



# Aquinas ALUMNI NEWS

OFFICIAL AQUINAS, ST. MARY'S, ASSUMPTION & MARIETTA ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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## Alumni Serve as Faculty and Staff

**O**ver the years, Aquinas has been blessed to have many alumni come back and teach or work for the schools. This year, we have over 25 alumni in our school system at the Holy Family Early Learning Center, St. Mary's Elementary and Aquinas Middle/High School. These alumni are serving as teachers, bus drivers, secretaries, librarians, maintenance workers and cooks. We decided to find out how long some have been here, why they came here and why they stay.

**S**andy Romshek Vavrina '86 and Ann Ptacek Heermann '85 have been here the longest (31 years) of the Aquinas Alumni who are currently working at the schools. Vavrina teaches 1st grade at St. Mary's.

"I've stayed because I love this school. Our children went to school here and there's nowhere else I'd rather be." Heermann teaches middle school social studies at Aquinas and is the Drama Director. "I took a job with Aquinas because I wanted my children to have the catholic education that I had and because we had family here."

**K**aren Fuxa Shonka '85 and Jeri Janicek Truksa '75 are the voices you will hear when you call Aquinas and St. Mary's respectively. Shonka says, "What better place to work, there is a chapel just down the hall and Mass is available almost every day of the week." Truksa added, "I love working at St. Mary's because of the

kids. It's like being a grandma to 200+ kids."

**J**enny Shipley White '92 is the head cook at Aquinas. "I truly care about each one of these kids and hope they know I'm not just here to provide a nutritious meal for them, but I'm also here to be a bright spot in their day."

**T**ony and Julie (DeWispelare) Smith, 1984 graduates, both agree that it is the "family" feeling that keeps them here at Aquinas & St. Mary's. Tony teaches business and coaches. Julie teaches 4th grade. "It is a family that encourages us to be the best versions of ourselves through our catholic faith," said Julie.



## A Message from Aquinas & St. Mary's Chief Administrative Officer

Dear Aquinas Alumni,

We are grateful for your support of our Aquinas and St. Mary's Catholic Schools, especially amidst this most unusual time in our history. Our dedicated teachers and staff continually inspire me with their perseverance and positive attitudes. They have been asked to do a lot more than in previous years, yet they keep pushing on towards the goal of teaching and loving every student. Our students are the direct beneficiaries of the hard work and care from our faculty and staff members, just as you were when you roamed the halls here. We strive every day to continue the strong Aquinas tradition of growth in discipleship, academic excellence, and

strong extra-curricular activity participation.

We are excited this spring to inaugurate the very first season of Aquinas Golf! We were ready to begin the new program last spring, but the Covid response prevented us from playing even one match. Our golfers are very excited to get out on the course and represent the Aquinas Monarchs!

I hope that wherever you are, that you are now able to go to church and pray at Mass. If there is one and very important lesson that we learned from the shutdown of Mass across the country one year ago, it is that the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is incredibly "essential"! Holy Mass and the Eucharist is literally the

"lifeblood" of our faith. If Wal-Mart can be open and we can shop there, then St. Wenceslaus Church can also be open and we can worship there.

If we truly believe that what happens at Mass is the re-presentation of Christ's sacrificial death on the Cross for our salvation, and the incredible graces that flow from it, then it should never be shut down again. Ever. If we truly believe that it is Jesus Christ, the Son of God that we are receiving in the Holy Eucharist, something we cannot do watching Mass on a livestream, then we need to be there in person to receive Him Who can change our life and bring us to Heaven. Perhaps, and we will never know, if the churches

had never closed and Masses had never been suspended, that the abundance of prayers and graces for the end of the pandemic would have changed the course of Covid-19 in our country.

As we share in the glory of the Easter Season, please pray for all of us at Aquinas, especially for the happy repose of the souls of alumni who died this past year. May they soon share in the joy of Christ's Resurrection.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Fr. Sean Timmerman*

Fr. Sean Timmerman  
Chief Administrative Officer



## A Message from Aquinas Catholic Advancement & Alumni Office

Dear Aquinas Alumni,

We feel so blessed to have been able to go through with a mostly normal year for our students here at Aquinas. As you know, many throughout the country haven't been quite as fortunate.

With minor modifications, we have had school and activities for the 2020-21 school year. Our students

are helping to make history as they navigate continuing their education during a pandemic. Our teachers have improved their technology skills so they can be ready to teach no matter what comes our way. Weekly updates to the parents from the health department are a regular occurrence in order to help families feel safe about their decision to continue with in-person

learning. Those students who have had to do distance learning because of health reasons have also been accommodated.

I have visited with alumni throughout the world to see how they are faring during this pandemic. All but one of last year's reunions was cancelled or postponed to this year. We have lost some alumni to Covid-19 and some alum-

ni have lost family members. To these families we offer our sincere sympathy and prayers. We will get through this together. We hope this newsletter finds you healthy and praying your way through this pandemic.

In Christ,  
*Deb Svec*  
Alumni Director

# News and Notes



Will Reiter '17, has been hired as the David City Recreation Coordinator.

Dinkelman '80 and Will Reiter '17.

Michelle Beringer Birkel '86 is now serving as the Director of Advancement for Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska.



Katie Daro '11, is the new occupational therapist at the Butler County Health Care Center Therapy Department. Previously she had been working in Alaska's Kenai Peninsula



National Guard, have just been deployed to the Middle East until December. Please keep them in your prayers.

of someone else's family. We thank you for your compassionate care of patients who have been separated from their families for long periods of time. Your good deeds do not go unnoticed.

The Butler County Area Foundation Fund has acquired two new board members, Deb Reisdorff



Jon Kadlec '16 and Nathan Junck '20, both members of the 192nd Military Police Detachment with the Nebraska

We have so many alumni out there on the front lines of this pandemic. While there are too many to list here, we want you to know that we are grateful for your tireless efforts in the face of adversity. We thank you for your sacrifices of time away from family to care for the members

Mary Eller Ringer '91 recently ran 26.9 miles in 4:16 doing laps around the Lincoln Planned Parenthood to remember the Unborn.



Won't you consider being a guardian angel for one of our students? The Guardian Angel Scholarship Fund exists to help students in need, with their tuition. By helping a student with tuition, you are helping them to receive the same faith-filled education that you received as a student at Aquinas.

Yes, I want to help a student in need!

### 2021-2022 Tuition Rates

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \$3,628

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle School: \$2,899

City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary School: \$2,174

*Tuition rates are listed to the right. Whether you can donate a full tuition scholarship, half or make a contribution, all donations to the Scholarship Fund are greatly appreciated.*



\*\*\*The need for scholarships is more important than ever in-light of the Pandemic. Please help if you are able!\*\*\*



## Mini Monarchs

Jeremy '04 and Ashley Cihal, a son, Colson James, Born February 18, 2020  
 Sarah (Pelan) '05 and Andrew Holloway, a daughter Piper Larena, born May 4, 2020  
 Andrew '11 and Sarah Buresh, a son, Luke Casimir, born July 29, 2020  
 Andrew '14 and Sarah Oborny, a son, Owen Michael, born September 26, 2020  
 Kyle '06 and Carly Eller, a son, Calvin Michael, born September 21, 2020  
 Allison Struebing Dallegge '08 and Jeremy Dallegge, a son, Jayden Harrison, born June 19, 2020  
 Kristin Vandenberg Kaczor '11 and Brett Kaczor, a son, Maverick John, born October 9, 2020  
 Rose Menjivar Ebert '04 and Carl Ebert, a son, Henry Jacob, born October 23, 2020  
 Tom '05 and Kristi Hough, a son, Nash Arthur, born October 29, 2020  
 Seara Petska Johnson '06 and Eric Johnson, a daughter, Ava Lena, born October 31, 2020  
 Heath '15 and Liz Ketteler, a son, Oliver Joseph, born November 6, 2020  
 Seth '04 and Brittany DeWispelare, a daughter, Sutton Grace, born November 4, 2020  
 Elizabeth Holland Parker, '04 a son, Liam Donald, born December 1, 2020  
 Evan '10 and Lindsey Kovar, a son, Mason Elliot, born December 9, 2020  
 Cecilia Zegers Banholzer '03 and Jeff Banholzer, a daughter, Reagan Lorene, born December 25, 2020  
 Nolan '04 and Ashley DeWispelare, a son, Wilson Thadeus, born January 5, 2020  
 Aaron '00 and Danielle Kobza, a son, Lucas Anthony, born January 29, 2021  
 James '07 and Jenna (Beringer) '10 Didier, a son, Beckett Anthony, born January 22, 2021  
 Craig '00 and Laura Meysenburg, a daughter, Rachel Claire, born February 20, 2021  
 Clayton Hartman '13 and Colleen, a son, Brooks Lawrence, born March 10, 2021



## Monarch Marriages

Landon Stouffer '13 to Cassie McNeill,  
 October 3, 2020  
 Aaron Gratz '08 to Jennifer Bradford,  
 October 17, 2020  
 Max Miriovsky '13 to Julie Vrbka '14,  
 November 21, 2020  
 Katherine Hoeft '12 to Jamie Peterson,  
 December 12, 2020

**We're praying for all of the alumni out there who have had weddings for themselves, their children or their grandchildren post-poned because of the pandemic.**



## Monarch Vocations

### Priests

Rev. Rudy Oborny '63  
 Rev. Jim Meysenburg '81  
 Rev. John Birkel '82  
 Rev. Doug Daro '09

### Religious

Sr. Marilyn Geiger, OSF '62  
 Sr. Frances Pytlik, ASC '65  
 Sr. Patricia Ann Hanus, MS '70  
 Sr. Barbara Smith, ASC '71  
 Sr. Jeanette Rerucha, MS '77  
 Sr. Mary Markita Kratochvil,  
 TOR '99  
 Sr. Fiat Marie Eller, CK '10  
**Seminarians**  
 Matthew Kovar '13  
 Scott Nemecek '15

Augustine Reimers '16

Cody Hein '18

### Postulants

Marissa DeWispelare '13  
 James Buresh '13

**\*Please pray for our alumni who are priests, religious, postulants and seminarians.**

# Summer 2020 & 2021 Reunion Plans



## 2021 Reunions:

**60 years--St. Mary's Class of 1961**--Not available at press time.

**55 years--Class of 1966**--Postponed to Summer 2022

**50 years--Class of 1971**--August 21, 6pm, Deb Urbanek Arends, 3136 S 40th St, Lincoln, NE Questions, contact Mary at msneller@hotmail.com

**45 years--Class of 1976**--Not available at press time.

**40 years--Class of 1981**--Not available at press time.

**35 years--Class of 1986**--August 7, Romshek Cabin near Bellwood, Time TBD, Contact Jay at jayskovec@yahoo.com for more information

**30 years--Class of 1991**--Not available at press time.

**25 years--Class of 1996**--July 17, Roper's Bar and Grill in David City August 7

**20 years--Class of 2001**--June 12th, Ruth Family Cabin

**15 years--Class of 2006**--June 25th, 2021 starting at 5:30 at The Backroads Pub in Bellwood. Contact: Andrew Daro 402-367-2984

**10 years--Class of 2011**--Not available at press time.

**5 years--Class of 2016**--Not available at press time.

## 2020 Rescheduled Reunions:

**55+years--Class of 1965**--June 19, 2021, Ramada Inn, Columbus

**50+years--Class of 1970**--July 17, 2020, Rosie's Bar & Grill, Lincoln Questions? Contact: Linda "Zip" Nicolas Masek 402-429-5546 or Helen Krondak Pope 402-432-7789 **45+years--Class of 1975**--July 31, 2021 Home of Patty Dolezal: 9601 S 53rd St, Lincoln, NE Social at 4:00pm and meal at 6:30pm. Contact Denny at dkallenbach@cox.net

**Marietta High School Reunion**--Saturday, August 14, 2021, Marietta Parish Hall



## Alumni News & Emails

### Help us share the good news!

We are excited to share all the great things our alumni are up to. If you or another alumni have some news to share for the newsletter, please email the alumni office at: deb-svec@cdolinc.net Also, be sure to send us your email to make it easier to stay in touch.



## In Memory Of...

### Joyce Ann (Semin)

**Zywiec** passed away on September 9, 2020 at



Bryan Medical Center after a courageous fight with cancer. She was born on Feb 18, 1947, to Raymond and Helena (Steiner) Semin of Bellwood, NE. She attended **Aquinas High School and graduated in 1965**. She later attained her LPN license in Lincoln, Nebraska.

### Ruth Sypal Cermak



passed away on August 22, 2020. Ruth was born April

10, 1936, to

Joseph and Helen Sypal in Brainard, NE. She graduated from **Dwight Assumption High School in 1954**.

### Francis (Frank) Leo Stastny,

passed away, peacefully, after a short illness,



on March 16, 2020. He was born September 16, 1929, on the farm near Dwight, Nebraska to John and Agnes (Hotovoy) Stastny. Francis was a **1948 graduate**

**of Dwight Assumption High School**, where he played center on the football team.

### Margaret "Marty" A. Mach

and her husband Larry of rural Weston, NE,



entered into eternal rest together in an auto accident on September 25, 2020 in Wahoo, NE. Marty was born on March 24, 1954, in David City, NE to Wilbur M. and Hilda Olga (Prochaska) Coleman. She graduated from **Aquinas High School in 1972**.

### Patricia J. Shorney



**Comte**, died Friday, September 25, 2020. Pat

was born on March 22, 1944, at David City, Nebraska to James and Olga (Yindrick) Shorney. She attended **Aquinas High School and was in the 1962** graduating class, the first graduating class of the new school. She was preceded in death by her husband Bud.

**Larry Janak** died September 30,



2020. He was born April 17, 1956, in Seward, Nebraska to Ernest R. and Olga M. (Svoboda) Janak. He attended and graduated from **Aquinas in 1975** and Southeast Nebraska Community College in Milford in 1976. Larry is survived by his wife, Lori '75, two sons and a daughter.

### Mary Frances Rezac Voboril



was born on September 2, 1932, to Julius and

Irene (Graham) Rezac and passed away peacefully in the early hours of October 3, 2020. She graduated from **Dwight Assumption in 1949**.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 44 years, Edward Voboril, Jr.

### Raymond Irvin "Irv" Cidlik

was born on June 10, 1942, in David City, Nebraska



to Irvin and Georgia (Svoboda) Cidlik and passed away on October 23, 2020, in Lincoln, Nebraska graduated from **Dwight Assumption High School with the Class of 1959**. Survivors

cherishing his memory include his wife, Pat Cidlik, their children, 18 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren, and siblings.

### Betty Marie Miriovsky Smith

was born on August 29, 1930, to Frank and Bettie (Hain)



Miriovsky and passed away on October 27, 2020. Betty graduated from **Dwight Assumption in 1947**. Betty was preceded in death by her parents; two husbands, Ray Kantor and Lavern Smith; two sisters and two brothers.

### Greg Meysenburg



died October 2, 2020. He was born on February 2, 1945,

in David City, Nebraska to Joseph and Leonarda (Vanderbroek) Meysenburg. He attended Marietta and graduated from **Aquinas High School in 1963**. He is survived by his wife Mag '63, four children, nine grandchildren, three sisters and six brothers.

**Harlen R. Lyons**, 86, of

# In Memory Of...

David City, Nebraska died Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at his home in David City. Harlen Lyons was born on January 24, 1934, in Clearwater, Nebraska to David and Adele (Brockmoller) Lyons. He graduated from **Marietta High School in 1952**. Harlen is survived by his wife of 61 years, Patricia MA '54, three sons and siblings.



**Rosemarie Helgoth Jelinek** was born on June 6, 1948, in David City, Nebraska to Howard and Georgian (Novak) Helgoth and lost her battle with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma on October 13, 2020. She attended St. Mary's Catholic School and **Aquinas Catholic High School**, graduating with the **Class of 1966**. She is survived by husband, Buzz Jelinek, two sons, grandchildren and four brothers.

**Arthur Mastera** passed away after a long battle with Parkinson's disease



on October 2, 2020. He was born in David City to Alfons and Beatrice Mastera. He graduated from **St. Mary's High School in 1959**. He is survived by his wife Susan and their five children, 16 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

**Virginia M. Polak Vrbka**, died Thursday, October 22, 2020, at Brookstone Acres in Columbus. Virginia Vrbka was born on November 29, 1940, at Plasi, Nebraska to Bohumil and Marie (Snitily) Polak. She attended local grade schools and went on to graduate from **St. Mary's High School in 1958**. She married Melvin Vrbka on February 9, 1961, at St. Mary's Church in Lincoln. Four children were born to this union.

**Robert "Bob" Juranek** died June 30, 2020, in Schuyler. He was born on November 7, 1945, in North Bend to Leo Sr. and Mildred (Cech) Juranek. He graduated from **Aquinas High School in 1964**.



Bob is survived by his wife of 50 years Dorothy '65 of Linwood, three children, siblings and grandchildren.

**Pauline M. Theewen Bouges**, of Lincoln, passed away October 31, 2020. Pauline was born on October 7, 1925, on the family farm near David City, Nebraska, to William and Veronica (Lettellier) Theewen. Pauline is a **1943 Assumption graduate**. Pauline is survived by her three children, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents and husband Merle.



**Margaret Jean (Birkel) Pokorny** was born on June 24, 1938, to Cyril and Lucille (Reisdorff) Birkel. She graduated from **Marietta High School in 1955**. Jean was preceded in death by her husband, Larry. She is survived by her children: Kevin, Brian, Alan, Galen, Roger, Diane Daro and Julie Puck; brothers,



sisters and grandchildren. **Patricia L. Demuth**, 'Pat' of St. Louis, Missouri died peacefully on July 14, 2020. Pat was a **1950 graduate of Marietta**. Pat is survived by her sisters, her brother along with multiple nieces, nephews, grandnieces and nephews and great grandnieces and nephews.

**Theodore "Ted" Coufal**, 96, of Brainard, Nebraska passed away peacefully on Wednesday, November 18, 2020. Ted was born January 17, 1924 on the farm near Brainard, Nebraska to Joseph and Lillian (Rejda) Coufal. Ted graduated high school from **Dwight Assumption in 1943**. Ted is survived by his daughters, sisters, and many grandchildren. Ted is preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Coufal.



**Lynos Rerucha** went to his heavenly home





## In Memory Of...

on Nov. 20, 2020, at age 83. Lynos was born Aug. 14, 1937, in David City, to Leonard and Georgia Rerucha. He was raised on a farm near David City and graduated from **Marietta High School in 1949**. Lynos is survived by his children and siblings. He was preceded in death by a brother and wife, Sharon.



**William "Bill" Kozisek** died on Monday, December 21,

2020. Born near David City, Nebraska on September 16, 1932, Bill graduated **Marietta High School in 1950**. Bill is survived by wife JoAnn, children, grandchildren and siblings

**Michael P. Schlentz, 70**, of Plymouth, MN passed away December 13, 2020 at Mission Nursing Home in Plymouth, MN. He was a **1968 graduate of Aquinas High School**.



**Donnette Tuma Jedlicka, 89**, of Schuyler, passed away Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at David Place in David City. Donnette Rose was born in

Colfax County on June 15, 1931 to Jerry F. and Rose (Loukota) Tuma. She went to grade school District 64, then three years to Schuyler High, graduating from **Marietta High School in 1949**. She is survived by her children, grandchildren and siblings. Donnette is preceded in death by her husband Milo.



**Marietta Josephine (Demuth) Ricke, 89**, of

Johnston, Iowa returned to her heavenly home on Friday, January 1st 2021. Marietta was born on January 7, 1931, in Bellwood, Nebraska, the daughter of the late Jacob and Emma (Vermulen) Demuth. She graduated from **Marietta High School in 1948**. She is survived by her six sons, many grandchildren, sisters and a brother. She was preceded in death by her husband Richard.



**Karen Hanus Steffensmeier, age 66** of Fremont, WI passed away on



Friday, January 8, 2021. Karen was born in David City, Nebraska on April 25th, 1954 to John and Genevieve Hanus. She graduated from **Aquinas High School in 1972**. Karen is survived by her husband; Paul Steffensmeier, children, a sister; Connie Johnson and brother, John Hanus. She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters and a brother.

**Richard (Rich) J. Gans, age 80**, of Brainard, passed away with family by his side on December 31, 2020, after a short battle with cancer. He was born on July 13, 1940, in David City, NE to James and Emma (Selzer) Gans. Rich graduated from **St. Mary's Catholic High School in 1958**. Rich leaves behind his wife Jody (Belsan) Gans of Brainard; three children and grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters, and two grandchildren.



**Dolores "Dell" Cihal Orender** passed away January 27,



2021. Dell was born on November 29, 1946 to Frank and Mary (Liskovec) Cihal in Seward, NE. She attended Dwight Assumption school and graduated from **Aquinas in 1964**. She was Preceded in death by her husband Leon and her parents.

**Leona M. Kobza Divis** died February 2, 2021. She was born



on March 18, 1926, to Adolph and Rose (Pavel) Kobza. She graduated from **Dwight Assumption in 1944**. Leona is survived by her children. Two brothers, one sister, 17 Grandchildren and 26 Great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 2015, one infant brother and one sister.

**Sister Mary Beth Kubesh, N.D.** died Feb 3, 2021. She **taught Home Economics at Aquinas in the 1970's**. Preceded in death by parents, Frank and Anna; brother, Frank; sisters, Anne Tupa, Julia Schanilec, Amy Miskavige, Angela Jarolimek.



# In Memory Of...



Survived by Notre Dame Sisters; brother, Lewis Kubesh (Lorraine); numerous nieces and nephews

**Elaine Marie Pekarek**

**Janak** was born on March 7, 1948 in Seward, Nebraska to Raymond and Lucille (Divis) Pekarek and passed away on February 4, 2021 in Wahoo. Elaine graduated from **Aquinas High School** with the Class of **1966**. Survivors cherishing her memory include her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.



**Frederick Gabriel Hoto-vy** was born on December 20, 1928, in Seward, Nebraska to Fred and Gabriella (Makes) Hoto-vy and passed away on February 11, 2021, in



Seward, Nebraska . Fred graduated from **Dwight Assumption Catholic School with the Class of 1946**. Survivors include his children, grandchildren, brother and sister.

**David Dunning** died February 11, 2021. He was a **1959 graduate of St. Mary's**.

**Larry Bornschlegl** died February 12, 2021. Larry **taught and coached at Aquinas** in the late 60's.



**Emily Josephine (Egr) Clark** went to be with God on February 20, 2021 after a strong battle with cancer. Emy

was born in David City, Nebraska on March 30, 1975 to James and Bernadette



(Lankas) Egr. She graduated from **Aquinas Catholic High School in David City in 1993**. Emy married Bo Clark on June 25, 1999. She is survived by her husband Bo, two children, father and sisters.

**James Polak, a 1957 graduate of St. Mary's High School**, passed away on January 10, 2021 in California.

He was born March 10, 1939 in Wahoo to James and Beatrice Polak. He married Kathy Murphy. He is survived by three daughters, a son, grand children and great grandchildren.



**Shirley L. Woita Marintzer** was born to Amelia (Mollie) Woita and



Claude Purvis on February 17, 1946 in Wahoo, Nebraska and passed away March 6th, 2021, at Tabitha Care Center in Crete, Nebraska at the age of 75. She was a twin of Sharon Brecka. She graduated from **Aquinas in 1964**. She is survived by her husband, Sonny, two daughters, her step-children, her twin sister and grandchildren.

**Mary Jane Prochaska Charf** passed away on March 20, 2021. She was a **1969 graduate of Aquinas**.



## The Coat of Many Colors Appears Again



Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream-coat was first performed at Aquinas in 1983 with Mike Terrell '84 playing the part of Joseph. Kathleen Fox Barloon '83 was also in the musical and her mother, Margaret Fox made the coat of many colors for Mike to

wear. When Kathleen saw that we were performing it again, she offered to ship the coat to the school for this year's Joseph to wear. Jude Yindrick '21, son of Bill '87 and Melissa '89 Taylor Yindrick is shown wearing the beautiful coat once again 38 years later.



# Success in Activities at Aquinas...



## 2020 Boys State Cross Country State Champions

The cross country team is coached by John Svec



## 2021 Class C State Wrestling Runners-Up

The wrestling team was coached by Aquinas alumni, Andrew Daro '06 and Roy Emory '02.

## New Vocations Display



Rather than just pictures of our alumni from when they were ordained or took final vows, we now have pictures framed individually that includes their senior picture from here at Aquinas. These are featured in the display cases by the main office at Aquinas.

## Phone-a-thon Helps to Reach Goal

This year's Annual Appeal through the Phone-a-thon has met with tremendous success. The goal was to fill the gap between tuition and parish assessments. The 2020-2021 school year funding gap was \$140,000.00. The alumni goal was to raise half of that with the rest coming from parishioners and parents.

Thanks to the kind generosity of our alumni, parishioners and friends, we have currently raised over \$140,000. Donors have until June 30, 2020,

to donate to the 2020 Phone-a-thon.

The Annual Appeal each year is solicited through both the Alumni Phone-a-thon and an appeal to the parishioners of the David City Deanery who attend the 13 parishes that help to support the schools. The Annual Report, which we mail out in the fall, will list all of our donors to the Annual Appeal as well as announce the final total for this very successful appeal.

**AQUINAS & ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**  
**2020-21 ANNUAL APPEAL**

Your generous gift will help us to bridge the gap between Parish Assessments and Tuition. You can make your gifts online at [aquinas-catholic.com](http://aquinas-catholic.com) or mail them to Aquinas & St. Mary's, Attn: Annual Appeal, P.O. Box 149, David City, NE 68632

**THANK YOU!!!**

**GOAL: \$140,000.00**  
**Received: \$140,000.00**  
**THANK YOU to all who have given so far!**  
**The campaign ends June 30, 2021**



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## Phone-a-thon 2020

Phone-a-thon 2020 pledges have come in quickly and as of the printing of this newsletter, we have received over \$70,000.00. Remember: You have until June 30, 2021, to send in your pledge or you can easily give online at [www.aquinas-catholic.com](http://www.aquinas-catholic.com) and click **Support Us**



## Class of 2021

Please keep the Aquinas Class of 2021 in your prayers as we navigate these uncertain times with them.

Graduation is May 16, 2021



## Spirit Apparel Store

Wish you had some Monarch apparel or even Aquinas Alumni apparel? Check out our spirit store on line: <https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/monarchs-270897>

