

WOLF WATCH

— WEEKLY E-NEWS —

News for the Week of January 29

All School

Join Us for the Woolrich Luncheon on March 7

You are invited to attend the eighteenth-annual Woolrich Luncheon on Tuesday, March 7, at 11:30 a.m. in the Fine Arts Center on Piney Point Campus. Invitations were sent last week, and we are excited to welcome you to campus for this beloved tradition. You can purchase tickets or donate [here](#).

About the Sarah W. Woolrich Fund for Faculty: Inspired teaching is often what makes the difference between a child who merely attends school and one who truly enjoys learning. It is in this spirit that St. Francis Episcopal School established the Sarah W. Woolrich Fund for Faculty. Named for our school's remarkable first principal, the fund is designed to enhance the educational experience of our students by first expanding the horizons of our faculty.

Save the Date: Parents' Night Out Is February 10

Our next Parents' Night Out event will be held on Friday, February 10, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Students will engage in fun games, crafts, Nerf wars, a pizza party, cooking projects, and more. [Email Margaret Newsom](#) to reserve a spot.

Summer on the Point Registration Opens February 21

Summer is just around the corner, and we have planned a summer packed with fun, adventure, and creativity. Some new highlights will include Live Action Angry Birds, Cupcake Wars, CSI Detectives, Storm the Castle, Habitats for Cats, and more. Familiar favorites such as Primary School discovery camps, JumpStart classes, basketball, and baseball will return for more fun.

Registration opens on Tuesday, February 21, at 10:00 a.m. for students in Lower, Middle, and Upper School. Registration for students in Primary School opens on Wednesday, February 22, at noon. (We have split the registration start dates to avoid overloading the online registration system. Registration will be unavailable from 8:00 a.m. to noon on February 22 so that we may update the system to include Primary School camps.)

Explore and Extend Enrichment Classes: Some Spaces Still Available

A few of our enrichment classes still have openings in Lower School. [Email Margaret Newsom](#) to enroll.

- Mondays
 - **Roller Coaster Discovery (Grades 2–5):** 4:00–5:00 p.m.
 - **DIY Art (Grades 3–6):** 4:00–5:00 p.m.
- Tuesdays
 - **Tae Kwon Do (Grades K–4):** 3:45–4:30 p.m.
- Wednesdays
 - **Tumbling (Grades K–4):** 3:30–4:30 p.m.
- Fridays
 - **Putting the “A” Back in STEAM (Grades 1–4):** 4:00–5:00 p.m.

Announcing the 2023–24 SFPO Executive Committee

We are pleased to announce the 2023–24 St. Francis Parents Organization (SFPO) Executive Committee! Congratulations to the following members, who were nominated, have accepted their position, and have been approved by the Head of School. We look forward to their service!

- President: **Rita Pace**
- President-Elect: **Alison Plumhoff**
- Treasurer: **Shelby Stratmann**
- Treasurer-Elect: **Brianna Cook**
- Communications: **Katie Blades**
- Community-Building: **Kaylen Meserve**
- Friends of Fine Arts: **Melissa Reeves**
- Booster Club: **Colleen Dunlap**
- Booster Club–Elect: **Charity Todd**
- Special Events: **Barbara Steen**
- Teacher Appreciation: **Alicyn Gawryliuk**

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Friends of Fine Arts: Next Meeting Is February 7

Please join Friends of Fine Arts for their next meeting on Tuesday, February 7, at 8:30 a.m. in the 9000 Westheimer Administration Building. Art is for ALL!

Online Re-enrollment Opens Wednesday

We want you to come back to the pack! Save the date for online re-enrollment, which opens this Wednesday, February 1. Check your email in the coming days for details and specific instructions on how to re-enroll.

Join Us Thursday for the SFPO General Meeting

Catch up with the St. Francis Parents Organization (SFPO) on Thursday, February 2, at 8:30 a.m. in the Hogan Board Room. Open to all parents, this meeting is an opportunity to hear updates from the SFPO committee chairs and learn how to get involved with the SFPO.

Upper School Dance Show Is February 17

Join us for our Upper School Dance Show on Friday, February 17, in the upstairs studio of the Student Life Center. There are two different times to choose from: 6:30 p.m. and/or 8:00 p.m., with a small reception in between. Please [click here to RSVP](#). (Seating is limited, so we appreciate your help in this!)

Primary School

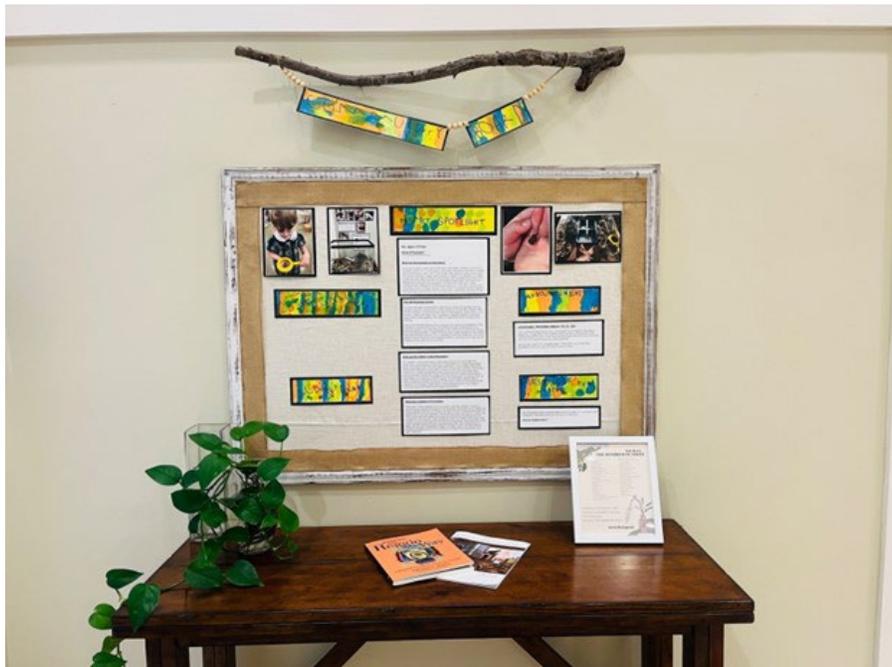
A Note About Our New Parent Group

Our newly formed group, Reggio Parents, has been a vision of Dr. Wynn's for some time now. We are excited for you all to learn about our work and how you can get more involved in your child's educational experience in our Primary School.

The mission of our group is to strengthen the Reggio-inspired school philosophy by expanding it into parent/classroom involvement and school/community interactions. The Reggio philosophy views parents as a child's first teachers—we look forward to empowering our parent community with information about the Reggio philosophy and with classroom-participation opportunities. Both will serve to strengthen the parent/teacher/school connection and partnership.

When you visit our Primary School, you observe confident, capable, and curious children navigating spaces created just for them. I know that when I first walked through the Primary School, I felt a warm and “magical” sense of the space. These feelings we experience in the school are actually a result of very intentional practices. We invite you to learn more about these practices with our upcoming events and informative offerings!

This month, we would like to introduce you to the newest element of our Primary School—our Community Board! Situated in our Primary School lobby area, our Community Board will feature a monthly Project Spotlight, community- and school-event information, and other Reggio-specific items. Please be sure to stop by and check it out. We would love to hear your feedback!



Next month, we will be offering our first Lunch & Learn. Please join us on Wednesday, February 15, from noon to 1:00 p.m. as Maggy Britton and Janene Owens share details on the Reggio project approach and how you can use it to enhance your child’s learning. We will be offering light bites and beverages. An invitation is forthcoming. Please **[RSVP to Jennifer Rasa](#)** by Friday, February 10.

Be on the lookout for more to come from our Reggio group, including our monthly newsletter, community events, and ways you can get involved in your child’s classroom experience. If you have any questions or feedback, please feel free to contact our Reggio Parent Liaison, **[Alicyn Gawryliuk](#)**.

Grandparents and Grandfriends Days: RSVPs and Volunteers Needed
Primary School Grandparents and Grandfriends Days are coming soon!

- **February 9:** Primary II at 9:00 a.m.
- **February 10:** Primary I at 9:00 a.m. and Pre-Primary at 10:00 a.m.

Please **help us gather RSVPs** by sharing [this RSVP link](#) with grandparents and grandfriends, or by registering for them if needed.

Volunteers needed! If you would like to help welcome grandparents and grandfriends to campus and assist with check-in, [please sign up here](#).

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, January 30

- *Open Library:* 3:15 p.m.
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Tuesday, January 31

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; Primary II parents may attend
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Wednesday, February 1

- *Chapel:* 9:30 a.m.; Primary I parents may attend
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Monday, February 6

- *Open Library:* 3:15 p.m.
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Tuesday, February 7

- *No Chapel*
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Wednesday, February 8

- *No Chapel*

Thursday, February 9

- *Grandparents Day for Primary II*

Friday, February 10

- *Grandparents Day for Primary I and Pre-Primary*

Monday, February 20

- *No School*

Tuesday, February 21

- *Chapel: 9:30 a.m.; Primary II parents may attend*

Wednesday, February 22

- *Chapel: 9:30 a.m.; Primary I parents may attend*

Friday, February 24

- *Darla McNay Rodeo Day: Students may dress in Western wear (no guns or spurs, please)*

Lower School

From the Division Head

It was great seeing you in the building last Wednesday for our Parent-Teacher Conference Day! The time spent with your child's teacher is beneficial as we work to

meet students where they are and support student engagement, risk-taking, and independence in class.

As you receive your re-enrollment contract this coming week, I hope memories of Lower School experiences like Chapel, Christmas concerts, Grandparents and Grandfriends Day, Lower School Night at an Upper School basketball game, and more will help you confidently make the decision to re-enroll your child in the Lower School here at St. Francis Episcopal School. We know you have a choice in the school you select for your child's education, and we value this opportunity to partner with your family in developing your Lower School child's academic, social, and spiritual sides.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as the Head of Lower School, and if you have any questions that I can help with as we undergo re-enrollment season, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Kindly,

Clifton Walker, MEd
Head of Lower School

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Monday, January 30

- *Lower School Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - Please be advised that there are limited parking spots in front of the school.

Wednesday, February 1

- *Lower School Late-Start Day*: Classes begin at 10:00 a.m.

- *100th Day*: Kindergarten celebration; student-only event
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Thursday, February 2

- *Lower School Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - Please be advised that there are limited parking spots in front of the school.
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Monday, February 6

- *Lower School Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
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Thursday, February 9

- *Lower School Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
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Monday, February 13

- *Lower School Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - Please be advised that there are limited parking spots in front of the school.
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Tuesday, February 14

- *Lower School Valentine's Day Parties*
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Wednesday, February 15

- *Art à la Carte Field Trip for Grade 2: Visit to The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston; 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.*
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Thursday, February 16

- *Lower School Class Photos*
- *Lower School Chapel for Grades K–4*
 - 8:20 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - Please be advised that there are limited parking spots in front of the school.

Middle School

From the Division Head

Where are we going in the Middle School?

I truly believe that students ought to, as often as possible, engage in activities that closely resemble the work of experts in the field they are studying.

In sports, that looks like Middle School basketball players competing in basketball games, scrimmages, and drills. NBA players do not spend a bunch of time taking multiple choice tests about the optimal foot position and ball rotation for free-throw shooting. Instead, they practice shooting free throws.

Taylor Swift doesn't prepare for a concert by taking Cornell Notes about rhythm, cadence, volume, and pitch.

Scientists conduct research, formulate hypotheses, design and run experiments, analyze the data, and reach conclusions. That's why our science students extract DNA from strawberries, melt Starbursts, and build sound cannons.

Professional writers read. They read a lot. They also write, obviously. You know where this is going. The book clubs in our English classes give students the opportunity to read and discuss books of their choice and to identify the rhetorical moves of both professional writers and their peers.

I walked into a Spanish class recently where students had built websites to market their Shark Tank business ideas. In another Spanish class, students had written their own dialogues. Immediately after performing their scripts, they received feedback in Spanish

on their pronunciation, grammar, and syntax. They were doing what native speakers do: they spoke the language in order to communicate a message to an audience.

If you want to know why students write and read so much in their history classes, then now you know why. Historians don't just lecture about important dead people and the dates that mattered to them. I love that our history students are building medieval castles in seventh grade and trying to identify the authorial intent and cultural context of firsthand accounts from the Civil War.

What if my child doesn't have plans to be a history professor, UN interpreter, or freelance writer?

Our mission as a school states: *In the Anglican tradition, St. Francis Episcopal School challenges and motivates students in an academically and spiritually stimulating environment to become imaginative, critical thinkers for others.*

Even if your child chooses a career path that neither you nor we could imagine, our goal is to challenge and motivate them to be imaginative, critical thinkers for others.

That's where we are going, and I am encouraged by our progress toward that goal every single day!

Warmly,

Byron R. Williams, EdD
Head of Middle School

Late-Start Wednesday Is February 1

Parents, please remember that our fourth Late-Start Day is this Wednesday, February 1. Classes will begin at 10:00 a.m. on this day.

Middle School Spring Sports Update

We are excited for the Middle School spring sports seasons to begin tomorrow. Please see below for some general information regarding practice locations, timing, carpool, and coach contact information.

All rosters have been added to Veracross. As a reminder, the last date to make a sport-change request is this Tuesday, January 31. Sport-specific details should have already been received via email by parents of the students who signed up for a particular sport. We will begin the MS athletics period with a brief meeting in Piney Point Gym for all MS students in grades 6–8 before moving on to spring sport practices and activities.

ATHLETICS/MSPE GENERAL INFORMATION

Sport	Practice Time	Practice/Class Location	Carpool Time*	Carpool Location
MSPE Exempt	3:10 p.m. Dismissal	Off Campus	3:10–3:20 p.m.	Green Awning
Golf	3:10 p.m. Dismissal	Off Campus	3:10–3:20 p.m.	Green Awning
MSPE	3:15–4:00 p.m.	Piney Point Campus	4:05 p.m.	Piney Point Campus—Dining Hall
Track & Field	3:15–4:00 p.m.	Piney Point Campus—Grass Field	4:20 p.m.	Piney Point Campus—Dining Hall
Baseball	3:15–4:25 p.m.	Piney Point Campus—Baseball Field	4:30 p.m.	Piney Point Campus—Dining Hall
Softball	3:15–4:35 p.m.	Piney Point Campus—Don Hicks Field	4:40 p.m.	Piney Point Campus—Dining Hall
Girls Lacrosse	3:25–4:40 p.m.	Couper Turf Field	4:45 p.m.	Couper Campus—Crum Gym
Tennis	3:30–4:30 p.m.	Memorial Park Tennis Center	4:30 p.m. at Memorial Park OR 4:50–5:00 p.m. at Piney Point Campus	Memorial Park OR Piney Point Campus—Dining Hall

* Please do not arrive before your designated carpool time.

MS ATHLETICS CONTACT INFORMATION

Sport/Activity	Primary Contact	Email Address
MSPE	Jamie Platt	<u>JPlatt@StFrancisHouston.org</u>
Coed Golf	Ted Lakoski	<u>TLakoski@StFrancisHouston.org</u>
Coed Track & Field	Jeff Garner Sr.	<u>JGarner@StFrancisHouston.org</u>
Baseball	Mike August	<u>MAugust@StFrancisHouston.org</u>
Softball	Don Hicks	<u>DHicks@StFrancisHouston.org</u>
Girls Lacrosse	Jamie Platt	<u>JPlatt@StFrancisHouston.org</u>
Coed Tennis	Meleney Moore	<u>MMoore@StFrancisHouston.org</u>
General Athletics Questions	T. Riley	<u>TRiley@StFrancisHouston.org</u>

Yearbook Ads Now Available for Purchase

Eighth-grade parents, you are invited to purchase an ad in the 2022–23 edition of *The Howler*, St. Francis's yearbook. Yearbook ads are a great way to commemorate your children's experiences at St. Francis and celebrate their accomplishments and contributions to special teams or clubs.

PAYMENT AND PROCESS

- The price of a half-page ad is \$250.
- To reserve your space, fill out [**this form**](#) by Friday, February 17.
- Submit payment via check written to St. Francis Episcopal School; label the memo as "Yearbook Ad."
- Please drop off checks to Rose Ann Gregory at the front office of Piney Point Campus. Payment is due no later than Friday, February 17, at 4:00 p.m.
- Parents will supply the photos and copy/text for the ad; students on the yearbook team have designed a template for the ads.
- Once you complete the Google Doc, more information will follow about uploading text and photos, which are due by Friday, March 3.
- Parents will receive a proof of the ad to review and make any final changes.

YEARBOOK AD GUIDELINES

- St. Francis reserves the right to edit ads.
- St. Francis reserves the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos, or copyright-protected imagery or photos.
- In keeping with the spirit of St. Francis, we ask that no hunting or fishing photos with deceased and/or captured game or weapons be used.
- All ads must be purchased, and all photos and text must be submitted by their respective deadlines.

IMPORTANT DUE DATES

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If you have any questions, please [email **Monica Gutierrez**](mailto:monica.gutierrez@stfrancis.org), yearbook advisor.

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Eighth Graders: White-Shirt Day Is March 1

Eighth-grade parents, this is the time of year when we begin the traditional events that mark the recognition of our eighth-grade class and their accomplishments at St. Francis Middle School.

On **Wednesday, March 1**, eighth-grade students will participate in the filming of a portion of their Eighth-Grade Video, as well as take their class portrait. We ask that you make every effort to have your students here at school by 8:30 a.m. (Note: This is a Late-Start Day, so we are asking your students to arrive before school starts to get this filmed.) Students are allowed to be out of uniform on this day and are asked to wear the following clothing:

- Boys: White button-down shirt
- Girls: White blouse or nice white top (school-appropriate)
- All Students: Blue jeans with no holes or rips

Students may wear any school-appropriate shoes for this day. Boots are absolutely okay!

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, January 30

- *Dress Uniform*
 - *Middle School Chapel:* 9:50 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
 - *Sixth-Grade Bible Study:* 12:45 p.m. in Mrs. Flores's room (boys' Bible study) and Mrs. Gutierrez's room (girls' Bible study); both rooms are right off of Crum Library
 - *First Day of Spring Sports*
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Tuesday, January 31

- *Regular Uniform*
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Wednesday, February 1

- *Late-Start Day:* Classes begin at 10:00 a.m.
 - *Regular Uniform*
 - *Final Makeup Day for ERBs:* 7:45–9:50 a.m.
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Thursday, February 2

- *Middle School Chapel:* 9:50 a.m. in the St. Francis Episcopal Church Sanctuary
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Friday, February 3

- *SFES Spirit Dress:* Wear SFES Spirit shirts with jeans or uniform bottoms
- *Eighth-Grade Bible Study:* 12:15 p.m. in Mrs. Flores's room (boys' Bible study) and Mrs. Gutierrez's room (girls' Bible study); both rooms are right off of Crum Library

Upper School

From the Division Head

One of the great advantages of our new Student Life Center has been a brand-new kitchen. It is a beautiful space and better accoutered than the kitchen at any other school I have either attended or worked for. Students and teachers alike have enjoyed not only the food, but also the space, where you can hear laughter and conversation.

For me, the most important education my children received was often outside the classroom. It was learning to interact with others and, most especially, to have a profound sense of gratitude. This week, our students wrote letters to our kitchen staff to thank them for setting up the cafeteria and providing such wonderful food.



As a reminder, our menu is available via the “Touch of Sage” application (just make sure that you reference the Couper Campus and not Piney Point).

Warmly,

Marc Addington, MA
Head of Upper School

US Grandparents and Grandfriends Day Is February 9

We are excited to welcome grandparents and grandfriends to our new Student Life Center on Thursday, February 9, at 11:45 a.m. for lunch with their grandchild(ren).

Please help us gather RSVPs by sharing [this RSVP link](#) with grandparents and grandfriends or by registering for them, if needed.

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PAYMENT AND PROCESS

- The price of a full-page ad is \$400.
- To reserve your space, fill out [this form](#) by Friday, February 17.
- Submit payment via check written to St. Francis Episcopal School; label the memo as "Yearbook Ad."
- Please drop off checks to Lydia Urbanek on Couper Campus. Payment is due no later than Friday, February 17, at 4:00 p.m.
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Thank you, and if you have any questions, please [email Monica Gutierrez](#), yearbook advisor.

Upper School Athletics Update

Spring sports will begin shortly for all teams. Our baseball team is already underway with practices. Please see below for some important information.

All students should have already completed the spring sport selection form. If not, they should complete it today. Students should only sign up for a sport if they are able to fully commit to the team, which includes attending practices and competitions. Commitment to a team is a serious decision, and students will need to honor these commitments if they select a sport to play.

BASEBALL

- **Head Coach:** **Mike August**
- **Team Details:** TAPPS Varsity team

SOFTBALL

- **Head Coach:** **Don Hicks**
- **Start:** Week of February 6
- **Team Details:** Upper School independent team

TRACK & FIELD

- **Head Coach:** **Marion Tolon**
- **Start:** February 6
- **Team Details:** TAPPS Varsity team for those who qualify, and a JV team

TENNIS

- **Head Coach:** **James Alleyn**
- **Start:** Week of February 6
- **Team Details:** US Team, Varsity TBD
- **Notes:** Practices will be held in the morning before school. Students will be responsible for transportation to practice. The school will provide transportation from practice to Couper Campus. Players must qualify for competition. There is no guarantee of playing time in US Tennis.

GOLF

- **Head Coach:** **Suraju Shittabey**
- **Start:** Week of February 6
- **Team Details:** TAPPS Varsity Team for those who qualify, and a JV team for those who qualify for competition
- **Notes:** Practices will be held off campus. Players must qualify for competition. There is no guarantee of playing time in US Golf.

GIRLS LACROSSE

- **Head Coach:** [Jamie Platt](#)
- **Team Details:** Introductory season. One to two meetings per week for interested players. This can be a secondary sport for interested players.
- **Start Date:** Week of February 6

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- *"A" Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
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Tuesday, January 31

- *"B" Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
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Wednesday, February 1

- *Late-Start Day:* Classes begin at 10:00 a.m.
 - *"A" Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
 - *Upper School Chapel:* 10:00–10:30 a.m. in Crum Gym
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Thursday, February 2

- *"B" Day*
- *Regular Uniform*

Friday, February 3

- *“A” Day*
 - *St. Francis Spirit Dress: Wear a St. Francis Spirit shirt with full-length jeans or uniform bottoms*
 - *Upper School Chapel: 10:00–10:30 a.m. in Crum Gym*
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Monday, February 6

- *“B” Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
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Tuesday, February 7

- *“A” Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
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Wednesday, February 8

- *“B” Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
 - *Upper School Chapel: 10:00–10:30 a.m. in Crum Gym*
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Thursday, February 9

- *“A” Day*
 - *Regular Uniform*
 - *Grandparents and Grandfriends Day: 11:45 a.m.–1:00 p.m. in Crum Gym*
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Friday, February 10

- *“B” Day*

- *St. Francis Spirit Dress:* Wear a St. Francis Spirit shirt with full-length jeans or uniform bottoms
 - *Upper School Chapel:* 10:00–10:30 a.m. in Crum Gym
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Saturday, April 22

- *Save the Date for Prom:* Juniors, seniors, and their dates; more details will be provided closer to the event

Church

Weekly Worship Schedule

The Holy Eucharist is offered at 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.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.

New Mom's Bible Study Starts February 8

In the midst of folding laundry, coordinating carpool schedules, and breaking up fights, many parents get lost. Feeling pressure to do everything “right” and raise “good” children, it’s easy to lose sight of our ultimate purpose as parents. In this book, Paul David Tripp presents us with a big-picture view of God’s plan for us as parents.

Come join other moms after carpool for learning and fellowship! This book has changed the way I parent, allowing me to truly receive God’s grace and pass it along to my family. I hope you will join me. I look forward to meeting you!

—Allison Devlin, Director of Family Ministry

- **WHAT:** *Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family* by Paul David Tripp
- **WHEN:** Wednesdays at 8:15 a.m., **beginning February 8**
- **WHERE:** Richmond House on the Couper Campus
- **FOR MORE INFORMATION:** To sign up or for more information, contact Allison Devlin via [email](#) or at 713.882.0725.

Scout Sunday Is February 12

Calling all Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Scout leaders! You are invited to the 9:00 a.m. Family Worship Service on February 12 to celebrate your accomplishments. All Eagle Scouts and Girl Scout Gold Award recipients will receive special recognition and prayer. Please RSVP to Cindy Huteson via [email](#) so we have your names in advance.

The Men of St. Francis: Next Meeting Is February 14

The Men of St. Francis continue their study on the Life of Abraham, with discussion led by Fr. Bates. The group meets at 8:00 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. **The next meeting will be held February 14.** The group meets at The Corner Bakery at 9311 Katy Freeway (in the Echo Lane Shopping Center), and breakfast is provided. Please [email Sally Jo Flores](#) to be added to the email distribution for future notices.

Forgiveness Workshop Is April 1

Father Bates will lead a **forgiveness workshop on Saturday, April 1, from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Hogan Board Room.** This will be a time to consider whom you need to forgive, and to work through a process of learning to release others and yourself.

“Everyone says forgiveness is a lovely idea, until they have something to forgive.” — C.S. Lewis

Light snacks will be served. Please RSVP to Sally Jo Flores [via e-mail](#) or call the church office at 713.782.1270 if you plan to attend.

Pre-K to High School: Sunday Morning Programs

LET IT SHINE! CHILDREN'S BIBLE LESSON

Join Mrs. Devlin each Sunday for Let It Shine! Children's Bible Breakout. All children from Pre-K to middle school are invited to participate in Let It Shine! during the adult sermon.

LIGHTHOUSE ARTS & CRAFTS

Each Sunday after the Family Worship Service, children are invited to meet in the school's People Place (across from the Dining Hall) to create an art project based on that day's Let It Shine! lesson.

G.L.O.W. FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS—VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We need our middle school students to serve as volunteers each week at Lighthouse Arts & Crafts after the Family Worship Service. Come help younger children make the craft project of the week! Contact [Allison Devlin](#) to sign up and receive service hours.

HIGH SCHOOL REVIVAL

Come read and discuss some intense Bible stories that aren't always talked about in

Sunday School. We will read the Bible “in context” and reflect on how God is sharing His Truth with us. Along with some riveting Bible passages, we will learn how to use Anglican prayer beads, practice Lectio Divina, and introduce Christian meditation. REVIVAL is led by Nichole Hilgert. For more information, contact Nichole via [email](#) or at 713.419.0517.

Outreach Ministries

HELP MEET MAM'S UPDATED SUPPLY NEEDS

Memorial Assistance Ministries has an urgent plea from the pantry team. Demand for pantry products has again peaked, and they are running very low on several items. Here is their latest list of needs:

- **Meals to Go**
 - Individually wrapped cheese/peanut butter crackers
 - Fruit strips
 - Trail mix
 - Vienna sausage
- **Hygiene Items**
 - Size 6 diapers
 - Baby wipes
 - Tissues
 - House cleaner
 - Deodorant for men and women
 - Lotion
 - Shaving cream

Many families continue to need help with the basics. Please keep the pantry in mind if any of your classes, youth groups, or other groups are looking for a project. For additional information, contact the church's Director of Outreach [Heather Burkhart](#).

FAIR HAVEN FOOD PANTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS/DONATIONS

The Fair Haven Food Pantry has been providing food to help people in the Spring Branch/Memorial area since 1975.

- **Food Collection Item for January: Canned chili**
- Now operating under a client-choice model, **the pantry needs friendly volunteers** to help clients shop for their families, restock shelves, and assist with registration. Feeding the needy is part of serving one another, and as we serve others, we are serving Christ.
- Thank you for not donating any glass containers or expired items.
- For additional information, email [Jessica Antel](#). To volunteer, [click here](#).

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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.

Wednesday Night Eucharist, Program, and Dinner

On Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., join Fr. David Price for Eucharist in St. Clare Chapel, followed by a program and dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Hogan Board Room.

- The cost of dinner is \$10 per person at the door.
- The current study is on Philip Yancey's book, *Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference?*
- Contact [Fr. Price](#) for more information.

Bible Studies at St. Francis

St. Francis is hosting the following Bible studies, either in-person, via Zoom, or both. To join a Zoom call, use the event link listed below. Regarding those Bible studies that are on holiday break, forward your contact information to the meeting leader to be informed when the next session begins or to get additional information as it becomes available.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- Wednesdays at 9:00–10:00 a.m. (**Resumes February 1**)
 - **Study:** TBD
 - **Contact:** [Louise Richman](#)

MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- Tuesdays at 7:00–8:00 a.m.
 - **Contact:** [Martin O'Malley](#)
 - **Location:**
 - La Madeleine (weekly, except for second Tuesday of the month)
 - The Corner Bakery (second Tuesday of each month)
- Second Tuesday of Each Month at 8:00–9:30 a.m. (**Next meeting is February 14.**)
 - **Meeting:** The Men of St. Francis Breakfast and Bible Study
 - **Study:** The Life of Abraham
 - **Location:** The Corner Bakery (9311 Katy Fwy.)

- Includes Breakfast
- Thursdays at 6:30–8:00 a.m.
 - Study: Romans
 - Contact: **The Rev. Stuart Bates**
 - Zoom Meeting Link: **<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84206856514>**
 - Meeting ID: 842 0685 6514
 - Passcode: Bi6Ga0

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

- Sundays at 10:00–11:00 a.m.
 - Study: Paul's Letter to the Romans
 - Location: Hogan Board Room
 - Contact: **George Hippard**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AND PRAYER

- Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.
 - Meeting: Christian Meditation
 - Contact: **Fr. David Price**
 - Location: The Bride's Room
 - Zoom Meeting Link: **<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298>**
 - Meeting ID: 203 726 298
 - Passcode: 05741 7
- Thursdays at 7:00 a.m.
 - Meeting: Christian Meditation
 - Contact: **Fr. David Price**
 - Location: The Bride's Room
 - Zoom Meeting Link: **<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298>**
 - Meeting ID: 203 726 298
 - Passcode: 057417
- Thursdays at 6:15–6:45 a.m.
 - Meeting: Prayer Session (We read Scripture and go through a prayer cycle of praise, confession, thanksgiving, and intercession.)
 - Contact: **Heather Burkhardt**
 - Zoom Meeting Link: **<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79725936159>**
 - Meeting ID: 797 2593 6159
 - Passcode: 678123
- Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
 - Meeting: Spiritual Enrichment
 - Contact: **Fr. David Price**
 - Location: The Bride's Room

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.
2. Click on the "Watch Live Stream Worship Services" button. Either the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service will be available. If you prefer to watch from Facebook or YouTube, click on the links to go to those streaming servers.

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](#).