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October 22, 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUS LEADERSHIP

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It was wonderful to see so many parents during our parent/teacher conferences. Students are off to a great start and we are thankful for all of our amazing, dedicated teachers who go above and beyond on a daily basis to ensure the success of our students.

We are looking forward to our October Spirit Assembly on Friday, October 24, 2025. Students may wear SUS gym pants/shorts with SUS spirit shirts.

Our annual Trunk or Treat is scheduled for this Friday, October 24th, and we're looking forward to a fun evening for our students and families! However, we are still in need of Virtus-approved parent volunteers to help make this event possible. Without enough volunteers, we will unfortunately have to cancel the event. If you are able to help, please sign up using the link below by Thursday, October 23rd. Thank you for your continued support.

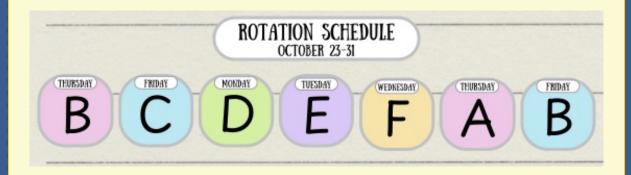
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SUS will conduct our monthly Fire Drill on October 27, 2025 which will be observed by our local fire department as part of our regular safety procedures.

Thank you to Mrs. Niki Thoericht for her 20 years of service to SUS and our Extended Day program! We are so grateful for all she brought to the program. We are excited to welcome Ms. Emma Riemer as our new Extended Day Director! Please give her a warm SUS welcome.

Blessings, Ms. Anderson and Mrs. Marinaro

ROTATION SCHEDULE FOR OCT 23-31



TONIGHT! Looney's Pub Dining Out Night

Join the PHSA for a Dining Out Night at Looney's in Perry Hall on Wednesday, October 22nd from 4-10 p.m. St. Ursula School will receive 20% of the proceeds. There will also be a 50/50raffle. Please let them know you are with St. Ursula School.



PAY-IT LINKS

NEW Trunk or Treat

• LAST CHANCE Trunk or Treat Join us for Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 24th! Chick-fil-A sandwiches and snacks will be available for purchase. For more information and to purchase tickets, please click here: https://payit.nelnet.net/form/VFrXhKuW

• REMINDER Trunk or Treat Candy Donations To support those families decorating their trunks, please feel free to donate a bag of candy. Donations can be sent to the school office. Thank you for your support of this event. In the event we need to cancel, all candy will be donated to our service men and women abroad.

LAST CHANCE November Hot Lunch

Hot lunches will only be distributed to those who have pre-paid. Orders will close at 8 a.m. on Thursday, October 23rd. No late orders will be accepted. For more information and to place your order please visit this link: https://payit.nelnet.net/form/Cz4EEBnK

UPDATES & REMINDERS

NEW Dollar Day Tomorrow

Students who have pre-paid may dress down tomorrow, Thursday, October 23rd. 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 Game Club (Grades 1-2)

1st and 2nd Grade Game Club will meet on Wednesday, October 29th. Sign up on the Sign Up Genius and send in the signed permission slip to your teacher! Bring your favorite board game or card game to share with the group. Space is limited. First come first served. You will find more information on the permission slip. Hope to see you there!

- Sign-up
- Permission Slip

NEW 5th Grade STEAM Activity

On Tuesday, November 4 (C Day), Mrs. Zimmerman and Mrs. Swauger will be hosting a STEAM activity for 10 5th grade students. We will be making pringles chip rings. The sign up email will be sent to 5th grade parent(s)/guardian(s) on Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 6:30 pm. The sign up genius also includes an opportunity to provide materials for service hours. You will only be able to sign your child up for one STEAM activity this year. Subsequent sign up genius links will only be emailed to those that did not participate in an activity yet.

NEW Class/Group Photos

Class/group photos will be taken on Thursday, November 6th. If this is a scheduled gym day (E Day), please have your child wear their regular school uniform (not gym uniform) and tennis shoes. If students were absent or need their individual photo re-taken, they can do so on this day. Class & Club Photos Order Form

NEW Chromebook Reminders

Please remind your child(ren) in grades 3–8 to charge their Chromebook each evening (as needed) and to bring their device to school each day. If they forgot their chromebook, they should visit Mrs. Zimmerman after announcements to get a loaner device.

Beginning in November, students in grades 3–8 who forget their Chromebook more than three times in a month will not be issued a loaner device. This policy

is intended to help students build personal responsibility and develop good habits for being prepared for class.

If a student brings their Chromebook to school but it is not charged, they may charge it in homeroom or during lunch/recess. However, if their device is not ready for use during class, they may need to complete the assignment on paper or finish it at home.

Thank you for partnering with us to help students come to school prepared and ready to learn each day!

NEW Bingo Update

The PHSA Cash Bingo scheduled for Friday, November 7th has been cancelled.

NEW Safe Schools Maryland Parent Presentation

The Maryland Center for School Safety is hosting a 30-minute virtual Safe Schools Maryland Parent Presentation on Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 7 PM. This presentation is an overview of the Safe Schools Maryland Anonymous Reporting System available to all K-12 schools across Maryland and how to use the system. Please register using this link:

https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule.php?owner=20399306&appointmentType=36637332

REMINDER Lucky 1500 Tickets

Your youngest child brought home two green Lucky 1500 raffle tickets last week. This raffle runs for 10 weeks and the first drawing will be held on November 10th. All families who did not opt out of fundraising are required to sell or purchase a total of four tickets during the school year. You will receive your next two tickets in the winter, but you are welcome to buy or sell more than the required amount. In addition, you will earn 1.5 service hours for every ticket you buy or sell. Please include your service hour card when submitting your tickets so we can record your hours. Payments may be made by cash or check (payable to St. Ursula School) or through this Pay-it link: https://payit.nelnet.net/form/H4QXzhBM If you would like additional tickets or have any questions, please contact Ms. Sampson at asampson@stursula.org.

REMINDER Yearbooks

- Order Your Yearbook
 - Yearbooks are now on sale! Order by November 30th and the cost is \$25. After November 30th, the price of a yearbook will increase to \$30. The price will increase to \$35 after January 20th. Please see the flyer below for purchasing instructions. <u>Yearbook Order</u> Form 2026
- 8th Grade Spreads
 - We do two spreads in the yearbook for our 8th graders: "8th Grade Through the Years" and "8th Grade Baby Pictures." Please see the instructions below on how to submit these pictures for the yearbook. Picture submissions are due by January 6, 2026. 8th Grade Picture Spreads
- 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

REMINDER Tuition Assistance Application Now Open

The 2026-2027 tuition assistance application is now open. The complete and verified application is due by February 28, 2026. To apply, please visit: https://online.factsmgt.com/aid.

REMINDER Winter Uniform

The winter uniform will begin on Tuesday, November 4th. The winter uniform guidelines can be found here: https://www.stursula.org/resources/uniforms

REMINDER School Play Auditions

On Wednesday, October 29, 2025, we will be holding open auditions for students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. It will be held right after school from 3:00pm-5:00pm in the school gym. If you are interested in auditioning, please complete the following form: <u>Audition Sign Up</u>

For additional information, please refer to our google site: Theatre Program Website If you have any questions, please reach out to Miss Moulton at amoulton@stursula.org

SAVE THE DATES

NEW Halloween Dress-Up

Students are invited to wear their Halloween costumes to school on Friday, October 31st. Please review the guidelines below.



HALLOWEEN COSTUME GUIDELINES

Be sure to follow the guidelines listed below:
Costumes must follow Dollar Day clothing rules.
Masks may only be worn during voting.
Costumes may not include items that are considered weapons or could be used as weapons such as plastic swords or knives.
Wigs may be worn, but no colored hair spray or extreme/elaborate make-up is allowed.

All costumes must be appropriate in length and style.

Costumes should not include any inappropriate sayings or promote violence or inappropriate activity.

No political cpstumes.

If students do not wish to wear a costume, they should wear their school uniforms or dress in Halloween colors – orange,black, or purple

REMINDER Mothers' Club Meeting

Grab your Halloween spirit and join the Mothers' Club on Monday, October 27 at 6:45 PM in the St. Ursula Church Spiritual Center for our October meeting. Food and drinks will be provided, Please RSVP using the link below so we can plan for plenty of treats! All are welcome- we can't wait to see you there! https://forms.gle/LcBKRKwjVck9XPv16

NEW STEM Family Fun Fair

Notre Dame of Maryland University is hosting a STEM Family Fun Fair on Sunday, November 16th. Please see this flyer for more information and to register: <u>STEM Family Fun Fair</u>

SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

NEW November Lunch Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help in the lunchroom in November. 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/30E0444AAA62EA5FE3-59859458-lunch

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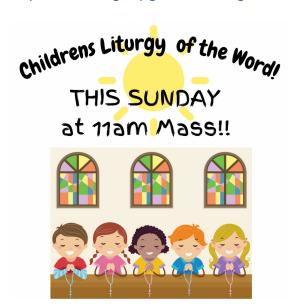
Dare we be as unapologetically Catholic as this Polish pianist? https://www.osvnews.com/pianists-sign-of-the-cross-goes-viral-as-he-enters-worlds-famous-chopin-piano-competition/

PARISH NEWS

Anniversary Blessing: If you celebrate your wedding anniversary in November and would like to receive at the 9am Mass on Sunday, November 2nd, please call the Parish Office by THIS coming Monday.

Students in grades 8-12 are invited to XLT: A Night of Prayer & Worship on Friday, November 7th at St. Joseph Fullerton from 6:00-8:30 p.m.Join us for games, food, music & Jesus in the Eucharist

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A48A9AC2DA7F58-55917004-xltnight









Saturday, November 22, 2025 9:00am to 1:00pm

Come support local small business and do your Christmas shopping! This event will feature all kinds of vendors, unique artwork, crafters, gifts, food, raffles, live music, children's activities and more! There may even be a guest appearance by someone from the North Pole!!

Proceeds will benefit Ministry with Children, Youth, and Families

St. Ursula Spiritual Center (Lower level of Church) 8801 Harford Road Parkville, MD 21234

Plenty of free parking, enter through the glass doors in the rear of the parking lot



To volunteer or help provide food for the concessions, scan or click the provided QR codes to the right!









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