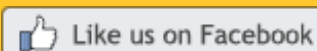




St. Stephen Catholic School



September 13, 2018

Principal's Points

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Here are some things that most people would rather do than sit in carline:

1. Fold Laundry
2. Clean the cat's litterbox
3. Bathe a cat
4. Do burpees
5. Chew tin foil
6. Get a root canal



We understand carline can be a challenge, but compared to most schools, ours is very efficient and fast. We have been paying attention to the two carlines this year and we believe we can be even more efficient. Our plan is to move the 4th graders down to the "Big Kid Carline." The other carline is taking longer because Kinder and 1st grade students take longer to respond to their number and make their way to the car. By reducing the numbers at the "Little Kid Carline" we hope to make things go faster. Beginning Monday, Sept. 17, all 4th grade students will be picked up at the carline near Angels Wing. We know it will take a few days for everyone to adjust to the change, but we believe this will move the lines along at a quicker pace.



I would like to thank Ray and Toni-Ann Carapella for their very generous donation of 4 TVs to the school. Three are in the media center and they are making a difference in how we can engage students in the curriculum. The 4th is supporting instruction in the Music Room. We are grateful for

their continued to support and for being All In!



Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Missed a Tidbits?

Find it on the
School [Facebook](#)
or
School [Website](#)

Upcoming Events

B-I-N-G-O!
Please come join us TONIGHT
September 13
in the FLC
Doors open at 6pm
Bingo starts at 6:30pm



Please come and help support our school.



Box Tops are due October 23

Lunch /WT Cafe



You can pre-order meals 36 hours in advance of lunch service for a full menu access at the regular price or by 8am daily for a rush lunch (limited choices, surcharge applies) You must order your drinks separately. You can also cancel your order up to 8am that day. Please take the time to check it out.

You can create an account or place your order by clicking on

[WT Cafe](#)

Safe Environment & Background Screening

[Fingerprinting & Safe Environment Process](#)

Also:
If you are volunteering in the school you will

I would also like to thank PTCO, teachers, staff, and students who helped at the Ministry Fair. The Parish is very appreciative of our support and how we go All In, not just for the school, but also for our community. Please know that when you help at events like this, the Sunday coffee & donuts, and parish fish fry, we will accept that as volunteer hours for the school. Thank you again for all your support.

Peace

Linda Umoh



Remember to check out our Facebook page. You don't need a Facebook account to see our page. Like us if you have one.

<https://www.facebook.com/sscsfl/>

RETAKES



Class Pictures, 8th Grade Cap and Gown Pictures and Retakes:

Tuesday, October 9.

If you are planning to retake your pictures please call the front office to be put on a list.

YOUR EVENT CODE: FE119

Preview Photos

<https://shop.jostenspix.com/login>

A new school portrait experience designed by you, for you.

Preview Your Pictures Before You Pay

Choose From Multiple Poses & Backgrounds

Buy Only What You Want

Order \$20 or more and get free shipping

Order \$25 or more and receive free high res digital downloads of your portraits

YOUR EVENT CODE: FE119

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Stephen Catholic School Volunteer Opportunities

Spirit Wear Chair

Estimated # of hours: 20

Location: Home and School

Description:

- * Outreach companies for prices and order information
- * Order samples and design shirts
- * Take student/parents orders
- * Distribute items and manage funds (with PTCO treasurer)

need to print off and complete this form and turn it into the front office

[Covered Volunteer Form](#)

Birthday Treat Request Form

The Birthday treat request form has been updated. Please complete and return to the homeroom teacher **2 weeks prior** to your child's birthday treat day. Thank you.

[Birthday Treat Request Form](#)

Uniform Information

Risse Brothers School Uniform Store
4228 N. Armenia Ave.

Policy and Order Forms for the 2018-19 School Year:

[Uniform Policy](#)
[Spirit Wear](#)
[Boys Uniform](#)
[Girls Uniform](#)

Own the Avenue

Order your Own the Avenue street sign. What a great way to recognize your child's birthday or another special event during the school year. The street sign is posted for 1 week (Mon.-Fri.) It is \$30 to repost a sign, and \$50 to create a new one. After

Spirit Raffle Chair

Estimated # of hours: 20

Location: Home

Description:

- * Assist with design of raffle ticket
- * Manage volunteers for outreach sales (Publix, i9, fish fry, spirit events, etc.)
- * Update flyers and brainstorm marketing
- * Oversee sales and volunteers

Spirit Raffle - Outreach sales

Estimated # of hours: 10-15

Location: Home

Description:

- * Call community locations that will allow volunteers to sell Spirit Raffle tickets. Examples are Publix, i9 Sports, School Spirit Events, etc.
- * Send out Signup Genius for volunteers to work the tables
- * Arrange for cash box and supplies and collect the proceeds

Spirit Night Chair

Estimated # of hours: 10

Location: Home

Description:

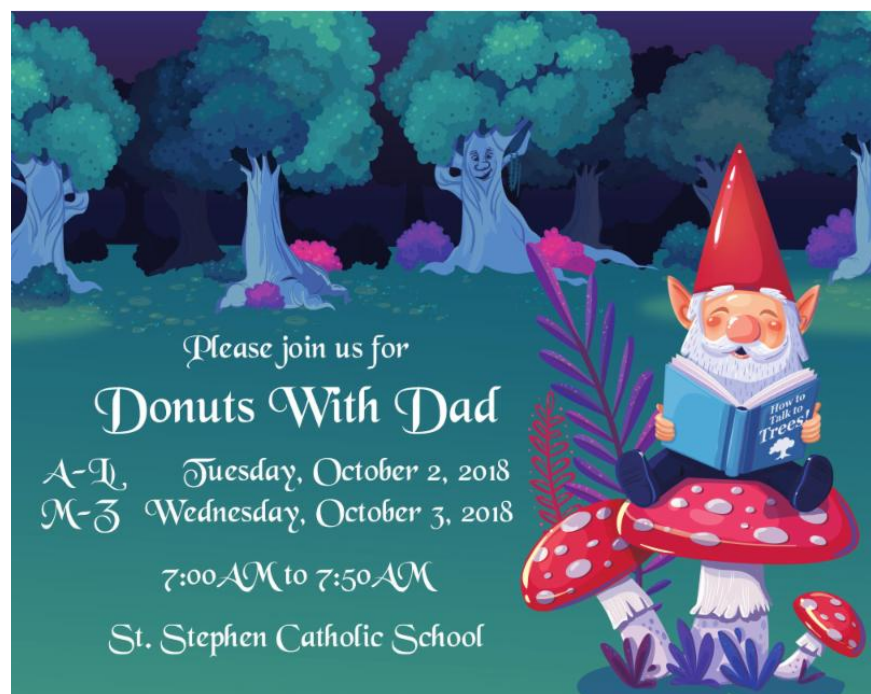
- * Organize the October Spirit Nights
- * Work with volunteers who can organize the events for you
- * Call potential locations and pick the event and date for the Spirit Night event.
- * Provide any set-up, flyers or information to Board and School office necessary.
- * Collect the proceeds (check from venue) after the event is finished

Contact the PTCO Board for opportunities - Katie (813) 505-8484, katie.olender@yahoo.com

SAVE THE DATE...Donuts with Dad

you sign up please drop off your payment to the front office.

[Sign Up](#)



Please join us for
Donuts With Dad
A-L Tuesday, October 2, 2018
M-3 Wednesday, October 3, 2018
7:00AM to 7:50AM
St. Stephen Catholic School

Donuts for Dad is approaching and we are looking for some volunteers for the event. if you are interested please click on the link below:

[Volunteer for Donuts with Dad](#)

Volunteers Still Needed

The Book Fair is
still in need of a
some volunteers.
Please click on the
link below

[Sign Up Genius](#)



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They also need parents to help decorate the studio If  
you are interested in bringing your creativity and a little  
magic please contact Julie Campbell  
at [julesismom@gmail.com](mailto:julesismom@gmail.com)



### One Click Away!

### SSCS Symboloo Page

The SSCS Symboloo page contains many links that the parents

and students use at school all at one click! Please consider adding this to your computers and mobile devices to ease your families access to needed links. This page is updated over time to reflect the best and most current sources of information for you and your student. Some of the links are i-Ready, IXL, MyOn, Hoopla, National Geographic Kids, Smarty Pins plus you can print some needed documents like Birthday Treat Forms and Covered Volunteer Forms. You can also read Mrs. Gonzalez's Art Blog and many more! Please check it out.



[SSCS Symbaloo Page](#)

## WANTED



Mr. Siffermann would like to find 40 identical task-style office chairs with adjustable height (we will remove the arms) for student-use in the media center. The current wooden chairs still serve us well, but I looking to improve on the ergonomics for our students in the lab.

If you know of a business that may be replacing or eliminating office furniture and would be willing to help, I would love to know. **Please don't drop off chairs**, I will need to see them before I can accept them. Please contact me at school.

Thanks for your time and consideration,  
Best,  
Mr. S



## Save the Date: Altar Server Trainings

If you are interested in becoming an altar server for weekend and school masses, please mark you calendar for the second weekend of November.

November 10th 9am-11am and  
November 11th 1pm-3pm

For more information on Altar Serving please visit the parish website: [Altar Server](#)



## CareFest 2018!



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ST. PETERSBURG**

Each year our students participate in CareFest, a week of Catholic deeds and prayer, hosted by the Diocese. As part of CareFest, we will host a school supply drive to benefit San Jose Mission in Dover.

We ask that you send in the following items according to what grade your child is in:

EC 3 & 4: Copy Paper

Kindergarten: Individual Dry Erase Boards

1st Grade: colored pencils or crayons

2nd Grade: White Board Markers

3rd Grade: Copy paper

4th Grade: White Board Markers or glue sticks

5th Grade: Individual Dry Erase Boards

6th Grade: Sharpie Markers

7th Grade: Sharpie Markers

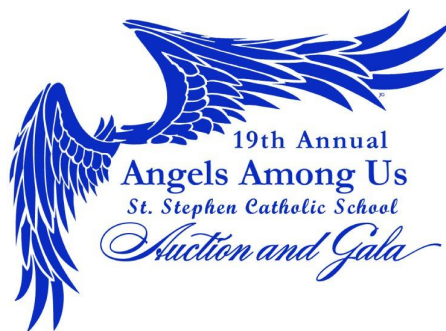
8th Grade: Index Cards

**We will also be having a Can Food Drive. Grades who have a 100% participation, will have their cans counted. The class with the highest "cans per student" number will receive mustang bucks for each member of the class.**



If you would like send items in a reusable grocery bag, those are items that can be donated as well. We will collect items the week of September 24th-28th. Thank you for participating in this drive. Students will be saying prayers of thanks for their educational opportunities and supplies and prayers of petition for children who do not have the opportunity to go to school on the morning show.

## Angels Among Us



### Be Part of the Success

Would your employer consider supporting an establishment that promotes to children the values of respect for others, social responsibility, education for all, love for God, Country and Family? Do you frequent a business that believes in these values? If the answer is yes, please consider asking for a

sponsorship or a donation for Angels. Details of sponsorship and advertising options are on the school website or feel free to reach out to Nicki Gallagher in the school office [ngallagher@sscsfl.org](mailto:ngallagher@sscsfl.org). We will gladly contact any interested donor to discuss a custom sponsorship, auction package or any other kind of donation that works best for the business or organization.

### The Angel Updates that are IMPORTANT for you this week:

Seat reservations are available on the school website as well as info regarding the Angel nomination process.

We continue to need of donations of Spirits and Liquor. At this time, we are not requesting wine donations. The spirits or liquor must

have a minimum cost of \$20 a bottle. For every 2 bottles you donate, you will receive credit for one hour of volunteer work. Please bring your donation to the front office with your name on the bag and the receipt in the bag. The spirits or liquor must have a minimum cost of \$20 a bottle. For every 2 bottles you donate, you will receive credit for one hour of volunteer work. Please bring your donation to the front office with your name on the bag and the receipt in the bag.

**Thank you for your generous donations and volunteer assistance. We are ALL IN to make Angels 2018 a great success.**

## Haal Pass

### WHAT IS A HAAL PASS YOU ASK?



In addition to the great resources St. Stephen's Catholic School students receive from their school media centers, the HAAL Pass program will enable them to use their student ID number as a public library card to access online databases and research tools, read eBooks, and borrow up to 3 physical items from any public library branch with NO overdue fines or lost book fees. Please click on the link below to find out more about the program.

[Click here for more info on HAAL Pass](#)

## Mustang Sports News

**SOCCER:** The soccer team lost to rival Nativity, 5-0 to start the season last Thursday. The Mustangs bounced back to beat Villa Madonna 5-1, with goals scored by Aaliyah P, Austin W, David O, Jacob D, and Brayden M. They are back on the field today at home vs St Lawrence at 4:00 and next Tuesday with another home game vs St Joseph at 4:00.



**VOLLEYBALL:** The volleyball teams had their first match of the season last week vs Nativity. The varsity lost two games to zero. The JV beat Nativity winning all three games. The Mustangs played Mother Teresa on Tuesday and the varsity played well but lost two games to zero. The JV won two games to one. The girls also played Incarnation yesterday and the varsity got their first win of the season winning two games to zero. The JV won their third match in a row beating Incarnation two games to zero.



The JV is playing in the JV Jamboree at Christ the King on Saturday morning. The girls play Christ the King at 8:30, Villa Madonna at 9:40, and Mother Teresa at 10:50.

Both teams play Wednesday at St Joseph. Varsity plays at 4:00 and JV at 5:00. Varsity players and siblings have a 2:45 early dismissal and will be dismissed from the Angel's wing breezeway gate.

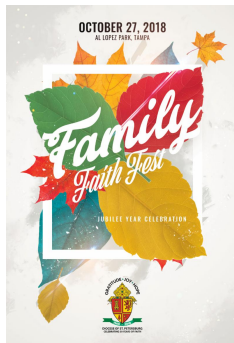
Good luck to our Mustang soccer and volleyball teams!

Please see the school website under athletics for the complete volleyball and soccer match/game schedules.

**GO MUSTANGS**

Coach Green

## Family Faith Fest



### Everyone is invited to the Free Family Faith Fest!

The **Family Faith Fest** is expected to be the largest event in the 50 year history of the Diocese of St. Petersburg. All are invited to take part in this one-time event that will bring our community together like never before! Everyone is invited—your neighbors, cousins, best friends, especially anyone who is searching for hope, faith and the love of Jesus Christ.

Bishop Gregory Parks invites everyone to the **Family Faith Fest**, the Diocese of St. Petersburg's 50th Anniversary celebration, Saturday, October 27 from 10 am to 6 pm at Al Lopez Park in Tampa. Visit [www.familyfaithfest.org](http://www.familyfaithfest.org) for more information.

### Volunteers Needed for the Free Family Faith Fest

Your help will make the **Family Faith Fest** a success for the thousands who will be attending to enjoy themselves through fellowship, prayer, faith, music, and most of all FUN! There are many volunteer opportunities available. Visit [www.familyfaithfest.org/volunteer-information](http://www.familyfaithfest.org/volunteer-information) for complete list as well as volunteer requirements. Participants must be 16 years old to sign-up to volunteer. Deadline to sign up for volunteering is Friday, October 5.

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