



**Principal Post #17: A Message from Dr. Kozlowski  
December 17, 2025**

It seems hard to believe that we are in our final week of school together for 2025, as well as our last week of Advent. After the noon dismissal on Friday, please consider joining in the fun for an ice skating afternoon at Ice World from 1-3 pm. The registration for this event closes at 9:00am on Friday. You can contact the HSA if you have any questions.

Every year during this time we see an uptick in illnesses. One way that we can keep our school healthy is to know why your child is out sick and if they have a diagnosis from a doctor. I ask that you continue to inform Mrs. Elliott ([nurse@ssschool.org](mailto:nurse@ssschool.org)) as well as your child's homeroom teacher when your child is absent from school, regardless of the reason. I greatly appreciate your support with this.

This will be my last Principal Post for the month of December - they will resume again on Wednesday, January 7, 2026. I wish you and your family a blessed and merry Christmas. I pray that the peace and joy of the birth of our Savior fills your hearts and homes throughout the Christmas season and into 2026!

Grace & Peace,  
Dr. Marianne Kozlowski

**Additional Information:**

**Getting Ready for Mass: You can access the video related to this weekend's Bible readings as well as for Christmas below**

4th Sunday of Advent: [https://youtu.be/jS7p\\_jaRPek](https://youtu.be/jS7p_jaRPek)

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): <https://youtu.be/5oTIMLgRFP8>

Feast of the Holy Family (January 1): <https://youtu.be/aB6gfX-j9DM>

**Upcoming Dates:**

**Week of December 15: Christmas Spirit Week**

You can access the days [HERE](#) and all are encouraged to participate and join in the holiday cheer.

**December 19:** Early dismissal for students and faculty at noon - there is no aftercare

**December 20 - January 4:** Christmas break, school and offices closed

**January 5:** School closed for students while St. Stephen Faculty participate in retreat

**January 6:** School resumes for 2026 for students

### **January 12: Artists for Musical Production**

Mrs. Peach is looking for artists to assist in set design and painting for the upcoming school musical in grades 5-8. She will be painting on Mondays until 4:00 pm beginning on Monday, January 12, 2026. If interested, please fill out this form [HERE](#).

### **In Our Community:**

#### **Parish Ham Collection**

On Wednesday, December 17 from 5-6:30 pm, St. Stephen Parish will be collecting hams for holiday distribution. Please see the flyer for additional details.

#### **Parish Collection of Warm Winter Items**

St. Stephen Parish is collecting gently used and/or new winter coats/jackets/fleeces during this holiday season. If you have any you would like to donate, please send them to the school office.

#### **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!