



**Principal's Post#36: A Message from Mrs. Kozlowski**  
**May 8, 2024**

*“Stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught either by word or by a letter from us.” ~ 2 Thessalonians 2:15*

This week the excitement is building for the Class of 2024. They planted the Christmas trees in the St. Stephen School Christmas Tree lot by the soccer field with their kindergarten prayer partners. It is our hope that these trees grow until the current kindergarten students are 8th graders and these trees can be used during the Christmas season in their 8th grade classroom. Thank you to Father's Club for the second year of this tradition. The Class of 2024 will also be performing their traditional May Pole dance for the school and their families this Friday. It is wonderful to have so many traditions and special events for our soon to be graduating 8th graders.

As a school community, we will celebrate the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima on Monday, May 13. A special thank you to grade 2 students who will be leading this celebration as they recently received the Eucharist for the first time, as well as the 8th graders who carry the liter to honor Mary. At the conclusion of the Mass, we will join as a school community to pray the Living Rosary.

Grace and peace,  
Mrs. Marianne Kozlowski

**Additional Information:**

**Week of May 6: Catholic Store**

The final Catholic Store shopping event for the school year will take place during lunch/recess the week of May 6. There will be items to purchase related to Mother's Day and Father's Day, as well as plenty of other religious items. If your child would like to shop, please have them bring in cash in an envelope or Ziploc bag. Thank you to Student Council for running the store!

**May 14:** Volunteer Appreciation Prayer Service and Breakfast from 8:15-9:00 am.  
LAST CALL to RSVP to Mrs. Liberto if you will be able to attend.

**May 17: Coffee & Conversations**

Mrs. Kozlowski and Mrs. Liberto will be hosting a “Coffee & Conversations” at 8:30 am in the pavilion. The discussions will focus on ideas/potential initiatives for the upcoming school year, supporting Catholic identity and the Archdiocesan theme of “gratitude.” No RSVP is needed.

**Parish Events:**

**May Procession on May 12 at 10:30 am**

St. Stephen Church is looking for school-aged participants and their families for the May Procession. Please contact Aubrey Briggs ([aubrey@ssparish.org](mailto:aubrey@ssparish.org)) or see the church website for additional information.

**Vacation Bible School Adult Volunteers**

St. Stephen Church is looking for adult volunteers for VBS the week of June 24-28. Parents have the opportunity to earn all of their SSS volunteer hours for the 24/25 school year with this event. Please contact Aubrey Briggs ([aubrey@ssparish.org](mailto:aubrey@ssparish.org)) for additional information about how you can use your gifts and talents to serve others.