



The Finale 2026

Important dates for May & June!

May

13th: Book Fair, during school & 5-7pm

14th: Ascension of the Lord Mass, 2:00pm

22nd-25th: Memorial Day, no school

June

5th: 8th Grade Class Night, 6:30pm

9th: Dads & Donuts, grades 3-8 8:15-8:45am

11th: Spring Concert 6:30pm

12th: Dads & Dogs, grades UPK/Pre-K-2 1:30pm

16th: Kindergarten Graduation 9:30am

19th: Juneteenth-no school

22nd: Field Day, 1:00pm

23rd: Grades K-8 last day of school

23rd: Report Cards

23rd: 8th Grade Graduation 6:30pm

24th: UPK/Pre-K last day/ Graduation 9-11am



LET'S BOOK IT TO THE BEACH!



Please join us for a
**Scholastic BOGO Book
Fair and Ice Cream
Social!**

When: Wednesday, May 13th at 5:00–7:00

Where: In the school cafeteria

**Details: Please join us for an ice cream treat and
browse your favorite Scholastic books.**

**Everything
at the fair is buy one, get one free.**

**Please note: The book fair will be open for
students to shop during the day on May 13th.
Students can shop with cash or by loading
money onto an EWallet (preferred).**



Shop online or load your e-wallet:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/ststephenschool6>



A REMINDER THAT THE
ASCENSION OF THE LORD
MASS WILL BE AT 2:00PM
TOMORROW (MAY CALENDAR
HAD THE INCORRECT TIME).

8TH GRADE WILL BE
RECEIVING THEIR HOPE
RIBBONS.

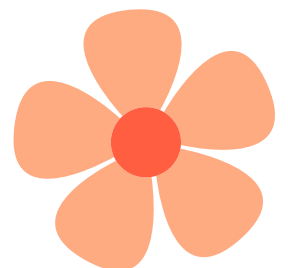


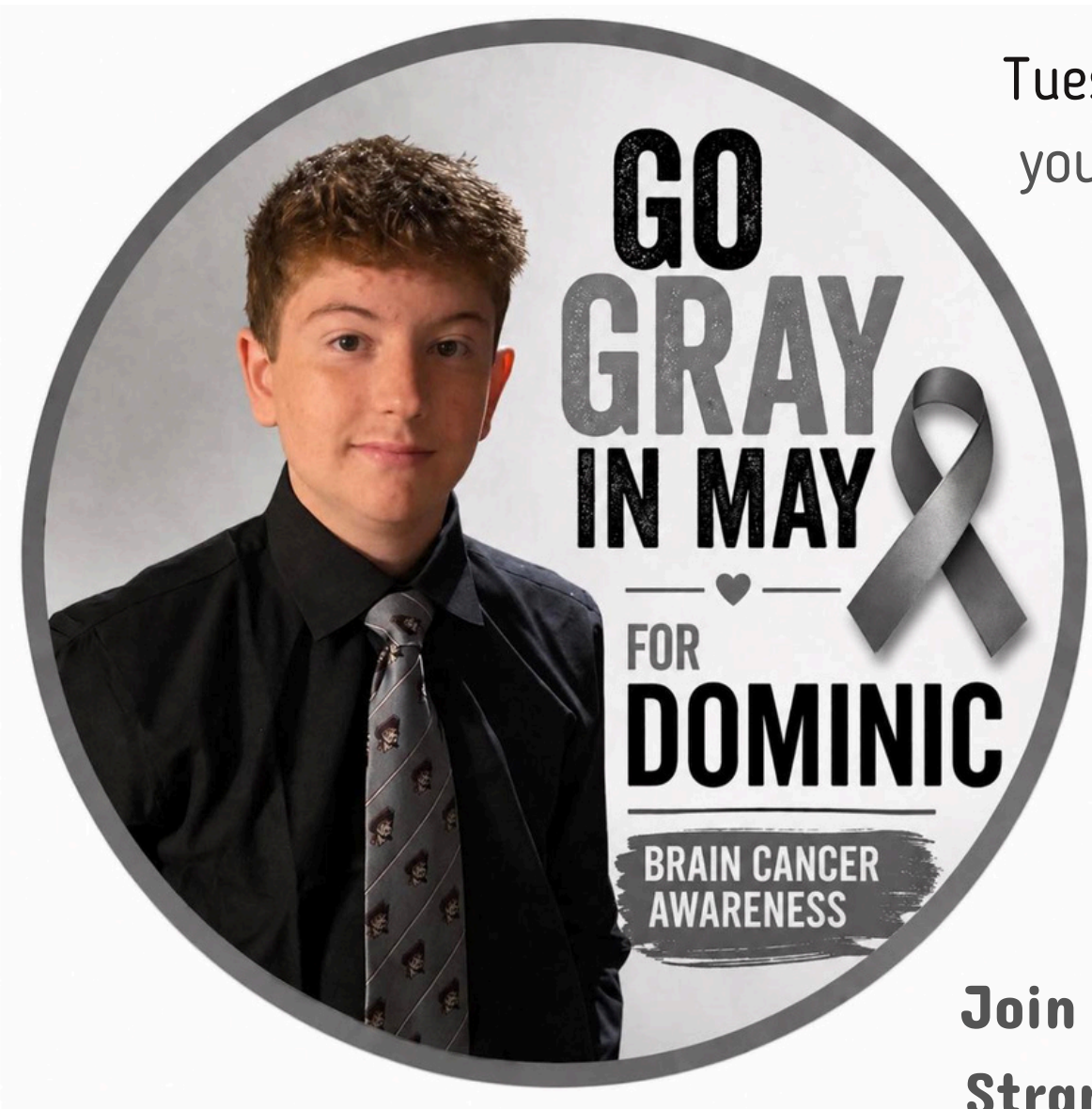
**Please join us for St. Stephen School's
Spring Concert
on Thursday, June 11th.**

**The concert will be held in
St. Stephen Church at 6:30 PM**

**Come see our Pre-K to Grade 8
children perform a variety of songs
to build up one another!**

**Performers may dress in their best
Spring colors!**





Tuesday, May 19th, wear gray to show your support and stand in solidarity with those affected.

Any donation amount is appreciated. All donations will go to P.U.N.T, towards supporting brain cancer awareness and research.



Join us as we remember Dominic Strangio while raising awareness for brain cancer.

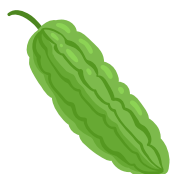
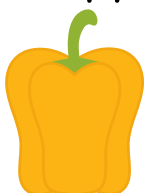


♥♥ In honor of Dominic, let's come together as a community! ♥♥

Dear St Stephen Families,

Each year, we try to raise a variety of vegetable plants that we make available for sale to help support our greenhouse program. This year, we ran into a bit of a snag, and our first plantings did not do well at all. After the Easter break, we regrouped and tried again. This time our seedlings are doing well, but they are not quite ready to leave the greenhouse and go into the garden. I think Mother Nature is aware of this and has kept the weather cooler (and wetter) than normal, so if you are planning a garden, it may be a couple of weeks before you'll need your plants. While we don't have an unlimited number, we do have tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, zucchini and summer squash, butternut squash, and watermelon plants that should be ready to go into the garden around Memorial Day. We'll give everyone an update in the next two Wednesday Family Envelopes and, if you're interested, we'll plan on our sale taking place on Thursday, May 21st, before the long weekend. The plants will be \$3.00 each and available on a first come, first-served basis right at the end of the day until 4:30ish, or if we're very fortunate, until we're sold out. Each of the classes helped with our initial planting, so if you ask your student(s) they can let you know what seeds they planted. As always, thank you for your support and we look forward to getting the gardens

growing!!





The St. Stephen Annual Rummage Sale is back!

Held in the air-conditioned school gym!

COME SHOP:

Early Bird Shopping:

Thursday, June 18th 5:00pm-7:00pm

Friday, June 19th 9:00am-1:00pm

Saturday, June 20th 8:30am-5:30pm

Bag Sale- \$4.00 per bag.

Sunday, June 21st 10:00am-1:00pm

Help is needed!

This is a St. Stephen School/ Parish event. If you can spare some time and would like to help with this event, please call Lynn Ortiz at 716-866-1077 or email ortizl@ststephengi.org. Students who need community service, please reach out to Mrs. Ortiz!

DONATION

DROP-OFF:

Please drop off items at Door #4. We are NOT accepting: clothing, computers, mattresses, or TV's.

Friday, June 12th

9:00am-12:00pm

Saturday, June 13th

9:00am-12:00pm

Monday, June 15

9:00am-12:00pm &

6:00pm-8:00pm

Tuesday, June 16th

9:00am-12:00pm

Wednesday, June 17th

9:00-12:00pm

**Only accepting
cash**



Special Open House

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St. Stephen School
2080 Baseline Road
Grand Island, NY 14072

Wednesday, May 20
9am-2:30pm



This is a sneak peek for prospective families!
Come see our amazing school & classrooms in
action!

For a private tour after hours, please email
ortizl@ststephengi.org or call 716-773-7647, opt. 2



WHEN

- Friday, May 29th
- Buses leave St. Stephens at 9:30am and return to the school at 1:30pm

WHERE

- Buffalo Zoo

COST

- \$20.00 per child

CHAPERONES

- If you are a chaperone you will meet us at the Zoo at 9:30 near the world fountain right inside the front gates. You will then be given instructions from your child's teacher!
- Parents cannot take their child home, their child must return to school and be signed out (school policy).

BUFFALO ZOO INFO

K-8

WHAT TO WEAR

- Sunscreen
- Hat
- School gym shirt and any shorts
- Sneakers

WHAT TO BRING:

- Disposable water bottle
- A brown bagged lunch
- A drawstring bag to carry everything in

OTHER INFO

- Please do NOT bring money for concessions. You can bring unlimited snacks from home!
- Teachers and chaperones are not responsible for anything lost. Please do not send your child with any important items.

ANGELA'S ANGELS

Help stock, St. Patrick's Pantry with small summer treats to support our community during the break

DONATE BY 6/18
Drop off at the school or Church

WE ARE COLLECTING:

KETCHUP AND
MUSTARD

SALT AND PEPPER

SUGAR PACKETS

FREEZE POPS

KOOL AID PACKETS

SNACK SIZE CHIPS



Angela's Angels

Help us stock St. Patrick's Pantry with small summer treats to support our community during the break!

What we are collecting

- Small containers of ketchup and mustard
- Salt and pepper packets
- Sugar packets
- Freeze pops
- Kool Aid packets
- Small bags of chips

**Bring all donations to St. Stephens School or Church
by June 18th**



END OF YEAR AWARD CEREMONY GRADES K-8

JUNE 9TH

ST. STEPHEN CHURCH
9:15AM

Students who participated in any club, sport, or are receiving the Eagle of Excellence Award this year are invited to have family and friends come and cheer them on as they receive their award! We encourage you to stay for Mass at 10am with grades K-8!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL DANIELLE
DUCK AT DUCKD@STSTEPHENS.GI.ORG



HSA SPOTLIGHT



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HSA News by joining
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Dress Your Way Upcoming Dates

- 5/15
- 5/21
- 5/29

Dads Save the Date

Dads and Donuts (3rd-8th)
June 9th

Dads and Dogs (UPK-2nd)
June 12th

***Please contact us if you
or anyone you know may
be interested in
sponsoring one or more
of our fundraising events!***



Fish Fry Overstock Available

- French Fries 5 lb bag.....\$5
- Mac & Cheese\$14

Contact Kate Burke to purchase
@ 716-228-1626

The HSA would like to extend a
heartfelt thank you to all our
teachers for all you do for our kids
each and every day!

Parents save the date for this
years FIELD DAY
Monday, June 22
more details to follow

Ongoing Fundraisers

Bottle/Can Returns

Label your returns and drop off at GI
Location (next to Mighty)

Box Tops

Download the app through app store
and link to SSS

SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA CHAIR(S) NEEDED

**THE HSA BOARD IS SEACHING FOR 1-2
PEOPLE THAT WOULD LIKE TO CHAIR OUR
ANNUAL FALL VENDOR EVENT.
THE CURRENT CHAIR WOULD ASSIST WITH
THIS YEARS EVENT TO
HELP THE TRANSITION.**

**PLEASE EMAIL
STSTEPHENHSA@YAHOO.COM
IF INTERESTED OR FOR MORE
INFORMATION.**



**THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT
FUNDRAISER FOR THE SCHOOL
BRINGING IN APPROXIMATELY
\$5000 A YEAR**

Business Manager Full-Time Salaried (Exempt) – 12-Month Position

The Parish Business Manager is an administrator who supports the Pastor in fulfilling responsibilities to the parish and parish family. This position serves as a steward of the parish's physical, financial, and personnel resources and carries out these responsibilities within the framework of shared ministry rooted in Christian and Catholic values.

The ideal candidate is an experienced professional with strong finance, accounting, human resources, and managerial skills. The Business Manager must possess excellent organizational abilities, attention to detail, accuracy, efficiency, and the ability to manage multiple priorities in a fast-paced environment. Strong interpersonal and problem-solving skills are essential, along with the ability to work collaboratively with staff, parishioners, volunteers, contractors, and diocesan personnel.

Primary Responsibilities

- Oversee parish accounting operations, office administration, maintenance, and custodial staff
- Manage all human resources functions, including bi-weekly payroll and employee benefits administration
- Supervise accounts payable and accounts receivable utilizing established accounting and census software programs
- Prepare monthly, quarterly, and annual financial reports for the Pastor, Trustees, and Finance Council
- Develop and monitor departmental budgets in collaboration with parish leadership and staff
- Serve as liaison with the Diocese, Audit Department, financial institutions, and contractors
- Oversee parish buildings and properties with maintenance staff
- Coordinate, monitor, and manage approved repair, maintenance, and improvement projects

Qualifications

- Strong background in finance, accounting, and business management
- Human resources and payroll experience required
- Excellent organizational, communication, and leadership skills
- Ability to maintain confidentiality and exercise sound judgment
- Proficiency with accounting software and Microsoft Office applications
- Ability to work effectively with diverse personalities and volunteers

Compensation

- Full-Time Salaried Position Salary Range: **\$63,000 – \$68,000**

JOB POSTING St. Stephen Parish Office – Front Office Admin. Assistant

St. Stephen RC Church is in search of a FRONT OFFICE Admin. Assistant

This individual must have a pleasant personality that promotes the feeling of welcoming hospitality which is so crucial to our parish success.

Approx. 20–30 hrs./wk. 12 mo. position 8:30am-2:30pm Monday - Friday

Good Phone Skills are a must, efficient with Computer and Microsoft products, good letter writing skills, strong working knowledge with CANVA is a large plus.

- **Welcome all Callers and assist or direct caller to appropriate staff member**
- **Complete requests for Mass Cards & accurately maintain the Mass books**
- **Assist with and work on Family Bulletin each week**
- **Take calls for funerals, baptisms, and other sacramental needs.**
- **Generate Sacramental Certificates for callers as requested**
- **Tend to copier, keep paper stocked and complete copy projects**
- **Maintain ample supplies for the parish office – assist with ordering**
- **Assist Clergy, business manager, and staff as needed with support work**
- **Assist Parish Organizations with scheduling needs in facility**
- **Maintain strictest of confidence and be a Team Player!**
- **Apply great attention to detail on all tasks!**
- **Offering \$18 - \$20/hr. based on experience – all work is on-site**

Reply to: businessmgr@ststephengi.com

JOB POSTING #1 Part-Time Bookkeeper St. Stephen School

St. Stephen School Grand Island is looking for a Part-Time Bookkeeper to begin June 1, 2026 or sooner. This position is for 12-18 hrs./wk. to facilitate financial bookkeeping work in support of the parish business manager & principal.

- **Bill all tuition through the FACTS Tuition Management System (FACTS is an on-line ACH payment system specifically designed for schools.)**
- **Calculate tuition & registration fees due, perform data entry into the school system & our census program.**
- **Assist in posting Tuition Assistance & Bison Fund to each family account**
- **Assist with entry of school budget calculations**
- **Work in conjunction with the Home School Association posting deposits and check requests for the fundraising arm of our school.**
- **Assist Business manager in preparing Annual School Financial Report**
- **Provide monthly finance reports to the Diocese, School Board President, Principal, Business Manager and Home School Association.**
- **Assist with HR Paperwork and establish/maintain employee files**
- **Assist with calculating totals for payroll from time cards and time sheets in preparation of bi-weekly payrolls.**
- **Must have strong bookkeeping skills, organizational skills, working knowledge of computers and Microsoft products, Excel, Word, Google Docs. Good attention to detail is a must!**
- **Must maintain the highest level of confidentiality, be dependable, and an efficient worker with a pleasant disposition. Team Player!**

Offering \$20-\$23/hr. based upon experience. Work to be completed during the hours that school is open 12 mo. Position on-site

Interested Reply to businessmgr@ststephengi.com

The Grand Island Historical Society

Free Open House

Amusement Parks of Grand Island



SUNDAY, MAY 17

2:00 - 4:00 PM

BEAVER ISLAND STATE PARK

at RIVER LEA

(FOLLOW SIGNS IN THE PARK)

The museum features displays of Island history including: one-room schoolhouses, farming, grand clubhouses and amusement parks.