

Dear Arlington Catholic Alumni,

Happy New Year to all! Congratulations to the classes ending in 0 and 5, as this is your reunion year.

For those of you who don't know me, my name is Sister Barbara McHugh, CSJ. I have been working at Arlington Catholic for the past 32 years. For 28 of those years, I served as the Campus Minister and Theology teacher. I am now in my third year as the inaugural Alumni Relations Ambassador. Proudly, I am the last Sister of St. Joseph serving at St. Agnes and Arlington Catholic.

It is an honor to follow in the footsteps of so many Sisters and dedicated lay men and women who have ministered at St. Agnes and Arlington Catholic. When asked to take on the role of Alumni Relations Ambassador, one of the main goals was to help preserve and celebrate the legacy of the Sisters of St. Joseph. How could I refuse such a meaningful opportunity?

My responsibilities include attending meetings, writing thank-you and condolence notes, assisting classes in planning reunions, connecting alumni with current students for events, and more.

Since this is your reunion year, I am here to help you plan a memorable event. If we have names and addresses for your classmates, we can provide that information. Last year, I worked with the Class of 1973 to plan their 50th reunion. Their success was largely due to having a strong committee of 10 members, meeting regularly, and making a concerted effort to reach out to missing classmates.

Here are some venues that have been popular for past reunions:

- Menotomy Grille Arlington
- Billerica Country Club Billerica
- Bear Hill Country Club Stoneham
- The Brickyard Woburn
- Savinos Belmont
- K of C Arlington

I recommend reaching out to your classmates, forming a committee, and selecting a date and venue. Our office will be happy to advertise your reunion in the monthly alumni newsletter, published from September through June.

Please know that I wish you many blessings in the New Year. Don't hesitate to contact me at **sbarbara@achs.net** or **781-864-5384**. God bless you, and thank you for your continued support of St. Agnes and Arlington Catholic.

Fondly, Sister Barbara McHugh, CSJ