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## Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

### OUR MISSION

Regis Catholic Schools is dedicated to educating students of all faiths in a Catholic, Christ-centered environment. We are united by Our Core Values of *Living Faith*, *Accepting Responsibility*, *Promoting Teamwork*, *Achieving Excellence*, and *Inspiring Leadership*.

### OUR VISION

Inspired by our Catholic tradition, Regis Catholic Schools will provide the highest quality programs possible from early childhood through high school to nourish the body, mind, and soul of each student and to help them become faithful servants of Christ the King.





**What I will remember the most about the class of 2025 is the fundamental goodness that exists in this class.**

## Report

### From the Dean

When was the last time you took out the family “shoebox” of old photographs to reminisce over your youth? Every time a graduation occurs, there’s a natural tendency to look at the images of our own history. There’s something in the human heart that compels us to remember our sacred memory.

When I dig out my old images, I’m immediately filled with the good memories. I remember the small jazz band I was a part of in high school that was so trusted that we had access to the band room late into the night to practice. Yes, part of that practice was to achieve gold at the state solo & ensemble competition for the state of Wisconsin, which we achieved. Still, the memories that are strongest when I reflect with our yearbook picture are the friendships forged in that group. We never had a dream of our little band doing anything beyond high school. It was just a great excuse for friends to get together and have fun.

There are other memories I could recall from sports, theatre, assemblies, prom, homecoming, and other nostalgic moments that reawaken the faint echoes of our class’s cry, “Ninety-two, Ninety-two, Nine Nine Nine Nine Ninety-two!” The class of 1992 at Amherst, Wisconsin. We were a bold and brash bunch who loved our big hair, Guess jeans, jelly bracelets, rolled-up pant cuffs, New Kids on the Block, Boyz II Men, Joe Montana, Michael Jordan, Home Alone, Phantom of the Opera, and A Few Good Men. All of these memories from just paging through some old photos.

Members of the Regis High School graduating class of 2025 have begun their shoebox of memories they will be able to look back upon. Sitting in the Regis gym listening to the tandem speech of our Valedictorian Sydney Marx and Salutatorian Bernadette Falbo gave me a deep sense of pride and appreciation for this year’s class. As they recalled the sacred memory of their class’s journey from the innocence of grade school, the challenges we all faced with the COVID-19 shutdown, but also the resiliency they found to recapture and place in God’s hands made me think of my journey. Well done, ladies!

## Sacred Memories: Class of 2025

I could expound upon the many successes of this class. However, what I will remember the most about the class of 2025 is the fundamental goodness that exists in this class. I want to thank the Regis High School Class of 2025 for simply being who you are. Thank you for inspiring us. And thank you for inspiring me to be a better Priest.

Over this summer, I would encourage all of you to pull out your shoebox of memories and share them with your family. For my fellow graduates from the class of 1992, open your yearbooks with your children and show them your mullets, how many cans of Jolt soda you were able to put down in one sitting, and our obsession with bolt-hold hairspray to ensure that our sail-sized hairdos would stay firmly in place on a windy day.

Share with them the fear we felt when the first Gulf War in Iraq broke out. Tell them how “Generation X,” the generation that did not know war or tragedy to that point in our lives had to turn to our “boomer” parents in a new way to understand what war and national tragedy mean.

Share with them the story of your friends and the trouble we all got in (with some necessary parental edits) and how those friendships helped mold who you are. And finally, pray together. Pray for each other. Pray with each other. Pray in thanksgiving for the good things God has blessed you with. Pray for the struggles that made these years challenging at times. And, above all, when you close your shoebox of sacred memories, commit to love each other with a Christ-like love for years to come.

Sacred memories are a powerful thing. May the memories of the Regis High School Class of 2025 be remembered with great love and reverence. May they inspire all of us, with God’s grace, to continue to become the people God created us to be.

Fr. James Kurzynski  
Dean, Eau Claire Deanery





## Regis is embracing innovation while staying anchored in our Catholic identity.



### Report

### From the President

Dear Regis Community,

As we stand at the threshold of a new era, marked by rapid advancements in technology and the rise of artificial intelligence, I am filled with hope and conviction about the future of our Catholic school system. While the world around us evolves at unprecedented speed, our mission remains steadfast: to form young minds and hearts rooted in faith, virtue, and academic excellence.

Today's students will graduate into a world dramatically different from the one we knew. They will face challenges we can only begin to imagine—and opportunities that can transform our communities, our Church, and our world. It is our sacred responsibility to ensure they are prepared. Not just with skills and knowledge, but with character. Not only with the ability to navigate complex technology, but with the wisdom to use it for good.

Regis is embracing innovation while staying anchored in our Catholic identity. We are investing in next-generation learning tools, advanced STEM education, and artificial intelligence literacy. But these tools will never replace what is most essential: the values we instill in every child who walks through our doors—compassion, integrity, humility, courage, and a deep love for Christ.

We are preparing students not just for jobs, but for vocations. Not just for the workforce, but for lives of meaning, service, and moral leadership. In a time when the world desperately needs principled decision-makers and ethical trailblazers, Regis Catholic Schools is committed to the call.

None of this would be possible without you—our alumni, our families, and our generous benefactors. Your prayers, your support, and your belief in Catholic education sustain our mission and make this transformation possible.

Together, we are building a Catholic school system that is future-ready and faith-strong. A system where academic excellence and innovation flourish in

harmony with Gospel values. A system that forms not only thinkers and doers, but also saints and leaders.

Thank you for being a part of this journey. The future is bright—and by the grace of God, we are ready for it.

In Christ,

*Paul Pedersen*

Paul Pedersen '89  
President





## 2025 Faculty & Staff

### Appreciation Awards

#### Teacher of the Year

##### Genesis Child Development Center

**Meagan Krueger**  
(Missing From Photo)

Meagan not only teaches full-time, but was also a full-time student and recently graduated with her Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education. She has been a part of the Genesis Child Development Center team for the last two years. Meagan is committed to providing a positive and loving environment for our older infants.

Meagan's love for teaching is evident each day as she walks through the door. She has a special nurturing and calming demeanor that children respond to and parents trust. She provides many hands-on learning activities that are fun, creative, and encourage children to develop and grow. Meagan forms a strong bond with the children and families in her care, and we know she will continue to touch the hearts of many children in her future.

As a colleague, Meagan is dependable, flexible, and has an easy-going personality. She is respectful and a great person to work with. Meagan is a loyal employee and hard worker who will always help out wherever she is needed. We know that Meagan has a strong passion for working with young children, and we

are extremely proud and thankful to have her a part of our team.

##### Regis Child Development Center

**Emma Thurston**  
(Missing From Photo)

Emma has been a full-time teacher at the Regis Child Development Center for the last three years, most recently taking on the role of teacher in our 3 ½ year old classroom. She has done all of this while also being a full-time student. She has earned her Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education from the Chippewa Valley Technical College, and is currently pursuing her Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education from UW-Stout.

Emma's love for working with children is evident each day as she walks through the doors. She has made a significant contribution to the development and delivery of a high-quality early childhood program. She consistently exhibits a passion for teaching and fostering each child's love for learning. Her warm, gentle nature creates a wonderful environment for children to learn and grow. She has a knack for getting down to the child's level and calmly guiding them through the challenges of a 3-year-old's day, always with a smile on her face and a hug when needed. She is intentional in her teaching, adapting her technique to meet each child at their level of

development and to help them meet their individual goals.

As an employee, Emma is dependable, flexible, and takes great pride in her work. She has a positive energy that is contagious and shines through in her daily interactions with children, parents, staff, and administration. We know Emma has touched the lives of many of our children and families, and we couldn't be more happy and grateful to have her as a member of our team.

##### Immaculate Conception Elementary School

**Laura Hicks**

This year, Laura has stepped up to be a leader at Immaculate Conception Elementary School in many ways.

Laura is a representative on our accreditation team and continues to help our school go through the process of gathering evidence. Laura volunteers to be on extra planning committees for our school-wide events, aiding in coming up with creative ideas for all of our students. She also got the staff organized in a dance for the school talent show, which was a blast for the students.

Laura is a positive and reliable member of our staff. She is also helping the next generation of teachers by continuing to be a mentor to new staff and hosting student teachers in her classroom to



continue their education to become future teachers.

### **St. James Elementary School** **Kelly Wirz**

Kelly is an exceptional educator and team member. Her kindergarten classroom at St. James Elementary School is truly a special place, filled with love and an incredible amount of creativity. She brings such passion to her teaching, which is evident in everything she does.

Kelly is always dreaming up fun, imaginative, and engaging lessons that capture her students' curiosity and spark a genuine love for learning. Her ability to make even the simplest moments magical is admirable.

Her students grow, both academically and socially, under her care. She meets each child exactly where they are and helps them flourish, always creating a classroom culture where every student feels seen, valued, and celebrated. It's clear that her students not only learn a great deal, but also feel truly loved and supported every single day.

Kelly has a steady presence, generous spirit, and unwavering dedication. She's been nothing but kind, flexible, and eager to lend a hand whenever and wherever she's needed. Every child who walks through her classroom door is truly in the very best hands.

### **St. Mary's Elementary School** **Mera Hoeschen**

As our dedicated physical education teacher at St. Mary's Elementary School, Mera brings a remarkable combination of energy, leadership, and heart to everything she does. Her passion for student wellness and school spirit shines through in her daily work and in the many events she leads that enrich our school community.

Mera plays an essential role in organizing and executing some of the most impactful and joyful experiences of our school year. This year, she took the lead on several Catholic Schools Week activities, ensuring each was meaningful, engaging, and centered on our shared values. Her creativity and enthusiasm help foster a sense of unity and pride in our Catholic identity.

She also helped organize and run Walk for Virtues stations, thoughtfully planning activities that allow students to live out the values we teach in hands-on, active, and memorable ways. In doing so, Mera helps students make real-world connections to faith and character.

Additionally, Sports Day is a system favorite because of Mera's tireless planning, coordination, and ability to make it inclusive and fun for everyone. She promotes not just physical activity but also teamwork, respect, and joy.

Mera is a teacher who leads by example, supports her colleagues generously, and creates lasting memories for students. She embodies the mission of our schools!

### **Regis Middle School** **Mitchel Abts**

Mitchel is a dedicated and invested teacher, working tirelessly to ensure 7th and 8th grade math concepts are understood by our students. If a student is struggling, he goes out of his way to help that student.

Study clubs, chess club, and summer school math workshops are just some of the ways Mitchel extends his influence beyond the classroom. He is also always seeking ways to improve our math curriculum.

### **Regis High School** **Sue Maenner** (Missing From Photo)

Sue is one of the most hardworking and valuable teachers at our school. She keeps her classes on a strict schedule so that they learn at the greatest capacity and stay organized.

Sue expects greatness from her students and pushes them to get there. She runs her classes in a way that realistically prepares her students for higher-level math courses and for life in general. Sue is bright and can easily identify a student's mistake, helping him or her figure out why they got the answer wrong.

### **Administrative Support** **Staff of the Year**

#### **Shanna Donkers | Administrative Assistant | St. Mary's Elementary School**

Shanna is the kind of team member every school hopes to have: calm under pressure, endlessly positive, and always ready to help wherever and whenever she is needed.

Her presence alone sets a reassuring tone at St. Mary's Elementary School. No matter how busy the day becomes or how many people need her attention, Shanna remains composed, approachable, and genuinely kind. Whether she is assisting a colleague, supporting a student, or stepping in to fill a gap outside her usual role, she does so with quiet confidence and grace.

Shanna's willingness to go above and beyond is one of her defining traits. She never hesitates to lend a hand, solve a problem, or offer encouragement. Her flexibility and reliability make her an invaluable part of our day, and her positive attitude uplifts everyone around her.

In every way, Shanna exemplifies what it means to serve with excellence, humility, and heart. Our school is better because of her, and she is truly deserving of this recognition.

### **Support Staff of the Year**

#### **Jill Patchin** **Media Services Specialist | Regis Campus**

Jill has formed positive relationships with the 383 students she serves in the library on the Regis campus. Kids describe her as friendly and approachable, and she never misses an opportunity to share a new resource with the students she serves.

Jill has worked tirelessly to grow our library's collection, increase check-out rates, and generally make reading and a love of literature a key component of Regis' literacy initiatives. Jill has also reached out to all elementary sites to offer her expertise and guidance, and works with teachers of all subjects to complement their subject areas.

# YEARS OF SERVICE

## 5 Years

Leslie Bates  
Emily Gehling  
James Jeffries  
Jurita Lea  
Ona Moore

## 10 Years

Bridgit Chilson  
Karla Petersilka  
Laura Rapiensi  
Tracy Yengo  
Meghan Kulig

## 20 Years

Carisa Smiskey  
Corissa McCoy

## 35 Years

Nancy Lynch



Congratulations and best wishes  
to our retiring staff members!  
May God bless you as you begin  
this new adventure.

## 8 Years

Mary Pomerening



## 18 Years

Lynne Larabee

A special award  
for a very  
special teacher!

Congratulations to Nan Falbo,  
our 4th grade teacher at St. Mary's  
Elementary School, on  
receiving the 2024-25 Diocese of  
La Crosse Holy Family Award!





# WE LOVE OUR TEACHERS!

In celebration of Teacher Appreciation Week, President Pedersen visited all of our schools to share some tasty surprises. We are truly blessed to have a dedicated team of teachers and staff who share a passion and love for Catholic education!



## Regis Catholic Schools is pleased to introduce Michael McHorney '02 as the new Regis Athletic Director (Grades 5-12)

**"It's an honor and privilege to serve as the next Athletic Director for Regis Catholic Schools," McHorney said. "As a proud Regis alumnus, I've experienced firsthand the profound impact that faith, academics, and athletics can have on a person's life. I'm grateful to the administration and leadership for their confidence in me to lead athletics at Regis."**

Mr. McHorney is particularly passionate about coaching youth sports, with more than a decade of experience. He served as Head Junior Varsity and Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach at Regis High School for three seasons, culminating in a runner-up finish at the WIAA State Tournament. He also coached middle school basketball at Regis for four seasons and later coached at Memorial High School as Head Freshman Basketball Coach for three seasons and Assistant Varsity Coach for two.

Most recently, Mr. McHorney was a

museum planning and leadership development consultant with a specialty in children's museums. His recent consulting work includes projects in Topeka, KS; Bellevue, WA; St. Joseph, MO; Bend, OR; and Washington, DC. Before launching his consulting practice, Michael served for a decade as Executive Director of the Children's Museum of Eau Claire in Wisconsin, where he oversaw a period of significant growth in visitor attendance and successfully led the funding and construction of a brand-new facility in 2023. Earlier in his career, Michael held leadership and executive positions with Boys & Girls Clubs in two states.

"Coaching and leading youth sports has always been my first passion, he said. "While I'm grateful that my career led me into nonprofit leadership, I've felt called in recent years to return to where my heart has always been—dedicating myself fully to the development of student athletes."

Mr. McHorney earned his bachelor's

degree in Kinesiology from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and has remained a dedicated volunteer in youth-serving organizations throughout his professional journey. He is an alumnus of Regis High School (2002), where he played basketball and baseball, and was part of the baseball team that captured the school's first WIAA state title by defeating two-time defending champion DeSoto.

"I'm thrilled to work alongside the outstanding group of coaches at Regis—many of whom I know well and deeply respect for the way they lead their programs," McHorney added.

Michael lives in Eau Claire with his wife, Emilee, and their two young sons, Henry (8) and Archie (4).

Mr. McHorney officially began his duties on July 1. Thank you to Kyle Seyer '10 for serving as our previous Regis High School Athletic Director / K-12 Activities Liaison for Regis Catholic Schools.



# Congratulations, Graduates!

## Class OF 2025

It was an honor to present diplomas to our Regis High School graduates! Please keep these Ramblers in your prayers as they begin a new journey in life.









## Valedictorian

Sydney Marx

## Salutatorian & Bishop's Medal

Bernadette Falbo







**Gage Addis**  
UW-Stout

**Mattie Albright**  
Viterbo University

**German Almaguer Ortega**  
Milwaukee School of  
Engineering (MSOE)

**Federica Arbelbide**  
University of Minnesota  
Twin Cities

**John Berschback**  
St. Norbert College

**Cade Bessinger**  
UW-La Crosse

**Carly Borst**  
UW-La Crosse

**Megan Bremness**  
UW-La Crosse

**Holden Caporusso**  
Creighton University

**Aryanna Cardona Ferrer**  
Bethany Lutheran College

**Rebecca Catt**  
UW-River Falls

**Kazien Cronrath**  
University of Houston

**Nash Cullinan**  
University of North Dakota

**Bernadette Falbo**  
Serving as Missionary  
with NET

**Alexander Figy**  
University of St. Thomas

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UW-Eau Claire

**Caitlyn Hatzinger**  
Winona State University

**Abigail Hawker**  
UW-La Crosse

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University of St. Thomas

**Riley Johnson**  
UW-Stout

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University of St. Thomas

**Trevor Kern**  
UW-Eau Claire

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Chippewa Valley  
Technical College

**Jamison Kostka**  
Undecided

**Grace Market**  
University of Iowa

**Sydney Marx**  
UW-La Crosse

**Norah Mechelke**  
Chippewa Valley  
Technical College

**Alaina Milner**  
UW-River Falls

**Mason Nuesse**  
UW-Madison

**Cara Olson**  
UW-Superior

**Olivia Peterson**  
Chippewa Valley  
Technical College

**Mariska Remington**  
Chippewa Valley  
Technical College

**David Ricciardi**  
University of Mary

**Kolton Rockow**  
Joining Workforce

**Ava Skwierczynski**  
UW-La Crosse

**Vincent Slaby**  
UW-Eau Claire

**Henry Sollberger**  
Electrical Apprenticeship

**Peyton Steward**  
Oklahoma State University

**Claire Sykora**  
University of Mary

**Evrett Tait**  
North Dakota  
State University

**Noah Tarras**  
Iowa State University

**Gregory Troisi**  
UW-Platteville

**Evan Vinopal**  
Marquette University

**Sawyer Webster**  
North Dakota  
State University

**Owen Weisenberger**  
UW-La Crosse

**Anthony Wesner**  
UW-Eau Claire

**Eva Wesolowski**  
UW-La Crosse

**Jacob Wolff**  
UW-Eau Claire



# Caps and Gowns

## Regis grad serves friends, peers through campus ministry

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### David Ricciardi is no stranger to taking on responsibilities at Regis High School.

"I'm the head server and the MC, which means that I do all the scheduling for finding servers for mass," he said. "I make sure that everything's there so father can just show up and do his thing."

"My faith is really important to me, and a big aspect of our faith is to serve other people. When I was a freshman, my older sister, Alicia, said, 'You should join campus ministry.'"

Since then, Ricciardi has been involved with the Catholic school's campus ministry and Faith Formation office. They are responsibilities he said he fell in love with as he found purpose in helping others through this capacity. It is something he wants to encourage his younger brothers to do as well.

"I see it more as just trying to help other people," he said. "So when I'm in the hallways, I just try to be super friendly, super kind and loving towards everyone else. My goal is just to share that love with everyone else in the school and for other people to start sharing that love too, and I think that just creates such a unique environment and such a great community that not a lot of places have."

Now as a graduate of Regis High School, Ricciardi plans to continue his journey at the University of Mary in Bismarck, a Catholic institution in North Dakota.

"I'm looking to join their campus ministry group there to help put on different retreats and really just be a vessel for Christ," he said. "I'm definitely looking to continue that and also have that be a part of my faith journey."



Looking back on the opportunities he has had while at Regis, Ricciardi recalled helping lead a Kairos retreat, which is a Christian retreat for high school youth, some time after having attended one as a participant.

"Being able to see what's going on and being behind the scenes and putting everything into motion, and then also seeing how that impact of the retreat has had on all these students' lives, especially in the actual school — when people are walking in the hallways, they're just different after they go on the retreat than compared to before," he said.

Throughout his time in high school, Ricciardi also was able to celebrate with his friends and peers the selection

of a new pope. He said it was exciting to see someone from Chicago, where some of his family comes from.

"One thing that he said in his first homily was, he mentioned peace and the importance of peace," he said. "I just think that is so powerful. I think that that's just the right mindset to have, making sure that everyone comes together and that we're not tearing each other apart... Being together and having there be peace and love, that's what the world needs."

When asked what advice or wisdom she would give to a large audience, Ricciardi said he would tell them "they are important. There is someone who loves them."

# The Tradition Continues

*Once a Rambler ...always a Rambler!*



## **Alaina Milner '25**

Kathleen McMahon '49  
(St. Patrick's High School)  
(Great Grandmother)  
Dorothy Mooney '40  
(St. Patrick's High School)  
(Great Grandmother)

## **Tony Wesner '25**

David Wesner '95 (Father)  
Monica Donnellan '70 (Grandmother)

## **Emilie Henriksen '25**

Carol (Lippert) Caspersen '61  
(Grandmother)

## **Peyton Steward '25**

Kate (Gilboy) Nord '97 (Mother)  
John Gilboy '70 (Grandfather)  
Bud Gilboy '42  
(St. Patrick's High School)  
(Great Grandfather)

## **Abby Hawker '25**

Bob Hawker '98 (Father)

## **Trevor Kern '25**

Jeffrey Kern '80 (Father)

## **Megan Bremness '25**

Kate Chilson '96 (Mother)  
Sue Coleman '62 (Grandmother)  
Art Coleman '33  
(St. Patrick's High School)  
(Great Grandfather)

## **Malia Kassing '25**

Jeff Kassing '97 (Father)  
Steve Kassing '67 (Grandfather)  
Ann (Hogenson) Kassing '67  
(Grandmother)

## **(NOT PICTURED)**

## **Evan Vinopal '25**

John Vinopal '88 (Father)

# Scholarship

## 2025 Memorial, Community & Alumni Scholarships Graduating Seniors

**24-7 West Wisconsin Telcom  
Scholarship**  
Trevor Kern

**AnneMarie Foundation  
Scholarship**  
Ava Skwierczynski

**AnneMarie Technical School  
Scholarship**  
Olivia Peterson

**Don Moss Memorial  
Scholarship**  
Tony Wesner

**Eau Claire Energy Cooperative  
Federated Youth Foundation  
Scholarship**  
Carly Borst

**Eau Claire-Seymour Lions Club  
Scholarship**  
Emilia Jaquish

**Edwin and Lucille Eggen  
Renewable Scholarship**  
Sydney Marx

**EO Johnson  
Scholarship**  
Vince Slaby

**Jason Yarrington  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Harrison Haas

**Mayo Clinic Health System  
Career Scholarship**  
Grace Market

**Ronald & Joyce Wanek  
Scholarship**  
Greg Troisi

**Rotary Club of Eau Claire  
Scholarship**  
Sydney Marx

## 2025 Memorial, Community & Alumni Scholarships 9th - 11th Grades

**Bishop John Paul Class of '51  
Scholarship**  
Ashlee Dykes

**Bob Duren Memorial  
Scholarship**  
Ashlee Dykes

**Cairns Family  
Scholarship**  
Zachary Niedzwiecki

**Charles and Caroline Loechler  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Brody Sturm

**Class of '58  
Scholarship**  
Bradley Vesperman

**Daniel and Marilyn Brey Family  
Scholarship**  
Annie Laporte

**Dr. Stephen Kurth  
Scholarship**  
Emerson Moore  
Mark Patchin

**Duane Hull Memorial  
Scholarship**  
Carter Atkinson

**Earl Benning  
Memorial Scholarship**  
John Leibham

**Eau Claire Catholic Women's Club  
Scholarship**  
Adriana Highman

**Edward Carlson Class of  
1958 Scholarship**  
John Leibham  
Ava Whiteside  
Elizabeth Stombaugh

**Emilio and Patricia Rinaldi  
Family Scholarship**  
Therese Kern

**Father John Rossiter  
Scholarship**  
Tanner Chilson

**Francis and June Harrington  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Isabelle Reichert  
Rachel Kramer

**Frances Kurth  
Scholarship**  
Noah Laber  
Ben Strobe

**Fred and Patricia Urmann  
Scholarship**  
Tyler Gehling

**Greg "Mouse" Bement  
Scholarship**  
Carson Hatzinger

**Hrubesh Family  
Scholarship**  
Kaylen Borst  
Cullen Lueck

**Jerome Miller Family  
Scholarship**  
Adelia Krueger

**John, Patricia, and Neil McElroy  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Lillian Lewis

**Joseph Janz '83 and James Janz  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Avalina Antonia

**Judy Bye Henderson  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Luke Usher  
Adelyn Seymour

**Kevin Roach '93  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Micah Olson

**Ky Anderson  
Memorial Foundation  
Scholarship**  
Adriana Highman





# Recipients

**Larry & Jeanne McFarlane  
Scholarship**  
Ryder Hadt

**M. Colette Haut-Eissinger  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Dominic Santine

**Marie Steubing  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Annie Laporte  
Dreyton Kren  
Mason Sisko  
Adelle Schneider

**Marv Niese  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Luke Usher

**Mary Kay Bissell  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Carter Sisko

**Michael C. Longsdorf  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Alex Rosener

**Michael Carroll '67  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Evan Reneghan

**Mike & Patricia Carroll  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Mason McCoy

**Michael John Fedie  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Jack Schroeder

**Regis Bridge Club  
Scholarship**  
Tayden Rideout

**Robert and Patricia Devney  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Camden Sedlacek

**St. James the Greater Tuition  
Endowment Scholarship**  
Alexander Abbott  
Ben Balts  
Joey Brahmer  
Chase Brogelman  
Vaughn Brogelman  
Kellen Crow  
Max Danielson  
Claire Diaz  
Levi Furst  
Josh Gaulrapp  
Tyler Gehling  
Abram Gillett  
Evan Gohre  
Katelynn Gohre  
Asher Haasnoot  
Logan Hoff  
Candy Huang  
Eliana Jilek

Madeline Miller  
Karah Nelson  
Avery Paul  
Dominic Santine  
Jenille Villiarta  
Josephine Walker  
Ava Whiteside  
Carter Whiteside

## 2025 Memorial, Community & Alumni Scholarships Middle School/Elementary School

**Bishop Gerard W. Battersby  
Scholarship**  
Will Berschback  
Claire Strophe

**Bob Duren  
Memorial  
Scholarship**  
Grace Olson

**Bob & Elsie Kappus  
Scholarship**  
Olivia Noland  
Claire Strophe

**Class of 1980  
Scholarship**  
Ally Roers

**Earl Benning  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Claire Strophe

**Eau Claire Catholic Women's Club  
Scholarship**  
Alessandra Boda

**Emilio and Patricia Rinaldi Family  
Scholarship**  
Ryan Wampler

**Father Daniel O'Reilly  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Alessandra Boda

**Francis and June Harrington  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Amaya Bauer  
Anderson Bauer

**George '51 and Dereane Gobler  
Family Scholarship**  
Bennett Risler

**Karyn Steines  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Lily Barnett

**Kevin Roach '93  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Abraham Olson

**Lydia Hanson Rock  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Grace Olson

**Mike & Patricia Carrol  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Chloe Cole

**Vinnie Lee  
Memorial Scholarship**  
Catherine Lemanski-Trujillo

**St. James the Greater Tuition  
Endowment Scholarship**  
Jacob Brahmer  
Mason Franko  
Joy Huang  
Presslie Larson  
Aliyah Paul  
Quinnten Theisen  
Jacob Balts  
Ellie Crow  
Lucille Franko  
Jacob Gaulrapp  
Reese Gehling  
Julia Pongonis  
Gabriella Santine  
Dalton Hebert  
Sy Munoz  
Laura Nelson

**St. James Parish Council of  
Catholic Women Scholarship**  
Jacob Brahmer  
Mason Franko  
Joy Huang  
Presslie Larson  
Aliyah Paul  
Quinnten Theisen

**St. Olaf Parish Men's Club Family  
Scholarship**  
Isaac Helland  
Ally Roers

**Sacred Heart/St. Patrick's  
Scholarship**  
Olivia Noland

**Bishop John Paul Class of '51  
Scholarship**  
Matt Palecek

**Bishop's Scholarship**  
Rachel Kramer  
Mark Patchin



# The Gift of Prayer in Our Catholic Schools





## **A Note From Jackie Bachmeier Advancement Director Regis Catholic Schools Foundation**

Recently, I had the opportunity to attend an all-school Mass at Regis High School. As I sat there, surrounded by students, faculty, and staff, I was reminded of how truly blessed we are to be able to pray together in school.

Each week, our students, from kindergarten through high school, gather for Mass. These moments are more than just school events—they're sacred times to pause, reflect, and grow in faith. It's beautiful to see our students so engaged, whether they're serving, reading Scripture, or singing with joy.

In today's fast-paced world, our Catholic schools offer something rare: a place grounded in peace, purpose, and prayer. Faith isn't just something we teach, it's something we live. Our days begin and end with prayer, and through it all, we find strength in what we believe.

Of course, we're proud of our academics, athletics, and activities. But what truly sets us apart is our commitment to walking in faith. We support each other in prayer, grow in love, and learn to live with purpose.

At Regis Catholic Schools, we're forming not just minds, but hearts. We're helping students see Jesus in themselves and in the people around them. We're building a community where values, character, and compassion are just as important as grades and trophies.

I'm so thankful for the gift of Catholic education—and especially for the gift of prayer in our schools. It's a blessing that shapes who we are and who our students are becoming.

Let us never take that for granted.



# Remembering Edward A. Carlson: A Man of God, of Country, and of Lasting Impact

*When I accepted the role of Advancement Director for the Regis Catholic Schools Foundation several years ago, I could never have imagined how many incredible people I would meet. People whose kindness, wisdom, and generosity would leave a lasting impact on me. One such individual was Edward A. Carlson—a true man of God and country, whose faith and service were at the heart of everything he did.*

**His**

**adventurous  
spirit was  
as inspiring  
as his  
generosity.**

## ***From Regis Graduate to Lifelong Advocate***

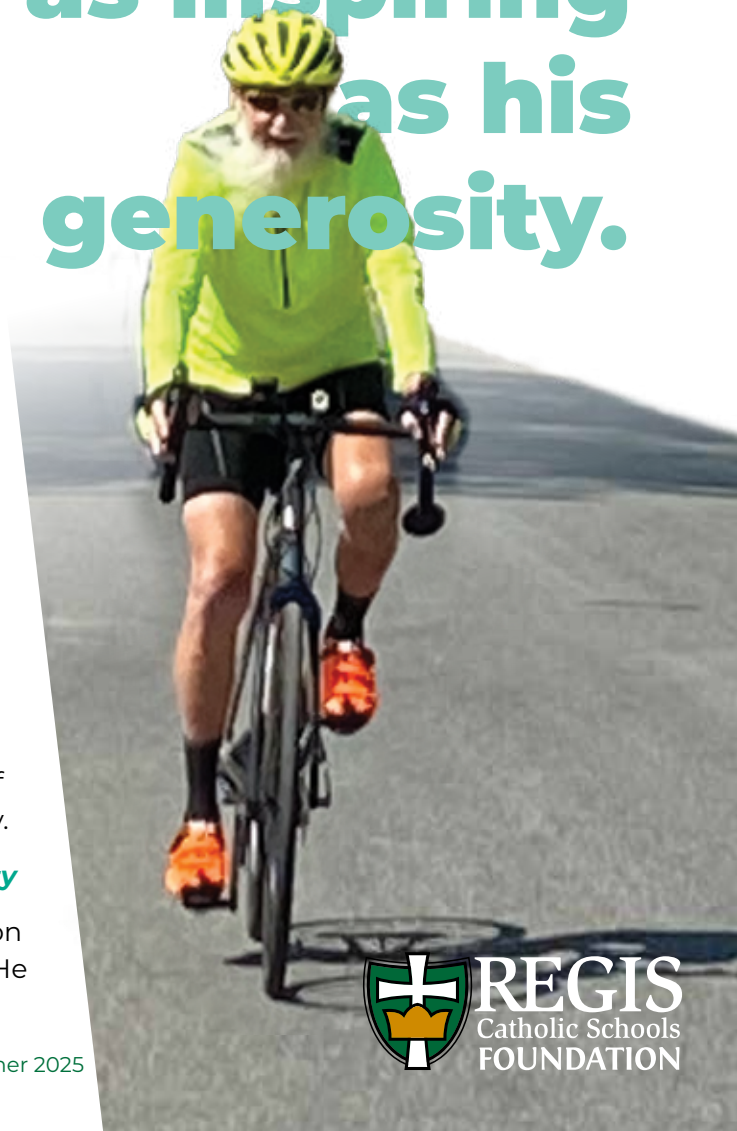
Ed's connection to Regis began as a proud member of the Class of 1958 and grew stronger over time. It was a bond built on shared values, lifelong friendships, and a deep commitment to Catholic education. He remained close with his classmates through the years, attending milestone reunions—including his 65th. Alongside friends August Bleske and Dr. Larry Hrubesh, Ed helped inspire the creation of the Class of 1958 Endowed Scholarship. Thanks to their shared vision and generosity, future generations will benefit from the same faith-filled education that shaped their lives.

## ***Distinguished Military Service***

After graduating from Regis, Ed answered the call to serve his country by joining the U.S. Air Force in 1962. Over two decades, he built a distinguished career, flying missions in Vietnam and earning honors such as the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three devices. In a moment of international significance, Ed piloted the first pandas from China to the United States—a mission symbolizing peace and diplomacy. He later served as a pilot for Air Force Two during the Nixon administration, a role reserved for those of exceptional skill and integrity.

## ***A Legacy of Generosity***

Following his military career, Ed's dedication to Regis Catholic Schools only deepened. He







became a generous benefactor, endowing multiple scholarships to reduce financial barriers for students. Each year, he thoughtfully directed his support toward Regis' most pressing needs, always eager to make a meaningful impact. For Ed, giving wasn't just philanthropy—it was a joyful mission rooted in faith and purpose.

### ***Humility, Vitality, and Personal Connection***

I met Ed during my first week at Regis. Susie, our Executive Assistant, told me he was eager to stop by and introduce himself. I had no idea how much that visit would stay with me.

When Ed walked into my office—with his long white beard, kind eyes, and warm, welcoming smile—he immediately felt like someone I had known for years. We talked for a long time, though it felt like only minutes. His stories, rich with life experience, were delivered with humility, humor, and quiet wisdom. There was something about his energy: joyful, curious, and fully alive. You simply wanted to sit and listen for hours.

Even in his later years, Ed's vitality was striking. Splitting his time between summers in Eau Claire and winters in Hawaii, he embraced life fully. He was an avid bicyclist. I recall playing phone tag one day, and when I finally reached him, I could hear his heavy breathing. "I didn't want to miss your call," he said, "I'm on my daily 15-mile bike ride." His adventurous spirit was as inspiring as his generosity.

### ***Final Days and Enduring Legacy***

When Ed was hospitalized, I visited him, praying for his recovery. Even in that moment, his thoughts were with Regis and its future. Shortly after, Ed passed away, leaving behind a community deeply grateful for his faith, friendship, and unwavering support.

At Ed's funeral, I had the privilege of meeting some of his family. It was clear from the

outpouring of love that Ed was not only a man of deep faith and conviction but also a man who was deeply loved by those closest to him.

One especially moving moment was meeting Ed's wingman from the Air Force, who traveled from Washington, D.C., to honor him. He shared memories of camaraderie, admiration, and the unbreakable bond forged in service.

### ***A Life That Inspires***

Edward A. Carlson's life was shaped by faith, guided by duty, and lived with generosity and grace. A true man of God and country, he left an indelible mark, not only through his extraordinary gifts to Regis but through the example he set for all of us.

His legacy lives on in the opportunities he created for students, in the love he shared with family and friends, and in the many lives he touched along the way.

Ed, you are missed more than words can say. Your spirit, kindness, and devotion will continue to guide and inspire us.

Thank you, Ed, for showing us the true meaning of faith, service, and generosity.

Jackie Bachmeier

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## How Does It Work?

You sign an agreement with us establishing and memorializing your purpose for the endowment. We then invest your gift with other endowed funds according to our general endowment policy. The policy is written to sustain or modestly grow your endowment. Each year we distribute funds from your endowment for the agreed purpose and percentage. If your endowment grows, so does the distribution.

### Is an Endowment Right for You?

If you like the idea of making a difference today and tomorrow, an endowment is your perfect choice. It is simple to establish, and we design them to last forever.

### May We Help You?

To learn more, please contact us. We welcome the opportunity to answer your questions and work with you.

# A *Legacy* that Lasts *Forever*



Would you enjoy knowing generations will benefit from your legacy? Now is the perfect time to consider starting an endowment. An endowment carries your wishes forward not only for today and tomorrow, but forever.

### Benefits of an Endowment:

- Impact lasts forever
- No administration cost for you
- Simple to establish
- One-time gift creates many returns
- You can always add to your endowment
- You can create an endowment now or in your will
- Use a variety of assets to fund your endowment

### Other Considerations:

- Your gift gives you tax benefits
- Your endowment lasts forever
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# ROAD TRIP

Knowing that life is one long road trip, we can help you plan your life's journey so you can experience joy and peace of mind. Ask us about the following destinations and what they offer you:

**CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY** — Gives you (or you and your spouse) lifelong payments at favorable fixed rates, while possibly lowering your income and capital gains taxes.

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## PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE'S JOURNEY

No matter how far into your life's journey or planning you are, it is never too late to consider the destinations above.

You decide your trip based on your values and priorities. We can help you get there.

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**A WILL**  
is more about values  
than valuables.



In May, students from our three elementary schools joined together for our annual Walk for Virtues fundraiser. This annual event helps raise awareness of and support for our elementary schools.

THE VIRTUES OUR STUDENTS WALKED FOR WERE FAITH, REVERENCE, STEWARDSHIP, GENEROSITY, GRATITUDE, HONESTY, MERCY, JUSTICE, AND ZEAL.

**At Immaculate Conception Elementary School,** the funds raised will be used for student field trips, security updates, and to fulfill teacher wish list items.

**At St. James Elementary School,** the funds raised will be used for an outdoor shed for recess equipment, new office flooring, and cafeteria tables.

**At St. Mary's Elementary School,** the funds raised will be used for playground updates, online student resources, and after-school programs.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!







*Congratulations to our students who received the sacrament of first Communion this spring!*



**Immaculate Conception  
Elementary School**



**St. Mary's  
Elementary School**



**St. James  
Elementary School**



*Congratulations to our students who received the sacrament of Confirmation this spring!*



## Regis Welcomes New Director of Student Discipleship

**Regis Catholic Schools is pleased to introduce Lilly Wahl as our new Director of Student Discipleship on the Regis Middle School and Regis High School campus.**

As the Director of Student Discipleship, Ms. Wahl will coordinate the liturgical ministries on the Regis campus, our annual class retreats, and other faith opportunities for students in grades 6-12. These opportunities include middle and high school Bible studies, youth events, school-wide speakers, and summer opportunities such as Adventure Camp and the Steubenville conference. In addition, she will direct the Kairos retreat and the Serva Fidem discipleship ministry.

Kairos is a three-night, four-day retreat that has consistently, in its six-decade-long history, been a powerful turning point in the faith lives of many young people. This retreat is offered electively for our Regis juniors and seniors. Through the Serva Fidem discipleship ministry, students, by meeting in small groups of their peers under the direction of an adult mentor, experience a genuine Christian community that energizes and enriches their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Ms. Wahl grew up in a small town near Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, and graduated from Franciscan University of Steubenville in 2024. She is currently a parishioner at St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish.

"I am so excited and blessed to be joining the Regis community," Ms. Wahl said. "The greatest gift I've received is the support and encouragement to pursue a relationship with Christ, and I hope to share that same gift with the Regis community."

We thank Ellie Shaw, our previous Director of Student Discipleship, for all of her hard work and dedication to Regis Catholic Schools. We wish her well as she moves on to a new opportunity.

Please keep Ms. Wahl, Ms. Shaw, and our Regis community in your prayers during this transition.





# Your Gift at Work: Supporting the Full Picture of a Regis Education

When you support the Regis Catholic Schools Foundation, you're investing in more than academic success. You're helping to provide a well-rounded Catholic education that forms students in faith, character, leadership, and service.

One powerful example of this mission in action is *Serva Fidem*, our high school discipleship ministry. Below, Ellie Shaw, our outgoing Director of Student Discipleship, shares the story of its remarkable first year and the students and mentors who brought it to life.

## *Serva Fidem: A Year of Faith, Friendship, and Growth*

### *A Reflection from Ellie Shaw, Outgoing Director of Student Discipleship*

When we launched *Serva Fidem* this year, our vision was simple but bold: to give high school students a space to encounter Christ in a personal way through authentic friendships, intentional mentorship, and a consistent walk of faith. The name *Serva Fidem* means "Keep the Faith" in Latin, and that's exactly what we hoped our students would learn to do—not just in name, but in heart, habit, and action.

High school is a time of big questions and deep searching. Students are navigating identity, relationships, and the meaning of life. *Serva Fidem* was born out of a belief that faith grows best in community, and that none of us were meant to walk this journey alone. We need people around us who care for us, challenge us, and ultimately, point us back to Christ. This year, we saw that vision come to life.

### *Building Something Real*

We began with six *Serva Fidem* small groups: two for young men and four for young women, composed of sophomores through seniors. Each group included four to six students and a committed Catholic mentor who met with them weekly for prayer, conversation, and shared experiences.

Very quickly, these groups became more than just scheduled meetings. They became trusted spaces where students could wrestle with difficult questions, grow in faith, and experience the joy of Christian friendship.

As Andrew, a senior, reflected, "It's more than a

group—it's a community. My mentor supports me spiritually but also shows up for me in everyday life. That means a lot."

For Paige, her group became a source of light and strength: "It's a safe space that brightens my week."

She stepped into leadership by helping lead prayer and even inviting her family to join her at special liturgies.



### *Faith That Spills Over*

One of the most beautiful moments of the year came from a spontaneous act by a group of girls. Without prompting, they wrote handwritten Bible verses and

taped them to every locker in the school—a quiet, joyful act of evangelization driven entirely by their desire to share God's love.

We've also seen students growing in their sacramental life. Adrianna, a sophomore, began attending Mass more often, sometimes even with friends from her group. Faith is becoming something shared, not kept to myself. That's the culture we're building.

### *Mentorship That Shapes Lives*

The impact of *Serva Fidem* has reached far beyond our students. Our mentors have found the experience deeply meaningful as well.

"Mentoring a small group has been so life-giving," one shared.

"To hear their stories, pray with them, and walk alongside them—it's something I didn't even realize I needed."

A male mentor echoed the same: "Meeting weekly with guys who are hungry for more—more faith, more truth—gives me so much hope for the Church. It keeps me grounded in my own faith, too."

This is discipleship at its best: mutual transformation, rooted in love and accountability.

### *Looking Ahead*

Our first year of *Serva Fidem* exceeded all expectations. We've witnessed transformation—in hearts, in relationships, and in the way students live



out their faith. This coming year, we hope to double the number of small groups and extend this opportunity to even more students and mentors.

Serva Fidem isn't just a program, it's a movement of hearts turning toward Christ, together. I truly believe it is one of the most important things we're doing at Regis right now, helping students not only keep the faith but make it their own.

In the words of one student: "Serva Fidem helped me grow closer to God and be more confident in my faith, not just saying I'm Catholic but really trying to live like it."

That's why we started this. And that's why we'll keep going.

### *Join Us in Keeping the Faith Alive*

The Regis Catholic Schools Foundation exists solely to benefit Regis Catholic Schools. In addition to meeting the greatest needs of our Catholic schools today, the Foundation has established a growing endowment, ensuring our schools can count on lasting support for generations to come.

Programs like Serva Fidem reflect the heart

of a Regis education: forming both the mind and the soul. Your gift to the Foundation helps us provide students with a rich, faith-filled educational experience that is rooted in tradition, guided by mission, and focused on the whole person.

If you would like your gift to support Serva Fidem specifically, you may indicate that when making your donation.

Together, we are keeping the faith and passing it on.

*"We need people around us who care for us, challenge us, and ultimately, point us back to Christ."*

**Ellie Shaw**

Outgoing Director of Student Discipleship





## Track & Field

### Daily Dedication

The 2025 Regis Track & Field season began like every great story—with commitment. Day after day, our student-athletes showed up with one mission: to be better than they were yesterday.

Through grueling training sessions, these young competitors pushed their limits, chasing faster times and greater heights with relentless determination.

### Conference Championships

The Stanley-Boyd Conference Meet became the first proving ground where months of preparation paid dividends. The Regis athletes didn't just compete—they dominated.

### All-Conference First Team Honors

- Landon Semling - Shot Put Champion
- Boys 4x200 Meter Relay - Everett Tait, Alex Figy, Brody Sturm, Austin Rideout

### All-Conference Honorable Mention

- The depth of talent shone through with multiple second-place finishes.
- Carly Borst - 200m & 400m Dash
- Girls 4x400 Relay - Sydney Marx, Kaylen Borst, Hallie Albright, Carly Borst
- Girls 4x800 Relay - Rebecca Catt, Kaylen Borst, Ellie Doubler, Claire Ernster
- Everett Tait - 100m & 200m Dash
- Boys 4x100 Relay - Brody Sturm, Ben Strobe, Brady Strahm, Carter Whiteside
- Boys 4x800 Relay - Holden Caporusso, Benjamin Hoeft, Brady Strahm, Dominic Santine
- Joey Brahmer - Discus & Shot Put

### Conference Team Standings

Girls: 6th of 7 Teams (62 Points)  
Boys: 3rd of 7 Teams (120 Points)

### Sectionals

The journey to Bangor for sectionals marked a crucial turning point. Thirteen exceptional athletes earned their golden tickets to the state meet, but not without breaking barriers along the way.

### Record-Breaking Performances

Sydney Marx shattered the school record in 100m hurdles with a blazing 15.49.

Everett Tait tied his brother's legendary 200m dash record at 22.55.

### State Qualifiers

- Alex Figy - 100m Dash
- Everett Tait - 200m Dash
- Sydney Marx - 100m Hurdles
- Dominic Santine - 1600m Run
- Carly Borst - 400m Dash
- Boys 4x200 Relay - Sawyer Webster, Everett Tait, Brody Sturm, Alex Figy (Alternates - Carter Whiteside & Austin Rideout)
- Boys 4x100 Relay - Brody Sturm, Everett Tait, Austin Rideout, Alex Figy (Alternates - Carter Whiteside & Sawyer Webster)
- Girls 4x400 Relay - Sydney Marx, Kaylen Borst, Hallie Albright, Carly Borst (Alternates - Evelyn Sykora & Ellie Doubler)

### State Championships

UW-La Crosse hosted the culmination of a season's worth of dreams. The Regis athletes didn't just participate—they excelled on Wisconsin's biggest stage.

### Individual Standouts

- Alex Figy - 3rd Place - 100m Dash
- Carly Borst - 3rd Place - 400m Dash (NEW SCHOOL RECORD: 57.80, Lifetime PR)

### 57.80, Lifetime PR)

- Sydney Marx - 7th Place - 100m High Hurdles
- Dominic Santine - 15th Place - 1600m Run (Lifetime PR: 4:40.44)
- Everett Tait - 13th Place - 200m Preliminaries
- The Crown Jewel: STATE CHAMPIONS! Boys 4x100 Meter Relay - Brody Sturm, Everett Tait, Carter Whiteside, Alex Figy (Season-Best Time: 42.99)

### Additional Relay Excellence

- Boys 4x200 Relay - 4th Place (Season-Best Time: 1:30.72)
- Girls 4x400 Relay - 6th Place (Season-Best Time: 4:05.11)

### Final Team Results (State Meet Standings)

Girls: 21st of 56 Teams (11 Points)  
Boys: 11th of 59 Teams (20.5 Points)

The 2025 season will be remembered as a breakthrough year for Regis Track & Field. With two new school records, a state championship title, multiple state medals, and countless personal records, this group of athletes proved that dedication and teamwork create magic.

From the daily grind of practice to the bright lights of state competition, the Regis Track & Field program showcased the power of perseverance. The Boys 4x100 Relay team brought home the ultimate prize. This wasn't just a season—it was a statement. Regis Track & Field has arrived, and the foundation laid in 2025 promises even greater heights ahead.



## Girls Soccer

### A Resilient 2025 Season

The Regis/McDonell Saints Girls Soccer team wrapped up its 2025 campaign with a commendable 13-9-0 record, showcasing a season marked by resilience, growth, and impressive playoff grit.

From the opening whistle, the Saints demonstrated their determination, battling through a challenging schedule to secure a winning record. The Saints finished second in the conference. The team's consistent effort and teamwork culminated in a memorable postseason run. The team proudly claimed the regional title, a testament to the student-athletes' hard work and strategic play, igniting excitement among their fans and school community.

Their playoff journey continued to the sectional semi-final game, where the team faced a formidable opponent in Washburn. Despite a hard-fought



match, the Saints ultimately fell 0-2 to the highly-regarded Washburn team, who advanced to the state tournament. While the loss marked the end of their season, the Saints left everything on the field, competing with spirit and tenacity against one of the state's top contenders.

The 2025 season was a testament to the dedication of every player and coach. The Regis/McDonell Saints Girls Soccer team displayed true sportsmanship and commitment, setting a strong foundation for future success. Congratulations on a fantastic season!

## Boys Tennis

The Regis Boys Tennis team capped off an incredible 2025 season with a remarkable 17-6 overall record: the program's highest win total in more than a decade. The Ramblers showcased consistency, toughness, and a competitive edge throughout the spring, finishing second in the Middle Border Conference and earning the title of Sectional Runner-Up. Their outstanding efforts were recognized statewide, ending the season ranked #9 in Wisconsin.

A major highlight of the season came at the WIAA Individual State Tournament, where both doubles pairings — Tony Wesner/Andrew Berschback at #1 doubles and Sam Gehling/Nick Laber at #2 doubles — qualified and advanced after winning their respective Sectional Championships.

Wesner and Berschback advanced to the Sweet 16, and Laber and Gehling fell in the first round.

In addition to strong performances on the court, the team built lasting memories through high-level tournament trips to Green Bay and Milwaukee, gaining valuable experience and strengthening team



camaraderie.

This season also marked a special chapter in program history as it was the final year under the leadership of Coach Kyle Seyer. Since 2012, the program has experienced a period of sustained success; winning 10 conference championships, sending three teams to the WIAA Team State Tournament, and compiling a 156-43 overall record.

We extend a heartfelt thank you to our three seniors — Tony Wesner, Andrew Berschback, and Trevor Kern — for their leadership, dedication, and commitment to the Regis Tennis program. Their contributions will leave a legacy on and off the court. Congratulations to the entire team on an unforgettable season!

## Girls Softball

Under second-year head coach Nolan Fadness and assistant coaches Bailey Letourneau, Tess Fadness, Liz Thon, Caroline Schimek, and Abby Wennersten, the Regis Softball season ended after a second-round playoff loss to Boyceville.

The Ramblers received a first-round bye in the playoffs after completing their 8-17 regular season. The eight wins mark the most wins in a season for Regis Softball since 2018. The team finished 1-11 in the Western Cloverbelt Conference, a perennially tough conference that saw three teams make the state tournament this season and played competitively throughout. Notable wins for the Ramblers included EC Immanuel Lutheran, DSHA (Division 1), Mellen (Division 5 #1 Seed), and Colfax (Division 4 #1 Seed).

Led by team captains Abby Hawker, Malia Kassing, and Ava Skwierczynski, the Ramblers showed up ready to compete each day, a testament to the senior leadership that will be missed. The remaining senior



class of Emilie Henriksen, Emilia Jaquish, Jacelin Jensen, Cara Olson, Alaina Milner (manager), and Olivia Peterson (manager) led the team both on and off the field and left their positive mark on the program. Rounding out the roster were juniors Ashlee Dykes, Izzy Reichert, and Bella Borton. Sophomores were Olivia Morning (this season's Team MVP), Maddy Payne, and Justice Tait. Freshmen were Emily Rosciszewski and Adelle Schneider.

This group of returning players will play a large role on the field next season as the program continues to build. While the season didn't end the way the team expected, it did represent a big step forward in Regis Softball continuing a return to the competitive program it previously had been.

## Boys Golf

Going into this season, the Boys Golf team had an influx of new talent with a goal of building an environment of competitiveness with a mix of fun. When it comes to golf, both are necessary.

The team had a big group of seniors who led the charge. Evan Vinopal, Owen Weisenberger, Noah Tarras and Peyton Steward were mixed in throughout the season. The team also had some long talent in Jacob Rubenzer, Benjamin Balts, and Jonathan Lewis. The three were also mixed in throughout the season. It was great seeing the upperclassmen take these three under their wings to give them their support.

The team took 7th overall in conference play, with Jacob Rubenzer earning 2nd team All-Conference



honors. At regionals, Jonathan Lewis missed making it to sectionals by one of the kids making a 15-foot putt on hole 18 to secure his spot over Jonathan. The team finished in the middle of the pack at regionals.

The team's coach personally thanks the seniors who were the backbone this season. They put in the hard work and dedication throughout the year. Looking ahead, look for the team's younger group to make some noise next year!



## Baseball

The Regis Baseball team finished its 2025 season with an overall record of 10 and 13. Within the Western Cloverbelt Conference, the team staked a 5 and 5 mark, which gave the Ramblers a share of second place in the six-team conference.

Many props and thank yous should be given to this year's two seniors, Harrison Haas and Jami Kostka. The dedication and competitiveness they exhibited to the baseball program over the last four years should be commended. Thank you, Harrison and Jami!

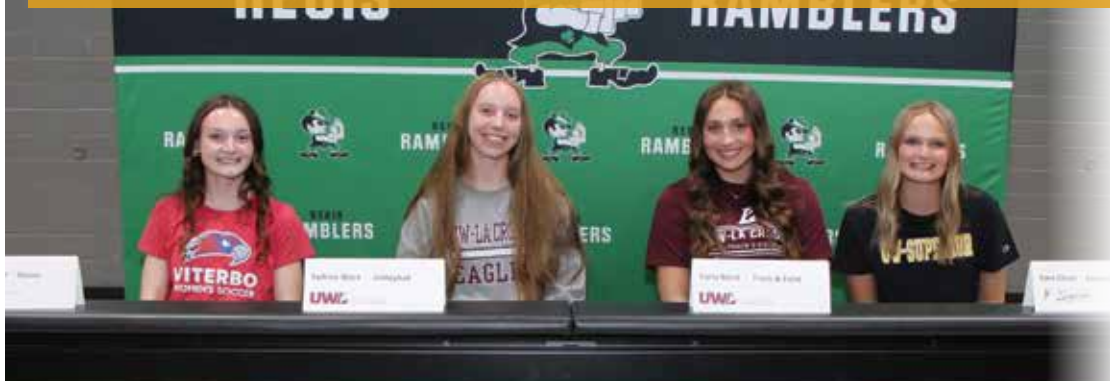
We extend a heartfelt thank you to our three seniors — Tony Wesner, Andrew Berschback, and Trevor Kern



— for their leadership, dedication, and commitment to the Regis Tennis program. Their contributions will leave a legacy on and off the court.

**Congratulations to the entire team on an unforgettable season!**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our Regis High School student-athletes who signed their Letters of Intent to participate in athletics at the college level!



**Mattie Albright** | Viterbo University (Soccer)

**Sydney Marx** | UW-La Crosse (Volleyball)

**Carly Borst** | UW-La Crosse (Track & Field)

**Cara Olson** | UW-Superior (Basketball)

**We are so proud of your accomplishments!**





## **Congratulations to our Regis High School delegates who participated in the annual Badger Boys State event in June!**

- Ryder Hadt
- Dominic Santine
- Micah Olson
- Landon Semling
- Luke Usher

Badger Boys State educates young leaders on how to become more impactful community members of Wisconsin. During the program, high school students between their junior and senior years learn how the government system works by creating their own city, county, and state-level governments.



## **The band marched on!**

Members of our Regis band were proud to participate in the annual Memorial Day parade in Eau Claire!

## **Congratulations to Regis High School junior Dominic Santine, who has been accepted into the WSMA High School State Honors Mixed Choir!**

More than 1,500 Wisconsin high school students auditioned for 430 positions in five vocal and instrumental ensembles, and he was one of only 25 bass voices to be accepted into the 100-voice mixed choir.

He is attending the State Honors Camp this summer and will perform at the Overture Center in Madison in late October, under the direction of Dr. Mariana Farah, Director of Choral Studies at the Mead Witter School of Music at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. Congratulations to Dominic on this outstanding accomplishment!







## Congratulations to seniors Grace Market and Bernie Falbo and 8th grader Sifan Hurt for participating in the WSMA State Solo and Ensemble Festival at UW-Eau Claire in May.

All received a 1 rating on each of their six total events, which is the highest rating they could have received.

A special congratulations to Sifan and Bernie for receiving nominations for Exemplary Performance Recognition for their solo performances. State festival adjudicators select the most exceptional performances at each of the festival campuses through a two-step process of initial nominations and then selection of up to two (2) award recipients from the nominated events in their festival site. From that nomination, Bernie was chosen to receive an Exemplary Performance Award!

## Forensics

Our Regis High School Forensics team wrapped up the competition season with an awesome showing at state!

All students earned a medal at the Wisconsin Interscholastic Speech and Dramatic Arts Association (WISDAA) State Festival, with the full results below. In addition, senior Henry Sollberger earned his fourth gold medal at state, making him only the 5th Rambler to earn gold in all four years of competing! We are so proud!

### Gold Medalists (Perfect 25)

- **Karah Nelson** (Junior) - Farrago
- **Dominic Santine** (Junior) - Impromptu
- **Grace Market** (Senior) - Informative
- **Seth Falatic, Casey Haugen, Ryder Parker** (Sophomores) & **Henry Sollberger** (Senior) - Play Acting
- **Rebecca Catt** (Senior), **Tree Fuangarom** (Sophomore), **Therese Kern, Dorothy Neta** (Juniors) & **Keelin Reid** (Freshman) - Play Acting
- **Lucy Sollberger** (Sophomore) - Prose
- **Cullen Lueck** (Sophomore) - Public Address
- **Sydney Marx** (Senior) - Special Occasion

### Silver Medalists (23-24 Points)

- **Claire Sykora** (Senior) & **Mia Winter** (Sophomore) - Group Interp
- **Adelia Krueger** (Junior) - Demonstration
- **Katelynn Gohre** (Junior) - Moments in History
- **Zachary Niedzwiecki** (Junior) - Moments in History
- **Bernie Falbo** (Senior) - Poetry
- **Kata Mojzes** (Junior) - Prose
- **Mariska Remington** (Senior) - Public Address

### Bronze Medalists (20-22 Points)

- **Rachel Kramer** (Freshman) - Moments in History
- **Bendegus Kotsis** (Junior) - Public Address

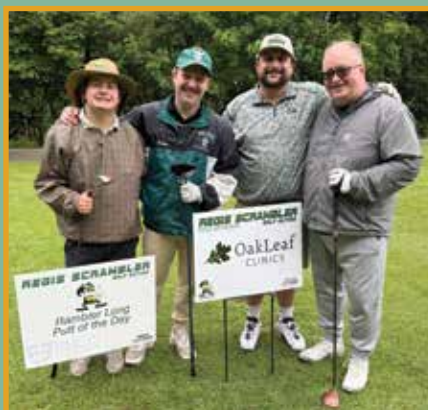






## Thank You!

Soggy weather didn't dampen Rambler pride or golf day activities at the 33rd annual Regis ScRambler Golf Outing held June 14 at Lake Hallie Golf Course. The Regis Booster Club welcomed 114 golfers at this year's event that featured hole prizes, raffle baskets, a silent auction, and competitive team best-ball play. A huge thank you to our generous sponsors and golfers who helped us raise more than \$20,000 to support athletic and extracurricular programs at Regis Catholic Schools. Special thanks to our beverage sponsor, Park Ridge Distributing, and Tom Anibas and his team for the best grilled chicken in the Chippewa Valley! Please mark your calendars to join us for the 34th annual Regis ScRambler Golf Outing on June 20, 2026!



## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!



**Joseph Haselwander – Mark & Sandy Gobler**  
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## Reunions

### Class of 1970 | 55th Reunion

**Saturday, September 20, 2025**

Houligan's Steak & Seafood Pub  
 South Barstow Street, Eau Claire | 5 p.m.  
 \$10 Donation at Door  
 Serving Snacks & Appetizers | Cash Bar |  
 Casual Attire

### Class of 1975 | 50th Reunion

**Saturday, October 18, 2025**

Pine Meadows Golf Course | Eau Claire  
 Make plans to also attend a Friday night  
 get-together at Ray's Place on Water Street!

More details to follow.

### Class of 1976 | 50th Reunion

**Friday, August 15 | 6 p.m.**

The Brewing Projekt | Eau Claire

More details to follow.

Contact Jan Johnson-Coenen  
 with questions at [jmcoenen7@gmail.com](mailto:jmcoenen7@gmail.com).

## IN MEMORIAM

*Eternal rest, grant unto him/her, O Lord, and let perpetual  
 light shine upon him/her. May the souls of the faithful departed,  
 through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

### ST. PATRICK'S HIGH SCHOOL

Marjean Bachmeier '47

Geraldine Vatne '65

Michelle Farrell '68

Belinda Brorson-Knochel '72

Lawrence Faulkner '75

### REGIS HIGH SCHOOL

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Joseph Miller '61

Janis Vanden Heuvel '65

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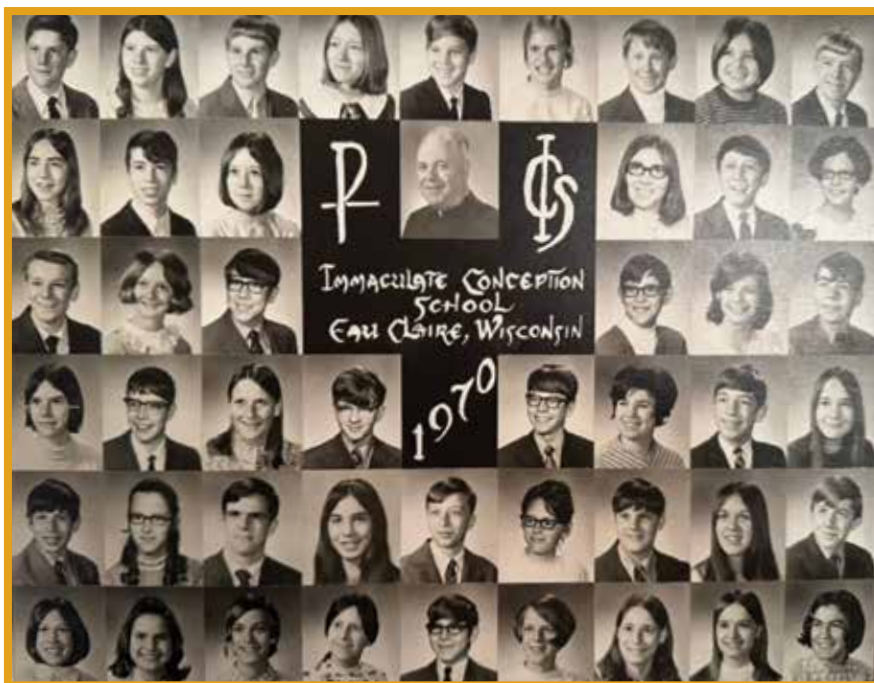
James Parris

Ann Seidl

*Thank you to the families who named the Regis  
 Catholic Schools Foundation in their memorial gift.*



## Taking a special walk down memory lane!



It was an honor to welcome members of the Immaculate Conception Elementary School Class of 1970 for a tour this spring.

At that time, the school went through 8th grade...and the group was kind enough to also share some special group photos from their time at the school!



## A Lasting Legacy of Support for the Ramblers



If you are part of the Regis family, you already understand just how special this community is. It's special because of the people who dedicate their time and energy to shaping Regis into what it is.

Mary Andrews, who married Regis alum Stan Andrews '63, knew from the moment she had children that she wanted them to experience that same sense of belonging. With her Irish roots, deep devotion to family, and unwavering faith, Regis quickly felt like home to her.

For more than 50 years, Mary and Stan could be found in the stands, cheering passionately for the Ramblers. When Mary passed away in March, it was clear where memorials should be directed—back to the community that gave her so much. Her joy and pride at attending the games of her children and grandchildren was always evident in the smile on her face and the excitement in her voice.

The Regis Booster Club is honored to receive generous memorial gifts made in Mary's name and is deeply grateful for her many years of involvement at Regis.



# ALUMNI ADVICE

As the Regis High School Class of 2025 prepares to take on new adventures, we reached out to our St. Patrick's High School and Regis High School alumni to ask them to share their advice with the graduates. **Here's what they had to say...**

*Be kind....to yourself and others.*

Sandra J. Giammona '55

*Regardless of your circumstances, you have total control of your attitude. Your attitude will make all the difference in your life .*

Larry King '76

*To the members of the Regis Class of 2025: As you all embark on your futures, I suggest you consider the words of William Jennings Bryan, an American lawyer, orator, and politician.*

*"Destiny is not a matter of chance...it is a matter of choice. It is not something to be wished for, it is something to be achieved." Best of luck to all of you... and May God bless! "Once a Rambler...Always a Rambler."*

Joe Roach '75

*If you are going on to college, choose a field that is flexible and allows you to work in most any location. I am a speech pathologist and worked in schools, nursing homes, medical facilities, private practice, and home health, allowing me to easily find a job wherever we lived. I could adjust to the needs of my four children at various stages of their lives.*

Mary Claire (Pitterle) Fu '66

*Follow your heart. Do what you love. Ignore all who say it's never been done before; to pursue your vision and success will be yours! I've given that advice to my sons and all my employees. The positive feedback is overwhelming!*

Enid Harvey '62

*Don't be afraid to dream big, set your sights high, and do things that are a bit scary. There's a big world out there just waiting for you to explore it. Eau Claire will always be here. - Sarah Fabiny '79*

*Find someone that you admire and can look up to as an example. In almost every pursuit in life, a good coach is worth their weight in gold. Find someone, ahead of you in the journey, that you can look up to in your career, in your marriage, in your parenting, and anything else you want to succeed in. That person in front of you is more important than your phone. Look up, and at them. Best wishes to the Class of '25!*

Dan Lavalley '74

*Learning is a lifelong thing, and so is being a Rambler. You can rely on Regis traditions, faith, and strength as alumni as you go forward. Best wishes and congratulations!*

Mary Garvey Verrill '74

*I am still working at age 88 and I give thanks for two teachers who are mainly responsible for my current job of teaching Contemplative Prayer for an ecumenical organization, Contemplative Outreach, Ltd. Sister Janet Mayheue, my English and Speech teacher and Sister Maxine, who started an afterschool club to teach the Rule of St. Benedict, which included a prayer called Lectio Divina (a method of praying the Scriptures). Also, for the principal Fr. John Paul, later the Bishop of the La Crosse Diocese, who encouraged my call to serve in a lay position. Regis provided my foundational education and prepared me to use the talents God had given me. I pray for you as you follow your call at a time when the world needs the values Regis has instilled in each of you. Congratulations.*

Marie (Finn) Howard '55



# Still the Answer

Be still and know that I am God.  
Psalm 46:10

**Saturday, August 9, 2025 | 9 am - 4:30 pm**  
**The Pablo Center, Eau Claire, WI**

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- **Live music** from Luke Spehar, uplifting and energizing our spirit
- **Eucharistic adoration**, worshipping in sacred silence together in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ

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### Blessings to Pope Leo XIV!

Our Ramblers across the system paused in early May to witness the announcement of the first American pope.



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