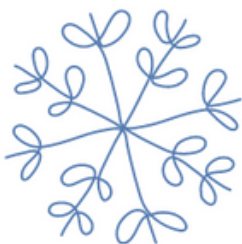


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## NEW STAFF



## Juliana Elliott.....

Juliana Elliott has recently moved to the area from Central Oregon where she worked in the Tribunal at the Diocese of Baker as well as managed a dance studio. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Dance Management from Oklahoma City University where she graduated Cum Laude. After college she experienced living in several states, as well as their various ministries and cultures. She is excited to be serving the students of Catholic Campus Ministry and to pass along what she has learned from serving and participating in various college and young adult ministries along the way. At CCM Juliana mentors two peer ministers who focus on leading the ministry teams involved in Social and Special Events and Service and Justice.

## .....Andrew Mercer

I moved to Springfield from Durango, Colorado in August to begin work at CCM as the Director of Religious Education. My wife Becca and I celebrated 15 years of marriage earlier this year, and we have two girls, Evelyn (9) and Lettie (5). I've been involved in education for many years, as a student and as a teacher. I completed my PhD in historical theology from Southern Methodist University in 2021, and I absolutely love introducing others to the riches of the Christian tradition. In my role at CCM, I am facilitating our formation initiatives, mentoring students, leading our RCIA program, and building bridges between the university and our ministry. I am humbled by the opportunity to serve students who have such a zeal to grow in understanding of the faith, and my family and I are overwhelmed by the welcome we've received from this community.



## Jeffrey Roxas.....



I am honored to be part of the CCM community. I am from Carson, CA and moved to Springfield, MO to take on this ministry position. I was in the seminary for 6 years with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles while obtaining a bachelors and masters degree at Loyola Marymount University and St. John's Seminary. Last year, I was a missionary with NET Ministries at a parish in Geneva, IL. I was eager to continue my mission but with young adults which was why I went on to search for campus minister positions across the U.S. I found CCM and discovered so many good things about it. Ever since I began in mid-August, CCM has grown on me. Students have a deep passion for the Lord and a longing for community. As campus minister for outreach, I mentor students leading in the ministries of MSU Outreach, Communications, Music Ministry, and our CCM chapters at Drury University, and Ozarks Technical Community College.



## Alumni Update

ALUMNI UPDATE



Albert and I met at noon Mass in 2005. CCM was where our friendship began, our relationship developed, and our marriage prep was completed. The guidance we experienced from Bev, Fr. Len, and the student community shaped our marriage and laid the foundation for a Christ-centered relationship. Today, we continue to support CCM so the community can continue to thrive in the love of God. We pray that students can discover life-long friendships and relationships as we did. Attending the 75th Anniversary gala allowed us to reconnect with friends, develop new friendships, and see the good that can emerge from community support. CCM is vital for fostering new faith and strengthening existing beliefs.

Albert & Jennifer McDaniel

## Renovated Chapel



A new tabernacle, reliquary and statues of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and St Joseph were added to the chapel in September, 2022



CGM EVENTS



Knights of Columbus



Faith Formation



Dr Edward Sri Talk



Family Weekend Mass



Homecoming Tailgate



Service Project



## Awakening #72

Awakening was a big key to my experience here at CCM. It really helped me create lasting friendships that I can hold with me through not only my college career but also my life moving forward.

But the biggest it did for me was helping me grow

It helped me take some time to have some introspection of myself and it challenged me to dive deeper into my faith that will, in turn, and with time and patience, lead me to become a better man than the day I came in.

Javier Wassilak Rodriguez



STUDENT UPDATE



"Awakening 72 was one of my most rewarding and grace-filled weekends ever. The speakers were absolutely killer, the small groups were so clearly orchestrated by the Holy Spirit,... and there were tears of every imaginable kind. Also shoutout to the FIFTEEN PEOPLE in adoration at 1am?? And to every single person who went out of their way to grow their relationship with Jesus this weekend. What a love for the Lord we cultivated..."

Caroline Burke, Rector #72



## Giving Tuesday

Thank you so much, dear loyal CCM donors, alumni and students for helping us raise \$12,532.77. It was so amazing to celebrate giving with a live lamb at CCM with the theme "Ecce Angus Dei" (Behold the Lamb of God).

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# JACK FROST 5K



## 34th Annual Jack Frost 5k

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### FOR THE 34TH ANNUAL JACK FROST 5K



Race around MSU campus in the 34th Jack Frost 5k

- Race begins at 9:00 AM at CCM
- Packet pickup 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM
- Early pickup at CCM Feb. 24th from 4-6 PM
- T-shirt & medal for all racers
- Gold medals to 1st place in each men & women's age division



**\$40.00 - Early registration**

**\$45.00 - Day of registration**

**\$20.00 - Student pricing**

**\$20.00 - Group pricing for 10+** (Greeks, churches, families etc.)



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