

Sponsorship NEWS

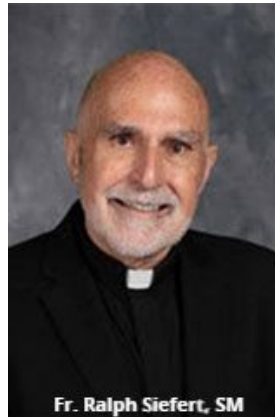
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In Memoriam

We were saddened by the death of **Fr. Ralph Siefert, SM**, who passed away this August. Fr. Ralph was president of [Chaminade College Preparatory School](#) in St. Louis, where he served the past 35 years. He was a shining example of what it means to be a Marianist administrator and spiritual leader. He was a man of great vision and wisdom and cared deeply for his Chaminade school family.

The Chaminade Board of Trustees has appointed **Dr. Todd Guidry** as the next president of Chaminade. As you may remember, the 2021-2022 school year was to be a year of transition for Todd, serving as executive vice president and working side-by-side with Fr. Ralph until he retired in June 2022. In a joint statement of support, **Fr. Oscar Vasquez, SM** (Marianist provincial superior), and **Mr. Joe Eckelkamp** (Chairman of the Chaminade Board of Trustees) stated that "Chaminade will continue to grow and prosper with Dr. Guidry as president. As Fr. Ralph envisioned, Chaminade's leadership is deep, strong, and ready for the challenges ahead."



Let us continue to pray for Fr. Ralph, for Dr. Guidry and the whole Chaminade school family.

In prayer,

Dan

*Deacon Dan Donnelly
Director, Office of Sponsorship*

Special Posters Commemorate the CMEs

This past summer, the Province shipped posters to Marianist-sponsored schools to help commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Characteristics of Marianist Education (CMEs). Sufficient quantities of these special posters were sent to each

school in order to display a copy in each classroom and meeting room on campus. The posters help remind teachers and students of the CMEs and how they shape our learning. A poster commemorating the Characteristics of Marianist Retreat Ministry will be available later this calendar year.

If you need additional copies of these posters, please contact the Office of Sponsorship at sponsorship@marianist.com.



Mission Integration Visits Restart

After pausing this past year due to travel limitations brought on by COVID-19, the four-year Mission Integration Planning & Contact Cycle has restarted for the 2021-2022 academic year. Visitations will resume in the second semester for schools in Year 2 and Year 4 of the cycle.

Schools receiving Year 2 Visits are:

- Chaminade-Madonna College Preparatory (Hollywood, Florida)
- St. Anthony School (Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii)
- Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School (Cleveland, Ohio)

Schools receiving Year 4 Visits are:

- Archbishop Moeller High School (Cincinnati, Ohio)
- North Catholic High School (Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania)
- St. John Vianney High School (St. Louis, Missouri)

[Click here](#) for an overview of the four-year Mission Integration Planning & Contact Cycle.

Workshops Are Key Part of Administrators Conference

The 2021 Marianist Administrators Conference (MAC) will take place this October and includes several workshops geared toward administrators and board chairs of Marianist-sponsored ministries.

Ministry CEOs and board chairs will attend a board development workshop facilitated by **Mr. Jack Peterson** of [Managing for Mission](#). This workshop will provide tools to work effectively as a board of a Marianist-sponsored ministry and give insight to making decisions and planning strategies as a board.

School principals will attend a series of workshops facilitated by **Dr. Timothy Uhl** (Catholic blogger and Superintendent of the Catholic Diocese of Buffalo) and **Dr. Brett Desnoyer** (Associate Principal of Instruction and Mission at [Chaminade College Preparatory School](#) in St. Louis).

Dr. Uhl will comment on Pope Francis' newest encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*, which

invites the Church to live out the call to universal fraternity and social friendship. Dr. Desnoyer will present on two topics: *Creative Tensions—Marianist Pedagogy and Professional Learning*, and *Adaptations and Changes*—featuring a panel discussion with teachers from Chaminade College Prep.

[Click here](#) for more information on MAC 2021.

We Welcome



The Diocese of Honolulu has named **Mr. David Kenney** as the next head of school of [St. Anthony School](#) in Maui, Hawaii. [Click here](#) to read more. Welcome, David!

The Archdiocese of Omaha has announced that **Dr. Tom Curry** is the next president of [Gross Catholic High School](#) in Bellevue, Nebraska. He replaces Dr. Dorothy Ostrowski, who retired from her position in June 2022. [Click here](#) to read more. Welcome, Tom!



The [Marianist Retreat and Conference Center](#) in Eureka, Missouri has selected **Mr. Nathan Martin** as the center's new executive director. Nathan starts October 4. Welcome, Nathan!

Other News

The [Marianist Lay Community of North America](#) announced that **Mr. Rob Brodrick** has been named as the inaugural national director for MLC-NA. Rob will be responsible for implementing the vision of MLC-NA and facilitating its day-to-day operation. He begins his new position in Dayton, Ohio on September 13. [Click here](#) for more information on MLC-NA. Congratulations, Rob!



Congratulations to **Greg Mueller** (principal at [Chaminade Julianne Catholic High School](#) in Dayton, Ohio) for being recognized by the Dayton Business Journal as an up-and-coming leader in the Dayton region. Greg was honored at the **2021 DBJ**



Forty Under 40 celebration this summer.
Congrats, Greg!

Upcoming Formation Programs

Upcoming formation programs offered by the Office of Sponsorship:

- **Teaching as Ministry Workshop (TAM)** - October 5-7, 2021, Marianist Retreat & Conference Center - St. Louis, Missouri
- **Marianist Administrators Conference (MAC)** - October 22-24, 2021, Sheraton Westport Chalet Hotel – St. Louis, Missouri
- **Board Development Workshop (BDW)** - October 22-23, 2021, Sheraton Westport Chalet Hotel – St. Louis, Missouri
- **Head to Heart: Marianist Spirituality Workshop (H2H)** - November 8-10, 2021, Marianist Retreat & Conference Center – St. Louis, Missouri
- **Teaching as Ministry Workshop (TAM)** - June 13-15, 2022, Marianist Retreat & Conference Center - St. Louis, Missouri

For more information and to register, please click on **Formation Programs** on the [Marianist App](#) or www.marianist.com/formation-opportunities.

Prayers for Marianist-Sponsored Ministries

We encourage those at our sponsored ministries to incorporate these two prayers as part of the hiring process for new administrators:

- [Prayer for Guidance and Support](#) - For those who are hiring new leaders.
- [Prayer of Solidarity](#) - To support our colleagues who are hiring new leaders.

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