

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC SCHOOL



August 4, 2020

Dear St. Stephen Parents,

We hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and safe!

We're honored to serve our community for the 2020 - 2021 school year. Each of us shares a passion for helping our community be the best that it can be, and are grateful for your enthusiasm, collaboration, partnership, and creativity. It's going to be another GREAT year!

The St. Stephen Women's Guild and Men's Club support the educational, cultural, social, spiritual, and financial needs of St. Stephen School through our fundraising and friendraising efforts. We're excited to share our theme for this year's efforts: "**STRONG TOGETHER**". There are so many opportunities for us and our children to learn, grow and be **STRONG TOGETHER**, especially here at St. Stephen. We all can make a difference in our community.

The St. Stephen Women's Guild and Men's Club host many events throughout the year. We encourage you to attend these events and to get involved. The Women's Guild, under the dedication, commitment, and guidance of our principal Mrs. Sharon McCarthy Allen, kicks off the year with the Welcome Coffee. This event will be held Monday, August 18th, at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom. Although the format this year will be different, it remains our opportunity to welcome new families into the St. Stephen community and begin the school year.

The Women's Guild has many events planned for the coming school year, highlighted by the school's Auction and Dinner Dance as well as the Spring Fashion Show, both of which will be held at the Olympic Club, Lakeside. Other Women's Guild events include: Book Fair, Grandparents & Very Important Senior Day, Mother-Son, Family Bingo, and the Walk-a-Thon. Alongside these events, the Men's Club, moderated by our pastor Fr. Tony P. LaTorre, hosts the annual Christmas Pancake Breakfast, Father-Daughter Dance, and the Men's Club Golf Tournament in Spring 2021.

The enclosed 2020-2021 Directory provides a complete list of events, dates, and contact information for the parents who are chairing the events. Please connect with them if you'd like to learn more or are interested in volunteering. While we hope that all of our events will go forward as planned, in this climate of uncertainty we realize that plans may have to be modified as required by local regulations and guidelines. Thank you for your patience and support during this time.

The Women's Guild and Men's Club hold regular meetings which are open to all school parents and parishioners. We encourage you to attend these meetings, as they are an enjoyable and important venue for connecting with our community, developing new friendships, and hearing updates about the school and parish from Mrs. Allen and Fr. LaTorre.

The academic and spiritual growth of our children, the enrichment of our school and parish, and our success as a community are truly dependent on our collective dedication of both time and talent. Together, we can be **STRONG TOGETHER** and achieve amazing things for our children and their futures.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and see you on August 18th! Go Cougars!

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