



Principal's Newsletter

From the desk of Mr. Gruenauer June 2019

Dear Families,

Recently the Business First rankings of area schools were released. I would like to clarify that those rankings are based on grades 4&8 state test results. Since we currently do not participate in NYS ELA & Math testing our ranking is not an accurate picture of our school. With that being said, I would like to share some of our STAR testing results for 2018-2019.

We currently have zero students falling into the urgent intervention category in reading. The number of students in grades Kindergarten through 5th falling into the intervention category in reading decreased by 31% from September to May. Grades Kindergarten through 5th also showed an increase in the number of students who fall at/above benchmark in reading from September to May. We currently have zero students in Kindergarten and Grade 1 falling into the urgent intervention category in early literacy.

Grades Kindergarten-5th showed an increase in the number of students who fall at/above benchmark in math from September to May.

Thank you for another wonderful school year. Your hard work and dedication to our school is greatly appreciated.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

Congratulations to our 2019 graduates!

The entire St. Stephen's Staff wishes you continued success in your educational journey. Continue to make your parents, our school, and yourselves proud!

Just a reminder...

We will be collecting for the St. Stephen's annual rummage sale next week. We are offering pick up of items if needed. Some of our faculty are overseeing this event and hope to make it a success. Additional information can be found in this family envelope.

You will find our 2019-2020 school calendar in this family envelope. You will see that most events have already been scheduled for your convenience.

**Our summer office hours are
Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-Noon
We are always available by email:**

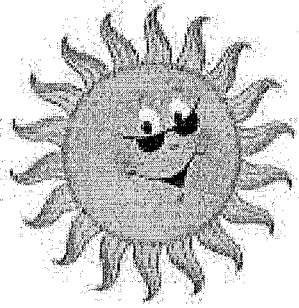
Mr. Gruenauer

principal@ststephensgi.org

Mrs. Ortiz:

ortizl@ststephensgi.org

Field Day this Friday!!



Lunch will be served at 11. It will be hotdogs, chips, a cookie and water. Games will begin after lunch.

Parents are invited to join us!

Remember to send in sunscreen and a beach towel.

Kids will be getting wet!

ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL | 2019-2020 CALENDAR



- 2 Labor Day
5 Middle School Mtg 6:00-7:00pm
Gr. 8: Parent Mtg. 7:00-8:00pm
6 **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**
Paul Effman Music Demo
9:00 am
11 Meet the Teacher
New Families: 5:30 pm
Current Families: 6:00 pm
17 School Liturgy: 9:00 am
Gr. 6: Bible Blessing

SEPTEMBER 2019						
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MARCH 2020						
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29	30	31				

- 11 Report Cards
19 School Liturgy: 9:00 am
St. Joseph's Day
20 **NO SCHOOL**
Superintendent Conference Day

- 4 Picture Day
8 School Liturgy: 9:00 am
11 **NO SCHOOL**
Superintendent Conference Day
14 **NO SCHOOL**
Columbus Day
31 Halloween – Trunk or Treat

OCTOBER 2019						
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APRIL 2020						
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- 3 Spring Picture Day
7 School Liturgy: 9:00 am
Hope Ribbon
9 **NO SCHOOL**
Holy Thursday
10 **NO SCHOOL**
Good Friday
13 – 17: **NO SCHOOL**
Easter Break
26 1st Holy Communion

- 1 School Liturgy: 9:00 am
All Saints Day
3 Shopping Extravaganza
5 **NO SCHOOL**
Superintendent Conference Day
11 **NO SCHOOL**
Veterans Day
27 – 29: **NO SCHOOL**
Thanksgiving Recess

NOVEMBER 2019						
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MAY 2020						
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- 5 Moms & Muffins
6 Progress Reports
8 Mother's Day Tea
19 Spring Concert / Book Fair
21 School Liturgy: 9:00 am
22 **NO SCHOOL**
25 **NO SCHOOL**
29 8th Grade Class Night

- 4 Report Cards
6 11:00 am Dismissal
School Liturgy: 9:00 am
Parent Conferences
13 Santa Secret Shop
18 Christmas Concert
23 – 31: **NO SCHOOL**
Christmas Recess

DECEMBER 2019						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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JUNE 2020						
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28	29	30				

- 16 Dads & Donuts
19 Dads & Dogs
22 PK Moving Up Day
Kindergarten Graduation
24 **NO SCHOOL**
Teacher Record Day
25 Last Day of School

- 1 **NO SCHOOL**
New Year's Day
2 – 3: **NO SCHOOL**
Christmas Recess
6 School Resumes
School Liturgy: 9:00 am
20 **NO SCHOOL**
MLK Day
26 Catholic Schools Mass: 9:00 am
27 – 31: Catholic Schools Week

JANUARY 2020						
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Calendar is
subject to
change.

- 3 Blessing of Throats: 2:00 pm
7 Club & Group Pictures
17 **NO SCHOOL**
President's Day
18 – 21: **NO SCHOOL**
Winter Recess
26 School Liturgy: 9:00 am
Ash Wednesday

FEBRUARY 2020						
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ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL

October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 Living Rosary 2:00 pm Picture Day	5
6	7 World Day of Bullying Prevention Dress Down in Blue	8 School Liturgy 9:00 am	9 K-5: Bus Safety PK-5: Fire Prevention: 1:30 pm	10 K - 5: Bus Safety	11 NO SCHOOL Superintendent Conference Day	12
13	14 NO SCHOOL Columbus Day	15	16 Progress Reports	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Catholic Charities Dress Down Day Haunted House: 6-8:30 pm	26 Haunted House 4:00 - 7:00 pm
27	28	29	30	31 HALLOWEEN Trunk or Treat		
			**	Calendar subject	to change	



ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL

November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 School Liturgy: 9:00 am All Saints Day	2
3 Shopping Extravaganza 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	4	5 NO SCHOOL Professional Development Superintendent Conference Day	6	7 Book Fair 5:00 – 8:00 pm	8	9
10	11 NO SCHOOL Veterans Day	12	13	14	15 Catholic Charities Dress Down Day	16
17	18	19	20	21 Grs. 4 & 5: Penance	22 Picture Retakes	23
24	25	26 8 th Grade Retreat	27 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Recess	28 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Day	29 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Recess	30
			**	Calendar subject	to change	



ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL

December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 1 st Sunday of Advent	2 Advent Prayer Service	3	4 Report Cards	5	6 11:00 am dismissal School Liturgy: 9:00 am St. Nicholas Day Parent Conferences **	7 XTREME Games Polar Express 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
8 The Feast of the Immaculate Conception 2 nd Sunday of Advent	9 Advent Prayer Service	10 Breakfast of Champions Grs. 1 & 2: Liturgy	11 Grs. 3 – 5: Liturgy	12 Grs. 6 – 8: Liturgy	13 Santa's Secret Shop	14
15 3 rd Sunday of Advent	16 Advent Prayer Service	17	18 Christmas Concert 7:00 pm	19	20 Catholic Charities Dress Down Day	21
22 4 th Sunday of Advent	23 NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess	24 NO SCHOOL Christmas Eve	25 NO SCHOOL Christmas Day	26 NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess	27 NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess	28
29	30 NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess	31 NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess				*Grs. 6 – 8: 9 – 11 am K-8 & Specials: 12 – 3 pm 4 – 7 pm
			**	Calendar subject	to change	



ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL

January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 NO SCHOOL New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary	2 NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess	3 NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess	4
5	6 School Resumes School Liturgy: 9:00 am Epiphany/Three Kings Day	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Grs. 1 & 2: Liturgy	Grs. 3 - 5: Liturgy	Grs. 6 - 8: Liturgy		
19	20 NO SCHOOL M L King Day	21	22 Progress Reports	23	24 Catholic Charities Dress Down Day	25 Gala
26 Catholic Schools Mass 9:00 am	27 Prayer Service	28	29	30	31	
Open House: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm	Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week	
			**	Calendar subject	to change	



ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL

February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3 St. Blaise Blessing of Throats 2:00 pm	4	5	6	7 Club and Group Pictures	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Grs. 1 & 2: Liturgy	Grs. 3 - 5: Liturgy	Grs. 6 - 8: Liturgy			
16	17 NO SCHOOL President's Day	18 NO SCHOOL Winter Recess	19 NO SCHOOL Winter Recess	20 NO SCHOOL Winter Recess	21 NO SCHOOL Winter Recess	22
23	24	25 Mardi Gras	26 Ash Wednesday School Liturgy: 9:00 am	27	28 Catholic Charities Dress Down Fish Fry	29
				** Calendar subject	to change	



March 2020

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ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL

April 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Spring Pictures	4
					Fish Fry	
5 Palm Sunday	6 Lenten Prayer Service	7 School Liturgy: 9:00 am Hope Ribbon Eucharistic Day	8	9 NO SCHOOL Holy Thursday	10 NO SCHOOL Good Friday Fish Fry (Take-out only)	11
12 Easter	13 NO SCHOOL Easter Break	14 NO SCHOOL Easter Break	15 NO SCHOOL Easter Break	16 NO SCHOOL Easter Break	17 NO SCHOOL Easter Break	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Dress Down Day Penance: Gr. 3	25
26 First Holy Communion 1:00 pm	27	28	29	30		
			**	Calendar subject	to change	



ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL

May 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5 Moms & Muffins	6 Progress Reports	7	8 PK-2 Mother's Day Tea 9:15 am - 10:15 am	9
10	11	12	13 NJHS Induction 7:00 pm	14	15	16
Mother's Day						
17	18	19 Spring Concert 7:00 pm Book Fair: 5:30 pm & after concert	20	21 Ascension of the Lord School Liturgy: 9:00 am Communion Pictures	22 NO SCHOOL	23
24	25 NO SCHOOL Memorial Day	26	27	28	29 Catholic Charities Dress Down Day 8 th Grade Class Night	30
31						
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

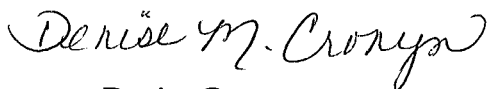
June 19, 2019

Please check your child's backpack, as all students entering grades 2-8 will be bringing home a summer math packet. In order to lessen the effects of the summer slide, we are asking that your child work on approximately one page per week. The work is grade level appropriate and will help make an easier transition into the next grade.

The packet will be due on Monday, September 9. Your child will receive credit for completing the packet. Though I would encourage you to help your child when necessary, please do not do the work for them. I would also encourage you to make sure your child knows the math facts appropriate for their grade level. First and second grade should know their addition and subtraction math facts and grades three and above need to know multiplication and division, too. It is **imperative** for your child's success in math that they can quickly recall their facts. When my children were younger, I would use the time driving in the car to quiz them. I'm sure you can find creative ways to practice.

Have a wonderful and safe summer and if you have any questions or if your child needs extra help in math over break please feel free to contact me at cronynd@ststephensgi.org.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denise M. Cronyn".

Denise Cronyn

2019 Summer Art Workshop

*******ONLY A FEW SPOTS LEFT!*******

Summer Art Workshop will be available for students in grades 4-6... 2019-2020 school year

Art Camp will be held in the school art room 108,

taught by: Madeline Corsini

Dates: June 24-28, 2019

Times: 9-12 noon daily

Cost: \$125 per student including all materials

To reserve your spot, or any further questions, please contact

Mrs. Corsini

corsinim@ststephensgi.org

Full payment is due upon registration...checks

payable to:

Madeline Corsini

Dear School Families,

The annual St. Stephen's Rummage Sale has been taken over by Mrs. Pawleczyk, Miss White, and Mrs. Ortiz.

We need your help in making this continue to be successful.

If you would like to donate items or your time please see attached.

Thank you!

St. Stephen Annual



is Back!

Drop Off

(We cannot accept TV's)

Monday, June 24th-Thursday, June 27th
9:00am-5:00pm (at the back of the school)

New This Year!!

Pick-Up Available!

Call Lynn at 866-1077 to schedule a pick-up!

Sale

Thursday, June 27th	6:00pm-8:00pm
Friday, June 28th	9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday, June 29th	9:00am-6:00pm
Sunday, June 30th	9:00am-2:00pm

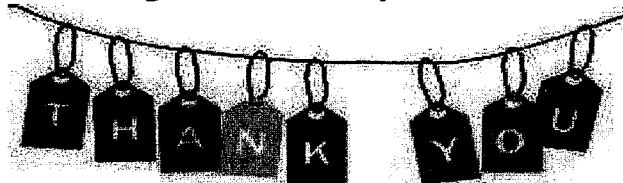
Hot Dogs

Friday, June 28th	11:00am-5:00pm
Saturday, June 29th	11:00am-6:00pm

HELP NEEDED!

This is a Parish/School Event

If you can spare some time and would like to help with this event, please
call Lynn Ortiz at 866-1077 or email ortizl@ststephensgi.org
Anyone needing community service is welcome!



And God Bless!

ST STEPHEN SCHOOL & PARISH EVENT

GOLF Challenge

Monday

12 August 2019

Join us with family and friends at
this exciting annual event!

Either as a sponsor, player, or
volunteer, sign up and we'll see you
on the green.

For more information: 716.773.7647
Email: Karen Sweet ~
businessmgr@ststephensqi.com

hosted at



~In Loving Memory of Father Lynn

GOLFER REGISTRATION

Participants:___ I would like to be placed in a Golf Foursome___ I would like to register a Golf Foursome
(Please Print)

1.____ 2.____
3.____ 4.____

Costs: Golf, Cart, Lunch, Reception & Dinner \$140 OR Dinner Only \$45 per guest

Amount enclosed \$_____ (Please make check payable to St. Stephens Church, Memo: Golf Outing)

Send completed applications with payment to Parish Office or mail to: St. Stephen Church Golf Committee
2100 Baseline Rd Grand Island NY 14072

You may also register by sending an email to businessmgr@ststephensgi.com

SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

River Oaks Golf Club

201 Whitehaven Rd Grand Island NY 14072 – Monday August 12, 2019

\$2,500 Partner

Tournament Sponsor
includes: 3 golf foursomes

\$2,000 TITANIUM

Dinner Banquet Sponsor
includes: 2 golf foursomes

\$1,500 PLATINUM

Evening Reception Sponsor
includes: 1 golf foursome

\$1000 GOLD

Lunch Sponsor

\$500 SILVER

Registration Sponsor

\$250 BRONZE

Sponsors one of several Contests

\$100 COPPER

Tee, Green or Cart Sign

GOLF RESERVATION \$135

Includes Golf, Cart
with 6 pack chilled beer,
Lunch, Dinner & Awards

DINNER ONLY \$45 Spend the evening with Friends and Supporters of St. Stephen's

SPONSER & VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

NAME:_____ ADDRESS:_____

PHONE:_____ EMAIL:_____

I WOULD LIKE TO BE A SPONSOR AT THE FOLLOWING LEVEL:

__ PARTNER __ TITANIUM __ PLATINUM __ GOLD __ SILVER __ BRONZE __ COPPER

NAME FOR SPONSOR SIGNAGE:_____

__ PLEASE CONTACT ME TO DISCUSS HOW I CAN GET MY EMPLOYER TO BE A SPONSOR

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I WOULD LIKE TO: __ WORK ON THE GOLF CHALLENGE COMMITTEE

__ WORK THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT

__ DONATE A GIFT BASKET FOR THE CHINESE AUCTION

__ DONATE AN ITEM OR SERVICE (This can be just about anything, for example,

tickets to a sporting or theatrical event, a bottle of wine, free teeth cleaning, a ride in a private airplane, sports memorabilia...big or small
we'll take it all!) PLEASE DESCRIBED ITEM_____

Sponsorship Opportunities

PARTNER

\$2,500.00

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includes: 3 golf foursomes

TITANIUM

\$2,000.00

Dinner Banquet Sponsor
includes: 2 golf foursomes

PLATINUM

\$1,500.00

Evening Reception Sponsor
includes: 1 golf foursome

GOLD

\$1,000.00

Lunch Sponsor

SILVER

\$500.00

Registration Sponsor

BRONZE

\$250.00

Sponsors of several
Contests

COPPER

\$100.00

Tee, Green, or
Cart Sign