

### **Mr. Robert Budzinski (Mr. Bud)**

This is my 32nd year in education and my 31st at Holy Family School. I currently teach Social Studies to our junior high students. In addition to my teaching duties, I have been Assistant Principal for the last 26 years. From 1984 to 2002 I served as Holy Family's first Youth Minister. I also was Holy Family's first Athletic Director from 1989 – 1993. When Sister Mary Arthur, then principal of Holy family School, hired me I never dreamed I would be here so long. I figured just one or two years at Holy Family and then use Holy Family as a stepping-stone into the public schools. Well, it didn't quite happen that way. I became caught in God's net. Being apart of this family, Holy Family has been one of the joys of my life. I am a born West Sider, attended Lafayette and Navarre Schools. I am a 1979 graduate of Washington High School. 1981 graduate from Holy Cross College and a 1984 graduate of IUSB. I married another life long parishioner, the former Angie Van Overberghe; she has been the principal of Holy Cross School for the last 16 years. We have one daughter who is a graduate of Hope College with a degree in (guess what) education. Tori is currently teaching for South Bend Community Schools. We are also happy to announce that our daughter just got engaged last summer and is currently putting her mother and I in debt for the rest of our lives with wedding expenses. I am also blessed to have a brother who is a priest, Father Andrew Budzinski who is the Pastor at St. John the Baptist Parish in Fort Wayne, Father Andrew also serves as Vocation Director for the Diocese. I thank God every day for the opportunity to serve Holy Family School and the privilege to educate your children.