



WHAT'S AHEAD WEDNESDAY

March 5, 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUS LEADERSHIP

Dear Parents,

This morning, we gathered as a community of faith for an Ash Wednesday prayer service. As you know, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, a sacred season in our faith reminding us of God's love. As Fr. Jason shared with the students, "Lent is a time for us to be good listeners to God and do something good for other people, allowing God to work through us to do good things and bringing us closer to Him." What a beautiful reminder as we start this holy season.

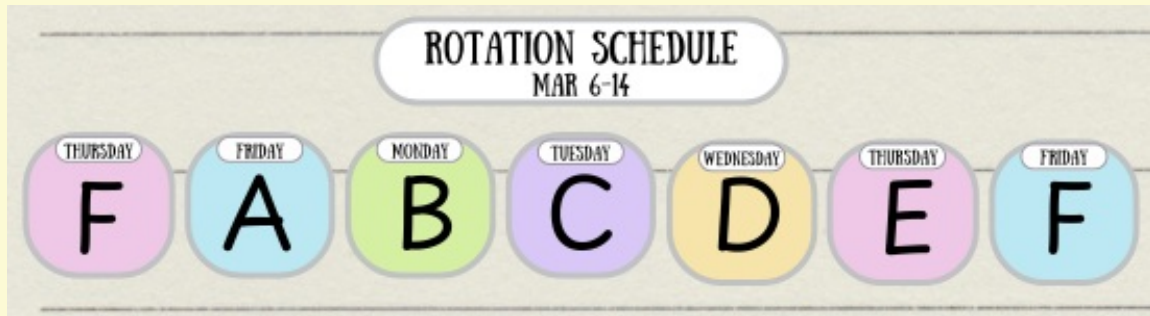
We are excited to introduce our Lenten Service Project. We are asking students to bring in a box of cereal to be donated to a local food bank. We thank you for your participation!

Progress reports will be distributed electronically this Friday, March 7th.

Faithfully,
Mrs. Jones
Mrs. Marinaro



ROTATION SCHEDULE FOR MAR 6-14



PAY-IT LINKS

REMINDER Fathers' Club 80s vs 90s Dance

The Fathers' Club invites you and your guests to the 80s vs 90s Dance for a totally radical night! Please join us on Saturday, March 22nd from 7:00-11:00 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets:

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/7ZtpzWGC>

REMINDER Hershey Park Tickets

The PHSA will be selling tickets to Hershey Park at a reduced rate. The tickets are valid from April 1, 2025 through January 1, 2026. All orders are due by March 19, 2025. Tickets can be purchased here:

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/fJYsi4F6>

LAST CHANCE PHSA Wockenfuss Candy Fundraiser

This is the perfect opportunity to order candy for Easter or for any upcoming event from Wockenfuss! To view the candy selection, please see this [Wockenfuss Brochure](#). All orders are due by 8 a.m. on Wednesday, March 12. We cannot accept any late orders. Orders can be picked up on Monday, April 7 from 2:45 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the St. Ursula Church Spiritual Center. For more information and to place your order, please visit

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/7QEwdBtC>

UPDATES & REMINDERS

REMINDER ACRE Testing

Students in grades 5 and 8 will be taking the ACRE test on Thursday, March 6th. The ACRE test measures students' knowledge about the Catholic faith, beliefs, behaviors, attitudes and practices.

REMINDER 8th Grade & Basketball Yearbook Pictures

On Thursday, March 6, 8th grade students will be taking the 2025 picture for the yearbook in the gym after morning announcements.

On Friday, March 14, students on the basketball team should bring their basketball jerseys to school. We will be taking a picture after morning announcements for the yearbook.

NEW Dismissal Reminders

Please be reminded that students should only be picked up from the

designated dismissal lots, which include the SUS lot, St. John's lot, or the St. Ursula Church lot.

Please arrive at your designated dismissal time. If you are in the Se-Z dismissal group on the St. Ursula School lot, please do not arrive before 3:08 p.m. We do not have enough room in the back line to accommodate all of the early cars, which backs up traffic onto Manns Avenue. We appreciate your cooperation.

NEW March Hot Lunch Reminder

Please be reminded that we will not have hot lunch next Wednesday, March 12th due to the Book Fair.

NEW 8th Grade Slideshow

As we begin this last trimester of your child/children's 8th grade year, there are many fun events to look forward to, one of which is the St. Julie Breakfast. As is the tradition, there will be a slide show presentation to include all of the 8th grade students throughout the years. Mrs. Baumgartner has very graciously offered to assemble the slide show and will be requiring pictures to be included. Please send any pictures you have and are willing to share to cbaum2128@gmail.com. We ask that each person send no more than 15 pictures. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Mrs. Baumgartner or one of the 8th grade teachers.

NEW BOOST Scholarships

Applications for the Maryland State Department of Education 2025-26 BOOST scholarship for students in grades K-12 will open on Monday, March 10th. Each year, the BOOST Program grants millions in scholarships to eligible students to attend nonpublic schools. The application deadline is Friday, May 9, 2025. For more information and to apply, please visit: <https://marylandpublicschools.org/Pages/boost/index.aspx>

REMINDER Lucky 1500 Tickets

Don't forget to turn in your tickets! 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 payment: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/DLWr0k29> If you would like additional tickets or have any questions, please email Ms. Sampson at asampson@stursula.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW St. Ursula Basketball Crab Cake & Shrimp Orders

SUS Basketball is selling a limited number of crab cake and shrimp specials on Friday, March 7th. Pre-order by sending an email to

Preorder or Walk-ins Welcome

OPTION 1: CRAB CAKE SANDWICH/FRIES/DRINK \$13

OPTION 2: CRAB CAKE SANDWICH \$10

OPTION 3: SHRIMP BASKET/FRIES /DRINK \$7.00

DRINKS: PEPSI/DIET PEPSI/MOUNTAIN DEW/BRISK/WATER

GATORADE ADD \$1 FOR OPTIONS 1 AND 3

- Orders need to be placed by 1PM Friday
- Pick up time between 6:15 PM – 8:30 PM

PAYMENT OPTIONS: CASH/CREDIT

PREORDER AT:

susbasketball@northamericanclaims.com

When ordering please include the following information:

- What option you would like
- Drink
- Lettuce/ Tomato - Yes or No for sandwiches
- Pickup Time



susbasketball@northamericanclaims.com. Please see the flyer for more details.

REMINDER Book Fair

Once again we will have the Scholastic Book Fair from March 10-14th. Parents are invited to visit the Book Fair with their students. All parents/visitors will need to enter school through the playground doors to receive an identification badge before visiting any classrooms.

LAST CHANCE If you have previously visited the school and have had your ID scanned, please complete this form by Thursday, March 7th so we can send home a badge with your child: <https://forms.gle/5wZW49cxiBbsUBnG6>
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.

We are looking for volunteers to help us run 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. Sign-up here:

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

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

REMINDER Join us for Family Night at the Book Fair on Monday, March 10th, from 3:00-7:00 PM in the school lunchroom.

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. Please check out the details here: [Book Fair eWallet](#)

- Scholastic does not 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.
- E-Wallet is open now through March 14th to create and/or add funds for your upcoming book fair shopping!

Visit our Book Fair website link Online orders open Friday, March 7th - Friday March 14th! <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stursulaschool>

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.

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REMINDER 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.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084AABA823A4FD0-55106478-2025/15043343#/>

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/10C084AABA72FA3F94-54481143-2025#/>

REMINDER March Lunch Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help in the lunchroom in March. Volunteers are needed from 11:20 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. each day. 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/30E0444AAA62EA5FE3-55109388-lunch>

REMINDER Race for Education Donations

We are seeking the following donation item for the *Race for Education* that will be eligible for service hours: 2 Books of Forever Stamps (1 Hour)

REMINDER Paper Donations

We are now accepting paper donations for service hours. Three reams of 8 1/2x 11 paper will earn 1 service hour.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

Please see this article from the Catholic Review: <https://catholicreview.org/this-little-broken-light-of-mine/>

PARISH NEWS



**EXPERIENCING THE SACRAMENTS TOGETHER
STRENGTHENS FAMILY BONDS IN FAITH**

Join your St. Ursula Family for Mass:

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OR ARE YOU CURRENTLY AN EM AT MASS? There will be a Day of Reflection for Eucharistic/Extraordinary Ministers on **Saturday, March 8th, in the Spiritual Center, from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm.** Lunch included. Please take this opportunity to gather with your peers to reflect on this most important ministry that you have chosen to serve God and His people. Please RSVP to Deacon David (david.glassman@archbalt.org) by Wednesday, March 5th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School Volunteer Sign Up is now open!! Click here to sign up!

<https://www.vbspro.events/p/stursulaparkville>

The Season of LENT

Ash Wednesday, March 5th

8:30am Daily Mass with ashes

5pm Prayer Service with ashes
(no distribution of the Eucharist)

7pm Mass with ashes

Confession

Every Friday 6pm-6:45pm

March 7th - April 18th

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday at 7pm

March 7th - April 18th

Join us in the Spiritual Center for
Soup & Salad following Stations

(except Good Friday - April 18th)

All are welcome!

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 13

Mass Times:

Saturday 5pm

Sunday 7:30am, 9am, 11am



Holy Thursday, April 17

Morning Prayer 8:30am

Celebration of the Lord's Supper 7pm

Adoration until 10pm

Good Friday, April 18

Morning Prayer 8:30am

Ecumenical Stations of the Cross 12pm

Mass of the Lord's Passion 3pm

Stations of the Cross 7pm

Holy Saturday, April 19

Morning Prayer 8:30am

Blessing of the Easter Foods 12pm

Easter Vigil 8pm

Easter Sunday, April 20

Easter Mass Times:

7:30am, 9am, and 11am



SOUP AND SALAD DINNER

Join us as we pray and eat together Friday evenings this Lent.

We will begin with Stations of the Cross in the Church at 7pm, immediately followed by a Soup and Salad Social in the Spiritual Center.

Each Friday there will be a table for collecting non-perishable food items for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Meals will be hosted by a different group in our parish, school and community.

March 7th
St. Ursula Religious Ed & Right to Life Ministry
March 14th
Youth Ministry & Parishioners
March 21st
Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, & Girl Scouts
March 28th
Daughters of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton & Women's Tuesday morning Bible Study
April 4th
SUS PHSA & St. Ursula Pastoral Council
April 11th
St. Vincent de Paul & Parishioners
April 18th is Good Friday we will still simply pray the Stations of the Cross together

COME AND JOIN OUR
ROSARY GUILD

EVERY SECOND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH!

6:30PM-8PM IN THE SPIRITUAL CENTER

OPEN TO AGES 10YRS AND UP! THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO EARN SERVICE HOURS FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION!

Questions? Contact Tanya Ray: tanya.ray@archbalt.org

Our Rosary Guild is a member of Our Lady's Rosary Makers. We make rosaries for the St. Paul Street Evangelization in Warren, MI. The missionaries give the rosaries to people experiencing homelessness and pray the rosary with them!



2025 **Celebrate Life** Contest
Opens March 5th

What does "celebrate life" mean to you?
Write a poem...draw a picture...write an essay...a song. Be creative! Prize winners will be chosen from each category.

Category: Elementary (3-5), Middle School (6-8), and High School (9-12)
Prizes: 1st place-\$100 2nd place-\$50 3rd place-\$25

Participants can reflect on the following scripture verses for inspiration
Matthew 25:40 - And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."
Mark 9:37 - Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.
Psalm 139:13,15,16 - You formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made...

Submissions are due to Tanya Ray by April 11, 2024
suyouthministry@gmail.com

"Let us respect and love every possible life today." St. Teresa of Calcutta

Sponsored by St. Ursula Church
Respect Life Committee & Youth Ministry

EDGE Catholic Middle School Ministry | LIFE TEEN Leading Teens Closer to Christ

february

16 Annual Elizabeth Schmedes Pancake Dinner 5-7pm

17 Volunteer Day @ the Women's Care Center 10a-12p

28 XLT Holy Hour @ St. Joe Fullerton 6-8:30p

LOTS OF SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES TOO!

march

8 Rise Up! Middle School @ Holy Family, 10-2p

9 Lifeteen: Dodgeball & the 7 Deadly Sins 4-5:30p

14 YM hosts Stations & Salad, 5:30p-8:30p

15/16 Operation Mato Grosso baking, 9a-2p/bake sale after ALL Masses

23 Lifeteen: Movie & Service 3:30-5:30p

For more information contact Tanya Ray at tanya.ray@archbalt.org

To find out more or to register visit our LinkTree linktr.ee/suym Scan QR



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