

My name is Kim Johnson and I am blessed to have been a part of the Holy Cross Academy/St. Mary Parish community since moving to Virginia from my home state of Louisiana in 2000. My journey to kindergarten began in 2006 when I was hired as an aide at St. Mary Preschool while completing my undergraduate degree in biology. At St. Mary, I discovered a passion for working with young children and was inspired by the faith, enthusiasm and dedication of my colleagues, which changed my career aspirations. I was invited to join the faculty as a lead teacher following graduation, where I taught for the next nine years before moving to kindergarten in 2017. It was a big leap but I was ready for a new challenge! I love working with our younger students to explore and recognize God's love in the beauty and wonder of His gifts which lie within us and around us each and every day.

I graduated from the University of Mary Washington with a BLS in Biology and I am certified by the Virginia Catholic Education Association. I have earned Basic Catechist Certification from the Diocese of Arlington and am currently working towards Advanced Catechist Certification. I have been trained by the Institute of Multi-Sensory Education in the Orton- Gillingham method which incorporates multi-sensory activities with explicit, systematic reading instruction and I am a Google Certified Educator Level 1. My husband Philip and I have three grown children, Lawrence, Katherine, and James, all graduates of Holy Cross Academy. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my family, reading, running, traveling and dancing!