

## A COVID FRIENDLY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Theme: Faith. Excellence. Service.

Monday, February 1st - Friday, February 5th

### Monday: February 1st

**All School Morning & Evening Prayer-** Monday-Friday; Read by a student at 8:05 & 2:25

**Valentine's for Essential Workers-** Make valentine cards for our first responders; sent to families throughout St. Gerard that are first responders/essential workers.

**Daily Religion Trivia-** Read the daily trivia question for your grade level to your class. Students respond on answer paper, and correct sheets go in a basket to draw for winners at the end of the week. Winners receive lunch of their choice with the principal & a friend.

**Falcon Gear/Spirit Day-** Out of uniform; Teachers & students are encouraged (but not required if they can't) to wear St. Gerard colors or spirit wear. Jeans Day guidelines apply.

**Heads or Tails Contest-** Students will play heads or tails in gym class this week. Ms. Vitek will choose a winner from each class, and the winners will participate schoolwide in heads or tails at the virtual assembly on Friday.

### Tuesday: February 2nd

**NED Show Virtual Assembly-** NED: Never give up, encourage others, do your best

Grades K-6 in classrooms

**Color Day-** Out of uniform; teachers & students wear the color assigned to your grade. Kindergarten-red, 1-green, 2-yellow, 3-blue, 4-orange, 5-white, 6-brown, 7-grey, 8-purple, office & specials- pink

### Wednesday: February 3rd

**Teacher Appreciation Luncheon-** Provided by PTO. Preboxed & covid friendly! Students can write thank you letters to teachers, coaches, etc. to show their appreciation.

**Student Appreciation & Virtual Teacher Switch Day-** 10:00-10:20 a.m. Teachers will pre-record themselves reading their favorite children's book. During this time, play the recording of the teacher you are virtually "switching" with. Students receive a treat to enjoy during the switch to show our appreciation for them.

**Slipper Day-** Out of uniform; teachers & students wear jeans day apparel & slippers.

### Thursday: February 4th

**Build a Snowman Day/Extra Recess Day-** If snow & cooperating weather, classrooms will be assigned an outdoor area to build snowmen/sculptures. Students & teachers **MUST** bring outdoor wear to do this. If bad weather or lack of snow, an extra recess will be provided to each grade level to play four corners on the baseball fields.

**Mismatch Day-** Out of uniform; Wear an outfit that doesn't match (colors, style, etc.) Clothing may **not** be worn backwards or inside out.

### Friday, February 5th

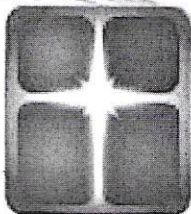
**Back to uniforms today!**

**All School Liturgy-** Virtual 8:10 mass

**Muffins & Juice-** Muffins & juice will be provided by PTO after mass to each classroom.

**Schoolwide Classroom Assembly-** Classrooms will participate in a schoolwide assembly to play Catholic Schools Week bingo. Winners will receive a sucker; bags to be provided to each class. The assembly will end with winner representatives from each class to play Heads or Tails. The schoolwide winner will receive an extra recess.





# ST. GERARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Since we are moving ahead with planning for the upcoming Washington, D.C. trip, we wanted to provide you with some information about what to expect at this time. We know there are many questions, especially considering we were not able to meet last spring to give an overview. Linked below in this communication is the tentative itinerary for the trip as well as Bright Sparks' information sheet regarding safety protocols and precautionary measures. We have provided you with a hard copy as well. It is important to note that there are some factors that could slightly alter the itinerary while we are in D.C. including weather, traffic, and other factors beyond our control.

As we move closer to the trip, more information will be given regarding upcoming steps. In March, shortly before spring break, information will be coming home regarding hotel rooms and room assignments for the students. In April, Mrs. Guysky will spend time in her history classes going over expectations for the trip with the students and that information will also be shared with the parents. Finally, a meeting will be held the week before the trip with all parents giving a brief overview of what to expect and taking any questions. Traditionally, after this parent meeting, the chaperones are asked to stay after to discuss some info that is only pertinent to those actually going on the trip.

Because there will be some changes related to Covid-19 this year, please bear with us as we move forward in planning since things that we have done previously may now look different. Mrs. Guysky is a veteran of this trip and is happy to answer specific questions that you may have. Do not hesitate to reach out at any time.

[Preliminary Itinerary](#)

[Bright Spark Safety Protocols](#)

Mrs. Tara Guysky  
Mrs. Sara Wade



### Day One - Friday May 7, 2021

- 6:00 AM Participants arrive for trip check in
- 6:15 AM Motorcoaches arrive at St. Gerard Catholic School, 4433 W. Willow Lansing, MI 48917
- 6:30 AM Depart for Washington, DC  
You will be given \$10 to use towards lunch on the road  
Rest stops enroute  
Welcome to Washington, DC!
- 6:00 PM Meet your tour director for dinner at Crystal City Sports Pub
- 7:30 PM Check into the Hyatt Regency  
400 New Jersey Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20001  
Swimming in the hotel pool. Trip participants should be advised to follow pool rules. A life guard will not be present so you will be swimming at your own risk. Brightspark suggests that a chaperone be present if students are in the pool area. Pool is open until 9:00 pm
- 10:30 PM Private overnight security at the hotel each evening

### Day Two - Saturday May 8, 2021

- 7:00 AM Breakfast at your hotel
- 8:00 AM Depart for activities  
United States Capitol Building tour (pending confirmation)  
Library of Congress  
Supreme Court  
You will be given \$10 to use towards lunch  
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (pending confirmation)  
Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture (pending confirmation)
- 5:30 PM Dinner at Buca di Beppo
- 7:00 PM Meet your step-on guide at the Washington Monument  
Washington Monument (photo stop)  
World War II Memorial  
Lincoln, Vietnam Veteran and Korean War Veteran Memorials
- 9:30 PM Return to the hotel

### Day Three - Sunday May 9, 2021

- 7:30 AM Breakfast at your hotel.
- 8:15 AM Depart for activities

- 9:00 AM Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Mass with gifts to the altar

White House (photo stop)  
Jefferson, FDR and MLK Memorials  
Lunch at the Ronald Reagan Trade Center (meal voucher)  
Smithsonian Institution-group choice

- 6:00 PM Dinner at Nando's Peri Peri

- 7:30 PM Return to the hotel

Swimming in the hotel pool. Trip participants should be advised to follow pool rules. A life guard will not be present so you will be swimming at your own risk. Brightspark suggests that a chaperone be present if students are in the pool area. Pool closes at 9:00 pm

### Day Four - Monday May 10, 2021

- 7:00 AM Breakfast at your hotel
- 8:00 AM Check out of your hotel, load luggage on the motorcoaches and depart for activities
- 8:15 AM Meet your step-on guide at the Spy Museum
- 9:00 AM The International Spy Museum  
Arlington National Cemetery - Please note that anyone 16 and over will have to show a valid ID during security check. A school ID is acceptable for those 16 and 17 years old.
- 12:15 PM Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony  
Marine Corps War Memorial  
Lunch at Pentagon City Mall (meal voucher)
- 2:00 PM Depart for home  
You will be given \$10 to use towards dinner on the road  
Rest stops enroute  
Welcome home!

*In keeping with Brightspark's commitment to safety and security, all of our itineraries are compliant with Department of Transportation rules and regulations giving drivers at least 9 hours off each night and a maximum of 15 hours on duty during any 24 hour period.*

*Your Brightspark Tour Director and Guides reserve the right to revise your group's itinerary due to unforeseen circumstances such as traffic, road closures, site closures, and weather. Your Tour Director or Guide will consult with the Group Leader and Bus Driver(s) on any changes.*





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# ST. GERARD

## 8TH GRADE WASHINGTON D.C. FUNDRAISER



YS-YXL	\$27.00
S-XL	\$27.00

Item 1 Royal  
Sweatshirt - Logo 1 or 2



YS-YXL	\$23.00
S-XL	\$23.00

Item 2 Royal Crew Neck  
Sweatshirt—Logo 1 or 2



YS-YXL	\$24.00
S-XL	\$25.00

Item 3 Hooded Sweatshirt  
Red or Royal Logo 2



YS-YXL	\$23.00
S-XL	\$23.00

Item 4 Red Crew Neck  
Sweatshirt—Logo 2



YS-YXL	\$22.00
S-XL	\$22.00

Item 5 Royal Long Sleeve  
Performance Crew T-Shirt  
Logo 1, 2 & 3



YS-YXL	\$18.00
S-XL	\$18.00

Item 6 Royal Short Sleeve  
Performance Crew T-shirt  
Logo 1, 2 & 3

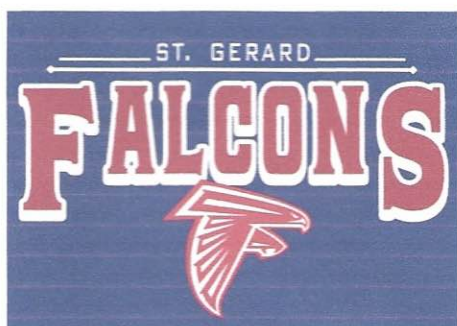


Add a heat press name  
on any sweatshirt or  
t-shirt \$5.00

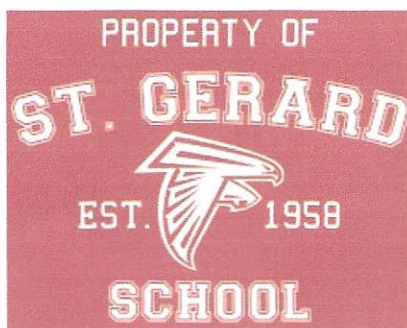


YS-YXL	\$15.00
S-XL	\$15.00

Item 8 Royal Cotton  
T-Shirt—Logo 1 or 2



Logo 1



Logo 2



Logo 3



Item 9—Ladies Sport Wick Stretch 1/2 zip pullover . Thumb holes to keep hands warm, hidden pocket. Available in Royal or Red. Logo 4 or 5



Ladies	Jacket
XS-XL	\$40.00

Item 10—Mens Sport Wick Stretch 1/2 zip jacket. Available in Royal or Red. Logo 4 or 5



Mens	Jacket
XS-XL	\$40.00

add \$2 2X \$6 3X \$8 4X

Item 11—Navy full zip sport wick stretch jacket. (this is a spirit wear item) Logo 7



YS-YXL	\$34.99
S-XL	\$37.99

Item 12—Navy polor fleece with St. Gerard logo (this is a spirit wear item) Logo 7



YS-YXL	\$34.99
S-XL	\$37.99

Item 13—Royal or Red Pom Beanie. Logo 5 or 6.

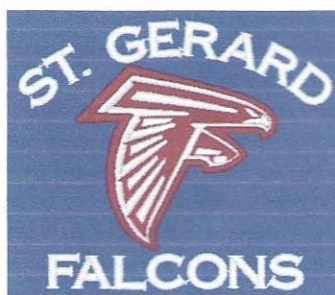


\$15.00

Item 14—Royal or Red Beanie with cuff. Logo 5 or 6.



\$13.00



Logo 4



Logo 5



Logo 6



Logo 7

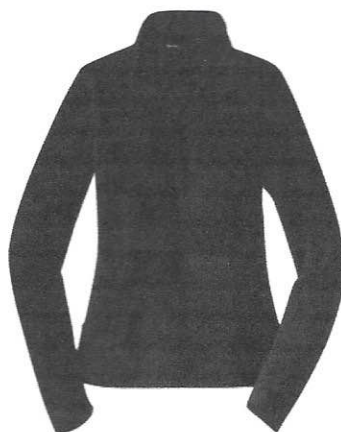


# Educational Outfitters

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8th Grade  
Washington D.C.  
Fundraiser

Ladies Sport Wick  
Stretch 1/2 zip  
pullover . Thumb  
holes to keep hands  
warm, hidden pocket.  
Available in Royal  
and Black. Item 9



Ladies	Jacket
XS-XL	\$35.00

add \$2 2X \$6 3X \$8 4X

Ladies Sport Wick  
Stretch full zip  
jacket. Cowl Collar,  
front pouch pockets.  
Available in white and  
black. Item 10



Ladies	Jacket
XS-XL	\$45.00

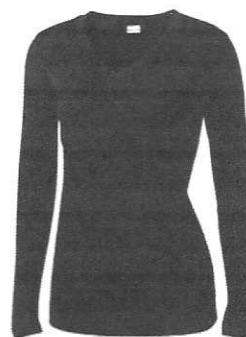
add \$2 2X \$6 3X \$8 4X



Ladies	Tee
XS-XL	12.00

Item 11—100%  
polyester interlock  
V-neck short sleeve  
tee , black or royal

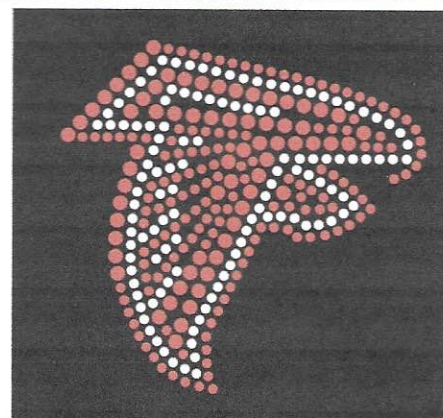
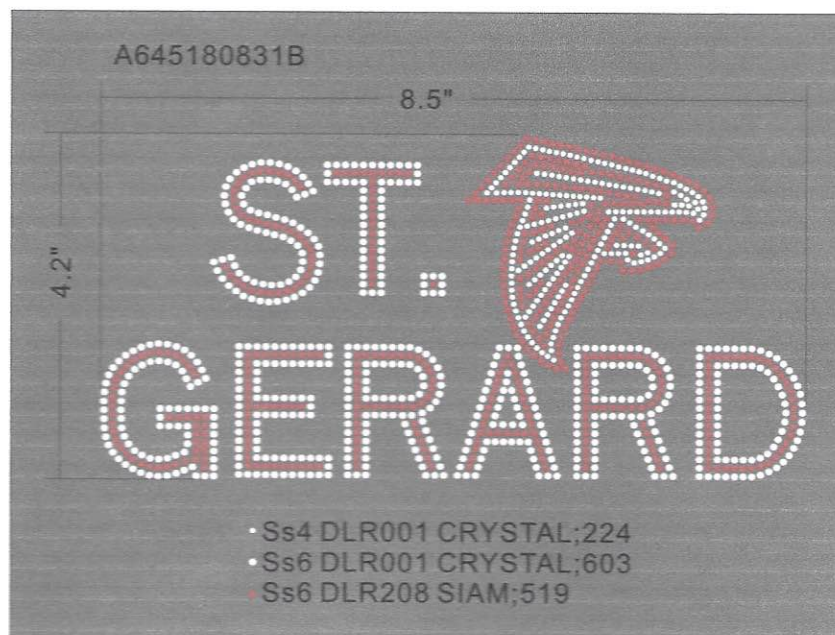
Available add \$2 2X \$4 3X \$6 3X



Ladies	Tee
XS-XL	\$15.00

Item 12—100%  
polyester interlock  
V-neck long sleeve  
tee , black or royal

Available add \$2 2X \$4 3X \$6 3X



Logo 1-Add the left chest  
Falcon logo \$6.00

Logo 2—Add the full back  
St. Gerard logo for \$12.00

Logo 3—Add both front and  
back of an item \$15.00

8th Grade Fundraiser  
Washington D.C.

Name:

Parents Name

Telephone :

Homeroom:

**Please return your form to the office by February 4, 2021.  
Make checks payable to St. Gerard School, any questions  
please contact Charity Sullivan, [CharityRice@hotmail.com](mailto:CharityRice@hotmail.com)  
orders will be delivered by February 12, 2021.**

Item # (Description)	Size	Color	Qty	Logo #	Price	Add Name \$5	Name	Total
Item 1 Sweatshirt	YM	royal	1	1	\$27.00	\$5.00	SMITH	\$32.00

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