



# NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

May 2021



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### FROM THE ALUMNI RELATIONS COORDINATOR

We all know what a busy month May is. Maybe that's why we celebrate Moms who seem to always be the busiest people.

It's busy at Nolan Catholic as well and a big month for Nolan Catholic alumni. There is a Jazz Concert on May 7, this evening, that will benefit the Dr. Joe Kuban Awards in Excellence Scholarships for two seniors. And, who doesn't like a little jazz every once in a while? The Alumni Tennis Tournament is May 8 followed by the Alumni 7-on-7 Flag Football Game the next Saturday, May 15 at Noon. Come to play or come to watch. You'll enjoy seeing old friends and classmates. (Check out page 2 for more information on some of these events.) Hall of Fame nomination forms [are on the alumni webpage](#). Nolan Catholic has been built by and has produced many leaders. Is there one that you would like to nominate? The Hall of Fame induction will be in the Fall.

Speaking of leaders, brother and sister act, Shayne ('09) and Shelby (class of '12) Morrissey are leaders in their industry. Check out the creative styles of Shayne's business, [Morrissey Home](#) in the Business Spotlight.

Make sure that you don't miss anything that's happening with the Nolan Catholic Alumni. Besides receiving the enews, you have the option to get emails related directly to your class, obituaries, sports activities and other extracurricular activities. Go to the alumni webpage and choose your options.

Graduation will be here soon enough. The Commencement for this year's graduating class will be at Globe Life Field on May 24. Just like all graduations, it's certainly going to be an occasion to remember.

Continue the relationship!

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## STAY CONNECTED

### Update your contact information

We want to hear from you! Please email [Pat Pierret](#) your contact information, job, education, and family updates. We want to be sure we have the most up to date information so we can mail and email all upcoming events, reunions and opportunities to get involved.

Send your news to us via [NCHS Website](#) and we will highlight it in the next newsletter.

### Follow us on social media



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Alumnae Page

# ALUMNI BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: Morrissey Home

Join fellow alumni in registering your business on the [alumni web page](#) of the [Nolan Catholic website](#). Send your name, class year, the name of your business and a link to your site. You can also join the [Nolan Alum Biz page](#) on Facebook. The e-news would like to highlight your business. For information on all of these, contact [Pat Pierret, Alumni Relations Coordinator](#).

## Morrissey Home

Shayne Morrissey, Class of 2009

Interior Designer Shayne Morrissey founded Morrissey Home in 2015. After working as a project manager for his father's construction company, Shayne recognized the need for turnkey building and design, and he wanted to offer that solution to his clients.

Morrissey Home addresses the interior design and construction processes in tandem. Remodeling can be a stressful process for clients, so Morrissey Home works to alleviate that through providing design services and construction management.

Morrissey Home works closely with their clients to customize their needs for interior design and construction services. They also specialize in custom finishes, furniture and window treatment procurement. Shayne has learned from experience that interior design and construction go hand-in-hand. You really can't do one well without the other. This is why Morrissey Home is committed to an all-inclusive approach to construction and interior design.

Morrissey Home has the ability to furnish homes anywhere and that has been an exciting and new development for the



company. Today, Shayne is known for creating iconic timeless interiors. His talent for combining modern luxury with antiques and personal artifacts is what makes his spaces so evocative. Shayne's ability to understand the essence of his clients is manifested through spaces that feel like home, not only to the people who live there, but also to anyone who visits.

Shayne's sister, Shelby, works alongside him and, having landed their new YouTube channel and LiketoKnowIt page, these siblings have no plans of slowing down. Follow along to keep up with exciting design content.

Morrissey Home has been featured in several leading Texas lifestyle publications. Read our features and view photographs of Morrissey Home projects at our website, [www.morrisseyhome.co](http://www.morrisseyhome.co).

We have achieved projects for 12 NCHS alumni clients so far.

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## EVENTS

**May 7:** Jazz Band Concert/Festival benefiting Dr. Joe Kuban Awards for Excellence. [Watch online](#). [Donate to the awards](#).

**May 8:** Alumni Tennis Tournament 1 - 5 pm, [Hurst Tennis Center](#)

**May 15:** Alumni 7-on-7 Flag Football Game

**May 15, 16:** President's Welcome Weekend

**May 20:** Senior Picnic

**May 22:** Senior Celebration

**May 23:** Baccalaureate Mass and Robing

**May 24:** Commencement

**May 31:** Memorial Day

**June 12:** Paul Knippel Memorial Golf Tournament and Scholarship [Register to play and/or make a donation](#).

Click [here](#) to see the Nolan Vikings Athletics Sports Schedule.

## EN MEMORIAM



**May perpetual light shine upon them**

David Martinez '77 - April 1, 2021

Carolyn Fowlkes Goodspeed '73 - April 14, 2021

Angela "Vonnie" Dorsey Bedford - April 24, 2021

# EXPERIENCE THE POSSIBILITIES

## SCHEDULE A TOUR

Our hourlong tours are offered in person or via a live virtual tour. An admissions representative will answer all questions and provide a customized experience that is tailored to you and your student's interests.

The Admissions Office would like to invite you to experience the many renovations to our campus! We are proud to offer an opportunity to experience the Truth, Beauty, and Goodness that is present every day at Nolan Catholic High School.

While you are here, we encourage parents to consider if Nolan Catholic is the right choice for your child's education. This is your chance to meet students, moderators, and coaches specifically in your child's areas of interest.

It is not too late to register for a personal tour of our campus! Please visit

<https://www.nolancatholic.org/events-and-tours>

to register with our admissions team. We look forward to seeing you!



## VIRTUAL TOUR

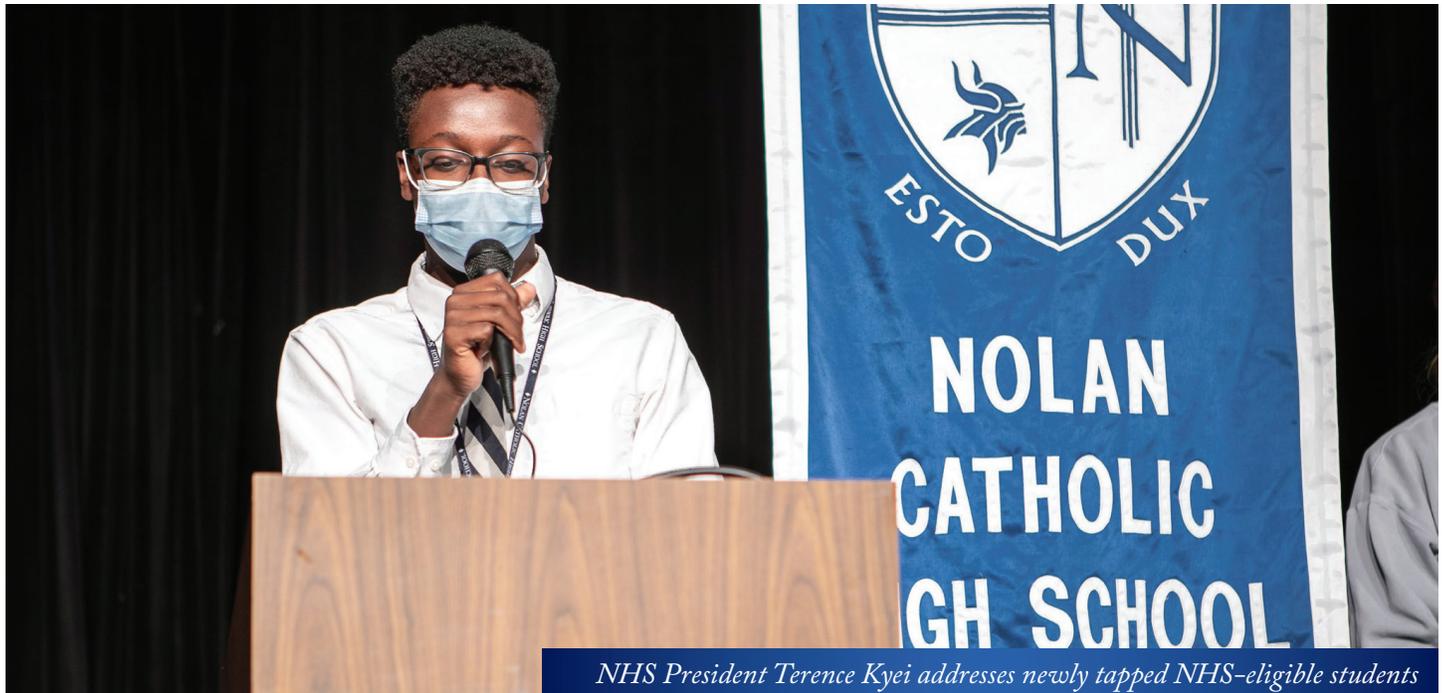
[Click here to watch](#) our virtual, student-led tour of the Nolan Catholic High School campus. Get an overview of the Truth, Beauty, and Goodness that permeates every corner of our school.

For more information, or to schedule an on-campus tour, contact Donna O'Malley, Executive Director for Admissions & Enrollment, at

[domalley@nchstx.org](mailto:domalley@nchstx.org), or at 817-395-0245. Visit

<https://www.nolancatholic.org/application-process> for application assistance.

# AROUND THE CIRCLE



*NHS President Terence Kyei addresses newly tapped NHS-eligible students*

## NHS TAPPING CEREMONY

On Wednesday, April 7, students were tapped and became eligible to apply for the National Honor Society. Please congratulate the following students on their accomplishment.

The NHS Induction Ceremony will be held Thursday, May 13 at 7 PM.

Abby Grace Schwartz	Camilla Marquino	Grant May	Kimmie Kopf	Odessa Ozuna
Abby Wong	Caroleen Saba	Hannah Ontiveros	Lacy MacDonald	Paige Lussier
Alyssa Quevedo	Charlie Martinez	Henry Devenport	Lauren Ballard	Paris Poquiz
Ana Norris	Cole Sorokolit	Henry Fischer	Lauren Cademartori	Phillip Speairs
Anayansi Camargo	Cooper Salerno	Isabella Rios	Logan Talabock	Philippe Lavedan
Andrew Paladini	Cooper Sorokolit	Ivan Lopez	Lona Le	Preston Owen
Annabelle Vu	Damaris Saldivar	Jamie Jones	Lucas Kolp	Quinten Hupp
Ashley Nguyen	Daniel Kiehlbauch	Jenna Moreno	Macie Parker	Rachel Cummings
Ashlyn Wessel	Duc Nguyen	Jimmy Ninh	Maddie Eskew	Roderick Lyles
Audrey Martin	Elizabeth Hyde	John Gilpin	Maddy Townsend	Sebastian Harasimiuk
Audrey Rowe	Ella Walden	Joseph Muraski	Maggie Carey	Siena Hidalgo
Ava Cook	Ellie Burgdorf	Josh Russell	Margaret Phillips	Stephanie LaGroue
Avalon Sullivan	Emma Delgado	Julia Guinn	Matt Chiappetta	Thomas Conway
Avery Grimmett	Emmy Chen	Julian Ermish	Matthew O'Brien	Tom Sepanski
Ben Spurgeon	Ethan Hubartt	Kaley O'Keefe	Mattie Rose Porras	Valdemar Gomez
Bethany Miller	Ethan Pearson	Kamila Cano	Megan Weldon	Valerie Gutknecht
Braydon Goralski-Fritz	Evyn Dixon	Kate Farry	Mirabelle Tenorio	Victoria Chan
Brian Larson	Faith Morano	Katie Tovar	Molly Breclaw	Will Tune
Bridget Brown	Franco Brocco	Kayla Mendoza	Molly Paschall	Xavier Duane-Tessier
Bryan Huynh	Gabriel Socha	Keanna Kelly	Natalie Yokell	Yarely Castillo
Caleb Pham	Gabriel Von Seidlitz	Keira Madl	Nick Gehrig	
	Grace Zaucha	Kelsey Sterett	Noah Douglas	

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## SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY TEDDY BEAR DRIVE

Spanish Honor Society members Jocelyn Bui and Justin Le dropped off teddy bears at Cook Children's Hospital for their Prayer Bears Program.

Teddy Bears were also donated to the Tarrant County Adoption Resource Center, where they are provided to children as gifts when they are adopted by a family.



## MARY ELLEN BYRNES JUNIOR SPIRIT AWARD

Congratulations to juniors Sofia Dahm and Brett Tipler! At Junior Leadership Day, Sofia and Brett were given the MEB Jr. Spirit Award.

Sofia and Brett embody Nolan Catholic High School's motto, *Esto Dux* -- "Be a Leader." Congratulations, Sofia and Brett!

## MAY CROWNING

Nolan Catholic celebrated Mass and a May Crowning, a Catholic tradition that honors the Blessed Virgin Mary as the Mother of God and Queen of Heaven and Earth. Traditionally statues are adorned with flowers as symbols of this honor due to her. "From now on all generations will call me blessed." Luke 1:48



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## CATHOLIC MATH LEAGUE NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!

Each year Nolan Catholic High School participates in the Catholic Math League test competition. Students enrolled in Geometry and Algebra II participate in the Geometry and Algebra II competitions, while the Math Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, participates in the advanced math category.

This year, Mu Alpha Theta won their division. They have done this before, but for the first time, this year's students had the highest score of all divisions throughout the country and received the award for Catholic Math League National Champions.

The officers -- Luke Duane-Tessier, Trisha Jimenez, Annabelle Sauer, Maggie Blair, and Terence Kyei -- ran all meetings and taught the tested material with no input from Mr. Standerfer or Mr. Freese.

Congratulations to: Beatrice Birbeck, Jocelyn Bui, Zhijin He, Ryan Jimenez, Nikita Marquardt, Pilar Olivas, Noelle Poquiz, Teddy Rankin, Logan Talabick, Ifechukwu Uche, Victoria Alford, Stephanie Anyanwu, Harry Black, Margaret Blair, Makenna Broyles, Colin Bryant, Noah Douglas, Luke Duane-Tessier, Trisha Jimenez, Joshua Keifer, Gracie Kleiser, Terence Kyei, Iida Linkka, Oscar Morales, Vinh Nguyen, Matthew Nguyen, Parker Poquiz, Mathieu Reyes, Theresa Richey, Jason Russell, Annabelle Sauer, Olivia Sganga, Jimmy Taylor, Ava Terrell, and Vy Nguyen.



Tuition only covers 80% of the cost to educate a student at Nolan Catholic. Gifts to the Nolan Catholic Fund help to bridge this critical gap in the operating budget and touch nearly every component of school life, thereby benefiting each and every Nolan Catholic

student. Our goal is \$150,000 and we have raised \$145,000! Please help us reach our goal!

Join us today by going online to [www.nolancatholic.org/give!](http://www.nolancatholic.org/give!)

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## VSPSY AWARDS

**Right:** Grace Gnatovic '21 accepts the Lorenzetti Leadership Award from Dr. Lorenzetti and Maria Lorenzetti Blazo '85. The award is named for Dario Lorenzetti '88, their son and brother, respectively.

**Below:** Jimmy Taylor '21 was presented the Don Thompson Award by Pete Thompson '72, Don's brother.



## OLV Celebration Donations Welcomed

In appreciation of the 111-year legacy of Our Lady of Victory Catholic School and the good work provided by the Sisters of St. Mary of Namur, donations are being gratefully accepted to help fund a commemorative video documenting an era of Catholic Education in Fort Worth.

COMMEMORATIVE VIDEO WILL BE PREVIEWED DURING FINAL COMMUNITY CELEBRATION AT OLV, JUNE 12, 2021. VIDEO WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AFTER EVENT.

CONTRIBUTION TO DEFER COST  
1. MAKE AN ONLINE DONATION  
2. MAIL YOUR GIFT TO OLV CELEBRATION FUND  
3320 HEMPHILL ST.  
FW TX 76110



**PAYPAL**

GIFT RECOGNITION LEVEL  
\$100 OR GREATER DIGITAL COPY OF OLV LEGACY VIDEO  
\$500 OR GREATER = LEGACY VIDEO AND NAME RECOGNITION IN VIDEO CREDITS (RECEIVED BY 6/1/21)

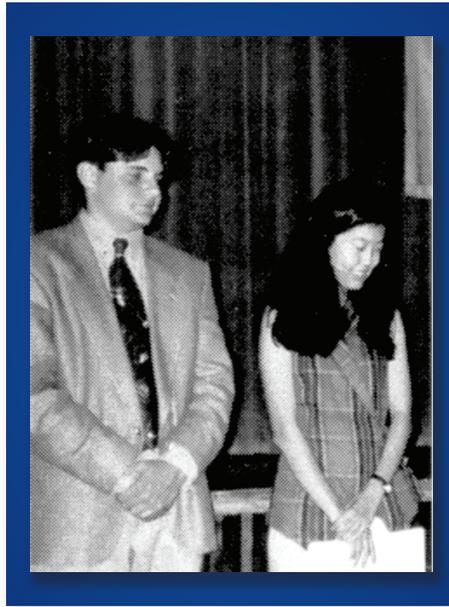
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!  
THE OLV 2021 CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

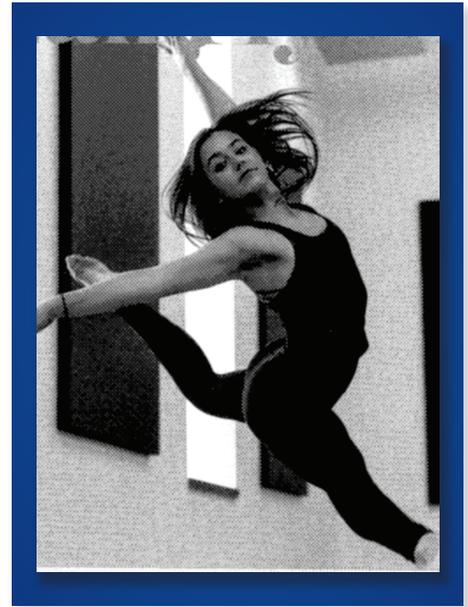
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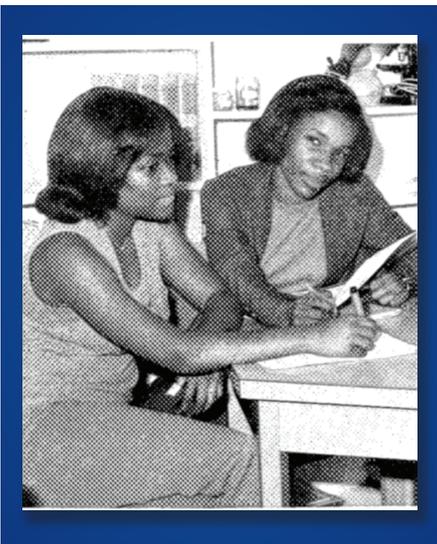


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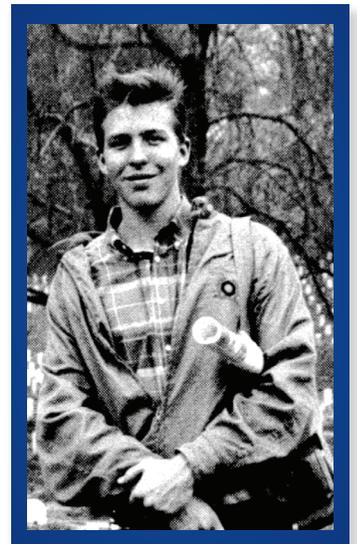
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Renaë Powell Thompson '76 and  
Michelle Greene '77



April 2021 #2

Chelsey McMahon Huffman '04,  
Elizabeth LeConey '04, Jessi Lollar '04



April 2021 #3

Mike Agnew '90

# May 2021 Class Notes

## 1960s

**Tom Kleuser '68** spent some time in Costa Rica recently. [Check out his photos](#) of this beautiful place. *(Photo 1)*

## 1970s

NCHS Class of '77 and All Saints alums supporting the 25th Annual Father Jasso Tuition Assistance Banquet at Joe T. Garcia's. (l. to r.: **Teresa Hernandez Montes '77, Abel Gonzalez '77, Veronica Martinez '77, Joe Lancarte, Margaret Burciaga Taylor '77**). *(Photo 2)*

The **Paul S. Knippel ('78)** Memorial Golf Tournament will be held June 12. All proceeds benefit NCHS students. If you would like to play, [contact Pat Pierret](#).

## 1980s

**Nick Bettinger '84** serves as the LegalLine Committee Chair for the Tarrant County Bar Association. [LegalLine](#) is a community service program of the Tarrant County Bar Association that offers free advice and referrals to Tarrant County residents twice a month.

Here are a few alumni and parents celebrating Parents' Weekend at OSU (l. to r. Shawn Guinn, **Armando Martinez '87, Maria McDonald Martinez '87, Marlene Meenan, Alan Meenan '20, Alec Martinez '17, Cathleen Gilmore Guinn '87, Meredith Guinn '18**). *(Photo 3)*

## 2000s

**Chris Leito '04** represented Beth & Jeff Smiley on the purchase of their new home in Parker County. Beth & Jeff are Alumni Parents of **Sarah Smiley Weik '04** and Alumni In-Laws to **Joe Weik '06**. After living in New Braunfels, the Smileys have returned to the metroplex to be full time grandparents. *(Photo 4)*

**Andrew Oliver '05** has started classes at culinary school and is working with a local chef at Piatello in Fort Worth. *(Photo 5)*

**Lauren Power '05** graduated from the University of Tokyo with the Ichiko Memorial Award and a Masters in Art. The award is conferred on the top graduating student and thesis in the College of Arts and Sciences. *(Photo 6)*

**Charla Baker Sperring '05** and her husband, Trey, welcomed Robert Walter Sperring II to their family on April 20, 2021. *(Photo 7)*

**Shayne Morrissey '09**, owner of Morrissey Home, is this month's Business Spotlight. Be sure check out [page two of the e-news](#) and see what he and his sister, **Shelby (class of '12)**, have been creating for homeowners.

## 2010s

**Patrick Noonan '12** is engaged to Kendall Floyd. *(Photo 8)*

**Elizabeth Konderla '16** married Cody Brown on Nov. 9, 2019. *(Photo 9)*

**Mary Borchers '17** will be attending Georgetown University Law Center this fall in Washington, DC.

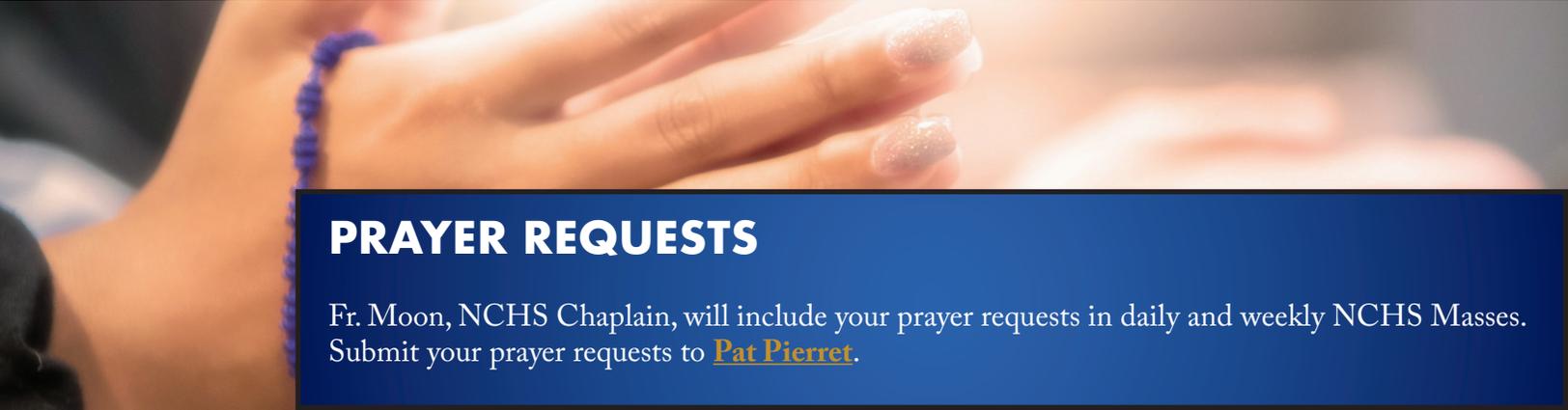
**Madelaine Vaughan '17** is engaged to Darce Braden Ross. *(Photo 10)*

**Emma Flores '18** married Taylor Mathews on Dec. 12, 2020. *(Photo 11)*

Nolan alumni and Viking parents attended OSU to celebrate Parents' Weekend. (l. to r. Shawn Guinn, **Armando Martinez '87, Maria McDonald Martinez '87, Marlene Meenan, Alan Meenan '20, Alec Martinez '17, Cathleen Gilmore Guinn '87, Meredith Guinn '18**) *(Photo 3)*

**Annelise Birbeck '18** and her classmate, Kelly Bourland, both TCU Nursing School students, spoke to Dr. Hubbard's class as part of their curriculum requirement. Their presentation was titled, "Dementia Friendly." *(Photo 12)*

**Morgan Schuster '19**, a sophomore at Southern Arkansas University, was honored as the SAU Volleyball Most Outstanding Athlete. *(Photo 13)*



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Fr. Moon, NCHS Chaplain, will include your prayer requests in daily and weekly NCHS Masses. Submit your prayer requests to [Pat Pierret](#).

# May 2021 Class Notes



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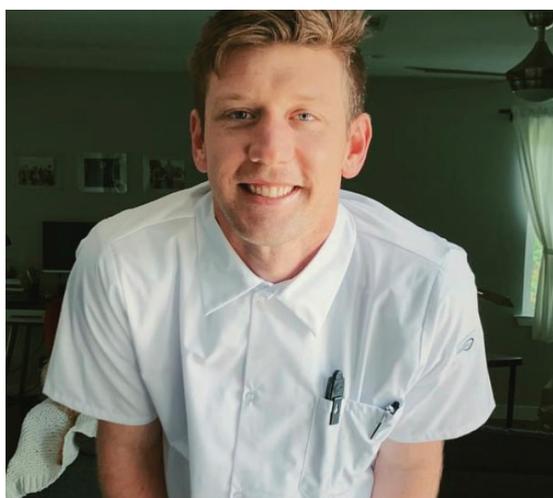
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4. Chris Leito '04



5. Andrew Oliver '05



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10. Madelaine Vaughan '17



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