



Hi, my name is **Kylie Hale**, and I will be 15 years old in August. I will be a Freshman in High School, and I'm a Spartanette. I have been dancing since I was 4 years old, and I love music, art and dance. I'm also a red belt in Karate and have a younger brother, Cayden. I enjoy hanging out with friends and family and always having fun! I'm becoming Catholic because I grew up going to St. Gabriel's Church and wanted to feel more connected to God and the church. I am very excited to finally become Catholic.

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We're the **Hill Family**, comprised of Cody, Courtney, and Brooke. We have been in attendance at St. Bridget's in Liberty, Indiana for the past year. We also live in Liberty and have been residents of Union County most of our lives. There has always been an influence of religion in our lives, especially as children. We loved and appreciated that aspect of our childhood, having faith. As adults, we longed for a church that we could provide for our Brooke like that our own parents provided us with as children. We have always been interested in the Catholic faith and knowing more about it. You could say we were drawn to the practices and traditions and the respect Catholics hold for their faith. When we experienced it for ourselves, we became at peace with ourselves and our faith. We had found what we were looking for without knowing the extent to which our souls had needed this peace. We were drawn to all of this out of curiosity and longing, but did not realize how much this

completed our souls. We are excited for the future and all the experiences and relationships we have formed and will continue to form. We especially cannot wait to see our daughter develop her own relationship with the Catholic faith just as we have.

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My name is **Penny Kindred** and have been blessed to marry my husband Darrell, bring up a family and pursue my career in this community. I have three beautiful daughters and am very proud grandmother of six grandchildren and great grandmother of two! I retired from the Fayette County School Corporation after teaching many years at Connersville Middle School. After taking early retirement from teaching, I was offered the opportunity to work part time in the Fayette County Assessor's Office. This was a great experience - officially retired in 2018! I have wanted for many years to become Catholic and a year ago, God, by the way of a friend, opened that door for me. There are no words to describe how peaceful and fulfilled when I go to Mass - to feel the presence of Christ. Thanks to all for helping me on this journey.

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My name is **Trevor McIntyre**. I married my wife Tammy at St. Gabriel Church almost 21 years ago. We have two sons. Ryan is 20 and a junior at Marian University. Adam is 14 and will be an 8th grader at Connersville Middle School. I decided to become Catholic after watching my sons' faith grow and seeing how much St. Gabriel Church meant to them.

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Hi. We; **Elsie Eckstein, Jimmy and Whitney Cox**; are glad to be here. We are grandma and grandkids. We are blessed to be part of the St. Gabriel and St. Bridget faith Community.

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My name is **Lindsay Wood**, and I've lived in the Connersville area for around 13 years now. I'm originally from Mooreland (New Castle area), and grew up in a Friends church. My children's father, Leighton, grew up at St. Gabriel's, and we've always wanted our children to have a solid education and religious background. I began attending Mass when our daughter, now in second grade here at St. Gabriel, was in preschool. I felt very unsure of myself in a new church at first, but soon felt very welcomed, and very much at home. It has been in my heart for a while now to fully commit to this faith, but the final straw so to speak was when my daughter, now preparing for her First Communion, asked me to help her learn and grow by doing it myself. I felt that was the final push by God. In addition to our daughter Lylah, we also have a son, Lawson. I am a teacher in the Fayette County School Corporation, currently teaching Head Start at Maplewood Elementary.

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My name is **Sherry Wooley**; my husband is Tim Wooley. We are blessed with six children and eleven grandchildren. Our youngest son Christopher is still at home. I was raised Baptist, and I thank my parents for raising me believing in Jesus Christ. Through the years attending the Catholic Church, I have experienced and grown to love more deeply in the faith. I have been brought to tears many a time because of the love and kindness shown to me and my family through our linked parish family. I feel The Holy Spirit all around me when I'm at Mass. I am truly blessed to know Jesus's Love, Forgiveness and Grace that I have and will receive through the Sacraments that are offered through the Catholic Church.