



WHAT'S AHEAD WEDNESDAY



March 4, 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUS LEADERSHIP

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the month of March and to Trimester 3. It is hard to believe there are only 16 more days until spring. I am looking forward to daylight saving time this coming Sunday and am always in awe as the trees and flowers begin to bloom—what a beautiful world God has created.

March is an exciting month here at Saint Ursula School. We are happy to host the 41st Annual Al Hahn Tournament. A heartfelt thank you to the many hands who help put this tournament together for our students. If you have not yet had a chance to attend an Al Hahn basketball game, please be sure to add it to your schedule. The teamwork, camaraderie, friendships, and lasting memories created are truly special.

We continue our Lenten journey together during the month of March. Due to the two-hour delay yesterday, our Penance Service has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 24. Students will also participate in the Stations of the Cross this Friday and again on Friday, March 20. Thank you to our teachers for preparing our students so well.

We are excited to once again host the Scholastic Book Fair. Join us for Family Night on Monday, March 9th from 3:00-7:00 p.m. We will have some *special* people reading Monday night. Be sure to check with your child's teacher to see when your child(ren) will be visiting the fair as a class during the week.

In celebration of St. Patrick's Day, students may wear St. Patrick's Day clothing and accessories on Tuesday, March 17, with their SUS gym pants.

One of our major fundraisers this year is quickly approaching—our 85th Anniversary Bull Roast on March 21st. If you have not yet purchased your tickets, please be sure to do so soon. Please see the additional details below.

Thank you to all of the parents who have taken the time to complete the Cognia Family Survey. I sincerely appreciate your thoughtful and constructive feedback. It has been both helpful and encouraging as I navigate my first year at SUS. If you have not yet had the opportunity to respond, the survey will remain open through March 6. Your input is valued, and I encourage you to share your thoughts.

Lastly, your children may have already shared their excitement about the new tables in the lunchroom. We are sincerely grateful to Immaculate Conception School for their generous donation of 10 new lunchroom tables. Their support is a wonderful gift to our students and school community.

Thank you for your continued support of our school community.

Blessings,
Ms. Anderson and Mrs. Marinaro

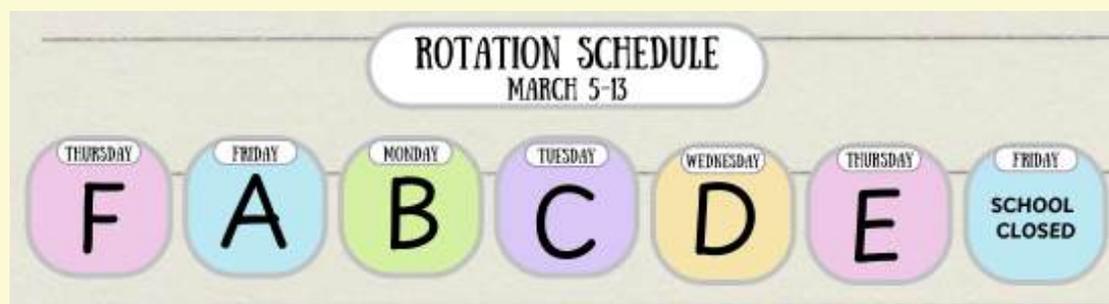
LAST CHANCE Cognia Family Survey

Don't forget to complete the Cognia Parent Survey! Your feedback is essential in helping us identify the strengths of our school's culture and climate. It also plays a vital role in our accreditation process and supports our ongoing improvement efforts. Our goal is 100% parent participation!

As a thank-you for your time, students will receive a free dress pass when their parent/guardian completes the survey. To qualify, please print the "Thank you for completing this survey" page, write your child(ren)'s name(s) on it, and return it to their teacher. Only one submission is required per family.

The survey can be completed here <https://forms.gle/ZGBckusG4xczPjuB6>
The survey should take 5–10 minutes to complete. We truly value your input and appreciate your support!

ROTATION SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 5-13



PAY-IT LINKS

LAST CHANCE Race for Education Sponsor Letters

Once again, we are having our annual Race for Education. The Race will take place on Friday, April 24th during the school day. This has become our largest school fundraiser thanks to your continued support. The first step for those families who did not opt out of fundraising is to go to the link below to complete information regarding how many sponsor letters you would like to receive. The

link includes very detailed information regarding the requirements and deadlines. Sponsor letter amounts are due by Thursday, March 5th at 8 a.m.
<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/Dfl3Bah6>

REMINDER SUS Bull Roast

Join us on Saturday, March 21st for a Bull Roast to celebrate St. Ursula School's 85th Anniversary! We'll have a Silent Auction, raffles, a DJ, and more! Tickets are \$55 per person, or \$500 for a table of 10. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit:

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/DYZAALLk>

ST. URSULA SCHOOL
BULL ROAST
& SILENT AUCTION

CELEBRATING 85 YEARS OF ST. URSULA SCHOOL!

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
SUPERIOR CATERING HALL - IMPERIAL ROOM
1010 OLDHAM STREET, BALTIMORE, MD 21224

TICKETS: \$55/PER PERSON OR \$500 FOR A TABLE OF 10 PEOPLE

NO COOLERS, MUST BE 21+ TO ATTEND, ALL FOOD MUST BE CONSUMED ON PREMISES

MENU

STEAMED SHRIMP
TOP ROUND BEEF ON THE PIT
ROASTED TURKEY BREAST ON THE PIT
SWEET ITALIAN SAUSAGE ON THE PIT
HOMEMADE NO CRAB SOUP
SHRIMP SCAMPI OVER LINGUINI
GOURMET MAC & CHEESE
BAKED ZITI MARINARA
SWEET CORN CASSEROLE
CREAMY CAESAR SALAD
HOMEMADE POTATO SALAD
ASSORTED SHEETCAKE
BEER, SODA, TEA, COFFEE & MORE!

CASH 50/50 RAFFLE

RAFFLE WHEEL

AUCTION

DJ

NEW Hershey Park Tickets

The PHSA will be selling tickets to Hershey Park at a reduced rate. The tickets are valid from April 3, 2026 through January 3, 2027. Please note that tickets will not arrive in time for families to use them during Easter break. All orders are due by March 26, 2026. Tickets can be purchased here:

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/J6Y1QPwT>

UPDATES & REMINDERS

NEW ACRE Testing

Students in grades 5 and 8 will be taking the ACRE test next week. The ACRE test measures students' knowledge about the Catholic faith, beliefs, behaviors, attitudes and practices.

NEW March Hot Lunch Reminder

Please be reminded that we will not have hot lunch next Wednesday, March 11th due to the Book Fair.

NEW 4th Grade STEAM Activity

On Tuesday, March 10 (C Day), Mrs. Zimmerman and Mrs. Swauger will be hosting a STEAM activity for ten 4th grade students. We will be growing gold coins in honor of St. Patrick's Day. **The sign up email will be sent to 4th grade parent(s)/guardian(s) whose child has not participated in a STEAM activity this school year on Thursday, March 5, 2026 at 6:30 pm.** You will only be able to sign your child up for one STEAM activity this school year. Subsequent sign up genius links will only be emailed to those that did not participate in an activity yet.

NEW Rescheduled Parent Visitation

We are pleased to share that our Catholic Schools Week Parent Visitation has been rescheduled for March 16. Parents are invited to visit their students in the classroom from 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. Please park on the St. Ursula School lot, the back half of St. John's Lot, or the St. Ursula Church lot, leaving spaces by the Parish Office open.

For parent visitation day, all parents/visitors will need to enter school through the playground doors to receive a sticker before visiting any classrooms. If you have previously visited the school and have had your ID scanned, please complete this form by Thursday, March 12th so we can add you to the check-in list: <https://forms.gle/LvQNSVN9YFqFVxTN9>

Parents/guardians who have not visited the school are encouraged to stop in before visitation to have their ID scanned to expedite the check-in process the day of.

NEW BOOST Scholarships

Applications for the Maryland State Department of Education 2026-27 BOOST scholarship for students in grades K-12 will open on Monday, March 9th. Each year, the BOOST Program grants millions in scholarships to eligible students to attend nonpublic schools. The application deadline is Friday, May 8, 2026. For more information and to apply, please visit:

<https://marylandpublicschools.org/Pages/boost/index.aspx>

REMINDER Lucky 1500 Tickets

Please make sure to send in your Lucky 1500 tickets as soon as possible! The weekly drawings have begun. Please send in your service hour card with your tickets so that we can record the hours. You may send in cash or check, made payable to St. Ursula School or you may use this Pay-it link to make a payment: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/WMRHjxko>. If you would like additional tickets please contact Ms. Sampson at asampson@stursula.org.

LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT



Brittany's Baskets of Hope, Inc. supports families who are expecting or have recently welcomed a baby with Down syndrome by providing information, guidance, and hope. Founded by Brittany, who has Down syndrome, the organization celebrates every baby's potential. Since 2016, they have delivered over 3,000 baskets across all 50 states and Puerto Rico, filled with helpful resources for parents and thoughtful gifts for babies and their siblings.

St. Ursula School will be collecting children's books to include in these baskets. Please consider donating one of your favorite children's books. To learn more or donate online, visit www.brittanysbasketsofhope.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS SATURDAY! Fathers' Club Guest Bartending Event

Join the Fathers' Club for a Guest Bartending Fundraiser at Potomac Pizza on Saturday, March 7th from 11 am to 3 p.m.



REMINDER Book Fair

LAST CHANCE Parents are invited to visit the Book Fair with their students the week of March 9th -12th. All parents/visitors will need to enter school through the main office to receive an identification badge before visiting the fair. If you have previously visited the school and have had your ID scanned, please complete this form by Thursday, March 5th so we can have your badge printed and ready: <https://forms.gle/AsX3Am7Gjnr8ymESA>

Please park on the back half of St. John's parking lot while visiting. Parents/guardians who have not visited the school are encouraged to stop in beforehand to have their ID scanned.

The Book Fair Schedule can be found here: [Revised Book Fair Schedule](#)

Just a reminder that Scholastic has a payment system called e-Wallet which allows parents to add money to an electronic account for their child to spend at the book fair. It has been really helpful and convenient in the past. Once you have set up your child e wallet, you can send it to friends and family so they can add funds as well. Please check out the details here:

- One important change from years past, Scholastic will no longer send unused money back to your credit card. Any unused funds can be taken as a scholastic gift card or rolled over to future e wallets. Please be mindful of that when deciding how much to deposit into the e-wallet.
- As always, cash, check, and credit card are accepted.

Visit our Book Fair website link to set up your child's e-Wallet. Online orders open Friday, March 6th and remain open through Friday, March 19th!

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stursulaschool>

REMINDER We will be hosting a fun Family Night on Monday, March 9th from 3pm - 7pm. Every child who visits the fair during Family Night will be given a raffle ticket for a chance to win a raffle basket filled with books and fun activities!

We are bringing back our Spin To Win wheel all week long! \$1 per spin and all money goes towards buying books for the school library and the teacher

classroom libraries. Prizes include fun pencils, pens, stickers, erasers, and the very popular 3D printed fidgets from Electro 3D prints!

Would you like to help assist shoppers at the book fair? We need volunteers to sign up for the week to assist with various book fair duties, set up and break down. Please see the sign up genius below for available slots!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094EA5A62BA2FA7-55168054-scholastic>

NEW Catholic Schools Week Mass

Join us as we celebrate our Catholic Schools Week Mass on Sunday, March 15th at 11:00 am. Students are asked to wear their SUS school uniform to show their school spirit. Students will be invited to the altar to sing our school song, "Who You Say I Am." Students attending this Mass in uniform and singing will receive a free dress pass.

NEW School Play- The Girl with the Golden Locks



St. Ursula School Invites you to attend our 2025 play!

When: Saturday, March 28th at 7 p.m. & Sunday, March 29th at 1 p.m.

Where: St. Ursula School Gym

Who: All friends and family that would like to enjoy a night of fun and wonderland!

Admission: \$5 in advance or \$6 at the door

Concessions: Drinks and snacks will

be available for purchase (Cash Only)

For friends and family of cast members:

On the night of the play, there will be an option to purchase candy grams and/or flowers for cast members. Pre-ordered preferred and limited availability at the door.

Options:

- Candy grams for \$2
- Flowers for \$10

Purchase Options for Tickets/Donations, Candy Grams, and Flowers :

Pre-purchase with the Pay-it link - <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/t3hwRd5w>

SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

Please be reminded that families who did not opt out of service hours will be required to complete 25 service hours by **April 30th**. You will receive a bill for all unfinished hours through your FACTS account. If you are in need of service hours, please see the opportunities below.

NEW Basketball Tournament Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to work concessions, admissions, and the parking lot at the basketball tournament. All volunteers must be VIRTUS approved. All high school volunteers must have completed Worthy of the Call Training. Please use the link below to sign-up.

REMINDER Book Fair Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help us during the Scholastic Book Fair. We need set-up and break-down help as well as help during the fair. All volunteers need to be Virtus-approved.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094EA5A62BA2FA7-55168054-scholastic>

REMINDER March Lunch Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help in the lunchroom in March. Please use the Sign-up Genius link below to register for the date(s) you are available. Service hours do apply. All volunteers need to be Virtus approved.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0444AAA62EA5FE3-62439004-lunch>

REMINDER Race for Education Volunteers

We are looking for parents who are interested in volunteering to help in different capacities to make our Race For Education a huge success again this year. Please see the Sign-up Genius link for a list of how you can best help. Please note that some sign-ups are for days and evenings and not all of the opportunities require you to be Virtus approved.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084AABA72FA3F94-61890080-2026?useFullSite=true#/>

PARISH NEWS

 **Family Liturgy every 3rd Sunday of the Month at the 11am Mass!** 

 **"Bagel Days" every 4th Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass!**

Children's Liturgy of the Word every 4th Sunday of the month during the 11am Mass! 

Raise Funds to Help Women Choose LIFE!

 Pregnancy Center North

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026

Check-in 8:30 am • Walk Begins 9:00 am

Location: cathedral of mary our queen

Every Dollar Raised Helps Save Lives!

PCNMINISTRY.ORG/WALK-FOR-LIFE

Make a Difference. Walk for Life!

Contact our church champion, Liz Walz with any questions! 410-598-3209 Sign up today!



**✦ LENTEN ✦
FRIDAYS**
*A Time of Prayer,
Reflection & Fellowship*

— EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT —

Adoration & Confessions
— 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM —

Stations of the Cross
— 7:00 PM —

 **Lenten Soup & Salad Dinner**
—  Spiritual Center —

No Soup & Salad Dinner on Good Friday

FULL DAY OF ADORATION ON MARCH 20TH
9AM – 7PM



The Holy Triduum

Holy Thursday (April 2nd)

- 8:30am Morning Prayer
- 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Followed by Adoration 8pm - 10pm

Good Friday (April 3rd)



- 8:30am Morning Prayer
- 3pm Stations of the Cross
- 7pm Service of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday (April 4th)



- 8:30am Morning Prayer
- 12pm Blessing of the Easter Foods
- 8pm Easter Vigil

The Resurrection of the Lord



- Masses will be at:
- 7:30am
- 9:00am
- 11:00am

*"This is the day the Lord has made,
let us rejoice and be glad!"*



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