



WHAT'S AHEAD WEDNESDAY



September 17, 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUS LEADERSHIP

Dear Parents/Guardians,

At SUS, we are proud to use PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support) to celebrate and encourage the success of every student. PBIS helps us shine a light on the many wonderful ways our students demonstrate positive choices and Christlike behavior each day.

This year, our students are being recognized as Children of God when they show kindness, respect, inclusivity, honesty, forgiveness, helpfulness, gratitude, obedience, reverence to God, and a spirit of peace.

When students earn recognition, they are invited to take part in a joyful Pilgrim of HOPE celebration! As Pilgrims of HOPE, students live out behaviors that **H**onor God, **O**bey authority, **P**erform their best, and **E**ncourage others—tying into the Christlike actions acknowledged on the Child of God slips.

Each month, we will gather as a school community for a spirit-filled assembly, where one student from each homeroom will be awarded the Child of God Certificate. After the celebration, students will proudly bring home their blue slips to share their special recognition with their families.

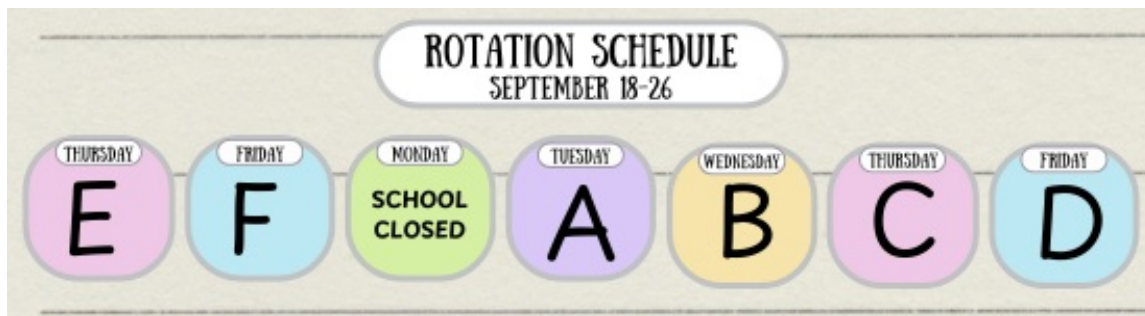
We are almost there! Thank you to the families who have completed the Family Income Survey. So far we have received 485 responses. Don't forget if we have 100% participation the students will earn a surprise! If you have not already done so, please submit the survey by Friday, September 18. Thank you for your support! [Family Survey Link](#)

Blessings,

COUNSELING CORNER

Strong collaboration between home and school is essential to your child's success. We ask that you share with us any significant home situations that may impact your child during the school day—such as the loss of a pet or family member, a loved one's hospitalization or medical needs, a house fire, or other unexpected events. Our priority is to support your child's well-being in every way—spiritually, emotionally, physically, and academically. Our school counselor, Ms. Pizzini, can be reached at apizzini@stursula.org.

ROTATION SCHEDULE FOR SEPT 18-26



PAY-IT LINKS

NEW October Hot Lunch & Special Lunch

We will once again be offering hot lunches and special lunch. You are not required to order all of the lunches. Lunches will only be distributed to those who have prepaid. All orders must be placed through the Pay-it link no later than 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 25th. Late orders cannot be accepted. For more information and to place your order please visit this link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/iMUbeJP2>

NEW Mothers' Club Dues

We would love to have you become an official member of the SUS Mothers' Club! Membership is extended to all St. Ursula moms, as well as any female family members and family influencers of our students. Dues are \$20.00 per person. Please use this Pay-it link to pay your dues: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/AeA38V6a>

UPDATES & REMINDERS

REMINDER Early Dismissal Friday, September 19th

Please be reminded that we have an early dismissal this Friday, September 19th. Extended Day will be open until 6:00 p.m. The dismissal times are 12:00, 12:08, and 12:16.

REMINDER School Closed Monday, September 22nd

Please be reminded that school will be closed on Monday, September 22nd.

REMINDER Chick-fil-A Spirit Lunch



What could be better than enjoying tasty chicken while earning money for your school?

Show your support for

St. Ursula School

On Friday, 9/19/25 from 12:00-3:00 PM

20% of all designated sales during the event will be donated to your group. Order a Cobb, Market or Spicy Southwest Salad for an extra \$1 bonus donation!

Spirit Lunch promotion is available for Dine In, Carry Out, Drive Thru or Mobile Ordering. Please show the flyer or mention Spirit Lunch when placing your order. All mobile orders must enter the following code when placing your order on the app to receive credit.

CODE: SUS919

Chick-fil-A
Perry Hall Shopping Center
8867 Belair Road
Baltimore, MD 21236



NEW Morning Arrival

For the safety of our students and parents crossing the street, cars are not permitted to make a left turn onto Harford Road during morning arrival. Going forward, our crossing guards will record license plate numbers of violators and share them with the police.

NEW Mothers' Club Meeting

Join us for our first meeting of the school year on Monday, September 29th at 6:45pm in the St. Ursula Church Spiritual Center. Come find out what's new for the year and the many ways to get involved with Mothers' Club! All St. Ursula moms, aunts, grandmothers and other female family influencers are welcome to attend! Drinks and refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP using the link provided to help us prepare for the meeting. We hope to see you there!

<https://forms.gle/rPhtUB3QVT4FVWFLA>

NEW VIRTUS

To verify that your Virtus certification is complete and/or needs to be updated, please log-in to your Virtus account here: <http://virtusonline.org>. Once you are logged in, if your screen says action needed, then you are not complete. Due to the volume of school volunteers, we are unable to send a notification when certifications are complete. We encourage all returning families to check their Virtus status. If you have any questions please email Ms. Sampson at asampson@stursula.org.

REMINDER MAP Testing

This week we began the fall session of our MAP Growth testing for students in grades 2-8. Testing will continue into next week. If at all possible, please try not to schedule any appointments for your child during this time period. We appreciate your support!

- Thursday, September 18 - Math
- Wednesday, September 24 - Reading

REMINDER Band Registration Time

For more information about the SUS Band Program:

- [SUS BAND WEBSITE - click here](#)
- Registration form - Instrumental Music Program
- Instrument rental - Music and Arts
- New band parent video
- Mrs. Weglein: (410) 563-2852 stursulaband@gmail.com

****There is a video on the website** to learn more about band registration, rentals, and schedule.

REMINDER Open House Yard Signs

We are still in need of a few families to post one of our Open House yard signs at their home or business. If you're willing to display a sign, please send an email to Lauren Calva at lcalva@stursula.org and we'll make sure one gets to you. Thank you for helping us showcase all that makes our school special!

NEXT WEDNESDAY SUS High School Fair

Please see the flyer for dates and locations for the upcoming High School Fairs. We will be hosting an evening at St. Ursula on Wednesday, September 24th at 5:30 p.m. [High School Fairs Flyer](#)

LAST CHANCE Family Ties: Alumni & Students

Are you an SUS alum with a child/children currently attending St. Ursula School? We'd love to feature your family on our **Family Ties** bulletin board—located in the hallway leading to the gym! It's a fun way to celebrate the generations that make our community so special.

How to participate:

- Send a hard-copy photo in with your child Attn: Lauren Calva.
- On the back of the photo, please include the names of everyone in the photo and alumni graduation year from SUS if applicable.
- In hopes of refreshing the board by Harvest Festival, please have all photos submitted by September 19th.

Questions? Reach out to Kim Foltyn at kimberli.foltyn@gmail.com

HARVEST FESTIVAL



The Harvest Festival is an annual tradition at St. Ursula School and is an event the entire St. Ursula Harvest Festival community looks forward to each year. The Harvest Festival includes fun family games, crafts, delicious food, prize wheels, and much more!

Please take a moment to read the [Insider Tips](#) for all you need to know about

Harvest Festival.

50/50 Raffle Tickets

If you would like additional tickets, please let the office know. Please send the ticket stubs (the portion with the buyer's information) and money back to the school office as soon as possible. Please label the envelope: Harvest Festival 50/50 Raffle.

Commemorative T-shirt

Join us in celebrating this year's Harvest Festival with a commemorative t-shirt! This shirt is 100% cotton. Students who order may wear this on Thursday, October 9 and be out of uniform. All Orders must be received by September 30th. Sorry but we cannot accept any late orders. T-shirts can be purchased here: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/r5iVmQa0>

Service Hour Opportunities:

- Volunteers must be Virtus approved. Please sign-up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849A8AF2BA3F4C34-58551891-harvest>

Game Tickets & Decorate the Festival:

- Order game tickets and icons here: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/Lndfcl6z>
- Order tickets by Thursday, October 4th by 8:00 a.m. to get a discount!

Cake Donations

Earn 1 hour for each of the following: 2 cakes, 36 cupcakes, 24 individual brownies (13x9 dish) (Limit 4 hours from baking items for Harvest Festival) Homemade items only! – No store-bought items count toward service hours.

Attending the Festival:

Thursday, October 9th - Students will attend the festival during their assigned time below. Parents/guardians who will be attending Harvest Festival with a student on Thursday, October 9th, will need to enter school through the playground doors to receive an identification badge before attending the festival. If you have previously visited the school and have had your ID scanned, please complete this form so that we can print your badge before the scheduled event: <https://forms.gle/41571BYCyg8iRnUB7>

- PK & K 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
- Gr. 1, 2 9:55 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- Gr.3, 4, 5 11:10 a.m. -12:15 p.m.
- Gr. 6, 7, 8 12:30 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

Friday, October 10th - The festival is open to the public from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 11th - The festival is open to the public from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

NEW Special Lunch Volunteers

The Special Lunch Committee is looking for volunteers to help with the special lunches throughout the year. A great way to get service hours while helping feed our students a special lunch. Volunteers must be Virtus approved. Please sign-up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AAEA82CA5FDC43->

REMINDER September Lunch Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help in the lunchroom in September. 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/30E0444AAA62EA5FE3-57895728-lunch>

SPIRITUAL CORNER

NEW Grades 3-8 Poster Contest

Students in grades 3-8 are invited to make a poster reflecting the Archdiocese of Baltimore theme "Pilgrims of Hope." Please see the flyer for more details.

As Children of God, We Are Pilgrims of Hope Poster Contest

Rules

- Posters must reflect the theme of **As Children of God, We Are Pilgrims of Hope**.
- Posters must be your own, original work, this includes the design, layout, slogan (other than the theme) and any images used. You **MAY NOT** print out anything (images, words, etc.) and glue it on the posters.
- Posters should be approximately 11 x 14 inches in size (legal paper size).
- Posters can be in color or black and white.
- Your name and homeroom should be neatly written on the back of the poster.
- All posters are due on **Wednesday, October 8, 2025**. Late posters will not be accepted.

Judging Criteria

Posters will be judged in two grade divisions, Grades 3-5 and Grades 6-8

Posters will be judged on the following criteria:

- *Theme:* How well is the theme of **As Children of God, We Are Pilgrims of Hope** represented on the poster?
- *Visuals/Neatness:* How well do the images on the poster relate to the theme? Is the poster neat?
- *Overall Impact:* How well did the poster grab your attention? How effective was it in causing you to reflect on the theme?

PARISH NEWS

Children's Book Drive


Help support the
Women's Care Center!
(Fullerton Location)


October 4th - 12th

**Sponsored by
St. Ursula Parish
& School!**

A bin will be located
in the vestibule to
place your new or
gently used
children's books!



 **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!



**JOIN US FOR EUCHARISTIC
HOLY HOUR EVERY FRIDAY
EVENING IN THE CHURCH!**

*Every first Friday, we will have
Confessions during Holy Hour beginning
at 7pm, followed by fellowship in the
Spiritual Center at 8pm!*

*Every third Friday, upon Fr. Obinna's
return, experience a beautiful evening of
Adoration beginning at 6pm followed by
live music and an inspiring talk
concluding by 8pm.
(stay tuned for the date!)*

To Jesus Through Mary

Saint Ursula Catholic Community

In the Archdiocese of Baltimore

Our 2025 theme is "My Soul Magnifies the Lord"

St. Ursula Catholic Church
8801 Harford Road
Parkville, Maryland 21234

Oct 3 7pm Holy Hour
followed by reception

Oct 4 6p-8p Potluck dinner and activity to
celebrate the end of the Season of
Creation and the beginning of the
month of the Holy Rosary.

Rosary kits are available for individuals and
families who want to make rosaries at home
for the Rosary Guild to give to the St. Paul
Street Evangelization mission. There will be
some at the dinner.

RSVP to Tanya at tany.ray@archbalt.org so
that we will have enough materials for the
month of the Holy Rosary.



**PILGRIMS
OF HOPE FOR
CREATION**
September 1-October 4



A Ministry for
5-8th graders

HIKING WITH THE SAINTS



SEPT 27

10A-12PM

CROMWELL VALLEY PARK

MEET AT THE TABLES NEAR THE NATURE CENTER



CONTACT MS TANYA FOR MORE
INFORMATION
AT SUYOUTHMINISTRY@GMAIL.COM



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