



## *GETTING TO KNOW OUR STAFF*

**Linda Waltz**  
**Junior High Math Teacher**

When is your birthday: **December 24**

What is your middle name: **Marie**

Tell us about your family: **I have been married to my awesome husband, Steve for 21 years. We have 2 incredible sons, both St. Anthony alumni. Zack is a freshman at Purdue University and Noah is a freshman at Marian High School. I have a brother who teaches at Marian who is getting married this Fall. My family growing up has been lifelong parishioners at St. Anthony. You will often see my parents, Don and Dolores Andrzejewski at morning Mass here.**

Where were you born: **South Bend, IN**

Do you have pets? If so, what kind and what are their names: **My dog Dusty, is a black chow...coolest dog ever**

What was your all-time favorite vacation: **I would pick either of the first trips for my sons to Walt Disney World, and the first time my husband and I went to Las Vegas.**

What is your favorite book: **I don't have one, but I love to read books about behind the scenes things at Walt Disney World.**

What is your favorite color: **magenta (hot pink)**

What is your favorite sport to watch and what sport do you like to play: **I am a huge Chicago Cubs baseball fan. I played volleyball in grade school and high school and received a partial scholarship to play at the college level - at Bethel College in Mishawaka.**

What is your favorite type of music to listen/sing along to, and what is your favorite song: **I really love all sorts of music (besides rap or country). My favorites range from Frank Sinatra to Green Day and the Plain White T's. I have too many favorites to choose one (although I love hearing "Go Cubs Go" after a Cubbie victory!!)**

What are your favorite foods, drink and candy: **I like pizza, Chick Fil A nuggets and barbecue pork. My favorite drink is Diet Mt. Dew, and favorite candy is SweetTarts.**

What is your favorite movie: **"While You Were Sleeping," with Sandra Bullock and Bill Pullman. I'm a big chick flick person.**

Why did you become a teacher: **I have always enjoyed working with kids, and teaching seemed like a very rewarding way to do that.**

How long have you been teaching/working at St. Anthony's: **I have been here 24 years.**

What is your fondest teaching memory: **I fondly remember students who grew in confidence and ability. I love that students always come back to visit. I also remember so many great teachers and staff that I have had the pleasure to work with.**

Who is your favorite Saint: **St. Therese**

What is the most exciting thing that has ever happened to you: **It would be between my wedding and having my two sons.**

What is your favorite holiday and why: **I love Christmas, but I think I would choose Fourth of July: hot sun, hot weather, fireworks. I love summer.**

Have you ever met a famous person? If so, who: **I've met a lot of Cubs players. And I hit Steve Perry, the lead singer of Journey, with a Frisbee right in the head while he was singing at a concert...does that count?**

What is your greatest accomplishment: **My family**

What food do you really not like: **onions and dill pickles**

What color is your car: **blue**

Tell us something that most people don't know about you: **I'll share two.**

- **I am a huge reality show junkie (American Idol, The Bachelor, Cupcake Wars, etc).**
- **I played accordion growing up. Although I don't play anymore, it led me to travel a lot, including performing at Carnegie Hall in New York City, as well as to play any keyboard instrument.**

*Thanks, Mrs. Waltz! It's been great getting to know you better!*