



## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Do you believe in the Son of Man? (John 9:35)

*Reflection taken from The Word Among Us:*

Like last Sunday's Gospel reading about the woman at the well, this story about the blind man contains four distinct elements: a person is touched by Jesus; the person accepts Jesus; the person witnesses about Jesus; and other people react to the person's witness. Both stories tell us that Jesus wants to enliven our faith. Although we can't touch Jesus physically, we can still experience his presence. Jesus is always reaching out to us. Each day, he is with us, urging us to look to him for help and inspiration.

The Lord is our shepherd; there is nothing we shall want,  
Ms. Danielle Gonzalez

**ACCREDITATION** - the visiting team will be recommending that St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy be accredited by AdvancEd. This is fantastic news and is a tribute to all involved in this family! A special thank you to the parents who were able to take time from their busy schedule to meet with the visiting team. I would also like to acknowledge the teachers who scored so well on the ELEOT (classroom observation scoring system used by AdvancEd). Excellent job! The final report and official letter of accreditation should be arriving late in the school year. When that has been received, the final report will be shared with the SFACA community (Parents, Board, etc.). Together, let us continue to "empower students to build their future through academics in a Christ-centered community in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi".

**SFA-PTA**

Thank you for organizing another fun filled night on Friday with BINGO night! All parents, please mark your calendars for the next event (Sunday Brunch) and planning session.

Wednesday, April 26th - 6:15 PM Planning Session

Sunday, April 30th - 2:00 PM Brunch

Important Reminders:

**RE-REGISTRATION:**

Paperwork was sent home for Re-registration. It is always best to take care of this as soon as possible to insure enrollment for next year. The re-registration fee is \$150 per child. After March 31, 2017, the fee becomes \$200 per child.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE:**

2017/2018 Application for Tuition Assistance open January 17, 2017. To apply go to [www.futuresineducation.org](http://www.futuresineducation.org), click on "SCHOLARSHIPS" and then click on "APPLY". Families who received awards last academic year must apply by March 31, 2017. New families must apply by April 21, 2017. ALL families are encouraged to apply for tuition assistance! If you need assistance applying, Sr. Marie Lenihan will work with you. Please contact Mrs. Aya, the Financial Secretary, to set up an appointment with Sr. Marie.

A Look at the Week:

**March 28th-30th** - NYS ELA Test for Grades 4, 6, and 8.

**Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>** - Spring Pictures

- Last day for families to Re-Registrar with registration fee of \$150 per student. The fee becomes \$200 per child after today.

Next Week:

**Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** - Banking Day

**Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>** - Angela Russell visits the classrooms for technology integration.