

Welcome to St. Paul of the Cross 2025-2026

Mrs. Tricia DeVito: Preschool Teacher

Hi SPC Family! My name is Tricia DeVito, and I am thrilled to be one of the preschool teachers at SPC this year! I graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in early childhood education and a special education endorsement. I have taught within the Archdiocese before, and most recently, I was teaching in a private school in Glencoe. This will be my 12th year working with preschool kids! I have three sons, Bobby (St. Pats), Jack, and Teddy (SPC). We have felt so welcomed here at SPC, and I cannot wait to start teaching here too!

Mrs. Mary Dolan: Preschool Instructional Assistant

Hi St. Paul of the Cross Family! I'm so excited to be joining the SPC team as a preschool Instructional Assistant. I've spent over 20 years working with children in all kinds of settings, and I truly love being part of their early learning journey. My daughter will be in 1st grade at SPC this year, and we feel so lucky to be part of such a warm and welcoming community. I'm really looking forward to working with the amazing staff, students, and families here. When we aren't at school, we love spending time with family, heading to Cubs games, and enjoying summers on the lake in Door County.

Ms. Claire Hanrahan: School Counselor

Hello SPC!!! I'm so excited to be back as a full-time counselor this year. After working as a preschool teacher for 5 years, I am so excited to be starting a new chapter as a School Counselor. After going back to school to get my masters in School Counseling at Concordia University, I was lucky enough to do my internship at SPC this spring for 3 months, and couldn't have been more grateful for the opportunity. The environment at SPC is so welcoming and cheerful, and I am so excited to be a part of it this year!

Mrs. Megan Harris: 4th Grade Teacher

Hello, SPC! My name is Megan Harris, and I'm so excited to be joining the SPC community for the 2025-2026 school year. I attended St. Catherine Laboure School in Glenview and Loyola Academy before completing degrees in classics and art history at the University of Notre Dame. Following graduation, I worked

as the operations manager and educational coordinator for the *Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs* exhibition, traveling first to Philadelphia and then to London. I remained in the United Kingdom and completed my teacher training course at St. Mary's University College, Twickenham. I taught in British schools for five years before returning to the United States to teach fifth grade at another Archdiocesan school eleven years ago. When I am not at school, I love spending time with my husband, my five-year-old son Alfred, my three-year-old daughter Mary, and my two-year-old son Archibald. I can't wait to get to know you all!

Mrs. Gail Heitz: 3rd Grade Teacher

Hello, SPC Family! My name is Gail Heitz, and I'm very excited to teach third grade at SPC this year! I have 14 years of experience teaching, including 9 years teaching 3rd grade. I also have a Masters in Education with a focus on Gifted Education. I'm passionate about students, learning, and faith. I'm thrilled to be joining the SPC community, and I can't wait to get to know the staff, students, and families here. I have two boys. My youngest son will be in preschool at SPC this year, and my older son will be in 3rd grade at our local public school. Outside of school, I love spending time with my family, watching my boys play soccer, and reading. I look forward to meeting you soon!

Mr. Peter White: Inclusion Teacher

Hi SPC! My name is Peter White, and I am looking forward to joining the SPC family in the coming year! I grew up outside Philadelphia, PA, before attending the University of Notre Dame for undergrad and graduate school. I majored in marketing and also received my Masters in Education through ND. I taught in Dallas for two years before moving to Chicago. I have been teaching at another Archdiocesan school for the last 8 years, spending time in Kindergarten, 4th, and 5th grade. During my time at my other schools, I have developed a passion for inclusion and am excited to work with all the middle school students in the upcoming year. I also love sports and will be coaching volleyball, basketball, and more! During the Fall, I enjoy traveling to South Bend for football games and visiting my niece and nephews who live there too! I cannot wait to get started in August!