

The Trinity

2016 BERKS CATHOLIC VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN



Allison Sichler – Valedictorian

Allison Sichler is the daughter of Richard and Denise Sichler. During her time at Berks Catholic, Ally was a Member of National Honor Society, won the PA District 3 Jerry Brooks Award for Academic Excellence, and was honored by the American Association of University Women for being the highest ranked female in her class at BC. She was also a Nominee in Best in Berks 2016 for Communications. Ally was the track and field co-captain and played volleyball for BC's PIAA Class AA State Championship team, where she also received an all-state academic award. Ally attends Worcester Polytechnic Institute where she majors in Engineering, is a "walk-on" on the varsity Women's Rowing Team and is playing Club Volleyball.

"The idea that we will soon be in very different places can seem strange, if not terrifying. I think, however, we have been well prepared and are ready to go out into the world and make our own way in life." ~ from Ally's Commencement Speech



Jonathan Gramley – Salutatorian

Jonathan Gramley is the son of Kevin and Natalie Gramley. During his time at BC, Jonathan was a member of the National Honor Society and an NHS tutor in Calculus and Physics. He was also a member of the STEM team and the Berks Catholic Math Team, which earned 5th place in the 2016 Millersville University Mathematics Competition and won the 2015 Berks County

Interscholastic Math Championship. Jonathan played Varsity soccer, bowled on the Varsity team, was a Saint Ambassador, and a member of the Engineering Club and Project Impact. Jonathan attends the University of Pittsburgh Swanson School of Engineering, where he majors in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

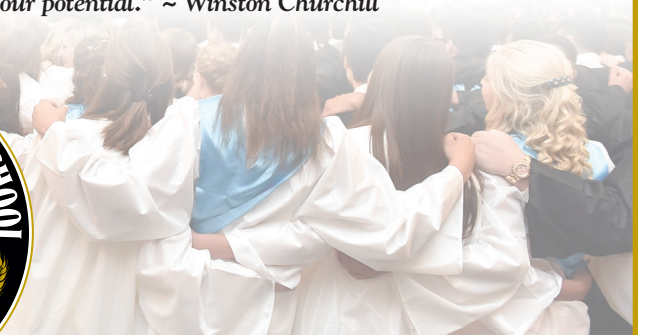
"Currently this graduation feels like the biggest leap of our lives... much like making a speech in front of all of you... but we will be moving on, moving away and moving towards bigger and better things, it's the stepping-stone for all the good things to come ...I wish nothing more for you - than to live such a life ...that when looking back on the leap we've all made today, it becomes nothing more than another small step on the path to a wonderful life."



Annie Paulik – Salutatorian

Annie Paulik is the daughter of William Paulik and Mary Ann Moffitt. During her time at Berks Catholic, Annie was a Member of National Honor Society and a Selectee for the Senator for a Day Program at Penn State University Berks Campus. Annie ran Track and was first-team all-division in Field Hockey. She was also an active volunteer for Olivet Boys and Girls Club of Reading, Berks Women in Crisis, and Opportunity House. Annie attends Penn State University where she majors in Political Science and Economics.

"Continuous effort - not strength or intelligence - is the key to unlocking our potential." ~ Winston Churchill



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Dear Alumni and Friends,

We are so proud of our newest alumni, the Class of 2016. They have grown spiritually, socially, emotionally, academically, and physically over the last four years. We have sent the Saints of 2016 off into the world to accomplish great things. Let me share with you a little bit about these Great Saints:

They will matriculate at some of the most competitive schools in the country, including:

- Georgetown University, Swarthmore College, Boston College, Villanova, George Washington University, Syracuse University, Texas A&M University, University of Arizona, University of Colorado, University of Alabama, University of Kentucky, University of Oklahoma, University of Pittsburgh and Penn State University, as well as our great local colleges, just to name a few.
- They have earned a record \$11.4 million dollars in merit scholarships and grants, including top institutional academic awards, athletic scholarships and full-ride and full-tuition scholarships.
- 28 members of this class will be varsity athletes at the Division 1, 2, 3, and Jr. College in the following sports: Baseball, Basketball, Football, Women's Lacrosse, Soccer Swimming and Women's Volleyball.

They are continuing their education in 93 different colleges in Pennsylvania and 22 other states. Additionally, the class of 2016 received a total of 527 offers of admission to 166 different colleges.

Students from this class are also discerning the Priesthood and religious life, have entered the work force, and embarked on gap years involving service.

We are excited to begin the 2016-2017 school year and welcome back our returning Saints as well as our new Saints and the Class of 2020. At Berks Catholic High School, we focus on developing four pillars in the lives of our students. Those pillars are God, Family, Academics, and Fun. The most important of those pillars is our Catholic Faith and the spirituality of our students, as stated in our motto *Unum in Christo* – One in Christ. Our first priority, and the reason we open the doors each day is to help our students grow spiritually through Mass, retreats, and theology class. Each year, we continue to try to improve on the education and opportunities we provide for our Saints.

After three years of planning, we have launched our 1-1 iPad initiative to continue to enhance our 21st Century learning environment at Berks Catholic. A new sound board has been installed in the auditorium to allow for great sound during Mass, theatrical performances and assemblies. The new bleachers

provide for handicap seating, aisles, and railings for our students, parents, grandparents, and fans of all ages to move in and out of the bleachers as easily and safely as possible. The upgrading of the safety padding to our school colors and the installation of the new bleachers completes the transformation of the space and allows for great crowds and excitement long into the future.

During this school year we will enhance our STEM program by adding two 3D printers and continue to grow our endowment scholarship fund. This STEM initiative will allow our students to make tangible objects for many curricula, including math, science, fine arts and social studies. This will aid students in the development of critical thinking and spatial intelligence. Items could include models of molecular structures in chemistry/physics and organs in biology. Geometry students will be able to make 3D designs to represent what they are studying, helping in the application of postulates and theorems.

We also are continuing our *Excellence Faith Future* Capital Campaign efforts and to date have raised over \$5.5 million dollars toward our goal.

The Class of 2016 is uniquely talented, just like each one of us. There are many passages in the Bible that speak to being unique, but I particularly like part of 1 Peter 4 verses 10:11 in the New Testament, which reads as follows:

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God; whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ."

I would like to wish you and your family a fall season filled with blessings. God Bless you and your family, and Go Saints!

Sincerely,

Tony Balistrere,
Principal





As I begin my fourth year at Berks Catholic and reflect on my time here thus far, one of the best parts about my job is the opportunity to meet and get to know alumni from Holy Name, Central Catholic, and Reading Catholic. I have the pleasure of spending time

with alumni at football games and other sporting events. I have met alumni at our annual Swing Fore the Saints Golf Outing, Class Reunions and other alumni events both locally and regionally, like at our growing event in Avalon (see photo on page 6), at Grandparents Day (see photo on page 18), and other events, including the Mass and reception we held in April to honor Archbishop Schulte, beloved teacher and priest at Central Catholic (see photo page 6). I have the pleasure of meeting the friends and relatives of alumni, who are often alumni themselves, when they come in for a Mass being offered for their deceased loved one.

Every alumnus has a story, your own story about your time at Holy Name, Central Catholic, Reading Catholic, or Berks Catholic: they include the time you tried out for a sport or joined a new club, the time your team advanced to the championship, and in some cases won, the debate, the theater productions, the time Central Catholic performed at the new Holy Name before they had a stage, the choruses, the bands. All of these stories string together to make up the Legacy that is Berks Catholic.

Our alumni, the graduates of our legacy schools, truly form the foundation of Berks Catholic. They are our donors, our committee members and volunteers for Extravaganza and other events, our parents and grandparents. They are heavily represented in our Board of Directors, Administrators, Faculty, and Staff (See Board Chair, Gregg Shemanski and Board Member, Natalie Parisi on the next page in Alumni Updates).

I am excited to see all the great things our newest BC alumni are doing (see Alumni Updates, pages 4-5). These Saints are now part of our growing Legacy. As past classes of Saints continue to graduate from college, begin graduate school and start their own careers, I am equally excited to think about my own children, two BC Alumni, one BC Sophomore, and one future Saint who will be here in two years. I am proud to have them join the likes of my parents and me as Berks Catholic alumni.

Sincerely, *Betsy*

Whether you're a Cardinal Saint, a Blue Jay Saint, or a BC Saint, we would love to know what you are doing. Send us a few sentences to keep us up to date on marriages, children, graduations, and other accomplishments. If you know of a graduate who is not receiving a copy of The Trinity, please send their name and address below or call Betsy Woytovich at 610.374.8361, ext 231.

PARENTS: If your graduate is no longer living at home, please forward their current mailing address.

NAME (FIRST/MAIDEN/LAST)

GRADUATE OF (CIRCLE ONE)

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News and Notes to be published in *The Trinity* (pictures welcome)

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Return to Betsy Woytovich, Director of Development,
Berks Catholic High School, 955 E. Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611
or email bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org.

Alumni Spotlight



Monica Kinyo and Kevin Lattanzio, 2016 recipients of Bishop's Catholic Scholar Awards, with Mr. Gregg Shemanski, 2016 Berks Catholic Distinguished Alumnus and Mr. Tony Balistrere, Principal.

Gregory Shemanski (CC 1977) Named Berks Catholic's Distinguished Alumnus of 2016

Berks Catholic High School was proud to recognize Gregg Shemanski as a Bishop's Distinguished Catholic Alumnus at the 2016 Bishop's Annual Awards Ceremony at Alvernia University in April. Mr. Shemanski is the Engineer, President and CEO of Custom Processing Services in Reading, PA. Through the success of this company he founded with Jeffrey A. Klinger, Greg was the winner of the Ben Franklin Technology Partners Innovation Award in 2005 and in 2016, the Eastern PA Business Journal Executive Spotlight Award for business excellence and community service, the Governor's Impact Award Winner in 2013 and Finalist in 2015 for job creation, and the winner (several times) of the Greater Reading Chamber of Commerce and Industry's Top Ten Growth Company.

Gregg was a member of the Bishop's commission of Catholic schools and was instrumental in the formation of the Board of Directors at Berks Catholic. As Chairman of the Board, Gregg has championed many causes for Berks Catholic and keeps the Board focused on driving revenue for the school through strategic planning, finance, development, enrollment management and facilities. He and Becky are committed supporters of Berks Catholic and Catholic education in Berks County. Gregg's father, Vince Shemanski, was the Principal of Central Catholic from 1975-1999. Through his hard work, dedication, and financial support, Gregg and his family have continued the Shemanski legacy with their ardent devotion to Berks Catholic High School and Catholic education.

Gregg believes his business achievements are based on some of the principles he learned through his Catholic education: integrity, quality, teamwork and accountability. Gregg states, "We have been blessed to have really good people join us and in turn, we are able to provide family-sustaining jobs. I think that through our successes, we can hopefully serve as role models for our fellow employees and provide opportunities for them to serve the community as well."

Alumni Updates



John R. Post (CC 1956) created and donated a large sculpture resembling a paper clip to the campus of Berks Catholic. The sculpture represents Berks Catholic's third pillar, Academics, and reminds students to get organized.

Bob Bickford (HN 1967), Partner at Kelley Drye & Warren LLP, handled the two largest U.S. real estate deals in 2016, a pair of multibillion-dollar sales of Midtown Manhattan office towers, for his firm.

Joseph Sabol (CC 1972) has written an inspirational book about overcoming his time in the foster care system. [Adoptee: A Childhood of Torment](#) is available through Amazon or Barnes and Noble.

Gregory Shemanski (CC 1977), Chair of the Board of Berks Catholic, and President of Custom Processing Services, was honored with an Innovator Award from Ben Franklin Technology Partners for demonstrating a "break-the-mold" approach to integrating new or existing technology into business.

Andres Dominguez (HN 1978) has been named Reading's new Chief of Police.



Chief Dominguez and Chief Ray Serafin (CC 1981) joined the Berks Catholic Football Team in August at St. Peter's in Reading for a prayer service for police.

Dr. Natalie Parisi (HN 1985 and BC Board Member) is the 2016 recipient of the prestigious Devlin Award, the highest annual award presented by the Middle Atlantic Society of Orthodontists in recognition of a member's outstanding contributions to MASO and the specialty of orthodontics. Natalie is the youngest recipient of what is traditionally a lifetime achievement distinction, and only the second woman to be recognized for this esteemed award.

Eric Esterbrook (HN 1991), Pharmacist, owner of Esterbrook Pharmacy and Outlook Pharmacy Services, purchased the West Reading Drug Store in early May.

Francis G. Schodowski, MBA, CFRE, (HN 1992) is the Vice President for Advancement at Columbia College in Columbia, SC.

Alumni Updates

Shaun Einolf (HN 1996) and his wife, Janet, had their second child, Charlotte Quinn, in November 2015. Their son Connor is now 3.

Noelle Einolf Vilardo (HN 2000) and her husband, Daniel, had their first child, Ella Grace, in April 2016.

Michelle Russ, DO (HN 2003) received her B.S. degree in Biology from Duquesne University in 2007. She went on to attend Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine where she obtained a DO degree. Michelle did her residency at Virginia Commonwealth University Children's Hospital in Richmond. She is currently a board-certified pediatrician, practicing in Voorhees, NJ.

Ron "BooBoo" Schaeffer (CC 2003) graduated from Penn State University with a B.A. degree in 2014 and married Katie Gunning on October 17, 2015.

Brad Waples (HN 2003) is Co-Owner of Custom It Art & Fashion Shop and printing business in Reading. Custom IT AFS sells vintage clothing and street-wear brands of up-and-coming designers; hosts showcases for local musicians, fashion shows, yoga, and other events; and provides a multitude of printing services.

Kevin R. Migliore, PT, DPT (HN 2009) graduated from Penn State University with a bachelor's degree in Kinesiology. He then attended Long Island University where he earned his clinical doctorate in physical therapy. He is currently living in New York City and working at NYU Langone Medical.



Kevin Migliore during graduation from PSU.

John Reshetar (HN 2006) wrote an original play, "The Patriarch," which was presented by the Theater of the Seventh Sister in Lancaster in April as part of the Spoken Word Weekend.

Megan C. Migliore (HN 2006) graduated from Millersville University with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and earned her Special Education degree at Alvernia University. She is the Behavioral Specialist in the Muhlenberg school district and is pursuing her Master's degree.

Danelle (Parisi) Wingate (HN 2009) graduated with a BA in History from Millersville University in 2013. She is currently working at the district office of State Representative Mark M. Gillen as a District Constituent Outreach Specialist. Danelle married Nicholas Wingate on August 21, 2015 at Sacred Heart Church. She is the proud dog owner of Rambo, the Belgian Malinois mix.

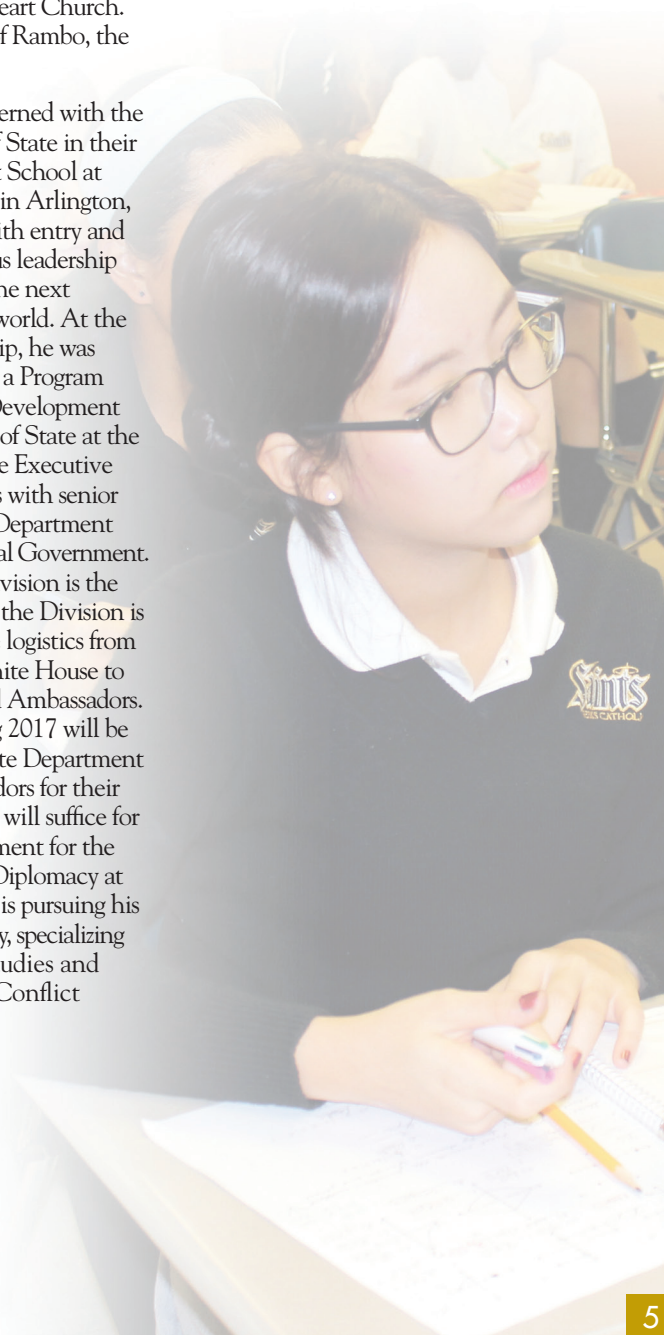
John Foster (BC 2012) interned with the United States Department of State in their Leadership and Management School at the Foreign Service Institute in Arlington, Virginia, where he worked with entry and mid-level diplomats in various leadership courses as they prepared for the next assignments throughout the world. At the conclusion of John's internship, he was offered a full-time position as a Program Assistant for the Executive Development Division for the Department of State at the Foreign Service Institute. The Executive Development Division works with senior rank employees of the State Department and agencies within the Federal Government. The flagship course of this Division is the Ambassadorial Seminar, and the Division is responsible for organizing the logistics from communicating with the White House to assisting the newly appointed Ambassadors. Being an election year, spring 2017 will be a very hectic time for the State Department as they prepare the Ambassadors for their new posts. This new position will suffice for John's two year work requirement for the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, where John is pursuing his Masters in Law and Diplomacy, specializing in International Security Studies and International Negotiation/Conflict Resolution.

Donavan Jack (BC 2012) is playing professional basketball for the Leicester Riders in the British Basketball League (BBL).

Nick Stoltzfus (BC 2013) studied at the University of Beijing this past summer and is now back at Georgia Tech for his junior year.

Nana Foulland (BC 2014) was named Team Captain on basketball team at Bucknell University.

Tomas Aguilar (BC 2014) is in his third year at the U.S. Naval Academy and is spending this fall studying at the Chilean Military Institute.



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Class Reunions

Holy Name Class of 1991 - 25th Reunion

Friday, October 21, 5-7 p.m., Alumni tailgate at Berks Catholic Homecoming football game, Saturday, October 22, 2016, 11 a.m., Tour of Berks Catholic High School
Saturday, October 22, 2016, 7 p.m., 3rd & Spruce, West Reading, PA
\$25 per person
Contact: Jessica Pendleton Heck, jessheck@windstream.net

Central Catholic and Holy Name Class of 1966 – Combined 50th Reunion

Saturday, October 29, 2016 at Fish Pond West in Leesport, PA
Invitations have been mailed. If you did not receive one and wish to attend, please call Greg Albrecht at 610.779.6304 or Candy Bocchichio Smith at 610.401.6948 or email Candy at cchn66@gmail.com so we can get your address and mail you an invitation.

Holy Name Class of 1986 - 30th Reunion

Friday, November 25, 2016 from 7-10 p.m. at IA Club in West Reading
\$10 per person
For more information please contact Susan Duddy at suzrado@comcast.net or 484.269.6789, or Melanie Smith at jsmithmwd69@msn.com

Central Catholic Class of 2001 - 15th Reunion

Saturday, November 26, 2016 at 6 p.m. at Viva, Wyomissing
\$40 per person
Contact: Bubba Mills at millsj05@comcast.net or 610.655.7967

Holy Name High School's Class of 2006 – 10th Reunion

Saturday, November 26, 2016 at 8 p.m. at Building 24
Please contact Megan Migliore at meganmigliore@gmail.com for more information or if you plan to attend.

Holy Name Class of 1981 - 35th Reunion

Friday, December 9, 2016 at the Stirling Guest House, 1120 Centre Ave, Reading, Music by Zeus
Contact: Jonathan Uhrig, hiflyer63@aol.com or 832.266.9384

Central Catholic Class of 1967 - 50th Reunion

Saturday, June 24, 2017 at the Crowne Plaza, Wyomissing
Contact: Dave and Anne Carroll at CCHS1967Reunion@gmail.com.
Please send current contact info for yourself and classmates, especially current email addresses.

If you are planning a Berks Catholic, Central Catholic or Holy Name reunion and would like to list more information about the reunion here for your classmates to find, please contact Betsy Woytovich at 610.374.8361 ext 231 or bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org.

Holy Name Class of 1967 - 50th Reunion

Plans are in the works.
Contact: Donna (Pierce) Jerome, donnajerome@comcast.net
Please send current contact info for yourself and classmates, especially current email addresses.

Holy Name Class of 1977 - 40th Reunion

Plans are in the works.
Contact: Marcia (Cumiskey) Ferranto, Marcia.ferranto@gmail.com
Please send current contact info for yourself and classmates, especially current email addresses.

The Central Catholic Class of 1969 had lunch on Saturday, August 6, at the Bridge Inn, Oley, where they gather monthly, usually on the first Saturday of the month, since June 9, 2012. This lunch is special as they celebrated their 50th luncheon together.



Members of the Central Catholic Classes of 1955 through 1961 gathered for Mass and a reception in memory of Archbishop Francis B. Schulte, beloved priest and educator. After breakfast, Berks Catholic students took our guests on a tour of the school. It was a great day to honor an influential man!

The Central Catholic Class of 1947 meets every year on the anniversary of their graduation, June 8, for Mass at St. Paul's in Reading, followed by breakfast at the Wyomissing Family Restaurant.



Third Annual Alumni gathering at the Princeton in Avalon, NJ. If you typically spend the last week of June at the Jersey Shore, please email bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org to get on the invitation list. All HN, CC, and BC alums are welcome.



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IN MEMORIAM

Loretta (Duggan) Harris (CC)
Sara (Scornavacchi) Sedlack (CC)
Elizabeth (Kase) Morelli (HN 1985)
Susan (Kreisher) Swoyer (HN 1983)
Christopher Mazza (HN 1977)
Margaret Dugan (HN 1976)
Kathleen (Roland) Leiningner (HN 1972)
Susan (Heinly) Tomlinson (HN 1970)
Darlene Trout (CC 1969)
Maryanna Niemczyk (CC 1965)
Albert Steuer (CC 1963)

Michaelene (Kalina) Raszkievicz (CC 1962)
Sandra (Goerner) Smith (CC 1962)
Sallie (Quinton) Orth (CC 1961)
Carol (Macek) Edwards (CC 1960)
Gerald Litwin (CC 1960)
Rita Kozlowski (CC 1960)
Charles Wagner (CC 1960)
Joann (Bright) Collier (CC 1957)
Barbara (Cianciosi) Arnold (CC 1956)
William Faller (CC 1955)
James Rogosky (CC 1952)

Anne (Eline) Pentz (CC 1951)
Marie (Paris) Madeira (CC 1950)
Elizabeth (Stankiewicz) Milanek (CC 1950)
Eugene Slegowski (CC 1950)
Harriet (Klinikowski) Madara (CC 1947)
William Curtin (CC 1947)
Joan (Eisenhower) Cassidy (CC 1946)
Catherine (Gallagher) Walter (CC 1946)
Allen Ashcroft (CC 1945)
Elizabeth (Nangle) Bennis (CC 1945)
Josephine (Schnable) Ludwig (CC 1944)
Roy Orlando (CC 1943)

*If you would like to make a gift in memory of a deceased classmate, please send to Betsy Woytovich
at Berks Catholic, 955 East Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611.*

2016 Homecoming Festivities!

Friday, October 21, 2016
at Forino Sports Complex

Big Tailgate 5 p.m. | Game Time 7 p.m.

Homecoming at Halftime

Saturday, October 22, 2016, Tour of BC at 11 am



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Congratulations to the Berks Catholic Class of 2016

94% of the Class of 2016 applied for and were offered college and university admission.

93% of the Class of 2016 will continue their formal education at four year, two year and post-graduated institutions immediately after graduation.

Two graduates will enter the United States Marine Corps. Those not pursuing military service or formal education immediately after graduation will enter the work-place or return to their home country.

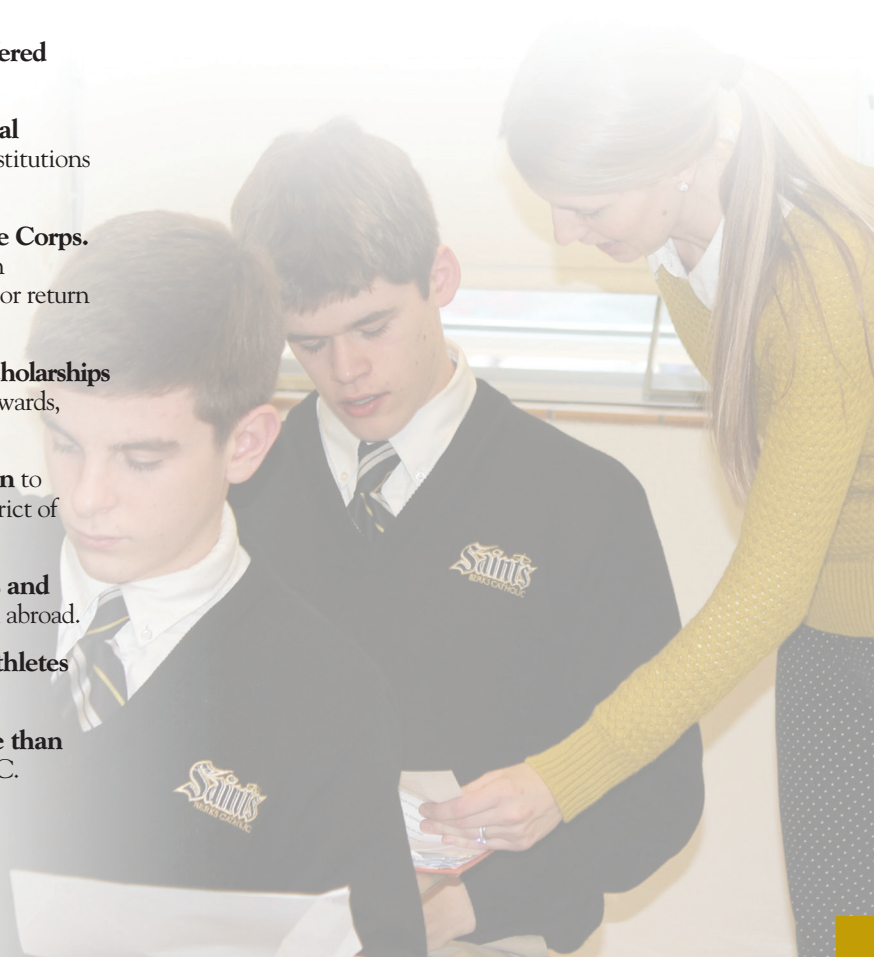
The Class of 2016 earned \$11.44 Million in merit scholarships and grants. This includes top institutional academic awards, athletic scholarships and full tuition scholarships.

The Class of 2016 received 528 offers of admission to 166 different universities in 32 different states, the District of Columbia, and abroad.

Graduates will matriculate at 93 different colleges and universities in 23 states, the District of Columbia, and abroad.

28 Members of the Class of 2016 will be varsity athletes at the NCAA DI, II, III, Collegiate Level.

63 Members of the Class of 2016 completed more than 200 hours of service throughout their four years at BC.





Schools Offering Admission – BC Class of 2016

Albright College
Alderson-Broadus University
Alvernia University
Alfred University
American University
Arcadia University
Arizona State University
Ball State University
Berk Technical Institute
Binghamton University - SUNY
Bloomsburg University
Boston College MA
Bowling Green University
Bucknell University
Cabrini College
Case Western Reserve University
Catholic University of America
Cedar Crest College
Central Michigan University
Charleston Southern University
Chestnut Hill College
Clarion University
Coastal Carolina University
Colorado State University
Denison College
Dickinson College
Drexel University
Duquesne University
East Stroudsburg University
Eastern University
Eckerd College
Edinboro University
Elizabethtown College
Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University - Florham
Florida Southern College
Fordham University
Franciscan University
Franklin & Marshall College
Gannon University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Gettysburg College
Guilford College
Harcum College
Harrisburg University
High Point University
Hofstra University
Immaculata University
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Iowa State University
Ithaca College
James Madison University
Johnson & Wales University
Kings College
Kutztown University

Lafayette College
LaSalle University
Lebanon Valley College
Lehigh University
LIM College
Lock Haven University
Loyola University-Maryland
Lycoming College
Manhattan College
Mansfield University
Marietta College
Marymount California University
Marymount Manhattan College
Marywood University
McDaniel College
Mercyhurst University
Messiah College
Michigan State University
Millersville University
Milwaukee School of Engineering
Misericordia University
Missouri Univ. of Science & Technology
Monmouth University
Montgomery County Community College
Moravian College
Mount Aloysius College
Mount St. Mary's University
Muhlenberg College* PA
Neumann University
Neumont University
Old Dominion University
Pace University
Penn State University
Pennsylvania College of Technology
Philadelphia University
Providence College
Purdue University
Radford University
Reading Area Community College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rider University
Ringling College of Art & Design
Robert Morris University
Roanoke College
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rosemont College
Rowan University
Salve Regina University
Savannah College of Art & Design
Seton Hall University
Seton Hill University
Shippensburg University
St. Anselm College
St. Francis University
St. John's University
St. Joseph's University
St. Louis University

Stevens Institute of Technology
Stonehill College
Stony Brook University
SUNY College of Environmental Science
SUNY Morrisville
Susquehanna University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
Temple University
Texas A&M University
Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology
The New School, Eugene Lang
Towson University
University at Albany - SUNY
University at Buffalo - SUNY
University of Advancing Technology
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of California - Davis
University of California - San Diego
University of Charleston
University of Colorado - Boulder
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Kentucky
University of Mary Washington
University of Maryland
University of Miami FL
University of North Carolina - Asheville
University of North Carolina - Charlotte
University of North Carolina - Wilmington
University of North Dakota
University of Oklahoma
University of Pittsburgh
University of Scranton
University of South Carolina
University of South Carolina - Beaufort
University of Tennessee
University of Texas - Austin
Ursinus College
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Military Institute
Wagner College
Western New England University
Washington College
Wentworth Institute of Technology
West Chester University
West Virginia University
Widener University
Wilkes University
Wittenberg University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Xavier University
York College

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2016 HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

Friday, October 14, 2016 at Berks Catholic Stadium | Game Time 7p.m.



Hall of Fame



Stephanie Marmarou, Faculty – Service
Tommy O'Neill, Class of 1976 – Football, Basketball, Track
Craig Tyl, Class of 1971 – Football, Basketball, Track
Matthew Raquet, Class of 2005 – Football, Basketball, Track

Robert Ganter, Class of 1971 – Football, Wrestling, Service
Colin Naugle, Class of 2007 – Football, Basketball
Matt Sola, Class of 2000 – Football
Yardon Brantley, Class of 2000 – Football, Basketball, Track
Keith Uhrig, Class of 1992 – Basketball

Berks County Hall of Fame Nomination Form

I would like to nominate this person because:

NOMINEE

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Email this completed form to Bill Hess, Athletic Director, at bhess@berkscatholic.org or mail to Bill Hess at Berks Catholic High School, 955 East Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611.

Congratulations to BC 2016 Most Outstanding and Ideal Athletes



From Left to Right:

Most Outstanding Male
Athlete of the Year: Isaac Lutz

Most Outstanding Female
Athlete of the Year: Devon Merritt

Most Ideal Female Scholar
Athlete of the Year: Olivia Iswalt

Most Ideal Male Scholar
Athlete of the Year: Erich Buerkert

2016 Thomas E. Powers Scholarship of Excellence

Congratulations to the following student athletes who received the 2016 Thomas E. Powers Scholarship of Excellence, which includes a partial scholarship to Berks Catholic:

Matthew Hagelbarger (BC 2018)

Ali Huddleson (BC 2017)

Sophia Promutico (BC 2017)



Congratulations to
Devon Merritt (BC 2016),
Reading Eagle
Athlete of the Year.



Spirit of a Saint Award: Jared Long

During a water polo match, an Upper Perkiomen athlete was fatigued, cramping and drowning. Jared Long risked his own health by jumping in the pool to save him. Standing out as a role model for our current and future Saints, Jared showed incredible character that day. This is the true meaning of "Spirit of a Saint."

Athletic Highlights



Girls Basketball Division Champions

BOYS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the Boys Basketball Team who won the Division 2 title and to the following players for special recognition!

All County

- Tyrone Nesby

All Division II

- Isaac Lutz

Honorable Mention

- Marc Rivera

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the Girls Basketball Team who won the Division 2 title and to the following players for special recognition!

Reading Eagle Player of the Year

- Devon Merritt

All County

- Devon Merritt

All Division II

- Dejah Terrell
- Abigail Gaffney

Honorable Mention

- Taylor Keys
- Olivia Zdradzinski

GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING

Our Saints swimmers had an unprecedented season in the pool, including a record-breaking relay team and championship individual efforts.

All County

- Olivia Iswalt, Annie Moser, Elizabeth Gaspari -200 Free Relay

All Berks Second Team

- Annie Moser – 200 Free
- Elizabeth Gaspari – 50 Free, 100 Free

WRESTLING

All Division I

- Owen Dubble - 285

GIRLS BOWLING

All Division II

- Haley Buser

ICE HOCKEY

All Berks

- Reed Hirneisen
- Dalton Hirneisen

Second Team

- Alexander Gunderson
- Robert Cressman

Honorable Mention

- Stephen Stoudt

TRACK

All County

- Evan Slifer 300 M Hurdles

All Division

- Cooper Lutz - 200 M Dash
- Jacob Stolzhus - 800 M

Honorable Mention

- Cooper Lutz - 200 M Dash
- Will English - 110 H Hurdles
- Evan Slifer - 110 H Hurdles
- Evan Slifer, Kealon Salmon, Cooper Lutz, Breddy Vargas - 4x100 Relay
- Brandon George – Shot Put & Discus

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

All Division II

- Jack Hagelbarger
- Wes Burton
- Brian Tanis

Honorable mention AD II are:

- Quinn Tulley
- Matt Hagelbarger

BOYS LACROSSE

Congratulations to the Boys Lacrosse Team who won the Division title and to the following players for special recognition!

All County:

- Midfielders - Tanner Pajakinas
- Face off specialist - Bobby Cressman
- Long Stick Midfielder -Matt Roussel

First Team All Division

- Attack -Oliver Hanley
- Face off specialist - Garrett Heidecker
- Defensive Midfield - Isaac Nawa
- Defense - Jacob Dugal
- Goalie - Justin Huntsman

Division II Honorable Mention:

- Attack - Jake Morocko
- Midfield - Adam Nordhoy
- Defense - Reed Hirneisen
- Long Stick Midfielder - Matt Hughes

GIRLS LACROSSE

All – County

- Meredith Finneran

All-Berks II

- Izi Butto
- Taylor Dimmerling
- Mary Kroppe

Honorable Mention

- Abigail Bickings
- Katie Cressman
- Brianna Spencer

SOFTBALL

All Berks II

- Alli Huddleson

Honorable Mention

- Maria Prinzo
- Lin Robertson

BASEBALL

All-Berks II

- Christian Dekker
- Nick Dinnocenti
- Victor Gonzalez

Honorable Mention

- Trevor Leamer

BOYS TENNIS

Congratulations to Kyle Zeller who was the BCIAA Flight 2 Champion.

All Berks II

- Justin Scuetz
- Kyle Zeller

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

All Berks II

- Jack Hagelbarger
- Wesley Burton
- Brian Tanis

Honorable Mention

- Matt Hagelbarger
- Quinn Tulley

All State Academic Team

- Erich Buerkert
- Grant Higinbotham
- Tristan Szymborski-Pratt
- Jack Hagelbarger
- Matt Hagelbarger



Boys Basketball Division Champions



Boys Lacrosse Division Champions



EXCELLENCE ▼ FAITH ▼ FUTURE

Berks Catholic High School was founded on July 1, 2011, and the Saints emerged from the union of Central Catholic and Holy Name High Schools with over 75 years of secondary Catholic education in Berks County. Our legacy alumni from Central Catholic and Holy Name are today's leaders in religious, education, medical, legal, business, industry, family and community sectors throughout our region and beyond.

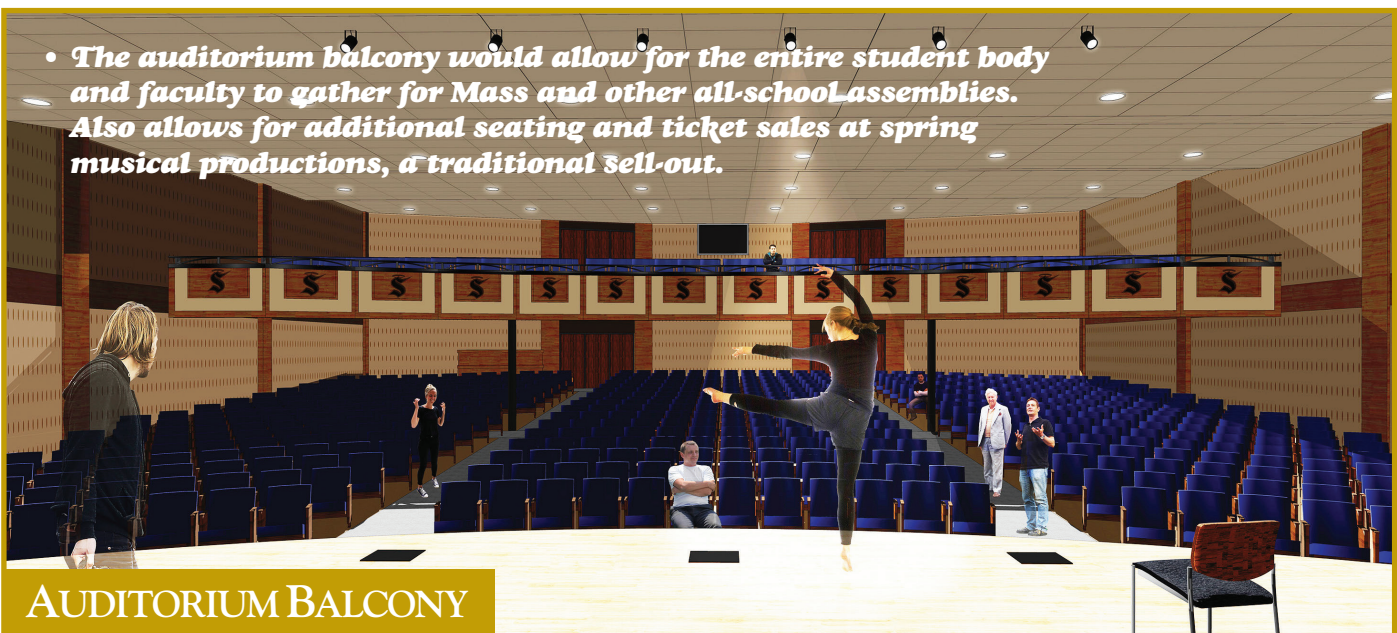
Since our formation in 2011 we have grown by 15.4% in enrollment and project a continued trend in enrollment growth totaling over 20% growth from 2011-2012 through the 2023-2024 school year. These projections are based on historical data showing a 72% matriculation rate from our partner schools and a 25 student influx into the freshmen class from non-partner schools each year.

LEARNING CENTER



- ***2 additional classrooms on first floor in large, open 21st Century learning space where students can benefit from small-group or large-group instruction.***
- ***Additional classrooms on the third floor with optimal learning space allows for class sizes to remain in the mid-to low-20s.***
- ***Open space is outfitted flexibly for future classroom expansion if needed.***

- ***The auditorium balcony would allow for the entire student body and faculty to gather for Mass and other all-school assemblies. Also allows for additional seating and ticket sales at spring musical productions, a traditional sell-out.***



AUDITORIUM BALCONY



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Through the dedicated and committed efforts of the BCHS internal and external communities, we can continue to provide the very best for our students. The *Excellence Faith Future* Capital Campaign will provide the facilities and resources necessary to complement the curriculum to meet our strategic goals. To date we have raised over \$5.5 million in gifts and pledges toward the \$9 million goal. Thank you to all who have committed a gift to

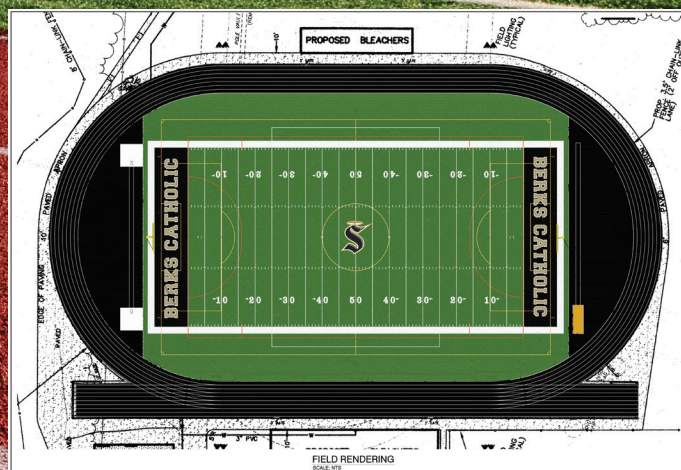
this important Capital Campaign. If you have not yet done so, please prayerfully consider your pledge or gift and look for a mailing in November. For more information or to discuss your personal gift to the Capital Campaign, please call Betsy Woytovich at 610.374.8361 ext 231. Please also check out our video by clicking on Capital Campaign at BerksCatholic.org.

EXPANDED CAFETERIA



- **Seating expands to increases space from 7 sq. ft. to an optimum of 15 sq. ft. per person. This allows for additional seating and 3 lunch periods.**
- **Renovations to existing space will bring a collegial-like dining hall feel and increase natural light.**

- **20 programs currently utilize the main stadium field space.**
- **Turfing the stadium field and resurfacing the track will allow for year-round practice and competition play at the Varsity, Junior Varsity, 9th Grade, Junior High, Youth, and CYO levels in the following sports: Cheerleading, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Football, Lacrosse, Marching Band, Soccer and Track and Field.**
- **Will result in significant reduction in annual watering and field maintenance costs.**



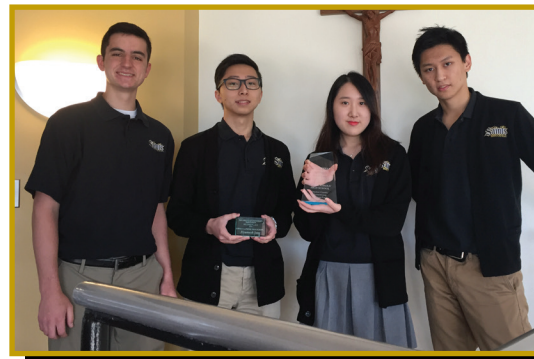
STADIUM RENOVATIONS

Super Saints

2016 Math Team

The Berks Catholic Math Team earned 5th place in the Millersville University Mathematics Competition held in the spring. The competition included 23 teams from southeastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. BC was the only Berks County team to place in the top six. In the individual competition Hyunseok Jung earned second place.

Jonathan Gramley, Hyunseok Jung, Sarah Kim and Lang Wang are pictured with their trophy for the Millersville University Mathematics Competition.



2016 Tri-Star Math Competition

Congratulations to Hyunseok Jung who took 3rd Place in the state of PA. The PA Society of Land Surveyors had more than 250 students from 19 schools participate in the PA portion of the Trig-Star competition this year. Again, congratulations on this amazing achievement.

2016 Reading-Berks Science Fair Winners

Congratulations to the Reading-Berks Science Fair Winners

Boatram Nguyen: Reserve Champion of entire fair and alternate to attend International Science Fair

First: Luke Andreyo, Caroline Golembiewski, Boatram Nguyen, Ethan Stoney

Second: Joseph Albert, Shae Himmelberger, Luke Painton

Third: Rhyenne Carroll, Adrian Fares, Loc Phan

Fourth: Hilary Good, Meg Robertson

Honorable Mention: Nick Fioravante and Megan Kane

Special Award Winners (includes cash awards over \$1500, certificates and invitations to other science competitions: Joseph Albert, Adrian Fares, Boatram Nguyen, Anya Smith, Luke Andreyo, Rachel Kostival, Monica Nguyen, and Ethan Stoney.

Berks Outstanding Young Woman



Congratulations to Kaylin Wittmeyer (BC 2017) who was awarded 2nd Runner Up in Berks County's Outstanding Young Woman 2017.

Reading Musical Foundation Scholarship Program

On the piano, Jeremy Earnest won second place and Boatram Nguyen won third place in the Bruce P. Bengston Keyboard and Organ Scholarship Program.

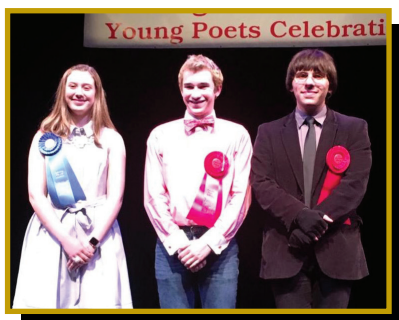
YNOTS

Mark Stone won the YNOT special recognition Award for his role as Burt Healy in Annie, and Paige Lyons won the Senator Michael O'Pake Award, which recognizes a student who exemplifies the qualities of good citizenship through their display of outstanding character and leadership, who demonstrates the willingness to accept responsibilities and challenges put forth by the cast and staff, and who exhibits team work, hard work, self discipline and a positive attitude.

Forensics

Congratulations to Summer Rose Biros (BC 2016), who, after a series of competitions within our own diocese and a second place finish at the national qualifying tournament, represented the Diocese of Allentown at the National Catholic Forensic League's Grand National Tournament in Sacramento, California. At the tournament, Summer Rose competed amongst an elite group of actors representing 55 dioceses from all over the country and finished in the top 150.

2016 Young Poets



Congratulations to the following students who placed in the Young Poets 2016

1st Place Class of 2019: Jasmine Slusser

2nd Place Class of 2019: Austin Brzezicki

2nd place Class of 2017: Timothy Slacek

Music Honors

Congratulations to Jeremy Earnest (BC 2017), who for the second year has been selected as a member of the All-National Honor Ensembles Mixed Choir, Tenor 1. The 2016 All-National Honor Ensembles program will take place at the Gaylord Texan Hotel and Conference Center in Grapevine, Texas from November 10 - 13, 2016. Competitions began with Districts last October, where he qualified for Regionals in February and for States in March. He placed third in the State Competition.

Saints in Service



Sophia Promutico (BC 2017) poses with her buddy from John Paul II Center for Special Learning.

John Paul II Center for Special Learning Field and Fun Day

On Tuesday, May 17, several members of BC Classes of 2016 and 2017 hosted a Field and Fun day for the students of John Paul II Center for Special Learning. The young students arrived bright and early at Berks Catholic wearing their light blue t-shirts that were designed by Emily Sholder (BC 2016). The event began with an Olympic march around the track, which led to a day of field and fun events. The students competed in relay races, ran an obstacle course, played corn hole and made picture frames to hold the photos that were taken with their BC buddies. After the JPIL students ate lunch with their buddies, they filed into the auditorium and were musically entertained by Jeremy Earnst, Justin Siberski, Katie Frederick, Christina Mitchell and Brian Rojas. When asked what the highlight of their day was, several students replied, "The dunk tank!" The John Paul II students loved taking turns dunking the BC boys who volunteered to sit in the tank on a rather cold and rainy day. Nothing could dampen the spirits of the John Paul II Center for Special Learning students on Field and Fun Day; it's an annual event that is loved by all!

Habitat for Humanity

For the fourth consecutive year, Berks Catholic students traveled to West Virginia to serve as part of Habitat for Humanity's Collegiate Challenge. Led by Miss Julie Guilling and Mr. Andrew Gray, the participating seniors included Abby Bickings, Aidan Parisi, Gemini Cabrera, Venus Cabrera, Samantha Doyen, Ally Sichler, Owen Smith and Sarajeane Reinert.

The group devoted their Holy Week to serving the community of Morgantown, WV and constructing new homes by digging the foundation footers, installing wiring and plumbing at various levels, and adhering siding. The group was able to meet several families who will be moving into their new homes later this year. The Berks Catholic seniors also participated in several discussions about social justice within the United States and how to bring the desire to serve and aid back to the community.

After completing a long day's work, the group embarked on a six mile hike to Coopers Rock overlooking the beauty of Appalachia, for which they were building.

In the words of senior, Venus Cabrera, "The Habitat for Humanity trip to Morgantown, WV was an amazing, eye-opening experience that resulted in the fabrication of new friendships and perspectives. It gave me such a great sense of well-being and purpose to be able to partake in the building of several houses. I knew these houses would one day serve as homes to multiple families, who had earned the privilege through countless hours of dedication. I truly enjoyed being able to give back to the community and to those



less fortunate than myself, as a means of reassuring the good of humanity. All of the laughs, friendships, conversations, memories, and experiences will forever be buried in the depths of my heart, and for that I am beyond grateful. I hope, with all of me, that this is just the beginning for my future of opportunities to continue service work, especially in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity."

"A spectacular group of kids, two amazing teachers, countless memories, laughter, and our love for service made this trip worth every single second. I had a great experience building houses for families who were beyond grateful and full of so much joy. I will always remember this trip."



In July, members of the National Honor Society served a barbecue lunch at Opportunity House to others less fortunate.

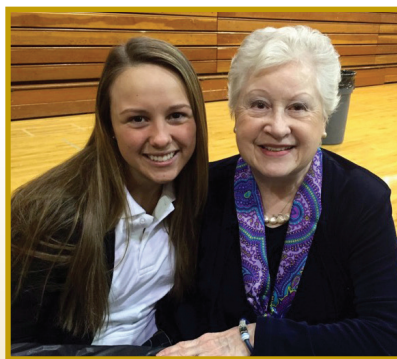
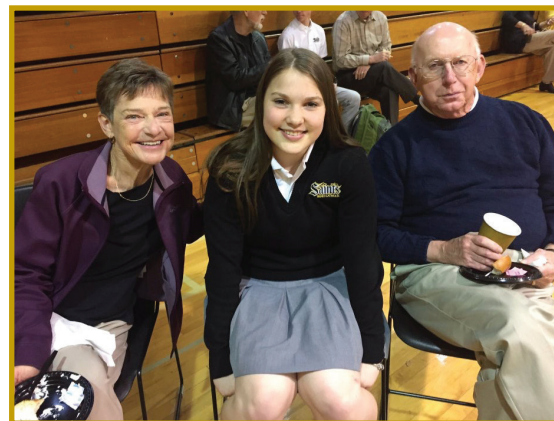


The 2016 BC Relay team raised over \$5000 this year for Relay for Life!

GRANDPARENTS DAY

APRIL 28, 2016 | 170 GRANDPARENTS ATTENDED

FAMILY | FUN | TRADITION | ALUMNI
Thank you to all the Grandparents who attended!



Congratulations

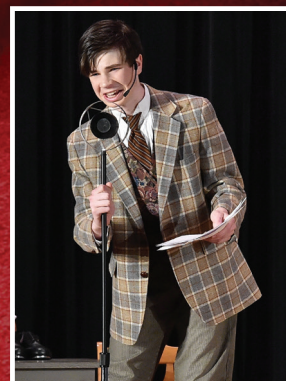
to the Cast and Crew of "Annie" for 3
exceptional nearly sold-out performances!



That's where we're gonna be! from "Easy Street" featuring the hilarious antics of Summer Rose Biros (BC 2016) as Miss Hannigan, Ross Aguilar (BC 2016) as Rooster, and Michaela Dungan (BC 2018) as Lily



Annie Finds a Home at Last! Starring Kaylin Wittmeyer (BC 2017) as Grace, Hannah Mogford (BC 2019) as Annie, and Ben Wild (BC 2017) as President Roosevelt



It's what you wear from ear to ear and not from head to toe...that matters from "You're Never Fully Dressed Without a Smile" featuring Mark Stone (BC 2019) as the witty Burt Healy and Ethan Kiryo (BC 2019) as the clever Sound Guy



Up there in lights I'll be! from "N.Y.C." featuring Meghan O'Neill (BC 2017) as the dazzling Star To Be



It's a Hard Knock Life featuring our hard-working tapping Orphans



Ways to Give

There are several different ways to support Berks Catholic High School. Below are the different methods you can use to make a donation to Berks Catholic, and any of these gifts can be designated for the Annual Fund, Angel Scholarships, Extravaganza, Scholarship Endowment Fund, or the program of your choice.

Check

Make checks payable to Berks Catholic High School and indicate where you would like your donation to go, and mail to:

Berks Catholic High School
Attn: Office of Development
955 E. Wyomissing Boulevard
Reading, PA 19611

Credit Card

Credit card payments can be made at www.BerksCatholic.org/annualfund or by phone at 610.374.8361 with Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

Angel Scholarship Fund

Through the Angel Scholarship Fund, Angel donors can contribute toward the tuition of a specific student or to the general tuition assistance fund in which case donations are dispersed to students with the greatest financial need.

Capital Campaign

Through the dedicated and committed efforts of the BCHS internal and external communities, we can continue to provide the very best for our students. By securing \$9 million, the *Faith Excellence Future* campaign will provide the facilities and resources necessary to complement the curriculum to meet our strategic goals.

These resources include:

- Additional classrooms
- Auditorium expansion
- Multi-media learning commons
- Additional seating and upgraded cafeteria
- Stadium field turf and new track

Support from our stakeholders speaks strongly to the confidence that they have in our mission. Your commitment to the *Faith Excellence Future* campaign will allow us to further this mission, which is centered on four pillars of God, Family, Academics, and Fun.

EITC/OSTC

Businesses can reallocate PA state tax dollars to help provide scholarships and financial aid to Berks Catholic students through EITC and OSTC. The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) and the Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) programs allow businesses to receive a 90% tax credit (if donating for two consecutive years), for a donation which provides tuition assistance for families at Berks Catholic. You can also view information online at www.newpa.com/eitc or www.newpa.com/ostc.

Endowment Fund

The Berks Catholic Scholarship Endowment Fund provides 5% of principal each year for scholarships. It is broadly diversified and actively managed. Gifts can be accepted at anytime into the Endowment Fund through cash or stock contributions.

Extravaganza

Extravaganza is the annual major fundraiser for Berks Catholic. The first Extravaganza was such a success that 30+ years later, we are still enjoying this fun-filled event, which is worked on year round and on average raises \$150,000 to \$200,000 each year. Extravaganza is a silent and oral auction with a sit-down dinner, hundreds of silent and live auction items, and much more. Over the past 30+ years, Extravaganza has raised over \$4 million for our catholic high school. For more information about Extravaganza to make a monetary donation, or to donate an item for auction, please contact Danielle Fowler at 610.374.8361, ext 239 or extravaganza@berkscatholic.org.

Gifts of Stock

If you have owned a stock for more than 12 months and it has appreciated in value during that time, you would incur a capital gains tax by selling it. However, if you give that stock to Berks Catholic as a gift, you avoid the capital gains tax and can also claim an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of the gift up to an amount equal to 30% of your adjusted gross income. Any unused deduction may be carried forward for up to five years. Electronic Transfers of Shares of Publicly Traded Stock and Mutual Funds Shares of publicly traded companies and mutual funds may be transferred electronically to Berks Catholic.

In Memoriam

Gifts can be made in memory of a deceased loved one who has designated Berks Catholic as the recipient of gifts upon his or her death. Donations can also be made in memory of any deceased Berks Catholic, Central Catholic, or Holy Name classmate.

Matching Gifts

Matching gifts are a very important source of support. Thousands of companies and corporate foundations match gifts to non-profit institutions such as Berks Catholic. Also, matching gifts are a great way to increase support of Berks Catholic without additional out-of-pocket expense. You can double or even triple the value of your donation and enhance your total for giving society membership by simply notifying your employer of your gift to Berks Catholic. You may be eligible to submit matching gift claims from both your own and your spouse's employer for the same gift. Contact the human resources office at your employer, your spouse's employer, or even your former employer if you are retired to inquire about their matching gift program.

The Trinity

Planned Gifts/St. Nicholas Society

Leave your mark on Berks Catholic! A planned gift is a “forever gift,” one that will live on for generations. It doesn’t affect your current cash flow of assets and it is easy to change if your circumstances change. Plus, it may save you estate taxes later. You can make a planned gift in a number of ways:

- Bequest
- Charitable Gift Annuity
- Charitable Remainder Trust
- Charitable Lead Trust
- Life Estate Reserve
- Insurance Policy Beneficiary

If you have already included Berks Catholic in your estate plans, please let us know.

Saints Annual Fund

The Saints Fund is the cornerstone of philanthropic giving at Berks Catholic High School. The Saints Fund is a dependable source of unrestricted gifts that can be applied to the areas of greatest need. Student scholarships and financial aid, curriculum enhancement, athletics, and arts and music resources are just some examples of support provided by the fund. It is vital that the Saints Fund continues to grow in order for Berks Catholic to be able to provide an excellent education in a Christ-centered environment to students in Berks County.

Swing Fore the Saints Golf Outing

The Swing Fore the Saints Golf Outing is a day of camaraderie, fun, and golf for alumni and friends of Berks Catholic, Central Catholic, and Holy Name, all in the name of supporting Berks Catholic High School. Sponsorship opportunities start at \$100. All proceeds from the golf outing go toward financial aid at Berks Catholic.

United Way

Gifts to United Way can be designated to Berks Catholic High School.

Advertising/Sponsorship Opportunities

Advertising/Sponsorship Opportunities include the Gym Banners, the Swing Fore the Saints Golf Outing, the Fall Program Book, Extravaganza, and the Spring Musical.

For more information about any of these ways to support Berks Catholic High School, please contact Betsy Woytovich at 610.374.8361, ext 231 or bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org.



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, October 14

2016 Hall of Fame Induction
Hall of Fame – 6:30 p.m.
Game Time – 7 p.m.

Friday, October 21

2016 Homecoming Festivities
Big Tailgate – 5 p.m.
Game Time – 7 p.m.
Homecoming – Halftime

Saturday, October 22

Tour of BC – 11 a.m.
For more information contact Betsy Woytovich
at 610.374.8361 or bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org



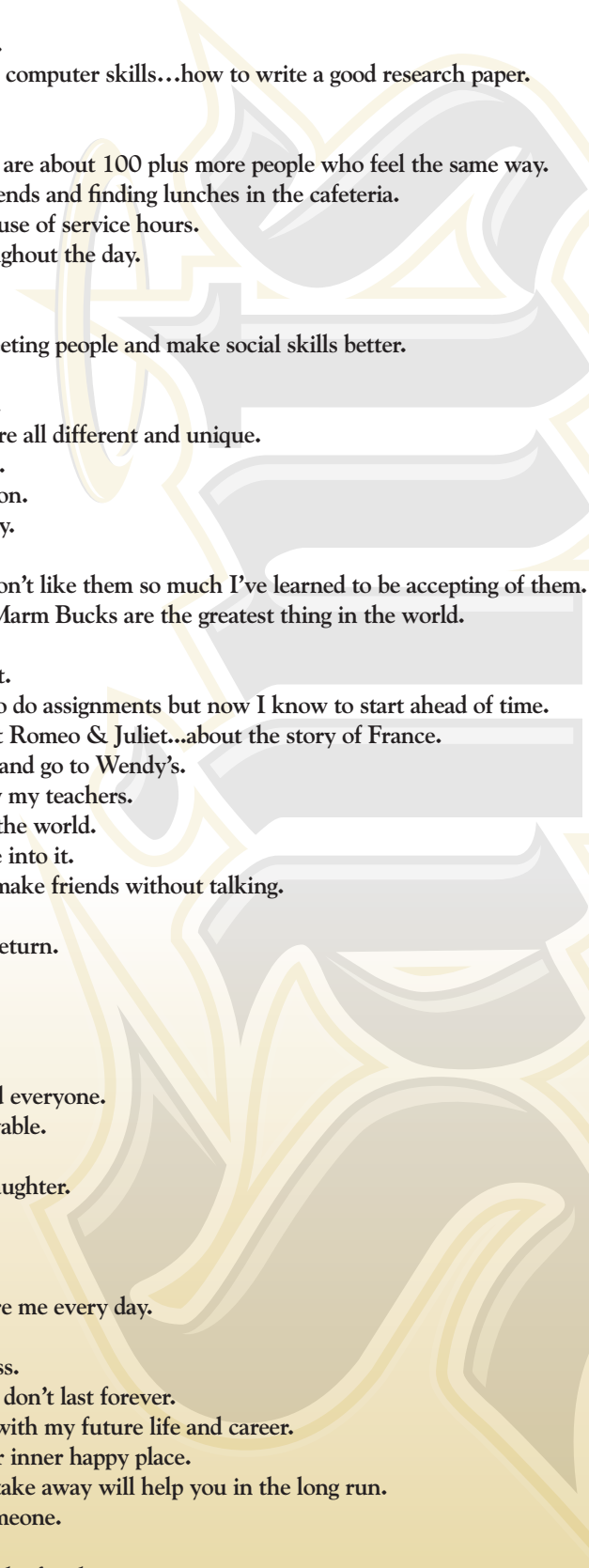
IT'S Time To Sing!

Berks Catholic is proud to announce the start of an Alumni Choir. Graduates of Berks Catholic, Central Catholic and Holy Name are invited to participate.

The first performance will be singing the National Anthem at Homecoming on Friday, October 21st. (6:00 Rehearsal prior to game in the Franco Post Auditorium). Show your school spirit by wearing your school colors.

The choir is open to all former graduates. Please contact Kate Bobb at KBobb@berkscatholic.org for more information.

The Freshman Class Reflects...What Have You Learned? June, 2016



...This school year more than any other I learned about myself.
...High school totally changed my approach to how I make friends.
...If you are nice to everyone and they are nice to you then there is no drama or stress in your life.
...Making good decisions is important.
...Talking to your teacher when you need help is beneficial.
...how the cell works...how to be a citizen...knowledge for computer skills...how to write a good research paper.
...to worry less about all the high school myths.
...To be punctual and always be observant of time.
...You aren't the only one who feels lost or confused; there are about 100 plus more people who feel the same way.
...You have to be open to trying new things like making friends and finding lunches in the cafeteria.
...I have learned to be more helpful to my community because of service hours.
...All students need to have enough sleep to function throughout the day.
...Color Wars is very competitive.
...the importance of my family.
...Athletics and extracurricular activities are helpful for meeting people and make social skills better.
...how to set goals for myself.
...I learned vocabulary, a key to having good conversations.
...I shouldn't care what people think about me because we're all different and unique.
...I learned how to be a leader especially by playing football.
...I learned to take people's judgment and use it as motivation.
...Golf taught me how to communicate with people properly.
...about The Odyssey and Economics and Theology.
...there are a lot of different kinds of people and even if I don't like them so much I've learned to be accepting of them.
...how touchscreens work...bio labs are painful but fun...Marm Bucks are the greatest thing in the world.
...do not walk up the down stairs or down the up stairs.
...I have learned to rely on others but to rely on myself first.
...Procrastination is bad...I used to wait until last minute to do assignments but now I know to start ahead of time.
...I've learned to love poetry...how to dissect a frog...about Romeo & Juliet...about the story of France.
...It's better to push myself during track practice then skip and go to Wendy's.
...What really helps me is my friends, family, and especially my teachers.
...Discussions helped me learn about the problems around the world.
...You can make friends and get good grades if you put time into it.
...You have to be yourself, but louder; you can't expect to make friends without talking.
...I should hand in my work on time.
...I've learned to help others and don't expect anything in return.
...the benefits and cons of Social Media.
...The teachers are nice and not scary.
...how to be more independent.
...that studying actually helps.
...to keep my friends close but to acknowledge and befriend everyone.
...As I learned how to relax in school it became more enjoyable.
...Keep your head up and have a positive attitude.
...I learned the importance of trust, respect, honesty, and laughter.
...to never let others dictate how you want to live.
...Friends come in all shapes and sizes.
...how to communicate properly with adults.
...I've found artists, authors, poets, and teachers that inspire me every day.
...I've grown in my faith.
...In high school you just have to ride the wave. Don't stress.
...I've learned through all the stories we read that struggles don't last forever.
...What I do today and tomorrow here at BC will help me with my future life and career.
...High school is a big scary place, but it is easy to find your inner happy place.
...What really matters is not how you go in, but what you take away will help you in the long run.
...You will find diversity here, and you're bound to find someone.
...I am ready for my sophomore year, excited even!
...Most of all, I learned how to be a part of the Berks Catholic family.
...Not to spoil the ending, but everything is going to be OK!



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