



WHAT'S AHEAD WEDNESDAY



January 7, 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUS LEADERSHIP

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Happy, healthy, and blessed New Year!

On behalf of the faculty and staff, thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity during the Christmas season. What a gift it is to serve in such a loving school community.

We are looking forward to celebrating Catholic Schools Week and invite you to join us for our Catholic Schools Week Mass on Sunday, January 25, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. Our School Liturgy Club will serve as greeters, lectors, and ushers.

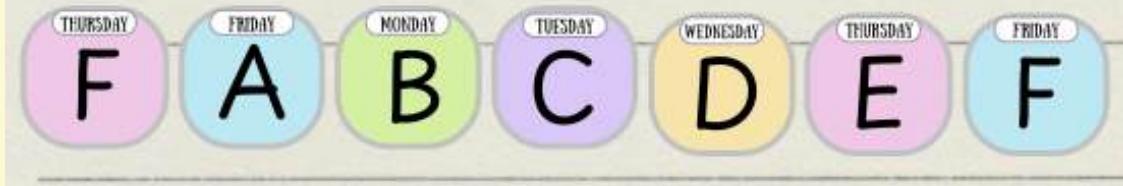
Students are asked to wear their school uniforms and will be invited to come forward to the altar to sing our school song, "Who You Say I Am." A light reception will follow Mass in the Spiritual Center.

We hope you and your family will join us for this special celebration of faith and community.

Blessings,
Ms. Anderson and Mrs. Marinaro

ROTATION SCHEDULE FOR JAN 8-16

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PAY-IT LINKS

LAST CHANCE Lucky 1500 Tickets

If you have not already done so, please turn your tickets in ASAP. **The grand prize drawing is on January 12th.** 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/H4QXzhBM>

NEW Student Appreciation Lunch

Tuesday, January 27th will be a Student Appreciation Lunch. In honor of this day we will be providing a FREE hot dog and a bag of regular potato chips for lunch. Please provide your child with a drink. All orders must be submitted by **8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 15th.**

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/IOMwu5lw>

NEW Faculty & Staff Appreciation Donations

Each year, during Catholic Schools Week, the PHSA takes an opportunity to celebrate and appreciate our teachers and staff for the wonderful work they do teaching our children, enriching their minds and instilling a sense of well-being and Catholic identity. Please consider donating by using [this link](#) to help us thank the faculty and staff for all they do, not just for Catholic Schools Week but year-round!



REMINDER Fathers' Club Prom Night

Relive prom night with the Fathers' Club! Join us for drinks, music, raffles, and games on Friday, February 13th from 7:00-11:00 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/qk917KB>

UPDATES & REMINDERS

NEW MAP Testing

This week we started the winter session of our MAP Growth testing for students in grades 2-8 during their ELA and math classes. The remaining testing schedule is as follows:

- January 8 - Math
- January 14 & 15 - Reading
- January 21 & 22 - Language Arts

Please remind your child to charge their Chromebooks and if possible refrain from scheduling any appointments during this time.

NEW 7th Grade Canned Food Drive

The 7th graders invite the school community to join them in collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The donations will be accepted the week of January 12th. Thank you for your support!

NEW Re-Enrollment

Communication regarding 2026-2027 tuition and the enrollment contract will be sent in the coming days.

NEW Join the Choir

Students in grades 3 through 8 are invited to join the school choir. Please see the letter below for more information and the practice schedule. Please return the tear-off by Tuesday, January 13th. [Choir Information](#)

NEW Interim Reports

Interim reports will be sent electronically for students in grades 3-8 on Wednesday, January 14th.

NEW FACTS/Pay-It Update

We have been informed that FACTS/Pay-It will no longer be accepting American Express as a means of payment. Please use alternate debit or credit cards for future transactions.

NEW Lucky 1500 Winners

7th Weekly Winners

1st: #1077 K. Morton
2nd: #842 C. Wozniak
3rd: #516 J. Blumberg
4th: #279 B. Grantland
5th: #689 J. Smoluk

8th Weekly Winners

1st: #426 M. Lockley
2nd: #245 W. Philipp
3rd: #1077 K. Morton
4th: #1062 E. Creager
5th: #131 U. Parker-Clayton

9th Weekly Winners

1st: #438 K. Maleski
2nd: #1092 G. Riefner
3rd: #442 S. Malone
4th: #448 L. Margeson
5th: #1117 B. Pearman

REMINDER Yearbooks

- Order Your Yearbook
 - Order your yearbook for \$30! The price will increase to \$35 after January 20th. Please see the flyer below for purchasing instructions. [Yearbook Order Form 2026](#)
- **LAST CHANCE 8th Grade Yearbook Ads**
 - Congratulate your 8th grade student and express your pride and love with an ad in the 2026 yearbook! Please see the flyer below for pricing and design instructions. **Yearbook ads are due by January 12, 2026.** [Yearbook Ad Flyer](#)

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

NEW Parent Visitation

Parents are invited to visit their students in the classroom on Monday, January 26th 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, January 22nd so we can add you to the check-in list: <https://forms.gle/XoKwAMgkZ6EZQGqJ9>

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

NEW Spirit Week

ST. URSULA SCHOOL

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

JAN 26 - 30

SUNDAY

Catholic Schools Week Mass

11:00 a.m.

Families are invited to join our faculty at our Catholic Schools Week opening mass, with a reception to follow. Students should show their school pride and wear their uniforms to mass!

MONDAY

Parent Appreciation Day

Parent Visitation - No Dress Up

8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Parking: SUS Lot, back of St. John's lot, St. Ursula Church Lot
All visitors will need to be Raptored.

TUESDAY



Student Appreciation Day

Comfy Cozy Day



Out of Uniform Day

(Wear pajamas, sweatpants, sweatshirts, etc.
No onesies or slippers allowed.)



WEDNESDAY

Service Day

CRAZY HAIR & SOCK DAY



(Students can have crazy hair and wear fun socks with their uniform.)

THURSDAY

Faculty & Staff Appreciation Day

8TH GRADE SWITCH DAY



8th graders can dress professionally and will switch roles with teachers and office staff.



FRIDAY

12:00 Dismissal

SPIRIT DAY

Out of Uniform Day (Wear blue & gold)



UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW Fathers' Club Meeting

We will hold our December meeting on Sunday, January 11th at 7:00 PM in the St. Ursula School Gym. All fathers, grandfathers, uncles, godfathers and male relatives are welcome to attend.

NEW Ice Skating at the Avenue

Join the PHSA for ice skating at The Avenue in White Marsh on Tuesday, January 20th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. SUS will receive 50% of the price of admissions for each skater. Tickets are available for purchase online or in-person. When purchasing tickets online, make sure to add St. Ursula School in the special instructions. If you are purchasing tickets in person, let the cashier know you are with SUS. <https://www.whitemarshiceskating.com/>

SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

VOLENTEERS NEEDED! January Lunch Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help in the lunchroom in January. 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/30E0444AAA62EA5FE3-61164260-lunch>

REMINDER Paper Donations

We are now accepting paper donations for service hours. Three reams of 8 1/2x 11 white paper will earn 1 service hour. No 3 hole paper please.

PARISH NEWS

GOLDEN TICKET RAFFLE UPDATE: Get your Golden Ticket before the February 22 Early Bird Drawing! Only 400 tickets remaining! Tickets will be on sale next weekend. Tickets can be purchased anytime using the QR code located in the bulletin or click here:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/701ee6f0-e59f-4a2f-bc9e-37f220fb08ac>



JANUARY 18, 2026 AT 11AM MASS!!!

FAMILY LITURGY SUNDAY

***MUSIC BY OUR YOUTH BAND**
***SPECIAL BLESSING TO ALL ATHLETES**

WEAR YOUR SPORTS UNIFORM!!

FEAST OF SAINT SEBASTIAN!

O St. Sebastian, patron saint of sport athletes, we call upon you to intercede for all those who participate in sports. We ask for your powerful intercession in granting them integrity and sportsmanship. We pray for the grace to play fair and to respect the rules of the game. We ask for your protection and guidance for them, and for the grace to be a good role model both on and off the field. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

TACKLE HUNGER 2026

Saint Ursula Pantry - St. Vincent de Paul Conference



JAN 17th & 18th

after

ALL Masses

Donate just \$1
or 1 can of food



Altar Server Training

Saturday, January 24th
10am-12pm

Must be in 4th -12th grade & willing to learn and serve at Mass

Please RSVP through our website or by scanning this QR code

Questions?
Contact Deacon David at david.glassman@archbalt.org



Friday, January 23, 2026

This year, we are joining together with
St. Joe's Fullerton Parish!

Attend Daily Mass at the parish of your choice, meet in the St. Ursula Spiritual Center (8801 Harford Rd. 21234) at 9am, enjoy a light breakfast, and a blessing before we leave for Washington, DC.

Around 9:45am, we will leave on the buses provided!

To register: Please contact Liz Walz at ajwalz1@verizon.net / \$10 per person

TOGETHER, WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE.

We celebrate life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death, and every moment in between.



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