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Dear Parents/Guardians,

August 15, 2022

It's time again to register for Faith Formation classes. Sessions will begin Wednesday, October 5th at 6:30p.m. We strongly encourage parents/ guardians to attend the parent meeting on Sunday September 25^{th} at 5:00 p.m. in Quaderer Hall. At our parent meeting we will be presenting a safety program, called kNOw, required by the Lansing of Diocese. Please see the enclosed letter for further information explaining the *kNOw program*.

Registration opportunities:

After Mass Sept, 17th & 18th (Parish Picnic: September 18th, following 10:00 a.m. Mass.) Parent Meeting: September 25th, 5:00 -6:00 p.m. Business Hours: T& TH from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed noon-1:00 p.m.).

Any child new to the Atrium needs a ¹/₂ hour orientation. If your child was in our Level I, Level II or Level III Atrium prior to this year they do not need orientation. Orientation dates are by appointment please call me to schedule an orientation time at 810-441-7793.

Tuition rates will remain \$30 per student; families with more than two children pay \$15 for each additional child, maximum \$90 per family. Any family that finds this fee inhibiting please contact the office, a payment plan can be devised or scholarship awarded. We look forward to working with your family this year. Please call if you have any question, 810-631-8306.

Sincerely,

Grace Guzowski, Director of Faith Formation

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

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Dear Parents,

This year we will again partnership with the Diocese of Lansing, to promote the program for the safety of our children. The **kNOw** Program is designed to equip children, parents/guardians, schools and parishes with the tools to "**kNOw**" how to identify, thwart, and report harmful behavior.

This program relies on the fundamental truth that each child is created and loved by God Himself and deserves to be safe and cared for. This is a *life skill* for our children. The **kNOw** Program delivers life lessons about safety, respect, and empowerment in an accessible and trustworthy way to both children and adults.

One important *key ingredient* of The **kNOw** Program that sets us apart from all the other programs <u>is the</u> <u>adult participation</u>; the key adults in children's lives. To keep our children safe and deter predators, we must educate adults in how to identify and respond to signs of abuse and reports of harm. Because of this, children and their parents/guardians will participate <u>together</u> in The kNOw Program. PLEASE ATTEND THE PROGRAM WITH YOUR CHILD. Please mark your calendars for this very import training, for your convenience two slots are available to choose from.

kNOw Protecting God's Children (presentation for parent/guardian and child): Lansing Dioceses necessitates families participate in this safety presentation (If you have attended the kNOw program in the past 2 years you do not need to attend but are welcome.)

SS. Charles & Helena	St. Francis Xavier
Sunday, September 25, 2022	Wednesday, September 22, 2021
12:30p.m 1:30 p.m.	5:00 p.m 6:00 p.m.

If you have questions, please call or email Grace Guzowski, Director of Faith Formation at 810-631-6305 or by email <u>dre.sfx@gmail.com</u>.

We remain committed to the protection our parish families through a quality safe environment program and are looking forward to your participation and support.

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Grace Guzowski

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