

CIRCLE OF MERCY MOMENTS

MOTHER OF MERCY | MERCY McAULEY | McAULEY



Dear Alumnae,

Last month, Mercy McAuley students, parents, faculty, and staff kicked off the summer with adventures in Ireland and London. I was fortunate to join this group, which included Mother of Mercy, McAuley, and brand-new Mercy McAuley alumnae. Our travels took us through southern Ireland, Wales, and London, but the highlight was our day spent on Baggot Street in Dublin...right where Catherine McAuley began the Sisters of Mercy. Catherine's lessons and influence permeate throughout the Mercy International Centre, not just through the original floors that she walked upon or the displays of handwritten notes and artifacts but through the spirit of those who continue her mission. Walking through the iconic red doors to tour the first Mercy classroom, joining our hands in prayer in Catherine's chapel, and visiting her place of rest was a surreal and wonderful experience.

I hope your summer is full of adventure and fun!

In Mercy,

M Korn

Maura Gettler Korn '08

ALUMNAE NEWS

MOTHER OF MERCY OUR LADY OF FATIMA GROTTO MEMORIAL PAVERS



Mother of Mercy alumnae, do you remember strolling through campus and passing the Our Lady of Fatima statue? Dedicated in 1948, this statue was integral to the Werk Road campus. Perhaps you recall your class praying the rosary at this grotto, Our Lady of Fatima's unique blue glass eyes, or taking the Rosary Path to enjoy an outdoor art class. When Sister Nancy Merkle learned that Our Lady of Fatima remained on Werk Road, she arranged to have the historic statue moved to Mercy McAuley. Now, Sister Ann Gorman is spearheading the statue's restoration along with the design and creation of a new grotto at Mercy McAuley. We are excited to honor this important piece of Mercy history at Mercy McAuley, nearly 80 years after the original dedication.

A central element of this new dedicated space will include named pavers from Mother of Mercy's front circle. Many of the Mercy pavers made their way to Mercy McAuley High School; however, some landed in personal collections. If you would like to have your original paver included in this new Our Lady of Fatima grotto dedication, you are welcome to drop your paver off to the Main Office at Mercy McAuley (6000 Oakwood Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45224) now through July 31, 2025.

Or if you would like to be included in the new grotto, memorial pavers are now available for purchase of \$100. **Learn more and purchase online [HERE](#) now through July 31, 2025.**



Mercy McAuley's Our Path. Our Pack., a \$5.5 million capital campaign, represents a substantial investment in our young Women of Mercy, through the renovation of our building and campus and by funding the innovative services and experiential learning opportunities offered every day. Keep an eye on your mailbox this month for an exciting alumnae update!

Learn more about Our Path. Our Pack. and how you can support **HERE**.

WE'RE HIRING!

IT'S A GREAT TIME TO JOIN THE PACK!

Science Teacher (Full or Part Time)

Tennis Head Coach + JV Coach

Golf Assistant Coach

Swim Assistant Coach

Dance Assistant Coach

Lacrosse Assistant Coach

Please send
Cover Letter +
Resume to:

Human Resources, Mandy Merz
merza@mercymcauley.org

**LEARN MORE
HERE**



UPCOMING EVENTS

MAMMA MIA!

BENNY ANDERSSON
BJORN ULVAEUS

CATHERINE JOHNSON

JUDY CRAYMER

MARTIN KOCH

CLICK HERE
FOR TICKETS



Here we go again! ...to the theatre.

The Mercy McAuley Theatre Department is setting the stage for the summer musical, *Mamma Mia*. This special performance will have you humming along and is certainly one not to be missed!



Mark your calendars!

July 11 and 12, 7:30 PM

July 13, 2:00 PM

Additional details and ticket purchases can be found **HERE**

ALUMNAE SPOTLIGHT



KATLYN KLARE MORET, McAULEY '11,

has embarked on a journey to open a space for pampering that is as warm and welcoming as your own home. Katlyn and her business partner, Jodie, opened Salon Shae and Bridal in April 2024, specializing in all things hair. Salon Shae, a play on the French word *chez* which means "at the home of," is a place to be yourself, share your stories, and treat yourself. Katlyn's passion for the hair industry began at a young age and she often found herself

being the "go to hair girl" for high school dances and theatre productions. Her dreams of opening her own salon began "as early as [she] could remember knowing what it meant to have a dream."

Following graduation from McAuley, Katlyn enrolled at Aveda Institute and set herself on the path to open Salon Shae. "The support of our community has encouraged me year after year to find the courage to follow through on this childhood dream." As Katlyn was preparing to open the doors to Salon Shae, she was also preparing to be a first-time mom. "As I look at my daughter, I know I did this for her and to be able to tell her to follow her dreams. It is incredibly rewarding to run a business I love and look forward to going to every day." Katlyn's career is more than scissors, foils, and extensions. She has become a friend and family member to many of her clients, including a June bride who has sat in Katlyn's chair from the first date to her wedding day. For Katlyn, Salon Shae has been a labor of love where one can feel at home to be pampered, find good conversation, and maybe even a hot cup of coffee.

ALUMNAE UPDATES

FIND CATHERINE! Congratulations to the June Find Catherine winner, **LINDA TRANTER MARSH**, Mother of Mercy '87! Each month, Catherine will find a new hiding place on our website! As you explore alumnae news and updates, keep an eye out for her. Should you find her, take a moment to click her image and fill out the form for our monthly prize drawing!



We are excited to announce that our largest annual fundraiser, the Moonlight Gala, will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Mercy McAuley. This elegant evening will feature a plated dinner, open bar, games, live and silent auctions, and much more.

Interested in volunteering?
Contact Jennifer Hollstegge, Auction Coordinator, at
hollsteggej@mercymcauley.org

Our Heartfelt Sympathy

Please remember the family and friends of the following alumnae in your prayers.



Lisa Beckman Schneider
Mother of Mercy 1978
June 14, 2025



Claire Palasek Catalano
Mother of Mercy 1960
April 24, 2025



Lois Brodbeck Peet
Mother of Mercy 1963
June 2, 2025



JoAnn Sabino Hemberger
Mother of Mercy 1954
May 30, 2025



Teresa Hess Zeek
Mother of Mercy 1973
May 30, 2025



Theresa Schwetschenau Stumpf
McAuley 1976
June 19, 2025



Karen Kluener Curry
McAuley 1968
April 8, 2025



Dorothy Taylor Engel
Mother of Mercy 1954
June 24, 2025



Sharon McAnaw Heimbach
Mother of Mercy 1960
June 22, 2025



Heather Williams Bledsoe
Mother of Mercy 2015
June 6, 2025



Barbara Meyer Nie
Mother of Mercy 1957
June 6, 2025



Mary Ann Yunger Litmer
Mother of Mercy 1948
June 12, 2025

A list of alumnae who have passed this year can be found online [here](#).

CLASS REUNIONS

Classes are gathering to celebrate this summer! Learn more about your upcoming reunion below.

McAULEY CLASS OF 1995, classmates look forward to celebrating your 30th reunion on Saturday, August 9, at Fretboard Brewing in Blue Ash. Learn more [HERE](#) and submit your registration by July 27!

MOTHER OF MERCY CLASS OF 1995, let's cheers to 30 years of friendship and memories! Your reunion will be celebrated at Great American Ball Park on Saturday, August 16. You can find additional reunion details and purchase your ticket [HERE](#).

MOTHER OF MERCY CLASS OF 2000, your classmates look forward to seeing you on Friday, July 18th, at 7:00 PM at Club Trio. Please RSVP to Becca Oberjohann Hines '00 by email [HERE](#) or text (513-430-5736).

MERCY McAULEY CLASS OF 2020, mark your calendars! Classmates are gathering to celebrate your 5th reunion on Saturday, August 30, at Mercy McAuley. Learn more [HERE](#) and check your email for additional details!

Are your classmates already in conversation about celebrating a milestone reunion? Be sure to share your reunion details with our Alumnae Engagement Office so we can help spread the word. Additional reunion gatherings can be found online with the link below.

Upcoming Reunions

QUICK LINKS:

Information Update

Alumnae Owned Businesses

Make a Gift

Our Path. Our Pack.

PENCIL IT IN...

September 24
Mercy Day Mass &
Golden Guild Induction
8:15 AM

