#### Dear Parents,

This week's Spotlight on Leadership highlights our Student Council students who ran the Student Council elections this year. These students are: Kristina Harron, Isabella Pasternak, Analeigha Rodriguez, and Madeline Becker. These young ladies did an incredible job with running the whole election from beginning to end! Congratulations to our Student Council leaders and members who ran a successful election. Excellent work on the part of ALL of the candidates who ran as well. It takes guts to run and I am so proud of the students who ran for a representative position! Good for you!

#### The topic for this week is our ability to look for the best in others.

One of the most important things I have learned in leaderships is to always...look for the best *in* others and believe the best *about* others.

You may not always agree with the way someone handles something in your home, business, or workplace, but 99% of the time I find that people really want to do the right thing in the situations they are in and I have found it to be true that people really **do** care about others.

The last time you disagreed with someone, were you able to put yourself in that person's shoes and think about the situation from their perspective or were you able to think about the situation in the big picture? Think about this the next time you find yourself upset about something that someone has done or not done. #1. Can I put myself in their shoes? #2. How would I feel if the tables were turned and I was walking their walk? Then ask yourself this question...Is there a bigger picture that I am not seeing? Sometimes there is more to the story that perhaps you are not privy to.

Just food for thought. Be looking for the best in others specifically this week! I guarantee you will find it!

In Christ's Love,

Mrs. DeMar



### Annunciation School Newsletter September 13, 2023 Annunciationbym.org

Food Truck Friday is this Friday, September 15 from 4:00 - 8:00. It will take place in front of the upper building. Please come and enjoy delicious food and treats, as well as fellowship with other school parents and parishioners.

Dismissal on Friday, September 15 is at 2:00 p.m. to allow for Food Truck Friday set-up.

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As you may recall from last year's newsletters, the diocese has instructed all schools to change from our past Student Information System, SchoolSpeak, to a different system, FACTS, which we have already been using for tuition management. We are getting close to having FACTS fully operational and will soon be able to resume all of the functions we have used in the past on SchoolSpeak, including grade access and Pizza Friday.

In order for you to have access to the FACTS information system, you will need to set up your account. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter.

It gives you step by step directions to activate your account. The District Code you will need is ABVM-IL. Please do this at your earliest convenience. You will not be able to access grades, receive classroom communications, place orders, etc., if you do not activate your account.

In addition, <u>you will no longer be able to access your FACTS tuition account from your current log-in.</u> You will access it through the FACTS Student Information System. So please set up your new account if you have not already done so.



**Today was picture day.** Soon you will be able to view your images, order packages and select your image for your yearbook (please remember to do so before it's selected for you). All orders will be delivered to your home. More information can be found in the attachment at the end of the newsletter. If you do not receive an email by next Wednesday, please contact the office.

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If you use extended care you should receive an email today from FACTS with an invoice for the time period of August 21 – September 8<sup>th</sup>. Please pay this bill through FACTS. Bills must be paid within ten days to continue using extended care. In the future you will receive an invoice approximately every three weeks.

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Annunciation's annual Luminary Mass will take place this year on Wednesday, October 11. The rain date is October 12.) Your oldest child is bringing home a flyer about the Luminary Mass as well as an envelope to purchase bags. If you would like to purchase Luminary Bags, please return the envelope ASAP to give the committee time to write out the names on the bags.

Also, the Luminary committee is looking for volunteers in various capacities. Please contact Julie Cibulskis at 630-363-7073 if you would like more information.

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#### **Tradition of Excellence 2023**

Help Annunciation BVM Catholic Elementary School spread the word about Annunciation BVM Catholic School Tradition of Excellence 2023!

toe2023.givesmart.com



Annunciation will be hosting 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls' volleyball games in our gym on Tuesday evenings and Saturday morning. The Athletic Committee is looking for volunteers to work during these times. Volunteers may be parents or high school students needing service hours. Younger students needing service hours may come with their parent to work. Please click on the link below to volunteer.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C49A9AA2EA4F85-volleyball1

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Are you longing for something to help deepen your faith? Could your spiritual journey use some direction? Could you use a little time for yourself, or a girl's night out of the house?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, we have just what you might be looking for. Come and join other women from our parish as we begin a new

season of Walking With Purpose.

Our informational **Open House will be this Thursday, September 14, at 6:30 in the gym.** At this event, you will get to enjoy meeting other ladies from our parish. You will also learn more about the upcoming Walking With Purpose Bible study.

All ladies are invited, so feel free to bring a friend. If you have questions, contact Mrs. Eversole at ceversole@annunciationbvm.org. We would love to see you there!

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Marmion is having a Used Shoe Drive Fundraiser. You can find more information at the end of the newsletter. We also have a collection box in our hallway for any shoes you would like to donate.

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Fifth through eighth grade boys are invited to join us this **Friday, September 15** for our first Go Cadets Football Night when the Cadets take on the Corsairs from Carmel High School. The sophomore game begins at 5:00pm and the varsity game will begin at 7:30pm.



Be sure to <u>register online</u> so that you can get the first MA t-shirt in this year's series of Go Cadet shirts! You need to check in the night of the game at the Go Cadets table in order to receive your shirt.

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# Mark Your Calendars

Food Truck Friday is almost HERE!



All are Welcome, Bring a friend!

Join us for Food, Friends, Music, 50/50 Raffle and Activities.

Questions Call Stefanie (630)995-2025

## Food Truck Friday, September 15th

### Service Hour Signup

Kids are able to sign up for 1 hour or all 6 hours. If they all fill up or close to fill up we will add more to make sure that the kids get all of the hours they would like. Please contact Stefanie Potts at 630-995-2025 or stefanie.potts10@gmail.com

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4FA8AB2AA6FE3-service



#### **Facebook Event**

Please like, share, and invite. <a href="https://facebook.com/events/s/food-truck-friday-2023/810584633611736/">https://facebook.com/events/s/food-truck-friday-2023/810584633611736/</a>





SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

Are you interested in exploring your faith in a meaningful way? Would you like to engage in thought-provoking conversations? Or perhaps you want the perfect reason for a night out each week?

# If any of these questions caught your interest, Walking With Purpose could be just what you are looking for.

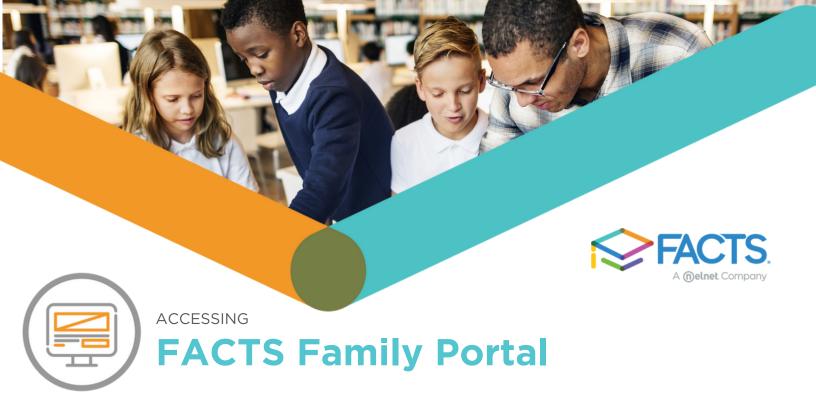
**Walking With Purpose** is the perfect study for any lady who is interested in deepening her faith life. We gather in small groups weekly and share some amazing conversations.

# Come and learn more at our Open House! Thursday, September 14 6:30 – 7:30 in the gym



Small groups meet at 6:30 on Thursday evenings or 8:45 on Friday mornings. You can choose which meeting time works best for you. Meetings will be held September through March, with time off during the holiday season. Our first meetings are September 21 and 22. We know that you may miss some weeks. That is perfectly fine.

If you are interested in learning more, contact call Tracey at (630) 248-2672 or Chris at (630) 313-0567. You may also explore the WalkingWithPurpose.com website.



FACTS gives you the opportunity to get more involved in your child's academic progress and future success by using FACTS Family Portal, a private and secure portal that allows you to view academic information specific to your children, while protecting their information from others. You may view your child's grades, attendance, homework, conduct, as well as other useful school information.

### **HOW TO ACCESS FACTS FAMILY PORTAL**



- 1. From FACTSmgt.com, click Family Log In, then click FACTS Family Portal.
- 2. Type your school's **District Code**
- 3. Click Login.
- 4. Click **Create new account**.
- 5. Type your email address.
- 6. Click **CREATE ACCOUNT**. An email will be sent which includes a link to create your Family Portal Login. The link is active for 6 hours.
- 7. Click the **Create your Family Portal Login** link in the email.
- 8. Type a username and password.
- 9. Click Create Account.
- 10. Click **Back to log in** and use your new credentials to log in.

# AURORA CENTRAL CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL NIGHTS



# **SEPT. 15**

- 6:00 PM Kick-Off
- Free T-Shirt & Hot Dog
- Enter for a chance to kick a field goal at halftime!



# **SEPT. 25**

- Freshman -4:30 PM
- JV 5:30 PM
- V 6:30 PM
- Free Concession Stand Treat
- Enter for a chance in our serving competition!



# **SEPT. 26**

- V 5:00 PM
- JV 6:30 PM
- Free Concession Stand Treat!
- Enter for a chance to kick a penalty shot!

Free Admission for all Middle School Students!

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# SHOWUS YOUR SMOES

**Marmion's Drill Team** is collecting gently worn, used and new shoes. We are looking for all types of shoes: sneakers, boots, dress, casual, sandals and athletic shoes.



Collected shoes not only help support us, but they will be reused and given a second life by those in need through Funds2Org. It's a WIN-WIN!

**Donation box Drop off** 

**Marmion Academy** 

1000 Butterfield Road, Aurora

Battaglia Center Entrance (Door #1)

Want your shoes picked up? Contact

Julie: 630.363.7073

