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Years in Parish: 8 years

Tell us about your family:

Wife of almost 13 years, Lani Babin. Son Spencer (11) in 5F and son Bennett (9) in 4R.

Tell us about your background:

Born, raised and educated in Ohio. Spent 15 years working in a variety of political roles in Washington, DC following college graduation. Lani and I were married in 2006 and after starting our family, decided to move to her hometown of Louisville. We live in an incredible neighborhood with many other StMM parishioners, Owl Creek, and we are blessed to be active members of the StMM Catholic Community. Have been working at Humana since 2012 and currently a strategy leader for our corporate real estate organization.

What are your priorities and vision if you were to be on the Student Advisory Council?

I have been an active member of the StMM community for 8 years and my boys have been attending StMM School for the past 6 years. As a church usher, a picnic volunteer, or a coach for my sons teams, I enjoy being a part of the solution – offering my time, contributing my voice, and looking for new and different ways to make things better. As a part of the Student Advisory Council, I would look forward to offering realistic alternatives, sound solutions, and different perspectives to continue building upon the great traditions of our blue ribbon school while ensuring it's the best community in our diocese.



Full Name: Casie McCafferty Kichler

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Years in Parish: 4 years

Tell us about your family: I have been married to Paul Kichler for 12 years. We have 9-year-old twins, Emma and Michael, who have attended SMM since kindergarten and absolutely love the school. We moved to Louisville, KY in 2010 from Chicago, IL and while we did not know many people initially we feel that the sense of community in our neighborhood and within the SMM parish and school has made Louisville our home. We enjoy our time on the weekends with family and friends. We usually attend Saturday evening or Sunday morning church at St. Margaret Mary.

Tell us about your background: I graduated from Miami University with a bachelor's degree in marketing. After a couple jobs in sales and event planning I shifted my career focus because I hadn't found anything that truly resonated with me. I then found my passion in healthcare and became a nurse. In 2017 I graduated with a doctorate in nursing practice and currently work for Norton Healthcare as a Director within the Clinical Effectiveness department supporting change through process improvement work to support improved care for patients and efficiencies for the organization.

What are your priorities and vision if you were to be on the School Advisory Council?

Priorities:

- Continue to create a safe and nurturing environment for our children
- Support faculty and staff to challenge the children at all levels appropriately
- Identify and support parents and faculty to engage children through the use of technology to adequately prepare our children for the future
- Continue to support the development of students who have strong moral and ethical values who can be responsible future leaders in our community and church

My vision for the School Advisory Council is to provide support that propels St. Margaret Mary School as a premier school in Louisville, KY that cares for each child comprehensively to help them excel and flourish in all aspects of their lives.



Full Name: Brent Lettieri

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Years in Parish: 15 (8 as a student – '77-'85)

Tell us about your family:

Mary Beth and I were married 15 years ago in her hometown of Cleveland, Ohio. She is an Occupational Therapist who has worked for JCPS over the past 16 years. We have 2 sons who are currently students at St. Margaret Mary. Our oldest, Jack is in the sixth grade and Connor is in the third.

Tell us about your background:

Born and raised in Louisville, the St. Margaret Mary community has been a part of my life as far back as I can remember. It began as a student between the Fall of 1977 thru the Spring of 1985. I would return 10 years later to coach football as a young adult with my father at SMM for 6 seasons. Professionally, I've worked as an Accountant for the past 20 years, the last 6 as Assistant Director of Finance at Cedar Lake Lodge which is a non-profit organization devoted to the care for adults with intellectual disabilities.

What are your priorities and vision if you were to be on the Student Advisory Council?

If I were to be on the Student Advisory Council, I'd view it as an opportunity to listen, learn and do my best to offer any advice I can from my perspective as a former student, coach and now as a parent. I also hope my professional experience in Finance that includes budgeting and a heavy reliance on policies and procedures would be of some value to the school administration.



Full Name: Leslie Nemes

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Years in Parish: December 2015 (3 years)

Tell us about your family: I have been married for 18 years to my husband Jason. I have 3 boys at St.Margaret Mary. Sam is my oldest. He is 13 and in the 7th grade. My middle son is Will who is 10 and in the 4th grade and my youngest, Daniel is 8 and a 2nd grader. We also have a 2 year old boxer named Daisy.

Tell us about your background: I graduated from Western KY University with a degree in elementary education. I taught Kindergarten and first grade for 5 years until my oldest son was born. I stayed home with my boys until 2017 and now teach preschool at Middletown Christian Preschool and Kindergarten.

What are your priorities and vision if you were to be on the Student Advisory Council? As a SAC member I hope to be a liaison between the school and parents and also be a support to teachers/staff and students by providing ideas and assistance in school decision making. My priorities are school safety including health and safety of all students and staff. Also, supporting teachers and students academically by providing resources and assistance to make a climate that insures students to be great learners.



Full Name: Brent Norton

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Years in Parish: 13 Years

Tell us about your family:

My wife Becky and I will celebrate our 18th anniversary this October 6th. We both graduated from the University of Louisville where we met in college. We have two children, Nathan who is 12 and Maddie who is 9. I have three siblings who all live in Audubon Park near my parents. They are members of St. Stephen Martyr Parish.

Tell us about your background:

I am originally from Baltimore Maryland, and I moved to Kentucky when I was sixteen. I attended Covington Catholic High School for two and a half years. I obtained a bachelor and master degree from the University of Louisville, as well as a second master degree in health administration from Webster University. Currently, I am an administrator at Ellis & Badenahusen Orthopedics where I have worked for the past 15 years.

What are your priorities and vision if you were to be on the Student Advisory Council?

Through the years I have been involved in the parish in a variety of ways by coaching multiple sports, the Men's retreat, and helping in other programs and events. I have spent the past several years at my current position at E & B working on process improvement and long term planning within the private practice setting in conjunction with a local hospital. This experience may be of some asset for the Student Advisory Council. The only priority is to continue to strengthen and grow the St. Margaret Mary curriculum to challenge and prepare our children for the future.



Full Name: Laura Rittmuller

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Years in Parish: 8 years

Tell us about your family:

We moved to Louisville 8 years past from Washington, DC/Northern Virginia for a change of pace. I work full time in technology sales while my husband Chris is in IT staffing. We are blessed with two amazing kiddos; Alex is in 6th grade and Eliana is in 4th.

Tell us about your background:

When we moved to Kentucky we wanted to be part of a community and immediately felt connected at SMM. Activities to date include: Sunday School and Gather the Children teacher and lead for many years, Lead the Welcome Committee (including the mock kindergarten) for many years, Participated in and continue to volunteer for the Chris Renews His Parish retreat, Girl Scout leader for many years, Room Mom, Step by Step Coordinator and volunteer for 2 grades, Vacation Bible School lead, Women's Ministry, volunteer at advent tea, help at Muffins with mom, helping hands volunteer, work at fall festival and picnic every year.

What are your priorities and vision if you were to be on the Student Advisory Council?

I love being part of the SMM community and will work to continue to provide a fun, safe, healthy learning environment for our children. Will work to continue to assure our school continues to be the best in the city. Will work hand in hand to assure solid positive working relations with the school and the parish.



Full Name: Ann Showalter

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Years in Parish: 12

Tell us about your family:

My husband, Danny, and I have two boys – Nicholas (SMM 2018), who is a freshman at St. X, and William (SMM – 5th grade).

Tell us about your background:

Born and raised in Louisville, I attended Holy Spirit School, Sacred Heart Academy and the University of Dayton. I am a CPA and work for Texas Roadhouse. My involvement in SMM includes: Christ Renews His Parish, parish finance committee, room parent and usher at mass.

What are your priorities and vision if you were to be on the Student Advisory Council?

I believe St. Margaret Mary is a great school. I want to make sure we continue to strive to be the best school we can be and to ensure our students are well prepared once they leave SMM.



Cynthia Burgiss Yates

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Years in Parish: 3

Family: My husband Noah and I were married at St. Margaret Mary in September of 2018. We have one daughter, Gracyn who started at SMM last year for JK, and is now in Kindergarten.

Background: I was born in Owensboro but raised here in Louisville. I attended St. Albert the Great and graduated from Assumption High School. I went on to receive my Visual Communications Design degree from the University of Dayton, along with a minor in Political Science. After college, I moved back to Louisville and worked for West IP Communications (formerly Smoothstone) for over 5 years before taking a leap of faith and joining a local startup company, Yazatel to run their marketing department. I have been with Yazatel for over 3 years now.

My husband was born and raised in Louisville, works as a non-destructive testing engineer and owns Louisville Entertainment Services. He went through the RCIA process at St. Margaret Mary and was confirmed Easter of 2018. He has since joined the Knights of Columbus, taken on the role of Program Director and ranked to 4th Degree. He also recently became a Minister of Holy Communion and an usher.

Since joining St. Margaret Mary we have become very involved with both the school and parish. I have volunteered as a room parent both years that Gracyn has been a Mustang, chaperoned field trips and school events, and I am currently a co-chair of the Kindergarten Step By Step Program. I recently joined PTO and have volunteered on their various event committees. I formed and chair the Single Mom's Club, have worked booths at the Summer Picnic, been an RCIA sponsor, and have attended and been on the formation team for the Christ Renews His Parish retreat.

Priorities/Vision: I was fortunate enough to attend Catholic school for elementary school, high school and college. It is a huge part of who I am today and was of utmost importance that I pass that same opportunity onto my children. I also believe it is imperative that parents be involved in their parish and school community, but I do realize that can be hard given some parents' schedules. My priority as a member of the SAC, would be to be a voice for all parents of the community and our children.