sweatshirt. A sweatshirt alone is not considered proper uniform attire. Sweatshirts worn inside the building must be St. Francis attire. Skirts and shorts must be visible past the sweatshirt hem.
- Please check the length of skirts or shorts. Skirts and shorts should be index-finger length. Undergarments or privacy shorts should not extend below the length of shorts or skirts.

Middle School Grandparents and Grandfriends Day: RSVP by November 8

We look forward to hosting Middle School Grandparents and Grandfriends Day on Wednesday, November 18, from 8:45 to 10:30 a.m. (hosted *for sixth and eighth grades only*). Guests are invited to attend Chapel, enjoy light refreshments, visit students' classrooms, and browse the Book Fair (open 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) and Spirit Store (open until 2:30 p.m.).

Click here to RSVP by Sunday, November 8!

Eighth-Grade Tie Ceremony Pictures

Photos from the Eighth-Grade Tie Ceremony on September 14 can be **viewed via this link**. Thank you to all who made this event a special day for our eighth-grade students and their families.

In Case You Missed It: Recording of Roberta Anding on Nutrition With SFE Parents

If you were unable to attend the October 21 presentation with clinical sports dietitian Roberta Anding, you may **view a recording of the session here**. Please note that while the student presentations were thoughtfully age-appropriate, the session shown in the recording was intended for parents only.

Summer Trip Information + Registrations Due ASAP

If your student is interested in going on a summer trip, please see the information below for more details. Please note: The registration deadeline for the trip to Ecuador is TODAY—Sunday, November 1. The registration deadline for the trips to Washington, DC; Boston, Philadelphia, and New York City; and Costa Rica is Wednesday, November 4, at 5:00 p.m.

WASHINGTON, DC

- **Who:** Rising/re-enrolled sixth graders
- **Dates:** June 5–9, 2027
- **Trip Leader:** Maria Cruzalegui, Middle School Spanish Faculty
- **Trip Information:**
  - **View the presentation from the Zoom information meeting.**
  - **Watch the recording of the Zoom information meeting.**

BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, AND NEW YORK CITY

- **Who:** Rising/re-enrolled seventh graders
- **Dates:** June 5–9, 2027
- **Trip Leader:** Shannon Shrader, Middle School Academic Dean
- **Trip Information:**
  - **View the presentation from the Zoom information meeting.**
  - **View the trip flyer.**

COSTA RICA

- **Who:** Rising/re-enrolled eighth graders

- **Dates:** May 30–June 12, 2027
- **Trip Leader:** Liz Ward, Middle School Spanish Faculty
- **Trip Information and Application:**
  - **View the tentative itinerary.**
  - **View the required St. Francis Travel Application (to be printed).**
- **Parent Information Session via Zoom:**
  - **View the recording of the Zoom information meeting.**
  - **View the slide deck from the Zoom information meeting.**

ECUADORIAN ANIMAL SANCTUARY: REGISTRATION DUE NOVEMBER 1 (TODAY!)

Current eighth graders, don't forget to sign up for the summer trip to visit an animal sanctuary in beautiful Ecuador! October 28 was the deadline to return the application form and registration fee to Mrs. Gallegos in the Upper School Office. **The online registration through ACIS is due TODAY—Sunday, November 1. Use this link to register.** See the recent email about the summer trip for more details!

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 2

- *"B" Day/Special Schedule*
- ***Dress Uniform***
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *All Saints' Day Eucharist:* 9:40–10:40 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary

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Tuesday, November 3

- *"A" Day/Special Schedule*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *ERB Testing:*
  - 8:00–10:45 a.m. (Extended time: 7:30–11:00 a.m.)
  - No PE for fifth grade. Fifth grade may leave PE uniforms at home.

Wednesday, November 4

- *"B" Day/Special Schedule*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *ERB Testing:*
  - 8:00–10:45 a.m. (Extended time: 7:30–11:00 a.m.)

- No PE for fifth grade. Fifth grade may leave PE uniforms at home.

Thursday, November 5

- *"A" Day/Special Schedule*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *ERB Testing:*
  - 8:00–10:45 a.m. (Extended time: 7:30–11:00 a.m.)
  - Fifth grade **will** have PE today before testing. They will finish ERB testing at 11:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m. as a result.
- *MS Chapel:* 10:45–11:10 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary

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Friday, November 6

- *"B" Day*
- *Spirit Wear:* St. Francis Spirit shirt and jeans/uniform bottoms
- *Moms in Prayer:* 8:30 a.m. in St. Clare Chapel on Piney Point Campus

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Monday, November 9

- *"A" Day*
- ***Dress Uniform***
- *Makeup Picture Day:* Retakes in the Hogan Board Room; fifth-grade students who need to retake their pictures should come to school in dress uniform
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *MS Chapel:* 9:50–10:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary

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Tuesday, November 10

- *"B" Day/Special Schedule*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *Smart Families Presentations:* In the Fine Arts Center; students only
  - 9:40–10:25 a.m.: Seventh and eighth grades
  - 10:30–11:15 a.m.: Fifth and sixth grades

Wednesday, November 11

- *"A" Day*
- *Regular Uniform/Festival Free Dress Day for Fifth Grade*
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 12

- *"B" Day*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *MS Chapel:* 9:50–10:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary

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Friday, November 13

- *"A" Day/Special Schedule*
- *Spirit Wear:* St. Francis Spirit shirt and jeans/uniform bottoms
- *Preview of MS Musical:* 1:40–2:40 p.m.; students only
- *Opening Night for* Disney's Alice in Wonderland Jr.*:* 7:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center

Upper School

Midterm Exam Schedule Now Available

Midterm exams will be held Friday, December 11, through Friday, December 18. **View the schedule here.** Please review the schedule to note the start and end times for exams.

Students only need to be on campus for the duration of their exams. All students must stay in the exam room for a minimum of two hours, but are free to leave at that time if they are done with the exam. So, if a student has an exam in the morning, they should arrive at the normal time; most students will be done with their exam by 10:30, at which point they can leave campus. Any student who has multiple exams in a day must remain on campus, and lunch will be provided.

Please note two significant changes to the midterm/review schedule for this year:

- Thursday, December 10, will be a reading day. All students are required to attend school from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Students will have freedom that morning to choose which classes they visit to receive additional review help. Or they can

choose to find a quiet space to review on their own or with peers. Students will be allowed to leave campus at 11:30 a.m. to return home and rest before their first exam the next day. Students may also stay for a full day of review. Lunch will be provided for those who stay.
- Friday, December 18, has no scheduled exams. Students will only test on this day if they have a conflict in their testing schedule and need to move a test.

Over the next couple of weeks, teachers and advisors will work with students on their individual exam schedule, as well as on the logistics for exam week and the review sessions prior to exams.

Earn Service Hours! Join the Family Ministry Volunteer Team

Be the light, and be a role model! Remember the older youth who made church fun for you? Now it's your turn. St. Francis Episcopal Church's Family Ministry is looking for youth volunteers to help our littlest members grow in faith, fun, and friendship.

- It's a chance to put your faith into action and serve alongside your friends. You can also earn certified volunteer hours toward high school graduation or National Honor Society.
- Scheduling is flexible: serve once a month or every week.
- **Fill out the interest form here.**
- Questions? **Contact Khristina Ballard, Family Ministry Coordinator, via email** or at 713.829.2531.

Parent Gathering on November 17: 'Digital Life and Talking Across the Silence'

Phones, group chats, closed bedroom doors: this is the season teenagers tend to go quiet, and technology often makes the comparison pressure louder. Join us for our fourth gathering—“Digital Life and Talking Across the Silence”—on Tuesday, November 17, at 7:45–8:30 a.m. in the Black Box on Couper Campus. We’ll talk honestly about monitoring and trust online; practice asking the kind of open questions that invite a teenager back into conversation; and reflect on Elijah, who found God not in the wind or the fire but in a still, small voice.

All parents welcome. Come as you are, coffee in hand.

Handbook Highlights

Each week, we shine a quick spotlight on a helpful tip from our school handbook to help keep our community informed and aligned with shared expectations. These little reminders are just an easy way to support our students and families as we navigate the year together.

LUNCH AND DINING PROCEDURES

Our lunch service is designed to provide a healthy meal each day, complete with options for our students. Upper School lunch is served from approximately 11:35 to 12:35 p.m. in the Student Life Center Dining Hall. The lunch service operates under the following guidelines:

- Students are permitted to bring lunch from home, with the exception of fast food.
- Lunch deliveries or outside food are prohibited.
- All eating and drinking will be confined to designated areas, unless otherwise noted as part of a scheduled event.

Students should expect consequences if they do not display good behavior.

'PSAT, Now What?' Virtual College Counseling Program Is November 4

SFE College Counseling, in partnership with Academic Independence, will host a virtual information session on SAT and ACT test prep planning for sophomore and junior families on Wednesday, November 4, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. With PSAT scores releasing on Thursday, November 5, we'll discuss how to interpret scores, what they mean for college planning, and SAT and ACT test preparation opportunities available to only SFE students.

- **Join the webinar here** when it begins on November 4 at 6:30 p.m.
- Questions? Please **contact Claudia Mejia**.

College Representative Visits at SFE

College representative visits are open to students in grades 10–12, who can **sign up for them through Scoir**.

- If a student has questions about registering for a visit, please **contact Jeff Hawthorne**, College Counselor.
- **View the list of currently scheduled college representative visits (as of October 15).**

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 2

- *Red Day*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *Student College Rep Visits:* University of South Florida, University of Calgary, and High Point University; student registration required

- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3

- *White Day/Special Schedule*
- *Dress Uniform*
- *Upper School (US) All Saints' Eucharist Chapel:* 9:35–10:25 a.m. in Crum Gym

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Wednesday, November 4

- *Blue Day*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- *Virtual College Counseling SAT and ACT Test Prep Planning Meeting:* 6:30–7:30 p.m.; **join the Zoom meeting when it's time**

Thursday, November 5

- *Gray Day*
- *Grades 9 and 10:* Regular Uniform
- *Grades 11 and 12:* Festival Free Dress Day

Friday, November 6

- *Red Day*
- *SFE Spirit Dress:* Wear a St. Francis Spirit shirt with full-length jeans or uniform bottoms
- *Moms in Prayer:* 8:30 a.m. in St. Clare Chapel on Piney Point Campus
- *US Chapel:* 9:40–10:10 a.m. in Crum Gym
- *US Admissions Open House:* 6:00–8:00 p.m. on Couper Campus

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Monday, November 9

- *White Day*
- *Regular Uniform:* Dress uniform for students who missed Picture Day in September

- *Makeup Picture Day:* Picture retakes for students who missed Picture Day
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 10

- *Blue Day*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *US Chapel:* 9:40–10:10 a.m. in Crum Gym

Wednesday, November 11

- *Gray Day*
- *Regular Uniform*
- *SFE Spirit Store Open on Piney Point Campus:* 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 12

- *Red Day*
- *Regular Uniform*

Friday, November 13

- *White Day*
- *SFE Spirit Dress:* Wear a St. Francis Spirit shirt with full-length jeans or uniform bottoms
- *US Chapel:* 9:40–10:10 a.m. in Crum Gym
- *Student College Rep Visits:* Texas Tech University; student registration required

Church

Join Us Each Sunday for Worship and Family-Focused Events

Please join us in the Parish Hall for coffee, light bites, and fellowship after the 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. services. We look forward to meeting you soon!

SUNDAYS AT ST. FRANCIS

- **8:00 a.m. Worship in St. Clare Chapel:** Holy Eucharist Rite I
- **Infant and Toddler Care:** Babies six weeks and up can enjoy playtime, music, and Bible stories in the nursery of the Parish Hall building. Open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- **9:00 a.m. in the Church**
  - *Worship:* Contemporary music/Holy Eucharist Rite II
  - *Let it Shine! Children's Bible Breakout:* All children Pre-K to middle school are invited.
- **10:00–11:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall**
  - *Lighthouse: Expressions in Art*
  - *Children's Art/Crafts*
- **11:00 a.m. Worship in the Church:** Holy Eucharist Rite II with Traditional Music and Choir
- **5:00 p.m. Worship in St. Clare Chapel**

Today at 3:00 p.m.: Attend the All Saints' Day Concert

Join us in the church today—Sunday, November 1—at 3:00 p.m. for "In Memoriam: Sacred Music of Gabriel Fauré," an All Saints' Day concert featuring the Assisi Choir with strings, organ, and piano.

Led by Director of Music Dr. Matthew Dion, the choir will perform Fauré's *Requiem in D Minor, Op. 48*, along with additional sacred works by the composer. Striking in its simplicity, the *Requiem* portrays death as a gentle and serene part of our existence. In a world that is both fragile and complex, this music invites us to reflect on faith, hope, and love, as well as on our longing for everlasting peace.

The concert honors the Feast of All Saints and remembers those who have died in the past year, offering comfort to those who mourn them.

November 8: Baptism Class

If you or your child would like to be baptized, please plan to attend a Baptism class on Sunday, November 8. Note: This class is a prerequisite for Baptism at St. Francis. **Contact Sally Jo Flores** for details.

November 15–December 6: Purchase Christmas Cards to Support LOTS

Support this year's Confirmation Class as it continues a longtime tradition: selling Christmas cards to benefit individuals served by Lord of the Streets (LOTS).

- Cards are $5 each and make thoughtful gifts for teachers, coworkers, family members, and friends.
- The class will sell cards before and after the 9:00 a.m. service and before the 11:00 a.m. service on November 15 and 29 and December 6.
- Cards are also available anytime in the church office or by **contacting Cindy Huteson**.

Thank you for supporting the Confirmation Class and this special Christmas outreach project!

St. Francis Sports Association: Register Now for Basketball

Register by Sunday, November 15, for the St. Francis Sports Association (SFSA) basketball season. SFSA is open to boys in pre-K (age 4) through twelfth grade and girls from pre-K (age 4) through eighth grade.

- **Click here to register for the basketball season.**
- Please **email Liz Ward**, SFSA Registrar, if you have any questions or concerns.

Join Mother Emily for Meditation Mondays

On the first Monday of each month throughout the school year, from 8:55 to 9:10 a.m., parents and staff members are warmly invited to St. Clare Chapel for 15 minutes of guided Christian meditation led by Mother Emily Hylden. Fill up with peace to carry you through the week.

Fall Women's Bible Study Meets Wednesdays

You're invited to join other women for the Women's Bible Study and Fellowship. The fall study meets on Wednesdays at 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. It began September 2 and runs through November 18. We are studying the Old Testament books of Daniel and Esther using this study guide: *Life Lessons From Daniel & Esther: Faith Under Pressure* by Max Lucado. Order your book. For more information, **contact Allison Devlin**.

Men's Fellowship and Study Meets Thursdays

The Thursday Men's Fellowship and Study meets from 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. in the Church Conference Room (CH115) for breakfast and discussions. The group is currently studying the Gospel of Matthew. Each week is a standalone discussion, so join us to make new friends and reacquaint with old ones. For more information, **contact Jason Martinez**.

Join Us for Wonderful Wednesdays

Need a jolt of inspiration? Join us for Wonderful Wednesdays, a midweek worship and fellowship that kicks off with Holy Eucharist at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Clare Chapel. Our clergy staff will rotate to celebrate, preach, and offer a short 30-minute program on "Exploring Worship" after dinner. Enjoy a simple meal from various local restaurant sources ($15 per person).

If you would like to be included for dinner, please **RSVP to Chrissy Kana** to ensure we order enough food.

Wednesday Community Nights at St. Francis

We want to foster the opportunity for sacrament, good news, fellowship, and learning. The emphasis is on the experience of community. If your group meets weekly, consider meeting on Wednesdays at the church. Enjoy church and dinner before or after your group meeting. **Let Chrissy Kana know** if you would like to reserve space, and be sure to RSVP for dinner.

12-Step Recovery Program at St. Francis

If you, a family member, or a friend have a problem with alcohol, help is available. Please come join one of the 12-step recovery programs being offered at St. Francis on Sundays at 5:00 p.m.

- Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held weekly in Room CH207, upstairs in the Parish Hall building. For more information, please **email Joanie McLeod**.
- The Al-Anon Family Group meets weekly in Room CH211, upstairs in the Parish Hall.

All meeting rooms are ADA-accessible. Park in the north parking lot and come in through the Parish Hall doors.

Outreach Ministries: Opportunities to Serve

For additional information about any of the following outreach opportunities, **visit the St. Francis Episcopal Church Volunteer Opportunities webpage** or contact the church's Director of Outreach **Heather Burkhart**.

- **Memorial Assistance Ministries** has an urgent plea from the pantry team for **baby wipes, tissues, size 6 diapers, dish soap,** and **spray cleaner**.
- **Lord of the Streets** needs weekday volunteers between 8:00 a.m. and noon to serve our homeless neighbors. Over 300 hot meals are served daily. St. Francis also collects men’s clothes on an ongoing basis—men’s shoes are always needed.

- The **Fair Haven Food Pantry** needs volunteers and donations of non-perishable food.

Healing Prayers and Anointings Available

Healing prayers and anointings are always available after Sunday Eucharist services, or you may schedule an appointment with a priest. For more information or to schedule an appointment, **email Sally Jo Flores** or call 832.325.2983.

Share Your Prayer Requests Online

Share your prayer requests with us using the "Request Prayer" link at the upper right of the **St. Francis Episcopal Church home page**.

Bible Studies at St. Francis

MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- Tuesdays at 7:00–8:00 a.m.
  - **Study:** 2 Corinthians
  - **Location:** La Madeleine (Except on second Tuesday of each month, when group meets in St. Francis Episcopal Church Parish Hall)
  - **Contact:** **Fr. David Price**
- Men's Fellowship Breakfast and Study: Second Tuesday of Each Month at 8:00–9:30 a.m.
  - **Study:** Teaching Discourses of Jesus in Matthew's Gospel
  - **Location:** St. Francis Episcopal Church Parish Hall
  - **Contact:** **Sally Jo Flores**
- Thursday Men's Fellowship and Study: Every Thursday at 7:00–8:00 a.m.
  - **Study:** Gospel of Matthew
  - **Location:** St. Francis Episcopal Church Conference Room (CH115)
  - **Contact:** **Jason Martinez**

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

- Wednesdays at 9:30–11:00 a.m.
  - **Study:** *Life Lessons From Daniel & Esther: Faith Under Pressure* by Max Lucado
  - **Location:** St. Francis Episcopal Church Parish Hall
  - **Contact:** **Allison Devlin**

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

- Sundays at 10:00–11:00 a.m.

- **Study:** Isaiah
- **Location:** Hogan Board Room
- **Contact:** George Hippard

How to Watch Sunday Service Via Livestream

To join St. Francis Episcopal Church's 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Sunday service via livestream, open an Internet browser on your computer, laptop, or phone. Type in the St. Francis website—**sfch.org**. Click "Watch Online" at the upper right of the home page to go to the church's YouTube channel. Either the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service will be available.