## St Thomas Comets-*Meet our Inspiring Leaders* Spanish Teacher- Señora Jennifer Sturm

## **Educational Background:**

MLS - Bradley University

- BS Spanish with International Studies - University of Missouri, St. Louis
- Incarnate Word Academy, High School
- St. Ann's Grade School, Normandy

Why I teach in a catholic school: God put the right people in the right place to bring me into the St.Thomas community where I can share my gifts, talents and FAITH on a daily basis. Knowing my own child would be academically challenged while growing in our Catholic faith has been important to our family.

Who inspires you: Shari and Jerry...aka Mom and Dad. Retired from successful careers, they continue to actively demonstrate their faith on a daily basis volunteering at my hometown church's parish school and St. Vincent Society. Through life's many challenges, their love grows stronger!



My favorite teacher was: As an overachiever in school, I always found something to celebrate about all my instructors both in the academic setting and in all my extracurricular endeavors. Now my students are my teachers!

Hobbies/Interests: Travel...giving thanks for God's amazing creation by interacting with people and nature around the world! I also like to go hiking, reading, and supporting any hands-on family project in the works!

Dream meal: An ethnically diverse smorgasbord!

Outside of school: I enjoy agricultural festivals in the Central Illinois area!