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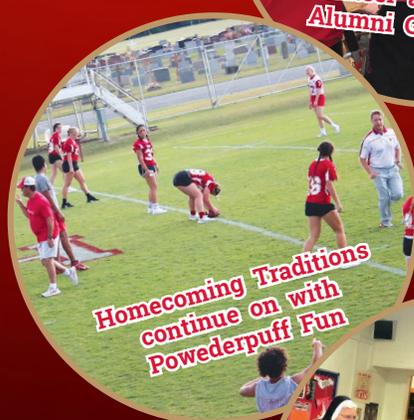
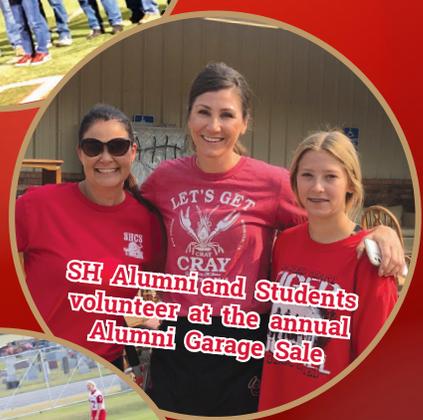
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Dear Alumni and Family of Sacred Heart,



Rev. Joe Keating
Sacred Heart Pastor

Latina utilis et gaudialis est! Latin is useful and fun! At least, that's what my textbook said when I began to study Latin in seminary. For many, this ancient language from central Italy seems strange and arcane, even off-putting. For centuries now, it has been called a "dead language," meaning that it's nobody's mother tongue. However, a knowledge of Latin expands the mind and allows greater access to the modern languages of Europe, even if you have never heard them spoken before. For us English-speakers, it even deepens our understanding English grammar and expands our vocabulary.

At first glance, Latin can seem very difficult to learn, since it relies on some grammati-

cal concepts that are not used in English. Nouns have declensions. Verbs have multiple conjugations. Adjectives have genders and must agree with their nouns. The word order is more fluid. Yet, it is not impossible to pick up some phrases here and there. Though it appears daunting, consider that even ancient Roman children apprehended the Latin language in the same way that we each learned our native language. I have found that I learned much more Latin by singing hymns in the seminary choir than I did by repeating exercises from a textbook.

Latin continues to be the official language of the Roman Catholic Church, finding use in her liturgy and in the original texts of her magisterial documents. Because it is a "dead language," the meanings of words no longer change with passing generations. Latin unites us with Catholics across the world when we pray in the same words, and it ensures that doctrine is not compromised by the changing winds of the times.

Some Latin words persist in our English language even today, such that we often use Latin without even realizing it. Etc., or et cetera, means "and the rest." E.g., or exempli gratia, means "for example." I.e., or id est, means "that is." Ad hoc means "to this," as when a committee is appointed "to this" specific task. Omnibus means "for all," as frequently used when speaking about a tax bill. Even as much as 40% of our English vocabulary comes from Latin by way of Old French, giving us a variety of ways to express an idea. We can show thanks or "demonstrate gratitude." We can give a hearty welcome or "offer a cordial reception." We can work hard or "labor diligently." Our communication is thus enriched and nuanced with even a modest facility in Latin.

As our youngest scholars become familiar with Latin vocabulary and prayers, let us encourage them to pursue their language studies with marvel and intrigue, that their minds may expand and that they discover the rich heritage and beauty of the Roman Catholic Church.

- Fr. Joe Keating



Nisa Lagle
SHCS Principal

Dear Sacred Heart Family,
What a blessing to have the grace to address you in this newsletter. We have certainly had a full first quarter. We are enjoying being together in person, face to face learning and bonding as a school family.

Our enrollment numbers have grown and we are so grateful for every little "God Moment" that we experience each day.

We had such a fun homecoming week celebrating with our daily themes and even managed to fit in a powder puff game along with a delicious queens' court luncheon, evening blackout pep rally, homecoming open house, post-game alumni social and of course, the big event itself. We won a great homecoming game, were able to admire some amazing alumni and had a beautiful homecoming court. Who could ask for more!

How heartwarming it was to see so many alumni return to celebrate Sacred Heart. This speaks volumes about the important role that Sacred Heart has played in the formation of so many over the last 100 years and beyond. Sacred Heart is here for all with its rich history and bright future - all for the glory and honor of our Heavenly Father - forming Saints, yesterday, today and tomorrow! - Nisa Lagle



Brad Schilling
Alumni President

Hello friends and family,

The school year is progressing right along as we are already in the second quarter. I sure hope everyone is enjoying the cooler weather. I'm sure the football teams and the cheerleaders are not missing the 100-degree heat. Congrats to the football teams and the coaches on their accomplishments so far this year. The cross country teams have also been representing the school well this fall-congrats to them and the coaches as well. Basketball season is right around the corner.

With the upcoming holiday seasons upon us, let's all please sit back and reflect on all that God has given us. And most of all, be thankful and be giving. God is good! We have all been blessed with God's grace within our own lives. Let our lives represent what God has blessed us with.

I would like to take this time to invite you all to the Alumni Social coming up in December. It's always a great time to get together for fun and fellowship. And with all the new families at Sacred Heart, it may be a good time to introduce yourselves to them. Let's all welcome one another to the Sacred Heart family.

As always, thanks to the many volunteers and countless volunteer hours that are sacrificed every week. The volunteer hours are what help to make this school great. If you haven't had a chance to sign up for hours, please check out the Alumni website for volunteer hour opportunities or scan the QR code at right to get started. May God Bless You All! - Brad Schilling ('97)

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Season for GIVING



For literally decades, **Paul and Dorothy Hesse** supported Sacred Heart Catholic School. As fans and donors, and now as benefactors, their legacy is a wonderful example of their faith in action. And as it turns out, this is nothing new in the Hesse family. Paul's grandfather, Franz Hesse (after whom Paul Frank Hesse was named), was one of the original founders of Muenster. He and his wife were some of the

original proponents of Sacred Heart School and helped to lay the foundation for the beloved red brick elementary building. Below is a photo of him, along with his wife, Elizabeth Hesse, in front of Sacred Heart Catholic School.

Fast forward a couple of generations to 1955, when Paul graduated from Sacred Heart. His family remarked that he maintained his fondness for his Catholic education and love for his faith as he joined the Navy and travelled the world. With a degree in economics, he worked as a systems analyst in Dallas. While there, he met the love of his life, Dorothy, at the Vincentian Club. They married on January 2, 1971, at Paul's hometown Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Many subsequent years were spent overseas in Germany and Saudi Arabia. Both Dorothy and Paul loved travel and adventure, and Paul was particularly fond of learning about other cultures and languages. Both especially enjoyed visiting Sister Roberta Hesse, a Muenster native, during her missionary work in Africa. While living in Saudi Arabia, they enjoyed entertaining young American soldiers, who were serving in Operation Desert Storm.

Paul and Dorothy finally returned to Muenster in 1989 and built a home on their farm. Paul served as the Cooke County Judge until his passing on June 6, 1997. Family members noted that this fell on the feast of the most Sacred Heart of Jesus that year,

which seems fitting as Paul attributed his love of his faith, his family, and his values to his parents and his upbringing and education at Sacred Heart Catholic School. His sister, Suzanne, remarked that, "Paul followed The Ten Commandments, loved The Lord and was always ready to assist anyone in need."

After his passing, Dorothy carried on the family practice of generously supporting many charities. She was particularly fond of All Babies Born Alive (ABBA), the VFW and Women's Auxiliary, the Catholic State League, and Catholic Daughters of America. Active in Republican politics, Dorothy was as sharp as she was generous and was seen debating area politicians more than once. Yet Dorothy was a gentle soul, too, and had a special love for children and animals, particularly her beloved dogs Brandy and Bailey. She felt especially close to the Blessed Mother and always carried a rosary in her purse.

Both Paul and Dorothy were always eager to support Sacred Heart Catholic School. Says one family member, their Last Wills named SHCS as a beneficiary since 1992. Supporting SHCS was always their wish. And in making their wish a reality, their family and the school have elected to use their bequest to create a perpetual Endowment Fund and provide funding for a Theology teacher, both incredibly important to the long-term mission of SHCS. A mission created more than one hundred years ago, Paul and Dorothy's commitment to their faith will live on through Sacred Heart Catholic School for generations of graduates to come.



Front row, l to r, Elizabeth Hesse, Frank Hesse, Emil Flusche; top - Elizabeth Knabe, Mary (Hesse) Rohmer, Theodore Wiesmann, Joseph Wiesmann, Rev. Frowin Koerdt O.S.B.

Gloria Fuhrmann '67 recently created the **Tom Fuhrmann Family Memorial Fund** and donated the first \$10,000 to fund Sacred Heart's technology needs for the 2021-22 school year. Gloria's husband Tom, who recently passed away, was a 1964 graduate of Sacred Heart and they were big supporters and fans of SHCS.

When Tom and Gloria returned to Muenster after being away for 45 years, they started attending daily Mass at Sacred Heart and after seeing all the students in their uniforms, they both felt that they were truly home. Having lived in various parts of Texas where the Catholic faith is in the minority, it was refreshing for them to see their faith back in action. So donating to Sacred Heart Catholic School, through physical labor, prayer or monetarily, was truly a labor of love they felt obligated to fulfill. Gloria hopes that this encourages others to donate to the fund in memory of Tom, to honor him, and to give back to this great institution that gives us so much.

Gloria would like to see the Tom Fuhrmann Family Memorial Fund used to help buy new equipment where it is needed and to assist families in need of financial aid for tuition. Several of Tom's family members have also committed to contributing to the fund monthly, while Gloria will be adding to it annually to ensure its sustainability.

Some items that students are already getting to use, thanks to Gloria and Tom, are new Chromebooks in the elementary for digitalized reading comprehension testing, reading horizons, keyboarding lessons and more. The teachers also received new document cameras for their classrooms. May God continue to bless Gloria, her family and all other alumni members for their generosity and dedication to Sacred Heart Catholic School.



Norbert Bednorz passed away in December of 2020. He was a huge supporter of Sacred Heart Catholic School and showed his support in many ways. In the early 1990s, he financially committed to donate his savings towards a life insurance policy that would ultimately benefit the Sacred Heart Teachers Sustentation Fund (Trust Fund) upon his death. Norbert really believed in everything that Sacred Heart Catholic School has to offer. The life insurance policy ended up making a donation of over \$10,000 upon Mr. Bednorz's passing.

Carol Grewing ('58) passed away in late November of 2020. She was a dedicated supporter of Sacred Heart. All four of her children attended and graduated from SHCS. Around the time of her last child graduating from Sacred Heart, Carol made the decision to commit to consistently donate to SHCS by taking out a life insurance policy on herself. By 2020, the policy had been in force for about 30 years. When she passed away, the life insurance policy donated over \$10,000 to the Sacred Heart Teachers Sustentation Fund.

We recently had a donor who wished to remain nameless, but his understanding of our mission bears repeating. When establishing a fund at SHCS, he remarked, "I was motivated to give this gift to SHCS because Catholic schools provide children with the invaluable opportunity to expand their knowledge, explore their passions, create community, strengthen their sense of self and come to know God all in one place." We are tremendously grateful for those named and unnamed who support this mission of Catholic education. We simply could not do it without you. Thank you all for giving to SHCS!



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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

On September 9, **SHCS National Junior Honor Society** inductions were held following Mass. Pictured above from front, left - Natalie Walter, Clayton Bezner, Avery Schilling, Kaden Blanton, Samuel Strabala, Katie Becker; back - Benjamin Strabala, Timothy Flusche, Jake Hess, Nolan Schilling, Luke Hesse and Addison Blanton.



SHCS National Honor Society inductions took place following Mass on September 10. Pictured above from front, left - Michael Koesler, Aaron Cochran, Chris Clark, Anna Marie Becker, Charlotte Rondon, Madysen Brown, Isabella Walterscheid, Trinity Hess, Trevor Walter, Jackson Knabe, Lauren Miller, Max Ganzon; middle - Seth Swirczynski, Ryan Swirczynski, Tyler Felderhoff, Parker Forshee, Nathan Hesse, Laney Haley, Alison Becker, Joie Kintz, Claire Nasche, Amelia Becker, Teresa Jolly, Veronica Jolly; back - Jena Dangelmayr, Emily Flusche, Christopher Espinoza, Trey Thibodaux, Clint Bezner, Joe Gehrig, Lorelei Nottingham, Elise Flusche and Gus Ganzon.



STRABALAS JOIN CAP

Labor Day weekends are often filled with picnics, golfing, lake outings and lazy afternoons in the hammock. But this year, **Ben (2025) and Sam (2027) Strabala** traded splashing in the city pool and hamburgers on the patio for marching in formation and eating with 50 new friends in the mess hall. On September 3-5, the boys challenged themselves to attend Airman Leadership School (ALS) for Civil Air Patrol.

Civil Air Patrol (CAP) is a congressionally chartered, federally supported non-profit corporation that serves as the official civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force. CAP is a volunteer organization with an aviation-minded membership that includes people from all backgrounds, lifestyles and occupations. The boys' father, Drew, became aware of Civil Air Patrol seeing their float planes stored on Lake Hood near his office in Anchorage. In 2019, the family visited a CAP booth at the Bell Fort Worth Alliance Air Show and learned a little more about the CAP mission. Finally in early 2021, a Google search provided the details for attending the now weekly trek to a hangar at Denton Enterprise Airport for meetings, where the boys are learning lessons of leadership, physical development, aviation and cybersecurity. After a month of attendance to see if CAP was a good fit, the boys began dressing in the camouflage, airman battle uniform (ABU), dress blues (similar to an Air Force cadet uniform) and physical training (PT) gear depending on the program of the week. After studying the text, online tests, a physical fitness test and participation in leadership activities, promotion through the ranks can be acquired. Both boys are currently Airmen in Bravo Flight.

Aviation experiences have included an hour of pilot training in a multi-million dollar Southwest Airlines flight simulator; flying co-pilot from Denton to Gainesville in a Cessna 172; and joining their squadron in a Chinook (helicopter) flight over Denton. Physical fitness includes running a mile, calisthenics and marching in formation. Leadership topics have involved exercises demonstrating how your team is able to make better decisions together than you are able to alone. Ben also took an online course on the basics of cybersecurity this summer.

Two great-uncles and both boys' grandfathers served in the USAF. David Barlow was a bombardier in WWII and Paul Strabala was a radio operator in the Korean War. They have cousins who served in the service out of high school to include one currently serving in Kuwait in the US Army Reserves, so serving in a branch of the Armed Forces is a natural interest. New cadets are always welcome: do you know a young person who might like to join the ranks of Civil Air Patrol?

CELEBRATING YEARS OF SERVICE ...



At left, Michele Knauf and Laretta Martin receive service pins for 35 years of employment at Sacred Heart School from Bishop Michael Olson during the **Diocesan Inservice Assembly** in Fort Worth on Oct. 15. Many other SHCS faculty members received service pins including Annette Bayer for 25 years; Martha Sickling and Katherine Putnam for 20 years; Jaime Taylor, Nicholas Taylor ('01), Brian Rozell and Laine Wolf for 5 years. Congrats staff!

AT SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Above, Halli Bartram took first at state in the 11 year old age division of the KC Free Throw Championship for 2021.



SHCS Junior High Cross Country completed a swift and successful season, with the boys team taking fourth overall in the North Texas Small School Championship. They also placed first in both the Prairie Valley and Muenster cross country meets.



Above, SHCS HS Volleyball finished their season with lots of hard hits and hard work. Great job Lady Cubs & Tigerettes!

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS



At left, Mrs. Wolf's Fifth Grade Class has the honor of raising and lowering the American flag each day. On Aug. 30, the class discussed the reason for the flag only being raised at half staff. Some knew a bit about the 13 servicemen/women, and others were shocked at the idea that someone would want to intentionally hurt other people. These fifth graders were genuinely concerned about the men and women and their families. They wanted to do something to honor them, so they decided to reserve their school desks for these men and women for the entire day. A pencil and a rosary were placed on each desk, they added 13 links to their prayer chain and sat in silent prayer for 13 minutes. Great kids!



Below, Sacred Heart Catholic School students celebrated World Mission Sunday with a "living rosary" prayed in the church on Oct. 19.



At right, SHCS First, Second and Third Graders took a fall field trip to the Gunter Pumpkin Patch on Oct. 12, where they enjoyed hay rides, feeding farm animals, hay maze fun, a picnic lunch and even got to pick out their very own pumpkin from the patch to take home.



SCHOOL NEWS



SHCS One Act Play cast performed *The 146 Point Flame* by Matt Thompson in competition at SAGU in Waxahachie on Oct. 19, taking 4th place in district.



Above, first and second grade students perform a fun experiment in the newly renovated science laboratory, located in the SHCS high school building.

Coach Jon and Monica (Hartman) LeBrasseur ('77) gave a generous donation of recess balls to each class from PreK through fifth grade in memory of Heath Spruill, who passed away on August 22, and whose sons Colt ('08) and Tyler ('16) graduated from SHCS. Thanks CJ and Monica!



Students are loving Ice Cream Wednesdays, a fundraiser hosted by the HS Student Council to raise proceeds for campus improvements.



Homecoming Week at SHCS was another festive success filled with themed dress-up days, a special queens' court luncheon, powder puff game, decorated hallways, spirited blackout pep rally, Friday night victory and more!



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Second Grade Teacher

VERONICA NASCHE



About Mrs. Nasche: Hello my name is Veronica I. Nasche. I was born in Laredo, Texas to my mother and father and have eight siblings. I went to a Catholic School in Laredo with Salisian Sisters and I enjoyed it very much. I graduated high school and then college. I have my Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from U.T. Tyler, and I also have a Bachelor's degree from Texas A & M International in Bilingual Education. I have taught in both public and Catholic schools for twenty years. I am married to John Nasche, who is a 1986 alumnus of Sacred Heart. I also have one son, John Louis, who is a freshman here at Sacred Heart. I moved to Muenster five years ago and have loved living here.

What brings you to Sacred Heart? My husband and I decided to move to Muenster to give our son the best education possible. We both wanted a loving environment for us and our son, and since my husband grew up here he thought this would be a perfect place to raise our son. My son has loved being here in Muenster and enjoys the outside. He has made many friends and enjoys sports. He plays football, basketball and baseball. John Louis enjoys fishing, driving tractors, and hanging out with friends and family.

VERONICA NASCHE - SECOND GRADE

What do you love most about teaching? I have loved teaching and being with children for many years. I love seeing my students grow, not only academically, but spiritually. There is nothing greater than seeing your students finally get that moment where they master the skill they have been working on. The look in their eyes is priceless.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? I love to travel, ride horses, visit with my family and friends, and just hang out with my husband and son. We do lots of things together and have enjoyed every minute of it. We love to snow ski and water ski, go to the beach, and we enjoy hiking the mountains. I even spent one year traveling in Europe. I lived in Rome and then traveled all over the area of Italy.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your classroom this year?

Since I've been teaching for 20 years I have always valued the importance of having God in all that you do, say, and act. I always try to incorporate God in every subject and how without him we would not exist. I thank God everyday for this wonderful opportunity to work in such a loving and giving community.



PROUDLY WELCOMES NEW STAFF

Sixth Grade Teacher

CHRISTOPHER BEVERS

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About Mr. Bevers: My name is Chris Bevers. I have been married to my wife, Gayle, for 19 years. We have two children, Ethan who is 13 and Caleb who is 5. We have lived here in Muenster since 2012. I recently graduated from college back in 2018 with a Bachelor's of Science in Mathematics Education. I was called to this profession because I love to help children learn new things. I understand and relate to the struggles that young people face and how to guide them into making informed and positive choices.



CHRISTOPHER BEVERS - SIXTH GRADE

What brings you to Sacred Heart? I have been a part of Sacred Heart Catholic Church for the past nine years. As a member of the community, I wanted to give back to make our town a better place to live for all of our children. Now, I am in a position to guide and mentor our children into loving and respectful Catholics.

What do you love most about teaching? The thing I love most about teaching at Sacred Heart is the ability to make Jesus the center of all we do in the classroom. I love to talk about how our Catholic faith relates to the academics we learn about in class.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? My family and I love to go camping. We go at least once a month to the surrounding state parks. On these trips, we like to go hiking, biking, kayaking and relaxing. I enjoy watching movies with my family including anything Marvel related. I can't wait for what is next in the MCU.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your classroom this year? Coming from a public school, the focus has always been academics. While the academic side is important, my focus in my position is to help our children to be closer to God and to become good people. We talk about how it is an ongoing journey to strive for these goals in our life.



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Montessori Teacher

PIPER FUHRMANN



PIPER FUHRMANN - MONTESSORI

About Mrs. Fuhrmann: I am an only child to the parents of Earl "Smokey" and Janet Koelzer. My parents have owned the Smokehouse in Denton for over 28 years. The Smokehouse has been my second home until I met my husband Derek in 2005 at Germanfest. Our wedding song "You had me from Hello" still holds true 14 years and four amazing kids later.

What brings you to Sacred Heart? God

What do you love most about teaching? I love the Montessori program that our school has. I feel blessed to be part of the Montessori team with Miss Hogan and Miss Aldridge. I believe that the most rewarding part of my job is the look on a student's face when they accomplish a difficult task.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? I enjoy spending time with my family. We love going camping, playing sports and family game nights. I also enjoy photography and anything crafty.

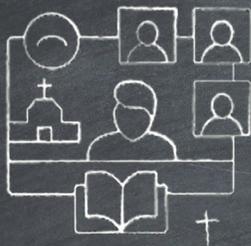
What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your classroom this year? I would love to have some upgrades to our outdoor area. We enjoy our outdoor time and I would like to incorporate more outside learning with a raised garden for the kids to take care of. I would also love to have an updated playset that brings more of the Montessori learning outside.



CHRISTMAS PURSE FOR SACRED HEART TEACHERS

Instead of buying individual gifts for your children's teachers, contribute to the Christmas Purse collection! There will be one collection for all SHCS teachers from preschool through high school. A list of the names of all students contributing (but not the amounts - those will remain confidential) will be given to the teachers along with their gift. The Christmas Purse is completely voluntary. The Christmas Purse is meant to reduce the stress of finding gifts while showing how much we appreciate our teachers. You may write one check per family made payable to SHCS. Please turn in all contributions to Stacie Forshee in the Sacred Heart Business Office by close of business on Friday, December 10th. Thank you all!

PROUDLY WELCOMES NEW STAFF


Theology Teacher
JOSEPH TWEED

About Mr. Tweed: My name is Joseph Tweed. I am from the mountains of western North Carolina, and I graduated from Franciscan University with a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Theology. I have five siblings that live in different states, and family is very important to me. The three most important things to me are the people in my life, loving God faithfully and sharing the faith with people. I also would love to continue my education with graduate school.

What brings you to Sacred Heart? I came to Sacred Heart because I heard from a friend that there was an opening here. I was told that this school was doing great things and I wanted to be a part of it. I came on as a second grade teacher with the understanding that I would be teaching high school students. When I was told that I could teach the faith and philosophy I became very happy. Now I am living my dream of teaching students our faith and philosophy.

What do you love most about teaching? I love the content that I get to teach, because I know how much our society today needs to know their faith. I enjoy when the students are happy when they learn something new. I love getting to have the sacraments and religious like Fr. Joe and Sr. Jeanette at my work. I really enjoy teaching high schoolers, because they can understand so much and it's a great challenge to convey difficult truths to our students.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? I love hiking with friends and family. I went on a hike with my family when I was in North Carolina last and it was so beautiful. I love playing sports like ultimate frisbee with people after work. I love studying great books with friends. The last time I did this was when some friends and I shared one page from different books with each other. I brought a philosophical text that talked about the beauty of music. I also really enjoy relaxed evenings listening to good music. Lastly, I love to cook for the people I love.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your classroom this year? I would love to incorporate weekly seminars into my classes. I have tried this in my classes and it has worked well so far. Recently our class read from our textbook about human dignity. We then discussed how it affects controversial moral questions. I would also love to teach a second philosophy class and I would like to start a debate club.



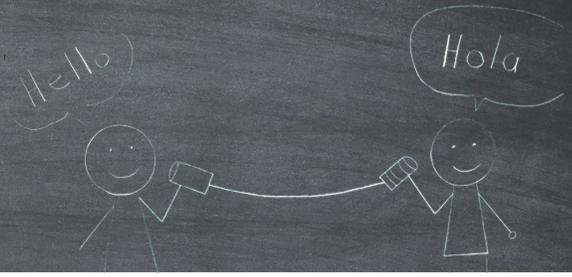
JOSEPH TWEED - THEOLOGY



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Spanish Teacher

QUINN SICKING



QUINN SICKING - SPANISH

About Mr. Sicking: I am a proud Sacred Heart Alumnus and native of Muenster who graduated back in 2012. Since then, I've received two degrees in history and worked as a teacher at a classical charter school down in San Antonio for a couple of years, which provided an opportunity for me to expand my background in the study of the humanities. In addition to my history background, I have a working knowledge of literature, religion, philosophy and language which I hope to utilize as much as I can this year in teaching Spanish at Sacred Heart, as I try to bring a more holistic approach to the study of the Spanish language in Sacred Heart, in accordance with the Catholic understanding of language as being an inherently theological study.

What brings you to Sacred Heart? I appreciate the opportunity to work closer to home, to my family, and working at Sacred Heart allows me to give back to the community that raised me. I have a great appreciation for the Sacred Heart community and I wanted to show that appreciation by doing a job that has a great deal of meaning for me, which is teaching. I have learned a great deal about many things since graduating Sacred Heart, but ultimately the foundation for everything I have learned was built here, at Sacred Heart, when I went to school here. There are a great many teachers that I could thank, but I would like to single out three in particular who had a great impact on me who are no longer at Sacred Heart: Dr. Ralph Rondon, Ryan Starrett, and Glenda Mitchell. To all three teachers, I owe a great deal, more than I could ever hope to repay. My return to Sacred Heart as a teacher is perhaps best understood then as my somewhat quixotic attempt to repay that debt by assisting the continuance of their respective legacies, as well as the legacies of all the other teachers who taught me when I was here.

What do you love most about teaching? I think the thing that I appreciate the most about teaching is the opportunity one has to speak the truth to a relatively captive audience without much fear of an inordinate amount of reprisal. It is certainly the foremost benefit of teaching at a Catholic school.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? Admittedly, my hobbies at this moment exist more in the past or in the future rather than in the present, a reality that is an inevitable byproduct of teaching a new subject at a new school. But when I have the time, reading and writing are the hobbies I am most proud of anyway. As far as my writing goes, in recent years I have dabbled very slightly with poetry, and hope to continue to do more with that when I have the time. I also enjoy making various things with my hands, though I admit I am not particularly proficient in making anything in particular. Hopefully that will come with time.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your classroom this year? As I mentioned above, I think the most immediate concept that I would like to incorporate into my classes is an understanding of language as something inherently sacred and theological. The best example of this would be something that Mr. Starrett taught us long ago, that in the Gospel of John, it is written that in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was made Man, the Word in the original Greek being Logos, which means at once language and rationality itself, among other meanings. In other words, the structure and essence of language is not only intrinsically linked to the structure of reason itself, but has inherent in its being something that points directly to God, and as such is both a sacred and necessary study. How exactly this truth plays out in everyday speech and how it can be taught in the classroom, of course, are things I am still trying to work out, but is nonetheless something that I think is essential to any language course taught at a Catholic school.



PROUDLY WELCOMES NEW STAFF



Girls Basketball Coach

AMANDA ALDRIEDGE

About Coach Aldriedge: I began attending Sacred Heart in the second grade, and graduated with the class of 2017. My parents are Jennifer and Lee Aldriedge, and I have three siblings. I have always been a big sports fan, participating in all sports (basketball, track, cross country) in junior high and high school, and then softball at the collegiate level. In December of 2020, I graduated from The University of Texas at the Permian Basin with a bachelor's degree in criminology and a minor in psychology.

What brings you to Sacred Heart? I always ask the kids "what do you want to be when you grow up?" This usually brings out some wild answers, and some of these answers will more than likely change as they grow up and learn more about themselves and their passions, but being where I am now, my answer was always the same. I began coaching at Sacred Heart last fall when Coach Schilling called me and said, "I need a coach", and after realizing how much I enjoyed coaching and teaching, I was very blessed to return and continue doing something that I am grateful for everyday.

What do you love most about teaching? The thing that I love the most about being in Montessori and coaching is the visible change in expression or attitude that you can see in a student or athlete once they accomplish something new, or something that they have been working hard on. I love seeing each one of them succeed in all they do, so it is a blessing to be able to help them along the way.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? Some of my favorite hobbies include fishing, painting, spending time with my friends, family and most importantly, my dog.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your position this year? With the excitement of basketball season comes confusion as to who has the gym from this time to this time, or who gets the gym this day and that day. Incorporating another gym, or additional indoor athletic space, the students and athletes would have more room and time to practice and perform to the best of their abilities.



AMANDA ALDRIEDGE - COACH / AIDE



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Cafeteria Manager

TONYA HESS



TONYA HESS - CAFETERIA MANAGER

About Mrs. Hess: I am married to Chris Hess ('92) and we have three children: Madison ('13), Jon ('18) and Shooter who is currently a sophomore at SHCS. I also have two grandchildren: Rexton Lee (Kindergarten at SHCS) and Karsyn Lee (PreK 3 at SHCS). For the last fourteen years, I have been a stay at home mom, childcare provider and sub for SHCS.

What brings you to Sacred Heart? I knew that help was needed in the cafeteria, so I volunteered to come help on my days off from watching my granddaughter, Thursdays and Fridays. Things changed real fast due to COVID quarantining and I was soon the only worker in the cafeteria. So, my part time gig turned into a full time job instantly. I absolutely loved it, so I took the full time position and now, I'm the cafeteria manager. God surely puts us where we are supposed to be. I love my job and these wonderful kids.

What do you love most about your position? My greatest blessings are seeing our wonderful kids each day; their smiling faces sure brighten my days. We have the best students and teachers. I couldn't be happier.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? I love spending time with my family and friends. Cooking for those I love and being surrounded by kids is such a blessing to me. Volunteering for Vacation Bible School and helping where needed also brightens my life tremendously.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your position this year? My goal for the cafeteria is that all who come through our doors leave with a smile in their heart, full tummies and fond memories.



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PROUDLY WELCOMES NEW STAFF



Cafeteria

KAREN MOSTER

About Mrs. Moster: I'm Karen Moster ('76) and I'm married to Richard Moster ('74). We have been married for 42 years. We have two children, Charlie ('01) and Tony ('04). We all graduated from Sacred Heart Catholic School. Charlie is married to Heather and they have a son, Bo Raylan. They live in Van Alstyne, TX. Tony lives in Muenster and works for PenTex Energy. I was a stay at home mom when the boys were young. When they started school, I went to work at Rohmer's Restaurant. I worked at the restaurant for 30 years. Thinking about making a change in my life and not knowing just what to do, my brother, Coach Dale Schilling ('80) called and asked if I would come to work at the school cafeteria. So in January 2021, I made the decision to move on. I love cooking and thought this is just what I needed. Glad I did!



KAREN MOSTER - CAFETERIA

What brings you to Sacred Heart? I love Sacred Heart School and have always wanted to work in the cafeteria, even when I was a student here. When I was asked to work at the cafeteria in January, I decided that would be a great way to fulfill my dream.

What do you love most about your position? I love my job, especially the students. When they enter the cafeteria, they are excited and they always make me smile. I have heard some great stories from the kids. They are so precious. During Lent, the students are asked to have quiet lunches. It's amazing how quiet they can be. The students are kind, polite and appreciative of the lunches we prepare. Another thing I love about working in the cafeteria is that we start off each day with a morning prayer, followed by the Angelus prayer after lunch, and then a prayer before the end of the school day.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? I enjoy gardening and canning pickles. I am happy in my kitchen making cinnamon rolls, pies and cookies. Also, spending time with my family, sister and brothers are some of my happiest times.

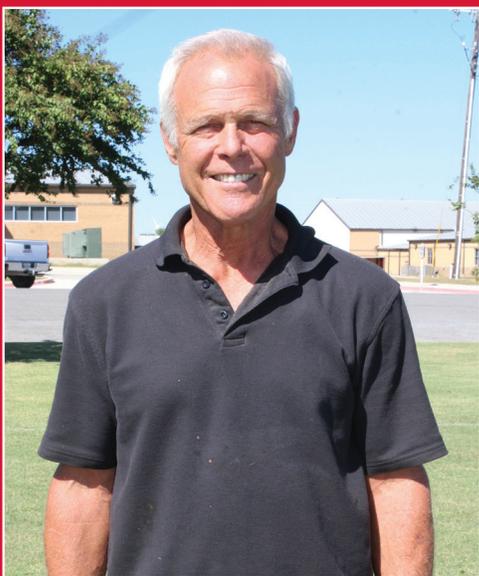
What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your position this year? I just want to make the students and teachers happy with good lunches and a happy environment for all. Sacred Heart of Jesus, be near to us.



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

High School Janitor

DANNY WALTERSCHEID



DANNY WALTERSCHEID - JANITOR

About Mr. Walterscheid: I am 62 years old and graduated from Sacred Heart in 1978. I ran a family-owned convenience store for most of my life, which many of you know as the KK. I've been married to Nanette Henley for 26+ years and we have two children together. Isac is our oldest son, who also graduated from Sacred Heart in 2015. Isabella is our youngest and is currently a sophomore at Sacred Heart.

What brings you to Sacred Heart? My grandfather was instrumental in the beginning of school. My parents Theresa Mae and Sylvan graduated in 1955. I've been part of coaching junior high and high school football since the mid 80s. In the early 90s, I coached high school football with John Natsche ('86) and won the first state championship in 1994. I was previously alumni president and have been a part of the Sacred Heart family all my life, so just continuing on except this time, I'm getting paid for it.

What do you love most about your position? Giving the teachers and students a hard time.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? Working in my shop, woodwork and farm, cattle and ranching.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your position this year? Keep this place running. Improve the facilities and keep everyone interested in bringing their kids here and do whatever it takes to keep the school up and running and a pleasant place to be.



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PROUDLY WELCOMES NEW STAFF



*Administrative Assistant
& Health Representative*

SHANNON HARTMAN

About Ms. Hartman: I am a Muenster native and graduated from Sacred Heart in 2006. My daughters Indigo and Willow currently attend SHCS. Indigo is in the second grade and Willow is in PreK 3. My roots run deep at Sacred Heart, as both my parents Bobby ('78) and Sharlene ('77) are alumni along with my grandparents Alvin ('46) and Joanie ('50) in addition to siblings and many extended family members. I have a Bachelor's degree in Corporate Communications from The University of Texas at Austin and hope to get my master's down the road. After college, I moved to NYC to intern at a public relations firm specializing in destination & lifestyle brands. From there, I moved to OKC and worked for the Chickasaw Nation for seven years, first in their tourism department promoting south-central Oklahoma through marketing and representation at US travel shows. Then, I transferred to WinStar to manage their website and various digital media platforms. After moving back to Muenster four years ago from Medicine Park, OK, I worked for the Muenster Enterprise alongside my Grandpa Alvin before obtaining my current position as the administrative assistant and health rep at Sacred Heart.



SHANNON HARTMAN - SECRETARY

What brings you to Sacred Heart? Although I really enjoyed working at the Enterprise, I had a recurring feeling that God was calling me to serve in some way at Sacred Heart; I just had no idea where I would fit in. It wasn't until I was picking up Indigo from school for an appointment one day, that I was surprised to see Mrs. Mary Bayer wasn't in the front office. Nanette Walterscheid was covering and told me that Mary recently retired and they needed a replacement as soon as possible. Soon enough, I found myself working full time in the front office at Sacred Heart. God must have had these plans for me all along and it wasn't what I expected, but it has been truly fulfilling thus far. I feel that the Lord has placed me here for a purpose and that I'm exactly where I need to be at this time.

What do you love most about your position? I enjoy being back at the place where my Catholic education originated. I love the busy and ever-changing atmosphere that each school day brings, interacting with our wonderful students and being at the center of a place that I know will shape and guide all of our children's spiritual and educational futures. I feel blessed to have the opportunity to dedicate my time and talents everyday to something much greater and play a part in keeping Catholic education alive. I also enjoy the little sparkles of nostalgia like walking through the hallways where I was once closing my locker and chatting with friends, attending pep rallies and football games, plus so much more. Mostly, I cherish the opportunity to watch my girls grow and learn in such a special place filled with an incredible school family, faithful foundation and experiences they couldn't get anywhere else.

What are your favorite hobbies or pastimes? Above all, I love spending time with my girls as well as hanging out with family and friends. I also enjoy traveling, art, design, music, sports, swimming and being outdoors.

What is one thing that you would like to incorporate into your position this year? I would like to streamline some administrative processes and eventually move all applicable hard copy filing to digital.



18 Sacred Heart Wishlist!

Over the past two years we have been truly blessed by so many benefactors with a generous spirit who have given time, talent and treasure to our most special Sacred Heart Catholic School. In just the past two years, your gracious giving has provided our students Chrome Books, sports jerseys, renovated computer lab, renovated science lab, in addition to, our Theology of the Body curriculum and new junior high science curriculum. God is truly good through your hands!

Many inquire as to the needs of Sacred Heart Catholic School as we continue to refine and grow together as family in Christ. Below is a wishlist for those interested in giving to SHCS. We appreciate your generosity and let's keep spreading the good news of Sacred Heart School!

- ♥ Junior High Boys & Girls Basketball Uniforms
- ♥ Junior High & High School Track Uniforms
- ♥ HS & JH Football Helmets & Shoulder Pads
- ♥ Volleyball Net
- ♥ IPAD Pro 11 for Pawprint Production Team
- ♥ Famous Classical Artwork neatly framed in light frames
- ♥ Roller Press that rolls out Clay Slabs

Do You Have a 'Can' Can?

You may have noticed a white trailer located west of the Sacred Heart Tiger football field with a sign reading "Recycle Aluminum Cans Here". Since 2009, Sylvan Walterscheid ('55) has been taking this trailer to DEF Recycling in Gainesville to recycle aluminum cans in order

to raise money for the Sacred Heart Bus Fund. This year, Danny Zwinggi will be taking over the recycling duties. Thank you, Sylvan, for your service to Sacred Heart Catholic School for so many years!

You can help do your part by designating a trash can at your home

to exclusively collect aluminum cans and drop them off in the recycling trailer at any time.

Below are some important things to remember when bringing your aluminum cans:

- Please securely tie bags closed
- No aluminum pans
- No aluminum foil
- No cat food cans or cans that had food in them
- No paper or plastic products



NEW TIGER CUBS

ZACH ('04) AND ROSE BARNHILL:
ISABELLE ROSE - JULY 5, 2021
JOSH ('08) AND LLOGAN YOSTEN:
LLANDYN CLAIRE - JULY 7, 2021
JUAN ('14) AND JORDAN OROCIO:
SOPHIA ANN - JULY 7, 2021
BOB ('12) AND REBEKAH (HESSE) BARTUSH ('11):
ROMAN LEO - JULY 10, 2021
CLAYTON ('05) AND TAYLOR (TORCELLINI) TRUEBENBACH ('07):
ANTHONY ALLEN - JULY 14, 2021
AUSTIN ('12) AND MANDY MILLER:
PAXTON JOSEPH - JULY 28, 2021
KEVIN ('14) AND ASHLEY FLUSCHE:
CLAIRE JOANN - AUGUST 14, 2021
CHAD ('11) AND KYLIE (HESS) WALTERSCHEID ('14):
CARSON DONALD - AUGUST 23, 2021
KIRK ('09) AND MORGAN FELDERHOFF:
WYATT MICHAEL - AUGUST 31, 2021
JUSTIN ('134) AND CAYLA BROWN:
RYAN WALLIN - SEPTEMBER 6, 2021
JACOB AND VICTORIA (ENDRES) JOHNSTON: ('11):
LONDON THOMAS - SEPTEMBER 17, 2021
DANIEL AND STEPHANIE (HENSCHIED) MCGREW ('05):
BRIGGS MICHAEL - SEPTEMBER 27, 2021
JESSE AND LINDSAY (MILLER) KULP ('13):
ARTHUR REDMOND - OCTOBER 29, 2021
RYAN ('11) AND ALANE (BARTUSH) FELDERHOFF ('17):
CASSIDY JANE - OCTOBER 30, 2021

IN LOVING MEMORY

GUY BINDEL ('75):
FEBRUARY 4, 2021
JANE HESSE MYRICK ('60):
JUNE 15, 2021
MAURUS HACKER ('66):
JULY 1, 2021
JOYCE (KLEMENT) BAYER ('67):
AUGUST 24, 2021
WELDON BAYER ('94):
OCTOBER 7, 2021
MARIE (FELDERHOFF) SPAETH ('43):
OCTOBER 12, 2021

WEDDING BELLS

MICAH AND SAMANTHA (WIMMER) FLUSCHE ('09):
OCTOBER 16, 2021

SH ALUMNI UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL &
EXES BASKETBALL GAME
DECEMBER 16, 2021

9TH ANNUAL
CRAWFISH BOIL
FEBRUARY 26, 2022

42ND ANNUAL
BIKE RALLY
APRIL 23, 2022

LEGACY CLUB MEMBERS

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John & Lanie Bartush
John & Malony Bartush
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Derek & Catherine Elliott
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Mark & Jennifer Flusche
Brandon & Kimberly Fitts
Derek & Piper Fuhrmann
James & Connie French
Michael & Kelly Gehrig
Sherry Krahl
Jeannene Haden
Kenny & Rhonda Hartman
Chad Henscheid
Shirley Hess
Dale & Dolores Hofbauer
Jacob & Victoria Johnston
Collin Knabe
Jessica Knabe
Reneta Knabe
Dana Sanders
Brad & Stephanie Schilling
Doug & Karen Schmid
Andrew & Cathleen Strabala
Sharon & Garland Tate
Floyd & Tammy Trubenbach
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What is the Legacy Club? The Legacy Club is comprised of a group of people that donate on a monthly, recurring basis to the Sacred Heart Alumni & Supporters Association.

Who can join the Legacy Club? Anyone who wishes to support Sacred Heart Catholic School on a convenient, continuous basis can join the Legacy Club.

Why join the Legacy Club? The funds collected through the Legacy Club will be used solely to supplement tuition costs at Sacred Heart Catholic School. The Catholic education received by students at Sacred Heart Catholic School encompasses both the mind and the soul. We believe the development of the total human person is a key aspect for all education, and Sacred Heart is firmly rooted in Jesus Christ. Sacred Heart has a history of low tuition rates compared to other similar schools and The Alumni and Supporters Association has the goal of keeping rates low.

How do you join the Legacy Club? Joining the Legacy Club can be done online. Go to the Alumni & Supporters website at www.shalumni.org and click on the SH Legacy Club tab at the top of the page. There, you will see several ways to join: 1) click on the envelope to be taken to a link for joining, or 2) Text "Legacy Club" to 940-220-3183 and a link will be sent to your phone. Recurring, monthly donations can be made by linking a bank account or credit card. The bank account or credit card will be automatically drafted once per month on the date of your choice. The amount of monthly donation can be as little as \$10 per month. All donations are handled by FACTS management, the same company that manages Sacred Heart tuition funds. You can also easily join by scanning the QR code at left.

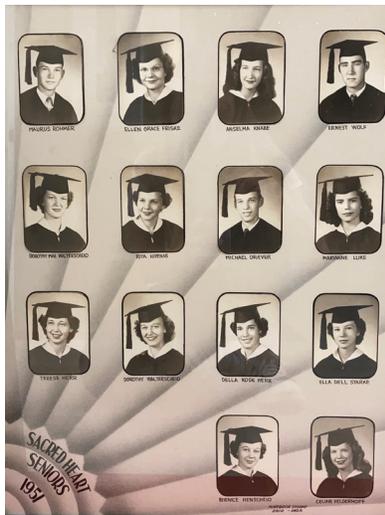
Why donate to the Alumni and Supporters Association rather than directly to Sacred Heart School? The Alumni & Supporters, Inc., a 501(c) non-profit organization, exists solely for the benefit of Sacred Heart Catholic School in Muenster, Texas. This will ensure that all money donated to the Legacy Club will be used for tuition supplementation. All donations over \$200 per year will receive a year-end donation summary that can be used for tax deduction purposes.

SACRED HEART 2021 HOMECOMING

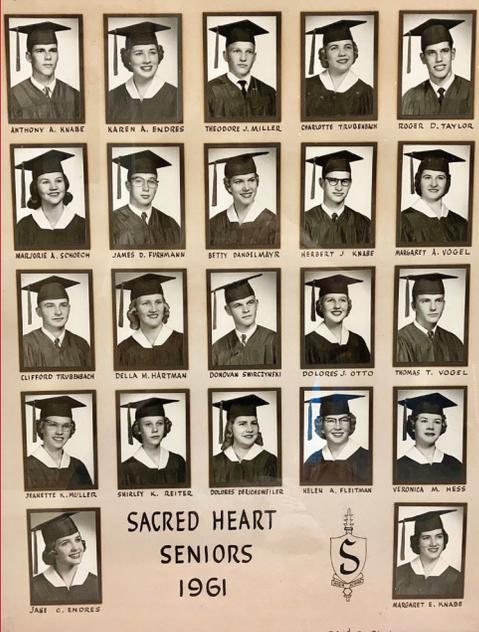


The 2021 Sacred Heart Homecoming game was held on Friday, October 1st, against Willow Park. The SH Tigers pulled off an impressive victory with a final score of 26-13. The fans enjoyed a special show before the game by our mini cheerleaders featuring chants and dances that they learned at summer camp. The high school dance team entertained the crowd with a dazzling performance at halftime choreographed by senior Ruth Eddleman. Also during halftime, Lauren Miller was named as this year's Sacred Heart Homecoming Queen. Lauren is the daughter of Glenn ('72) and Stacie Walterscheid Miller ('77). Lauren was crowned by her sister Dana Miller Fuhrmann ('01), who was the 2000 SH Homecoming Queen. The crown runs deep in Lauren's family and was previously worn by her mother, grandmother, aunt, and two sisters. The homecoming festivities concluded with an alumni social at the Knights of Columbus Hall after the game with lots of laughter, smiles and fond memories shared. It was a blessed and beautiful homecoming for all. Go Tigers!

SHCS Honoring Decades of Alumni



1951 HONOR GRADS



Pep Squad at the Crowning of the Football Queen

Joan Hundt, Patsy Endres, Jeanette Muller, Rita Noggler, Shirley Becker, Peggy Endres, Barbara Knabe, Ann Noggler

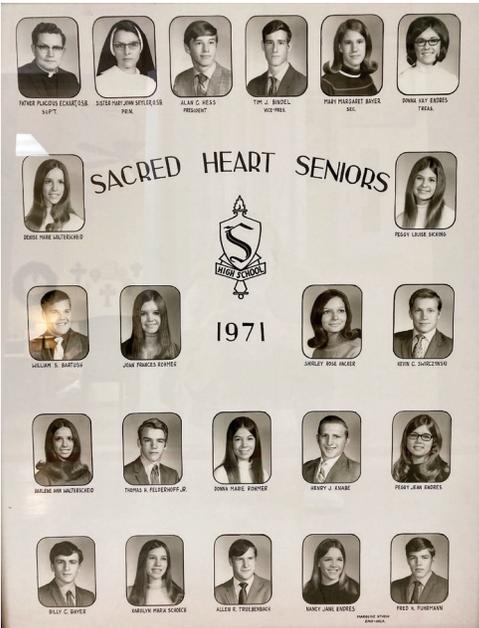


Anthony Crowns Patsy

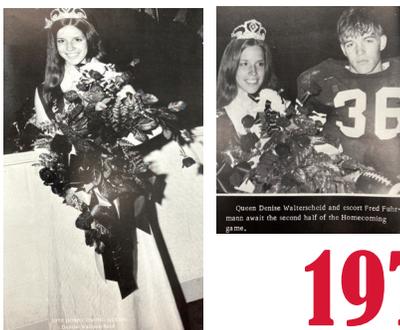
FOOTBALL QUEEN: Patsy



1961 HONOR GRADS



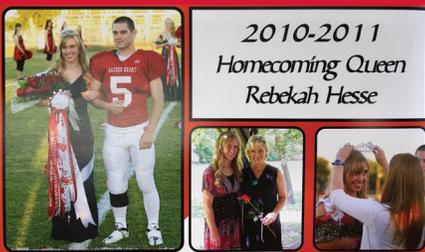
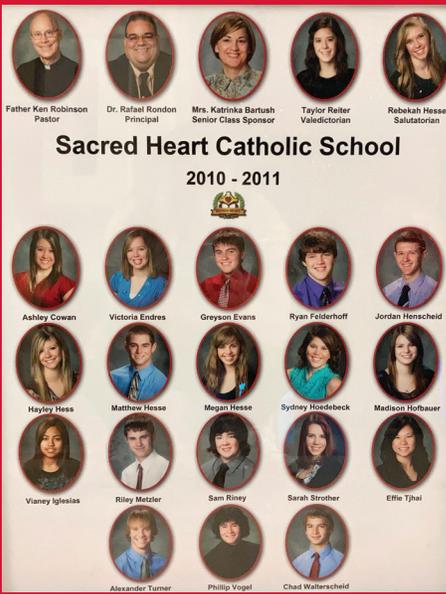
HOMECOMING COURT: Princess Darlene Walterschild with escort Bill Barnum, Queen Denise Walterschild and escort Fred Fuhrmann, Princess Donna Endres with escort Tom Fellehoff, Princess Nancy Endres and escort Alan Pelt.



Queen Denise Walterschild and escort Fred Fuhrmann await the second half of the Homecoming game.



1971 HONOR GRADS



2011 HONOR GRADS



SH COACHES RETURN AS HONORARY CAPTAINS

This year's homecoming game kicked off with a special coin toss featuring some of Sacred Heart's football coaches from back in the day who made a big impact on both the school and the field. Pictured above, from left are honorary coaches Ronald "Ruff" Fuhrmann, Ronnie "Rumpy" Hess ('72), Judy Joy (wife) and Tom Joy.

At halftime, the school also honored Coach Jon LeBrasseur for the many years of service, dedication and success he brought to Sacred Heart School.





Let the Good Times Roar



2021 ALUMNI SOCIAL







Annual SH Alumni GARAGE

SALE



This year's annual Sacred Heart Alumni Garage Sale fundraiser took place on Saturday, September 11th and was a huge success. This event is made profitable by the selfless donations of treasures and time. We saw trucks with trailers loaded with items from our community and from other communities that support our Catholic education mission. The volunteers worked hard to set up, unload trailers, price merchandise, sort clothing and provide the best baked goods. Students also had the opportunity to help with setting up, learning a bit along the way about reduce, reuse and recycling. After the sale, the remaining items are donated to a charitable organization. This year, we were able to work with At the Treehouse, which is a home hospice thrift store. Thank you, thank you to all!



Scan the QR code to the left to open the address form for the Alumni & Supporters mailing list. Add or update your information to stay on top of all things SHCS! 

ALUMNI COLLEGE NEWS



Lisa Haverkamp Schilling ('86) received her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from Midwestern State University. She graduated with a 4.0 GPA and credits her strong academic and Catholic education at Sacred Heart in helping her achieve this goal. Lisa comments, "I always told Becky Felderhoff thank you for being such a good English teacher because I had to write so many papers!" Lisa currently works in the emergency department for Baylor Scott and White at the Heart Hospital in Denton, and is certified in emergency medicine.

department for Baylor Scott and White at the Heart Hospital in Denton, and is certified in emergency medicine.



Cody Dangelmayr ('17) graduated from Tarleton State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Ag Services and Development. He currently works for Hartman Cattle Co., and plans to one day start his own cattle business. Great job, Cody!



Katy Bezner ('17) has graduated from UT Tyler School of Nursing. She has accepted a position in the Neuro ICU at Christus Trinity Mother Frances in Tyler. Congratulations Katy!



Kate Springer ('18) graduated from Texas A&M with a degree in Biomedical Science. She began her master's at Texas Tech this fall. Way to go Kate and good luck in your future endeavors!



Avery Truebenbach ('17) has graduated with honors and a 4.0 from Tarleton State University with a degree in kinesiology. She plans to pursue a doctorate degree in Physical Therapy. She is also currently teaching youth gymnastics in Muenster. What an amazing alum!



Colby Richey ('08) joined Ohio State University in June 2020 to complete a one year fellowship in community based pediatric dental care. He spent a year practicing at Nationwide Children's Hospital and various health clinics, as well as traveling around the state of Ohio to provide dental care through various outreach programs for those less fortunate.

In June of 2021, Colby and his wife Jessica moved to Buffalo, New York after being accepted into a two year pediatric dentistry residency in order to become a board certified pediatric dental specialist. They are enjoying their time up in the North, but plan to move back to Texas after completing the program. Sacred Heart Alumni is proud of you, Dr. Richey!

NEWS



ALUMNI CAREER NEWS

Joelle (Fuhrmann) Uribe ('06) has recently been promoted to Major in the United States Air Force. The promotion ceremony took place April 30th, at the Tesla factory in Fremont, CA where Joelle has just finished her fourth assignment with the USAF. At Tesla, Joelle was a technical product manager responsible for all projects supporting the construction teams to implement new technologies and digital solutions to improve construction project cost, schedule and collaboration. Joelle was one of the first people in the Air Force to have the opportunity to work with Tesla as part of the Education With Industry program. She is currently stationed at Joint Base San Antonio, where she is assigned to the Air Force Civil Engineer Center, working as a Military Construction program manager. Her prior experience and time spent with Tesla is being used to help implement the best practices to improve the Air Force enterprise.



Pictured above, from left - Doug Briggs, Shannon Selland (Sister), Joelle Uribe, Selina Uribe (Daughter), Adrian Uribe (Husband), Cathie Fuhrmann (Mother) and Francis Fuhrmann ('64 Father).

Joelle commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Texas Tech University in 2011. She began her military career at Travis AFB in Fairfield, CA as a base level civil engineer. There she was responsible for building, maintaining and sustaining facilities, infrastructure and emergency management. Her second assignment sent her to Yokota AB in Tokyo, Japan, where she was responsible for managing over 2,000 government housing units and a two billion dollar annual construction portfolio. Joelle's third assignment sent her to Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst in Wrightstown, NJ for three years, where she served as a professional Air Advisor and certified Mission Commander leading teams to conduct military-to-military discussions and trainings with partner nation air forces throughout Africa. She concluded that assignment as an Executive Officer providing support, strategic communication and special projects for general level officers leading 14,000 personnel across 38 worldwide operating locations. Major Uribe has had an impressive and decorated 10 years in the Air Force, which include being awarded the Meritorious Service Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal, twice, along with multiple Air Force Unit awards. Joelle and her husband, Adrian, have a one year old daughter named Selina.



Noelle (Hesse) Henry '89 recently completed a full Ironman in Cambridge, Maryland, which consisted of a 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike ride and 26.2 mile run... all in the same day! Noelle credits the lessons of hard work and determination she learned from Coach Jon LeBrasseur, as well as her spirited cheering section for helping her cross the finish line. Great job Noelle!



Noelle's oldest daughter, **Devan Henry ('13)** spent 143 days completing the grueling Pacific Coast Trail, a 2650 mile hike from Mexico to Canada. Devan is one amazing alumna!

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GOD MOVES IN MYSTERIOUS WAYS

Janet Fetsch Rickman attended Sacred Heart Catholic School from kindergarten through 10th grade. Janet along with her husband Bobby and their children moved from Coppell to Muenster in May 2020. Janet and Bobby were married at Sacred Heart Catholic Church by Father Ken Robinson in 2013. Ever since, they have been talking about what life would look like if they were to move to Muenster. Janet had a solid career at a bankers' bank in Las Colinas. Bobby enjoyed his work at John Paul II High School in Plano. Their kids were thriving at a montessori school and Coppell ISD. They had a nice cozy home and loved their parish, St. Ann's. There was something underlying everything though. They had a nagging thought that they were not going to live there forever. They had a recurring dream as if God had something else in store, but they just could not figure out how to make it work.

While on maternity leave with their third child, after New Year's 2020, Janet prayed a novena to Our Lady, Undoer of Knots for some very particular intentions. Within a few days of finishing the novena, she was contacted by a recruiter who had found her profile on LinkedIn. She ignored it as a cold call, but thankfully he was persistent. Bobby suggested, "what do you have to lose?"; so she set up a call. While she was sitting on the couch feeding her newborn, this recruiter described a job almost too good to be true. It happened to be at Legend Bank, Bowie. She updated her resume that had not been used in 13 years and had an interview set with the COO immediately. The bank offered her the job a short while later. She returned to work from maternity leave and it was bittersweet turning in her notice to her boss and friends she truly loved. The wheels were in motion and all they had to do was stay on for the ride.

Their first idea strangely was not moving to Muenster. They started out looking at new homes in Decatur, trying to recreate their suburban lifestyle with a neat little yard, Catholic parish and excellent schools. They didn't even tell their parents, Garry ('78) and Susan Fetsch about their news until after they had ruled out every town between Wise County and Cooke County. When they looked at the map and realized it actually made the most sense to live in Muenster, it seems funny now that they were surprised. Between the schools, church, nice homes and a great view of fields and sky in all directions, it fit what they were looking for. This is when they remembered the novena and knew without a doubt that God was showing up and showing off.

Through a conversation after Mass at SH, Bobby was offered a job working for Adam Schneiderjan Air Conditioning. This turned out to be the perfect way for him to quickly meet all the good people in town. Janet's first day with Legend Bank as Vice President, head of Electronic Banking and Treasury Management, was in March 2020, right at the beginning of the COVID lockdown. She met a couple coworkers at the office, received a laptop and username to log in, and was sent home. "Good luck!" The next week the schools were shut down. Bobby began commuting from Coppell to Muenster as an essential worker. Janet was learning a new job at home with three kids: Robert, age 5 and homeschooling kindergartener, Annemarie, age 3, and George, only 4 months old. "Good luck!" did not cut it.

They decided to list their house for sale despite the lockdown. Working from home rather than commuting to the Decatur office provided

some extra time to pack and clean the house. Thank goodness everyone Janet worked with was in the same shape with kids yelling in the background of every Zoom call. St. Ann's was quick to have Sunday Mass broadcast online, as well as several other outreach ministries to keep them connected with their faith. They needed it all. God carried them through those stressful weeks. They sold their house in record time and moved after school was over in May. They soon found out exactly why God put them back in Muenster.

Through another provision, they were able to move into the old family farmhouse where Janet's dad and his mother were raised. It wasn't quite live in ready, so they stayed with her parents for a couple of weeks. Janet's mom was diagnosed with cancer in June. To put it mildly, this was a complete shock to all of them. Her sisters came to Texas and stayed as long as they needed. Their new employers were supportive. Their extended family jumped in to help in many ways. Then, the Muenster community heard the news and they received cards, food, prayer intentions, phone calls and offers of all kinds of support. They were humbled by the generosity. With God carrying them, they survived through the summer and fall, Janet's mom completed her treatment and the doctors were pleased with her progress.

Robert started first grade at Sacred Heart last fall and quickly made friends with kids of Janet's own schoolmates. Robert is now in second and looking forward to making his First Reconciliation and Eucharist. Annemarie is attending SH Montessori as a PK-4 student. Both kids love their teachers and love knowing that their Mom, Aunts, Grandpa and Great-Grandma attended the same school in the same buildings.

At the end of 2020, they determined it was time for Bobby to start learning "the Farm" from Garry. Garry needed the help and Bobby was eager to learn. Even living next door, nights and weekends are not enough to learn what is needed to be known on a farm. Bobby grew up with rodeo, graduated with an Agronomy degree from Texas A&M, and has a strong mechanical mind. He grew up in the country, but not on a grain farm. He started working with Garry full time in January just weeks before the big freeze.

Garry was diagnosed with cancer in February, seven months after Susan. They were truly in shock for the second time in a year. Bobby suddenly had only one job; to keep the cattle alive through zero-degree temperatures. Their families again pitched in everything they could. The Muenster community showed up again; this time it was farmers with helping hands to feed hay and work on a motor, neighbors with food, cards, phone calls and visits with prayers, advice and empathy. They were again humbled by the generosity. By the Grace of God and incredible modern medicine, Garry is doing well with his treatment.

Janet said it has been awesome to be able to show their kids what community looks like here: people who know each other for lifetimes hear of someone with a problem and offer whatever they have to help out. Bobby and Janet marvel at how many times in so many ways that God provided precisely what they needed just the moment before they needed it. Many of you reading this were God's hands and feet to their family in the past year. They look forward to being able to pay it forward and be those same instruments of God's plan to others.





FOLLOWING HIS DIRECTION...

Moving across the country can take some adjustment, requiring a little time and some patience. Even though the decision wasn't undertaken lightly, when you hit bumps in the road, you can't help but second-guess yourself: Did we pray enough on this decision? Will the kids ever get used to all the newness? Are we listening to the Lord? How will we really ever know?

It had been "one of those days" for Ben and Cathy Strabala when they took a ride over to Gainesville to register Cathy's vehicle, just one more new thing to add to the list of adjustments after moving their family from Colorado to Muenster, TX to send their children to Sacred Heart Catholic School in 2019: new license plates. Familiar with hours-long excursions to suburban DMVs, they entered the quiet office to find themselves second in line - what a welcome surprise! And thankfully, they had the correct combination of paperwork and fees to seal the deal on the first trip. After collecting the final signature, the clerk reached under her desk into the box of ready-made plates and pulled out the next plate in sequence: MSH 1889. Their oldest son Ben spotted it first saying, "Look, Mom! Muenster Sacred Heart." Then, Cathy recognized the year the parish had been instituted and wondered what the odds were that 'anyone' would randomly get that plate, not to mention a mama bear, worried about her cubs' adjustment in a new town and a new school.

How will we ever know when we've made the right decision? How do we really know we've followed Him as we should? Our prayer life sometimes makes the answer clear. Spending time with our Lord in adoration is sometimes just the silence He needs. And sometimes, when He wants to put a swift end to the questioning, He actually puts it in writing.

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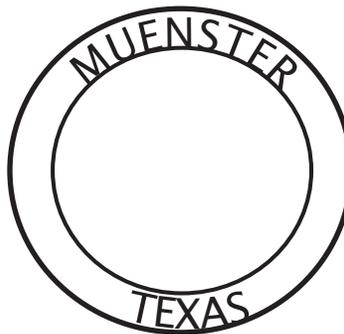
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