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6th Grade Instructor





A little bit about me...

The 2022-2023 school year is my second year here at St. Joseph Parish School. I have been teaching in the Archdiocese for the past twenty years. I enjoy the adventure of being a middle school teacher. I have had the privilege to teach such subjects as Reading, English and Math. But my passion has always been teaching Social Studies and Religion!

I currently reside in the city of Germantown. I have three children, one in college, one a senior in high school, and a freshman in high school. In my spare time, you can find me either cooking new and fun meals, kayaking on local rivers and lakes, or enjoying my favorite sport which is baseball.

If you could take the students on a field trip to anywhere in the world where would you take them?

Given the opportunity to take the students on a field trip around the world, I would love to take them on a mission trip to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. This would give the students a chance to live out our school mission statement by serving those in need. Teaching students who attend summer bible school. Learning about the Native American culture and heritage and how that strengthens their faith. Having had this opportunity as a part of

my life, it changed and challenged me to live a life serving others. It would be great to share this same faith filled experience with the students.

Are there any funny teaching moments you're willing to share?

One moment that will stay with me, was my experience in a school talent show. Some of my



students wanted to show off their talents and didn't know how to do it. They were also nervous to perform on stage. I encouraged them to go out and share their amazing talents and helped them create a parody on America's Got Talent. To help them with the stage fright, I said I would participate in the skit, even though I would be scared myself.

Each student danced, sang or displayed their acting skills. In return they pushed me out of my comfort zone and helped me learn the famous Napoleon Dynamite dance. Needless to say it was a success that created memories for a lifetime.

What is your favorite part about St. Joseph Parish School?

Being a part of the St. Joseph Parish School has been a great experience so far. I have enjoyed being a part of a community that puts their faith first. From the moment you walk in the door to the moment you leave, you can see faculty, students and families that share their Catholic faith in a unique way that I have not been a part of at other schools. Whether it is the family fun nights, seeing family members at Thursday mass, or the student's willingness to participate in faith opportunities throughout the year, St. Joseph Parish School truly feels like one big family.