

Crusader Connections

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

February 28, 2023



Pre-K Celebrates 100 Days of School!

Important Dates

February 28: Grade 7 Field Trip & Girls Varsity Basketball Championship Game, 6:30pm

March 2: Grade 7 Field Trip & Band Rehearsal, 6-7pm

March 3: First Friday Mass, hosted by 8th Grade & Stations of the Cross

March 7 & 8: Grade 8 Field Trip

March 10: Early Dismissal, 12:30pm

March 13: No School for Students, Professional Day

March 14: Parent Internet Safety Presentation: 6:30 pm

March 15 & 16: Grade 6 Field Trip

March 16: School Strategic Plan Input Meeting 6-7pm

March 17: St. Patrick's Day "Go Green" T-shirt Tag Day

March 18: Middle School Dance at FAW

March 21: World Down Syndrome Day: Wear fun socks!

March 23: Field Trip (Grades K, 1, 3) & College Sweatshirt Tag Day & B-ball March Madness Event

March 25: Maryland Day

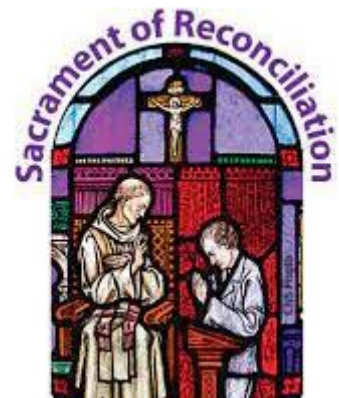
March 29: Vocations Mass (6th grade) & End of Third Quarter

March 31: Monthly Activity (Middle School)



First Reconciliation

Congratulations to our 2nd graders who received the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this past weekend! May they have incredible feelings of peace and joy as they experience God's mercy!



State FLL Tournament

Our FIRST LEGO League Robotics Team competed in the Maryland State Tournament last weekend! They did an amazing job explaining their project, the Electric Eagle to a team of engineer judges and execute their programming code as they navigated the robotics course. In the Robotics course, they came in 11th out of 60 teams. Great work! A special thanks goes to their mentors and coaches, Ms. Rowland, Mrs. Sarlo, and Mr. George. We also appreciate the MIL Foundation who sponsored this team!



FAW Athletics

🔊 📣 Go Crusaders! 📣 🔊

Basketball Schedules and Results

Click the link above to find out when to come cheer on our student athletes!



🏀 Best wishes in the Championship game Girls Varsity! 🏀

BASKETBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP

Go Crusaders!

FATHER ANDREW WHITE CRUSADERS **VS** **KINGS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY EAGLES**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
6:30 PM
ST. MARY'S RYKEN HIGH SCHOOL

GIRLS VARSITY

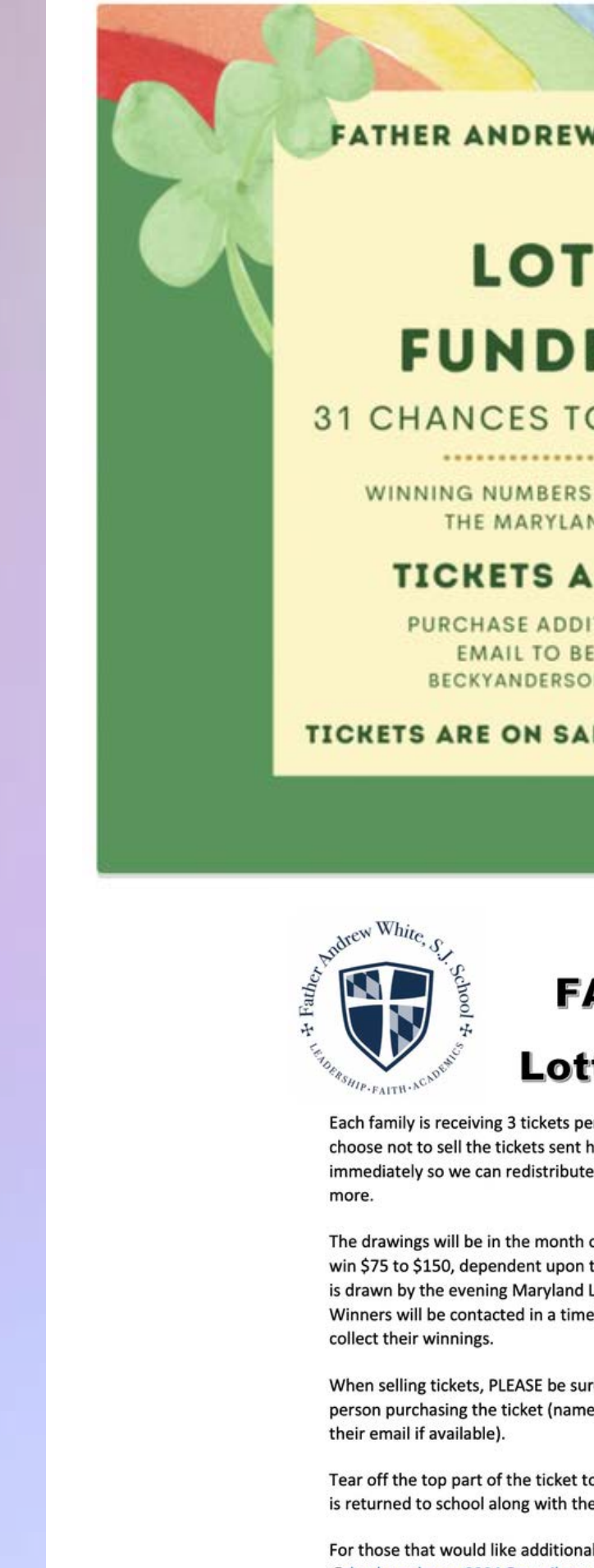
The poster features a red and blue color scheme. At the top, the words "BASKETBALL" and "CHAMPIONSHIP" are written in large, bold, white letters on a blue background. Below this, a white banner contains the text "Go Crusaders!" in blue. The main event information is presented in a white octagonal shape with a red border, containing the logos for Father Andrew White Crusaders (a shield with a knight) and Kings Christian Academy Eagles (a cross on a banner), separated by "VS". Below the octagon, the date and time "TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28 6:30 PM" and the location "ST. MARY'S RYKEN HIGH SCHOOL" are listed. On the right side, there is a photograph of the girls' varsity basketball team in blue uniforms, with a coach and two adults standing behind them. A basketball is shown in the bottom right corner of the photo area. The text "GIRLS VARSITY" is written in blue on a white banner at the bottom of the photo.

Join our amazing cheerleaders to cheer on the Varsity Girls in the Championship game at St. Mary's Ryken TONIGHT at 6:30pm! Go Crusaders!!!

Today is the last day to sell/buy tickets!

Are you feeling lucky?

Take a chance (or 2 or 3!) on being one of the 31 winners in the third FAW Lottery Fundraiser! With \$2,725 in cash prizes, this is a great opportunity to support the school and have a chance to come away a WINNER!!! Be sure to ask your family and friends to see if they'd like the chance to put a little extra cash in their wallets, too! Please see the flyer below to see how you have 31 chances to win!



FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL'S

LOTTERY FUNDRAISER

31 CHANCES TO WIN IN MARCH!

WINNING NUMBERS EACH DAY ARE BASED ON
THE MARYLAND LOTTERY PICK 3

TICKETS ARE \$10 EACH

PURCHASE ADDITIONAL TICKETS VIA
EMAIL TO BECKY ANDERSON
BECKYANDERSON0904@GMAIL.COM

TICKETS ARE ON SALE UNTIL FEBRUARY 28!



3rd Annual FAW Pick Three Lottery Fundraiser!

Each family is receiving 3 tickets per student to sell at \$10.00 each. If you choose not to sell the tickets sent home with your child, please return them immediately so we can redistribute them to those families that would like more.

The drawings will be in the month of March 2023 and each day someone will win \$75 to \$150, dependent upon the day of the drawing. The number that is drawn by the evening Maryland Lottery decides the winner each day. Winners will be contacted in a timely fashion with information on how to collect their winnings.

When selling tickets, PLEASE be sure you capture all information for the person purchasing the ticket (name, address, phone number and include their email if available).

Tear off the top part of the ticket to give to the person and the lower portion is returned to school along with the money collected.

For those that would like additional tickets, please contact Becky Anderson @ beckyanderson0904@gmail.com and she will send more tickets home.

All money and tickets are due to school by February 28, 2023.

Note: Please turn them in earlier if you have them sold.

Thank you for your support!

FAW HSA

Donations, please!

The children have such fun with the Brown Bag Auction and we hope you can help! Please consider contributing items to help build the baskets listed on the flyer below. If you'd like to donate a completed basket, just let a committee member know. Thank you!

A big Thank You to Schneider Orthodontics and the Dent Family for your completed basket donations!

Father Andrew White's

BROWN BAG AUCTION

is coming in April.

Please Consider Donating!

The kid themed, fun-filled baskets will be on display the week of April 17th and students will be able to purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win!

Donations of kid-friendly, new items within these themes are needed:

- Legos • Play-doh • Board & Card Games • Movie Night
- Super heroes • Crafts • STEM • Comic Books • Sports
- Harry Potter • Spa Day • Bath & Body Works • Techie
- Teen Jewelry/Accessories • Slime • Fidgets/Cubes • Gaming
- Books • Summer Fun • Star Wars
- Girl Scout Cookies • Gift Cards

Donations of baskets/bins, cellophane basket bags, blue or white curling ribbon and monetary donations are also very appreciated!

Donations can be dropped off in the main office.

Questions? Please contact Shannon Dent (shannonadent@gmail.com), Jessica Phillips (jessica@phillips5.com) or Kristen Haley (kristenhaley11@gmail.com)

Strategic Planning Meeting

We want to know your ideas for our five-year strategic plan. Please join us for an opportunity to share input that will guide our decisions for future planning. Hope to see you there!

March 16, 2023
FAW School Gymnasium
6:00-7:00 PM



FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL PRESENTS

INTERNET SAFETY AWARENESS PRESENTATION



KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE

TUESDAY
March 14, 2023
6:30 PM
FAW Gym

- Do you want to know how to keep your children safe in Cyberspace?
- Do you want to know how to better monitor what your children are doing online?
- Do you want tools for keeping youth safe in Cyberspace?



Joe Dugan
Internet Safety Specialist, Maryland State Police
will provide a presentation that will:

- Equip you with an understanding of the dangers of social networking, gaming sites, smart phone/tablet apps, disturbing trends such as cyberbullying, tactics online predators use to lure youth into dangerous and potentially life-threatening situations.
- Discuss the many ways our children can find themselves in trouble on the internet, such as loss of privacy and exposure to graphic content both from imagery and online games.

NOTE: We will provide childcare in the Library.

*This is an adult only event.

Hosted by Father Andrew White School



**SAINT
PATRICK'S**
Middle School Dance

18th
MARCH

7-9:30p.m.

TICKET
\$7

Out-of-uniform day guidelines apply.
Phones will be collected at the door.

22850 Washington St., Leonardtown, MD 20650
<https://bnfct.co/faw-2023middleschoolsocial>

Click [HERE](#) to Buy Tickets for the Middle School Dance!

FATHER ANDREW WHITE MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE PERMISSION FORM

STUDENT'S NAME _____ GRADE _____

SCHOOL _____

PARENT'S NAME _____

PARENT'S PHONE _____

I, _____ HEREBY GIVE MY PERMISSION FOR MY
CHILD _____ TO ATTEND THE FATHER ANDREW WHITE
MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023. I/WE UNDERSTAND THAT
ALL CELL PHONES WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE DOOR.

PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____

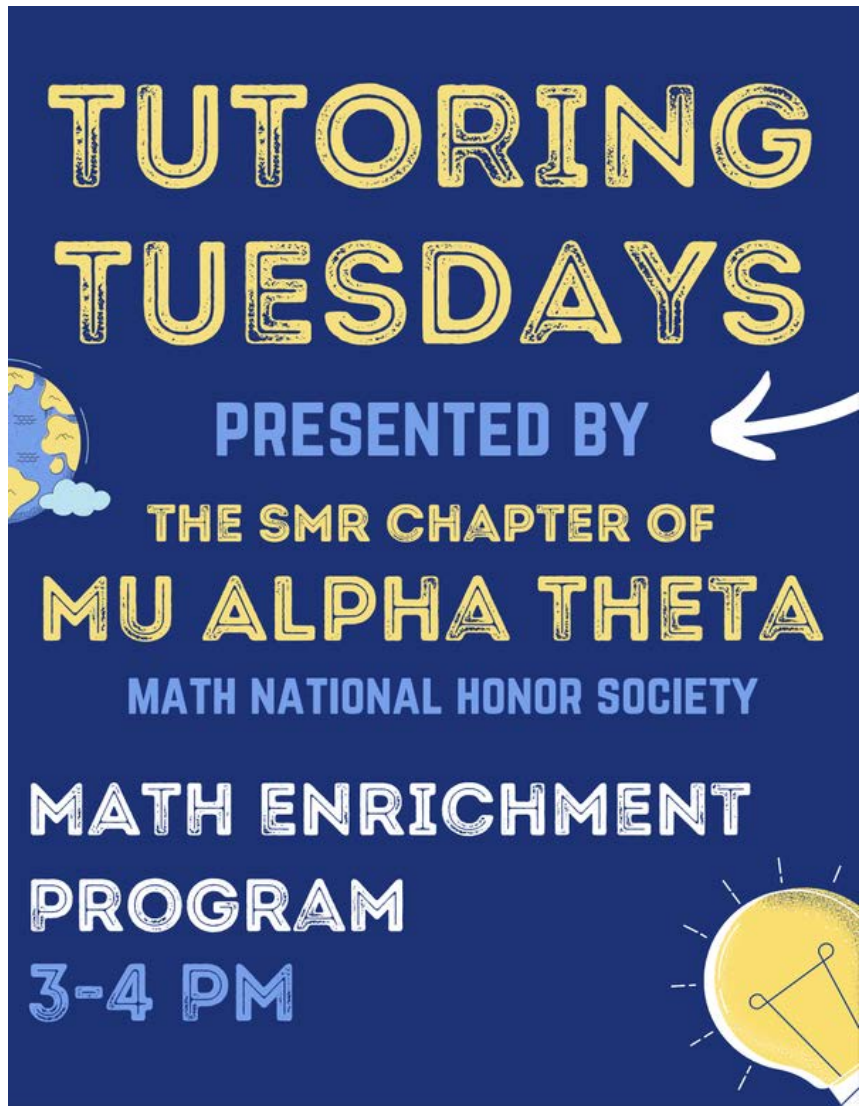
(THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY THE STUDENT IN ORDER TO GAIN ENTRANCE)

3rd Quarter Progress Reports

Mid-quarter progress reports for students in grades 4-8 were posted on Parent PlusPortals last Friday, February 24th. Please login to check your child's progress. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher. To find the report, click the child's picture, then "Classroom," then "Progress Reports," then "Combined Reports." Please go over the reports with your children and encourage them to keep working hard through the last half of this quarter! <https://www.plusportals.com/FatherAndrewWhiteSchool>



After School Math Tutoring Program



Mu Alpha Theta Math Enrichment Program

Permission Slip

Terms

1. Tutors will be St. Mary's Ryken students who are members of Mu Alpha Theta, the Mathematics National Honor Society.
2. Tutoring will take place from 3:00-4:00 PM every Tuesday after school.
3. Participants in the tutoring program will need to sign up using a SignUpGenius form prior to the tutoring session.
4. St. Mary's Ryken High School and Mu Alpha Theta are not liable for any accidental injuries or otherwise.
5. If tutoring is not an apparent need, the tutoring session will shift focus to a math enrichment program.
6. Members of Mu Alpha Theta are *volunteers* and are in no way employed by Father Andrew White, S.J. School, the Archdiocese of Washington, or St. Mary's Ryken High School.
7. This form only needs to be completed once and is good for the remainder of the current academic year, unless voided by the signee.
8. Mu Alpha Theta may be contacted at: mu@smrhs.org

Agreement

I, _____ (parent name), assert my understanding and agreement to the Terms listed above and give permission for my son(s) and/or daughter(s) to participate in the Mu Alpha Theta Math Enrichment Program. Unless I check the box below, Mu Alpha Theta and Father Andrew White, S.J. School are given permission to photograph my child(ren) for organizational marketing-related purposes only.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Child(ren) Name(s): _____

Child(ren) Grade(s): _____

- By checking this box, I do not grant permission for my child to photograph during this program.

MU ALPHA THETA

TUTORING TUESDAYS @ FAW

Founded in 2022, Mu Alpha Theta is the St. Mary's Ryken chapter of the Mathematics National Honor Society. Today, we are excited to announce a partnership with Father Andrew White to provide after-school tutoring on Tuesdays. Tutors will be SMR students who are members of Mu Alpha Theta, and will be available from 3-4 PM on Tuesdays. We hope to see you there!

Scan to sign up!



Sign up [HERE!](#)



School Store

This quarter, some of our middle school students are operating a school store. They are learning how to take inventory, markup items for profit, and manage the ins and outs of a business. The school store will be open every Wednesday during their elective class time. Items cost anywhere from 25 cents to \$10. Please encourage your children to visit the school store! Kindly send in an

envelope with money, marked with your child's name and "School Store" so the middle schoolers know who to expect this week.

Photos Wanted! We are looking for various pictures for the school yearbook and website. If you have any photos that you've taken at FAW events, we'd love to have them! **It would be appreciated if you could send your photos for consideration in our upcoming yearbook, lobby TV, and/or the website.** Pictures may be e-mailed to FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org.



Thanks for your help!



Now Enrolling

<http://mytads.com/a/fatherandrewwhiteschool>

Father Andrew White Catholic School has opened enrollment to new families for the 2023-2024 school year. We welcome you to consider becoming a part of this amazing, award winning school. Schedule a private tour to discover how our students are "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow, Living our Faith." Call the office at (301) 475-9795 or email office@fatherandrewwhite.org.

FAW News Email



FAW News Email

Do you have an announcement you'd like to put in our weekly bulletin? Or perhaps you went to an FAW event, such as a basketball game, and you'd like to share some information or photos you took. We have created an email where you can send pictures, blurbs, etc. This will help us get new items in our bulletin, on our lobby TV, and on our website. Email: FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org **Please send anything you'd like considered in the Announcements by Friday evening of the week prior.**

NOTES FROM NURSE ROSE



It can be gradual or hit you out of nowhere – the dreaded stomach bug! Another word for this lovely illness is gastroenteritis which is actually an inflammation of the lining of the stomach and intestines, and usually results from bacterial toxins or viral infections. The most common symptoms are nausea, vomiting, pain, diarrhea, and sometimes low grade fever; and the best treatment is rest and fluids. There are also medicines that can help such as antiemetics (for vomiting) and anti-diarrheals. Fortunately, if you can hang in there and endure the misery, the infectious agent will exit your system within a few days. Just follow good infection control, since it's often contagious, and stay hydrated (to avoid a trip to the ER for IV fluids). "Stomachaches" aren't always infectious gastroenteritis, since other things can cause similar symptoms (too much sugar or junk food, being nervous or anxious, swinging too hard on the tire swing, etc.) Whatever the cause, when recovering, it's best to start off eating small amounts of bland foods (such as the BRAT diet - bananas, rice, applesauce, and toast); and, of course, avoid the cause if at all possible.

Community News

Lenten Events at Camp Maria

2023 Lenten Program Series

Join us for an Ecumenical Experience of going to the heart of God as we prepare for Resurrection.

Saturday March 4, My God! My God! : Lamentations as a Spiritual Practice

1pm – 4pm

Virtual Presentation: To Register: NazarethRetreatCenterKY.org

With Fr. Vincent Pizzuto

\$ 40

If you have ever shaken your fist at the heavens and demanded an answer to the meaning of a personal loss or tragedy, you know something of what it is to lament. If you have ever tried to bargain with God for a desired outcome or insisted on a sign when you were lost in a spiritual wilderness, you know something of what it is to lament. For Christians, lamentation is the crying out to God for justice and mercy in the shadow of the cross and in the light of the resurrection. As spiritual practice, it can be the most authentic form of prayer. Lamentation is a spiritual practice deeply rooted in scripture and which unites us with Christ who is at once the voice of humanity crying out to the Father and a embodiment of God responding to our cry in compassionate solidarity. Join Nazareth Retreat Center in this virtual workshop with Fr. Vincent Pizzuto.

Saturday, March 11, Drawing close to Jesus with Yoga.

9am – 11am

\$25

Christian Yoga instructor Linda Shaffer will help participants to explore the differences between traditional yoga philosophy and Christian theology. This workshop will help you make choices that enable you to deepen your faith and relationship with Jesus as you worship HIM on the mat.

Friday, March 17, 2023, Called to Communion, an Invitation like no other.

9am - 4pm

Camp Maria Retreat Center

\$50 Lunch included.

In this workshop for women, Facilitator Mary Beth Griffin Drury will invite all who long to go deeper into intimacy with the Lord. Learn how the invitation to the Supper of the Lamb helps us to grow into union with Jesus and our fellow believers. Communion with him is where our journey actually begins. Learn how to meditate, journal, and hear more clearly from the Lord in this session.

Friday, March 24, 2023, Making sense of death.

9am-4pm

Camp Maria Retreat Center

\$50 Lunch Included

Facilitator Ann Kovalcik will support participants to consider death by Looking with Mary at the death of her Son – the cornerstone of the Church. 1. A Mother's sorrow, human suffering, and compassion. 2. The Son of God, suffering and God's compassion. 3. A Holy Sacrifice and the compassion of the Church 4. Compassion the pledge of resurrection.

Friday, April 7, 2023, No Greater Love

9am – 11am

\$25

Begin Good Friday with a restorative yoga practice, Scripture and reflection, guided by Linda Shaffer. This practice will help you open up to all Jesus has for you on this deeply challenging day.

For more information or to register please visit www.campmaria.org or contact director@campmaria.org 301 475-8330.

Praying for a Student

Please join us in prayer for a fellow Catholic school student from St. Mary's Bryantown. You can follow his journey at [Finn's Fierce Fight](#).

Complete the 2022-2023 FAW Volunteer Opportunity Form!

Take a few minutes to let us know what you are interested in volunteering your time for this school year!

View New Staff Email Addresses

RaiseRight Gift Card Program

Used Uniform Information

Substitute Teacher Information

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Looking for Service Hours?

Volunteer opportunities



Do you love organizing a good party or an amazing event?

The Home & School Association is seeking a Co-Chairperson (or Chair Team) and committees to plan and organize one of our biggest and best events of the year: the Spring Social & Auction! The groundwork has already been laid for the Social & Auction this April, but we need teams in place to continue with the rest of the planning! Here are the positions that we need filled immediately:



- Spring Social & Auction Co-Chairperson
- Spring Social & Auction Planning Committee Members

Duties include soliciting sponsorships and donations, planning details, some marketing, logistics and executing the event. We'd love your outside-the-box ideas! Chairpersons of this event qualify for the complete fulfillment of the Service Scholarship/Volunteer Hours. If you're interested in helping with this event, please email our HSA President, Jen Tennyson at jntennyson@gmail.com to get started! The Home & School Association (HSA) is grateful for any time or resources you are able to give!

Sign Up to Reserve the Spirit Rock!



[Spirit Rock Sign Up](#)



MARCH



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|----|
| | | | 1 | Grade 7 Field Trip Band Rehearsal 6-7pm | 2 | 3 First Friday Mass 8:30am (hosted by 8th Grade) Stations of the Cross | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | |
| | | Grade 8 Field Trip | Grade 8 Field Trip | | 12:30pm Early Dismissal | | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | Grade 6 Field Trip School Strategic Plan Input Meeting 6-7pm | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| ADW Band Festival at McNamara | No School for Students | Parent Internet Safety Presentation 6:30pm | Grade 6 Field Trip | Grade 6 Field Trip | Happy St. Patrick's Day Stations of the Cross | Middle School Dance at FAW | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | |
| | | World Down Syndrome Day | | Grades K, 1, 3 Field Trip March Madness Event | Stations of the Cross | Maryland Day | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |
| | | | Vocations Mass Grade 6 End of 3 rd Quarter | | Middle School Monthly Activity Stations of the Cross | | |

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Weekly Reminders:

- Sell/Purchase FAW Lottery Tickets (by TODAY)
- Cheer on our Varsity Girls in the Basketball Championship (TONIGHT, 6:30pm)
- Send in an envelope with money for your child to shop in the School Store (tomorrow)
- Send in items for the Brown Bag Auction
- Send news and pictures to FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org
- Submit Volunteer Hours

LAST WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Click here to view more details from last week!](#)

Principal Szoch's Friday News

Record Volunteer Hours Here!



Father Andrew White, S.J. School

LEADERSHIP ✦ FAITH ✦ ACADEMICS



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