

<u>5-21-21</u>

"You must know that when you 'hail' Mary, she immediately greets you! If you greet her, she will answer you right away and converse with you!" St. Bernandine of Siena

FAITH FORMATION

- <u>Saint for the Week</u>: <u>Saint Bernardine of Siena</u>. As we continue our yearlong study of "Our Friends in High Places", this week our community celebrated the life of Saint Bernardine. The following offers a few highlights about her life:
 - Bernardine was born in Tuscany in 1380, the son of a regional governor.
 - Bernardine of Siena was such an effective and prolific preacher, the crowds who came to hear him speak would be moved to spontaneously exchange the sign of peace in mass reconciliation.
 - He would join a Franciscan monastery and in 1403 would be ordained a priest.
 - He began preaching in Milan, a city in which he was a complete stranger, and soon became known for his eloquence, insight, and the energy with which he spoke.
 - He began to travel throughout Italy, always on foot, and covered nearly the entire country during his lifetime. He would preach for hours at a time.
 - $\circ~$ He died in 1444 and his feast day is May 20.
 - Bernardine of Siena is recognized as the patron saint of public relations professionals and advertisers.
- <u>Weekly Mass</u>: This week's Mass will be held on Tuesday, May 25 at 10:15am and will include the following prayer partner groups: 4C and 1C. Although guests are not able to attend, please know that we welcome your attendance by joining us via our parish **FACEBOOK LIVE STREAMING** of the Mass.

- <u>Wisdom from our Mothers</u>: The Archdiocese of Baltimore is sponsoring a special webinar program on Thursday, May 27. Please select this link for an informational flyer: <u>WISDOM FROM OUR MOTHERS</u>.
- **<u>Prayer Service for our Fallen Heroes</u>**: On Friday, May 28 at 10:00am, we have arranged a special prayer service in honor of the military heroes who gave their life in honor of our country. This event will be held in the area surrounding our flag pole that faces Harford Road. Families and guests are invited to join the 10:00am prayer service event through the **ST. URSULA SCHOOL STREAMING SERVICE**.
- <u>Service Hours for Mass Volunteers</u>: Saint Ursula Parish is seeking assistance at the 11:00am outdoor masses during May and June (beginning this Sunday, May 23). Helpers will receive one service hour if they volunteer for one spot. If they come and stay for all 3 spots (set up, parking, clean up) they will receive two hours. Volunteers are asked to park at Evans Funeral home, cross at the light, and check in with either Katie Campbell, Tamara Dowd, or Colleen Hamilton. Children may not volunteer.

Assistance is needed with the following:

- Set-up: rolling out the altar, put up the tent, bring Communion carts outside, bring extra chairs outside.
- Parking lot attendant: assist with parking cars and when the lot is full, directing cars to overflow parking at Evans Funeral Home.
- Clean-up: return altar to Spiritual Center, take down tent, return all remaining items to Spiritual Center.

Any specific questions should be directed to Katie Campbell at <u>grysfx@comcast.net</u>. Please note that all volunteers must be Virtus certified.

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Field Day Details**: Throughout this year, Parkville High School has generously shared their campus spaces with our school. And looking ahead to our annual field day event, they are kindly welcoming us to use their playing fields and tennis courts on Wednesday, May 26. So, in preparation for this event, please take note of a number of important details:
 - All students are asked to wear athletic shorts, a t-shirt and sneakers as attire for the day.
 - As Wednesday will be quite sunny, students are asked to arrive to school with ample sunscreen. In addition, wearing a hat will minimize exposure to the sun.
 - As this is a full day of school, our typical drop-off & pick-up times remain in place.
 - The students will be eating lunch on the Parkville fields. Therefore, the students are asked to bring their packed lunches and a drink, along with a towel to sit on.
 - Water bottles will be provided and available during the event portion of the day.
 - \circ $\,$ Grades PreK to 8 are asked to bring in an old pillow case for the "Sack Race" event
 - $\circ~$ Grade 8 is asked to bring in a pair of work gloves for the "Tug-of-War" event.
 - \circ $\,$ An email with specific details for remote learners was sent home to their parents.

- <u>Outdoor Lunches</u>: Looking ahead to the warm weather of next week, we have planned outdoor lunch periods for all grade levels on both Monday, May 24 and Tuesday, May 25. The students are welcome to bring in a small towel to sit on during lunch.
- <u>St. Ursula Spring Band Concert</u>: We are excited to announce that our amazingly talented HUSKY BAND will perform their annual Spring concert this coming Wednesday, May 26 at 6:30pm. The event will be held outdoors on the school parking lot. All attending concert guests (excluding the student performers) are asked to bring their own chairs.
- **[REMINDER]** <u>AoB Virtual High School Fairs</u>: On Monday, May 24, 2021, and Tuesday, June 22, 2021, the Department of Catholic Schools will be hosting virtual high school fairs for families interested in getting a jump-start on the high school admissions process. From 5:00pm 7:00pm, families will have the opportunity to engage representatives from Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The sessions will provide a glimpse into the admissions process, highlight signature programs, and share information regarding scholarships, financial aid, transportation, and much more! To register please click **HERE**.
- **[REMINDER]** <u>Arrival and Dismissal Rotation</u>: The rotational arrangement listed below details the new monthly arrival and dismissal schedule through <u>May 28</u>:
 - 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



- <u>Saturday, May 22</u>: Used Uniform Sale (on the SUS parking Lot)
- Wednesday, May 26: Annual Field Day event (held on Parkville HS field spaces)
- Friday, May 28: Early dismissal day at 12:00pm NO AFTERNOON CARE SERVICES
- Monday, May 31: Memorial Day Holiday SCHOOL IS CLOSED
- **<u>Thursday, June 3</u>**: Passing the Torch of Leadership Ceremony
- Thursday, June 3: 8th Grade Prayer Service and Family Dinner
- Friday, June 4: 8th Grade Pool Party (Pine Ridge Swim Club)
- Monday, June 7: Class of 2021 Graduation Mass
- Thursday, June 10: Last Day of School Early Dismissal Begins at 12:00pm

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

• **Father's Club Thank You:** A special note of gratitude to our Golf Tournament Chair, Andy Rosenthal, for the organizational leadership he offered to this event. We also want to thank all of the Dads who placed yard marker signs on the lawns of all 78 graduates as a means in which to congratulate the members of the Class of 2021.

- **PHSA Restaurant Spirit Night**: Please mark your calendar for the next "Restaurant Spirit Night" event that will be held at *Pizza John's* on Wednesday, June 2. Please click **HERE** for specific details.
- **[REMINDER]** <u>PHSA Used Uniform Sale</u>: The PHSA is sponsoring a uniform sale tomorrow, May 22 from 10:00am 1:00pm and will be held in the school parking lot. Please note that this is a CASH ONLY event.
- **[REMINDER]** <u>Mother's Club</u>: Join us for an outdoor Mother's Club meeting this Monday, May 24 at 6:45pm on the Saint Ursula Church parking lot. Bring a chair and we will see you there! Attendees are asked to please RSVP to <u>motherclub@stursula.org</u>.

UPDATES & REMINDERS

- **P.A.C.K. Day**: Our next P.A.C.K. Day event is scheduled for next Friday, May 28.
- <u>Student Leader Organizations</u>: Congratulations to the following Huskies who will serve as the officers for the 2021-2022 Student Council: Lily Baumgartner (President), Matthew Vallamattam (Vice-President) and Caylin Zimmerman (Secretary). Congratulations is also extended to our Safety Patrol Officers for the coming school year: Delaney Buckley (Captain), Lucy French (Lieutenant) and Jason Conti (Lieutenant).
- **Parish Tuition Assistance**: The St. Ursula Tuition Committee is currenting reviewing applications for Parish Tuition Assistance for the 2021-2022 school year. If your FACTS Grants and Assistance application is INCOMPLETE, we will be unable to finalize your application at this time. A status of SUB indicates we are waiting on the submission of either 1040's and/or W-2's. Please upload any missing documents ASAP. The deadline for completing your application is May 31. Any questions or concerns please contact Sadie Northey at snorthey@stursula.org.
- **COVID Like Symptoms:** With 20 days remaining in the 2020-2021 school year, families are asked to remain vigilant as we continue to follow our existing protocols until June 10. More to this point, it is important that as school families, we continue to assess our children properly, which includes accurately responding to the Wellness Survey each day. So if your child is experiencing 2 or more COVID-like symptoms, please keep them home.



• There are no Pay-It Links for this Week's Fast Forward Friday.

