

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Welcome back! I hope each of you had a very blessed Easter and fun Spring Break!

You may have seen a new smiling face at arrival and dismissal this week. Please join me in welcoming Mr. Petro to our SUS community. Mr. Petro is teaching math/science in middle school. Welcome to St. Ursula!

Sadly, I must also inform you that Mr. Long will not be joining us next year. Please see the note he has written to our families below. We will greatly miss you, Mr. Long. We are very grateful for your dedication to SUS this year and wish you all the very best!

Next week, our Spring MAP testing for grades 2nd-8th will begin. Also, the Race for Education will take place on Friday, April 28th!

I hope you enjoy the rest of your day! Faithfully, Mrs. Leslie Jones

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Saint Ursula Families,

Thank you for welcoming me into your community. Every morning, I thank God for the students and families of St. Ursula School. It has been a privilege and pleasure to work with your children. They bring joy to my day when they greet me in the morning or smile as I see them around school! They have learned and grown a lot ,so far, this school year.

Marriage and family are very important to my wife Sherri and I (30 years this April). It was a team decision to move to Maryland after 20 years in the same community. Together, we have decided that after this school year we will move back to Virginia closer to the area where our adult son and daughter live, along with a shorter drive from aging parents.

Moving ahead, I look forward to continuing to support and work with your family the rest of this school year. Any prayers you can offer for Sherri and I as we prepare for this transition are always appreciated.

Most gratefully, Richard Long

PAY-IT LINKS

NEW May Hot Lunch

May will be the last hot lunch for the year. Hot lunches will only be distributed to those who have pre-paid. Orders will close at 8 a.m. on Thursday, April 27th. No late orders will be accepted. For more information and to place your order please visit this link: <u>https://payit.nelnet.net/form/YhdLNPs8</u>

NEW Middle School Mash-Up

Middle School students are invited to a night of games, music, raffles, and more on Friday, April 28th! For more information and to register, please visit this link: <u>https://payit.nelnet.net/form/I9WAt6HC</u>

NEW Yearbooks

We have 23 yearbooks left to sell for students in grades PK through 7. They are being sold on a first serve basis, via this Pay-it link: <u>https://payit.nelnet.net/form/QeekkdDj</u>. The link will not allow you to order after those 23 have been sold.

If your child is in 8th grade, please send cash or check to school for \$28 and email <u>Mrs. Zimmerman</u> to let her know. Do NOT pay on the Pay-it link if your child is in 8th grade.

LAST CHANCE Father/Daughter Dance

The St. Ursula Fathers' Club invites you to the 2023 Father Daughter Dance on Saturday, April 22nd. Enjoy a night out with your daughter(s) with snacks and drinks, photo booth and DJ! For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit this link: <u>https://payit.nelnet.net/form/G1IOIx9Y</u>

UPDATES & REMINDERS

NEW Dollar Day Friday

Students who have pre-paid may dress down this Friday, April 21st. Students can also bring in \$1 to participate if they have not already paid. Please see the school handbook for out of uniform guidelines.

NEW MAP Testing

Students in grades 2 through 8 will be taking the MAP standardized tests from April 24th through May 10th.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

NEW Race for Education

Please be reminded that our Race for Education is scheduled for Friday, April 28th.

- Participants can be out of uniform Shorts, of an appropriate length are permitted this year and please wear tennis shoes. However, please be mindful of the weather when making a decision about dress.
- Water bottles are allowed. Please send a water bottle marked with your child's name so that he/she can take it outside while he/she runs.
- As long as we are outside, parents are invited to come and watch. Please park in the church lot, but leave at least 5-6 spaces open near the church office for the office staff and visitors. If there is precipitation, the decision may be made to hold activities in the gym. If this is the case, there will not be room for parents to attend. Only those previously scheduled to work will be allowed in the building.

The Race day schedule is as follows:

- Grades PK K Race from 8:30 9:15
- Grades 1-2 Race from 9:30 10:25
- Grades 3-4 Race from 10:35 11:35
- Grades 5-6 Race from 11:45 12:45
- Grades 7-8 Race from 12:55 1:55

THANK YOU TO ALL! We could not do this without your help and support. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the RFE committee: <u>stursularfe@gmail.com</u>

NEW Field Day

Field Day will be held on Friday, May 5th. More information will follow.

SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Please be reminded that families who opted into service hours, must</u> <u>have their 25 hours completed by April 30th.</u> There are only a few opportunities left to get your hours.

NEW Father/Daughter Dance Volunteers

The Fathers' Club is looking for volunteers to assist with the Father/Daughter dance this Saturday, April 22nd. All volunteers must be VIRTUS approved. Service hours do apply.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080444a5a822a2fd0-father? useFullSite=true#/

NEW Middle School Mash-Up Volunteers

The PHSA is looking for volunteers to assist with the Middle School Mash-Up on Friday, April 28th. All volunteers must be VIRTUS approved. Service hours do apply. <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4baba62ca1fc1-middle#/</u>

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.

PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

NEW Mothers' Club Meeting

Join us for our April meeting on Monday, April 24th at 6:45pm in the St. Ursula Church Spiritual Center. Please RSVP using the link provided to help us prepare for this meeting. We hope to see you there! <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080444A5A822A2FD0-april</u>

SUMMER PROGRAMS

REMINDER Mercy High School Summer Camps

A MAGICAL SUMMER IS OPEN TO RISING 6TH—9TH GRADE GIRLS. Campers will be coached and instructed by Mercy faculty and coaches, area professionals, and Mercy Girl athletes and dancers. A Magical Summer at Mercy provides a wonderful opportunity for your daughter to see what it's like to be a student-athlete or a dancer at Mercy! For more information on each offering and to register, please use the link below to make your selection. <u>https://mercyhighschool.com/summer-camps-at-mercy</u>

REMINDER Catholic High Camps & Workshops

Summer Workshops

Summer Workshops at Catholic High are designed for middle school students to "sample" Catholic High's academic and athletic programs and offerings! For more information and to register, please visit:

https://tchsbalt.ejoinme.org/SummerWorkshops

Volleyball Camp

Seventh and eighth grade students are invited to participate in a volleyball clinic at The Catholic High School of Baltimore. This is a great opportunity for students to learn and improve on their volleyball skills before they reach high school. For more information ad to register, please visit:

https://tchsbalt.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/VolleyballSkillsClinic/tabid/1352335/Defa ult.aspx

PARISH NEWS

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





Donut 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!





MASS TIMES

For those who are planning to worship as part of our St. Ursula Catholic Community, please be reminded of the Mass times: Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. and Sundays at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

DISMISSAL SCHEDULE April 2023			
2:50 pm	Group 4: Se - Z	SUS Lot	
3:00 pm	Group 1: A - Dr	SJ Lot	
3:10pm	Group 2: Du - La	SUS Lot	
3:20 pm	Group 3: Le - Sc	SJ Lot	
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