

MARCEL

Trustee

BORMANS

I am currently a teacher of Religious Education at St John's College having arrived here in 2012. Since 2018 I have also held the role of Director of Catholic Character. Prior to arriving at St John's College I was teaching in the Catholic Primary Sector for 7 years and held the role of DRS in one of those schools. Before this I studied for the priesthood with the Legionaries of Christ for 7 ½ years overseas (USA, Canada, Italy, Mexico, Chile), working pastorally in schools and promoting vocations to the priesthood.



TRUSTEE SINCE

CONNECTION

My eldest son Nathaniel graduated from St John's College in 2019. Currently I have my other 2 sons at the College: Tyler in Y11 and Luke in Y9. I, myself, am a product of Macleans College in Auckland.

Through my involvement with the Church and my years in the education sector I have a strong understanding of the purpose of Catholic education and the importance of maintaining the traditions and charisms of our founder. I understand that financial independence, stewardship and generation are not contradictory to our being able to support and enable our Marist practices and spirit following our pillars and purpose – to support the least, the last and the lost.

ASPIRATIONS

As a trustee I would like to see the continued building of our funds for the purposes of supporting the Marist mission that St John's College has been entrusted by the Marist Brothers.

I would like to see our ability, as a trust, to not only generate funds through prudent investment but also to see the Foundation enable and promote activities that draw our greater school community (made up of past students, their families and our supporters), together so as to receive encouragement to continue living the Marist spirit in our lives and be influential in our families, places of work and social groups.

A personal project I would love to see come to fruition is the building of a sacred space on our school grounds, a Church that can be used for our House masses, retreats and other sacred activities. I envisage it as a place where our past students can get married, have their children baptised and be buried from. After 60 years on site I feel that a Church is well overdue.