

"Saints are the simple, the humble who make room for God, who know how to weep for others and for their own errors, those who stay meek, who fight for justice, who are merciful toward all, who guard purity of heart,

who always work for peace and remain in joy, not in hate, and, even when suffering, respond to evil with

good."

Pope Francis

(FAITH FORMATION

- <u>"Saint for the Week"</u>: <u>Saint Alphonsus Rodriguez</u> recognized later in life his calling to religious life. Once he realized this, he applied for admission to the Jesuit order of priests in Segovia, Spain. However, given his poor educational background, he was refused because of his limited schooling. Undaunted, Alphonsus returned to Latin school, humbly bearing the ridicule of his adolescent classmates. Finally, at the age of 38 years old, the Jesuit provincial accepted him as a lay brother. He was sent to Montesione College on Majorca, where he served as doorkeeper for forty-five years. Even in this humble role, his spiritual wisdom was clearly evident to all he met. For this reason, he became the spiritual adviser to many students, faculty and visitors to the school.
- <u>Harvest Mass</u>: As a reminder, this Sunday, November 1 is our rescheduled 9:00am Harvest Mass. As this will be an outdoor Mass, please bring your own chairs. And for your reference, face mask coverings are required when processing to receive Holy Communion.
- **Prayer Partner Mass**: On Tuesday, November 3, the Prayer Partner group of 8A and Kindergarten A will gather in the St. Ursula Church for our weekly student

only (and accompanying faculty members). Please know that we will **<u>STREAM</u>** this Mass.

COOKING AHEAD

- **Honoring our Veterans**: As we prepare to honor the military members in our community, please send us the contact information if you have a family member, neighbor or friend who is an active, in-active or retired member of our United States Military (Army, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marines, National Guard or Navy). their information school Please send to our email account (susoffice@stursula.org). We ask that you include their name, address, email address, branch of service, years of military service, and any war or conflict in which they served. Each submitted Veteran name will receive a note of appreciation from our students.
- <u>**Crazy Quarantine Story:</u>** If you haven't already done so, please submit your "crazy quarantine story", please do so this weekend. Please click <u>**HERE**</u> to include your story.</u>
- <u>Winter Uniform</u>: Beginning on Tuesday, November 3, our students are expected to begin wearing their winter uniform attire.
- **Dressing for the Weather**: As a result of the cooler weather that will accompany the late fall and winter months, it is essential that students come to school dressed to be outdoors during our daily recess period. That said, coats, hats and gloves are an important part to arriving to school prepared for the day.



- <u>Hallow-Giving (rescheduled)</u>: We have rescheduled our Hallow-Giving costume showcase event for this Monday, November 2. Please refer to the following details about this day:
 - Our students are invited to wear Halloween attire in honor of this "faBOOlous" event. Please refer to our <u>HALLOW-GIVING COSTUME</u> <u>GUIDELINES</u> document which includes specific details about what is permissible to wear to school.
 - Although the weather is expected to be dry on Monday, it is certain to be rather chilly. And given that the students will be outdoors for an extended period of time, please make sure that the students bring warm outerwear to accompany their costume.
 - Please note that as part of our Hallow-Giving event, you and your family members (including grandparents!) are invited to drive through our costume showcase. Please refer to our <u>HALLOW-GIVING DRIVE</u> <u>THRU MAP</u> which will offer you information for your travel route.

- Although you may enter Manns Ave. through either the north or southbound direction of Harford Rd., you will only be able to exit Neifeld Ave. by turning right on Harford Rd.
- You will notice that the map also includes an assigned time for your family to enter the travel route.
- Safe travel along the roadways is essential. As such, please be attentive to keeping your eyes on the oncoming traffic as you enjoy our costume showcase even.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

- **<u>Restaurant Night at Conrad's</u>**: Please join us for a <u>**FUNDRAISER AT**</u> <u>**CONRAD'S**</u> any day next week from November 2 - November 5.
- **Fathers' Club Thank You**: It is with heartfelt gratitude that we extend our appreciation to the following Dad's who helped to install desk shields in our middle school classrooms: Wendell Willams, Lucas Szylow, Mike Schaub, Jason Schisler, Mike Mooney, Eric Ruby, Ryan Zimmerman and Don Kobrick (alumni dad). A special note of gratitude to Dave Mercdante for all of the time he spent in leading this project.
- **PHSA Class Basket Donations**": Each year St. Ursula School holds a Silent Auction in conjunction with the annual Harvest Festival. In an unconventional year we are hosting our Silent Auction completely online at the start of the holiday. A big part of the auction are our class baskets that are created around a theme with donations from the members in the homeroom. If you prefer you can make a cash donation and items and/or gift cards will be purchased for your child's classroom basket (the link is listed below in the Pay-It section). The *PHSA grade rep* for your grade will collect the items from you and organize the basket. If you have any questions please contact your grade representative. Please note that all donations are due by November 15.

REMINDERS

- <u>Afternoon Dismissal</u>: Two important reminders so as to keep our traffic flow moving each afternoon:
 - Please note that when you are stopped at the intersection of Neifeld Ave. and Harford Rd., the red flashing light serves as an indicator that you are lawfully permitted to turn when there is a safe break in the traffic flow. The crossing guards are not responsible for moving our school traffic. It is incumbent of the first vehicle at that intersection to make a safe turn when possible. Doing this will maintain flowing traffic throughout our dismissal procedure.

- Also, if you are turning right on Harford Rd. (southbound), please use the St. John's ramp to exit onto the road.
- <u>Student Photos</u>: Please note that if you are planning to purchase school photos, please send your order directly to Galeone.
- <u>**"Fall Back"**</u>: Just a reminder that daylight savings time ends at 2:00am on Sunday, November 1. Therefore, don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night. Enjoy the extra hour of sleep!
- <u>All Souls Day Prayers of Remembrance</u>: If you have not submitted a name for our list of deceased loved ones in which to remember in our prayers, and wish to do so, please complete this <u>FORM</u> by no later than 7:00am on Monday, November 2.
- **Drop-Off and Pick-Up Schedule**: As a reminder, the arrangement below details our arrival and dismissal schedule for the weeks of November 2 and November 9.
 - 7:40am and 2:40pm (SJ lot) Group 1: A-Dr
 - 7:50am and 2:50pm (SUS lot) Group 2: Du-La
 - 8:00am and 3:00pm (SJ lot) Group 3: Le-Sc
 - 8:10am and 3:10pm (SUS lot) Group 4: Se-Z

Please note that safety on the roadways is of paramount importance. Therefore, please drive slowly on Manns Ave. as you travel through our arrival and dismissal parking queue.



• **PHSA Class Basket Monetary Contribution:** If you would like to make a cash contribution to the Silent Auction class basket items, you may do so through this <u>LINK</u>.

