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September 2026

Dear Marist Alumni and Friends,

The school year is off to a great start, with plenty to celebrate across the Marist community.

We welcomed the Class of 2030, the **largest incoming class on the Southside**, and gathered for our **All-School Mass** led by Fr. Tom Hurley '85. Alumni speaker **Jeff Sankey '93** also returned to share his career in veterinary medicine with our students.

The **Class of 1976** celebrated its 50th Reunion with one of our largest reunion turnouts to date, thanks in large part to the leadership of **Joe Sloyan '76**.

We are also grateful for the continued generosity of our Marist community. Successful initiatives like the **2026 MCA Golf Outing** help strengthen our mission and create opportunities for our students.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a great year ahead!

-Marist Advancement



Class of 2030

Boasting nearly 400 students, the class of 2030 is the largest incoming class on the Southside of Chicago. Our freshman students have brought in a RedHawk pride that we are eager to see soar.

First All-School Pep Rally

The first all-school pep rally, jump started by Mr. Dan Higgins '05, Dean of Upperclassmen, brought the entire school community together in a joyful celebration of school spirit, friendly competition and shared purpose.



first all-school mass
9.2.26



First All-School Mass & Blessing of Bibles

Fr. Tom Hurley '85, lead our community in living out our faith in our first all-school mass. Students in scripture classes also had Bibles blessed by Fr. Hurley as a way of equipping our students to use faith toward their own journey of discipleship.

Lord, guide the hearts, minds, and actions of our students, faculty and staff, and greater Marist community this year. Help us to grow in faith, pursue excellence, and build a strong and caring community together.



Career Pathfinders

Thank you to Jeff Sankey '93, Veterinarian and Owner of Palos Animal Hospital, for kicking off the first Career Pathfinders Speaker Series. His interactive presentation gave students valuable insight into the career of a veterinarian.

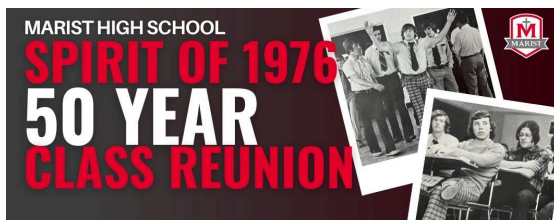
If you are interested in sharing your expertise and offering mentorship on transitioning successfully from high school to higher education or the workplace, please contact: [Ms. Jan Maratea](#).



2026 Marist Contractors Association (MCA) Golf Outing

Another great year at the 2026 Marist Contractors Association Golf Outing, with 266 golfers! Congratulations again to the recipient of the **Lifetime Achievement Award**, **Mr. Bill O'Malley '87**, and to the **MCA Person of the Year**, **Mr. Matt Quinn '88**. Thank you to all of our alumni and friends for making this event so successful.

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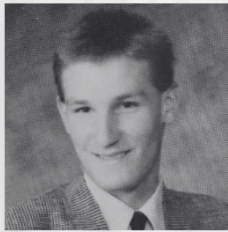
Marist High School welcomed home over 100 members from the **Class of 1976** to celebrate their **50th Class Reunion**. It was a wonderful day of celebrating, reconnecting and reminiscing, and a great reminder that no matter where life takes you, Marist will always be home. Thank you to Joe Sloyan '76, who went above and beyond to make this reunion a tremendous success.

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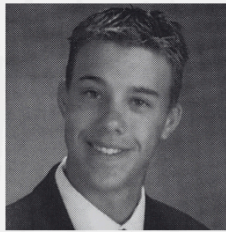
Upcoming Events

2026 MARIST HALL OF FAME

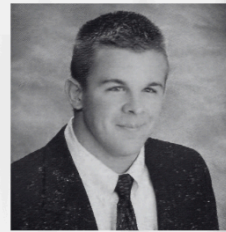
Inductees



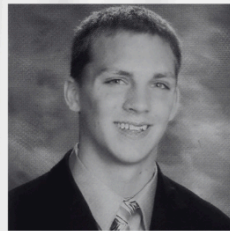
Jeff Swallow '91
Soccer



Eric Fussell '01
Baseball



Jacob Murphy '04
Wrestling



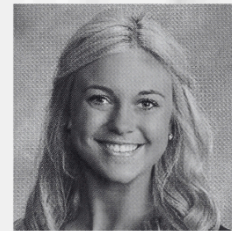
Nick Valla '10
Basketball



1987 Wrestling Team
State Champions



2008 Girls Basketball Team
State 4th Place



Madison Naujokas '16
Softball



Hall of Fame Night: Friday, September 25th
Halftime Ceremony (Marist vs. Loyola Academy at 7:30pm)

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Other Special Events



For questions or to share updates directly, contact us at:

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