



**August 24, 2023**

## **A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Hello St. Ursula Families,

I hope that each of you had a wonderful summer. We are all so excited to welcome you back to St. Ursula School.

It has been a busy and successful summer break at SUS. We are welcoming new teachers and staff and some classroom teaching assignments have been changed this year. On Tuesday, each homeroom teacher sent an email to the families in his/her class. If you did not receive an email from your teacher please let us know.

This year we are welcoming the following teachers and staff to our SUS community.

- Mrs. Sarah Marinaro - Assistant Principal - New role!
- Ms. Maria Bernadeth Gabot - 3 Love
- Ms. Alyssa Cook - 4 Love
- Mrs. Janine Coutts - Middle School Religion/Science/ELA
- Mr. Michael Petro - 6 Love - New role!
- Mrs. Kristin Hoyt - 6 Hope - Middle School Math/Science/SS - New role!
- Mr. Alvin Dela Cruz - 7 Faith - Middle School Science/Math
- Mrs. Bridget Foley - 8 Hope -New role!
- Mrs. Kimberly Reynolds - Learning Services Coordinator
- Ms. Kimberly Comes - Resource Instructional Aide
- Mrs. Yomaira Pujols - Spanish/Resource Instructional Aide
- Mrs. Giselda Mattucci - 1st grade Instructional Aide/Librarian - New role!

I am also happy to announce that the SUS Library is back! Our Spanish program has returned to an in-house program as well! We are also returning to one school dismissal! Dismissal will start for all grades at 2:55pm. Please pay close attention to the dismissal update email that went home on Tuesday. I also ask for patience and support as we work together to make dismissal a great success. Please complete this form to let us know which parking lot you would like to pick your child up at during dismissal. <https://forms.gle/XzJroHfPd8s4CJvQ9>

We also updated our Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) and PAWS. This year we are using a House system within our PBIS platform. The House system is designed to motivate students, create an atmosphere of kindness and support, and provide opportunities for leadership. We will introduce this to the students on Friday, so be on the lookout for news and updates in the coming weeks.

We cannot wait to see you all on Monday, August 28th! Make sure those uniforms are ready, hair length is appropriate, summer assignments are completed, and most importantly don't forget to bring your smile with you!

We cannot wait to see you all!  
Mrs. Leslie Jones -Principal  
Mrs. Sarah Marinaro - Assistant Principal

## UPDATES & REMINDERS

### **THIS FRIDAY Sneak-a-Peek**

Students in grades 1 through 8 are invited to Sneak-a-Peek at their Seat on Friday, August 25th from 8:30-10:00 a.m. We welcome families to come for a brief visit to meet your teacher, visit the classroom, and bring school supplies. Please park on the St. Ursula School lot or on the back half of St. John's lot.

### **NEW Dismissal**

Our dismissal is changing for the 2023-2024 school year. Families will need to choose a dismissal lot based on which direction they will be going.

**Please be reminded that all of the parking lots are not available until 2 p.m. If you arrive before this time you will be asked to move your vehicle. Please share this information with whoever is picking up your child.**

Don't forget to complete the form mentioned in the "Message from the Principal" letting us know which lot your child will be using.

For more information, including videos and maps, please visit:  
<https://www.stursula.org/news/arrival-dismissal-procedures>

### **NEW High School Placement Test Prep Course**

Student Achievement Associates is offering a High school Placement Test Prep Program for **students entering 8th grade**. Please see the flyer linked below for more information: <https://www.stursula.org/assets/imgs/uploads/HSPT-Prep.pdf>

### **NEW Middle School Summer Reading**

Middle school summer reading projects are due no later than Wednesday, August 30th. Students will be tested on the required book on Wednesday,

September 6th.

## **REMINDER Uniform Reminders**

Uniform requirements for the upcoming school year can be found on the school website: <https://www.stursula.org/resources/uniforms>. Please check the length of hair, skirts, jumpers, and pants.

## **REMINDER Extended Day Help Wanted**

Our Extended Day Program is hiring! We're looking for team members who are fun-loving, patient, and flexible. Team members will work with children from grades PreK-4 through grade 8. We are looking for someone to help children with homework, supervising outdoor play, arts and crafts, organized group activities, etc. We offer part-time, flexible hours, Monday through Friday, 2:30-5:30, when school is in session. If you are interested we would love to hear from you. Please contact Niki Thoeicht at [nthoeicht@stursula.org](mailto:nthoeicht@stursula.org) for more information.

## **NEW Kona Ice**

Join us on Friday, September 1st from 12-3 at Kona Ice on E. Joppa Road for a sweet treat!

**KONA ICE**

## Kona Ice Day For St Ursula School!



When: Friday, September 1 from 12 to 3 pm

Where: 3326 E. Joppa Rd.

Why: Have fun and help raise money for your school!

**Present this flyer or show your phone and Kona Ice will give back 20 percent of the sales!**



Kona Ice | p.443.652.2600 | e. [elmore@kona-ice.com](mailto:elmore@kona-ice.com) | [kona-ice.com](http://kona-ice.com) | follow us on Facebook

## SAVE THE DATES

### Monday, August 28 - First Day of School

- Arrival is from 7:40 - 8:10 a.m. The doors will close at 8:10 a.m. If you are late, please sign your child in at the Main Office off of Manns Avenue.
- Dismissal begins at 12:00 p.m. for students in grades K-8. Dismissal information will be provided next week. **Please do not park on the lots before 11:30 a.m.**

### Tuesday, August 29

- PK Gradual Entrance - Assigned times were sent via email. Please contact the school office if you did not receive this communication.
- Extended Day begins for those who registered by July 27th

### Wednesday, August 30

- Grades 5-8 Back to School Night (6:30-8 p.m.)

## Thursday, August 31

- Grades 1-4 Back to School Night (6:30-8 p.m.)

## Friday, September 1

- Dismissal begins at 12:00 p.m. for all students. **Please do not park on the lots before 11:30 a.m.**
- No afternoon Extended Day

## Monday, September 4 - School Closed for Labor Day

## SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

### **NEW August & September Lunch Volunteers**

We are looking for volunteers to help in the lunchroom in August & September.

Volunteers are needed from 11:00 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. If you have any questions feel free to contact Laurie Currens at 410-665-3533.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0444aaa62ea5fe3-lunch9#/>

## PARENT ORGANIZATIONS



# S.U.F.C



## WELCOME MEETING

SUNDAY AUGUST 27TH | 7:00PM

TOP HAT SPORTS BAR & GRILL

8809 SATYR HILL ROAD - PARKVILLE, MD

All fathers, grandfathers, uncles, godfathers and male relatives of St. Ursula School students and graduates are welcome to join.

REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS [FATHERSCLUB@STURSULA.ORG](mailto:FATHERSCLUB@STURSULA.ORG)

## PARISH NEWS

**JOIN OUR GREEN TEAM**

The Green Team joins Pope Francis & the World in praying for and taking action to care for our common home as outlined in Pope Francis' May 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si'* Care for the Common Home.

"All of us can cooperate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements, and talents." (Encyclical *Si'* 24)

[stursulaparish.org/greenteam](http://stursulaparish.org/greenteam)

facebook.com/GREENTEAMSUCC

INTERESTED? Please email Tanya Ray at [greenteamsucc@gmail.com](mailto:greenteamsucc@gmail.com)

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!

**Parish Ministry Weekend**  
September 16th and 17th

WE ARE THE LIFE OF OUR PARISH AND YOUR VOLUNTEER EFFORTS AND TIME ARE WHAT WE NEED TO CONTINUE THRIVING!

Come to the Spiritual Center and see the magnificent showcase of the many volunteer ministries within our parish community!

COME AND JOIN OUR  
**ROSARY GUILD**

EVERY SECOND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH STARTING SEPTEMBER 8TH! 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!*

**SCRIPTURE STUDY**

**LECTIO SALVATION**


**TUESDAYS, 7PM IN THE SPIRITUAL CENTER**  
**SEPTEMBER 19TH - NOVEMBER 28TH**

**Lectio: Salvation New Life in Christ**

At every Sunday Mass, Catholics confess that Jesus came down from heaven "for us men and for our salvation." But what does "salvation" mean? In this remarkable 10-part video series, Scripture scholar and theologian Michael Patrick Barber provides a thorough, deeply Catholic, and deeply biblical, answer.

To register:  
Click here or stop by the Parish Office!  
**\$15 per person**

Questions? Please contact Bernie Miller via email: bernadine.miller@archbalt.org



**Come as you are.**  
**YOU ARE WELCOME HERE**

Make authentic connections with other women  
Refuel and refresh | Learn more about God

The *Feasting on the Word* Bible study focuses on qualities of Jesus revealed through the Gospel of John. This study draws us into a deeper, loving relationship with Jesus as we reflect on His life and personality.

Saint John referred to himself as "the disciple whom Jesus loved," and as we study, John will teach us how much Jesus loves us and how He love is the true satisfaction of our souls.

ST. URSULA SPIRITUAL CENTER  
TUESDAYS, 6:30 - 7:30 PM  
800-641-1234

Questions? Contact Cathy, 410-661-8888, email: [stursulaparc@archbalt.org](mailto:stursulaparc@archbalt.org) or Kelly at 410-661-8776, email: [kelly@stursulaparc.org](mailto:kelly@stursulaparc.org)

Working with purpose  
[www.workingwithpurpose.com](http://www.workingwithpurpose.com)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you looking for a program that imparts the beauty and treasures of the Catholic Church? Are you looking for a program that is faithful to all the teachings and Traditions of the Catholic Church?

The RCIA program at St. Ursula is sure to lead you on a journey that will not only impart knowledge of the tenants of the faith, but will lead you to a relationship with Christ and His Church.



**Registration is always open!**

New classes will begin on August 27, 2023, and run through Spring of 2023.

Please reach out to the Adult Faith Formation Coordinator, Mrs. Bernie Miller, at [Bernadine.Miller@archbalt.org](mailto:Bernadine.Miller@archbalt.org) if you have questions before registering.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**EDGE**  
Catholic Middle School Ministry

EDGE is our Middle School Ministry program for 6th - 8th graders and meets 1x a month. EDGE helps middle schoolers encounter Jesus through monthly events and activities. As they play games, laugh, and enjoy each other's company, teens will learn more about their faith and come to know Jesus in a deeper, personal way. Small groups help teens build each other up through friendship and encouragement.

SCAN QR CODE FOR EDGE SCHEDULE



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

**ST. URSULA YOUTH MINISTRY VISIT US @ THE PARKVILLE FAIR!! SEPT 9 10A-3P**

**COME DUNK FR. JASON & SUS PRINCIPAL MRS. JONES**

Dunking Times  
Fr. Jason 11a-11:30a  
Mrs. Jones 12-12:30p





## 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.



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