



## **IT'S MAGIC MONDAY: MAY 2, 2022!**

This month, we honor a Woman of Mercy who says, “I am proud to be a Mercy Girl. Mercy High School is a special place that teaches women to be confident and to grow to be their best selves. I love seeing alumnae return and take an active role in the school community. They carry on Mercy traditions for future generations of young women including my niece, **Liliana Estrada '25.**” Meet **Katie Rickert Tetrault '97**, Vice President of Finance and Grants Management at the Annie E. Casey Foundation

**Name:** Katie Rickert Tetrault '97

### **Post Mercy Education:**

- B.S., Accounting, North Carolina State University, 2001
- M.B.A., Finance, Loyola University Maryland, 2003

### **Personal and Professional Achievements:**

I am the Vice President of Finance and Grants Management at the Annie E. Casey Foundation, which is a private philanthropy headquartered in Baltimore, working across the country to build brighter futures for children and youth. I have been at Casey for eleven years and currently oversee the accounting, financial, and grant-making operations. It has been a rewarding experience to use my skills as an accountant while supporting Casey and its staff as they improve outcomes for children and their families.

I am married, and my husband and I have two sons who are eight and twelve. I always seem to have some hobby that keeps me busy. During the early days of the pandemic, I taught myself how to make cloth masks. I started selling them to friends and family in exchange for donations to a local non-profit providing food to families in need. I raised over \$1,000 selling about 100 masks. These days, when I'm not working or shuttling kids to and from activities, I'm playing tennis.

### **Were there any classes you took at Mercy that stand out to you? Why?**

I loved geometry with **Ms. Joanne Simmons**. It just made sense to me. While accounting does not involve geometry, it does often feel like figuring out pieces to a puzzle.

### **What is your favorite Mercy memory?**

I have many fond memories at Mercy, so it's hard to pick just one! As a Mercy Girl, I made lifelong friends. **Anna Skowronski Mahaney '97** and I spent four years as lacrosse teammates and these days can be found on a tennis court as doubles partners. If I must pick just one memory, I'd go with winning the Association of Independent Schools (AIS) Lacrosse Championship my senior year. It was a team goal several years in the making, and I'm sure to check out our banner every time I'm back in the gym!