

CARROLL CATHOLIC SCHOOL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



FAITH • EXCELLENCE • SERVICE

EDUCATING STUDENTS FROM 3 YEARS-OLD TO 8TH GRADE

HOLY FAMILY ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH, 316 S. Logan St., Lincoln, IL
ST. MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH, 808 NW Pearl St., Atlanta, IL
ST. PATRICK ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH, 213 S. Bogardus St., Elkhart, IL
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH, 321 S. Lafayette St., Mt. Pulaski, IL

Week of 1/26/2025

If the Mass Intention is in memory of your loved one, please consider bringing up the gifts. Contact an usher 10 minutes prior to Mass or call the parish office.

Saturday, January 25 - Vigil Mass Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle)

4:00pm Holy Family: In memory of Bill & Brad Moore by their Families
 [with Drive-Thru Communion from 4:45-5:00pm]

Sunday, January 26 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am St. Patrick: A Mass for the People
 8:30am St. Mary: In memory of Sarah Alberts by Sharon Alberts
 10:00am St. Thomas Aquinas: In memory of Patrick Boyle by Kathy Miller
 10:00am Holy Family: In memory of Diane Buse by Doris Oltmann
 [with Drive-Thru Communion from 10:45-11:00am]

Monday, January 27

8:00am Holy Family: In memory of Agnes & William Lohrenz, Jr. by Sandy, Lynn, Scott, Greg, Lorie & Michael

Tuesday, January 28 - Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00am Holy Family: In memory of Gerald May by Mark & Marcia May

Wednesday, January 29

8:30am CCS/Holy Family: In memory of Elizabeth May by Mark & Marcia May

Thursday, January 30

8:00am Holy Family: In Thanksgiving by David & Diane Coogan

Friday, January 31 - Memorial of St. John Bosco, Priest

8:00am Holy Family: In memory of Phil Mahler by Gary & Holly Woodhall

Saturday, February 1 - Vigil Mass - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord


4:00pm Holy Family: In memory of Joe Reichle by Lynn & Sandy Aper
 [with Drive-Thru Communion from 4:45-5:00pm]

Sunday, February 2 - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

8:00am St. Patrick: Communion-Only Service
 8:30am St. Mary: In memory of Chris Joy on his birthday by Wayne & Melissa Cox
 10:00am St. Thomas Aquinas: Communion-Only Service
 10:00am Holy Family: In memory of Kaye Rosner by the Holy Family Choir
 [with Drive-Thru Communion from 10:45-11:00am]

**Based on the availability of clergy, this schedule may change. Please check the parish website calendar for any changes or additions.*

- ⇒ **Reconciliation**
 Holy Family Church: Tuesday 7:30-8:00am before the 8am Mass & Saturday 2:45-3:30pm before the 4pm Mass
 St. Patrick Church, Elkhart: prior to Sunday Mass
 St. Mary Church, Atlanta: prior to Sunday Mass
 St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Mt. Pulaski: prior to Sunday Mass
- ⇒ **Adoration:** Holy Family Church, Lincoln: Thursday 3:00-6:00pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet recited at 3:00pm
- ⇒ **Infant Baptism:** Parents are asked to attend a baptism preparation session before the Baptism of their child. Please phone the parish office to register.
- ⇒ **Marriages:** Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance for the desired wedding date. Please phone the parish office to receive further information and to reserve your special day.



Through the mercy of God
 may they rest in peace.

Mary Wright
Kenneth B. Hardiek

Week of 1/26/2025 - 2/1/2025
 The **red Altar Sanctuary Candle Holy Family** is lit this week for the deceased and present members of the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary.
St. Mary is lit this week for the intentions of the Logan County Catholic Community.
St. Patrick is lit this week for the intentions of the Logan County Catholic Community.
St. Thomas Aquinas is lit this week for the intentions of the Logan County Catholic Community.
 The **blue candle** at the **Mary Queen of Peace Statue** is lit this week for the special intention of Judy for prayers to be answered.
 The **blue candle** at the **Immaculate Heart of Mary Statue at Holy Family** is lit this week for the intentions of the Logan County Catholic Community.
To sponsor a candle, call Alicia Baker at 217-732-4019 or email abaker@logancountycatholic.com.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

A save-the-date poster has been displayed in each church, announcing the dates for our evening sessions. **The first session is 2/27/25 at St. Patrick, Elkhart.** It will be a Q&A session. Fr. Joe will address the questions we were unable to get to the last time; new ones will be added. We'll follow the same format: supper at 5:30pm, Q&A time, communal prayer, dessert and conversation. As we get closer, watch the bulletin, Facebook, and our website for more details. Hope to see you!



ST. MARY LECTOR SCHEDULE	ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY
1/26 - Ed Jodlowski	St. Mary's Altar Society invites all members of our parish to meetings held the FIRST Monday at 6pm in the church hall.
2/02 - Ed Jodlowski	
2/09 - Matt McGhee	
2/16 - Matt McGhee	
2/23 - Laura O'Donnell	
3/02 - Laura O'Donnell	

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS
Holy Family: Bob Barger, Peggy Morrow, Jim Wessbecher
St. Mary: Joe Bell, Jan Bicknell, Zachary Craig
St. Patrick: Cheryl Davis, Blane Olson
St. Thomas Aquinas: Karen Edgecombe, Kathy Miller



On 1/12/2025, Emerson Lowry, son of Justin & Victoria Lowry (Costa), was baptized at Holy Family Catholic Church by Deacon Wendell Lowry. We welcome them into our Logan County Roman Catholic Community.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, January 27

Heb 9:15, 24-28 / Ps 98:1-6 / Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 28

Heb 10:1-10 / Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10-11 / Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 29

Heb 10:11-18 / Ps 110:1-4 / Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 30

Heb 10:19-25 / Ps 24:1-6 / Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 31

Heb 10:32-39 / Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40 / Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, February 1

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 / Lk 1:69-75 / Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, February 2

Mal 3:1-4 / Ps 24:7-10 / Heb 2:14-18 / Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32

THE HOLY FATHER’S MONTHLY GLOBAL PRAYER INTENTIONS - JANUARY

The Holy Father has entrusted his 2024 monthly prayer intentions to the Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network. You can find more information about the Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network for the USA on their website at [Home - Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network \(popesprayerusa.net\)](http://Home - Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network (popesprayerusa.net)).

For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected. *Adapted from USCCB.org*

MONTHLY DEDICATION - JANUARY

January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus.

The feast of the Holy Name of Jesus originated in the 1500’s and was celebrated on the second Sunday of the Epiphany until it was removed in 1969 since the name of Jesus was already celebrated at Christmas. It was restored in 2002 as an optional memorial on the first free day after January 1st. We will celebrate on Friday, January 3, 2025.

The *Litany of the Holy Name* is a prayer in honor of the Name of Jesus. While it probably dates back to the beginning of the 15th century as a private devotion, it was not formally approved for public recitation until 1862 when it was approved by Pope Pius IX. Other prayers dedicated to his name are the *Novena in Honor of the Name of Jesus* and the *Chaplet of Our Lord*, some of the many devotions made known by the Society of the Holy Name, a confraternity of laity under the care of the Dominican Order. *Adapted from Diocesan & USCCB.org*

MILITARY VALENTINE’S CARE PACKAGES

The Atlanta Christian Church will soon be packing and mailing Valentine Care packages to our current military families. If you have a family member you’d like to receive a package, please call/text Jennifer Craig at 217-871-9820 with your family member’s name and address. **This information is due by Thursday, January 30th.**



Mailing begins first thing in February. A special thank you goes out to the Atlanta American Legion Post who will, once again, pay the postage for any overseas military packages. **A second collection will be taken up on Sunday, February 2nd at St. Mary to help pay for the goodies being sent in the packages.**



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- 1/23/25:** Community Prayer Session, Bride’s Room 7:00pm.
- 2/12/25:** Diocese of Peoria Sesquicentennial Celebration of its founding with a Mass at the Cathedral at 4:00pm. All are invited.
- 2/15/25:** Abide in Me Retreat at the Sacre-Coeur Retreat Center, 8508 County Road 100 N, Magnolia, IL9:30am-8:00pm.
- 2/16/25:** Emmanus Knights, 4:30pm - 6pm, Emmanus House located at 2327 W. Heading Ave. West Peoria.
- Bishop Louis Tylka published the 2025 Festival Calendar of dates to observe fasts and feasts in the 2025 Liturgical Year. Dates before Easter are:**
- 3/5/25:** Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.
- 3/19/25:** The Solemnity of Saint Joseph, the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated at the Cathedral.
- 3/25/25:** The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord will be celebrated at the Cathedral.
- 4/15/25:** Chrism Mass at the Cathedral.
- 4/17/25-4/20/25:** The Sacred Easter Triduum of the Lord: His Last Supper, His Crucifixion, His Burial, and His Rising

More dates to be shared in future Bulletins.

Contact Info for Fr. Thomas Taylor

Many have requested contact information for Fr. Taylor. Please send cards and letters to:

Fr. Thomas Taylor
c/o St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church
6001 N. University Street
Peoria, IL 61614

Please "Pray for the Sick" by remembering the following people in your prayers:



Mike Lowry, Paul Lowry, Terri Lowry, Laura Lowry, Sean Lowry, Elijah Cox, Guinevere Decker, Ruth Young, Rodney Alberts, Jill Alberts, Linda Wright, Steve Schmidt, Ryan Butler, Donna Burr, Paula Rutherford, Gavin Fox, Rita Johnson, Adelyn Jones, McKayla Nye, Gavin Shuler, Phillip Brown, Christina Clementz, Mike Kavanaugh, Linda H., Mark L., Deb Jordan, Dwayne Knapp, Esme Avarit, Rita Scanavino, Thomas Siegel, Asher Phillips, Kristin Wright, Melinda Spangler, Alexa Cunningham, Mary Masterson, Marcia Bidwell, Sandra Buttell, Debi Hardin, Ann LaMothe, Teresa Tripplett, Curt C., Eddie Pharis, Shirley Davis, Mike Young, Shirley O'Donoghue, Dan Dankosky, Bridget Dutcher, Tinley Rubenacker, John Barrick, Tom Berta, Eric Faith, Jerry Boyle, Dave Morrow, Caroline & Mike Spaniol, Steve "Hacker" Aue, Jennifer Roedz, Dan Riccolo, Diana Purdue, Anne Baunach, Joyce Lichtenwalter, Sally Velasco, Ilene Davis, Tim McCormick, Bonnie Frawley, Jeane Connolley, Cheryl Farney, Jack Sprague, Kathy Miller, Pat French, Jack Peifer, Johanna Grigsby, Charlie Dumire, Bryan Finchum, Phyllis' family, Steve Panissidi, Bob McCue, Carol & Bob Barger, Aria Tramontano-Grigsby Spitnale, Ron Nye, John Hebenstreit, Tina Huff, and Family, Nurse Lancaster, Cindy & Kenny Frericks, Ann Knuffman, Greg Harmon, Pam Baker, David Vale, Lois, Mirtha, Nicolas, & Michael Barrios, Kimm & family, Adalynn Williams, Angela Piglia, Raeleigh Bess, Eric Ewald, Faith Stagnolia, Donna Bolton, Pat Dugan, Nancy Stevens & sons, the Salas Family, Becky Maestas, Cheryl Davis, Mike Shay, Bandy Aye, Carol Grunder, Sherry Miles, Linda Barrick, Karen Lowery, Cheryl Moscardelli, Rachel Santana & family, Marty J Clementz, Jr., Bridget Chiodo, Carol Ann Connelly, the Newton family & their twin newborns, Candice Rose, Nathan Cravatt, Dan Durchholz, Wil Buse, Jane Logan Perry, Fr. Thomas Taylor, Stephanie Adams, all children & families facing medical challenges, and all the members of the armed forces of our country.

To add a loved one, call or email Isabel Vidal at 217-732-4019 or ivalid@logancountycatholic.com.

FAKE BISHOP LOU TYLKA FACEBOOK ACCOUNT

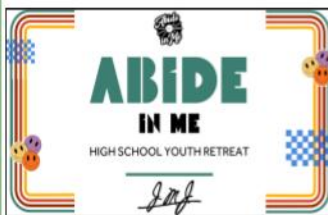
There is a Facebook account posing as Bishop Lou's personal page. For example, there is one labeled as Bishop Lou TyIka (with a capital "i" instead of an L in his last name).

We have contacted Facebook several times in hoping to get the fake one (s) removed. IN the meantime, please let people know that any and all messages received from these accounts should be ignored and reported. Bishop Lou would never reach out through Facebook to ask for personal information or money.

Congratulations to Carroll Catholic School celebrating their 63rd Year serving our Catholic Community. In September 2025, they will turn 64 Years Old! Please remember to support them with your weekly, monthly, and yearly giving!



Help Celebrate Catholic Schools Week at Carroll Catholic School
1/26/25 - 1/31/25!



Abide in Me - High School Youth Retreat is a great moment of encounter for our high school aged parishioners to gather together to learn, pray, connect, and be inspired to live a Eucharist centered life. This day-retreat will feature great speakers, vibrant praise and worship, a spotlight on sacred vocations, opportunities for the sacraments, and much more that will culminate with Eucharistic Adoration.

The event will be held at the Sacre-Coeur Retreat Center on Saturday, February 15, 2025 from 9:30 AM thru 8:00 PM. The cost is \$35/person, with a \$75 max/family. Charge for chaperones is \$15.

Registration: This is a Diocesan event and you may register online. You will be assigned to a small group for the day and will be connected with a chaperone accordingly. Attendees turn in registration and payment online through the **WeShare link** reached by using the QR Code. Payment is due upon registration. Please contact Carla Wizeck (cwizeck@cdop.org) or 309-677-7015 with questions about this year's retreat.



NOTE: 2/9 Emmaus Knights falls on Super Bowl Sunday. Moved to 2/16.



EMMAUS KNIGHTS FOR YOUNG MEN GRADES 7-12

SPRING DATES: X 3/8, 4/13
 FROM 4:30PM - 6:30PM

Join Fr. Chase for a Sunday night of faith, fraternity, and formation at the Emmaus House
 2327 W. Heading Ave., West Peoria

EMMAUS KNIGHTS IS AN EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG MEN WHO DESIRE TO GROW IN FRIENDSHIP AND FAITH WITH SOME FOOD AND SOME FUN. IF YOU LOVED EMMAUS DAYS, COME AND CHECK OUT EMMAUS KNIGHTS.

FATHERS, DROP YOUR SONS OFF AND STAY FOR A TIME OF FRATERNITY

Scan the code to let us know you are coming and to have your parent fill out a digital permission form!



EMERGENCY CALL LIST REQUEST

If anyone would like to be added to the St. Patrick Emergency Text List, please let Ann Olson know and she will add you. Please:

- ◆ Text your name and the message "emergency list" to 217-202-5605.
- ◆ Or, email your name and phone number to jaolson83080@gmail.com

Thank You's & Memories from Carroll Catholic School's 8th Grade Class

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I am incredibly thankful for my time at Carroll Catholic School. There are so many wonderful aspects of attending this school. I've made great friends and learned a lot about my faith as a Catholic, thanks to my religion classes, volunteering at the food pantry, and serving at Mass. The teachers have always taken the time to engage us with lessons that help us understand the material. We read many inspiring novels and conducted interesting science experiments. The academics at Carroll Catholic School have truly prepared me for high school.

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Another highlight of my experience here has been the sports program. We've had the opportunity to participate in sports like baseball, golf, track, basketball, and more. Coach Fuiten was a fantastic baseball coach who taught us so much. Coach Fitzpatrick and Coach Graue also helped us stay grounded in our faith while playing and encouraged us never to give up. I was incredibly excited when the school added a bowling program, and I was fortunate enough to compete at state during my time in the program. Thanks, Mrs. Fuiten, Mr. Welch, Coach Jones, and Coach Fisher, for making that possible.

I've had the privilege of meeting many wonderful people at Carroll Catholic. I've attended this school since preschool, and it's a tradition in my family—my mom and grandma also went here. Most of my friends have been at this school since preschool, too. I'm grateful to Mrs. Craig, Mr. Welch, and all the teachers and staff for everything they've done for me and the school.

I will miss attending Carroll Catholic School every day and seeing my brother. This school has equipped me with the tools to succeed academically and athletically. Thank you to all the staff, coaches, and parishioners for making this possible.

Evan Alley
Class of 2025



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Throughout my years, I have attended Carroll Catholic School from preschool to 8th grade. During those years, I have learned many things, including the value of education, how much I care about my faith, the service to our community, the sacrifice my parents made for me to go here, and much more.

To begin with, I would like to thank all the staff members at Carroll Catholic School, including all the teachers who taught me things I would never have figured out if I hadn't gone here, especially teachers who taught me throughout my years of 5th - 8th grade, Mrs. Fuiten, Mrs. Coyle, and Mr. Welch. They are the ones who taught me the most and the ones who put a smile on my face every single day. I would also like to thank all my coaches for the sports that I have decided to play these last few years: volleyball and cheerleading. Coach Kohl and Coach Brooke would always push me to reach my goals and ensure everything was right. Coach Autumn, Coach Rendj, and Coach Heather always ensured I was safe with going into a stunt and cheered me on. One of my favorite memories of cheer was when I first figured out how to go into a stunt and the big smile everyone had. I want to thank Mrs. Craig for being like a second mom; she always made me feel like I had a special place at CCS.

Above all things, I would like to thank my friends and family for always being there for me and making sure I was okay along the way. I have made many friendships that I feel will last a lifetime. Mainly, I want to thank my parents for sacrificing themselves for me to go to this school. I would also like to thank my aunt and uncle, Lori and Paul, for always being there and supporting me in my educational choices.

Lastly, during my years at Carroll Catholic School, I learned how to serve the community, such as helping at the food pantry and washing dishes. Although I hated doing dishes, the kitchen staff always encouraged me that it was for a good purpose, and it is. Carroll Catholic has undoubtedly made me the person I am today. Without everyone in the school, who knows where I would be today?

Addie Davis
Class of 2025



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I am thankful for all the friendships I have made at Carroll Catholic School and hope to keep these friendships throughout high school. During my time here, I enjoyed participating in sports. The coaches helped me grow and learn while having fun with my teammates. I joined the bowling team and qualified for State in my first year. I received Judge's Choice twice and multiple first-place ratings when participating in Speech. I met new people while playing softball co-op with the junior high school. I played volleyball for the first time at Carroll Catholic and enjoyed learning a new sport.

I have helped with many events. My favorite was the Halloween dance I recently helped with. My favorite memory while at Carroll Catholic was in Kindergarten when we had to find the gingerbread man. My favorite subject is English because Mrs. Fuiten makes it easy to understand and exciting to learn something new. Thank you to Mrs. Coyle for helping me understand Math better.

I want to thank Ms. Frakes for being sweet when helping out in the kitchen and giving me top hat tokens. She makes kitchen duty fun, and her food is delicious.

Thank you to my parents for helping me with my homework all those years. I also appreciate the tuition they paid for me to attend Carroll Catholic School.

Carlie Buttell
Class of 2025



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I loved my time at Carroll Catholic School. First I want to thank my Mom and Dad for financially supporting me all my years at Carroll Catholic School.

Next, I want to thank the teachers. My education here was superior because the teachers were willing to help me even when I didn't understand something. I also want to thank my coaches for being a big part of my time at Carroll. I have learned so much here, and I want to thank the school for being the best it could be for the students.

I want to thank Mrs. Coyle for being the best teacher I've ever had. She puts so much work and time into helping us in Science and Math. I also want to thank Mr. Welch for being a really cool teacher and helping me with my understanding of the history of the world. I also want to thank Mrs. Fuiten for being a really good reading, religion, and English teacher.

I want to thank Coach Graue and Coach Fitzpatrick for teaching me everything I know about basketball. I also want to thank Coach Fuiten for being the best baseball coach ever.

I am also glad to help the food pantry put food together to save them some time. In all, I am thankful for attending Carroll Catholic School my whole life. It was a great experience.

Carter Fuiten
Class of 2025



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From my time at Carroll Catholic School, I have had an excellent education from the very beginning, but especially in middle school. Between Mrs. Coyle, Mrs. Fuiten, and Mr. Welch, I got a better education than I could ever imagine. Mrs. Coyle puts our class's education in Math and Science above all else. Mrs. Fuiten teaches Spelling, Reading, English, and Religion but still finds time to help us. Mr. Welch makes sure that Social Studies is both educational and fun.

At Carroll Catholic School, we are lucky enough to attend Mass every Wednesday, thanks to Fr. Joe and Fr. Nicodemus. I have learned many valuable life lessons from attending Mass and attending Religion class. Carroll Catholic School has given me strong faith in God. I don't know how I would get through tough times without faith.

Carroll Catholic School also has excellent athletics. I could not ask for better coaches. Coach Fuiten and Coach Singleton make baseball more fun than I could imagine. Coach Fitzpatrick and Coach Graue make basketball one of my favorite experiences at CCS. All of my coaches push me to improve.

Carson Graue
Class 2025



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I have had a lot of fun at Carroll Catholic School as a student and an athlete. I have made a lot of great memories ever since kindergarten. All teachers and staff members always welcome you with smiles on their faces.

All of my teachers have helped me be a better student and become a better person. I am very thankful to Mrs. Fuiten for teaching me more and more about the Catholic faith. I am also very grateful for Mr. Welch because he has been a great principal. I am very thankful to Mrs. Coyle for helping me with learning Math. My teachers have played a significant role in my life as role models and great teachers.

I would also like to thank my parents for supporting me financially. They made an excellent decision for me to come to Carroll Catholic School for all these years. They attend all my sporting events and get me to school every morning. I am very thankful to my parents and family for supporting me through my journey at Carroll Catholic School. I would also like to thank my mom for helping me become the athlete I am today. She has been coaching me ever since I have shown interest in sports. She has coached me in volleyball and softball. She has taught me everything needed to be successful in everything I do. She pushes me to become the best in everything I do. Without her, I don't think I could do what I do on the softball field and the volleyball court.

All of my teammates have been a crucial part of my journey. They have always been there to lift my spirits when I'm upset, and their cheers on the court have been a constant source of motivation. I am truly fortunate to have such supportive teammates. We have each other's backs, especially on days when one of us is not at our best. Our collective support and understanding have been instrumental in shaping us into the team we are today.

In closing, I would like to thank the parishioners for their support and contributions that are always meaningful for us students. We appreciate when you attend Mass with us on Wednesdays, when you volunteer in school and are present in many of our assemblies or other activities. I thank you very much.

Kenneadi Kohl
Class of 2025



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I have enjoyed attending Carroll Catholic School for many reasons. My parents decided to send me to this school, and I am so happy they did. I have had so many opportunities in my nine years at Carroll Catholic.

There are many good things about going to a private school. I love learning about religion, which I wouldn't experience in a public school. The smaller class setting has allowed me more one-on-one time with teachers.

I want to thank my mom and dad. They have paid my tuition since kindergarten, and I am so thankful. Even though they could have sent me to a public school, they decided to send me to Carroll Catholic School. My parents have always been there to support me, and I am so appreciative of that.

I love sports at Carroll Catholic. I get to meet new people that go to different schools. I have made many new friends through cheer, volleyball, and track. Coach Rendi and Heather were always there for me. I loved doing track with Coach Autumn. Autumn was always so positive, even when I thought I did poorly. I have enjoyed volleyball with Coach Kohl and Coach Ciaccio. Volleyball has helped me grow and improve each year. And it's taught me to keep trying even when it's tough.

Other extracurricular activities I do are Speech, Choir, and Band. Speech has always been so fun. Memorizing and performing a speech in front of a crowd has helped me with public speaking. I want to thank Mrs. Rawlins, Mrs. Craig, and Mrs. Entwistle. I have enjoyed Sr. Lori and the talent she brings to the choir. The band has been fun. Learning music and also getting to meet people from the Jr. High. Mr. Popper, Mrs. Larson, and Ms. Reynolds are excellent music teachers, and I am so glad they taught me. Working in the cafeteria is not always fun, but I enjoy seeing the kids. Ms. Frakes always makes the kitchen enjoyable. She is so sweet and is fantastic at cooking.

The teachers have significantly impacted me: Mrs. Coyle for Math and Science, Mrs. Fuiten for English, Reading, Religion, and Spelling, and Mr. Welch as the principal and Social Studies. From 5th to 8th grade, I have had these teachers, and they have been excellent. Any time I have any questions, they are there for me. I don't know where I would be now if it weren't for them.

I appreciate the Holy Family's support of the school and the parishioners. Father Joe and Father Nicodemus are great priests. It's incredible that Fr. Nicodemus even popped into volleyball practice to play with us.

I will never forget my time at Carroll as I move on to high school. I have had the best parents, brothers, teachers, education, and friends.

Grace Nutter
Class of 2025



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Throughout my ten years at Carroll Catholic School I have learned so much about many things, not just education. I have learned about the Lord and Jesus, I've also learned how to be a good classmate and friend to my peers. Through our athletics program I have gotten to play volleyball and cheerleading. Volleyball has taught me to be a team player and to keep my hopes up even if we're losing. Cheer is something I love to do and it has been so much fun these past two years.

I would like to thank my parents for taking money sacrifices to pay the tuition for Carroll Catholic. Because of them making sacrifices for me I have grown up with a good education, good teachers, and good friends. I'm very thankful for my mom for every morning getting me out of bed so I go to school and get a good education. I'm thankful for my dad for being hard on me when I wasn't trying hard in school. I'm thankful to my friends for always being there for me when I was at my lowest.

I would like to thank Mrs. Fuiten for teaching me my love for English. She has also taught me a lot about the Catholic faith and I am very thankful I got to grow up in a school based on faith. Thank you to my coaches, Coach Kohl and Coach Ciaccio, they have always believed in me and have made me realize how much I love volleyball and I am so grateful for them. Mr. Welch also gets a thank you for being the best principal ever, I've never had any other one but I still think he's the best. And a very, very special thank you to Mrs. Coyle, she is the only teacher that has made me actually understand math and helps me get decent grades for Math.

I am so grateful for being able to have come to Carroll Catholic and stay here all the way to graduation. I'm so happy for all the amazing friends and memories I have made, and I am so excited to be able to make more at the high school.

Kori Singleton
Class of 2025



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Carroll Catholic School is an enjoyable and helpful school. There are lots of resources that help you improve your learning capabilities and skills. They are very loving and kind and help you whenever you make mistakes or can't attend school. They are also very understanding if you have any sort of problem with either health or personal issues. My time at the food pantry was fun; the people there were friendly and kind. We also work in the kitchen, helping out with the staff.

I had a delightful time with the sports program. From never having played basketball before to being able to shoot and defend, I would like to thank Coach Fitzpatrick, Coach Graue, and Coach Fuiten for teaching me how to play a sport I never thought I would like.

Thank Mrs. Coyle for being the best Math and Science teacher. She taught us everything in close-up detail and explained step-by-step Math if you forgot how to do it. Mrs. Fuiten, for being the most excellent English and Spelling teacher, I went from not knowing how to do Shurley English to being a pro at it. Also, Mr. Welch was a fantastic teacher for Social Studies. He made it fun for all students to learn history. Mr. Welch was also the best Principal because he was very understanding. If you had an issue, he would help you no matter what you had.

Grayson Sisk
Class of 2025



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I am thankful for my education. Even though it was confusing and challenging at times, I still understood it (totally). I am also grateful for my teachers. They helped me so much to get where I'm at right now. I will miss our fun time in classes and all of us acting silly. Thank you, Mrs. Coyle, for teaching me Math and helping me understand it better. Thank you, Mr. Welch, for the suitable lessons in Social Studies. It was fun. Thank you, Mrs. Fuiten, for teaching me. At first, I never understood what you were teaching because I had never heard of the topics. But you came to help me understand it so much better.

Thank you to the staff. I had a great time working in the kitchen with Mrs. Frakes. Thank you to the Food Pantry staff for allowing us students to serve the community. I would be happy to continue to come and help you. Thank you to all my sports coaches. I am so thankful for you guys because you made me try harder at that sport to make me even better. Thank you to my mom and dad. They have paid for me to come to this school, and I'm glad they did. They have worked so hard for me, and I'm very thankful.

Serra Skelton
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First, I want to thank my Mom. I am thankful for her financial budgeting because if she didn't, I would not know where I would be today. I don't know how hard it is being a single parent, but I am happy that she sacrificed her time and money for Carroll Catholic School for me. I also want to thank you for the sacrifice of putting me in volleyball, a sport I have loved since I was little and have always been passionate about. Even though I may have gotten on my Mom's nerves, she has always supported me in everything I do. I know that my Mom will help me as much in high school as she does now. My Mom loves me, so she sacrificed for me to attend Carroll Catholic School.

I would also like to thank my volleyball coach, Mrs. Kohl. She pushed me harder than I thought I could go. I am so grateful she did because I have come a long way since I started with her in 5th grade. Even though I have had some rocky plays, she has always helped me improve. I will be sad when I leave my coach because she has pushed me hard.

I want to thank the volunteers who helped in the food pantry and the lunchroom. They do not have to take time out of their day to come and help. The food pantry members are all so fantastic when we help them, and the lunchroom volunteers are like family. When you go and do lunch duty, it makes you feel like you are part of the school community.

I will be sad when I leave Carroll Catholic School because I have made many friends and learned a lot in the past 10 years. I am leaving Carroll Catholic School with my religion, which teaches me that the right thing to do is to help anyone in need and forgive everyone no matter what they do. I will hold dear all the memories from Carroll Catholic School and will never forget them.

Natalie Smith
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I have loved my time here at Carroll Catholic School. I would first like to thank my parents for financially supporting me so I could attend Carroll Catholic.

Second, I would like to thank my teachers. I have had an excellent education, and when I don't get something, they will sit down and explain it more. I want to thank coaches, Coach Kohl and Coach Ciaccio. They have helped me improve at volleyball, taught me so much, and will pick me up when I am down. Since my time at Carroll Catholic School, I have gotten closer to God and my Faith.

I want to thank Mrs. Fuiten for teaching me more about my faith. Every day in religion class, we learn more and more about the disciples, God, Mary, Saints, and Jesus. I want to thank Mr. Welch for making my time at Carroll Catholic School more exciting and making activities fun.

I am so happy I got involved in the food pantry, student council, and lunch duty because we can help whenever needed. I would also like to thank Mrs. Coyle for helping me understand math better when I don't understand it. Overall, I am so glad I got to experience going to Carroll Catholic School.

Amaya Stewart
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