



Principal Post #23: A Message from Dr. Kozlowski
February 11, 2026

Congratulations to Mrs. Teda Behr, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd teacher, who received the St. Stephen School Teacher of the Year Award at the closing Mass for Catholic Schools Week! We are so grateful for her faithful and dedicated service to our students to enhance and grow their own knowledge of our Catholic faith.

Wednesday, February 18 is Ash Wednesday and begins the liturgical season of Lent. Please be on the lookout for a special communication next week that highlights how Lent will look and feel different as we focus on how to “pray, fast and give” during these next 40 days. For the “giving” part of Lent, we will be launching a family service project making lunch bags for people who visit Beans & Bread through Catholic Charities. I am looking for assistance in transporting the bagged lunches to their Baltimore location on February 20, March 6 and March 20. If you would be able to assist, please let me know.

Grace & Peace,
Dr. Marianne Kozlowski

Additional Information:

Getting Ready for Mass: You can access the video related to the reading below.

Feb. 14/15: 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time: <https://youtu.be/9183HF-x7kY>

Upcoming Dates:

February 13: Early dismissal at noon for students and faculty. Valentine’s Day Add-On Day. Students can wear SSS PE sweatpants and add-on a pink/red/Valentine’s Day shirt/sweatshirt. Students can also add accessories of socks, hats/headbands/hair bows and jewelry. No make-up, hair dye. There is no charge for participation. Students who would prefer not to participate can wear their regular Friday uniform.

February 16: School closed for students and faculty due to Presidents Day holiday

February 18: Ash Wednesday/Lent begins

We will have Mass and distribute ashes to all students.

February 19: Grade 8 high school acceptances emailed out to families after 4:00pm

February 20: Stations of the Cross begin

Students in kindergarten through grade 8 will participate in Stations of the Cross each Friday throughout Lent in St. Stephen Church. Parents will be invited to attend when your child’s class is hosting the Stations. Your child’s homeroom teacher will let you know the date/time the grade level is hosting.

Looking Ahead:

February 26: SSS Spirit Wear Day and/or Winter sports uniform day. Students can wear SSS spiritwear with SSS PE sweatpants/spiritwear pants OR winter athletes can wear their SSS jersey (basketball) with SSS PE sweatpants. There is no cost for participation. This is also the last day of the second trimester.

February 27: Asynchronous Work Day for Students

This means that students will NOT be present on campus this day, but will have some short assignments to complete at home. All assignments and directions for work that needs to be completed will come home with your child on Wednesday, February 25. All work will be due to teachers on Monday, March 2. The purpose of this day is to allow teachers to be on campus to complete grading, update Powerschool and prepare report cards for the end of the second trimester. Report cards will be distributed electronically at the beginning of March.

February 27: Financial aid applications for the 2026/27 school year due. Please see Mrs. McKernan or Mrs. Anoaia if you need assistance

Summer Camps 2026 at St. Stephen School

We are pleased to share with you our Summer Camp 2026 offerings here at St. Stephen School. You can follow the link [HERE](#) to see the camps that are being offered by our faculty members throughout June and July. Registration is now open by clicking on the links within the document. If you have any questions regarding the camps, please contact the faculty member that is hosting the camp.

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!

Parish News:

St. Stephen Church is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on March 1, 2026 from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm in the gym. Eat-in options or carryouts are available with adult tickets for \$15.00 and children under 10 for \$10.00. There will be raffles, a cake wheel, and games too! Please contact the church office for additional details and tickets.