



LAURA KLOTZ

Grade 1

About Me:

There are very few things more exciting or rewarding than seeing a child's face light up when they learn something new. You can learn a lot from listening to a first grader's insight. I started teaching 4th grade at St. Thomas in 1985. I've taught former students' parents. I got my Bachelor Degree From Northern Illinois University and a Masters in Curriculum and Instruction from St. Xavier University.

I help my students prepare for their First Reconciliation and First Communion. We prepare by doing a community service project. Previously, we prepared bags with food for the homeless. We also wrote them letters.

Religion:

I grew up and received my sacraments at St. Thomas of Villanova Parish. It is home to me. I love sharing my faith with my first graders. They amaze me when they share some of their faith stories.

Special Units & Projects:

- Insect Unit (Raising Painted Lady Butterflies)
- Lent Project (Jesus in a Bag), Spending a day with Jesus
- Christmas, Making a Nativity Set

Field Trips:

- Zoo
- Apple Orchard
- Children's Theater

About St. Thomas of Villanova School:

Obviously I love it, I've been here since 1985! I think our staff is amazing. I am lucky to be able to work with them everyday. The children, parents, and community really care about each other. I am also so proud of all our graduates. I love hearing how well they are doing in school and beyond!