Graduation
Class of 2021

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CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL, an independent, Catholic Day and Resident school, sponsored by the Marianist Province of the United States, is dedicated to developing the inherent spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical potential of young men in Sixth through Twelfth Grade so they are prepared for success in college and life and ultimately become the men the world needs them to be.

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- Providing an Integral Quality Education
- Educating in Family Spirit
- Educating for Service, Justice, and the Integrity of Creation
- Education for Adaptation and Change

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a reflection on a challenging year

Each May, as I reflect on the school year, I am always filled with gratitude for the Chaminade Family. This year has taken my appreciation to a whole new level! The pandemic affected every single aspect of Chaminade. Yet, instead of being a victim to the restrictions, protocols, and uncertainties, we thrived! Never before have we lived the Marianist characteristic of adaptation and change more vividly.

We were able to offer an in-person education to our students for the entire school year. We celebrated the graduation of the Class of 2021 and the transition to high school for our 8th graders. Every single varsity sports team was able to compete successfully, with many reaching post-season play. We prayed as a school community regularly with masses and prayer services. The House System coordinated house meetings and the well-loved Red Devil Relay to close out the House Cup competition. We learned that being together was worth the work. Ultimately, Chaminade was a LIVING example of Esto Vir!

I am so proud of our students for their tenacity and willingness to follow the protocols necessary to keep us together in the building, learning and praying together. It’s not fun to wear masks, to have to maintain distance from one another, or to complete health screenings daily, yet our students showed us that we could still laugh, learn, and succeed regardless of the circumstances. A special thank you to the Class of 2021. This year was likely not exactly what you expected of your senior year. Yet, your leadership was a large part of our success. As I said at graduation, I feel as though each of you exhibited the characteristics worthy of the coveted Esto Vir award; integrity, loyalty, generosity, leadership, and maturity. Your experience will serve you well as you continue your Esto Vir journey and become the men the world needs you to be.

I am honored to work with a faculty and staff that was willing to get the job done, whatever it took. But they were not happy with just getting by, they went over and above to ensure that students had a quality education and experience whether they were on campus, learning from home down the street, or learning from another country. I even heard accounts of teachers getting online after hours to work with students living in a time zone 12 or more hours different than their own.

My gratitude for our families is immense. I am grateful for your support in ensuring your sons were healthy when they came to school, your reinforcement at home of the mitigation strategies that kept all of us safe, your kindness with words of support (and some amazing treats), and most importantly, your prayers for a safe and successful year. None of what we accomplished this year would have been possible without you.

We don’t yet know what next year will look like, but, I for one, am not worried about how we will manage. We have proven that the Chaminade Family, when working together, can overcome even the most difficult circumstances and continue to thrive. ESTO VIR!

Lastly, in January, I announced that I will be retiring at the close of the 2021-22 school year and that Dr. Todd Guidry, current middle school principal, was named as the next President of Chaminade College Preparatory School. I look forward to this next year of transition as Dr. Guidry and I work together to ensure continued growth for our school. I have every confidence that, with the support of our Chaminade Family, the best is yet to come!

God Bless,

Rev. Ralph A. Siefert, S.M.
President
It was a year like no other.

How many times have we said that when referring to the 2020-21 school year? The pandemic certainly impacted everything and everyone. But the Gentlemen of the Class of 2021 persevered! They showed up every day, they supported each other every day, they were the leaders of the school every day. They chose to view the pandemic as a circumstance and not let it define them nor their experience.

On Sunday, May 16, we had the honor of celebrating this amazing class and their accomplishments. It was a blessing that we were able to celebrate in the Skip, our traditional location, with the full Class of 2021 together. They may have had masks on and attendance may have been limited but, once again, these Chaminade Gentlemen chose to look past these circumstances and make the most of this pivotal moment in their Esto Vir Journey.

Congratulations Class of 2021 –
Thank you for being true examples of Esto Vir!

**ESTO VIR AWARD**
Joseph Donlin

**VALEDICTORIAN**
Jack Wyeth

**SALUTATORIAN**
Kyle Johnson

**CARDINAL CIRCLE AWARD**
Owen Boyette
Sean Cavanaugh
Casey Cavlovich
Sam Chiburis
Patrick Divis
Joseph Donlin
Miles Dressel
Nathan Einig
Jakob Feise
Jude Giessman
Jimmy Grumich
Seth Hadlow
Kenneth Hammell
Conrad Hogencamp
RJ Jackson
Ryan Jenks
Aidan Jensen
Adam Koetting
James Lynn

Tony Mazzola
Akash Nandakumar
Anthony Petersen
Charlie Reed
Quin Rizer
Pedro Suarez-Solar
Henry Wessel
Stephen Wheadon
Max Wolkey
### Graduation Stats

**College** | **Accept** | **Attend** | **College** | **Accept** | **Attend** | **College** | **Accept** | **Attend** | **College** | **Accept** | **Attend**
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---
Alcorn State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Iowa State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Santa Clara Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Dallas | 2 | 1
American Univ. | 1 | 0 | John Carroll Univ. | 1 | 0 | Secor Hall Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Dayton | 30 | 3
Arizona State Univ. | 14 | 2 | Kansas State Univ. | 1 | 0 | South Dakota State Univ. | 1 | 1 | Univ. of Denver | 5 | 1
Auburn Univ. | 3 | 0 | Langston Univ. | 1 | 0 | Southeast Missouri State Univ. | 2 | 0 | Univ. of Florida | 1 | 0
Augustana College | 1 | 0 | Upper Iowa Univ. | 2 | 0 | Southern Illinois Univ. (Carbondale) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Georgia | 1 | 1
Austin Peay State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Louisiana State Univ. | 2 | 0 | Southern Illinois Univ. (Edwardsville) | 3 | 1 | Univ. of Houston | 1 | 0
Ave Maria Univ. | 1 | 0 | Loyola Univ. Chicago | 14 | 1 | Southern Methodist Univ. | 6 | 2 | Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign | 3 | 0
Baylor Univ. | 6 | 1 | Loyola Univ. Maryland | 1 | 1 | St. John’s College (Santa Fe) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Indianapolis | 1 | 1
Bellarmine Univ. | 1 | 0 | Loyola Univ. New Orleans | 4 | 0 | St. Norbert College | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Iowa | 1 | 0
Belmont Univ. | 4 | 1 | Marian Univ. | 1 | 1 | Stetson Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Kansas | 10 | 2
Benedictine College | 2 | 0 | Marquette Univ. | 10 | 1 | SUNY at Buffalo | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Kentucky | 6 | 2
Berklee College of Music | 1 | 1 | Marshall Univ. | 1 | 0 | Temple Univ. | 3 | 0 | Univ. of Louisville | 2 | 0
Bishop College | 1 | 1 | Maryville Univ. | 3 | 0 | Tennessee State Univ. | 1 | 1 | Univ. of Maryland | 3 | 1
Boston College | 1 | 1 | McKendree Univ. | 1 | 0 | Texas A&M Univ. | 4 | 0 | Univ. of Massachusetts (Amherst) | 2 | 2
Bradley Univ. | 1 | 0 | Miami Univ. | 23 | 6 | Texas Christian Univ. | 10 | 5 | Univ. of Memphis | 3 | 0
Brandeis Univ. | 1 | 1 | Michigan State Univ. | 2 | 0 | The Ohio State Univ. | 6 | 0 | Univ. of Miami | 3 | 1
Bryant Univ. | 1 | 0 | Missouri Southern State Univ. | 1 | 0 | The Univ. of Alabama | 5 | 1 | Univ. of Minnesota | 5 | 0
Butler Univ. | 8 | 1 | Missouri State Univ. | 11 | 2 | The Univ. of Tampa | 3 | 0 | Univ. of Mississippi | 15 | 6
Carthage College | 1 | 0 | Missouri State Univ. (West Plains) | 1 | 1 | The Univ. of Tennessee (Knoxville) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Missouri (Columbia) | 12 | 15
Case Western Reserve Univ. | 1 | 0 | Missouri Univ. of Science and Technology | 9 | 6 | Truman State Univ. | 7 | 0 | Univ. of Missouri (Kansas City) | 3 | 0
Catholic Univ. of America | 2 | 1 | Monmouth College | 1 | 0 | United States Naval Academy | 1 | 1 | Univ. of Missouri (St Louis) | 3 | 0
Central Methodist Univ. | 1 | 0 | Montana State Univ. | 1 | 1 | Univ. of Arizona | 3 | 0 | Univ. of Nebraska (Lincoln) | 5 | 0
Clark Atlanta Univ. | 1 | 0 | Morehouse College | 3 | 1 | Univ. of Arkansas | 18 | 4 | Univ. of North Carolina at Charlotte | 1 | 0
Clemson Univ. | 2 | 0 | Murray State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of British Columbia | 1 | 0 | Univ. of North Carolina | 1 | 0
Coastal Carolina Univ. | 1 | 0 | New York Univ. | 1 | 1 | Univ. of California (Berkeley) | 1 | 1 | Univ. of Northern Colorado | 1 | 0
College of Charleston | 2 | 0 | North Carolina State Univ. | 2 | 0 | Univ. of California (Davis) | 2 | 0 | Univ. of Notre Dame | 3 | 3
College of the Holy Cross | 1 | 0 | North Park Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of California (Irvine) | 2 | 0 | Univ. of Oklahoma | 3 | 0
Colorado State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Northern Illinois Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of California (Los Angeles) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Oregon | 1 | 0
Cougerton Univ. | 7 | 4 | Northwest Missouri State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of California (Riverside) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Richmond | 1 | 0
Culver-Stockton College | 1 | 1 | Norwich Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of California (San Diego) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of South Carolina | 1 | 1
DePaul Univ. | 3 | 0 | Nova Southeastern Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of California (Santa Barbara) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of South Florida | 1 | 0
DePauw Univ. | 4 | 2 | Ottawa Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of California (Santa Cruz) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of St Thomas | 1 | 0
Drury Univ. | 3 | 0 | Pennsylvania State Univ. | 6 | 0 | Univ. of Central Florida | 1 | 1 | Univ. of Toronto | 1 | 0
Elmhurst Univ. | 1 | 0 | Pittsburgh State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Central Missouri | 1 | 1 | Univ. of Tulsa | 5 | 1
Elon Univ. | 1 | 0 | Prairie View A & M Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Cincinnati (Main Campus) | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Utah | 2 | 0
Florida Gulf Coast Univ. | 1 | 0 | Providence College | 1 | 0 | Univ. of Colorado Boulder | 8 | 0 | Univ. of Vermont | 1 | 0
Franciscan Univ. of Steubenville | 2 | 0 | Purdue Univ. | 12 | 3 | Univ of Connecticut | 1 | 0 | Univ of Washington (Seattle Campus) | 4 | 1
George Washington Univ. | 2 | 1 | Quincy Univ. | 2 | 0 | Univ of California (Irvine) | 2 | 0 | Univ of Wisconsin (Madison) | 3 | 0
Georgia Institute of Technology | 2 | 1 | Ranken Technical College | 1 | 1 | Univ of California (Los Angeles) | 1 | 0 | Univ of Wyoming | 2 | 0
Georgia State Univ. | 1 | 0 | Regis Univ. | 2 | 0 | Univ of California (Riverside) | 1 | 0 | Valparaiso Univ. | 1 | 0
Grand Canyon Univ. | 1 | 1 | Rhodes College | 1 | 1 | Univ of California (San Diego) | 1 | 0 | Villanova Univ. | 3 | 1
High Point Univ. | 1 | 0 | Rider Univ. | 1 | 1 | Univ of California (Santa Barbara) | 1 | 0 | Virginia Tech | 2 | 0
Howard Univ. | 1 | 0 | Rockhurst Univ. | 8 | 2 | Univ of California (Santa Cruz) | 1 | 0 | Washington Univ. in St Louis | 3 | 2
Illum College | 1 | 0 | Rutgers Univ. (New Brunswick) | 1 | 0 | Univ of Central Florida | 1 | 1 | Webster Univ. | 3 | 0
Illinois Wesleyan Univ. | 3 | 2 | Saint Louis Community College | 1 | 0 | Univ of Central Missouri | 1 | 0 | Western Michigan Univ. | 1 | 1
Indiana Univ. (Bloomington) | 16 | 4 | Saint Louis Univ. | 37 | 12 | Univ of Cincinnati (Main Campus) | 1 | 0 | Westminster College | 4 | 1
Indiana Univ.-Purdue Univ. | 1 | 0 | St Mary’s College of California | 1 | 1 | Univ of Colorado Boulder | 8 | 0 | William and Mary | 1 | 0
Indiana Univ.-Purdue Univ. | 1 | 0 | Samford Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ of Connecticut | 1 | 0 | Xavier Univ. | 16 | 3
Iowa College | 1 | 0 | Samford Univ. | 1 | 0 | Univ of Connecticut | 1 | 0 | Xavier Univ. | 16 | 3

**Total:** 496 Academic Scholarships, 68 Direct Admission Selective/Honors Program, 7 Athletic/Talent Scholarships, 13 Leadership Scholarships, 7 National Merit Commended, 13,000+ Service Hours Earned

**National Merit Finalist:** 1

**MO Higher Ed. Scholarships (Bright Flight, Act 30+):** 22

**Appoint to The US Naval Academy:** 1

**Continuing Athletic Career in College:** 1

**Service Hours Earned:** 13,000+
Formation in Faith: Fr. Chaminade and St. Joseph

Last December, Pope Francis designated 2021 as a year dedicated to St. Joseph in honor of the 150th Anniversary of Pope Pius IX identifying St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church (Patris Corde). A designated year in the Church is chosen to emphasize a particular aspect of our faith or to inspire a particular devotion to assist the faithful on their spiritual journey (Pope Francis has previously called for a year dedicated to consecrated religious life and one dedicated to God’s Mercy).

St. Joseph has a unique role in the life of Jesus - as husband to his Mother Mary and as his foster Father - but he is presumed to have died before Jesus began his public ministry. What little we know of him comes from a handful of references in the Gospels, none of which include any of the words that he said. Yet those few passages paint a clear picture of his character and holiness.

The Gospels tell us that Joseph was a carpenter; a skilled craftsman, a worker. He was betrothed to Mary: a just man who was open and ready to carry out the Will of God as revealed to him in several dreams. As a result of these dreams, he marries Mary rather than divorcing her quietly and agrees to raise Jesus as his own son (Matt 1:19-20); he travels to Bethlehem but has to witness the birth of his son in a stable, for there was no room in the inn (Luke 2:7); he takes Mary and the newborn Jesus to the foreign country of Egypt to escape the wrath of Herod (Matt 2:13-14); and when he returns he relocates to Nazareth, again to avoid threats to his son (Matt 2:19-21).

Pope Francis identifies some of the specific qualities of St. Joseph. He is a beloved Father whose intercession has been sought by Christian people throughout the history of the Church. He is an obedient Father who followed the promptings of God despite the difficulties of traveling and relocating. He is an accepting Father embracing the mystery of God’s plan for his life, doing so in a courageous and proactive manner. He is a working Father who taught his son the dignity and joy that come from one’s own work. He is a Father in the shadows who finds happiness in being a gift to the Holy Family and playing his unique role in salvation history.

Fr. Chaminade’s devotion to Mary is well-known: his prayerful vision at Our Lady of the Pillar, his naming of the religious order he founded as the Society of Mary, his prayers calling upon Mary’s intercession, even his Doxology which honors God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit through the mission of Mary. Personally, I have been familiar with this aspect of Fr. Chaminade since I was a student at the University of Dayton over thirty years ago. However, with the emphasis on this year dedicated to St. Joseph, I have discovered the deep and rich devotion Fr. Chaminade had to St. Joseph as well.

Fr. Chaminade took St. Joseph as his Confirmation name and began signing his name as G. Joseph, relegate his given name to an initial. He mentioned Joseph regularly in his writings and composed a meditation on the Solemnity of the Feast of St. Joseph that people still find relevant. One of the unique traits of the Society of Mary is the concept of discipleship of equals, where priests, teaching brothers and working brothers share equally in the life of the community, a concept Fr. Chaminade developed out of his devotion to St. Joseph the worker.

In looking at St. Joseph, Fr. Chaminade sees the greatest saint who ever trod the earth: whatever virtue is to be found in any other saint is also to be found in abundance in St. Joseph. In Fr. Chaminade’s words: Joseph was the savior of his Savior. Of all the prophets, martyrs and saints of the faith, it was only St. Joseph who protected and saved Jesus from those who sought him harm. Fr. Chaminade saw St. Joseph as the protector and guardian of Jesus and of Mary, and thus able to do the same for us.

As the foster Father of Jesus, St. Joseph was given the task of forming Jesus as he grew (Luke 2:51-52). Though Jesus was fully divine and thus unable to sin, his human nature was still in need of learning how to be virtuous in this world. St. Joseph (along with Mary) provided that example for him. Just as he did this for Jesus, he can do this for us. His example of faithfulness, commitment, generosity, self-sacrifice, industriousness, patience and love were not only for Jesus then, but also for us now. And not only example, but also intercession that we might receive the grace to be more virtuous and become more like his son.

St. Joseph has been declared the Patron Saint of Workers and Patron of the Catholic Church and is frequently invoked as the patron of a happy death, because it is believed that he left his earthly life with both Mary and Jesus by his side. His intercession is powerful and we are reminded during this holy year that we have recourse to that intercession.

In the words of Fr. Chaminade: O faithful guardian of the Mother of God, keep those who honor you amid the trials and joys of this life. Lovable tutor of Jesus, help your servants in the dangers and difficulties of their exile; may they feel the effects of your love. Obtain for them devotion to your spouse, fidelity to your Son, unfailing respect for the Eternal Father who reigns with the Holy Spirit through endless ages. Amen.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Mr. Peter Vlahatin,
Associate Principal Student Development
Save the Date!

Join us to Honor
Rev. Ralph A. Siefert, S.M.
in celebration of his retirement
April 20, 2022
Invitation forthcoming

Save the Date!

Boots & Bling
Esto Vir Auction
Saturday, February 12, 2022

More information forthcoming!

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AMAING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Mrs. Jessica Young Receives Emerson Excellence in Teaching Award!
Congratulations to Mrs. Jessica Young on receiving the Emerson Excellence in Education Award! Mrs. Young is a Project Lead The Way engineering teacher for eighth- through 12th-graders at Chaminade College Preparatory School where her classroom overflows with spirit, challenge and support.

Brett Desnoyer, associate principal for instruction and mission, said Young encourages her students to tinker, to experiment, even to make mistakes. She creates a true learning environment where students learn from trial and error, from feedback, from having fun. “Mrs. Young is among the most innovative teachers I have ever seen,” Desnoyer said. “She is a brilliant teacher, a true reflective practitioner, a tireless inventor of lessons and learning challenges. Mrs. Young gives her students what great teachers give — a classroom filled with joy, with support, and with kindness and affirmation.”

Youth and Government Participates in Convention
Congratulations to our Youth and Government students for a truly fantastic convention! The students spent 8+ hours on Zoom on both a Thursday and Friday, and 4+ hours on Saturday, either presenting bills in the legislative track, or acting as judges and trial attorneys in the judicial track. Despite the format challenges of Zoom, this was our most successful year to date. The following students all wrote, argued, and defended bills which were successfully signed into law by the (student) Governor of Missouri:
Tomas Belloso ’23
Casey Cavlovich ’21
Nick Cutler ’24
Aidan Ford ’22
Alex Miller ’21
Quin Rizer ’21
Gavin Rizzo ’23
Mark Shapiro ’21
Michael Smith ’23
George Stewart ’21
Pedro Suarez-Solar ’21

Green ’21 Named All-American
Sean Green ’21 has been a named an All-American by the United Soccer Coaches Association! This is a tremendous honor for a tremendous player and person! Green is the sixth All-American in Chaminade school history. Sean also received All-Region honors!

Serra Club Essay Winners!
Last semester, the Serra Club offered a theological essay writing contest. Out of more than 400 essays submitted, two of our Chaminade Gentlemen placed in the top three!
Andrew Keenan ’23 FIRST PLACE
Kellen Zoberi ’23 THIRD PLACE (tie)

Piontek ’23 Awarded Martin Luther King Model of Justice
Congratulations to Brenden Piontek ’23 on being named one of this year’s Martin Luther King Model of Justice award winners.

Photo credit: Lisa Johnston/St. Louis Review

Fernandez ’25 Wins Spelling Bee
Congratulations to Caden Fernandez ’25 for winning the 2021 Chaminade Middle School Spelling Bee. Caden competed in the regional spelling bee semi-final on March 6. Runners-up: Ben Fischer ’26 and Wil Jenkins ’22
Jenney ’24 Earns Eagle Scout
Congratulations to Aidan Jenney ’24 on earning his Eagle Scout!

Only 4% of Scouts earn this rank. Requirements include earning at least 21 merit badges. The Eagle Scout must demonstrate an ideal attitude based upon the Scout Oath and Law, service, and leadership. This includes an extensive service project that the Scout plans, organizes, leads, and manages.

Aidan’s Eagle Scout Project was to build a GaGa Ball Pit at the grade school where he attended K-8, St. Stephen Protomartyr.

Photos of his build and his assistant (his Dad) above!

Model United Nations
Attends Virtual Event
The following high school students participated in Model United Nations of the University of Chicago online on February 4-7.

Henry Wessel ’21 (as Shanarani López, on the Municipality of Cherán, Mexico, 2011)

Tony Mazzola ’21 (as Jorge Marcelo Holguin Malarino, on the Cabinet of Colombia, 1902)

Tomas Belloso ’23 (as Turkmenistan, on the Special, Political, and Decolonization Committee).

Quinn Prosser ’21 (as Jacqueline Valenzuela, on the National American Woman Suffrage Association, 1890)

Mark Shapiro ’21 (as Turkmenistan, on the United Nations Human Rights Council)

Johnson ’21 Named National Merit Finalist
Congratulations to Chaminade Senior Kyle Johnson for being name a National Merit Finalist! Kyle scored in the top 1% on the PSAT nationally.

Chaminade Supports Birthright
Chaminade participated in the 50/50/50 Challenge with Birthright this year. We met our goal through the generosity of our students families and were recognized by Birthright for our support.

Mock Trial Advances to State!
The Mock Trial Team known as “The Legislative Branch Managers” advanced to the state competition on April 9-11, 2021. For those of you who may not know, Mock Trial is a competition where students receive a detailed case packet for either a criminal or civil case, and they become the identities of both the attorneys and witnesses for the case. This year, all of the competitions were held virtually to ensure Covid-19 safety.

In “The Legislative Branch Managers” first competition on January 26th, they faced Cor Jesu, and they won two out of three ballots. On February 18, they competed against John Burroughs, and they, again, won two out of three ballots. In order to win the competition, it is a combination of winning ballots and performance. This team proved formidable in both respects, and they ended their preliminary season in the Top 16 teams in the entire state of Missouri.
Schroyer ’23 Work Selected for Exhibit
Congratulations to Holden Schroyer ’23, whose ceramic vase was juried into the SIUE High School Art Exhibit. This show had over 200 entries and his was one of the few ceramic pieces selected. The warmth and simplicity of this piece speaks of his own humility as a person.

Donlin ’21 Named Student Exemplar
Congratulations to Joseph Donlin ’21 on being named Student Exemplar. Joseph was chosen based on faculty nominations for exhibiting the pillar of the National Honor Society: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character, and Citizenship.

Josh “Mr. Fresh” Danrich ’27 Partners with Schnucks
Chaminade’s own “Mr. Fresh”, Josh Danrich ’27, has signed with Schnucks! Josh is the CEO of Mr. Fresh Air Fresheners and his products can now be found at area Schnucks stores!

Cunneen ’24 Competes in 2021 Jr. Open Water National Championship
Chaminade freshman Trey Cunneen placed 9th in the 2021 Jr. Open Water 5K National Championships held April 17th in Ft. Myers, FL.

In a fun twist, the Official who placed his timing/GPS wristbands discovered he and Trey shared a St. Louis Marianist connection - the Official was a Vianney alum and Trey a Chaminade student.

Carey ’23 and Wolak ’23 Earn Eagle Scout
Congratulations to Isaac Carey ’23 and Ryan Wolak ’23 on earning the rank of Eagle Scout!

Isaac led a project to install a GaGa Ball Pit at Whole Kids Outreach in Ellington, Missouri. Whole Kids Outreach is a faith-based, nonprofit service organization committed to the unmet health and developmental needs of children, youth, and pregnant women with their family structure. They serve the poorest counties in rural Missouri.

Ryan made a storage area for athletes to store their belongings for the Disabled Athletes Sports Association (DASA). Ryan is an amputee and has been a part of the organization for over 9 years. DASA empowers people with physical disabilities to reach their goals for rehabilitation or athletic purposes.

Class of 2027 Supports Our Little Haven
A big thank you to our 6th Graders! They learned about the agency, Our Little Haven (Scott Hummel ’81, CEO) and decided they wanted to donate their “alms” to this worthy cause. They raised more than $3000!

Chaminade Musicians Earn Top Honors
Congratulations to the Wind Ensemble for earning an “I” Exemplary rating in the MSHSAA State Band Festival.

In the Heritage Festivals competition, these groups submitted video recordings:
Wind Ensemble — Silver Rating, 3rd place
Jazz Ensemble — Silver Rating
Percussion Ensemble — Gold Rating

These recordings were judged along with other schools throughout the country who chose to submit recordings during the month of April.

Musicians Earn Top Ratings!
Congratulations to the students above who earned a Gold Rating for their performances at the MSHSAA State Solo and Small Ensemble Festival.
Basketball Places 3rd at State
In what was a challenging year, the Varsity Basketball Team made yet another final four appearance. After falling to a tough (and later named State Champion) Kickapoo team, they easily defeated Fort Zumwalt North for the 3rd place title. A special thank you to Mark Jackson ‘21, the team’s only senior, for his leadership - good luck in the future Mark!

Student-Athletes Commit to Play in College
Congratulations to the following Chaminade Gentlemen for committing to continuing their academic and athletic careers in college:

Drew Altic, Lacrosse - Rockhurst University
Cooper Benedict, Golf - DePauw University
Joseph Donlin, Diving - University of Indianapolis
Sean Green, Soccer - Creighton University
Jake Gisi, Lacrosse - Illinois Wesleyan University
Kenneth Hammell, Cross Country - Marian University
Joseph Hipskind, Soccer - Washington University in St. Louis
Amar Johnson, Football - South Dakota State University
Ryan King, Football - Northern Illinois University
Kyouta Setoyama, Football - Culver-Stockton College
Cole Verhulst, Golf - DePauw University
Jack Weber, Baseball - Saint Louis University

Wheadon ‘21 Receives Service Award
Congratulations to Stephen Wheadon ‘21 for receiving the Archbishop May Service Award. This honor from the St. Louis Archdiocese recognizes the outstanding leadership and community service of students in Catholic high schools. Seniors who are recognized with this award show extraordinary volunteer achievement in their schools and communities.

Stephen is pictured with Matt Dailey, Director of Campus Ministry and Errol Christian, Service Coordinator.

Delkus ‘24 Selected for US Youth National Camp
Jackson Delkus ‘24 was selected to attend the Youth National Soccer Team Camp in Indianapolis in May.

Jackson ‘21 Named Scout of the Year
Congratulations to Eagle Scout RJ Jackson ‘21 on being named Missouri Scout of the Year by the VFW: Missouri. RJ was recognized in June at the VFW State Convention and will advance to the National competition.

Rozier Receives Marianist Model of Excellence Award
Chaminade’s favorite nurse, Mrs. Sue Rozier, is this year’s recipient of the Marianist Model of Excellence Award. This award is voted on annually by the faculty and staff. Mrs. Rozier’s guidance and support throughout the pandemic was a critical part of the success we were able to achieve as a school!
“God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them.”
-Genesis 1:27

Since the beginnings of the Judeo-Christian tradition, people of faith have sought to understand the diverse and equal nature of God’s finest creation, humanity. The authors of Genesis, inspired by the Holy Spirit, included in the first story in the Sacred Scriptures the truth that God created all people in the divine image. Continuing through the recent November 2020 publication of Pope Francis’ third encyclical letter Fratelli Tutti: On Fraternity and Social Friendship, Pope Francis reaffirmed “God … has created all human beings equal in rights, duties and dignity, and … has called them to live together as brothers and sisters, to fill the earth and make known the values of goodness, love, and peace”. Today, Chaminade College Prep persists in proclaiming the Catholic, Marianist ideals of diversity, equity, and inclusion that the Marianist Family has always embraced.

MARIANIST HISTORY OF INCLUSION

Blessed William Joseph Chaminade was unique among founders of Catholic religious orders in that the ‘sodality’ faith sharing groups that he founded in 1801 were populated primarily by lay people. Then, in 1816, he and Blessed Adele de Batz de Trenquelleon founded the Daughters of Mary Immaculate for Marianist nuns, and, only after those two branches were already established, Blessed Chaminade formed the Society of Mary for Marianist religious brothers and priests in 1817. This unusual example of the equal positioning of lay people, and female and male consecrated religious demonstrated that over two hundred years ago the Marianist Family valued inclusivity—in fact, inclusivity is among the five pillars of the Marianist charism.

The sodality groups welcomed people from all social classes and all types of work to participate equally. In Our Marianist Heritage, Fr. Joseph Stefanelli, SM, wrote that Blessed Chaminade said “very clearly about the sodality [that] it was to embrace all classes of people, both genders, and all conditions; the sodality was to represent within itself the fullness of diversity of the Church.” Because all people were called to Jesus, the new Marianist Family needed to include people of all social classes so that all could be reached and welcomed as the Family grew in their mission to bring Christ to the world.

Then, once the Society of Mary was established for the brothers and priests, Blessed Chaminade insisted that the constitution of the society include people of diverse talents and vocations and that all members be treated with equal standing. In the Marianist Family today, we call this the “discipleship of equals” in that the Society of Mary does not value clerics more than non-ordained brothers. Instead, there are three categories of members of the religious order: working brothers, teaching brothers, and priests, all having equal status and dignity. The Society of Mary recognizes that, as 1 Corinthians 12 teaches, the Body of Christ must value each of its parts equally because of what each uniquely contributes, so must the Marianist Family equally value everyone’s gifts because we are Christ’s body in the world.

Chaminade College Prep continues educating our students in this Catholic, Marianist charism today as we continue to cherish diversity, equity, and inclusion. Our five houses are named after five people who represent the diversity of the Marianist Family. Bro. Vincent Gray was a teaching brother and the first African-American brother in the United States. Venerable Marie-Therese de Lamourous was a lay woman recognized as a co-founder of the Marianist Family (alongside Blessed Chaminade and Blessed Adele) for her work in establishing the sodality movement. Fr. Francis Mauclerc and Fr. Leo Meyer, both born in Europe, were two of the first Marianist priests to serve in the United States. Finally, Bro. John O’Donnell was a working brother who spent nearly forty years of his life serving on our campus before his death in 1973. Together, these five people exemplify the diversity that Blessed Chaminade so valued.

CHAMINADE’S WORK TO DATE

Our school opened in 1910 as a strictly residential school, primarily for domestic, rural students. However, Chaminade has always welcomed people of all nationalities, particularly in the early 1900’s when many American citizens related more to the cultures of the countries from which their families emmigrated. 2021 actually marks the centennial anniversary of the graduation of our first international resident student, Angel F. Arechederra from Tehuacan, Mexico, who graduated in 1921. Since his enrollment, we have had a steady stream of students from Central and South America, thanks in part to our Catholic identity. Our school’s Asian population grew dramatically in the 1980’s when we began attracting international resident students from Thailand and Korea, with our Chinese population growing in the early 2000’s.

In 1996 the Society of Mary published the Characteristics of Marianist Education, which has become the primary philosophical guiding document for all Marianist schools. One of those characteristics is “to educate for service, justice, peace, and the integrity of creation”. Just two years after the publication of the CME’s, Chaminade created our Office of Diversity and hired Mr. Dietrich Smith to serve as our Diversity Director. Mr. Smith has visited hundreds of classrooms over the years, and his lessons about diversity have become an invaluable component of our curriculum and our students’ Esto Vir Journeys. The Office of Diversity also has helped us to welcome an even more ethnically diverse population to the Chaminade Family, maintaining Blessed Chaminade’s appreciation of diversity.

Other departments at Chaminade have made a concerted effort to educate about and celebrate our diversity. Through Global
REACH, our sophomores for a decade have been taking our Road to Freedom experiential education trip to learn the history of the underground railroad and the United States’ Civil Rights Movement. Our band program has hosted the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Jazz Festival every year since we opened the Skip, welcoming jazz professionals who have taught about both classic forms of jazz and Dr. King’s vision, while also inviting students from a diverse group of schools to join the festival. Our house system and campus ministry routinely celebrate the many cultures on our campus, creating programming around such international events as the Lunar New Year, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and Mexican Independence Day. Our Social Studies Department has created an elective course called “Pluralism in American History” that pays particular attention to the contributions to our nation’s democracy, culture and economic development from minority groups such as African-Americans, indigenous peoples, immigrants, the socioeconomically disadvantaged, women, Catholics and other minority groups.

In 2020, the Alumni Board unanimously named Dr. Stephanie Kralemann as Chaminade’s first female honorary alumnus. The inclusion of our international students in our athletic programs is at an all-time high, which highlights our continued commitment to the Characteristics of Marianist Education of an integral, quality education and education in family spirit. Chaminade has also improved our facilities dramatically to ensure that all people can participate in the totality of our offerings. Accessibility is at an all-time high with improvements having been made to our elevators, our building access, and our access to the athletic fields.

Chaminade also celebrates diversity by recognizing our students’ diverse learning needs and implementing differentiated instruction. We continue to advocate for and to implement methods of instruction which promote strategies which are student-centered, active, and permit students to explain their reasoning, demonstrate their thought process, and discover how they learn best. Whether our instruction is differentiated (offering students greater choice and autonomy in learning) or performance based (providing students opportunity to show their work, demonstrate their ideas, and to solve genuine problems) our instructional vision centers on recognizing and developing each student’s God given talents and gifts. These methods of instruction allow every student to develop a sense of their inherent worth and dignity and an understanding of their value to the Chaminade community and to the world.

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FUTURE

Now, Chaminade proceeds with the journey of “Our Family Picture: Chaminade’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Initiative.” This initiative is another way for us to focus on our Catholic, Marianist mission to celebrate the diversity of the Body of Christ such that we can evangelize all young men, as we always have. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Pope Francis have charged us to continue our work in their pastoral letter “Open Wide our Hearts” and in his papal encyclical Fratelli Tutti respectively. To meet this call, we have formed seven committees, each addressing the themes of this letter and this encyclical. Our Images and Icons Committee is looking into how the art on our campus reflects the diversity of the Chaminade Community, the Marianist Family, and the Catholic Church. Our Marianist Formation Committee will promote dialogue among our faculty and staff on methods of instruction designed to provide the best learning experience for all students and to deepen our atmosphere of family spirit. Curriculum Review will continue to examine our curriculum in an effort to acknowledge the experiences of all people and their contributions to the development of human knowledge while maintaining the integrity of the tradition of scholarship of the academic disciplines. Student Enrollment and Retention will focus on retaining and increasing enrollment of students of color and addressing obstacles to their full participation in the Chaminade experience. Talent and Recruitment will focus on strategies to recruit the best possible employees to express and fulfill our curriculum and mission. Community Outreach will build opportunities for the Chaminade Family to work with underserved communities in St. Louis. And finally, Student Engagement will build upon and develop the programs that celebrate diversity in our school, our Church, and our world.

We do this DEI work so that we can celebrate all of our students, educating them to use their God-given talents to build the Kingdom of God. This DEI initiative will be a slowly evolving one because it is important to our school’s future and our students’ development that we get it right.

Mr. Matt Dailey,
Director of Campus Ministry

Mr. Dietrich Smith,
Diversity Director
ULTIMATE FRISBEE  Pictured Above, Right

The Ultimate team has opened its 14th season with another promising group of young players, including Robert Thompson, a transfer student from California, as well as 8th grader Chase Kendall, younger brother of team captain, Peyton Kendall ’21. Also leading the team are co-captains, Stephen Wheaton ’21 and Ashton Kautzner ’22. The team looks to reestablish its dominance in the league from two years ago, rather than simply rebuild. One move has been adding Ben Reimler, a 2019 graduate, to the coaching staff.

FOOTBALL  Pictured Above, Middle

Due to its position as the earliest practicing sport, our football program was put in the position of pioneering many of our Covid protocols this season. More uncertainty was added to the team that already had a lot of questions to answer after graduating a strong senior class that led the 2020 Red Devils to the State Quarterfinals. Additionally, the team was kept from competing due to County Guidelines until early October, but the strength the football team found through overcoming adversity led them to a 2-1 regular season record with wins over Trinity and Vianney before capturing their second consecutive District Championship and a trip back to the State Quarterfinals.

The Red Devils ultimately ran into a juggernaut, falling to the eventual undefeated State Champions from Jackson, finishing with a 6-2 record when some thought they wouldn’t play at all. All-State Honors were earned by RB Amar Johnson (1st Team), DB Cam Epps (1st Team), DE Grant Finley (2nd Team), and OL Jimmy Lansing Jr. (2nd Team). The Red Devils look to return almost all contributing players next year as they attempt to finally attain their goal of a State Championship.

BASKETBALL  Pictured Above, Left

In a season impacted by COVID-19, the Chaminade basketball team experienced success. For this academic school year, student-athletes were required to play with masks, seats on the bench were staggered and crowds were drastically limited all to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Despite these factors, the Chaminade basketball team finished with a record of 22-2, were crowned MCC Champions and captured third place in the state tournament. This is the sixth time in seven years Chaminade finished made it to the final four.

VOLLEYBALL

Without a spring 2020 volleyball season, the program’s 2021 season was a one of rebuilding. With 31 players, we were able to carry three teams for the first time in our program’s history. The 2019 State Championship placed the varsity team in a higher class, which raised the level of competition. Senior captains Nick Bagatti ’21 and RJ Jackson ’21 worked to instill a culture of hard work and success in the practice gym and in game. Junior captain Jake Sudduth ’22 was named first team all-district, and both Jake and Nick received recognitions on the All MCC teams. The JV and Freshmen teams were quite successful, and they competed well against many of the best teams in the area. The middle school program, created and run by Coach Laura Griese, had its first class join the high school program this year. The varsity team showed great strides in the late season, and the underclassmen were very impressive. The future of Chaminade Volleyball is bright!

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Covid placed several challenges on the team this year including many early morning practices to ensure social distancing. The team finished the season with a 4-6 dual meet record and a 16th place finish at the Class 1 State Meet in November. Top finishers at state included Joseph Donlin ’21 who placed third in 1m Diving and freshman Matthew Judkins who finished 8th.
in 100 Butterfly and 14th in 100 backstroke. Donlin was awarded the “Great at State” award for his diving performance. Donlin will dive at the University of Indianapolis next year. Other top contributors on the state team included Matthew Noonan ’21, Jake Feise ’21, Anthony Etzel ’21, and Ethan Figert ’22.

**GOLF** Pictured Above, Left

STATE CHAMPIONS! Congratulations to the Chaminade Golf Team for winning the State Championship! Awesome accomplishment Gentlemen! Pictured left to right: Coach Derkits, Bubba Chapman ’24, Clayton Becher ’23, John Guerva ’23, Ryan Walsh ’22, Cooper Benedict ’21, Coach Wilson and Coach Mouser.

**TRACK & FIELD**

The 2021 Track & Field team is one of the best overall squads in recent memory with gold medal caliber athletes in nearly every event.

The middle distance and distance crew was a great combination of youth (9th graders Alex Cattoor and Mitch Hardemann and 10th grader Ryan Wolak, among others) and experience (seniors Casey Cavlovich, Kenneth Hammell and Conrad Hogenkamp) that carried them far into the playoff series of meets.

The talent on the team extended into the field events as well with standouts in the long jump (Jonathan Lee), triple jump (Charlie O’Bryan) and high jump (Charlie O’Bryan, Jason Rea).

David Kruse and Hank Proost earned points in the pole vault while Kyle Riffel and Sean Cavanaugh medaled in nearly every meet in the javelin.

Not to be outdone, our throwers in the shot and discus consistently earned top honors including Simon Peistrup, Alex Todt, Zach Feise, Kyle Russell and Brady Noonan.

**WRESTLING**

After having a long run of five straight years with at least one State Medalist or State Champion, the Chaminade Wrestling team entered a season of growth and rebuilding. Due to the difficulties of Covid, our wrestlers were forced to compete in an already grueling sport with masks on, even when some of our opponents were unmasked, which led to some difficult matches this season. Luckily, with the resilience of a lot of new and talented wrestlers, the team finished with 7 sectional qualifiers: Aeden Stewart, Dan Smith, Jack Lake, Terrell Saddler, Joe Corrigan, Max Mattina, and Jake Ortiz.

Most of these wrestlers finished just one win shy of qualifying for state, but with only two seniors graduating, the future of the Red Devil Wrestlers is extremely bright.

**CROSS COUNTRY** Pictured Above, Right

This past fall, the Chaminade Cross Country program enjoyed its best season in two decades. An outstanding Varsity team, led by senior Conrad Hogenkamp and junior Henry Hardeman, won districts and finished fourth in the Class 4 State Championship Meet. At the State Meet, Hogenkamp placed third overall and Hardeman placed tenth, marking the first time in team history that two runners finished in the top ten. More than just a strong Varsity team, over fifty students ran Cross Country with a promising group of freshmen ready to extend the program’s success.

**BASEBALL**

First of all, it was great to be back on the field after missing the entire season in 2020. We finished the season 15-13 winning 9 of last 12 games but unfortunately hitting a bump in the road in district play losing in extra innings 3-2. The strength of the year was our pitching with an overall team ERA of 2.73 striking out 143 batters. Senior Jack Weber (Saint Louis University signee) was the anchor of the staff along with his brother Junior Charlie Weber. Key contributors were Senior Will Higgins, Senior Sam Chiburis, Sophomore Chris Pellegreen (until an injury derailed his season), and Freshman Dalton Hosack.

The team has a bright future with super sophomores Aiden Houseworth (shortstop), Will Bacich (3B/1B), catchers Charlie Burt and Aiden Koutroubis, Aaron Carey (P/OF), and freshman Carter Mercer (OF/3B/P) making vital contributions all year. We look forward to more success in the 2022 season and will miss the leadership of Jack Weber and all the other seniors.

**VARSITY SOCCER**

The varsity soccer team had another successful season capturing a district and sectional championship before losing to the eventual state champion in the quarterfinals. While the team had many veteran players with a great deal of varsity experience, we were able to gain quality game experience with some underclassmen. Senior Sean Green was selected as an All-American and will be representing Chaminade in the All-American game. Special congrats are extended to Sean and all of our seniors as they begin the next chapter of their lives, we thank them for the commitment to the program.
As we conclude another school year, there is much of which to be proud.

As you may know, Chaminade was open for in-person learning since the first day of school on August 18 and our school was a great model of “what went right” during Covid. It almost seemed as though our alumni fed off the energy from the students, faculty, and staff to host some remarkably successful events.

Despite the challenges related to Covid, the Alumni Golf Classic was very well received and attended. With 120 golfers, great weather, and even greater comradery, we could have asked for a better day.

Additionally, we hosted our first-ever Virtual Trivia Night. The event drew 110 registered guests and it was a great evening using the Zoom and Crowdpurr platforms. The event would not have been possible if not for Jack Benage and Brandon Carter, both of the Class of 2008. I sincerely thank them for their leadership, as well as their MC and IT skills, that made the event possible. We already have people asking for the date for next year’s event, which is Saturday, March 5, 2022.

As you know, the Chaminade Alumni Awards are very special and prestigious within the Chaminade family. Fritz Clifford ’75 and Patrick Hyde ’04 have been named as the 2021 Alumnus of the Year and Humanitarian Alumnus, respectively. These awards are typically presented and celebrated at Blessed Chaminade Day in January, but have been postponed until the First Friday Mass on October 1, which will serve as our official kickoff to Celebrate Chaminade Weekend. We are optimistic that Chaminade will be able, once again, to allow in-person gatherings and have family/friends in attendance and we look forward to celebrating with everyone in October.

If you have not done so already, please consider staying informed by subscribing to the Alumni News & Notes email, which is sent bi-weekly. If you are not currently receiving it, please update your contact information at www.chaminade-stl.org/updateinfo.

God bless you all and have a wonderful summer. We look forward to seeing you all next year!

Esto Vir,
Aaron Thompson ’03

Brandon Decker ’98, the front man for decker., played a tribute concert in honor of Tom Petty’s birthday. The show was in Sedona, AZ and was streamed on Facebook Live.

Congratulations to John W. Guyol, S.J. ’05, who was recently ordained into the priesthood. John has been missioned to the Ravalli Jesuit Community in Missoula, MT, where he will serve at St. Francis Xavier Church and St. Ignatius Mission.

Bill Corrigan ’77 was appointed the 21st Judicial Circuit by Gov. Mike Parson.

Skip Berkmeyer ’92 was named the 2020 Men’s Player of the Year by the Metropolitan Amateur Golf Association.
Scott Toman ’09 and his wife, Ginny, welcomed a baby girl – Callahan Grace Toman.

Chaminade’s oldest alumnus, Joe McLain ’37, passed away on November 30 at the age of 101. Joe was the grandfather-in-law of Matt Poling ’94.

Fr. Patrick Hyde ’04 was named pastor and director of campus ministry at St. Paul Catholic Center in Bloomington, Indiana. St. Paul Catholic Center is the Newman Center and parish at Indiana University.

Hunter Sansone ’12 stars in the new sports movie, Safety, on Disney+. Hunter also stars in the DC Universe’s hit CW series, Stargirl.

Bradley Beal ’11 Had Quite the Season:
- Scored 25+ points in 17 consecutive games to begin the season, which eclipsed Michael Jordan for the longest such streak since the NBA/ABA merger. Bradley also became the second Wizard ever to score 12,000 points, joining Elvin Hayes.
- Broke the Wizards record for most 40 point games with 29, breaking Gilbert Arenas’ mark of 28.
- Shared the floor with Jayson Tatum ’16 at the NBA All-Star Game
- Scored 50 points in a game for the fifth time in his career, a Wizards record. He joined Steph Curry and Jayson Tatum ’16 as the only players with multiple 50-point games this season.

Jayson Tatum ’16 Adds to His Young Legacy:
- First player in Boston Celtics franchise history with three 40-point games before turning 23.
- Youngest player in Celtics history to score 50 points or more in a game when he scored 53 against the Timberwolves.
- Scored 60 points to tie Larry Bird for most points in a game by a Celtic. More importantly, his performance sparked a 32-point comeback over the San Antonio Spurs.

Jakobi Buchanan ’18 capped an 80-yard drive with his sixth touchdown of the season with less than a minute and a half to play Saturday to put Army ahead of the Air Force and captured the 2020 Commander-In-Chief’s trophy. Jakobi was also a finalist for the 2020 Lowman Trophy Award, which annually recognizes the outstanding fullback in college football.

Brady Tkachuk ’18 was named as an alternate for the Ottawa Senators for this season.

2021 Alumni Awards - Blessed Chaminade Day. Chaminade’s Alumni Board of Directors is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2021 Alumni Awards.

Alumnus of the Year Award: Fritz Clifford ’75

Humanitarian Alumnus: Fr. Patrick Hyde, O.P. ’04

The awards will be presented at the First Friday Mass on October 1.

Ed Echelmeyer '41, who at 97 years old, had his art on display for the first time at the St. Peters Cultural Arts Centre!
State Championship Anniversaries in 2021: Congratulations to the members of the following teams as we celebrate milestones for the following sports this year:

- 1991 Tennis – 30 Years
- 2001 Cross Country – 20 Years
- 2001 Soccer – 20 Years
- 2006 Soccer – 15 Years
- 2016 Basketball – 5 Years

Steve Mamanella ’88 wrote a memoir titled *Providential*, in which he shares stories from his personal and professional experience that demonstrate the role of God’s providence in his life.

Mike Kehoe ’79, Missouri’s current Lt. Governor, announced his candidacy for Governor in 2024.

Trevor Olwig ’06 was named as a Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Alliance Real Estate Award Winner. This award honors Trevor for being listed in the Top 4% of the Berkshire Hathaway network.

David Bader ’15 joined U.S. Senator Roy Blunt’s staff in Washington D.C. as a Press Assistant. David previously served as a Staff Assistant in Congresswoman Ann Wagner’s District Office in Ballwin and as Digital Director of the Missouri Republican Party.

Jim McLaughlin ’85 had the opportunity to play at Pinehurst in North Carolina at the 2021 National PGA Club Championship. Jim finished 35th out of a field of 100 players across the USA. His son, Jimmy ’19, served as his caddie.

Tyler Cook ’16 signed a multi-year contract with the Detroit Pistons.

Jack Mika ’19 scored the first goal of his collegiate career for SLU as they beat St. Bonaventure, 6-1.

Bill Ruppert ’75, Jim Karpowicz ’73 and Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe ’79 helped to plant Legacy Oaks on the capitol grounds in Jefferson City! (From left: Ruppert ’75, Kehoe ’79 & Karpowicz ’73)

Tang Orsiriwikorn ’99 has been spending time giving back and teaching English to children in his native Thailand. Tang recently had an article written about him in a Thai magazine.

Ryan Hoffman ’16 appears in the Chrissy Metz music video for *Home*. Ryan plays the acoustic guitar and provides backing vocals.
Congratulations to Paul Stastny '04, former St. Louis Blue and current Winnipeg Jet, on playing in his 1,000th NHL game!

Bradley Beal '11 and Jayson Tatum '16 met in the NBA’s Play-in Tournament matchup between Jayson’s Boston Celtics and Bradley’s Washington Wizards. Jayson scored 50 points for the third time this season as the Celtics beat the Wizards 118-110.


Sam Korb '17 graduated from the University of Dallas with degrees in Theology, Classical Philology - Greek and Classical Philology - Latin and claimed the First Academic Honor medal as the only person in his class to graduate with a 4.0. Sam’s proud mom is Chaminade faculty member, Margie Korb.

Justin Cook '17 recently graduated from NYU with a degree in film and television and will pursue his dream to write, direct and film projects in multiple areas of interest. Justin also continues to pursue his musical interests with former Chaminade student, Jack Deubner. They just released their second album on GarageBand.

Ben Jackson '17 was honored with the Men's Division II Yeardley Reynolds Love Unsung Hero Award. The award celebrates the accomplishments of collegiate Divisions I, II and III lacrosse players who demonstrate dedication, integrity, humility, hard work, community service, leadership, kindness, and sportsmanship.

Sean Haglund '89, who serves as the Assistant Director, Office for Bombing Prevention for the Department of Homeland Security, was recently appointed to the Senior Executive Service (SES).

In his book, Another Big Lie, Tim Pagliara '75 details the decade-long fight over the government’s role in regulating a safe and sound mortgage market.

Chris Wideman '08 was announced as a member of the US Men’s National Hockey Team roster. The team competed in the 2021 IIHF Men’s World Championship from May 22-June 4.
2ND SEMESTER EVENTS

Everyone had a great time at Senior Lock-In.

Mom-Prom was a hit with the Seniors and the wonderful Chaminade Moms.

Chaminade moms worship together at the Mothers’ Club Annual Appreciation Mass.

The middle school presented “The Lonely Boy’s Guide to Survival and Werewolves”.

Students playing soccer on 8th Grade Appreciation Day.

Kyouta Setoyama and Michael Nguyen on Senior Class Day.

Dr. Todd Guidry, Fr. Ralph Siefert, S.M. and Mr. John Eilermann, Board Chair at the announcement of Fr. Ralph’s retirement. Board Chair at the announcement of Fr. Ralph’s retirement.

Mr. Kugler speaking to middle school students on Career Day about his athletic training background.

The weather cooperated and our first Friday Mass for May was on the football field with the entire school present.

Senior Prom was a wonderful evening!

Coach Antoine Torrey with the Class of 2021 Football Student-Athletes who are continuing their athletic and academic careers in college.
Rollin Jackson Jr. and his father, Dr. Rollin Jackson, Sr. at the Father-Son Presentation.

A group of alumni visited campus to share their life experiences with the Class of 2021 on Senior Este Vir Day.

The Jazz Band entertained all at the Spring Concert.

The last house meeting of the year, of course, had to feature the annual Gray House Regatta.

Lamourous competing in the tug-of-war at the annual Red Devil Relay.

Little Shop of Horrors was this year’s high school musical. With two casts and many performances, it was beyond amazing!

Members of the Class of 2022 at Junior Leadership Training.
2021 ESTO VIR AUCTION
Chaminade’s 47th Annual, but first ever virtual, Esto Vir Auction was a great success. For the second year in a row, we broke school records raising over $525,000. Our dedicated donors, sponsors, students, parents, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends are what make our community so special. We would also like to acknowledge the hard work of our many volunteers, led by Co-Chairs Carrie Ganninger and Katie Reed. We could not have achieved these results without our incredibly devoted, innovative, and generous volunteers.

We are already hard at work planning Chaminade’s 48th Annual Esto Vir Auction and are always eager to grow our dedicated team of volunteers! To learn more about our auction opportunities, please contact us at auction@chaminade-stl.org or 314-692-6688.

RECORD-SETTING GIVE CHAMINADE DAY
On April 27 we celebrated Give Chaminade Day with a goal to raise $100,000 from 111 donors – representing the number of years Chaminade has been educating young men. In just 24 hours, the Chaminade Family made a significant impact on the Esto Vir journey of each of our students raisings over $115,000. Your enthusiasm and generosity have made this our biggest, most successful Giving Day ever!

We extend a special thank you to the group of alumni who came forward with the bonus matching opportunity that prompted new donations and elevated our Giving Day to new heights.

We are humbled and grateful for your outpouring of support. Our goals were ambitious, but, as always, you stepped up and made it happen. Thank you very much for your continued support of the young men of Chaminade.

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A 100-YEAR-OLD DEBT PAID

Past President Father Alfred H. Rabe, whose term spanned from 1921-1927, can be credited with making a very beneficial financial decision for Chaminade. In August 1922, Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Pinkley notified Fr. Rabe that they were unable to send their second son, Faherty, back to Chaminade in the fall due to the cost.

Fr. Rabe responded with this financial arrangement:

“I have consulted with the members of the Board at Chaminade, and they all feel in this matter the way I do, that we can afford to do something ourselves to help you along in his case. I propose to take Faherty for this year at least without worrying you about his Board and Tuition. We can let it to you or to the boys to do something for us later on, after once they are earning a living. If you will permit us to make this offer to you, and if you accept, we would ask you to pay only for the extras – Music, Stationery, etc., and we would forget about the $350 and trust Faherty to pay it off in later years, with no time limit at all.”

All three of the Pinkley boys (James Carroll Pinkley ’23, Leonard Faherty Pinkley ’24 and Talbert “T.C.” Pinkley ’29) continued their attendance and graduated from Chaminade.

It was the oldest of the Pinkley boys who repayed the tuition assistance debt that the family had incurred almost 100 years ago! Faherty’s children, Dr. Len Pinkley and Deedee McGhee (Len’s sister), visited Chaminade in April to present us with a check for $339,000 from their uncle’s trust. Fittingly, the Pinkley family is establishing an endowed scholarship with the gift.

Should you be interested in making a planned gift and creating your own legacy at Chaminade, contact Julie Lohr, Director of Development, at 314-692-6652 or jlohr@chaminade-stl.org.
“Pivot! Pivot!” For the Admissions Office, it has been a year of pivoting and learning to ‘smile with our eyes’.

Our traditional methods of attracting families to Chaminade through shadow visits, on campus events and in person tours had to shift – pushing us to find new and creative ways to showcase Chaminade to prospective families.

The fall started with much uncertainty as we questioned whether visiting families would be authorized to physically set foot on campus. Utilizing our student ambassadors and teachers, we instead offered virtual chat sessions. These allowed for more casual conversation combined with a question and answer format. Archdiocese High School Nights were also converted to a virtual format and our ambassadors did a stellar job presenting Chaminade in an authentic way to prospective students through a screen.

With Zoom fatigue setting in, we designed a plan (with safety protocols in place) to host individual family tours after school and on select Saturdays with our student ambassadors assisting. As the fall progressed, we received feedback that, while prospective families enjoyed the personal tours in the off hours, they wanted to see our students and classrooms ‘in action’. With approval from the Medical Task Force, we were able to provide individual campus tours during the school day, host Open House and eventually host prospective students in class for a hybrid type of “shadow visit” opportunity for newly accepted students.

Although our annual Open House required changes in planning, including limiting the event to 80 families, the overall feedback from visitors was extremely positive and we were happy to discover many new strategies to implement for future years. While it took much effort to follow protocols and gain approval for these things, our efforts in getting visitors to campus safely during this time proved fruitful.

We are happy to report that our biggest and most important entry point, 6th grade, is trending to top 80 students by August, a level not seen since the ‘08-’09 school year. There are also discussions of putting in place a “wait pool” status for the class of 2026, the rising 8th grade, so as not to jeopardize our small, tight-knit community. Knowing the importance of keeping the ‘family spirit’ of Chaminade alive and well, we are conscious of class sizes growing too large. On another note, we would like to share a fun fact about the incoming 6th grade and their legacy ties to Chaminade. Over 60% of the incoming 6th graders have a connection to Chaminade with either a brother currently attending, or other legacy roots of a father, brother, cousin, and/or grandpa as an alumnus. Welcome to the family, gentlemen!

Mr. Erik Carretero,
Director of Enrollment Management
DOUGLAS J. ADRIAN  
April 19, 2021  
Father of Nicholas J. Adrian ’25

DEACON DAVID AMELOTTI  
June 22, 2021  
Father of David P. Amelotti ’10

LAWRENCE E. ADRIAN ’63  
March 30, 2021  
Brother of the late Michael J. Adrian ’59

STEVEN AYLWARD  
June 4, 2021  
Uncle of Patrick Aylward ’06  
Michael Milner ’10

HANK BARRERE  
February 18, 2021  
Father of staff member, Susie Clark  
Father-in-law of faculty member,  
Rob Grumich  
Grandfather of Jimmy Grumich ’21 &  
Dylan Clark ’26

CHARLES H. BEACH  
May 16, 2021  
Chaminade faculty 1994-2008

MARK E. BECKER ’68  
February 27, 2021

ARTHUR A. BRINKMEYER  
January 29, 2021  
Grandfather-in-law of Brian English ’03

DENNIS J. BRITTON (McBRIDE ’69)  
January 21, 2021

PRISCILLA EDWARDS BROWNING  
January 13, 2021  
Step Grandmother of  
Parker Leatherman ’24

JOHN B. BURCKE, JR. ’67  
November 21, 2020  
Brother of Joseph R. Burcke ’69 &  
James M. Burcke ’74

MARY ANN CAPELLUPO  
December 1, 2020  
Grandmother of  
Robert D. Sandroni ’14

RONALD J. COLEMAN  
(McBRIDE ’48)  
March 9, 2021  
Grandfather of Teddy Stranczek ’24

CATHERINE A. CONDON  
November 27, 2020  
Grandmother of  
Christopher Lambert ’12

MARVIN J. ”JIM” COOPER  
May 25, 2021  
Father of Jimmy Cooper ’09

DONALD J. COSTELLO  
(McBRIDE ’43)  
January 8, 2021

DR. THOMAS J. COWELL ’72  
February 13, 2021

HERBERT T. ”TED” DIEKEMPER,  
JR. (MCBRIDE ’69)  
June 4, 2021

BRO. HERMAN J. DREES, JR.  
December 8, 2020  
Chaminade faculty 1954-75

TAMARA SUE DUGGAN  
June 23, 2021  
Wife of Gerard F. Duggan ’75

THOMAS P. DUNNE, SR.  
January 3, 2021  
Father of Thomas P. Dunne, Jr. ’86

BENJAMIN A. GAMBARO  
December 16, 2020  
Father of Chris D. Gambaro ’75  
Father-in-law of Joseph G. Lordo ’75  
Grandfather of  
Benjamin J. Gambaro ’95,  
Derio J. Gambaro ’03,  
Joseph V. Lordo ’09 &  
Andrew J. Lordo ’17

ANTHONY A. GAMMA  
(attended 2012-19)  
June 15, 2021  
Brother of Mitchell R. Gamma ’21 &  
Grant A. Gamma ’24  
Cousin of Thomas M. Gamma, Jr. ’16
THOMAS F. GEORGE '50
December 18, 2020
Cousin of Richard J. George '54
Grandfather-in-law of
Adrian “Tripp” L. Kahle III

JANE GOELLNER
January 14, 2021
Wife of Edward J. Goellner ’69
Sister-in-law of Robert H. Goellner ’66

WILLIAM H. GRAHAM ’72
April 17, 2020

DONALD F. GUEMPPEL, SR.
(McBRIDE ’45)
March 14, 2020
Father of David J. Guempel ’72

CHARLES H. GUIDICI, SR.
(McBRIDE ’56)
March 28, 2021

MIKE HERMANNES
June 3, 2021
Husband of staff member,
Lisa Hermannes

THOMAS HORNER
December 23, 2020
Brother of Chris Horner ’77 &
Robert Horner, Jr. (McBRIDE ’62)

HELEN JOHNSON
February 2, 2021
Chaminade faculty 1997-2002

DOUGLAS A. JONES ’64
December 15, 2020
Brother of Kenrick A. Jones, Jr. ’68,
Robert T. Jones, Sr. ’75 &
Terrence A. Jones ’76
Uncle of Kenrick A. Jones III ’05,
Robert T. Jones, Jr. ’06,
Edward C. Jones ’08 &
Grant M. Jones ’10

MARIA KAPATSA
November 2020
Grandmother of
Deivid “David”
Kapatsa ’16

DR. ROBERT W. KAPS
January 26, 2021
Father-in-law of James C. Hill ’85
Grandfather of J. Cameron Hill III ’20

RAY A. KARPOWERWIC
December 2, 2020
Father of Paul A. Karpowicz ’71 &
James M. Karpowicz ’73

JACK KASKE
June 21, 2021
Uncle of the late Bob Vescovo ’57,
Dennis Vescovo ’61,
Kevin Vescovo ’66,
the late Gary Vescovo ’68 &
Greg Vescovo ’73
Great Uncle of Kevin Vescovo ’95,
Mike Vescovo ’98 &
Gregory Vescovo ’03

WALTER A. KLEIN, JR.
January 19, 2021
Father of Walter A. Klein III ’83
Grandfather of Walter A. Klein IV ’18

JAMES F. KRIEG ’54
April 2, 2021

JOHN G. LANGDON ’72
December 19, 2020
Brother of Gregory J. Langdon ’76

KEVIN C. LEWIS ’99
January 27, 2021

BARBARA A. LOHR
June 15, 2021
Mother-in-law of staff member,
Julie Lohr Grandmother of
Blake Lohr ’25

JAMES P. MANNION, JR. ’48
December 3, 2020
Brother of the late
Edward J. Mannion ’50
Father of James P. Mannion III ’76 &
the late Michael P. Mannion ’77 &
Uncle of the late Mark K. Mannion
(attended 1971-76)
Great-uncle of George P. Mannion ’16

MARK K. MANNION
(attended 1971-76)
November 12, 2020
Son of the late Edward J. Mannion ’50
Brother of James P. Mannion III ’76 &
the late Michael P. Mannion ’77
Father of George P. Mannion ’16

DR. DIOSDADO L. MARANAN
January 31, 2021
Father of the late Dean D. Maranan ’92 &
Daniel E. Maranan ’95

DANIEL P. MARSHALL, JR.
(McBRIDE ’54)
September 21, 2020
Grandfather of JD Grant ’23 &
Wyatt Grant ’26

ELIZABETH P. MASON
February 28, 2021
Wife of James W. "Wally" Mason ’66

JAMES S. McEVOY
February 11, 2021
Grandfather of Evan J. McEvoy ’23

JOSEPH C. McLAIN ’37
November 30, 2020
Grandfather-in-law of
Matthew R. Poling ’94

JOYCE McLANE
January 13, 2021
Grandmother of Aaron Malone ’26

MARIAN E. MENOLASCONO
April 17, 2021
Mother of Layton F. Menolascino ’96
Justin F. Menolascino ’99 &
Michael F. Menolascino ’03

CAROL I. MOorkAMP
January 8, 2021
Mother of William B. MoorKamp ’76,
James M. MoorKamp ’79 &
Thomas M. MoorKamp ’81
Grandmother of
Samuel J. MoorKamp ’11

BRO. MICHAEL A. MURPHY, S.M.
October 18, 2020
Chaminade faculty 1969-74
VINCENT ’56 & BOBBIE NANGLE
November 7, 2020
Brother of John R. Nangle ’59
Grandfather of Derek J. Gnade ’02 & Nicholas P. Pisani ’16

ROBERT E. O’BRIEN, D.D.S.
January 20, 2021
Grandfather of Aidan L. Houseworth ’23 & Henry R. Houseworth ’25

JULIUS D. ORTIGUERO ’80
December 2020
Brother of Leo Ortiguero ’78 & George Ortiguero ’83

THE HON. JUAN M. PEREZ-GIMENEZ ’59
December 10, 2020

CHARLES R. PETRI (McBride ’54)
December 17, 2020

PATRICK J. "ROMI" PITTI
January 14, 2021
Former Chaminade staff

HERMAN J. PONDER
March 13, 2021
Grandfather of Jack J. Ponder ’20

JANET L. POWELL
April 26, 2021
Mother of David L. Powell ’89

FR. JOSEPH G. RASKY, S.M.
June 8, 2021
Chaminade Faculty 1957-59

MICHAEL M. RIDLEY ’63
July 15, 2020
Brother of J. David Ridley ’68

PATRICIA S. ROST
December 1, 2020
Wife of Lawrence H. Rost ’53
Mother of L. Hunter Rost, Jr. ’81 & Paul V. Rost ’85

FRANCIS X. RUSSELL
January 6, 2021
Brother of Gregory M. Russell ’73 & Gerard P. Russell ’74

MARY LOU SAKONYI
May 3, 2021
Grandmother of Timothy P. Mayo ’12 & Stephen A. Mayo ’15

MARY LOU SAKONYI
May 3, 2021
Grandmother of Timothy P. Mayo ’12 & Stephen A. Mayo ’15

BARBARA ANN WHEADON SANFILIPPO
December 22, 2020
Sister of Patrick M. Wheadon (Member of the Board of Trustees & current parent)
Aunt of Stephen P. Wheadon ’21

ROBERT SCHAEFER
October 19, 2020
Father of staff member, Rich Schaefer

RITA SCHNUR
March 24, 2021
Mother of staff member, Bob Schnur

JOHN "JACK" C. SCOTT, SR.
December 1, 2020
Grandfather of Daniel D. Scott ’11, John M. Scott ’15 & Mark L. Scott ’21

BARRY H. SENSEMAN
November 21, 2020
Father of Eric S. Senseman ’07

CHARLES A. Sigmund
March 29, 2021
Father of Gregory S. Sigmund ’79 & Jeffrey D. Sigmund ’83

MARY JANE SIMON
February 9, 2021
Grandmother of Christopher S. Saracino (attended 2000-02)

MARGARET ANN "PEGGY" SMITH
November 24, 2020
Grandmother of Benjamin Smith ’23

KATHY S. SOMMER
February 20, 2021
Wife of Bruce T. Sommer ’59
Sister-in-law of the late Jerome L. Sommer ’53

JAMES J. SULLIVAN
October 31, 2020
Father of Dennis Sullivan ’84

JOSEPH W. SULZE (McBride ’51)
April 2, 2021

NATHANIEL G. TREAT
March 3, 2021
Son of Dennis J. Treat ’65

HAROLD J. TURNER (McBride ’61)
December 10, 2020

JAMES L. VON BRECHT ’68
March 17, 2021

PETER VON MINDEN
March 17, 2021
Grandfather of Matthew R. Linsin ’17

RICHARD V. WAGNER, SR.
November 20, 2020
Father of Richard V. Wagner, Jr. ’80, Daniel J. Wagner ’81 & Timothy M. Wagner ’82

DENNIS P. WALTERS ’63
February 4, 2021
Father of Dennis P. Walters, Jr. ’96