

# HURRICANE

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#### **Our Vision**

Peregrini via Veritatis
"Pilgrims on the Way of Truth"

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**159** students graduated from Marian Central in 2019

\$609,282 in athletic scholarships awarded

**98%** of graduates moved on to college or the military

\$23,935,553 in academic scholarships awarded





### Marian Central's 2019 Salutatorian and Valedictorian

Joseph Noonan, Salutatorian attending Michigan State University Gabrielle McKenna, Valedictorian attending the University of Notre Dame

# A LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT



Welcome and thank you for your relationship with Marian Central Catholic High School. For the 2019-20 school year, we are continuing with our vocation to work together with our families to give our students the greatest chance for a successful educational experience that includes a faith filled spiritual journey. Please join with us in prayer as we anticipate the upcoming school year and we begin our walk through the hallowed halls of Marian embracing the hand of our Holy Mother.

I am blessed and honored to be the new Assistant Superintendent of Marian Central. My wife and I live in Williams Bay, Wisconsin and we have four children (two are recent Marian Alum and two currently attend Marian). I have a B.S. in Counseling Deaf and Hearing Impaired Children, a M.S. in Counseling Education and a M.A. in Education Administration. I have spent 15 years as a child and family therapist and the past 18 years as a Catholic School Principal.

It is truly an honor to be a part of the outstanding tradition and success that Marian Central has experienced over its long and prestigious history. While we all are grateful for the sacrifices it takes in choosing a Catholic education, we also are fully aware of the numerous benefits that a Catholic education holds at Marian. Our faculty and staff have successfully provided our students with the life-changing opportunities that are inherent in a Marian education. Our goals will always be to excite, encourage and inspire, and most importantly, foster a lasting relationship with Jesus Christ, all of which makes a Marian education invaluable.

Over the years, our graduates have made numerous impressive contributions in many fields of study. However, we are most proud of how our students consistently demonstrate the values they have learned. I encourage all our parents, pastors, business leaders and benefactors of Marian to join with us as we build on our great Catholic school tradition in a brand new era. Let us all learn at the feet of Jesus Christ and keep close to our hearts this year's Spiritual theme, "Christ Lives at Marian."

Sincerely,

Mike Shukis

#### LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/DEAN OF STUDENTS



It has most certainly been an exciting and busy transition as the newest member of the administrative team. I am truly grateful and blessed to be a part of the Marian learning community and I look forward to getting to know the staff, families, and students in the coming weeks and months. I am also grateful to be surrounded by such a dedicated team who strives to bring out the best in others.

Prior to joining the Marian family, I have served as an English teacher, assistant principal, principal, and superintendent. I took a one year sabbatical for the 2018/2019 school year to complete work towards my doctoral degree which I am hopeful to complete in the very near future. Joining the Marian Central Catholic High School represents an opportunity to align my education and experiences with my spiritual aspirations to serve others in the field of education.

A primary function of my position as the Assistant Principal/Dean of Students is to support students and staff in their journey and to ensure the safety and well being of all. This includes teaching, learning, attendance, and discipline. I strive to accomplish this through both professional and spiritual lenses that will enable me to see and bring out the very best in those whom I serve.

As an outsider coming in with an array of experiences, I am highly impressed with the Marian community. The dedication and commitment of families, staff, students, and administration is unparalleled. It is an honor to be a part of such a dynamic group and I look forward to a successful 2019/2020 school year.

Sincerely,

Toe Price

## **Welcome Back to Marian!**

We are proud to welcome back **Ephraim Lee '14** and **Megan Graf '12** as the newest members of our faculty.

Ephraim, who teaches math, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 2018, majoring in sociology and minoring in math. The teacher who influenced him the most during his years at Marian was Mr. Speaker. "He made calculus, a really tough subject, fun and enjoyable. He's the main reason I like teaching math."

Megan, who teaches science, graduated from South Dakota State University in 2016, majoring in animal science and minoring in chemistry, biology, and animal health. The teachers that influenced her the most during her time at Marian were Mrs. Liles, Mr. Malek, Mrs. Cetera, and Mrs. Hansen. "I am incredibly honored to begin my teaching career at Marian. High school was such an influential time in my life, and it's amazing that I get the privilege to call several of my former teachers my colleagues."



# Achievement in **STEM Education**

#### Steve Liggett'87

Steve Liggett, who has taught math and engineering at Marian for 15 years, received the 2019 Aerospace Education Teacher of the Year Award sponsored by the Air Force Association. Principal Debra Novy nominated Mr. Liggett, as she thought he would be a great candidate for the award due to an increased interest in the STEM curriculum (science, technology, engineering, and math), specifically among female students.

The application for the award outlined his accomplishments and achievements in support of STEM and the impact of these activities on students.

"I was shocked and honored to receive this award," Steve said. "When I first received it, I was completely speechless, and it was not until later that I understood what I received."

Liggett uses many hands-on STEM projects in two levels of engineering classes. He often takes his students to local elementary schools to work with their students on engineering activities to spark their interest in STEM. He is currently collaborating with other departments to build Marian's STREAM program, which adds religion and art.



"If we want a nation where our future leaders, neighbors, and workers have the ability to understand and solve some of the complex challenges of today and tomorrow, and to meet the demands of the dynamic and evolving workforce, building students' skills, content knowledge, and fluency in STEM fields is essential."

-U.S. Department of Education





Darren Fortin began his football career at Marian as a linebacker, calling defensive plays on the Hurricanes' first of four Class 2A state championship teams back in 1983. He graduated from Marian in 1984 and played at Villanova as a long snapper and backup linebacker. Over the past 30 years, Fortin has coached at every level under head coaches Steve Patton, Dave Proffitt, Ed Brucker, and Mike Maloney. Until now, head coach has been the only spot Darren hasn't held. "It's the only position I haven't held here in 30 years," Fortin said to his players. "So maybe it was due. I've learned from everyone: college coaches and coaches I worked with here. I'm looking forward to learning from you guys, and I'll expect a lot of input from you guys."

"He's been loyal to Marian Central," Athletic Director Coach Price stated. "As long as I've been involved with Marian Central, he's the one constant in our football program. It's long overdue. He earned his stripes, and it's his time. Everything worked out perfectly for Darren and for us. It's great having someone here who played out on that field and walked the hallways here."

The players were excited about the choice for their new coach. "He's been around here a long time. He knows a lot about the game of football," senior running back Luke Rogers said. "He's been a

mentor to me ever since freshman year. He's one of the best coaches I've ever had. He has a way of relating to kids that I haven't seen in other coaches. It definitely helps with teaching and bringing me up to the next level."

"I love how he pushes us to be our best at whatever we do," senior Jayden Thiergood said. "He's someone I look up to and always thought I could talk to during practice, after practice, and during film sessions. We have a great relationship."

Darren said he hopes to pass on some of the life lessons his coach, Don Penza, taught him. Coach Penza took the Hurricanes to state titles in 1983, 1986, and 1987. Darren uses one of the coaching philosophies from the legendary coach. Under Coach Penza, the Hurricanes' quarterbacks called the offensive plays, and the defensive captains called the defense. Darren definitely wants his players to have input.

Darren told the players, "[Penza] taught us how to be men, how to make our own decisions. When we get together and make a game plan, everyone's going to have a say-so. You're going to set your own goals. We will make sure you get every support you need to reach or surpass those goals. My job is to push you past those goals."

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### **Clot Catcher Wins First Place!**

On May 9, 2019, four student groups presented their innovative products or services to a panel of judges during Final Pitch Night at Marian Central. In INCubatoredu, this entrepreneurial and business-innovation class, students develop an idea and attempt to gain investment funds in a "Shark Tank" style presentation. Judges for this year's event included Tom Kaczmarek, Tim Pascente, Gary Rabine, and **Vic Narusis** '79.

The first of four teams included **Sophie Burda '19**, **Sean Piedmonte '19**, Philip Szpicki, and **Steve Tarzian '19**. Guided by mentor Michaelene Mikus, they proposed the Alpine Spirit Shop, which consisted of Marian lanyards and cell phone cases.

The second team included Ryan Jones, **Charlie Koscinski '19**, Shaun Nayahangan, and Sanfan Ridhirong. They proposed Cord Buddies, guided by mentor **John Wember '87**, which introduced electronic cord protectors with the Marian logo.

The third team, the runner-up, included Nate Bucci, Mark Holian '19, Ryan Saxelby, Max Ray, and Seth Trewyn '19. They proposed Fit Plug, guided by mentor Nick Bucci '87, a website that matched individuals with their own specialized fitness trainer.

The winning team included Nick Domek, Maaz Haque, Celine Rafie, and Aidan Seaver. Guided by **Mike Domek '87**, they proposed Clot Catcher, a cell phone app used to assist people who take blood thinners.

Students met with a variety of local businesses for advice. Two representatives came to the class to share their expertise: **Andy Hartlieb '85** of American Community Bank and Jim Taege of On-Target Sales.



Mentor Mike Domek '87, Maaz Haque, Celine Rafie, Nick Domek, and Aidan Seaver

"The students did extremely well with their presentations at Pitch Night. Their presentation skills were fine-tuned, and their products were very innovative."

Kaitlin Bordeaux '09 Marian Central's Director of Admissions and Development

# **Andrew "A.J." Harrison**

Andrew returned home on leave after graduating from The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School in Charlottesville, Virginia. "Serving as a judge advocate is the union of my two passions: serving and practicing law," he said. "I am able to use my talents in the way they are most useful to the nation."

For Andrew, the path to the army has been filled with twists and turns, but ultimately, "God's plan," he said.



2004

A.J. had many positive influences in his life, especially at Marian. He became involved in many activities run by Dr. Glenn Pinnau, who is also a United States Army veteran. Dr. Pinnau was in charge of several activities that piqued A.J.'s interest, including Scholastic Bowl, JSA (Junior States of America), and Model United Nations. Those experiences fueled his love of civics, politics, and history.

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Though both of A.J.'s grandfathers served in the United States navy, and despite the fact that Dr. Pinnau's military background directed the way he ran his courses and extracurricular activities, A.J. didn't immediately feel called to join the military. He attended George Washington University in Washington, D.C., to study political science.

After graduation, he thought about joining the military and began training in the hopes of joining the Marine Corps. During training, he injured his ankle and was unable to finish.

He returned home to recover from his injury and spent time in various jobs, including working as a karate instructor, a police officer, and physical education and religion teacher at St. Mary's of Woodstock. He then decided to attend law school.

He earned a full-ride scholarship to Penn State University's Dickinson School of Law, where he found himself in the company of several members of the United States Army Judge Advocate General Corps.

During the summer between his second and third year, A.J. interned at the 18th Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg in North Carolina. He graduated from law school in 2017, and on January 11, 2018, he took the oath of office. A.J. became a part of the United States Army JAG Corps on May 3, 2018. This is the oldest law firm in the nation, founded by George Washington on July 29, 1775. Their motto is, "Soldier First, Lawyer Always." The highly selective and competitive corps is responsible for offering legal support on military bases around the world.

On May 18, 2018, A.J. began his career as an administrative law attorney for the Staff Judge Advocate in the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum in New York, and remains on active duty serving our nation as a soldier and lawyer.



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# **Avery Carlson**

Avery first noticed a severely burned quarter horse, Lippizan and Hanoverian cross, on a Facebook page featuring kill pen horses in Oklahoma. She knew very little about the horse, except that she wanted to rescue her and give her a chance.

"She came from a kill pen, so we don't know much about her," Carlson said. "The closest thing we know is someone saw her go through an auction in Nevada and Missouri. The source of her burns could have been a wildfire, fertilizer, electrocution, or abuse. It's estimated that she's anywhere from 12 to 14 years old. She's coming from the unknown."

At an auction to buy horses for slaughter, Emma was on display looking very thin and badly burned on most of her right side, including her leg, back and hips. This was in March of 2017.

At the start of Emma's rehab, Avery and her father, Jim Carlson, a veterinarian DVM (Doctor of Veterinary Medicine), CVA (Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist), and CVTP (Certified Veterinary Tui-na Practitioner), applied a cream used by humans for the burns, as well as cold laser treatments, to dry up inflammation and wounds. They also worked with Emma on pain management. She began to heal after one year, was broke-in for riding, and was taught to trot and canter.

"Medically, her burns are about as good as they're going to get," Avery said. "When she came here, she had a lot of pain. The people that had her prior to us did their best, but she was still in a lot of pain. She had some severe third-degree burns that hurt the muscle. The medical part wasn't too challenging, but when we got her, she was kind of spoiled. They pitied her, and I would, too. She had no boundaries. We had to do a lot of retraining and groundwork. I kept telling her, 'You're a horse, not a human. You have to behave like a horse'."

On August 6, 2019, Avery was voted the Most Valuable Person on the Planet (MVPP) for her work from Steve Cochran on WGN news.

Avery knew that Emma was smart and needed to be challenged. She started training her to compete. Emma took home a blue ribbon at her first horse show, Pepper's Legacy Horse, in Harvard.

"We've come a long way, but she still has diva moments," Avery said. "She has a little diva personality, and she's set in her ways. I think that's actually how she survived this whole ordeal. She's very strong. If she were another horse, she wouldn't have made it."

Avery has done 20 rehabilitations so far, including a mixture of mini and full-size horses, as well as some ponies. The Carlson family takes them in, assesses them, and determines the best path of treatment. Their medical needs are addressed first and once they are healthy, it is determined what "kind" of horse they are. Will the horse be good with kids? Is it a jumping horse? Is it a barn and pasture horse only? Could it be a therapy horse? The Carlsons have placed 15 horses, and Emma is one of three rescues currently under their care.

Avery is currently attending McHenry County College for general education. Her intention is to continue on to pharmacy school and eventually, attend veterinary school.

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For more information regarding Avery's work, please visit her Facebook page: www.facebook.com/carlsonshadypines

#### **ALUMNI: CLASS NOTES**

#### **CLASS OF 1962**

CONSTANCE (FAGAN) LAWRENCE of Summerfield, FL, served in the United States Navy from 1963 to 1966. She is retired from the Boeing Company where she was an executive assistant to the vice president of international business for twenty-two years. She currently volunteers through her church; Celebrate Recovery brings Constance to the women's prison once a week to teach inmates how to change their way of life for their future.

JAMES KENDRIGAN of Houston, TX, retired in 2016. He and his wife, Pat, spend their summers in Colorado enjoying the mountain air with their three dogs: Gipper, Bridget, and Loki. James also enjoys running, road biking, golf, but mostly hiking with Pat. They make annual fall trips to Notre Dame and also enjoy taking cruise trips each year. They have been blessed with good health, two adopted children, and rewarding careers.

#### **CLASS OF 1963**

**ALAN JACOBSON** of Grayslake, IL, is enjoying retired life.

#### **CLASS OF 1976**

DR. MARIANNE E. MAY of Palm
Beach Gardens, FL, is a retired college
professor and the vice president of student
development at Palm Beach Atlantic
University. She played volleyball under
Coach Bob Hoffman while attending
Marian and, because of his influence,
made coaching volleyball a part of her life.
Marianne owns a volleyball training
business. Her two daughters take part in
the business as well. Both daughters play
beach volleyball at Florida State University.

MARIAN CATHOLIC CLASS OF 1969 celebrated their 50th high school reunion at McHenry Country Club in McHenry, Illinois, on August 17, 2019.



Front Row (L to R): Pam (Gorski) O'Neill, Jan (Brown) Gummerson, Brian Gourley, Brian McCafferty, Bonnie (McNalis) Andresen. Maureen (Brendel) Motroni, Catherine (Poblocki) Plath; Second Row (L to R): Tim Conway, Laurie (Murphy) Freund-Dina, Mark Riedl, Mary Martin, Cathy (Orso) Abreu, Celeste (Gosser) Welch, Genevieve (Obenauf) Freix, Kathy (McConnell) Peters, Darlette (Freund) Parsons, Claudia (Loy) Larsen; Third Row (L to R): Kent Cooney, Barb (Amore) Williams, Jill P. (Stegmaier) Lappin, Kathy (Kelahan) McLay, Donna (Waldoch) Sears, Sue (Frederick) Mundorff, Mary Richards, Debbie (Smith) Weber, Karen DeWane, Kathi (Young) Carpenter, Chuck Leucht; Fourth Row (L to R): Al Helfert, Pat McAndrews, Patty (Pitzen) May, Mary Ann (Bell) Dickman, Kathy (Strain) Cole, Barb (Cummings) Finn, Karen (Kelly) Conway; Fifth Row (L to R): Scott Bourbon, Tom Clark, Mark Gallagher, Jerry Smith, Frank Cacci, John Donahue, Ella (Pratt) Russel, Tina (Thelen) Wilson, Mary Ann (Peacock) Connley, Nancy (Polizzi) Corcoran, Bill Jackson; Top Row (L to R): Bob Ruggero, Harvey Reitinger, Marty Conway, Pete Klocek, Bob Reed, Gary Schaefer, Tom Gilman, Jon Staehling, Bob Bird, Burke Romkowske, Tom O'Halleran, Jim Joosten.

MARIAN CATHOLIC CLASS OF 1999 celebrated their 20th high school reunion at D.C. Cobbs in Woodstock, Illinois, on October 5, 2019.



Pictured (L to R): Adam Dean, Tom Neese, John Florek, Kevin Stark, Scott Rooney, Sarah (Majkrzak) Fontana, Monica (Pollack) Cambron, Emily Niedzwiedzki, Tim Huinker, Dave Dale, Matt Lindgren, Mike Micheli, Brad Powers, Erin Moore, Luke Frantz, Caroline Loizzo, Eric Hernandez, Nick Lazzaro, Josh Nobilio, Kevin Ivers, Jeff Neuzil, Jessica (Skozek) Escondo, Dan Neumann, John O'Neill, PJ Merkel, Kristin (Barney) Gustafson, Mike Bashore, Dan Kusek, Ryan Breen, Kara (Oeffling) Murren, Jill (Knoll) Ducey, Molly (Affield) Liska, Val (Powers) Roxworthy, Sean Ducey, Shannon (Hehn) Lampe, Emma (Williams) Cole, Mary (Kearney) Shoemaker.

#### **CLASS OF 1979**

**ROB BUSSEY** of Chicago, IL, is an international sales manager at Global Experience Specialists.

#### **CLASS OF 1980**

SANDY (NEUMANN) BLIESENER of Kalamazoo, MI, is president and owner of O'Boyle, Cowell, Blalock & Associates, Inc. This is a nationally-recognized, award-winning landscape architecture firm, based in southwest Michigan.

#### **CLASS OF 1982**

**DIANNE (GRIFFIN) SHUTE** of Crystal Lake, IL, is continuing in her 33rd year as a middle school math teacher at District 47.

#### **CLASS OF 1984**

KIMBERLY (KUPER) STRIKE of Racine, WI, is a coordinator of Doctoral Studies and Professor of Education. Kimberly earned the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award in 2019.

#### **CLASS OF 1990**

MARK HATTAS of Naperville, IL, is a creator of programs for personal development and performance. Over the past four years, he has been developing programs to help people live their optimal life. These programs can be found at beatitudespractice.com, journeysdream.org, and optimalbeing.live.

#### **CLASS OF 1993**

**DOUGLAS WHITE** of Grayslake, IL, is a director of engineering at Greengard, Inc.

#### **CLASS OF 2000**

**ADAM HENDLE** of Inglewood, CA, recently helped grow the startup company, Famebit, and is now the founder of a men's personal care brand.

#### **CLASS OF 2002**

**STEPHEN ROBERTSON** of Durham, NC, is a product marketing manager for LED products.

#### **CLASS OF 2004**

**LIV (PEDERSEN) GERRINGER** of Brooklyn, NY, is a creative director in advertising. Some of her work includes T.V. commercials for Pepto Bismol, Vicks, and United Airlines.

ANDREW RIPLINGER of Novato, CA, Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of State, is currently posted in Islamabad, Pakistan, and previously served at the U.S. Embassy in Canberra, Australia, and at the U.S. Consulate General in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

# **DR. KAITLIN STEFFENHAGEN** of Mesa, AZ, graduated residency with a specialty in OB/GYN from Inspira Health Network in Vineland, New Jersey. She works for a private practice in

works for a private practic Gilbert, Arizona.

#### **CLASS OF 2006**

AMY (RAK) BAILEY of Colorado Springs, CO, is a health and wellness coach.

#### ALUMNI: CLASS NOTES continued

#### **CLASS OF 2006**

**SARAH (CARRUTHERS) SCRACE** of South Bend, IN, is an associate director of law and graduate business annual giving at University of Notre Dame.

**BREANA WHALEN** of Mount Prospect, IL, is a communications manager at Navistar.

#### **CLASS OF 2007**

**ERIN RUCKOLDT** of Milwaukee, WI, is the digital client specialist at WISN-12, an ABC affiliated station.

#### **CLASS OF 2008**

**JEREME WELCH** of Muskego, WI, is a firefighter/EMT.

#### **CLASS OF 2009**

**TAYLOR (MYERS) BRODHAGEN** of Cedar Springs, MI, is a project operations manager.

**JENNIFER EINECKER** of Elgin, IL, is an inside sales representative at Weber Flavors.

#### **CLASS OF 2010**

#### ELIZABETH (DICKER) WEIGEL

of Baudette, MN, is an associate scientist II-marketed product support at ANI Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

#### **CLASS OF 2011**

**KEN SALVI** of Iowa City, IA, is an elementary school educator.

GRACE (McDONOUGH) WOITALLA of Duluth, MN, is a director of faith formation/youth minister for St. Benedict Catholic Church and a director of catechesis for the Diocese of Duluth.

#### **CLASS OF 2012**

CONSTANCE (MELCHIONNA) BINDERNAGEL of Fort Meyers, FL, is a fourth year medical student at Kansas City University, in the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine/Masters of Business Administration dual degree program. Constance will be entering a pediatric residency in 2020.

KATIE SIMMONS of Chicago, IL, graduated from Georgia Southern University with her master's degree in communication sciences and disorders. Katie is a speech-language pathologist with the Chicago Charter Schools.

#### **CLASS OF 2013**

#### CAITLIN (BROCKER) WINDSOR

of St. Louis, MO, is a senior associate scientist at Pfizer Pharmaceutical Company.

#### **CLASS OF 2015**

HANNAH O'HAGAN of McHenry, IL, graduated with honors from Creighton University with a Bachelor of Science in chemistry. She received the 2019 Spirit of Creighton award, which is the university's highest student honor. Hannah was a member of the Honors Program, a Dean's Fellow, and an avid researcher through the Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship. Her research has taken her to Peru, where she studied water quality in an area just south of Lima. She has also participated in service at ILAC with OneWorld Community Health Centers and the Women's Center for Advocacy.

JORDAN PETERSON of Crystal Lake, IL, graduated from St. Ambrose University with a Bachelor of Science in biology. He is engaged to EMILY HERFF'16.

NICK REMKE of Marengo, IL, graduated in the top 15 of his class from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He was awarded best student athlete and best chemistry award from Pfizer.

### In Prayerful Memory of...

ERIC MALAKER '79, May 4, 2019

LISA (PLUNKETT) CONLON '84, April 11, 2019, mother of Ryan Conlon '21

GREGORY CARLSTEDT '01, July 11, 2019

KYLE McCOY'13, September 11, 2019

LeANN GOLEMBIEWSKI, July 6, 2019, mother of Alexander Golembiewski '18 and Jenna Golembiewski '21

JAY SHIRMAN, August 29, 2019, father of Andrew Shirman '06 and Sara Shirman '08

#### WEDDINGS

#### **CLASS OF 2006**

AMY RAK of Colorado Springs, CO, married Storm Bailey on June 7, 2019, in Littleton, Colorado.



#### **CLASS OF 2009**

KRISTEN THERENS of Wauconda, IL, married Sean Flanagan on April 23, 2019, at The Chapel of the Holy Cross in Sedona, Arizona. They married on her grandparents' 64th wedding anniversary.



#### **CLASS OF 2010**

**KAITLYN FLYNN** of Montrose, IA, married Kalvyn Bentler on June 15, 2019, in Houghton, Iowa.



**MARLEY SHERWOOD** of Seattle, WA, married Christopher Gierl on May 24, 2019, in Nashville, Tennessee.



#### **CLASS OF 2012**

**CONSTANCE MELCHIONNA** of Fort Meyers, FL, married Richard Bindernagel on March 23, 2019, in Fort Meyers, Florida.



#### **CLASS OF 2013**

**CAITLIN BROCKER** of St. Louis, MO, married Riley Windsor on June 8, 2019, in St. Louis, Missouri.



#### **BIRTHS**

#### **CLASS OF 1995**

MEGAN (KUSEK) WORKMAN of Aitkin, MN, and husband, Brett, welcomed Cohen Joseph on February 4, 2019. He joins siblings Bo, 21; Jack, 18; Hayden, 14; Luke, 11; and Finn, 3.

#### **CLASS OF 1999**

**KELLY (LANDERS) BRABEC** of Granger, IN, and husband, Travis, welcomed Garrett Thomas on November 12, 2018. He joins siblings Hailey, 4; and Connor, 2.

#### **CLASS OF 2002**

BRITTANY (WIKIERAK) COLLINS of Stillman Valley, IL, and husband, Dustin, welcomed Beau Eugene on May 1, 2019. Beau weighed 7 lb 6 oz and was 21 in. long. He joins siblings Kennedy Mae, 6; Owen Francis, 4; and Jordi Grace, 1.



#### **CLASS OF 2005**

KATHRYN (VALLE) PEDERSEN of Union, IL, and husband, Simon, welcomed Lochlan Simon on October 30, 2018. He joins big sister, Tenlee, 4.



#### **CLASS OF 2008**

CHRISTIE (BERNDT) CRUZ of Crystal Lake, IL, and husband, Efra, welcomed Bennett Mark on May 30, 2019. Bennett weighed 6 lb 12 oz and was 19 in. long. He joins big brother, Elliott.



# BRITTANY (HULL) SOLOMON of Algonquin, IL, and husband, Steven, welcomed Elizabeth Sara on July 31, 2019.

welcomed Elizabeth Sara on July 31, 201 Elizabeth weighed 7 lb 6.5 oz and was 20 in. long.



JEREME WELCH of Muskego, WI, and wife, Lauren, welcomed Lucas Christopher on June 17, 2019. Christopher weighed 8 lb 8 oz and was 20.5 in. long.



KATIE (SHARP) WOLF of McHenry, IL, and husband, Bobby, welcomed Kendall Janet on April 22, 2019. Kendall was 6 lb 11 oz and 20 in. long. She joins big brother, Carter, 1. She is also welcomed by grandfather, TOM SHARP '81.



#### **CLASS OF 2009**

RYAN AND JESSICA (RICCHIUTO) BLACK of Huntley, IL, welcomed Beckham Ryan on July 7, 2019. Beckham weighed 7 lb 2 oz and was 20 in. long.



CAITLYN (MAKSYMIAK) McCLURE of Wonder Lake, IL, and husband, Ben, welcomed Ella Grace on March 28, 2019.

She joins big brother, Leo.



### **ANNUAL GOLF OUTING 2019**









On June 3, 2019, Bull Valley Golf Club graciously hosted our 47th Annual Golf Outing. The outing included 83 golfers, consisting of alumni, faculty, staff, parents, and friends. After the outing, the golfers socialized in the clubhouse and enjoyed food in the formal dining room. The golf outing raised over \$29,000 for the Marian Central athletic program.



1 John Derer, Aaron Bonnes '05, Kevin Smith, and Kevin Lydon;
2 Carrie Curie-Ross and Megan Graf '12;
3 Chris Helms, Tom Sweetwood, Lance Shelton, and Chris Sroczynski; 4 Jennifer Hopp and Marrilou Huemann;
5 Brad Skiba, John Schwalbach, Charlie Wegener, and Mike Milanovich; 6 Dan Dreher, Athletic Director Curtis Price, Patrick Brunken, and John Anton





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I felt the Lord calling me to propose this as our theme for the year when I was praying in the chapel this summer. To me, the theme says so much in just four words. It says what the central truth is that Christians have lived by for 2,000 years. It says that Jesus, though crucified, now lives. It says that He is therefore not just any ordinary man, but is truly the Christ, the Messiah, the Lord. It says that in Christ, God is truly present in our lives in a personal and particular way. It says that He is here in every nook and cranny of this campus. He is with us in the lab, on the field, and on the stage. And wherever Christ is, there is hope, there is love, there is forgiveness, there is salvation. Though we might have days when we don't feel like it, though it might sometimes feel like He

is hiding, by faith we can be certain: "At Marian, Christ lives!"

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