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From the Desk of Ms. Morri

Greetings!

Happy May! I know the calendar says Spring but the weather is saying something different. This week I had the opportunity to spend time in the cafeteria and one of the preschool rooms. I love watching the interactions with our students throughout the day and watching our preschoolers develop important social skills at such a young age.

I am attaching an article I found about how to teach empathy in children. Please take time to read the article.

<https://mcc.gse.harvard.edu/resources-for-families/5-tips-cultivating-empathy>.

Remember, Monday, May 6th is our May Crowning at 1 PM in the church. Our Student Council will be leading us in praying the Rosary and second grade will have a procession of flowers and will crown Mary.

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REMINDER...Please do not drop off your child on Jackson street without walking them to the door in the morning.

Have a wonderful rest of your week.

God bless,

Ms. Morri

Angel Award Winners



This week at Mass, our school community blessed our Silent Saint of the month, Gail Dorn. She is a member of the Catholic Schools Center of Excellence and is our chosen Silent Saint this month. We were so honored to have her here at our Mass. Gail is an advocate for all Catholic schools, and we so appreciate what she does for St. Stephen's. Thank you, Gail and God Bless YOU.

[Facebook](#)



Have you taken a moment to LIKE and FOLLOW our St. Stephen's Facebook page? We post a lot of current information, as well as happenings around the school! Don't miss out - click on the link below and make sure to LIKE AND FOLLOW our page!

[St. Stephen's School Facebook Page](#)

Angel Award Winners



Congratulations to this week's Angel Award winners Ellie , Jonathan and Ethan . We are so proud of you and congratulate you for making our school a better place.

Anoka High School National Honor Society



On May 1st, Mrs. Thamert was invited to the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony at Anoka High School to serve as a special guest. A huge congratulations to Valeria Cervantes and Elise Pinewski for being inducted! What a privilege to celebrate our alumni's accomplishments in the areas of Leadership, Scholarship, Character, and Service. Nice job girls, we are very proud of you!

Andover Volleyball Camp

Andover High School will be offering a summer Volleyball camp for students K-8th grade. For more information on this, you can pick up a flyer in the school office, or click on the link below.

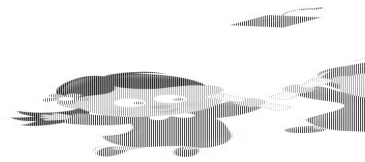
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2019 Summer Reading and Math Enrichment Classes



It's important to schedule reading and math practice in the summer to prevent summer loss. Research shows that most young people experience this learning loss when they do not engage in educational activities during the summer months. To keep your child refreshed in academic basics, enroll them in summer reading and math classes at St. Stephen's School with Mrs. Lysdahl and Mrs. Tyminski. One hour long classes will be offered as follows: Kindergarten reading/math; 1st-2nd grade Reading; 1st-2nd grade Math; and 3rd - 5th grade Reading/Math. The classes will be held on five Mondays: June 17, 24, July 8, 15, and 22. For further information please contact Mrs. Lysdahl or Mrs. Tyminski at slysdahl@ststephenchurch.org or mtyminski@ststephenchurch.org.

Graduation - Attention 7th Grade Parents



The 8th grade graduating class is in need of a small group of 7th grade parents and students to host the Graduation Reception on June 1, 2019. The tasks are very minimal and easily laid out for you in a booklet. Please contact the office if you are able to help out in any way (763) 421-3236.

Volunteer SPOTLIGHT



Thank you to Joyce Beuning, for all you do in this school. Joyce volunteers in the lunch room, on field trips and throughout the school helping whenever she can.
Thank you, Joyce, we really appreciate you!

Totino-Grace Football Opportunity

7th graders going into 8th grade have the opportunity to play football with the Totino-Grace football team. For more information, please click on the attachment below:

[Totino Grace Football for Rising 8th Graders](#)

2019-20 *Rough Draft* Key Dates Calendar

Click on the link below for a *ROUGH DRAFT* copy of the Key Dates Calendar for 2019-20. Please note the dates we will have school and no district busing will be available.

[2019-20 Rough Draft Key Dates Calendar](#)

Today's Growth Mindset



2019-20 TUITION AGREEMENTS

PLEASE set-up your tuition agreements for the 2019-20 school year if you have not done so already. They have been sent out in an email from TADS directly and just need to be verified by YOU. Simply open the email, click on a payment plan, and submit back to TADS! It's that simple.

<https://www.mytads.com/>

Upcoming Events

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May -

- 6 - May Crowning
- 10 - Moms and Muffins in 2nd Grade 8 AM
- 16 - 4th Grade Field Trip
- 21 - Push Ahead Day
- 24 - Track and Field Day (if rain, May 23)
- 27 - Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL
- 28 - Candle Passing Ceremony
- 29 - Last Day for 8th Graders

May Lunch Menu

The May Lunch Menu is now available
Click on link to download.

[May Lunch Menu](#)

[Sign up here to Volunteer for LUNCH/RECESS](#)

[View the Lunch Volunteer Calendar Here](#)

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Mission Statement

St. Stephen's Catholic School is a caring Christian community that nourishes spiritual development and academic excellence.

