

CAMPUS MINISTRY



Faculty **FOCUS**

Tori Aubuchon '10 &
Molly Keever
Theology: Campus Ministry



Tori Aubuchon: Theology/Campus Ministry

Degree(s)/Degree-granting institution: BA in Secondary Physical Education from Benedictine College

Academic area: Theology

Years teaching/Years teaching at St. Pius X: 2 years

Coaching or Club sponsorship roles: Assistant Varsity Basketball and Softball coach, Campus Ministry, Head of Deutschmann House

Pius Alum: 2010

What interests do you pursue outside of the classroom?

I enjoy traveling (especially to Arizona), working out, spending time outdoors with my family and my dogs, and on rainy days I like to relax and watch movies.

To what teams and/or clubs did you belong as a student?

I played basketball and softball all four years, ran and jumped for the Track and Field team for three years, was in NHS, STUCO, St. Vincent de Paul, Spanish Club, and Concert Choir, and was Student of the Month

When did you decide to become a teacher, and why did you choose this field?

Growing up, I always wanted to be a kindergarten teacher because I absolutely admired my kindergarten teacher. When I was in high school and began looking at colleges, I decided I didn't want to be a teacher because it seemed too cliche and I wanted to be different. However, I couldn't think of anything else I wanted to do for a career. I knew I wanted to return to my Alma Mater and coach, so I decided teaching was the best route to take if I wanted to coach. As far as teaching Theology, I had a teaching experience my first year that led me to realize that my love and passion for sharing the Catholic faith with others could be brought to the classroom in a more profound way. I also knew I wanted my faith to be constantly challenged so I could grow to becoming the best-version-of-myself.

Molly Keveen: Theology/Campus Ministry

Academic area: Theology

Years teaching/Years teaching at St. Pius X: 2 years

Coaching or Club sponsorship roles: Campus Ministry, Volleyball, basketball

Degree(s)/Degree-granting institution: Theology degree from SLU, Masters in teaching from SLU

What is your philosophy of education?

I believe that education should focus more on the whole person rather than the content or teacher. Moreover, I believe that my lesson plans matter less than the way I value my students and their individuality. This belief comes from the fact that students remember a teacher more than a textbook. Given this reality, I take my formation as a teacher very seriously. Additionally, I advocate critical thinking, open-mindedness, and reflection over accumulation of content. I believe that learning is active, not passive and is formed through the continuous questioning that learners ask themselves while experiencing the world. Therefore, the content I teach is derived from my students' interests and questions. Overall, I crave for my students to be more aware of God's presence in their lives which will lead to a more joy-filled life. This awareness comes from mindfulness, reflection and meditation.

How do you motivate your students to become active learners in your classroom?

What I teach is truly derived from what my students are questioning, passionate about or interested in.

What is your favorite thing about working at Pius X?

The people. Every day I enter the side doors of St. Pius X and every day I am greeted with a smile. There is an aura of comfort and belonging here and that is what I love. It is the people here that make St. Pius X feel like home. The teachers are caring and the students are curious. What more could I want?