



St. Joseph Catholic Academy PRESS RELEASE SJCA Announces New High School Principal

Mr. Robert Freund, President/HS Principal and incoming President Deacon Patrick Moynihan of St. Joseph Catholic Academy are pleased to announce the appointment of Bridget Keenan Bartholomew as High School Principal effective July 1, 2021.



A nationwide search for this role was conducted. Bartholomew was selected for her academic leadership in prior positions, experience with students at all grade levels, and the innovative programs she has developed at the high school level.

"I am thrilled to be joining St. Joseph Catholic Academy and look forward to collaborating with the other two principals. The benefits of the PK-12 model are tremendous and I am excited to work with the administrators and faculty to 'build scholars, leaders and stewards who will transform the world'," said Mrs. Bartholomew.

Bartholomew joins Matt Rizzo, middle school principal, and Kerstin Santarelli, elementary principal creating an outstanding, dynamic team of high caliber administrators who will work collaboratively to guide academics, student life, and faith formation at SJCA.

Bartholomew, a product of Catholic education herself, has served as teacher, department chair, dean, principal and president in her roles at Catholic elementary and secondary schools, most recently St. Gabriel in Hubertus, WI and St. Maria Goretti in Hagerstown, MD.

"I am delighted to have Bridget join our Principal Team as we work together to build on the very strong foundation that Bob Freund has created. It is an honor for all of us to carry his

legacy forward. I am extraordinarily blessed to have a team of this caliber working with me at St. Joseph Catholic Academy.,” said Deacon Moynihan.

Bartholomew succeeds Freund as he retires after more than 32 years at SJCA. Freund has held the dual role of HS Principal and President.

St. Joseph Catholic Academy, in Kenosha, WI, is supported by 10 parishes and is the largest private school in the area. With its comprehensive focus on academic, moral, social and spiritual development throughout a student’s entire educational journey, St. Joseph Catholic Academy has a consistent 100% graduation rate and ACT scores above state, local and national levels.

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