

The Naz Newsletter



A Weekly Update for Parents, Students, Faculty and Staff

March 17, 2024

*Despite all your cares and hardships do not lose sight of Christ Jesus.
Reply upon Him. Hope in Him. Entrust everything to Him.*

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 17: Happy Saint Patrick's Day

Monday, March 18: A Schedule

Tuesday, March 19: *Feast of Saint Joseph* | C Schedule, Lenten Liturgy | Honor Societies
Induction 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday, March 20: A Schedule

Thursday, March 21: A Schedule

Friday, March 22: A Schedule | **Class of 2024 Day** | Junior Prom 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM,
Buck Hotel, No classes for Juniors or Seniors

Saturday, March 23: Spring Drama, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Sunday, March 24: Palm Sunday

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, March 25: *Cabrini* Movie Class Trip for Entire Student Body & Faculty/Staff

Tuesday, March 26: A Schedule

Wednesday, March 27: Special B Schedule, dismissal at 1:00 PM

Thursday, March 28: Holy Thursday, No Classes

Friday, March 29: Good Friday, No Classes

Saturday, March 30: Holy Saturday

Sunday, March 31: Easter Sunday

Monday, April 1: Easter Monday, No Classes

Tuesday, April 2: A Schedule | NAPA 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday, April 3: A Schedule

Thursday, April 4: A Schedule | Panda Perks

Friday, April 5: Naz-A-Thon

From the Office of the President

Mrs. Denise LePera

I wanted to congratulate NAPA and all of our parent volunteers for a very successful Craft Fair. If anyone wanted a sense of how the Nazareth Sisterhood permeates all of us, they just had to experience the Craft Fair...Our parents were full of enthusiasm and it was evident they took great pride in supporting Nazareth. Our vendors were thrilled to be here and it was a sellout with crafters in the Gym, Student Dining Room and PAC. The food trucks were a hit as always! So blessed to have our parents support Nazareth in so many ways, and with great love!

Thought for the Week



Lenten Journey for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

from Sr. Barbara Jean, Director of Mission Advancement

Read and ponder these words in your heart during the week.



“Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, there also will by servant be.” (John 12:26)

“The human soul is continually attracted to God and to union with Him.” (Conference, March, 1883)



Ask yourself:

- ❖ Where would Jesus be found in your life today?
- ❖ Are there changes you can make that would better situate you with Jesus?

Let Us Pray

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Weave within us a faithfulness to Your Love that draws us ever deeper into Your light. Even in darkness, even in brokenness, may we be channels of Your compassion and healing.

Amen

From the Office of the Principal

Mrs. Patricia Quinn P'04

Monday, March 25: Nazareth Academy High School Class Trip for the Entire Student Body and Faculty

Through the generosity of the Connelly Foundation and the Ambassador's Fund for Catholic Education in conjunction with Holy Week, we will be going to the 10:00 AM presentation of the movie *Cabrini* at the Neshaminy Mall movie theater. Buses will be provided, and all are required to attend. There will be no classes that day. **Each homeroom will be monitored by the homeroom moderator and one other adult. If a student opts to not attend, it will be counted as an absence.** Specifics for the day are provided by Mrs. Hartey.

SPECIAL B Schedule on 3/27

Homeroom	7:45-7:57
Stations	8:00-8:25
1A	8:28-8:49
1B	8:52-9:13
2A	9:16-9:37
2B	9:40-10:01
ACT	10:04-10:25
3A	10:28-10:49
3B	10:52-11:13
4A	11:16-11:37
4B	11:40-12:00
BB	12:03- 1:00

From the Office of Student Life

Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

Class of 2026 Rings

On Thursday, March 21st, representatives from Josten's will be available at all lunches to take ring orders for the Class of 2026.

Information/ordering packets were distributed to the girls during their class meeting. If anyone is still in need of one, please obtain one from the Main Office.

Dress Down Day

There is a dress down to support *Water is Life Kenya* on Thursday, March 21st. Learn more about how our contributions will help [here](#).

Junior Dinner Dance (JDD)

On Friday, March 22nd the Junior Dinner Dance will take place at the Buck Hotel from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. Please click [here](#) to purchase tickets and fill out all required forms.

Environmental Science Summer Opportunity

Glen Foerd Association is once again offering summer positions for their *Riverways Ambassador Program* to rising 11th and rising 12th grade students. If any student is interested, please ask them to see Mr. Severino. Flyer with information is below:

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If you have any questions please contact Environmental Program Manager, Robert DiTomaso at rditomaso@glenfoerd.org



NAZ-A-THON

There are two weeks until Naz-A-Thon!

This is the last week of change wars! The homeroom that brings in the most change this week will get to go to dinner first at Naz-A-Thon.

There is a dine-out at On the Border at Neshaminy Mall this Tuesday, March 19th from 11:00 AM until 9:00 PM.

We will have our second basket making night on Thursday, March 21st.

There is also a dine out All Day at Joseph's Pizza in Rockledge on March 27th.

Naz-A-Thon shirts will be in next week, please make sure you bring in your registration fee in order to receive your t-shirt.

Schedule for Upcoming Week

This week is action-packed!

Monday, March 18th: Sophomore Class Retreat

Tuesday, March 19th: Honors Convocation, 6:30 PM

Thursday, March 21st: *Water is Life Kenya* Dress Down Day
Class of 2026 Ring Orders (all lunches)

Friday, March 22nd: Class of 2024 Day
Junior Dinner Dance

Thank you for all that you do! Happy Saint Patrick's Day! Have a great week! Go Pandas! God bless!

From the Office of Advancement

Mrs. Terri Evans, Director

Legacy Gala

Our annual Legacy Gala will be held on April 19, 2024 at the Union League Golf Club at Torresdale. Please join us as we celebrate our wonderful school and all those who have contributed to the growth of the school. You can support the Legacy Gala in several ways: by [purchasing a ticket](#), by donating an item off of our [Amazon Wishlist](#) or our [donation ideas](#), or [become a sponsor/submit an advertisement in the program book](#).

Thank you and we are most grateful for your support!

NAPA ~ Mrs. Ellen Lawall P'24

Easter Flower Sale

Our beautiful blooms are back this year!! Save the trip to the nursery or grocery store! Place your order [here](#) and pick up these gorgeous locally grown Easter favorites at Nazareth on 3/23! **Last day to purchase has been extended to Thursday, March 21st.** Our bulbs make beautiful gifts or plants for your spring garden!



March Madness Block Pool

Take a [chance](#) with a block or two on our March Madness Pool. There are 63 chances to win!! Blocks will be sold until March 18th. Games begin during the second round on March 23rd. Let the madness begin!



Cornhole Pandamonium!!! Nazareth Corn Hole Tournament

We will hold our inaugural corn hole tournament on Saturday, April 6th at 11:00 AM. Cost is \$60 per team. Grab your favorite Naz alum, Panda or incoming Panda and sign up for a day of fun and prizes!!



General Parent Meeting

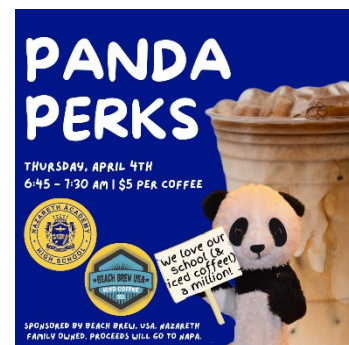
Join us on Tuesday, April 2nd and meet our newly elected NAPA board!

NAPA Executive Board Nominations – Vote by March 27th

The 2024-2025 NAPA Executive Board Ballot is now [open for voting](#)! Learn more about the five nominees running by reading their brief biographies. We thank our nominees for accepting their nominations and for their enthusiasm to participate. We encourage you to read, reflect and vote for the candidates you believe will best represent the Nazareth Academy Parent Association. **Voting closes on Wednesday, March 27th.**

Panda Perks – April 4th

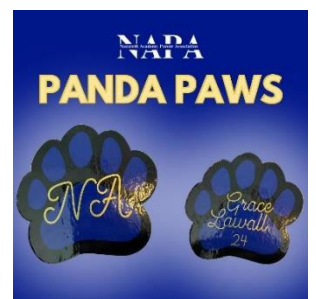
Parents are welcome to stop in for their morning pick me up at drop off!! Our April feature flavor is Almond Joy! Start your day with a delicious Beach Brew served up by your favorite Panda baristas!!



Panda Paw Sale

NAPA is selling Panda Paws that will be displayed on the Student Dining Room wall for the duration of your daughter's time at Nazareth Academy. These will be attached to the wall with a velcro adhesive allowing your daughter to take the Panda Paw with her upon graduation.

Join us in this special fundraiser to decorate the Student Dining Room with Panda Pride!



Nazareth Banners

Show your Nazareth pride by repping one of our new Nazareth Academy High School banners! This is a perfect gift to represent any upcoming Class of 2024 Graduates! Whether you use it at home, down the shore, or in any fun location... you will be representing the Nazareth community in style! Banners are \$60 each. [Click here to purchase a banner.](#)



Tumblers

Get 'em while their hot! Our custom NAPA tumblers pair perfectly with a Panda Perk Iced Coffee! Great gifts for anyone. There are two sizes available, a 20 oz for \$22.50 and a 30 oz for \$25. Click [here](#) to purchase a tumbler.



Wawa Hoagie Certificates

Treat yourself and purchase Wawa hoagie certificates good for a Wawa shorti of your choice for \$6 each. These gift certificates are perfect for Easter baskets or Spring sports games on-the-go! Click [here](#) to purchase.

Official NAPA Swag

Represent our Parents' Association with our new customized merchandise! Sweatshirts and t-shirts in Navy or Heather Gray available now in sizes small through 3XL. Browse around and purchase [here](#).

Parent Volunteers Needed

The remainder of this year's events have been added to our calendar! Please visit the PARENTS page under the FAMILY tab to view the upcoming event dates and times. You will also find the [Parent Volunteer requirements and sign-up forms](#) on this tab. There are many ways to help with these events whether it be donating an item, setting up, cleaning up, making calls, chairing events, or working with the chairs on the day of the event and much more. We realize how busy life gets and that schedules are more hectic than ever so we greatly appreciate any amount of time that our volunteers can offer.

From the Office of Academics

Ms. Theresa Ennis, Assistant Principal

Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

Mid-Spring Report cards were e-mailed to you on Thursday, March 14th. Please remember to download them within seven days. After that the link will expire.

The Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, March 19th from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. An email was sent to your daughter last week if she is involved in the Induction Ceremony this year.

Practice for the Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be tomorrow, March 18th at 7:15 AM for **Readers only**.

Practice for the Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be Tuesday, March 19th at Activity Period for **all** students being inducted and or reading.

From the Office of Campus Ministry

Mrs. Theresa Stanton, Director



Amid this liturgical season of heightened sacrifice and deepened prayer, we honor two models of prayer and sacrifice: Saint Patrick, whose Feast is today and Saint Joseph, who we celebrate on Tuesday, March 19th via a 9:00 AM Liturgy. **Please remember your blazers.**



A look at the titles of this great saint reveal his immense role in salvation history ([20+ Titles for St. Joseph \(Litany of St. Joseph\)](#) ([bearinggoodfruit.com](#)) and in the Holy Family of Nazareth. Let us not forget his role in the mission of Our Sisters and in our lives. Joseph Most Just, pray for us!



Saint Patrick's "Breastplate" reveals the deep sanctity of this legendary role model. His beloved pledge of allegiance to Christ dates to the 4th century, when Patrick returned to the country where he was enslaved, to introduce the Irish people to Christ. This was to save them from the slavery of sin, which included child sacrifice to their pagan gods. You may recall "Christ before me, Christ behind me..." Check out the whole prayer and feel its power: [St. Patrick's Breastplate: A Shield for Divine Protection \(ourcatholicprayers.com\)](#)



Thank you for your prayers for our March Kairos trip. This year's motto from Blessed Mary of Jesus pervaded the experience. These young women revealed their hearts, which truly are places where Jesus would be pleased to dwell.



Please remember our Sophomores who will be going to the Saint John Neumann Shrine tomorrow. **All Sophomores are to report to school at regular time and to wear the regulation winter uniform with tights!**

In Lent, we are asked to "Return to [God] with all [our] hearts." The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth invite us to do so by participating in this prayer:

LET US PRAY

God of compassion, Love incarnate: As we walk with You in this Lenten season, train our eyes and hands for humble service so we may see others as You do. Weave within us a faithfulness to Your Love that draws us ever deeper into Your light. Even in darkness, even in brokenness, may we be channels of Your compassion and healing. AMEN.





Community Day is scheduled for April 11th this year. Our Seniors and Juniors will be heading out of the building to local service organizations such as The Del Val Vets Home, SPIN (Special People of the Northeast), St. Joe's Manor, Redeemer Valley Farm, the Breathing Room, Face to Face, St. John's Hospice and Women of Hope soup kitchens, to offer their time and energy to the people who need it. Freshmen and Sophomores will remain on campus to hear from representatives from some of these non-profits and to complete service projects here at Naz.

Student help is needed for the following day of fun. Many of our students participated in this Easter Egg Hunt last year and enjoyed the experience. Please consider lending a hand. Thank you!



From the Office of Counseling Ms. Mary Jane Whiteley, Director

Is your current Sophomore or Junior looking for an amazing, one week summer program? There is still time to apply for Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week (PFEW)! Students choose the week they wish to attend on the campus of Lycoming College. Students do not necessarily need to have an interest in business to attend, and they will have an opportunity to grow and meet new friends from across the state while having the chance to experience living on a college campus for a week. Please see the information and application for PFEW [here](#). One of our Nazareth Seniors is pictured with her group from PFEW 2023 on the linked page! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at mwhiteley@nazarethacademyhs.org.

From the Office of College Counseling

Mrs. Alyssa Scheerbaum '12, Director

Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

Class of 2024 Scholarship Opportunities

Wilt Chamberlain Memorial Fund Scholarship Program

Due Date: April 22nd

Minimum Eligibility Requirements:

- Plan to graduate from high school at the end of the 2023-24 academic year
- Intend to enroll in an accredited post-secondary institution beginning Fall 2024
- Earn a cumulative unweighted GPA of 2.5 or above
- Demonstrate significant unmet financial need
- Family income must be \$50,000 or less
- Must reside in the Greater Philadelphia Area
 - Philadelphia County, PA
 - Bucks County, PA
 - Delaware County, PA
 - Montgomery County, PA
 - Burlington County, NJ
 - Camden County, NJ
 - Gloucester County, NJ

Dunkin Scholarship due April 15th.

If you live in Bensalem, please encourage your student to apply for the Bensalem specific scholarships that were emailed to them!

Scholarship newsletters are still sent to the Seniors weekly.

Opportunities

Glen Foerd Association is running their *Riverways Ambassador Program* this summer from July 8th through August 16th. Please see the flyer below for more information. Current 10th and 11th grade students should speak to Mr. Severino if they are interested in this opportunity.

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Bucks County Community College is having an Open House on April 13th from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM at their Newtown campus. Register [here](#) if interested.

Illinois Tech is hosting a [webinar](#) on March 20th at 5:00 PM (CST) to talk about their summer programs for high school students.

Representatives from Trinity College Dublin will be at La Salle College High School on March 27th at 6:30 PM for an Open House event.

Please use this [link](#) to register if you are interested in attending.

We will be hosting our Holy Family University college admissions representative, Tim O'Driscoll, on April 22nd and/or April 25th for mock interviews with Junior students. A survey was sent out on Scoir on March 7th for Juniors to RSVP for an interview. Your students may have to schedule interviews as a part of their application process, they may participate in Nazareth instant decision and interview days with college reps during senior year, and they will eventually have job interviews, so this would be a good opportunity for your students to practice interviewing.

From the Office of the Athletics

Mrs. Brigid Kelley '98, Director

Congratulations to our swimmers that made it to States this year. We are very proud of you! (Tatum McHugh, Anna Wicker, Emily White, Meredith Hawkinson, Sophia Montvydas, and Delaney Glynn).

Basketball season has come to an end in the second round of States. Congratulations on a wonderful season.

Congratulations to our softball teams for their scrimmage victories against Springfield High School. Good luck in your home game against PACS tomorrow, March 18th and your away game against Calvary Christian on March 20th.

Good luck to our lacrosse teams in the PCL opener at Archbishop Wood on March 21st.

Good luck to our track team in their meet at Phoenixville High School on Saturday, March 16th.

The BSN Spring Sports stores have been extended until tomorrow, March 18th.