

**Bro. Robert Politi**  
**Celebrating 50 years of profession**



As a Marianist, I have been able to serve students with special needs. Reaching out to these students has given me the grace to be human, to accept who I am, the gifts and talents that God has blessed me with. My life as a Marianist has been one of living in faith, as Mary did—many unknowns. Each year has been an interesting one. The most rewarding experience as a Marianist has been answering the call to be a special education teacher (an intervention specialist). Teaching, serving and working with these students with special needs has been a blessing to me. I started out as a business teacher. These students have taught me about life—be yourself, enjoy the life God has given you. They have challenged me to be a part of their lives, to form their gifts and talents. As a Marianist, I have been able to hope and trust while not knowing what lies ahead of me.