

Lumen Christi Music at Mass, Alumni Spotlight, Volleyball and Save the Date! September 22, 2020

Singing Returns to Daily Mass

Our fantastic music teacher, Miss Elizabeth Welch, has figured out how to bring singing back to daily Mass with the students. With restrictions on choirs, we have not had regular choir classes in the Music Room, but Miss Welch has begun bringing students to the church where she can spread them far apart to practice songs for the liturgy. Similarly, we will not have student choirs in the choir loft, but students will sing in their regular seats in the church. This is in line with the congregational singing that has been practiced at Sunday Masses at Holy Rosary. The fall communion hymn is *Ave Verum* and the dismissal hymn is *Sub Tuum Praesidium*. We are so happy to be singing again at Mass.



Alumnus Tommy Grande Serving as the Interim 3rd Grade Teacher

Right before school started, the new 3rd grade teacher determined she was not able to join Lumen Christi. We are delighted that God sent us Tommy Grande, Lumen Christi Catholic High School Class of 2012, to step as our interim 3rd grade teacher. We are so grateful for Tommy and please pray that God sends us a permanent 3rd grade teacher soon.



From Mr. Grande:

I am a cradle Catholic who grew up in St. Barnabas parish and school. I have 3 older brothers and an older sister. I attended St. Barnabas Catholic School 1st -8th grade and Cathedral High School until my Junior year. Thankfully, God had a unique plan for me my senior year of high school, and this is when I transferred to Lumen Christi.

Lumen Christi had a wonderful impact on my Catholic identity. This is where I learned to be a true defender of my faith and where I made so many faithful connections. Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Perry welcomed me with open arms and were true witnesses of the Catholic faith for me. This is also where I was fortunate enough to meet my now wife, Emma Feick. All the students at Lumen Christi were so kind and friendly. Emma and I were instant best friends. Emma and I remained very close friends until our Senior and Junior years in college, when we began to date. Flash forward 5 years, and we are married, and I am teaching at the school where we met!

Lumen Christi helped me make life-long connections and aided my acceptance into Marian University. I graduated with my BS in Elementary Education and taught for 4 years in Washington Township. God's plan works in mysterious ways and I am now back teaching at the school where I met my wife. When I am not at school you can find me working alongside my father at Prosource Wholesale where we sell flooring, countertops, and cabinets.

Lumen Christi was made possible by families like the Feicks. Emma attended Lumen Christi, from 4th grade to her Senior year of high school. Emma is a wonderful example of the Catholic teaching of “leading by example.” From Lumen Christi, Emma attended Purdue university, where she graduated with a bachelor’s of science in Human Services. Emma is now a Skills Development Specialist through Adult and Child mental health, where she helps middle school students.

Trust in God’s plan!

High School Girls Playing Volleyball with the Catholic Youth Organization



Our math and science teacher, Mr. Tom Cope, is coaching another team of high school girls in the CYO High School Volleyball League. The team has been practicing since school started and are in the middle of their six-game season. Having four freshman as new players on the team has brought a lot of energy and enthusiasm, and the team has been improving with each match. Because of the pandemic, spectators are very limited, so we can’t invite you to attend a game, but please continue to pray that the team experiences the joy of comradery and competition.

Save the Date for Light in the City in 2021!



We will be celebrating independent, classical, Catholic education at Lumen Christi on **Sunday, April 25, 2021, from 5pm – 9pm at The Willows in Broad Ripple**. Please put the date on your calendar now so you can join us at our largest fundraiser of the year which includes an auction, dinner, dancing and our delicious Dessert Dash. Tickets will go on sale next spring, and we pray that we can all gather together safely in April.

It is because of your generosity that we are able to offer financial aid to half of the families who attend Lumen Christi, and we are so grateful for your gifts. With the financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, we need to be able to help families continue to send their children to Lumen Christi, and we depend on donors like you. If God is calling you to support our school, you can donate by credit card at our website, LumenChristiSchool.org or by sending a check to the address below.

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