



**Principal Post #6: A Message from Dr. Kozlowski
September 24, 2025**

Congratulations to our 8th graders who took part in a morning of service picking potatoes at First Fruit Farms yesterday and then participated in mock interviews in preparation for the high school admissions season. I sincerely appreciate the members of our school board & parish, Department of Catholic Schools, and other community members who gave of their time to assist our young people in developing this valuable skill.

MAP testing begins today for students in grades 2-8. MAP is a standardized test that the Archdiocese of Baltimore utilizes three times a year in fall, winter and spring. The goal of MAP is to show student growth in the areas of reading, math and language. All testing is completed online. There is nothing that you need to do to prepare your students for this, but please encourage them to take it seriously and to put forth their best effort. Fall scores will be sent home with students in the middle of October.

We are pleased to announce that our new playground is ready for student use! Yesterday, Father George blessed the playground for our students, but we shared with them that the official dedication with a Mass will happen later this fall season. We are waiting for the donor sign of names to be completed. We will be reaching out to donors once we have a firm date. Thank you, again, to our community for supporting this endeavor for our Eagles to enjoy!

Finally, we are in the beginning stages of planning an event for our students at the end of October. We are looking for families that have access to specialty trucks or vehicles that would be able to bring them onto the school parking lot for students to see. If this is something that you would be interested in or have suggestions of people/locations to reach out to within the community, please email me directly (mkozlowski@sss.school.org). Thank you in advance for your consideration and help, as well as to those community members that have already emailed me with their assistance.

Grace & Peace,
Dr. Marianne Kozlowski

Additional Information:

Class of 2026: Crab Raffle

Our 8th grade class is running a "Crab Raffle" to support their various special activities throughout the school year. Chances are 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10. Thank you for your support and consideration. You can purchase your chances here through September 26: [Crab Raffle](#)

Getting Ready for Mass: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

You can access the video related to this weekend's Bible readings here:
<https://youtu.be/EPnsofEKYfw>

After-School Clubs

We are pleased to announce that nine after-school clubs are being offered for students in grades 2-8, running from October through December 2025. Please see [THIS DOCUMENT](#) to learn about the after-school offerings and to register. All registrations will take place online using the links listed. If you have any specific questions about one of the clubs, please reach directly out to the club moderator.

Staffing Update

Ms. Marilyn Roman, our contracted Spanish teacher through The Language Project, has informed us that she has left that company. All grades in Powerschool have been updated by Ms. Roman for the first trimester. We are pleased to welcome Ms. Ely Lanza from The Language Project as the two day a week Spanish teacher. Her email will be

elanza@sss.school.org

Important Upcoming Dates:

September 30, 2025: Parent Visitation Day for current families in grades 4-8. All attendees will need their driver's license to scan in Raptor before proceeding to their child's classroom at 8:20 am. If you do not pre-register, you will have additional lines to wait in prior to going to your child's classroom. The visitation will last from 8:20 am until 9:45 am. At 9:45 am, parents are invited to attend Mass with their child or depart. The registration link can found here:

<https://forms.gle/14ZBxstYRcwkmSru6>

October 1, 2025: Registration for Parent Visitation Day for kindergarten through grade 3 released via email. This will take place on Tuesday, October 14 from 8:20-9:45 am. At 9:45 am, parents are invited to attend Mass with their child or depart.

October 2, 2025: Grandparents Day for students in grades 4-8 from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. You can access the registration link here: <https://forms.gle/BNMGtFE6m1hQ5Qq9>. ALL attendees MUST bring their driver's license for a confirmed entry. More specific information about that day, including parking and activities that will be taking place, will be shared in a communication on Friday, September 26.

October 3, 2025: No school for students due to AOB Professional Development Day. Parent/Teacher conference sign-up link released via email at 9:00 am.

October 6, 2026: No school for students and faculty

October 7, 2025: Blessing of the Pets at 6:00 pm. Families are invited to bring their pets (leashed or in a cage) to the church parking lot by the rectory for a special blessing and prayer service related to the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi.

October 8, 2025: Interims released for trimester one. Prek through grade 2 will be paper copies, while grades 3-8 will be electronic.

October 13, 2025: Winter uniform begins. Please see the handbook (online) for specific information and details.

October 16, 2025: Lifetouch individual school pictures for students in prek3-grade 8 in their regular winter uniform. Homeroom class pictures will also be taken. Lifetouch will be sharing ordering information directly with families via email.

Middle School Open House. This NEW event for current grade 4 and 5 students at St. Stephen School will take place from 6:30-7:30 pm. We invite students and their parents to come and see what our middle school is all about during an interactive evening. Please [register here](#) to attend.

Once an Eagle, always an Eagle!

We're gathering stories and accomplishments from our incredible alumni to share on social media. Whether it's you, your child, or another Eagle you know, we'd love to hear about it! Share your update or nominate a fellow alum here: <https://forms.gle/mx3jGMMEPBJEckcJA>
Let's celebrate the amazing things our Eagles are doing out in the world!