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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Rising above a planter in the parking lot, gracing every room of the school, emblazoned in gold on the outside of the gym, signed each morning in prayer: the cross is evident throughout Marist.

The cross, a sacred focal point, informs everything we do. That paradoxical cross, instrument of both death and life, our hope of salvation and symbol of no greater love.

“Paradox” is somewhat of a metaphor for my first year at Marist. President of a school without students on campus, without a faculty to interact with each day. But that changed last April and masks couldn’t hide the smiles as our students returned to campus. This fall seemed like something approaching “normal” with the resumption of in-person classes for everyone, the spirited competition of the class dances in the main gym and the renewal of such traditions as the Kissing of the “M” for all transfer students, new faculty, freshmen and sophomores.

After one year at Marist, I’m no longer “new” and as an insider, I got to experience the Freshman Lock-In for the first time. This typical stay-up-all-night event was modified (due to the pandemic) to an afternoon/evening event. Ninety-one freshmen were led, fed and inspired by 45 seniors. By all accounts, it was a powerful experience. In his homily at Mass that evening, Father Theo Lange welcomed everyone, Catholic and non-Catholic alike, and focused on the growth (literal and spiritual) that will occur in the Class of 2025 over their four years at Marist. He said that the best education on the planet may be available right here at Marist ... if you want it.

What we’re offering at Marist is the best of a Catholic high school education — rigorous academics, insightful retreats and spiritual experiences, athletics and activities, and all the fun that makes high school memorable and yields life-long friendships. Enrollment is strong in our freshman class and we have a sustainable five-year plan backed by the School Board that will ensure Marist’s continued success and growth. We will weather this pandemic and other challenges and be stronger for having done so.

As I write this, I’m well aware that many of our Marist family are bearing heavy crosses right now — dealing with serious illnesses, recovering from accidents, living with anxiety, wondering if and when this pandemic will be over, shouldering difficult and perhaps even life-threatening tasks. But, no matter our different journeys, despite what seemingly keeps us apart, we are all in this together. We can take comfort in the promise of our faith and we can keep our eyes on the cross.



David Welch

David Welch



Pictured above is the Jerusalem cross Nick MacKinnon '10 received after he rectored the 2009 Fall Men's Encounter. Nick said he took this photo over Kabul, Afghanistan on a descent into Bagram Air Base last fall. He has carried this cross on every one of his 408 combat flights to date.



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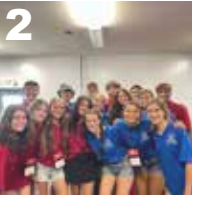
Junior and senior leaders greet Ella Braunger '25 as she arrives all smiles this September to the Freshman Lock-In.

Photo by Sofia James '22

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MARIST WATERS RUN DEEP & WIDE

Meeting Marist students from across the country like finding lost family

By Sofia James '22

I like water. It is a space where I am in control of my body in ways that I cannot do on land. It has always been a really important part of my life. I grew up on the McKenzie River and I swim every day and have for ten years — save for a few injuries here and there. I swim for my school, I swim for my club and I swim for me. I find that I have the most authentic thoughts and conversations with God and myself as I swim back and forth through the water, staring at the black line on the bottom of the pool for hours on end. It is a place where I can just be.

I can't imagine my life without swimming but really it's the water. Water is deceptive. It can be calm and shallow and it can be deep and tumultuous and sometimes we underestimate its strength and meaning.

I feel the same way about our Marist fountain. When I dipped my face into the water to kiss the M four years ago as a freshman, I was absolutely terrified (and super embarrassed) to be up in front of so many people in a costume that made me look more ridiculous than I already felt. It was like adding insult to injury. But something really powerful happened when I stepped into the fountain. No, it wasn't when I smacked my face super hard on the tile because I have no depth perception. It was when I submerged my head, and my ears filled with water and all of the yelling and cheering turned into muffled noises in the background.

It was just the water and me. It was familiar and safe. I was experiencing the deceptive nature of water. Because when I kissed the M that day, the scary, intimidating and embarrassing thoughts that came with it melted away and were replaced with a sense of belonging and accomplishment. I became a Marist student in that moment, but I didn't realize until this year what being a Marist student really meant.

Last summer, I got to go to the Marist Youth Leadership Camp in Indiana with nine other Eugene Marist students, Dr. Rick Martin, Stacey Baker and Marist students from across the country. This trip helped me realize what it really means to be a part of the whole Marist community, because it is so much bigger than our little school in Eugene. I had known that there were other Marist schools all over the world, but I guess I didn't realize they were filled with kids just like me. I met kids from Illinois, Texas, New York, Florida and Massachusetts who share the same Christian values as I do and even the prayers were familiar; two other schools even had the same fight song as ours. It felt like finding family I didn't know I had.

I even met kids from the Marist school in the Bronx that had sponsored the construction of our fountain in 1968, although I didn't know it at the time! The fountain was the first thing I saw and really appreciated when I got to Marist.

My older sister was a junior when I arrived on campus in 2018, so I had known about the tradition of kissing the M in the fountain. But I found a new appreciation for this Marist icon this fall. While in my CLC class I read the fountain plaque and realized that I now knew kids from the school across the country who had originally funded our fountain!

I see now that I am a part of a bigger community and the tradition of kissing the M is not only one of induction into our school, but also an invitation to the greater Marist community if you so choose to find out who, what and where that is.

Our school isn't technically a "Marist Brothers" school anymore because we no longer have Marist Brothers on campus year-round, but learning that our fountain was built with the help of the school in the Bronx made me realize that our little school in Oregon has always been a part of the greater Marist community and always will be because of our shared heritage.

So, to me, the Marist fountain is more than I thought it was. And the tradition of kissing the M in its shallow waters can reveal just how deep the Marist community actually is. I have gotten a taste of what it is like to be a Marist student outside of our school and the fountain is a reminder to me that there is always more you can learn about the community to which you belong. ☩

1. A photo from the 1968-69 yearbook shows the newly constructed school and fountain. 2. Junior Andrea Jasso from St. Joseph Academy in Brownsville, Texas and Sofia James '22 pose for a picture on the last day of the camp. 3. Students from the Marist High School in Chicago and Central Catholic High School in Massachusetts join our Eugene Marist students in a goodbye photo. 4. Sofia James '22, as a freshman, emerges from the fountain after kissing the M. 5. The Marist fountain in its current form with blue and gold tiles. Photos courtesy of Sofia James '22 and the Marist archives.



The Spirit Remains the Same

Burkeley Knight-Sheen '25 is greeted with lots of high-fives as he enters the 2021 Freshman Lock-In through the Bob Devereaux Theatre.

Photo by Alya Samy '22



Emma Hart '25 arrives at Marist for the 2021 Freshman Lock-In to a sea of 2021 periwinkle Lock-In shirts and loud cheers. Photo by Alya Samy '22

Marist provides students with more than just an education

By Natalia Zreliak '15

This fall, I got the chance to go on the first retreat of the school year, the Formation Retreat, which is designed to prepare the junior and senior leaders to run retreats for their younger peers. It was a cold and rainy Saturday morning when I arrived at Marist to help load up the team onto a school bus, putting our trust in our friendly bus driver Ron to deliver us safely to Camp Tapawingo. “I just love driving Marist kids,” Ron told me as we waited for students to arrive. “Whenever I see I’m driving a bus for Marist, I know it’s gonna be a good day.” I prayed Ron was correct because, believe it or not, I was grappling with the same old worries at age 24 that 14-year-old me had. Would I fit in? How could my presence help on this retreat? Would I be able to add anything worthwhile to these young leaders’ experiences? What had I signed up for? But my doubts were squelched by a fantastic group of teenagers, young men and women, who have been through so much in the last two years, and instead of lamenting the losses they’ve experienced, they were looking forward to finding out how they could help others.

Every student in my small group shared that their desire to lead was because they wanted their fellow peers to have the best retreat experience possible. The seniors shared how much fun they had during their Freshman Lock-In and on their sophomore retreats, but how different and difficult last year was. They wanted to take what worked and what didn’t work for them to shape this year’s retreats into something memorable for their fellow students.

They were being Christ-centered, just as our school mission calls us to be.

Their wish to carry on the Marist tradition of welcoming and caring for the younger peers was incredibly inspiring, but unsurprising. When you ask a Marist student, present or past, what the best part about Marist is, you’ll most likely hear that it’s the retreats. But the retreats are only as special as the people on them. Whether you’re a wide-eyed freshman walking into your Lock-In or an eager senior loading up on the bus for your Metanoia, you are called to let go and let God in. I had been so needlessly worried about what I could teach them that I hadn’t stopped to think about what I’d learn from the students: that a community of welcome, based on the love that God has for each of us, can save us from the doubts that plague our day-to-day lives — whether that community is alive for a day, a weekend, a year or for many years.

I remember my first Marist retreat experience. Ten years ago I arrived at Marist for my Freshman Lock-In and I

am reminded of it now because of a Facebook post I read on the Sunday following this year’s Lock-In. It was shared by Tanya Powell, on the 2025 Marist High Parents feed along with a photo of her freshman daughter, Ava, being welcomed by senior students.

The post read: “Thank you, seniors (I believe that’s who was here to greet us) for welcoming [Ava] with such an enthusiastic, encouraging energy today. We stand in front of them for so long — teaching them, guiding them, showing them the way (with all the uncertainty and ambiguity that comes with it). Then there’s the quick shift where we are called to step behind them (closely) and let them go and find their own way; let them lead. I didn’t know if I’d ever been ready, but it’s a blessing to realize we didn’t release her and set her free to a lonely place. Today was a reminder of the power of community. Feeling grateful. Thank you to all who make Marist more than a place to get a high school education.”

Her words struck me, mainly because I remember how I felt leading up to my Freshman Lock-In in 2011 — my stomach doing somersault after somersault as I sat in the back of the car while my parents drove me to Marist, but I had never considered what it might have felt like for my parents. How proud they might have felt or sad or happy that there was a community waiting to embrace me. As we pulled up in front of the Bob Devereaux Theatre, I was given no further time to dwell on my nerves as the car door was thrown open by a sea of students in bright red shirts cheering me on and high-fiving me left and right as I made my way into the Marist gym.

It’s hard to put into words the exhilarating feeling of walking through a tunnel of your peers. Enthusiastic upperclassmen spending all their energy — on me! All the cheering, clapping and exclamations of appreciation for our arrival was enough to put even the grumpiest of my classmates in a good mood.

There’s something special to me in knowing that ten years later, my experience of being ushered into this community through a tunnel of cheering students is shared with the 99 freshmen that grace Marist’s hallways today. The colors of the leaders’ shirts may be different each year, but the spirit remains the same. I hope that the Class of 2025 felt the love from their leaders and that they know, or will come to know, over their time here at Marist, where that love comes from.

As Fr. Theo said to the community gathered at the Freshman Lock-In this year, if you only knew how much God loved you, you would have no other choice than to dance for joy. ☩

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a heart replete with thankfulness."**
-William Shakespeare

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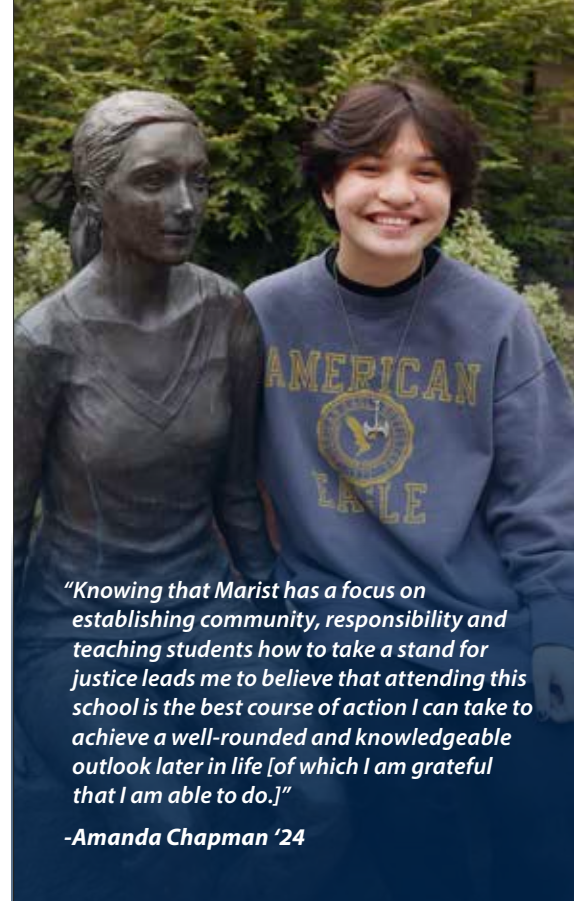


"Growing in my faith as a Marist student has been an invaluable experience and I'm excited to continue delving into my faith and personal leadership style. Christian Leadership Class (is) an incredible experience that has inspired me to step out of my comfort zone in service to others."

-Mia Michel '22 (Pictured on the right with Allison Randall '22 on the left)

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"Knowing that Marist has a focus on establishing community, responsibility and teaching students how to take a stand for justice leads me to believe that attending this school is the best course of action I can take to achieve a well-rounded and knowledgeable outlook later in life [of which I am grateful that I am able to do.]"

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"I don't have children of my own, so I think it's important to help provide a Catholic education for young people."

-John Quilter

Pictured with John is Katie Rule '21, a Navy ROTC student at Marquette University. A Navy veteran, John joined Marquette's ROTC program in 1966, graduated from Marquette with a BS in Business in 1970 and served on the USS Wichita (AOR-1), a replenishment oiler, for three years. John served as a deck officer and engineering maintenance officer and was qualified for top watch underway during three 8-month deployments to the Gulf of Tonkin.

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"I am committed to working hard, helping others, and doing my very best."

-Conor Thompson '25



"I am forever thankful for everything our Catholic schools have done for us during these tough times."

-Laura (Kehoe) Rossow '01

Pictured with Laura are her husband Jeff Rossow '01 and future Spartans (now O'Hara students) Jackson 12 and Logan 9.

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Sr. Joan Saalfeld '59
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"This (past) year has been strange and like nothing any of us has ever experienced before, yet, through it all, Marist has still fostered connections, challenged me mentally, provided new opportunities for growth that did not exist for my friends attending public schools and found ways for me to meet my fellow classmates and become friends with many of them. In this most difficult of years, Marist let me shine."

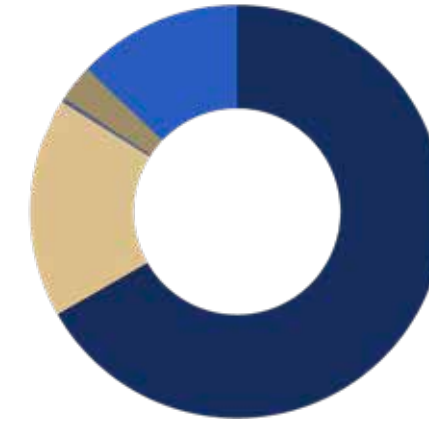
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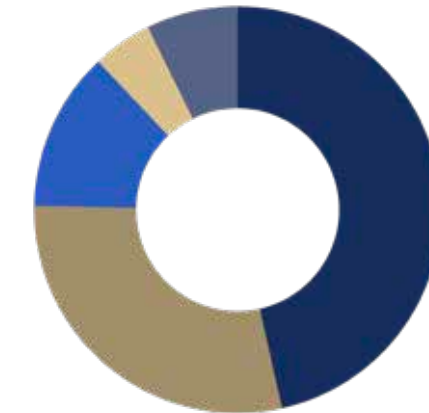
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Revenues & Expenses

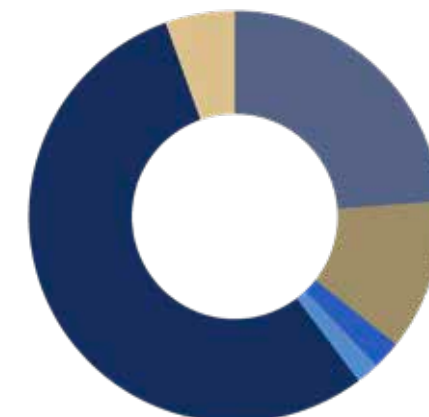
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MCHS Revenues	
Tuition & Fees	\$ 4,000,000
Advancement	\$ 1,089,000
Student Activities	\$ 22,000
Other Income	\$ 171,000
	\$ 5,282,000
One-Time Payroll Protection Program	\$ 772,000
Total	\$ 6,054,000



MCHS Expenses	
Instruction & Student Support	\$ 2,550,000
General & Administrative	\$ 1,581,000
Student Activities	\$ 695,000
Advancement	\$ 260,000
Depreciation	\$ 399,000
Total	\$ 5,485,000



Advancement Revenues	
Annual FUND	\$ 267,000
Foundation Scholarships	\$ 128,000
Grants	\$ 24,000
Corporate	\$ 20,000
Restricted Funds	\$ 591,000
Other	\$ 59,000
Total	\$ 1,089,000

Independent Review of Financials

An independent review of the school's 2020-21 financial information is currently underway with Jones & Roth. For a copy of the full report, please contact the Marist Finance Office at (541) 485-7879.



Grateful for a Catholic Education

By Dr. Gerald A. Harper

“The pathway of life is an uphill climb. Wear good shoes.”

It was 1952. InSTITUTE, West Virginia was a small hamlet in the valley of the Kanawha River, with a population of about 900. Alfred and Ethel Harper were simple, hard-working parents of two children, Mary Pat and myself. They were much older than my friends' parents with Mom being 48 and Dad 52 when I was born. We lived in a 22-by-8-foot trailer. Mom was a nurse and Dad was a common laborer with a third grade education having fought in World War I. I now realize how their life choices were limited, but somehow, they pulled off the illusion of causing Mary Pat and me to believe we always had everything we needed.

“The first step in getting somewhere is deciding you're not going to stay where you are.”

They dearly wanted us to have a Catholic education, but could not afford the tuition, books, school lunches, uniforms, transportation and other expenses. Their only choice was all of us working extra jobs, but still, that was a stretch. Our parish priest must have heard of our family's dilemma, and made a supplemental contribution permitting us to attend St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Grade School and then Charleston Catholic High School, proudly wearing our school uniforms and me with new Converse All-Star shoes almost every year.

It was through the kindness and generosity of others that Mary Pat and I were gifted the chance to achieve the goals our family had: completing a 12-year Catholic education. We learned the discipline of how to study and the rewards of successfully completing a task, always preparing us for the next steps.

“It's better to fail in originality than to succeed in imitation.”

Mary Pat went on to become a nurse, and then took her final vows as a nun in the Order of St. Francis, concluding her career as a hospice nurse at McKenzie-Willamette Hospital in Springfield. I went on to college, dental school, residency and a 40-year career as an oral and maxillofacial surgeon. Mom and Dad were probably looking down smiling, giving each other high fives.

“Success is no accident; it's the result of hard work, sacrificing, learning from mistakes, but most of all, real success is loving what you are doing or what you are learning to do.”

My daughter Andrus '08 and son Henry '10 now love what they are doing. They were blessed with a Catholic education at O'Hara and Marist. Andrus graduated from the University of Portland School of Nursing and is now a surgical care nurse at Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland. Henry went on to Gonzaga University, earning both a bachelor's and a master's degree. He taught theology at Marist for a few years and is now a professional hunting guide in Alaska.



Andrus Harper '08

Henry Harper '10

There are families at Marist today who are much in the same situation we were facing back in 1952. My gift of an endowed scholarship is intended to eliminate one family's challenge and allow them to pursue their dreams and also give me the opportunity to say thanks to those anonymous donors who helped our family back then.

“Four things you can never recover: the stone after it's thrown, the word after it's said, the opportunity after it's missed, and time after it's gone.” ☩



Jerry Harper is a past Marist parent, a former auction co-chair, and a current Foundation Board member who served as board president from 2013-2016.

If you would like to impact future Marist Spartans by establishing a scholarship, please contact Rebecca Larson rlarson@marisths.org 541-914-8180. Thank you!

Jerry Harper stands in the third row from the front and third in from the right with his First Holy Communion class in 1954.



Celebrating The 2nd Class of Marist's Athletic Hall of Fame

After a year of waiting, on Friday, October 8, we celebrated the second class of inductees to Marist's Athletic Hall of Fame in a hybrid ceremony. Many joined by Livestream and several of the inductees and their immediate families attended in person. While the hope had been to have a completely live celebration, the event was still a huge success with nearly 250 alumni, parents, staff, coaches, religious and friends in attendance. Stories, memories and highlights of each of the inductees were shared and enjoyed by all.

The Marist Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 2019 to recognize Marist athletes, teams, coaches, administrators or supporters, who excelled in their respective sport or roles and who helped bring honor, recognition, distinction and excellence to Marist and the community by their conduct both on and off the field of competition.



Marist president David Welch welcomes the attendees to the event.



Fr. John Kerns '77, whose father Dr. Thomas A. Kerns † was inducted this year, leads the opening prayer for the ceremony.



Long-time supporter of Marist athletics and past Marist parent, Mike Whitney, hosts the 2021 Athletic Hall of Fame ceremony for the second time.



Former Marist teacher and wrestling coach Jack Olson stands with 2020 Inductee Bill Nugent '78 as he receives his award from David Welch.



Bill Nugent '78, his wife Jennifer and their children.



Larry Nugent '74 accepts his award with a pre-recorded address.



Steve Killgore, a good friend of inductee Bernie Conklin '69 †, tells some touching stories about Bernie.



Stephanie Conklin '02, daughter of Bernie Conklin '69 †, accepts the award for her father who passed away in 2018.



Will Kerns '74 accepts an award for his father, Dr. Thomas A. Kerns †. Dr. Kerns was a football team doctor in the 70s and a much admired community member.



Will Kerns '74, wearing his dad's letterman jacket that still had smelling salts and a roster from the 70s in the pocket, tells stories about his dad's time as the football team doctor.



Bob Lilley '74 and Will Kerns '74 enjoy the evening of memories.



Casey (Evans) Carlson '00 stands with her parents and her four-year Marist volleyball coach Shari Pimental in front of the Marist fountain before the Hall of Fame ceremony.



Casey (Evans) Carlson '00 accepts her award for her many accomplishments and honors in volleyball and basketball while at Marist.



Long-time girls basketball coach Terry Lande delivers an impassioned tribute to the many athletes and fellow coaches with whom he had the pleasure of working.



Members of the 1996 Girls Basketball Team: Tara (Meyers) Castleberry '97, Andrea (Sieg) Jones '96, Hillary Elms '96, Terry Lande, Teal Horsman '97, Kelly (Harbert) Goodsell '96 and Holly (Hoffman) Ratzlaff '96.



Basketball players and coaches from the teams who combined to win 100 straight games in the Sky-Em League gather together for a photo. The winning streak began in the 1996-97 season and continued to the 2002-03 season.



Stephanie Singer '03 speaks for the 50 women who, combined, won over 100 straight league games — a storied piece of Marist athletic history.

Visit athletics.marisths.org/hall-of-fame to see more photos, view a recording of the event or to nominate an inductee for the Athletic Hall of Fame!

Marist Foundation

July 1, 2020 — June 30, 2021

2021-22 FOUNDATION BOARD



Front Row: Jerry Harper, Megan McMahon '02, Cathleen Karcher, Beth Over, Kate (Bohrer) Harvey '98, Mark Giustina '99, Tracie Gonyea and Nancy Kiesewetter. **Back Row:** David Welch, Brad Copeland, Jeff Kast '91, John Garnsey, Marcus Whittaker '88, Pat Eagen and Jerry Rouleau.

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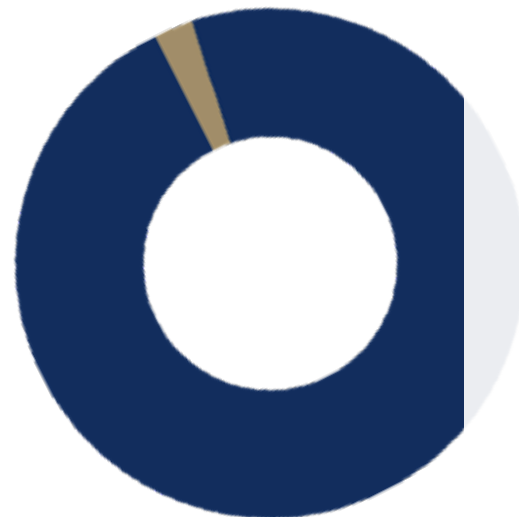
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Marist Foundation Gifts*

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

● Restricted Donations (Endowment Scholarships)	\$	119,019
● Unrestricted Donations.....	\$	3,010
Total Gifts	\$	122,029

Assets as of June 30, 2021 \$ 4,270,048

Scholarship Distribution \$ 132,250

*Pending completion of Financial Review by Jones & Roth PC

Endowed Scholarships

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

- Advancing Marist Scholarship
- Diane G. Andersen Memorial Scholarship
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Thank You

The Marist Foundation Board would like to acknowledge the commitment and service of outgoing member, Jon Anderson, whose term ended in June.



Jon Anderson, parent of Drew Anderson '14; Foundation member for nine years, with three as the Board President; co-chair of the 2013 *Advancing Marist* capital campaign; member of the Legacy Society; leader, supporter and advisor.

Marist is grateful for his many years of service.
Thank you, Jon!

Every Gift Tells A Story

"Hi! My name is Ava Eklund. I graduated in 2021 and I am currently studying kinesiology at Oregon State University! My Marist education meant so much to me and I can't imagine my life without those amazing four years. Marist brought so much into my life: friends that are now my family, a great education that well prepared me for college, teachers that I can trust, and a community that I knew always had my back! I wouldn't take back a single second from my high school time!"

-Ava Eklund '21

A planned gift is a meaningful way to impact future generations and leave a legacy. Join these members of the Legacy Society at maristfoundation.org

Jon & Terri Anderson	Cory Howard '99
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Magnhild "Sue" Gallagher †	Ben Salm '77
Vicky Hanson	Jack Tucker '68



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Patrick Wagner Memorial Scholarship



The Patrick Wagner Memorial Scholarship will help make a Marist education possible for future Spartans that have financial need and demonstrate a passion for the sciences. Established to honor Pat and the undeniable impact he left on Marist, we are grateful to the following donors who have made this scholarship a reality.

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Six Ways You Can Support the Marist Foundation



- 1 Make a gift online to The FUND for Marist**
- 2 Give a gift in memory of, or to honor, a loved one**
- 3 Endow a NEW scholarship fund (\$25,000 minimum)**
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NUMBERS TELL A STORY OF INFINITE GOOD

Cory Howard '99 plans for future Marist students

By Rebecca Larson



Cory Howard '99

One (no pun intended) would expect to talk about numbers when visiting with Cory Howard '99. After all, numbers are his life, whether it's his profession or his passion.

Cory is a Certified Financial Planner, CFP® with Merrill Lynch in Bend who not only uses numbers in his job but has also racked up a different set of numbers: the miles biked, hiked, and skied along the trails and peaks of Central Oregon and beyond (including Japan). Some of the mountain ranges are so remote they can only be reached by helicopter.

"It's called heli-touring. We get dropped off on a secluded summit, ski down, and then put 'skins' on our skis, climb back up several thousand vertical feet, ski down again, climb again, repeat until the helicopter picks

us back up at the end of an exhausting day," said Cory. "We" refers to his wife, Caroline, an emergency room physician in Bend who he met when Caroline was rock climbing at Smith Rock.

Avalanches are a very real threat in heli-touring, but Cory is prepared for the "what ifs." Both he and Caroline are avalanche certified so they know how to mitigate the risks. If an avalanche occurs, they are wearing boots with GPS positioning, avalanche beacons and special avalanche backpacks. This backpack is like a parachute — pull the ripcord and a big balloon inflates which floats the skier on top of the snow. "You'd still likely break something, but it increases your chances of survival by 50%," said Cory.

Planning for the "what if" is part of Cory's fundamental operating mode. While it is not pleasant to think about one's demise or decline due to aging or illness, it's part of his life and work and Cory encourages people to have a plan in place. "It can happen sooner than we would prefer," he said, citing clients in their 40s and 50s who have met with an accidental death or succumbed to a disease.

And, being a Financial Planner, it's also not surprising that Cory would have planned for Marist, making provisions in his trust for an endowed scholarship. "Given my career, it's very

important to me to have a plan in place which addresses my family's estate planning goals. For my wife Caroline and me, our estate plan is heavily tilted towards philanthropic efforts which reflect our core values. We both share a strong desire to support charitable organizations that contributed to our personal growth; therefore, we have committed to leaving a meaningful gift to the Marist Foundation."

"Creating opportunities for economically disadvantaged teenagers to attend Marist is something that very much resonates with me as I firmly believe bringing together people from different socioeconomic backgrounds enriches the educational experience for all students."

When Cory was a Marist student, his dream was to play with the National Hockey League and he actually did get to play NCAA hockey in Minnesota. But after suffering a substantial injury, he realized that he was not destined for the NHL. He had always gravitated towards finance, mathematics and economics, so he changed course and finished up his undergraduate degree at the University of Oregon's Lundquist College of Business in 2003. He also completed his graduate studies in Financial Planning at Boston University.

Marist had prepared him well. "The curriculum at Marist was high volume and fast-paced," recalled Cory.



Co-captains for the varsity football team, Joe Copley '99, Cort Brazelton '99, Cory Howard '99 and J.P. Mischkot '99 lead their team at state in the Fall of 1998.

"This preparatory process instilled the discipline and time management skills I needed to successfully navigate college academics."

Cory stays connected with his Marist friends. "The lifetime friendships built during our four years together as

teammates continue to create a host of new memories as we all age," he said.

He attended the Class of 1999's reunion at Marist a few summers ago and recounts that one of his most vivid memories from high school is still that of the state semifinal game in Portland his senior year with his "football family." Though the Spartans didn't win that back-and-forth battle, they "went out in style with an innovative tackle spread trick play."

Cory will be back on campus again next spring to watch his niece, Tessa Woodrum '22 cross the stage with her friends and classmates. Cory's foresight and generosity in joining Marist's Legacy Society will mean



Tessa Woodrum '22 and her uncle Cory Howard '99 tour colleges this summer.

that scholarships will be granted in his name to countless future Marist students who will also get to walk across that graduation stage.

Though uncounted as yet, that's going to be a wonderful number and do an infinite amount of good. ☩



Beloved Fall Traditions Return to Marist



With the student body gathered in the courtyard, freshmen girls take their turn kissing the M.

This fall has seen the long-awaited return of several beloved Marist traditions.

In September, new members of the Marist community, including both the freshman and sophomore classes, took part in the Kissing of the M ceremony for the first time in two years.

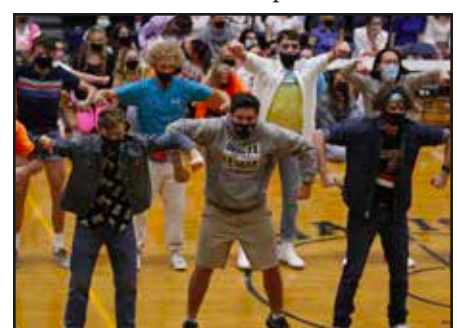
At the end of the traditional Welcome Week, Mass of the Holy Spirit was the first indoor all-school Mass since the Ash Wednesday Mass in February of



Ryan Cary '22

2020. At the end of Mass, student body president Ryan Cary read a letter of wisdom, guidance and support written by the class of 2021 to the incoming freshmen.

October saw the excitement of Homecoming Week through a return of the Class Dance Competition on



The seniors compete in the Homecoming Class Dance Competition.

Thursday afternoon. Each grade competed for the winning bragging rights by performing uniquely-crafted dances. All four classes showed up with high participation and great dances, but the seniors' energy couldn't be beat for the first-place performance. The sophomores came in a close second, juniors were third and the freshmen were fourth.



The 2021 Homecoming Court.

The student section was loud and energetic for the Homecoming football game, showing their school spirit for both the team and for the announcement of the Homecoming Court at halftime. Brit Dannen '22 and Elli Clark '22 were crowned the Homecoming King and Queen.

After over a year of quarantine, students were excited to dress up and gather for the 2021 Homecoming Dance that was set up under heated tents between the Activity Center and main gym. Students had fun dancing to the DJ's lively music.

Welcome New Staff!



Sheela Hadjivassiliou joins the World Language Department teaching both Spanish and French. She previously taught at the University of Oregon and is currently working on finishing her PhD. This is her first time teaching high school and she feels honored to have the opportunity to introduce students to the love of language and to help them look outside of their own cultures and experiences.



Alice Meyers has joined the Theology Department, teaching Sacraments and Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Studies to juniors and seniors. This past summer Alice and her family moved to Eugene from Sonoma County, California. This is her 22nd year of teaching and 40th year in Catholic education as either a student or teacher.



Jo Montoya is a new addition to our Theology and Health & PE Departments teaching Paschal Mystery, Ecclesiology and health to sophomores. Jo joins us after teaching theology in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles for 15 years. Her son Brooks is a senior and daughter Sophia is a freshman. In her free time she enjoys running, reading and spending time in nature.



Maclain O'Leary '16 returns to Marist as our Campus Safety and Attendance Monitor. Maclain is currently pursuing a master's in secondary education and hopes to teach English at the high school level. Outside of work he enjoys reading, playing golf and watching movies.



McCall Sherrod joins the Art Department as the new drawing, painting and sculpture teacher. Previously she worked at Agnes Stewart Middle School in Springfield. McCall was All-American in the steeplechase at California State University, Chico and now helps coach cross country.

Genesis Supports Students Over the Summer



Students from Genesis take a group photo on their last day together this past summer.

This summer, over 80 local grade school children attended the Genesis Summer Reading Academy at Marist. Genesis is an educational program that serves McKinney-Vento and Title 1 students from Bethel, 4J and Springfield.

With an instructional staff of 20, plus over 50 Marist student volunteers, the program offers 1:1 reading support along with art, music, yoga and other enrichment activities for students during the six weeks they are on campus. "It was great to see students so happy to be back in school," said Marist English teacher Bill Ferrari, the program administrator.

Thank you Father Theo



Fr. Theo Lange

After four years of service at Marist, Fr. Theo Lange has been reassigned by the Archdiocese to allow him to focus on his parish work at St. Catherine of Sienna in Veneta, minister to the Carmelite Sisters, and provide sacramental assistance in our area while continuing to live a life of prayer and service.

Fr. Theo's deep faith, love of the Church and sense of humor will be missed by Marist. Thank you, Fr. Theo, for all you have given to Marist and our community. You have reminded us how Catholic education guides us to become the best version of ourselves, alive in God's love.

Mia Michel '22 Named Commended Scholar



Interim principal Andy Oldham and Mia Michel '22.

This fall, senior Mia Michel was recognized as a Commended Scholar by the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program for her academic excellence and promise. She was one of nearly two million high school students across the country who took the 2020 PSAT/NMSQT last spring to qualify for entry into the National Merit competition.

Fall Sports Round-Up



The girls cross country team celebrates their Sky-Em District Meet team win on Oct. 28.

The girls cross country team won the Sky-Em League District Championships held at Lane Community College on Oct. 28, earning the team of seven girls a trip to the 4A State Meet on Nov. 6.

Senior Jennifer Tsai placed second overall and fellow seniors Emilie Nelson and Alina Niggli, an international student from France, followed closely in fourth and fifth. Juniors Reeve Helvoigt and Greenly Robinson and senior Ellie Clark rounded out the team scoring with three more finishes in the top 13. The boys team finished in third place at the district meet. Their top finisher was junior Kellen Crammer who finished in ninth overall.



Madison Fuller '22 takes control of the ball at a home game in September.

The No. 6 girls soccer team finished their season undefeated in the Sky-Em league (8-0) and an overall record of 12-1-2. They open up their OSAA 4A state playoff run on Nov. 2 with a first round state game against the Sisters Outlaws.



Ty DePaoli '22 leads his team onto the field for their last home game of the regular season.

The varsity football team finished their regular league season with only one loss to the top-ranked Marshfield Pirates. The Spartans, themselves ranked No. 7 in the 4A OSAA standings, now move on to play the Baker Bulldogs in a first-round playoff game on Nov. 6. Marist's overall record is 7-2 with their only other loss coming from the No. 2 ranked Cascade Cougars.

The varsity volleyball team finished their season 3-7 in league and 6-13 overall. They beat Mollala in a OSAA play-in game on Oct. 26 which put them into the first round of the 4A state playoffs with a game against the No. 1 ranked Sisters Outlaws on Oct. 30, which they lost 0-3.

The boys soccer team finished their regular league season with a record of 5-4-1 and an overall record of 5-8-2. They lost to Tillamook in an OSAA play-in game on Oct. 29.

The co-ed water polo team finished their season with a record of 0-7. They celebrated their final game with a fun send-off for their three seniors.

ALUMNI NOTES

1960s



◀ **Mike O'Herron '67** and his wife Anne celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Bend on October 9, 2021. Their 1971 wedding party included best man **Gary Welch '67**, groomsmen **Tom Siebers '67** and bridesmaid **Terrie (Tremaine) Clemens '69**.

1980s



▲ **Murray Janisse '80**, commemorated the 20th anniversary of 9/11 in an unusual but significant way: he was the guardian for a whirlwind Honor Flight trip to Washington D.C. with his next-door neighbor, Gene Millen. Murray was motivated by wanting to make sure his friend, a 96-year old WWII Fire Controlman 3rd Class and fellow Navy service member, could make it to D.C. to visit the memorials dedicated to honoring our veterans. Murray helped Gene submit the computerized application and offered to accompany him on the trip. Gene's age put him at the top of the list, so he and Murray flew to D.C. on a Friday, participated in activities on a Saturday and were back in Redding by Sunday evening. But it was all worth it for the opportunity to visit our nation's capital and remember the sacrifices made by all our military and especially the tragic events of 9/11. "All the tall buildings had huge flags draped on them," Murray recalled. "And the Pentagon was draped in flags at the site of the strike. It was a humbling experience to be there." Murray, who served in the Navy as a Nuclear Reactor Operator Electronic Technician from 1982-89, is now a senior hydroelectric power plant operator for six dams in the northern California region.

1990s



▲ **Jessica (Lewis) Hibberd '95** and her husband Peter welcomed their second daughter, Sadie Elaine, in November 2020. Sadie joins big sister Elsie Amelia, who was born in November 2018. Jessica serves as the Associate Director of Student Success and Community Outreach in the College of Engineering and Computer Science at Florida Atlantic University and resides in Stuart, FL.



◀ **Tony James '96** was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army on May 1, 2021. He is currently serving as the Chief of Staff for the 4th Psychological Operations Group (Airborne) at Ft. Bragg, NC.

2000s



▲ **Kristen (Stacy) Mays '01** married Michael Mays on July 31, 2021. **Shannon (Stacy) Martin '04** was the maid of honor and Xander Mikilas (Class of 2035) was the ring bearer.



◀ **Michael '05 & Marisa (DeLuca) McCormick '07** had their second child, Quinn Julia on February 27, 2021. Big sister Cora loves her and is happy to have a playmate!



▲ **Nick Dibos '06** and his wife Kristine adopted daughter Keely Elizabeth who was born on October 1, 2021. She joins sister Sadie and big brothers Caleb and Jonah.



▲ **David '08 & Kayla (Braud) Berney '09** welcomed their daughter Dylan on August 15, 2021.



▲ **Brenna Stacy-Temple '09** married Stephen Stacy-Temple on October 30, 2020. **Caitlin (Delegato) Breitenstein '06** and **Jessica Stacy '05** were bridesmaids. The bride's parents are **John '79 & Julie (Free) Stacy '79**.

2010s



▲ **Jerry '11 & Madison (Hiday) Rouleau '11** welcomed baby daughter Remington on September 28, 2020. They are pictured on a trip to Disneyland for Remington's first birthday. They live in Cincinnati where Madison is a cardiac nurse and Jerry is in medical school. They will be moving to Colorado in June for Jerry's anesthesiology residency.

ALUMNI NOTES



▲ **Brent '12 & Julie (Grimes) Pollock '12** welcomed a baby boy, Beckham Wright Pollock on August 28, 2021.



▲ **Samantha (Kast) Porter '12** married Jonathan Porter on July 24, 2021 at St. Paul Catholic Church. **Danielle (Kast) Purdy '09** was the matron of honor and **Jessica (Kast) Rotter '10** was a bridesmaid. The bride's cousin **Angela Saraceno '07** and **Hannah Hughes '14** read at the ceremony.

REUNIONS

The following classes hope to schedule reunion events in the summer of 2022: St. Mary's Class of 1950; St. Francis Classes of 1957 and 1960. (Special thanks to alert reader **Bob Grant '50** for pointing out that the Class of 1950 are proud St. Mary's Gaeleans.)

The Classes of 1970 and 1971 are planning on celebrating their 50th reunions together in August 2022. Reunion organizers welcome your input: **Steve Andreason '71**, **Pat Brown '70** 1patrickbrown@gmail.com, **Lex (Bonzer) Schmidt '70** schmidtlex@aol.com or Tlmax58@gmail.com and **Jeremy Starr '71** jeremystarr@bhhsrep.com.

The Class of 2010 is planning a reunion/30th Birthday Bash for the Summer of 2022. Contact **Amanda (Ewing) Francois '10** amanda.ewing003@gmail.com if you would like to help plan or have questions. Stay tuned for more information!

**Are you planning a reunion?
Contact us at alumni@marisths.org**

REUNIONS

Class of 1961- 60 years



The Class of 1961 celebrates in July with a pizza party followed by their traditional Saturday picnic at the beautiful home of Mike '61 and Judy Rowe. They are pictured with a 1930 Ford Roadster pickup.

Class of 1980 - 41 years



The Class of 1980 celebrates (one year late) with Mass, dinner, a tour of the Marist campus and dancing in August.

Class of 1981- 40 years



The Class of 1981 celebrates at Billy Mac's in August. They were offered a tour of Marist the following day.

Class of 1990- 30 years



The Class of 1990 gathers on campus (one year late) after a weekend of celebrations in August.

Class of 2011- 10 years



The Class of 2011 along with faculty gather on campus this fall for their 10-year class reunion.



Calling all Gaels, Saints and Spartans!

One of our principal objectives of the Marist Magazine is to connect alumni, regardless of school or generation, with their classmates and friends and to foster a connection with today's Marist Catholic High School. We do this in a variety of ways including Alumni Notes, Reunions and In Memoriam coupled with stories and photos featuring current students, and events at Marist.

Together St. Mary's, St. Francis and Marist Catholic High Schools represent more than 100 years of Catholic education in Lane County. Today we work hard to maintain and grow an ever-changing database of more than 12,500 spanning more than 80 plus years from the early 1940s to 2021 — but to be effective, we need your help.

Please send us your most current contact info and encourage your classmates to do the same. And don't forget to update us with any changes in your life as we are always looking for alumni news and story ideas at alumni@marisths.org.

We Are One!

IN MEMORIAM



William Baker passed away on February 28, 2021. He taught Social Studies at Marist in the late 70's.

Barry Morris '71 passed away on March 1, 2021. His siblings are **Christopher Morris '68**, **Jonathan Morris '76**, **Paul Morris '78** and **Susan (Morris) Funk '83** and he was preceded in death by his brothers **David Morris '69** and **Richard Morris '74**.

Kathleen Maher passed away on March 17, 2021. Her husband is **Richard Maher '59**. Her children are **Michell (Maher) Prior '80**, **Brent Maher '84** and **Andrea Maher**. **Kelsey Maher '14** is her granddaughter.

IN MEMORIAM

Donald Mannila passed away on March 20, 2021. His grandson is **Jordan Gorman '15**.

Julie Collis passed away on April 5, 2021. Her grandson is **Jameson Collis '16**.

Lyle Houser passed away on April 16, 2021. His grandchildren are **Hayden Houser '09**, **Olivia Houser '12**, **Adam Houser '14** and **Anna Houser '16**.

Keith Franssen passed away on April 22, 2021. His father was **P. Marlin Franssen '51** who passed away in October 2021. His nieces and nephews are **Brennan Franssen '17**, **Olivia Franssen '17**, **Connor Franssen '18**, **Spencer Franssen '18** and **Lucas Franssen '22**.

Elisa Venier passed away on May 3, 2021. Her grandchildren are **Isabella Hardt '16** and **Joseph Hardt '19**.

Elizabeth (Callaghan) Miller '39 passed away on May 4, 2021. Her grandsons are **Evan Miller '06** and **Eric Miller '08**. Her granddaughter-in-law is **Sandy (Scott) McCown '01**.

Patricia Revell passed away on May 8, 2021. Her children are **Christine (Revell) Giuda '66**, **Mary Pat (Revell) Piazza '68**, **Robert Revell '69**, **John Revell '71**, **Mark Revell '73**, **Anne (Revell) Schilling '74**, **Dan Revell '77** and **Laura (Revell) Bailey '78**. **Eric Revell '08** is her grandson.

Don Murray passed away on May 11, 2021. Don was a faithful supporter of Marist, sharing generously of his time, talent and treasure over the years as a consultant, Foundation Board member and auction co-chair. His children are **Julie (Murray) Fulton '88**, **Sean Murray '89** and **Kevin Murray '99**. **Max Fulton '18** is his grandson.

Ann Holvey passed away on May 17, 2021. Her brother-in-law is **Lyle Thomas '64**. Her children include **Chris Holvey '78**, **Georgia (Holvey) Saraceno '79**, **Cissy (Holvey) Kast '80**, **Joe Holvey '81**, **Mark Holvey '83** and **Robert Holvey '84**. Her grandchildren are **Maryrose (Saraceno) Schiedler '02**, **Sheri Snook '03**, **Anthony Saraceno '05**, **Angela Saraceno '07**, **Danielle (Kast) Purdy '09**, **Marcus Saraceno '09**, **Jessica (Kast) Rotter '10**, **Samantha (Kast) Porter '13** and **Steven Holvey '17**. She was preceded in death by her granddaughter **Amanda Snook '01**. **John Holvey '80** is her nephew.

Carlo Barbisan '55 passed away on May 29, 2021. His siblings are **Joann (Barbisan) Savage '55** and **Gino Barbisan '57** and he was preceded in death by his brother **Bruno Barbisan '58**. His children are **Jeff Barbisan '76**, **Tony Barbisan '79** and **Gina (Barbisan) Crowder '80** and his nephews are **Gerald Barbisan '79** and **Nick Barbisan '80**.

Virginia Helbling passed away on June 3, 2021. Her daughter-in-law is **Anie (Makyadath) Helbling '92** and her grandchildren are **Ryan Helbling '16**, **Lincy Helbling '17**, **Susmitha Helbling '17** and **Emmerine Helbling '20**.

Robert (Bob) Wellnitz '58 passed away on June 19, 2021. His brother is **Tom Wellnitz '63** and his sister is **Bette Jo (Wellnitz) Savini '67**.

Madeline (Coghlan) Nelsen '65 passed away on June 19, 2021. She was preceded in death by her father **Francis Coghlan '24**. **Carlo '52** & **Evelyn (Coghlan) Pedron '53** are her brother-in-law and sister.

Jo Courtemanche passed away on July 2, 2021. **Jack Courtemanche '18** is her grandson.

Br. Sumner Herrick, FMS passed away on July 10, 2021. Br. Sumner served at Marist from 1990-2003 as an administrator, guidance counselor and director of the Marist Volunteer Program.

Bruce Coldren passed away on July 12, 2021. His children are **Jamie (Coldren) Ayers '99** and **Ryan Coldren '04**.

Eugene Ficek passed away on July 13, 2021. His daughter is **Carrie Ficek '82** and his son and daughter-in-law are **Chad Ficek '86** & **Leticia (Konyn) Ficek '88**. His grandchildren are **Cade Ficek, Elle Ficek '19** and **Will Ficek '22**.

Michael Atkinson '56 passed away on July 18, 2021. His siblings are **Sharon (Atkinson) Hurst '57**, **Trudie Atkinson '57**, **Lorna (Atkinson) Pletnikoff '66**, **Paul Atkinson '70** and Timothy Atkinson. His children are **Richard Atkinson '83**, **Martin Atkinson '85**, **Michele Stowell '87**, **Sara Nickel '90** and **Anna Atkinson '94**.

Elizabeth (Holmes) Ayer '77 passed away July 24, 2021. She was preceded in death by her mother, **Frances (Longacre) Holmes '53**. Her siblings include **Leonard (Mike) Holmes '78**, **Patrick Holmes '80** and **Barbara Holmes '84**.

IN MEMORIAM

Robert DuPriest Jr. passed away on August 2, 2021. His children are **Matthew DuPriest '93**, **Elizabeth DuPriest '97** and **Aimee (DuPriest) Callender '98**.

Thomas Moreland passed away on August 4, 2021. His children are **Kara (Moreland) Ulrich '78**, **Laura (Moreland) McPhee '82** and **Thomas Moreland '87** and he was preceded in death by his daughter **Andrea (Moreland) McGowan '80**.

Gena Sullivan passed away on August 10, 2015 and Rolly Sullivan passed away on August 27, 2021. Their granddaughter is **Jordan Brinkmeyer '10**.

Marlys Craig passed away on August 28, 2021. Her children are **Suzanne (Craig) Stores '72**, **Jim Craig**, **Karlin (Craig) Conklin '75**, **Kathy Osborn**, **Joe Craig**, **Kristen Olmos** and **Kelly Flores**. Her grandson is **Nick Olmos '17**.

Coreen (Devereaux) Planck '83 passed away on September 4, 2021. **Richard Devereaux '85** is her brother.

Kathy Yocum passed away on September 30, 2021. Kathy worked and taught at Marist for over 30 years. Her children are **Jennifer Yocum '82** and **Dennis Yocum '84**.

P. Marlin Franssen '51 passed away on October 2, 2021. His grandchildren are **Brennan Franssen '17**, **Olivia Franssen '17**, **Connor Franssen '18**, **Spencer Franssen '18** and **Lucas Franssen '22**.

CORRECTIONS

The editorial staff apologizes for omitting Dean Hummel's† year. He was a member of the Class of 1978. Also, please note that Janie Polen's† name was inadvertently misspelled. We apologize for the errors.

Remembering Loved Ones

If you know of an alumnus, family of an alumnus or friend of Marist who is in need of prayers due to the passing of a loved one, please let us help. Email us at alumni@marisths.org.

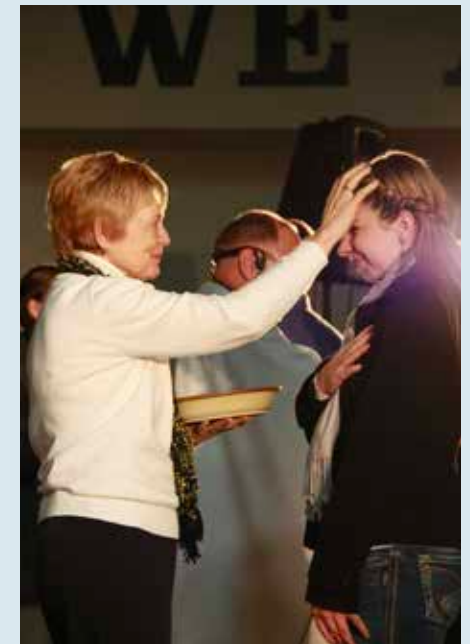
Although care has been taken to ensure the accuracy, completeness and reliability of the information provided, we sometimes make mistakes. If any information in this publication is inaccurate, please let us know at alumni@marisths.org.

KATHLEEN ANTOINETTE (KURT) YOCUM

JULY 10, 1944 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2021



Kathy Yocum, beloved mother, wife, mentor, friend and English teacher passed away in September of 2021. She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Jim Yocum.



Shakespeare once observed that “all the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players.” What he didn't know was that Kathy Yocum would steal the show with her quick humor, her adventurous spirit and her authentic faithfulness.

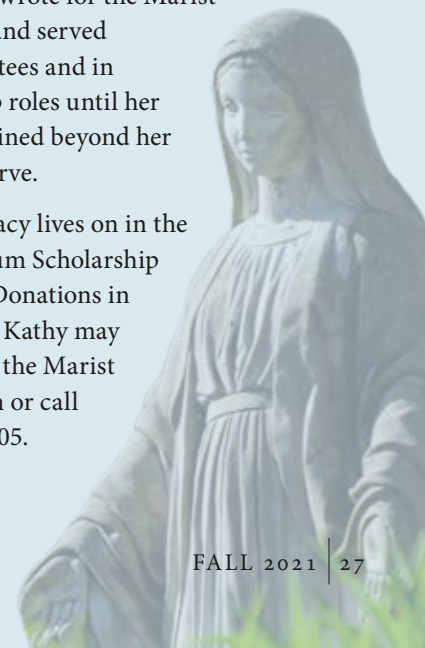
Kathy (Mrs. Yocum to more than three decades of students at Marist Catholic High School) was a favorite teacher who loved to have fun and managed to be both playful and strict at the same time. She was at her best when using skits to engage students— encouraging them to think like actors using costumes, make-up, props and theatrics. She could draw out the quietest of students and bring them to life on the “stage” in room 401. She understood that students learn while laughing, and Kathy's laugh was contagious. Her classroom was a place of excitement and purpose where students found a place to learn and grow.

Kathy's true passion was teaching Shakespeare, and her creativity found an outlet at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival where she led workshops for other teachers. Although she was a serious scholar, she was also the first to explain the “colorful” language of the Elizabethan Era. Every year Kathy took a busload of seniors on the “Ashland Trip” to share her love of live theater. Well aware of the potential for teenage shenanigans, Kathy was known to have slept on the floor in the hotel hallway to make sure everyone stayed in their rooms after lights out.

One of the most important roles Kathy played at Marist was that of a spiritual mother in light of her real and deep devotion to Mary. As one of the early laypersons on staff in the days of the Marist Brothers and the Sisters of the Holy Names, she led many Women's Encounters and helped design and lead the senior Metanoia retreat. She was a frequent confirmation sponsor and led adult discipleship groups, continuing her prayer life through her last days.

After leaving the classroom, Kathy edited and wrote for the Marist Magazine and served on committees and in mentorship roles until her health declined beyond her desire to serve.

Kathy's legacy lives on in the Kathy Yocum Scholarship at Marist. Donations in memory of Kathy may be made to the Marist Foundation or call 541-284-7505.





Kelley (Olsen) Kline '80 answers *five* questions in *five* minutes

There are a lot of alumni connections with Kelley (Olsen) Kline '80. Kelley is the daughter of St. Mary alumnus Ronnie Olsen '50 and St. Francis alumna Mary (Laharty) Olsen '54; niece of St. Mary alumna Phyllis (Olsen) Grieg '47; sister to Marist alums Michael '77 and Jeffrey '81; mother of Tucker '10 and Katie '11. She is a volunteer on the Marist Core Team and recently organized her class reunion. Kelley took some time with us to answer five questions and give five pieces of advice to future Spartan alumni.

You are an accomplished professional at the UO. What did you want to be when you "grew up"?

When I was young, I wanted to be a PE teacher or a news anchor. I did not choose my present career, it just happened. I work in Advancement at the UO, and I love it. Marist prepared me for what I do today through service to others, team building, cultivating relationships and mentoring. I'm grateful to have had that experience.

Marist is noted for rigorous academics, thoughtful retreats, leadership service opportunities and fun athletics and activities. What resonated most with you?

Oh, there are so many things. I loved my high school experience. The Junior Girls Encounter was incredible. I have fond memories of being up at St. Benedict's Lodge with many of my classmates (girls only) ... probably a good thing. It was an opportunity to spend a lot of time just getting to know one another. You don't always have time to connect with everyone during the school day because you all have different activities, but everyone is in the exact same moment when you're up at St. Benedict's. The food is superb, the atmosphere is unique, and it's just an incredibly peaceful time. I also have fond memories of all the sporting events. I loved Brother Ronald, the track coach. He worked so hard with all of us, and he went above and beyond to make each of us be the best we could be. He was very inspiring and motivating. I still have the book he had me read, "Psycho-Cybernetics." All his hard work paid off because we won the state championship for girls track and field. Also, our girls volleyball team won first in the state our senior year. Our coach, Karen Brothers, was incredible — she endured a lot. The boys basketball team won state in 1979 at Mac Court — which was a big deal. Those were fun times for sure.

You and seven women alums regularly pray together. How did that get started?

We used to meet in person monthly at St. Paul's to say the rosary. But when COVID-19 hit, and we were all confined to our homes, we started to meet weekly via Zoom. It gave us a chance to check in with each other and see how our families were doing and what was needed. Most of us were trying to navigate our parents' needs, our kids, neighbors and jobs.

It seemed like every time we met, the list of demands for prayers got longer! It has been so nice to know that we will meet every Tuesday and that we are there for each other, especially during the pandemic.

What was the best thing about your 40-year reunion?

The best thing was seeing everybody and getting together after such a long time. We had an excellent class! Our last reunion was 11 years ago. It was remarkable to reconnect with so many classmates after a trying 18 months of COVID-19. We had to cancel the reunion in 2020, so it was nice that we could have it in 2021. We almost had to cancel it a second time when the Delta variant caused the numbers to spike up. It was nice to honor and remember several of our classmates that we have lost over the years. All in all, I think it was a memorable weekend.

What advice would you give to today's students?

- 1 Don't be afraid to share your faith.
- 2 Cherish your friendships; they will last forever.
- 3 Don't think you have to know what you want to do or be. Take your time.
- 4 Don't worry about what other people think. They are too busy worrying about what other people are thinking of them. (That was my dad's advice.)
- 5 Be grateful for every day.



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Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER

- 17 Fall Music Concert
- 20-22 Fall Women's Encounter

DECEMBER

- 4-5 Sophomore Girls Journey Retreat
- 9, 10 & 12 Theatre Club Presents "The Imaginary Invalid"

JANUARY

- 8 Preview Marist
- 14-16 Senior Metanoia
- 28-30 Senior Metanoia
- 31 Start of Catholic Schools Week

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 Sophomore Boys Journey Retreat
- 12-14 Winter Men's Encounter
- 18-20 Senior Metanoia
- 26-28 Winter Women's Encounter

MARCH

- 2 Ash Wednesday
- 16 Winter Music Concert

APRIL

- 9 Spartan Pageant