

# The Shield



Spring/Summer 2021

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HIGH SCHOOL







Be it known to all who enter here that Jesus Christ is the reason for this school. He is the model of its faculty and the inspiration of its students.

### A word from our Principal...

We did it! We officially made it through the entire academic school year with in person instruction amidst a world wide pandemic. While many schools struggled with the many challenges of virtual instruction, our faculty and staff stepped up and kept our students safe and healthy, while engaging them in as close to normal of a setting as we possibly could. The cover photo of this publication says it all- THANK YOU, SACRED HEART! Many thanks to our families, students, and all of our supporters who weathered the storm with us, whether it was last minute schedule changes, limited seating at events, wearing masks, taking temperatures, or yes, even getting sent home to quarantine for a bit. The grace that was shown by our entire school community was amazing and reinforces all over again just how fortunate we are to be a part of this community.

In spite of all of the challenges, Sacred Heart is the proud recipient of 3 new State Championship Trophies. This year we won State Girls' Tennis, State 2-Speaker Debate, and State Men's Golf (for the 6th time in a row for those who are counting!)

We are already looking forward to our 2021-2022 school year, which will start on August 18th. We have several new families joining us this next year, and we are looking forward to a little more normalcy.

Thank you all for your on-going support of Sacred Heart, and we hope to see you at some of our activities and events this year!

Sincerely,

John Krajicek

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## Sacred Heart Junior Senior High School Mission Statement

To educate the whole person—spirit, mind and body—in Christian values in accordance with our Catholic faith tradition.

Sacred Heart is committed to providing a value-based environment that is conducive to the individual's spiritual, academic, social and physical growth. We seek to prepare students for servant leadership in community, world, and church.





# Report from the Round Table:

Conrad Jon Salas was born February 18, 2021 to Cedric '15 and Chloe Salas. Conrad was born at 9:16 PM and was 7 lbs and 19 1/2 inches long.



On April 24, 2021, Zoe Woolsoncroft '15 married Jaden Miller at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina with Archbishop Paul S. Coakley officiating.

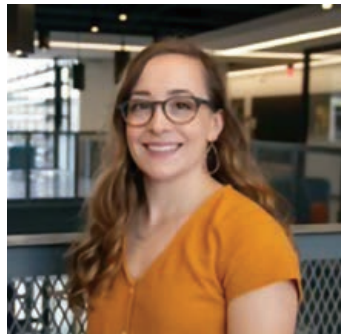


On May 27th in Jacksonville, FL, Gabrielle Diederich '17 broke the Notre Dame school javelin record with a personal best throw of 47.52 meters!



Everett George Richards, son of Tate '14 and Hillary (Williams) Richards '13, was born on April 24, 2020, He was 7lbs, 14oz - 19 inches long. He joins big brother Henry Douglas.

Paige Simpson, a graphic design student from Salina, won the logo contest for the Center for Empowering Victims of Gender-based Violence (CEGVV) – and the \$300 first-place prize that went along with it. This logo will be used to represent the center in all official documents and communication tools.



communications companies in the world. Leo Burnett conducts portfolio reviews of FHSU students each year. Simpson won a scholarship for the top junior portfolio last year, then won the overall portfolio competition this year as well.

Callum Grevas '15 and Jacey Goetz '16 were engaged on November 28, 2020.



We want to hear from you! Please send your success stories so that we can share them in an upcoming issue! [rthompson@sacredheartknights.org](mailto:rthompson@sacredheartknights.org).





The Sacred Heart S.A.F.E. (Seatbelts are for Everyone,) chapter, along with the Salina Fire Department, Salina Police Department, Saline County Sheriff's Office, Kansas Highway Patrol, LifeSave Transport, and Ryan's Mortuary worked a simulated 2-vehicle DUI crash in the parking lot of Sacred Heart Jr/Sr High School. The goal of this drill is to show the seriousness of impaired and distracted driving to youth in the community. We would also like to thank Palmer Towing for donating the vehicles.



Culture Club Members



Mass to start off Silver Knight Day.



Advance Biology Field Trip to the KU Med Cadaver Lab. Alumni Justin McCartney, '15, a current student at KU Med, assisted with the tour.



School physicals- parent volunteers conducted



Alumni Chris Clark '80 returns as IT director and head Volleyball coach.



State 2A Forensics Runner up.



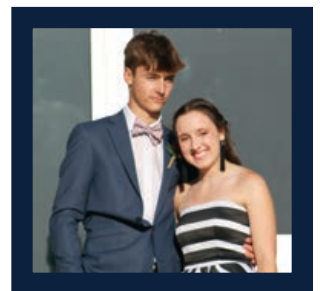
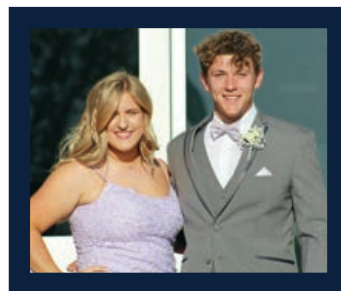
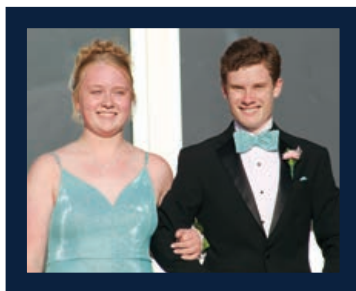
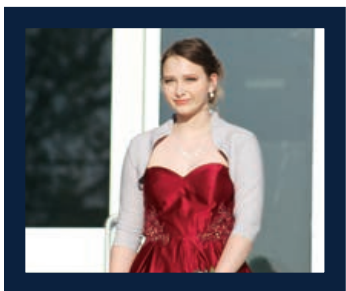
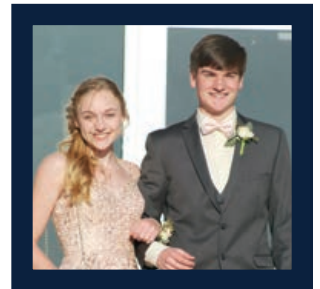
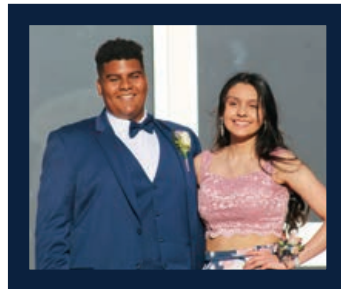
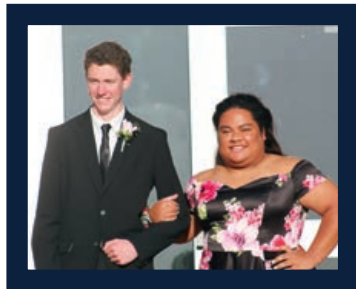
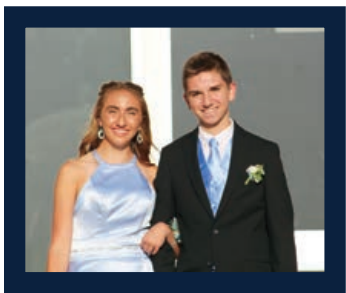
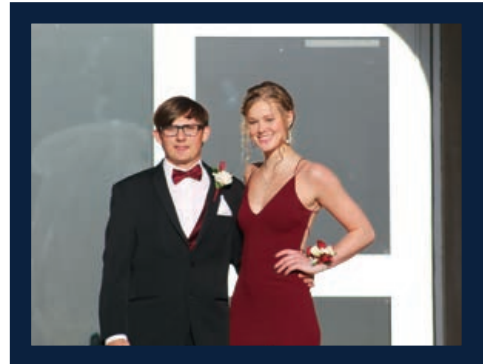
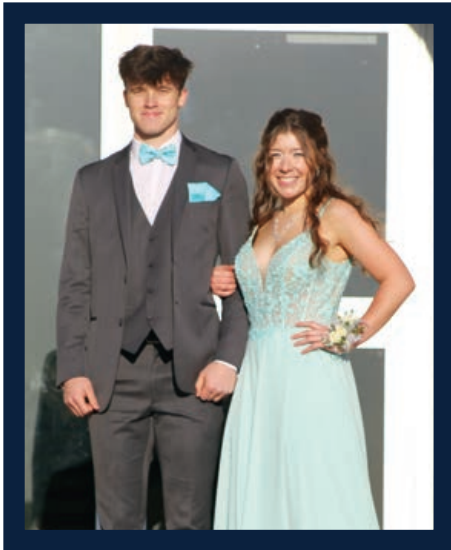
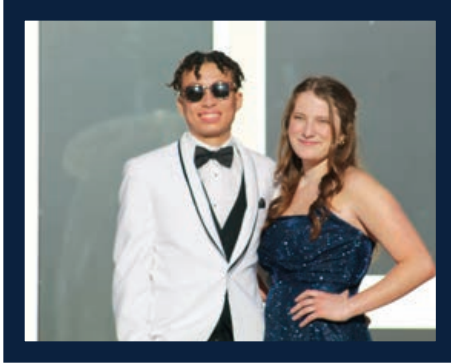
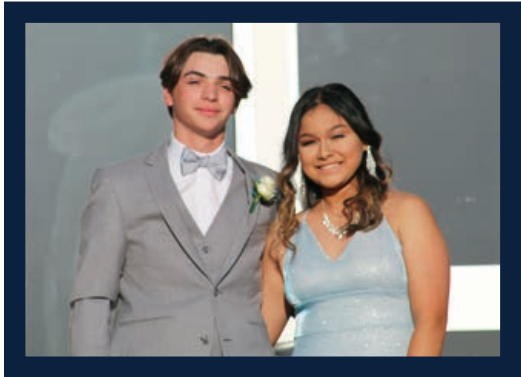
2 State Forensics Champions, Lilly Perrin and Nate Elmore.



The Sacred Heart Junior Class presents

*"A Night in Corona."*

(Corona is the fictional land where the movie "Rapunzel" takes place.)



## SACRED HEART TO ESTABLISH WALL OF FAME

Calling All Alumni And Families!

Did you know Sacred Heart has won 47 State Championships? This ranks 17 out of 450 High schools in the state of Kansas! In addition, we have many individual state champions as well.

To acknowledge these accomplishments, we would like to establish a "Wall of Fame" by posting photos of the championship teams and individual state champions on our soon to be Wall of Fame. We are looking at recognizing all KSHSAA sponsored activities on our wall including Athletics, Forensics, Debate, Scholars Bowl, etc. If you have any team photos of a state championship team, or of an individual state champion (action or still photo) please forward to Athletic Director Bryce Woodall at [bwoodall@sacredheartknights.org](mailto:bwoodall@sacredheartknights.org)

Thank you for your support, and  
GO KNIGHTS!!!



Thank you for your support of our 38th annual Sacred Heart Charity Auction- "The Roaring 20's"!

We had another successful auction and were able to raise over \$40,000 for our general operating budget.

We are all looking forward to 2022 when we can bring back the party and get everyone back together again!



Pictured above: Superintendent Geoff Andrews and wife, Valerie, and 2021 Auction Chairs, Steve and Angie Dorzweiler

## Annual Phone-a-thon!

Our Annual Phone-a-thon will be held again this November. Letters will be mailed in early November and you can expect a call later in the month. Thank you all for your kindness and willingness to speak with the students when they call. They really enjoy your stories and memories!



## Gone, but never forgotten...

**Donna M. Seifried**, Class of '61 passed away on Friday, June 11, 2021, She was a receptionist at Price Waterhouse Coopers, a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and a native of Salina, KS. She is survived by her husband William "Bill" Seifried of Jeffersonville, IN; sons Bryan W. Seifried (Tammy) of Jeffersonville, IN, Gregory P. Seifried (Shannon) of Jeffersonville, IN, Jeffery A. Seifried (Suzie) of Sellersburg, IN, and Douglas A. Seifried (Courtney) of Sellersburg, IN; daughter Lisa M. Kessinger (Brad) of Charlestown, IN; brothers Michael Walsh of Salina, KS, Robert Walsh of Concordia, KS, and David Walsh of Kansas City, KS; sisters Janice Rogers of Wichita, KS, and Jolene Gordine of Salina, KS; along with 11 grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents Donald and Rosemarie Walsh; brother Gary Walsh. A Funeral Mass was held on Thursday, June 17, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with burial to follow at Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

**Denise J. Garcia**, Class of '74, of Derby, KS, passed away November 30th 2020 in Wichita, KS. She was preceded in death by her parents (Melvin and Clara Bellerive) and in-laws (John and Edyth Garcia). Denise Garcia (Bellerive) was born in Salina, Kansas to Melvin and Clara Bellerive on January 10th 1956. Denise went to school at Sacred Heart High School in Salina, KS. She married Gary S Garcia on April 24th, 1976. Denise was a store manager in Salina, Kansas for Wonder Bread and was a teaching assistant for many years at Bartlett Elementary. During her lifetime, she enjoyed many things. Decorating her house for the different seasons, gardening, playing board games, working on home crafts, visiting the Parade of Homes, reading books and KU basketball. She also enjoyed going to antique shows and craft fairs. She was just a fun loving person. She will be dearly missed. Denise is survived by husband: Gary Garcia, children: Melanie (Tyler) and Jeremy, siblings: Iris (Dick), Mike (Stephanie), Sharon, Charlene (Ed), Brian (Teresa) and Janelle (Sean). Funeral services were held at 1pm Thursday, December 10th, 2020 at Smith Family Mortuary in Derby, KS, with burial following at Hill Crest Cemetery.



**Patrick C. Ziegler**, Class of '84, of Salina, passed away Monday, Dec. 28, 2020. He was born in Salina, November 18, 1965, to Clarence and Eileen Ziegler. Pat graduated from Sacred Heart High School and Kansas Wesleyan University. He worked at Menards in Salina. He is preceded in death by his parents; brother Michael; sister, Carla. He is survived by his siblings, Randy (B. Eileen) Ziegler, of Russellville, AR, Marian McNally, of Salina, Rosalind (Rick) Lewis of Wamego, Cindy Ziegler, John Ziegler, all of Salina; sister in law, Pamela, of Hutchinson; girlfriend, Robin Jar-



rett, Parsons, and many nieces and nephews. Pat loved KC Royals baseball and the KC Chiefs, live music of any kind, spending time outside, and a great steak. He was thoughtful, generous and kind, proud of his family and his hometown Salina. His favorite saying was "I gotta do everything!" And he would often outwork others around him. Pat had regained a new zest and appreciation for life after serious health problems earlier this year. He is very much loved and will be dearly missed.

**Linda K. Cox (Burns)**, Class of '67 was born August 18th, 1948 on a farm near Burdick, Kansas to Bob and Evelyn Burns and passed away, Wednesday, May 26th, 2021. Linda was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Dan; sister and brother-in-law, Georgia and Larry Conner; brother, Gene Burns. Survivors include her daughter, Dana Cox, of Bel Aire, Kansas; son, Rick Cox (Jennifer), of Hesston, Kansas and grandchildren, Shane Schoenhofer (Jena), Taylor Marcoux (Jonathan), Cameron Cox, Brady Cox, and Brett Cox; great granddaughter, Adeline; sisters, Lou Thompson (John) of Azle, Texas, Coleen Anderes (Lyle) and Dorothy Goodwin (Steve), of Salina, Kansas; and several nieces and nephews. Linda attended school in Burdick, Herington, and graduated from Sacred Heart High School in 1967. Linda graduated from Nursing School and was the head of the Rehab Unit at Bethany Home, worked the Rehab floor at Penn Campus and was a Red Cross Nurse. A Memorial Service was held at 2:00 PM, Thursday, June 3rd at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Salina, Kansas.



**Rosemary Frances Brooks (Byrne)**, Class of '67 passed away peacefully to be with our Lord on April 1, 2021 at Pikes Peak Hospice in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Rosemary was loved unconditionally by her family and her many faithful friends. Rosemary was born in Brooklyn New York July 12, 1949 and later moved with her family to Salina, Kansas. She graduated from the Business College of Salina and later became a certified chairside dental assistant. She was married on December 6th, 1980 to Robert Brooks of Chicago and they moved to Northern Illinois. While there Rosemary became a licensed cosmetologist and a prize winning competitive stylist. She further honed her cosmetic skills at the Westmore Academy in Hollywood, California all while making lifelong friends in DeKalb, Illinois. She relocated to Colorado Springs in 1993 and soon began a career as a transportation assistant at Academy School District 20 finally retiring in 2018. She made many rich friendships at the district and some of them learned that playing "Bunko" with a Brooklyn girl can be expensive. She was preceded in death by her father Philip Byrne and her mother Catherine (nee Bonfiglio) and her dear brother Philip Jr. She is survived by her steadfast and loving sister Denise Leal, her brother-in-law Raphael Leal, her nephew Adam, (Yvette) and niece Lyndsi Leal, (Israel); all of El Paso, Texas. She derived immea-





asurable joy from her great nephews and beautiful great nieces. Rosemary will be remembered for her truthful sense of humor, and for an innocent love that made all of us better souls.

**Patrick Jude O'Brien**, Class of '62, passed away Sunday, Feb. 7, 2021. Pat was born in Wamego, KS. Sept. 14, 1943, the son of Larry and Leona (Um-scheid) O'Brien. Pat graduated from Sacred Heart High School in 1962. He served in the US Army with a tour of service in Viet Nam. Pat retired from USD #305 custodial services. Survivors include his wife of 21 years, Tessa L. O'Brien and son, Lance Abrams, of the home; two brothers, Jim (Jo Ann), Harry (Norma), Salina and a sister, Jane (Robin) Spurrier, Wichita. Pat is preceded by his parents, brothers, Kip and John O'Brien, sisters, Anita Siegel and Judy Dandurand.

**Richard Dennis "Rich" Sheahon**, Class of '65, passed away Thursday, January 7, 2021, a day after his 74th birthday. Rich was born at Waconda Springs, KS, the eldest child to Dick and Jean Sheahon. Growing up, Rich lived in Damar and Salina, KS. He excelled in academics and athletics in high school at Sacred Heart in Salina. While attending Washburn University, Rich started working at a new restaurant named "Pizza Hut." His Pizza Hut career would take him from making pizza's in college to Vice President of Pizza Hut International. After his Pizza Hut career, Rich worked in the restaurant industry for many years, from opening his own restaurants, to building out franchises, to managing the supply chains for Midwest food service businesses. Rich met Julie in the 8th grade, and a lifelong love story began. Rich created a life with his family filled with love, optimism, joy, laughter, silliness, kindness, and many memorable road trips across the country to visit family. Rich and Julie would celebrate their 55th anniversary this year. They taught their daughters marriage takes work, but is worth it in the end. He loved all of his family unconditionally, beyond words. He truly was the best Husband, Dad, Son, Brother, Uncle Rich and Friend. He was our Hero. Our Champion. And he will be immensely missed. Preceded in death by his parents, Richard "Dick" and Arlene "Jean" (Pehowic) Sheahon; sister, Joan Wood. Survived by his wife, Julie Sheahon of Wichita; daughters, Heather (Mick) Whelan of Carl Junction, MO, Meredith (Aaron) Mansfield of Wichita; brothers, Jack (Anita) Sheahon of Salina, Mike Sheahon of Lawrence, Steve (Bonnie) Sheahon of Wichita; sister, Mary Pat (Jim) Weese of Salina; brother-in-law Terry Wood, Topeka, KS; grandchildren, Christopher Whelan, Catherine Whelan, Elliott Mansfield, Luke Mansfield; aunts, Audra (Herb) Henderson of Middletown, PA, Carol (Mark) Boyer of Leawood, KS; 15 nieces and nephews; 23 great-nieces and nephews; and a large extended family, and many lifelong friends.



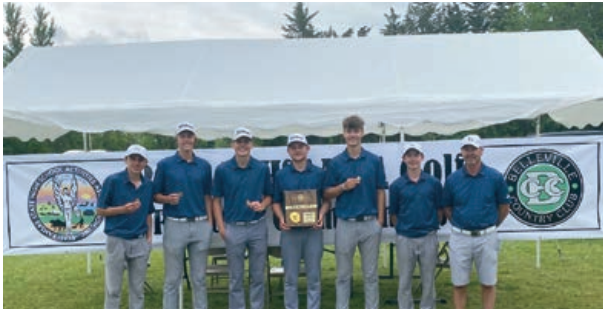
**Albert "Bert" Gagnon**, class of '68 passed away on January 26, 2021 in the presence of his family. Bert was born to Paul and Teresina (Romme) Gagnon on April 23, 1950 and raised in Salina, Kansas. Bert attended Sacred Heart School Grade and High School growing up where he played football and golf. He went on to attend the University of Kansas as well as Kansas Wesleyan University. After college, Bert worked for Famous Brands Distributors as a sales representative and regional manager for 38 years. He was a former board member for the Salvation Army Youth Football program, former member of his neighborhood association, former member of AMBUCS. Bert was married for 45 years to his wife Anne (Erickson). One of Bert's biggest joys in life were his sons. He coached them growing up in all the sports that they played and attended all their games and traveled to all the out-of-town tournaments. He played a large part in his sons lives. After retirement, Bert enjoyed his weekly workout classes at the YMCA and socializing with everyone. He enjoyed playing golf, watching the Chiefs play on Sundays, watching KU basketball whenever there was a game, and especially enjoyed traveling with his wife to see their sons whenever they could. Bert was a kind and caring person who had a great sense of humor and infectious personality. Bert is preceded in death by his parents Paul Gagnon and Teresina (Romme) Gagnon. He is survived by his wife Anne, his two sons Barrett Gagnon (Chandler, Arizona) and Jack Gagnon (Manhattan, Kansas), two sisters Jean (Dennis) Cooley of Gypsum, KS and Ruth (David) Summers of Salina, KS, three sister-in-laws: Jane Sellers of Salina, KS, Peggy (Joe) Stratton of St. Peter, MN, and Judy (Joe) Eulberg of Haymarket, VA, and many nieces and nephews.



**Gary Bradshaw**, class of '73, passed away on April 9, 2021 after fighting a 13 month battle with stage four pancreatic cancer. His family and his oncologist were in awe of his strength and resilience. He entered this world on December 30, 1954 in Lincoln, KS, born to Ernest and Cleta Bradshaw. He was one of fourteen children. In the early years of his life, his family moved quite a bit, but ultimately settled in Salina, KS. He made Baton Rouge his home in his late twenties. He is survived by his wife Dana S. Bradshaw; daughter Katherine (Kate) Bradshaw; stepdaughter Jessica Sanchez; step grandsons Lee and Luke; and son-in-law Jose Sanchez. In the final weeks of his life, he lived with his daughter, Kate, who he fondly referred to as Katie. He loved to laugh and he loved to make others laugh even more. He was an avid reader, a constant movie watcher and took great pride in his work in the construction industry. We will miss his love, humor and laughter until we meet again.



If you would like to submit an obituary for publication, please submit by email to [rthompson@sacredheartknights.org](mailto:rthompson@sacredheartknights.org).



2021 2A State Golf Champions!



2A State track Qualifiers



Virtual Forensics Tournament



National Honor Society Inductees



Lillian Perrin Signs her letter of Intent for tennis.



Gustavo Campa signs his letter of intent for football.



National Catholic Forensics Tournament



Annual 8th Grade Trip to Wichita





# Sacred Heart High School Class of 2021



Pictured above: back row l-r: Jacob Gormley, Jack Elmore, Kobe Douglas, Jared McCartney, Mason Richards, Caleb Gilliland, Gustavo Campa, Andrew Mosher, Joel Hennes, Luke Gaskill.

3rd Row: Jacob Wasserman, Teghan Slagle, Lauren Torrey, Emilee Everett, Jarrett McMillian, Kameron Shaw, Adelaide Easter, Olivia Motes.

2nd Row: Evelyn Mendez, Emily DeMars, Katherine Bergkamp, Kelsie Gack, Lillian Perrin, Caitlin Burr, Ella Gotti

Front Row: Emma Clouse, Morgan Newell, Roxanne Kaiser, Gisselle Flores-Martinez, Elizabeth Faerber, Isaac Martin, Marisol Banda, Sara Del Real

## Congratulations to the class of 2021!

On Sunday, May 16, 2021, Sacred Heart High School held its 110th Annual Commencement at Sacred Heart Cathedral with Bishop Gerald Vincke presiding at the Mass. Senior Class president, Jack Elmore, gave the class address.

This year's winners of the Sedes Sapientiae Award were Jack Elmore and Sara Del Real, and the John F. and Alfra J. Ritter Humanitarian Award went to Emily DeMars.

Congratulations to this amazing class, we can't wait to see what you accomplish!









In all that we do, give  
glory and honor to God.







35th Annual Bishop George K. Fitzsimons  
Alumni Gathering and  
Memorial Golf Tournament  
Thursday and Friday, July 8-9, 2021

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Charity Auction  
Saturday, March 26, 2021  
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### Reunion Announcement!

The classes of **1970 and 1971** will be holding a joint class reunion the weekend of October 1-2, 2021.

The full list of activities for the weekend has not been released, but there will be a tour of Sacred Heart Jr/Sr High School at 4:00 on Saturday, October 2nd, followed by Mass at St. Mary's at 5:00.

For more information, please contact Sheryl Maguire '70 (sheryl.maguire@gmail.com) or Mary McMurrer '71 (mcmurrer.mary@gmail.com).



The Class of '71 at their 45th reunion in 2016.

**Pictured back row l-r are:** Craig Lagerman, Tim Brungardt, Tom Pestinger, Leonard Schmitz

**Middle row:** Richard Koetting, Larry Colahan, Carl Urbanek, Ben Bradshaw, C.A. Ritter

**Front Row:** Doris Scheibmeier Hammeke, Larry Berry, Susie Easterday Cannon, Mary McMurrer, Joanne Pierce Holland, Richard Baltazor, Nancy Vann Pestinger, Debbie Hagmeier Wickersham

Planning a reunion? Please contact the development office at 785-825-4011 for class lists, contact information, and help scheduling tours of the school. We love to see you all and are happy to help in any way we can!



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