

Give Thanks to those Serve Us

Fr. Tim Alkire

On August 19, Fr. Tim Alkire will no longer be pastor of St. Boniface Church and School. He is being assigned as senior associate at St. Joan of Arc Church, Kokomo and St. Patrick Church, Kokomo, with ministry to the Monastery of the Poor Clares and work in Diocesan Marriage Tribunal as Canonical Judge.

Fr. Tim was baptized at St. Boniface Church and attended St. Boniface School. He came back in 1991 as associate pastor. In 1994 he became pastor of St. Boniface. And has worked at the Tribunal for 10 years. For 29 years Fr. Tim Alkire has devoted his life to St. Boniface Parish and School. Fr. Tim has a personal connection with each individual by sharing his deep faith in Christ sprinkled with a wonderful sense of humor. We have all benefitted by his unifying vision of parish life and school community based on the presence of Christ in each other and rooted in the Eucharist.

Mrs. Danette Brown

Danette Brown is another well-loved member of the St. Boniface Community. Danette began working for the Lafayette Catholic School Community in September 1981 under Paul LaRocca, the superintendent. She worked in the morning for 5 years in the business office. Then under reorganization, Danette moved to Central Catholic and worked in the office for 2 years under Sr. Ann Kathleen and then Dave Worland. Finally, in August 1988, Sr. Helen Minich hired Danette as full-time school secretary at St. Boniface. Danette has assisted many principals, teachers, parents, and students through the “ups and downs” of 39 school years. If there is ever a question of what to do or where to go – just ask Danette!

After 32 years at St. Boniface and a total of 39 years working for the Lafayette Catholic School System, Danette is retiring. She has wonderful memories of all the people she has met and worked for. She probably knows more people in the Lafayette School Community than anyone! She is looking forward to enjoying retirement with her husband, David, and taking care of her new granddaughter, Charlotte. Danette will be missed!

Mrs. Kathy Chelius

In August of 2012, Kathy Chelius was hired as teacher aide at St. Boniface School to assist teachers and students. She worked with students in all grade levels. She did such a good job, that in August, 2013 up until the present, she was hired by GLASS (Greater Lafayette Special Services) as an interventionist at St. Boniface to assist those students who have learning difficulties. For 8 years, the students have benefitted from her gentle yet firm manner in guiding the child to understand and complete the academic work required to be successful. We will miss her sense of humor, her motherly concern and dedication to Catholic education. She will join her husband, who retired last year, in traveling adventures. We trust she will come back to visit!

How can my Family Give Thanks?

We are asking that all families whose children have attended St. Boniface School, presently or in the past, express their appreciation for the many years of service to Fr. Tim Alkire and to Mrs. Brown or Mrs. Chelius.

Each family may use the iPad to do the following:

1. Open a new Google Doc.
2. Title it **(family last name) family. And Thank You (Fr. Tim or Mrs. Brown)**

For example: Smith family. Thank you. Fr. Tim

3. There must be a separate document for each person.
4. In the top menu, select "Insert", "Image", "Camera"
5. Dress your family nicely and take a picture with the iPad.
6. Click Insert.
7. Type a note of thanks into the document.
8. Add a few memories.
9. Decorate with online graphics (if you wish).
10. Sign the name of each family member by typing.
11. In the upper-right hand corner, select "Share".
12. Type in mpultorak@lcss.org to share with Sr. Mary John
13. Then, select "Send".
14. Your document is now shared with Sr. Mary John Pultorak who helps Sr. Lenore print in color and assemble in a binder.

Please email: *Sr. Mary John at mpultorak@lcss.org with any questions*

Remember: *One sheet only for each person you are thanking*

Due Date: *Thursday, May 14, 2020*