



WHAT'S AHEAD WEDNESDAY



December 10, 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUS LEADERSHIP

Dear Parents/Guardians,

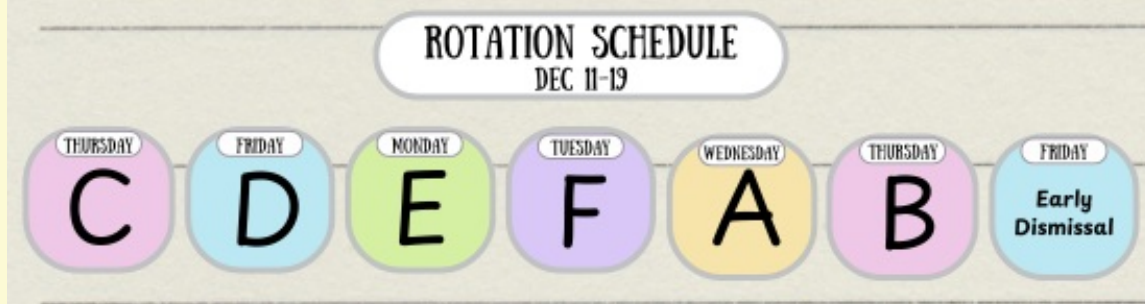
As we continue through the month of December, we are reminded of the joy, hope, and gratitude this blessed season brings. It is a time to prepare our hearts—through prayer, generosity, and reflection—for the celebration of Christ's birth. Within our school community, we witness this spirit each day in the kindness of our students, the dedication of our staff, and the support of our families.

During our recent school Mass, Fr. Obinna invited the students to share their greatest desire in life. Their responses were heartfelt and inspiring, offering a beautiful reminder of the sincerity and simplicity of a child's faith. I invite you to take a moment this week to reflect as well: *What is your greatest desire?*

We also hope you will join us tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the gym for our Christmas Concert and Art Show. Come celebrate the season with us, enjoy the wonderful music from our band and choir, and admire the amazing artwork our students have created. We look forward to seeing you there!

Blessings,
Ms. Anderson and Mrs. Marinaro

ROTATION SCHEDULE FOR DEC 11-19



PAY-IT LINKS

NEW January Hot Lunch

Hot lunches will only be distributed to those who have pre-paid. **Orders will close at 8 a.m. on Thursday, December 18th. No late orders will be accepted.** For more information and to place your order please visit this link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/3sq1os9f>

LAST CHANCE Dave & Busters Cards

Looking for an easy Christmas gift? The PHSA is selling Dave & Buster's power cards. These make a great Christmas gift and a portion of the sales goes directly to St. Ursula. Power cards will be distributed before Christmas break. All orders are due by 9:00 a.m. on Friday, December 12th. For more information and to order, please visit <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/RwKI2CXY>

THIS SATURDAY! Breakfast with Santa

The St. Ursula Fathers' Club is hosting Breakfast with Santa in the St. Ursula gym on Saturday, December 13th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Come out and enjoy pancakes and grab a quick pic with Santa! This event is open to all SUS students from Pre-K through 5th grade. Cost is \$7 per child and \$10 per adult and includes pancakes, sausage, and activities for students. Please register and pay at the following link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/8MvYluAV>. Please note that alcoholic beverages are not permitted at any student event, and adults are asked to refrain from consuming them during these activities.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECT



DECEMBER 4TH - 18TH

SAFETY PATROL WINTER DRIVE

Please help us collect new hats, scarves, gloves, and coats for local kids ages 5 - 14 in need. These items will be dropped off at the Baltimore Hunger Project and distributed to local elementary schools serving students facing hardship.

Donations can be brought to the Homeroom teacher for collection, and bins will also be located outside next to the gym at dismissal. All are welcome to donate!

UPDATES & REMINDERS

REMINDER Holiday Candy Grams Due Monday

The Student Council will be selling candy grams again this year. Each page costs \$1.00 (for one candy gram, \$0.25). Please include the recipient's full name and homeroom on the sheet for sorting purposes. Please have them cut out and turned into your homeroom teacher by **Monday, December 15th**. We will not be able to accept any late orders. [Candy Grams 2025](#)

NEW Dollar Day Friday

Students who have pre-paid may dress down Friday, December 12th. 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 Christmas Dress-up

On Friday, December 19th, students may wear their favorite Christmas outfit or their SUS spirit wear. All clothing must be school appropriate. Please see the Student Handbook for our out of uniform guidelines.

NEW Christmas Break Schedule

Please see below for the Christmas Break Schedule:

- Friday, December 19th - Early Dismissal beginning at 12:00 p.m.
 - 12:00 - A-Dr
 - 12:08 - Du-Sc
 - 12:16 - Se-Z
- Friday, December 19th - **Extended Day will close at 3:00 p.m.**
- Monday, December 22nd through Friday, January 2nd - School Closed
- Monday, January 5th - School Reopens

NEW This Week's Lucky 1500 Winners

1st: #798 M. Kimura

2nd: #987 M. Sammons

3rd: #148 K. Copp

4th: #14 A. Fury

5th: #884 M. McMillion

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](#)
- 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](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW Fathers' Club Meeting

We will hold our December meeting on Sunday, December 14th at 7:30 PM in the St. Ursula School Gym. All fathers, grandfathers, uncles, godfathers and male relatives are welcome to attend.

NEW Mothers' Club Meeting

All moms are welcome to join us on Thursday, December 18th at 6:45pm in the St. Ursula Church Spiritual Center for our annual Moms' Christmas Party. No agenda this month, just holiday fun! Info for our annual sock exchange can be found in the link. Please RSVP here to ensure enough holiday cheer to go around: <https://forms.gle/6WUchLEt9cJ7xRzu6>

REMINDER Fathers' Club Skateland Night

The SUFC invites our students and their families to Skateland North Point (new location) on Monday, December 29th from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for a night of family fun! Skate rentals available for \$3, cash only. All scooters, hoover boards and inline or roller skates are allowed. No RSVP necessary.

SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

NEW January Lunch Volunteers

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



Sunday, December 14th

Lessons and Carols: 4:30pm

Parish Community Tree Lighting, 5pm



Followed by homemade treats in the Spiritual Center




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!



Friday, December 19th
Advent Day of Healing, Mercy and Hope
Adoration • Reconciliation • Holy Mass of Atonement and Healing

As we enter the sacred season of Advent—a time of longing, hope, and joyful expectation for the coming of Our Savior—you are invited to a grace-filled day of prayer and healing for our parish family.

Throughout this holy day, we will turn our hearts toward Christ, the Light who breaks into our darkness, bringing comfort, forgiveness, and renewal.

Schedule of the Day
8:30 AM – Daily Mass

9am until 6:00pm – Full Day of Eucharistic Adoration
Come and rest in the quiet presence of Christ as we prepare our hearts for His coming.

9am–11am & 4pm–6pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
Priests will be available in the church to offer God's mercy and peace.

6:30pm–8:00pm: Holy Mass of Atonement & Healing with Special Reflection
This Mass speaks into the places where many of us quietly struggle:
– Unresolved grief
– Traumas that arise from rejection or abandonment
– Betrayals and broken trust
– Experiences of oppression or deep hurt

Through this Advent offering, we seek to lay down our burdens and make room in our hearts for the One who comes to save. We allow a wider view into easing unforgiveness, bitterness, resentment, or guilt—and encounter the healing love of Christ.

Come, let us prepare the way of the Lord together. Come, let healing and hope be born anew in us this Advent.

St. Ursula Christmas Ornament!!!

Just \$10!!
Pay with cash, check or card!



Stop by the Parish Office on either a Monday or Wednesday and get yours today!

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24th

4:00pm with Organ and Cantor: Msgr. O'Connor

6:00pm with Contemporary Choir: Fr. Obinna

10:00pm with Traditional Choir, Organ and Brass: Fr. Obinna
(carols beginning at 9:30pm)



Christmas Day, December 25th

10:00am with Organ and Cantor: Msgr. O'Connor

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, January 1st

10:00am with Organ and Cantor:
Fr. Obinna

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, experience a beautiful evening of Adoration beginning at 6:30pm and an inspiring talk concluding by 8pm.



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