



The Finale 2026

Important dates for May & June!

May

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



Just a reminder

There is no school on Friday 5/22
and Monday 5/25 for Memorial
Day.

Enjoy the long weekend!

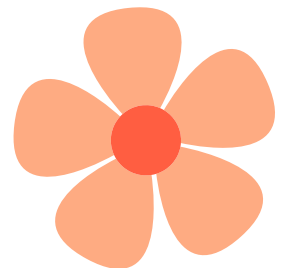


**Please join us for St. Stephen School's
Spring Concert
on Thursday, June 11th.**

**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!**



DAD'S N DOGS

Our annual "Dads N Dogs" Father's Day celebration will be held on Friday, June 12th from 1:30 - 3 pm for UPK - 2nd Grade. Please meet us on the playground for a hot dog cookout. We look forward to seeing you there!



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.



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

Angela's Angels



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



We are collecting:

*Small containers of ketchup and
mustard, salt and pepper packets,
sugar packets, freeze pops, Kool-Aid
packets, and small bags of chips.*



*Drop off donations to St.
Stephens School or Church by
June 18th at 2080 Baseline*

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Calling all
Grand Islanders!



Bring your bikes
and helmets!

MOOSE RIDERS BIKE SAFETY DAY

Saturday May 30, 2026

10 AM to 1 PM

GRAND ISLAND TOWN HALL

- **Bike and Bike Helmet Safety Check**
- **eBike Laws Update**
- **Bike Rodeo Obstacle Course**
- **Child ID registration**
- **Car Seat Safety Check**

Sponsored by: Grand Island Moose Lodge 180 and Women of the Moose Chapter 1922
For more information, email Jennifer Chin at: chapter1922@mooseunits.org

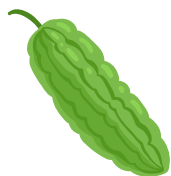
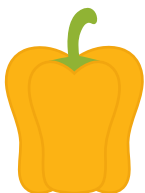
Hey Everyone!!

This Thursday the Beekeeper's and our classes will hold our annual Vegetable Plant sale at the end of the day. We have a wide variety of plants (see the list below) that we started in our greenhouse and now that Mother Nature seems to have shifted gears and is ready for us to enjoy some warmer weather, it's time to get your garden started. Our plant sale helps us keep our greenhouse going and any proceeds from the sale go right back into our program. If you're looking for some additions to your garden, or want to try growing something you haven't before, we may have what you're looking for. All the plants for sale are \$3.00 each and they are being sold on a first come, first served basis.

Here's what we have to offer:

Zucchini Squash	Summer Squash	Butternut Squash
Cucumbers	Green Peppers	Roma Tomatoes
Beefsteak Tomatoes	Watermelon	

We'll be set up for the sale at the Pre-K entrance (by the outdoor classroom) so if you want to park and walk over, we'll be happy to help you out. We'll be selling the plants until they're gone, or 5:00, whichever comes first. Any plants still remaining will be available after the Memorial Day weekend.



Assemblyman
Angelo J. Morinello



New York State Assembly's 2026 Summer Reading Challenge



For more information & to register your child:

<https://forms.gle/Gez4aakuCwLXncP1A>





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**

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 #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

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



Every day counts!

Attending school regularly and on time helps children develop relationships, feel better about school, and themselves.

Did you know...?

Missing just **one** or **two** days of preschool or kindergarten every few weeks can make it **more difficult** to:

- Gain early reading and math skills
- Be prepared for kindergarten/first grade
- Build relationships
- Develop good attendance habits in high school and college

This summer,
start establishing routines!



- * Create morning and evening routines:
 - Set a bed and wake up time a few weeks before the first day of school
 - Lay out clothes--let your child choose!
 - Pack bookbag the night before
- * Start a countdown to the first day
- * Visit the school and meet the teacher
- * Make sure immunizations are up to date
- * Read to your child each night, in your home language, and use books to address concerns in playful ways
- * Create a pick up/drop off schedule with neighbors
- * Ask questions!

Consider
this!



Missing 1 day every 2 weeks = 20 days per year

1 day per week = 40 days per year

2 days per week = 80 days per year





The museum blasts off Saturday, May 23 with a full day of hands-on science, live shows, and out-of-this-world discoveries. From the birth of stars to the force behind rocket launches, you'll explore the universe like never before. Meet real experts, including Moog engineers, the Challenger Center of O.N.E. team, and BMS researchers, all ready to answer your biggest space questions.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., dive into space exploration with:
Casual conversations about the cosmos, telescope demos, and a hands-on activity with the Buffalo Astronomical Association

A Mars-themed mission with the Challenger Center of O.N.E.: drive a robot on Mars, repair a rover, explore the stars, and create your own mission artwork

A deep dive into solar cycles with BMS Research Associate Tim Collins

Register here: <https://www.sciencebuff.org/event/cosmic-adventure-at-the-museum/>

The Adventures of Flat Jesus

FLAT JESUS was created as a way to keep our church connected as we approach the busy summer season.

FLAT JESUS is a reminder that we need Jesus' presence with us everywhere we go!

Take FLAT JESUS with you wherever you go!

(playground, camp, family reunion, vacation, dinner etc...)

And take lots of pictures!

Email your favorite picture to cambriar@ststephensgi.org and we will post and will print the pictures and pin them on the FLAT JESUS bulletin board at church!

Prizes will be awarded

It's an amazing adventure. Take Flat Jesus with you and see what happens!

And remember the real Jesus is always with you!



Cardinal O'Hara

HIGH SCHOOL

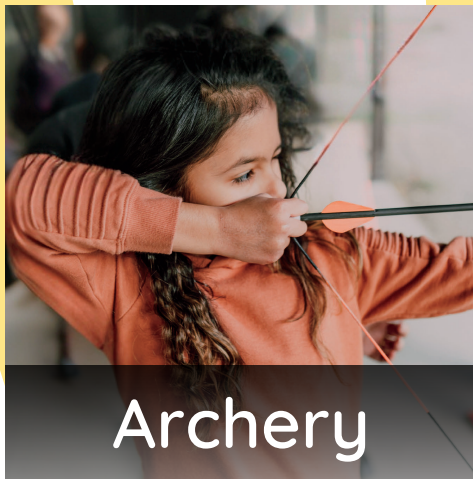
SUMMER CAMPS



June 27-28

9:30am - 2pm

Grades: Entering 2-8th



June 29-July 1

10am - 12pm

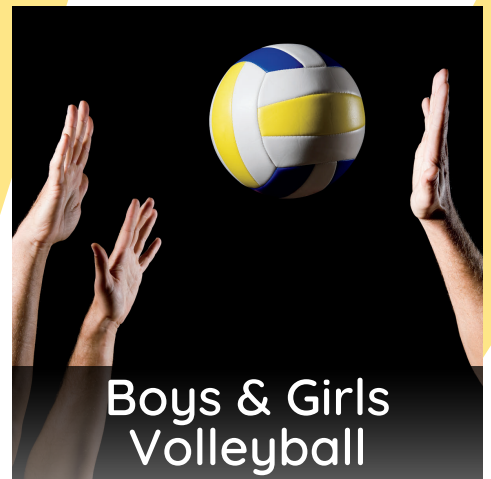
Grades: Entering 7th and 8th



July 13-15

5pm - 7pm

Grades: Entering 4-8th



July 20-22

12pm - 3pm

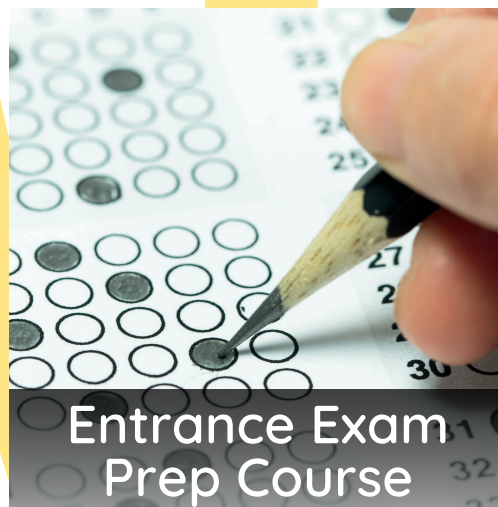
Grades: Entering 5-8th



July 6-24

9am - 3pm

Ages 8-15



August 3-7

2pm - 4pm

Grades: Entering 8th



August 3-7

9am - 3pm

Grades: Entering 5-8th



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or call us at 716-695-2600 ext. 357**

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HSA News by joining
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Text @sshsa to
81010

HSA Contact Email:
ststephenhsa@yahoo.com

Dress Your Way Upcoming Dates

- 5/21
- 5/29



Fish Fry Overstock Available

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

Contact Kate Burke to purchase
@ 716-228-1626

**Chairpersons needed for
Shopping Extravaganza
See attached flyer for details**

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

Dads Save the Date

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

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

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

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

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.**

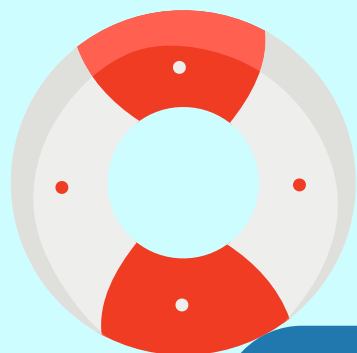
**PLEASE EMAIL
STSTEPHENHSA@YAHOO.COM
IF INTERESTED OR FOR MORE
INFORMATION.**



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

CALLING ALL SWIMMERS

Join the St. Stephen/Catholic Academy Swim Team for the Fall 2026 Season



Practices

Wednesdays 5:30-7:00 PM

Saturdays 12:30-2:00 PM

Sunday Meets

@ Grand Island High School

KINDERGARTEN
THRU 8TH GRADE

Season starts first week
of school and ends
November 15th with
Championship meet at
Aquatic Center

COST \$135 PER
SWIMMER



Questions:
email Allison Wild at
wildallison2487@gmail.com

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW](#)