

# WOLF WATCH

— WEEKLY E-NEWS —

## News for the Week of April 4

### All School

#### **From the Head of School**

Happy Easter, St. Francis! Easter is such a special time in our home, and I hope you enjoyed memorable traditions with your families, as well.

Thank you to everyone who tuned in to our St. Francis Connections event last week. Barbie Atkinson of Catalyst Counseling, Laurie Curtis, and Ted Lakoski offered great insights into what all of us are going through one year into the pandemic, as well as helpful tips on coping and staying connected as a family. If you weren't able to join us, you can catch the recording [here](#) and download the presentation [here](#).

Our next St. Francis Connections event on **Wednesday, May 5**, will feature cybersafety tips from Crime Stoppers—please save the date and watch for details, which are coming soon.

We will also be hosting a virtual Meet and Greet with Marc Addington, our new head of Upper School, on **Thursday, April 15**. Please join us in giving him a warm St. Francis welcome (see invitation details below).

I know that many families are starting to look toward the 2021–22 school year. Much of our daily work remains focused on delivering our mission, but we are also working on many aspects of next school year. Over the next several weeks, we will continue to provide updates on the remainder of this year, as well as previews of next school year. Stay tuned!

With appreciation,

Steve Lovejoy, MEd  
Head of School

## Meet Our New Head of Upper School

Join us as we welcome our new head of Upper School, Marc Addington. You will have a chance to hear directly from Mr. Addington, as well as to ask him questions, at our upcoming **Meet and Greet via Zoom on Thursday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m.**

- **Join the Zoom Meeting:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88171646980?pwd=ckEwQ29YdXEyMkZLRVN3MjRRTmZ0QT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 881 7164 6980
- **Passcode:** 828033



## And the Winners Are...

Congratulations to the winners of the **St. Francis Fund Class Participation Challenge!** Click [here](#) to see final results. On behalf of all our students who directly

benefit from the St. Francis Fund, we want to extend a huge THANK YOU to our community for rallying around this challenge! Stay tuned for details about sock delivery.

### **PRE-PRIMARY**

- **Mrs. Meriwether's Homeroom (M/W/F): 100%**
- **Mrs. Britton's Homeroom: 100%**

### **PRIMARY I**

- **Mrs. Ferguson's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Capasso's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Burrow's Homeroom: 100%**

### **PRIMARY II**

- **Mrs. Wiener's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Staller's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Hughes's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mr. Dominick's Homeroom: 100%**

### **KINDERGARTEN**

- **Mrs. Masini's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Johnston's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Warren's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Armintor's Homeroom: 100%**

### **FIRST GRADE**

- **Mrs. Wiley-Jules's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Shindler's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Ms. Hardee's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Ms. DuByne's Homeroom: 100%**

### **SECOND GRADE**

- **Mrs. Pena's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Quine's Homeroom: 100%**

### **THIRD GRADE**

- **Ms. Womack's Homeroom: 100%**
- **Mrs. Joyce's Homeroom: 100%**

## **FOURTH GRADE**

- **Mrs. Nelson's Homeroom: 100%**

## **FIFTH GRADE**

- **Mrs. Fuller-Willis's Cohort: 100%**

## **SIXTH GRADE**

- **Mr. Morris's Cohort: 100%**

## **SEVENTH GRADE**

- **Ms. Dawson's Cohort: 100%**

## **EIGHTH GRADE**

- **Ms. Bennett's Cohort: 77%**
- **Dr. Schultz's Cohort: 77%**

## **UPPER SCHOOL**

- **Ninth Grade: 87%**

## **Important Info About This Week's Hearing and Vision Screenings**

State-certified screeners will be conducting the remainder of the screenings for vision and hearing at St. Francis this **Tuesday, April 6, and Wednesday, April 7.**

- These screenings will involve students in grades 1, 3, 5, and 7, all of whom will be screened for vision, hearing, and The Texas Risk Assessment for Type 2 Diabetes in Children.
- Primary School students, kindergarteners, ninth graders, and students new to St. Francis this year were screened earlier in the year.
- If your child will be screened, please make sure he or she attends school on the screening dates.
- [Click here for additional important details.](#)

## The Spirit Store Has New Spring T-Shirts

Check out the recently added SPRING items!

- **Link:** [https://stores.inksoft.com/STFRANCIS\\_HTX\\_SPIRITSTORE/shop/home](https://stores.inksoft.com/STFRANCIS_HTX_SPIRITSTORE/shop/home)
- **Password:** wolves

## Primary School

### From the Primary School Drama Teacher

Magic Rocks is one of the most beloved games we play in Primary School Drama. It is an imagination game that invites students to explore and embody anything they can think of: objects, characters, and concepts. This game is an example of structured play that allows students to freely interpret their internal and external world.

- In **Pre-Primary**, Magic Rocks is a game of discovery in which students can use their bodies, voices, and imaginations in new ways—pushing the boundaries of their developing motor and verbal skills. They follow the leader as teachers and peers act things out. When exploring a book about birds, one student may flap their arms and make high-pitched sounds. Soon the entire class is creating birds with their flapping arms and squawking vocals.
- In **Primary I**, Magic Rocks builds on the foundation established in Pre-Primary by becoming more student driven. Students use this game to explore classroom projects. They are empowered to become machines, bugs, and bones while exploring their five senses as an ensemble.
- In **Primary II**, in addition to all of the above, students use Magic Rocks as a tool for character exploration and playwriting. Primary II students create full live productions. Magic Rocks helps classes with brainstorming and plot construction. It is also a fantastic reward for accomplishing our class goals.

At every Primary School grade level, Magic Rocks aligns with our Reggio-inspired approach, allowing students to learn through play. It is a game we play to break out of our shells, test our boundaries, and explore our world using our bodies, voices, and imaginations.

Ask your young performer to demonstrate Magic Rocks for you at home. All the world's a stage! Have fun performing in it.

All the best,

Brittney Bush  
Primary School Drama Teacher

## **You're Invited to Lunch on the Lawn!**

We are excited to invite you to come to the Primary School and **enjoy an outdoor lunch with your child the week of April 26–30.**

- We will be limiting the number of visitors per child to two people, and they must be family members from your home.
- If we have rainy weather, we will relocate to the cottages.
- Check the "Mark Your Calendar" section below to see which day your child's class will have lunch visits.
- As our Lunch on the Lawn visits get closer, we will follow up with more details.

## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **Monday, April 5**

- *Schedule Change:* Regular school day
- 

### **Tuesday, April 13**

- *Primary II Play (Wiener):* 12:15 p.m. via Zoom
- 

### **Friday, April 16**

- *Primary II Plays via Zoom*
    - **Dominick:** 10:45 a.m.
    - **Owens:** 11:45 a.m.
    - **Hughes:** 12:15 p.m.
- 

### **Monday, April 19**

- *Primary II Play (Staller):* 9:45 a.m. via Zoom
- 

### **Wednesday, April 21**

- *Schedule Change:* Regular school day

---

## Monday, April 26

- *Primary School Lunch on the Lawn: 11:00 a.m.*
    - **Zuniga:** Pre-Primary playground next to Admissions
    - **Burrow:** Primary I playground between Pre-Primary and Primary I
    - **Wiener:** Primary School playground
- 

## Tuesday, April 27

- *Primary School Lunch on the Lawn: 11:00 a.m.*
    - **Meriwether 2-Day:** Pre-Primary playground next to Admissions
    - **Capasso:** Primary I playground between Pre-Primary and Primary I
    - **Dominick:** Primary School playground
- 

## Wednesday, April 28

- *Primary School Lunch on the Lawn: 11:00 a.m.*
    - **Meriwether 3-Day:** Pre-Primary playground next to Admissions
    - **Scriber:** Primary I playground between Pre-Primary and Primary I
    - **Owens:** Primary School playground
- 

## Thursday, April 29

- *Primary School Lunch on the Lawn: 11:00 a.m.*
    - **Oteiza:** Pre-Primary playground next to Admissions
    - **Ferguson:** Primary I playground between Pre-Primary and Primary I
    - **Staller:** Primary School playground
- 

## Friday, April 30

- *Primary School Lunch on the Lawn: 11:00 a.m.*
    - **Britton:** Pre-Primary playground next to Admissions
    - **Hughes:** Primary School playground
  - *Last Day to Turn in Eye Care for Kids Coins*
-

## Tuesday, May 4

- *Primary II Bible Presentation*
- 

## Wednesday, May 12

- *Primary School Splash Day*
    - **Wiener**
    - **Ferguson**
    - **Hughes**
    - **Burrow**
- 

## Thursday, May 13

- *Primary School Splash Day*
    - **Meriwether 2-Day**
    - **Zuniga**
    - **Oteiza**
    - **Dominick**
    - **Staller**
- 

## Friday, May 14

- *Primary School Splash Day*
    - **Scriber**
    - **Capasso**
    - **Meriwether 3-Day**
    - **Britton**
    - **Owens**
- 

## Monday, May 24

- *Primary I End-of-Year Party*
  - *Pre-Primary End-of-Year Party*
    - **Britton**
    - **Meriwether 3-Day**
-

## Tuesday, May 25

- *Pre-Primary End-of-Year Party*
    - **Oteiza**
    - **Zuniga**
    - **Meriwether 2-Day**
- 

## Friday, May 28

- *Primary II End-of-Year Party*
- *Last Day of School*
- *Early Dismissal: 11:00 a.m.*

## Lower School

### **From the Division Head**

I hope you had a very blessed Easter weekend!

As I have been popping into classrooms and observing the amazing things happening, I have also enjoyed rereading all of the teachers' Belief Statements that hang in each room.

Years ago, we started a reflective practice that we revisit each year during fall in-service. **We started this process by examining what we do (the curriculum); how we do it (instructional practices); and most importantly, WHY we do what we do (the neuroscience and social-emotional aspects behind teaching and learning).**

This was an amazing exercise, as it forced us all to dig deep and ponder what we believe about best practices in teaching and learning. Following this discussion, each teacher took some quiet time to write a Belief Statement regarding his or her role as an educator. We framed them, and they hang in each classroom, alongside the school's Mission Statement, for everyone to see. **This exercise keeps us focused on the real reason we come to work every day—to provide the most effective learning environment for every child.**

Every time I read one and observe how much our teachers love what they do, it warms my heart. I thought you should read them as well so you, too, can understand how dedicated and committed our faculty is to teaching your precious children. Click [here](#) for a listing of everyone's Belief Statements. I know you'll enjoy reading (at least!) your child's teachers' thoughts.

We are honored that you have entrusted us with your child's education, and we take that responsibility very seriously.

Have a wonderful week, and we all look forward to seeing you at lunches and learning celebrations in the upcoming weeks.

Blessings,

Carol Christ, MEd  
Head of Lower School

## **Lunch in the Courtyard**

We are planning some days for you to come to campus and enjoy **lunch** and the nice weather in the courtyard with your child after the Easter break.

- We will have to limit the number of visitors per child to two people, and they must be family members from your home.
- If we have rainy weather, we will relocate to the Outdoor Learning Center (OLC).
- Chef J.R. will have a few lunch options from which you may choose.
- Click [here](#) to see the schedule of when your child's class will have lunch visits. We will follow up with more details closer to these dates.

## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **Monday, April 5**

- *Schedule Change: Regular school day*
- 

### **Tuesday, April 6**

- *Hearing and Vision Screening for First and Third Grades*
- 

### **Tuesday, April 6–Friday, April 9**

- *Fourth-Grade Lunch in the Courtyard: 11:20–11:45 a.m.*
  - **Tuesday:** Springmann
  - **Wednesday:** Nelson
  - **Thursday:** Rossy
  - **Friday:** Nguyen

---

**Wednesday, April 7**

- *Hearing and Vision Screening for First and Third Grades*

---

**Friday, April 9**

- *Fourth-Grade Instrument Group "PULSE" Rehearsal: 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Crum Library*

---

**Monday, April 12–Friday, April 16**

- *Kindergarten Lunch in the Courtyard: 10:50–11:15 a.m.*
  - **Monday:** Johnston
  - **Tuesday:** Masini
  - **Wednesday:** Senchuk
  - **Thursday:** Warren
  - **Friday:** Armintor
- *Second-Grade Lunch in the Courtyard: 11:30–11:55 a.m.*
  - **Monday:** McCormick
  - **Tuesday:** Pena
  - **Wednesday:** Wagner
  - **Thursday:** Quine

---

**Friday, April 16**

- *Fourth-Grade Instrument Group "PULSE" Rehearsal: 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Crum Library*

---

**Monday, April 19–Thursday, April 22**

- *Third-Grade Lunch in the Courtyard: 11:00–11:25 a.m.*
  - **Monday:** Joyce
  - **Tuesday:** Gonzales
  - **Wednesday:** Gartner
  - **Thursday:** Womack
- *First-Grade Lunch in the Courtyard: 11:40 a.m.–12:05 p.m.*

- **Monday:** Shindler
  - **Tuesday:** Hardee
  - **Wednesday:** DuByne
  - **Thursday:** Jules
- 

### **Friday, April 23**

- *Fourth-Grade Instrument Group "PULSE" Rehearsal: 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Crum Library*
- 

### **Tuesday, April 27**

- *First-Grade Learning Celebration: In the Wheatcroft Parish Hall*
    - **Hardee:** 10:15–10:45 a.m.
    - **Jules:** 12:45–1:15 p.m.
- 

### **Thursday, April 29**

- *First-Grade Learning Celebration: In the Wheatcroft Parish Hall*
    - **DuByne:** 10:15–10:45 a.m.
    - **Shindler:** 12:45–1:15 p.m.
- 

### **Friday, April 30**

- *Fourth-Grade Instrument Group "PULSE" Rehearsal: 7:15–7:45 a.m. in the Crum Library*

## **Middle School**

### **From the Division Head**

Happy Easter! I hope this finds you well and enjoying this holiday weekend.

The month of school since our shifts in practice has been very enjoyable. Seeing students moving throughout the building and hearing the sounds of conversation and laughter in the hallways again has provided me with a jolt of energy in this closing trimester of the year.

We are also fortunate to have had the opportunity to participate in Go Texan Day last week. For a few hours in the middle of the day (though not at the cost of any scheduled class time), our students had a chance to enjoy fellowship and fun through games, great food, and even a mechanical bull! If you'd like to see a few images from the event, please [click here](#) to access an album of photos and videos from our afternoon together.

Best wishes for a relaxing afternoon!

Chris Bertha, MA  
Head of Middle School

### **Meet Our New Head of Upper School**

Join us as we welcome our new head of Upper School, Marc Addington. You will have a chance to hear directly from Mr. Addington, as well as to ask him questions, at our upcoming **Meet and Greet via Zoom on Thursday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m.**

- **Join the Zoom Meeting:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88171646980?pwd=ckEwQ29YdXEyMkZLRVN3MjRRTmZ0QT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 881 7164 6980
- **Passcode:** 828033

### **Eighth-Grade Tie Ceremony: Bring Ties to Advisor By Friday**

We are looking forward to the upcoming tie ceremony for our eighth graders on **Wednesday, April 14!** We are asking all eighth graders to bring in their ties and give them to their advisor by this **Friday, April 9.** Students received their ties in the fall prior to having their school photos taken.

### **Protocol for Early Dismissals**

If you need to pick up your child from school early, we ask that you please do the following:

- Enter the information on the Parent Portal (not SchoolPass).
- E-mail your child's advisor and [Leigh Williams](#), MS office manager, to notify them of the plan.
- Come to the front desk of the school to sign your child out (and in, if your child is returning to school). Students are not allowed to walk out to cars unsupervised and will not be sent out to meet you.

## Mark Your Calendar

### Monday, April 5

- *"E" Day*
- 

### Tuesday, April 6

- *"A" Day*
  - *Hearing and Vision Screening for Fifth and Seventh Grades*
- 

### Wednesday, April 7

- *"B" Day*
  - *Hearing and Vision Screening for Fifth and Seventh Grades*
- 

### Thursday, April 8

- *"C" Day*
- 

### Friday, April 9

- *"D" Day*
- 

### Monday, April 12

- *"E" Day*
- 

### Tuesday, April 13

- *"A" Day*
-

## Wednesday, April 14

- "B" Day
  - Eighth-Grade Tie Ceremony
- 

## Thursday, April 15

- "C" Day
  - Meet and Greet With Incoming Head of Upper School: 6:30 p.m. via Zoom
    - **Join the Zoom Meeting:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88171646980?pwd=ckEwQ29YdXEyMkZLRVN3MjRRTmZ0QT09>
    - **Meeting ID:** 881 7164 6980
    - **Passcode:** 828033
- 

## Friday, April 16

- "D" Day

## Upper School

### **From the Division Head**

One of the most exciting parts of growing a new division is the opportunity to develop meaningful student-life experiences. There is a lot of planning taking place behind the scenes right now for end-of-the-year events this school year—and for next year, too.

**In a meeting with the junior class recently, students shared some of their ideas and interests with faculty and staff.** These included homecoming and prom, senior privileges and, of course, graduation! There will be information forthcoming about Upper School plans for the 2021–22 school year, but I wanted to let you know about a special chapel event for all Upper School students and junior class parents.

**On Friday, May 21, at 10:20 a.m., all Upper School students will attend the Rising Senior Chapel at St. Francis Episcopal Church, on the Piney Point Campus.** Junior class parents should mark their calendars and watch for an invitation to this event. This service marks the transition of our juniors to their senior year. We're excited about this new tradition!

In the coming weeks, juniors and their parents will receive information about scheduling a time to meet with our Balfour representatives. While optional, **students may choose**

**to order a class ring.** I was pleasantly surprised to see how much has changed in class ring and jewelry options, even since my own children were in high school.

There will be a **Ring Ceremony Chapel in August** when we return to school. Students will have their class ring or another special item blessed at that time. As you discuss this with your student, please know that ordering a ring is not required. You may prefer to have a pin, necklace, watch, ring of choice, or special family keepsake for the ring ceremony in the fall.

Sophomores (Class of 2023) will have the opportunity to order class rings in September. Their ring ceremony will be held in December.

It's an exciting moment as we look ahead to what will become time-honored St. Francis traditions. I continue to be impressed with the creative and thoughtful consideration our students have as they plan and build their legacy. Thank you for your continued support of the Upper School.

Warmly,

Amy Whitley, MA  
Assistant Head of School/Interim Head of Upper School

### **Meet Our New Head of Upper School**

Join us as we welcome our new head of Upper School, Marc Addington. You will have a chance to hear directly from Mr. Addington, as well as to ask him questions, at our upcoming **Meet and Greet via Zoom on Thursday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m.**

- **Join the Zoom Meeting:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88171646980?pwd=ckEwQ29YdXEyMkZLRVN3MjRRTmZ0QT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 881 7164 6980
- **Passcode:** 828033

### **Upcoming Required Chapel Dress Uniform Days**

Please note that students must wear dress uniforms on the following days:

- **Wednesday, April 7:** Student Life Center Groundbreaking (**Grade 11 only**)
- **Friday, May 21:** Rising Senior Chapel

Please review these guidelines for dress uniforms:

## **GIRLS**

- Navy blazer or gray cardigan
- Powder blue or white oxford shirt (short- or long-sleeved)
- Khaki or navy skirt
- Khaki pants
- Socks
- Comfortable dress shoes

## **BOYS**

- Navy blazer
- White or powder blue oxford shirt with button-down collar (short- or long-sleeved)
- Khaki pants
- White crew socks
- Comfortable dress shoes

## **Reminder About Uniform Guidelines**

Uniform checks are done during morning meetings each week. We appreciate your support of the school's uniform policies. Please refer to the *Upper School Handbook* (pages 41–43) for uniform guidelines.

- All uniform items must be purchased from DENNIS Uniform.
- Fridays are Spirit Wear days. Students may wear a St. Francis Spirit Wear shirt with uniform bottoms.
- Dress Code violations are noted in the student's discipline record. Repeated incidents may result in a parent being called to bring the appropriate uniform item to school.

## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **Monday, April 5**

- *Schedule Change*: Regular school day
  - *Odd Day*
  - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- 

### **Tuesday, April 6**

- *Even Day*

- *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- 

### **Wednesday, April 7**

- *Student Life Center Groundbreaking (Grade 11 Only): Dress Uniform Required*
  - *Odd Day*
  - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- 

### **Thursday, April 8**

- *Even Day*
  - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- 

### **Friday, April 9**

- *Odd Day*
  - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- 

### **Monday, April 12**

- *Even Day*
  - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- 

### **Tuesday, April 13**

- *Odd Day*
  - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- 

### **Wednesday, April 14**

- *Even Day*
- *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*

---

## Thursday, April 15

- *Spring Narratives Released Online*
- *Odd Day*
- *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- *Meet and Greet With Incoming Head of Upper School: 6:30 p.m. via Zoom*
  - **Join the Zoom Meeting:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88171646980?pwd=ckEwQ29YdXEyMkZLRVN3MjRRTmZ0QT09>
  - **Meeting ID:** 881 7164 6980
  - **Passcode:** 828033

---

## Friday, April 16

- *Even Day*
- *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*

## Church

### **Holy Week Schedule**

During Holy Week, St. Francis will be hosting a number of services and activities.

- Only a limited number of participants can be safely seated according to social-distancing guidelines.
- Please sign up for each service you wish to attend via [this web page](#). Choose your preferred date, which will take you to a SignUpGenius page where you can register to attend Holy Week services.

### **Join Ms. Devlin for In-Person Let It Shine!**

Join Ms. Devlin for in-person Let It Shine! Children's Bible Breakout: All children from Pre-K to middle school are invited to participate. During Lent, children will study the events surrounding the death and resurrection of Jesus, as well as symbols of our new life in Christ. Learn alongside your child about the significance of Lent, the Last Supper, the rooster crowing, the Stations of the Cross, forgiveness, and Christ's victory over death with the empty tomb.

## Middle School Bible Study: A Note From Allison Devlin

I want to invite your children to experience the struggles and triumphs of Christian as he travels along the narrow path to the Celestial City, and discover how the characters and places in John Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress* apply to your child's spiritual journey.

- **Who:** Middle School students
- **What:** Bible study and fellowship
- **When:** Every Sunday, after the 9:00 a.m. Family Worship Service
- **Where:** CE212 (GLOW room, upstairs above the church office; we will stay socially distant with masks on)
- **Why:** Often disguised as something that would help him, evil accompanies Christian on his journey to the Celestial City. As you walk with him, you'll begin to identify today's many religious pitfalls. These are presented by men such as Pliable, who turns back at the Slough of Despond, and Ignorance, who believes he's a true follower of Christ when he's only trusting in himself. Each character represented in this allegory is intentionally and profoundly accurate in its depiction of what we see all around us, and unfortunately, what we too often see in ourselves. But while Christian is injured and nearly killed, he eventually prevails. So can you!

This study is awesome, and I hope you decide that your child will participate. Please [let me know](#) so I can order them a book. If your child would prefer to attend virtually, there will be a Zoom option available.

## A Note for High School Students and Parents From Allison Devlin

We have a new activity for our high school-aged teens at St. Francis Episcopal Church!

- **Who:** High school teens
- **What:** Dinner and Bible study
- **When:** Every other Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. (next meeting is April 7)
- **Where:** Houston Racquet Club
- **Why:** Come experience the struggles and triumphs of Christian as he travels along the narrow path to the Celestial City, and discover how the characters and places in John Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress* apply to your spiritual journey. Often disguised as something that would help him, evil accompanies Christian on his journey to the Celestial City. As you walk with him, you'll begin to identify today's many religious pitfalls. These are presented by men such as Pliable, who turns back at the Slough of Despond, and Ignorance, who believes he's a true follower of Christ when he is only trusting in himself. Each character represented in this allegory is intentionally and profoundly accurate in its depiction of what we see all around us, and unfortunately, what we too often see in ourselves. But while Christian is injured and nearly killed, he eventually prevails. So can you!

This study is awesome, and I hope you decide to participate. [Let me know](#) so I can order you a book.

## **MAM Volunteer Opportunities**

Memorial Assistance Ministries (MAM) needs volunteers for its ReSale Store and Warehouse at 1625 Blalock Road and is hoping for help from families and friends of our congregation and school.

- MAM is following all safety protocols—masks and sanitizer are provided; social distancing is practiced; and the shift size is limited to six people.
- If your child or group needs service hours, this is a great opportunity to fulfill the requirement.
- Please check the dates available in this [SignUpGenius link](#) and sign up to help—either on your own or in a group.
- For additional information, contact our church liaison, Andrea Eubanks, [via e-mail](#) or 713.859.1448.

## **In-Person Worship**

The Holy Eucharist is offered at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. We also offer an evening Eucharist on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing all those who are ready to return. For those who are not comfortable returning to in-person worship, we will continue to livestream our worship service on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Access the livestream via our church [website](#), [YouTube channel](#), or [Facebook page](#). Instructions for livestreaming are included at the bottom of this section.

- In-person worship guidelines are available [here](#).
- Only a limited number of participants can be safely seated according to social-distancing guidelines. Please sign up for each service you wish to attend. To do so, go to the St. Francis Episcopal Church [website](#) and choose your preferred date. This will take you to a SignUpGenius page, where you can register to attend Holy Week services.

## **Join Fr. Wismer for *The Goodnight Show* on Tuesdays**

Join Fr. Wismer for *The Goodnight Show* on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 7:15 p.m. on the [St. Francis Facebook page](#). Preschoolers, younger school children, and the young at heart can enjoy music, stories, and prayers . . . and you can send in requests! It is the perfect way to relax and get ready for bed.

[Click here to watch on the St. Francis Episcopal Facebook page.](#)

## **Moms, Join Us for Bible Study**

The **SFES Moms' Bible Study** is on **Fridays at 11:00 a.m.**, led by **Allison Devlin**, director of family ministry. Please contact Allison via [e-mail](#) or at 713.882.0725 for more meeting details.

## **Moms in Prayer**

Join other mothers for a time of prayer together on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Please contact Allison Devlin via [e-mail](#) or at 713.882.0725 for more meeting details.

## **Share Your Prayer Requests Online**

Share your prayer requests with us using the "Prayer Requests" link on the [St. Francis Episcopal Church home page](#). Please feel free to submit prayer requests for yourself or for someone you know. All prayer requests are confidential and will not be added to the spoken prayer list, but will be prayed for by our staff and Pastoral Care Council over two months.

## **Upcoming Events at St. Francis**

St. Francis is hosting the following events regularly via Zoom. To join an event listed below, please click the provided link or copy and paste it into your web browser's address bar. Then, enter the meeting ID and passcode when prompted.

### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES**

- Wednesdays at 9:00–10:00 a.m.
  - **Study:** Current study on the prophet Isaiah
  - **Contact:** [Louise Richman](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/651248716>
  - *Passcode required to join; e-mail Louise Richman to participate.*
- Fridays at 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
  - **Study:** *Mom Set Free* by Jeannie Cunnion
  - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
  - *E-mail Allison Devlin for meeting location*

### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

- Tuesdays at 7:00–8:00 a.m.
  - **Contact:** [Lew Arend](#)
- The Men of St. Francis (TMOSF)
  - Monthly on the second Tuesday at 8:00–9:30 a.m. (Next meeting is April 13)

- **Study:** The Gospel of Mark
- **Contact:** [The Rev. Stuart Bates](#)
- Thursdays at 6:30–8:00 a.m.
  - **Contact:** [The Rev. Stuart Bates](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86423240761>
  - **Meeting ID:** 864 2324 0761
  - **Passcode:** sW9R20

### **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

- Sundays at 10:00–11:00 a.m.
  - **Contact:** [George Hippard](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81068388948>
  - **Meeting ID:** 810 6838 8948
  - **Passcode:** 767200

### **CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS—BIBLE STUDIES AND MEETINGS**

- Sundays at 10:15–10:45 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** GLOW
  - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4394746544>
  - **Meeting ID:** 716 183 992
  - **Passcode:** 476823
- Tuesdays at 7:00–7:15 p.m.
  - **Meeting:** The Goodnight Show
  - **Contact:** [Fr. Bob Wismer](#)
  - [Facebook Livestream](#)
- Wednesdays at 6:30–8:00 p.m. (Every other Wednesday; next meeting is April 7)
  - **Meeting:** Teen Dinner and Bible Study
  - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
  - **Location:** Houston Racquet Club

### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AND PRAYER**

- Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.
  - **Meeting:** Christian Meditation
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298>
  - **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
  - **Passcode:** 05741
- Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
  - **Meeting:** Contemplative Café
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74432391081>
  - **Meeting ID:** 744 3239 1081

- **Passcode:** 043097
- Thursdays at 8:00 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** Christian Meditation
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298>
  - **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
  - **Passcode:** 057417
- Thursdays at 8:15–8:45 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** Prayer Session (We read Scripture and go through a prayer cycle of praise, confession, thanksgiving, and intercession.)
  - **Contact:** [Heather Burkhart](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79725936159>
  - **Meeting ID:** 797 2593 6159
  - **Passcode:** 678123
- Thursdays after carpool drop-off
  - **Meeting:** Prayer Session
  - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
  - *E-mail Allison Devlin to get the meeting location*
- Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** Contemplative Café
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74432391081>
  - **Meeting ID:** 744 3239 1081
  - **Passcode:** 043097

## How to Watch Sunday Service Via Livestream

If you would like to join St. Francis Episcopal Church's 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Sunday service via livestream, here's how to watch:

1. Open an Internet browser on your computer, laptop, or phone. Type in the St. Francis website—[sfch.org](http://sfch.org).
2. Click on the "Watch Live Stream" button. Choose to watch from Facebook or YouTube.
3. Prelude music will begin on the livestream 10 minutes before the service to allow time for your connection and your inspiration. If you miss the live video, a recording of the service will also be available on [St. Francis's YouTube channel](#).