

# Our Lady OF THE VISITATION **SCHOOL** **PRE**

## MEET OUR AMAZING PRESCHOOL STAFF!

### **JANIE MCDONALD - PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR/ LEAD TEACHER PK**

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Janie and her husband Joe have six children and five grandchildren. She graduated from The College of Mount St. Joseph where she earned her degree in Inclusive Early Childhood Education along with her Reading Endorsement. She furthered her education at Xavier University where she received a Masters in Education with a concentration in reading. Janie develops the natural inquisitiveness of children which enriches the learning of mathematics, science, and life lessons. She brings her love of art, music, and movement to the classroom which makes a lasting impression on the children she serves.

### **ROBYN KERN - LEAD TEACHER P3 AND P4**

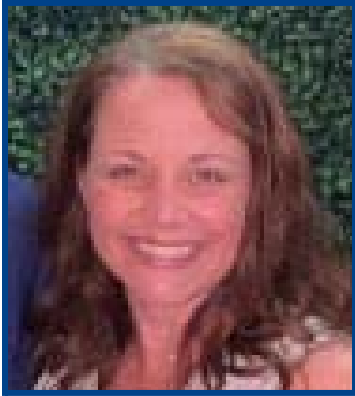
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Robyn is a graduate of Seton High School and Northern Kentucky University. She and her husband Tim have three children, all of whom attend Our Lady of the Visitation School. Before joining the Visitation preschool family, Robyn taught at The Children's House. Robyn has been teaching preschool for almost 15 years. When she is not teaching, you can find her at various sporting events and other school activities with her family.

## JEANNINE ROTH - LEAD TEACHER P4 AND PK

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Jeannine and her husband, Mike, (a Visitation grad!) have been married for 22 years and are blessed with a daughter and son. She earned her associate degree in early childhood education from the University of Cincinnati. Jeannine taught for nine years at St. Dominic Preschool and also served as their Preschool Director for four of those years. Jeannine also teaches fitness classes to people of all ages. She teaches Jazzercise, strength and conditioning classes, and soon will be teaching Pilates, too! She loves to motivate others and to teach them new things. Jeannine believes children learn best through play and hands-on experiences. She brings her energy and love of learning into the preschool classroom to encourage discovery, discussion, and investigation of the children's world.

## BETH CEBULA - FLOATING ASSISTANT TEACHER P3 AND PK

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Beth Cebula is our Tuesday, Thursday "floating" teacher assistant. This will be Beth's third year working with preschool. After 12 years of being a stay at home mom, Beth decided to jump back into the workforce at a school she knows better than anywhere else. Beth and her husband Dan have two children who attend Our Lady of the Visitation. Beth has been the PTO President the last six years, so she was already very familiar with the faculty, staff and families. Beth is also an avid tambourine player and brings laughter into the classroom whenever she can.

## JULIE FREUDIGER - ASSISTANT TEACHER P4

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Julie Freudiger is the Monday, Wednesday, and Friday assistant teacher. Julie graduated from the University of Cincinnati with a teaching degree in Middle Childhood Education. Julie took a few years off to stay at home with her children and is so excited to be back in the classroom again! She and her husband Jon have two boys, Connor (6th grade) and Camden (1st grade), who both attend Visitation. When not in school, Julie and her husband Jon love traveling and taking the boys to the beach!

## JOANN MERK - ASSISTANT TEACHER P3

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JoAnn is our Tuesday, Thursday assistant teacher. She and her husband Greg have been married for 27 years. They have 3 awesome sons - Ben, Nick and John. They enjoy spending time together hiking, biking, kayaking, and of course cheering on the Reds and Bearcats. This will be JoAnn's third year as a Preschool teaching assistant.

## LAUREN MINELLA - ASSISTANT TEACHER P4 AND PK

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Lauren grew up in Northern Kentucky and moved back to the West Side during high school. She attended Xavier University where she completed her student teaching at Hyde Park Elementary. During her four years in college, she worked as a floater teacher between the toddler, pre-K, and school age classrooms. Lauren graduated this past spring from Xavier University with a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education and is very excited to start her career at Visitation!

## MARILYN MURRAY - ASSISTANT TEACHER PK

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Marilyn is the Tuesday, Thursday assistant teacher. She and her husband Denny have been married for 47 years. They have three children and seven grandchildren. She has lived on the Westside of Cincinnati her whole life. She retired from Pilgrim Preschool after 15 years to watch her grandchildren. In her free time she enjoys watching all sports, bike riding, walking, and golfing.



## NANCY MURRAY - ASSISTANT TEACHER PK

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Nancy is the Monday, Wednesday, Friday assistant teacher. She has been a parishioner at Visitation for the past 28 years. Nancy and her husband Steve have 5 children, all graduates of Visitation. She is going into her fifth year in this position as a preschool teaching assistant. She enjoys teaching children and helping them become the best version of themselves. She loves reading to children and assisting them with writing and math concepts. Nancy fosters their love of creativity and imagination every day. She believes early childhood learning experiences should be positive to encourage a lifelong love of learning.

## MICHELLE SELLET- FLOATING ASSISTANT TEACHER P4 AND PK

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Michelle Sellet is the Monday, Wednesday, and Friday “floating” teacher assistant. This will be Michelle’s first year with our Preschool. She is a proud Class of 1989 Visitation Grad! Michelle continued her education at Mother of Mercy High School and completed her Business Degree at Mount St. Joseph. Michelle and her husband Andrew have beautiful twin girls - Ava and Faith - Visi grads and current Seton Saints! Michelle loves being outdoors. There is a good chance you will see her walking on a trail or at a local park. Michelle and her family love to watch any and all sporting events. She also enjoys crafting and spending time with family and friends.