

GETTING TO KNOW OUR PARISH FAMILY



Steve and Brenda Fitterer became active members of St. Mathias Parish after moving to the area thirteen years ago. Having lived in the suburbs of Dallas and Minneapolis they were ready for a rural community to settle in. Randolph was a great fit for them and they moved into their current house in 1999. They discovered St. Mathias Catholic Church shortly after and have been active members since then. They have three children: Beth age 19, Paul age 16 and Peter age 13.

Steve grew up in a small family with his parents and one brother in the small town of New England , ND. His family valued a Catholic education and he was fortunate enough to attend a Catholic school from kindergarten to high school graduation. He studied Robotics in college and has worked for the past twenty-six years in this field in various positions. During his free time, he enjoys spending time outside and working on home projects. Steve has been a lector at St. Mathias for many years and is currently serving on the Strategic Planning committee.

Brenda grew up in large family with eight siblings on a farm near Ivanhoe, MN. She worked many years outside the home in the accounting field but found her most rewarding years those stay at home taking care of their children. During her spare time she enjoys flower and vegetable gardening, reading and being active out of doors. Brenda is currently on the cleaning committee and funeral committee. She treasures her weekly adoration hour and serves as Eucharistic Minister and Faith Formation teacher. Out of all her time at St. Mathias, her favorite times have been spent in the classroom. She has been teaching for twelve years and loves seeing the kids understand and learn about their faith.

Their oldest daughter, Beth attended Randolph High School and was involved in band, volleyball and softball. During her high school years she served as a Faith Formation teacher for two years and has recently lectured during Mass. She is currently a freshman at of University of Wisconsin, Stout. She is studying Food Science and Technology and is exploring where that major may take her. Beth has continued to be active in her faith being involved with the Newman Center on campus. She loves to cook, experimenting in the kitchen, quilting and knitting.

Paul is a junior at Randolph High School. He spends much of his wrestling for the high school team as well as various Minnesota teams at a national level. Paul uses his love and knowledge of wrestling by volunteering as a referee at elementary wrestling tournaments and tries to be a good example to young kids in the sport. He is also involved in jazz and concert band through the high school. During his spare time Paul enjoys flying and building model airplanes and helicopters.

Peter is in the seventh grade at Randolph High School. Peter enjoys sports and is involved in football, wrestling and baseball. He plays the trombone jazz and concert band. Peter is a movie buff and one of his favorite activities is enjoying outdoor movies in his backyard with his family. Two years ago Peter started serving at Mass and he says it has helped in his understanding of the Mass.