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PROGRAM GUIDE



Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the 1993 Catholic League and National Catholic Invitational Tournament Champions

11 Anthony Jones	5-9	Jr.
13 Chris McNesby	5-11	Soph.
15 Aaron Holloway	6-2	Sr.
21 Dwayne Hill	5-8	Sr.
23 Greg Alexander	6-1	Sr.
24 Tamir Harbin	6-2	Fr.
33 Marc Jackson	6-10	Sr.
41 Dennis Bohn	6-4	Sr.
43 R.C. Kehoe	5-10	Fr.
44 Eugene Small	6-3	Jr.
45 Mike Tabb	6-8	Jr.
51 Donnie Carr	6-3	Fr.
55 Justin Wagner	6-4	Sr.

Coach: Dennis Seddon Assistants: Jeff Stepp, Rodney Handy Managers: Chris McCoy, Bill Newbold, Phil Caiazzo

Overall Record: 27 Wins, 4 Losses

PCL Playoffs: Defeated West Catholic 58-50 Defeated Archbishop Carroll 58-47 Defeated North Catholic 62-55 (OT)

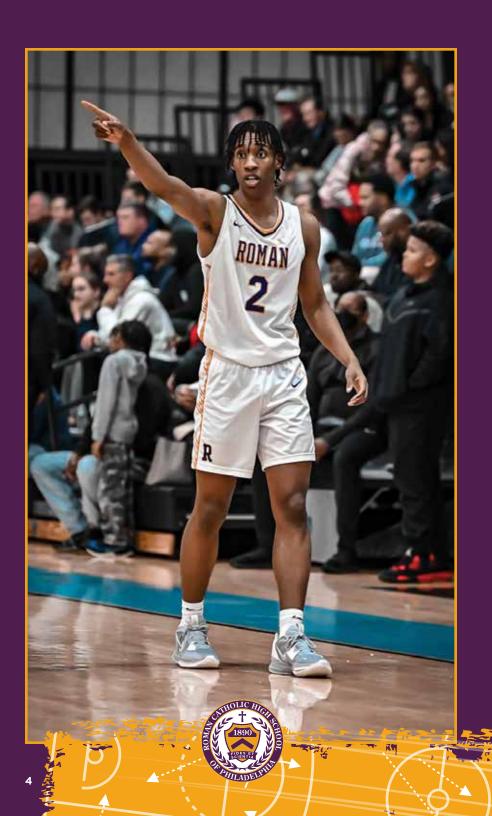
Gonzaga DC Classic Champions Alhambra Catholic Invitational Champions

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DEAR FRIENDS,



The beginning of Roman Basketball dates back to the beginning of the sport itself. In 1890, the first team of Student-Athletes was formed to represent the Cahillites of Broad & Vine. In the intervening 130 years of history, the reputation of Roman Basketball has grown and developed. Regularly, our teams find themselves in national rankings, considered among the elite programs in the country.

But as Michael Jordan has said, "While there is no "I" in team, there is in "Win!" Therefore, on behalf of the entire Roman Catholic High School

community, I extend our sincere gratitude to all of our sponsors and benefactors who provide the support necessary for our team to excel. We are grateful to our Coaching staff, especially Mr. Chris McNesby, for not only being excellent coaches and mentors, but most importantly for being such remarkable role models for our athletes. We are thankful for our parents and guardians who entrust their greatest asset to our care. And last, but not least, we are appreciative of our student-athletes. Your drive, work ethic and passion for success, inspires not only your peers and fellow students, but all who have the opportunity to see you play on the hardwood. While we are very proud of your athletic abilities and accomplishments, we are more proud of the fine young men you are becoming. You represent the best of RCHS! Good luck in the PCL!

Sincerely,

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Rev. Joseph W. Bongard '77 President/Rector

DEAR FANS OF ROMAN BASKETBALL

I am really excited for the 2022-2023 season! It should be another exciting year of basketball at Broad & Vine. We have a great group of seniors this year in Xzayvier, Anthony, Jermai, Erik and Joey who we'll lean on to represent the program well. We want to thank all our alumni, families and fans for all their support this season. It's all of you who make this annual program book possible. This will be a collector's item every year!

Let's go Roman!!!

Coach Chris McNesby







ROMAN CATHOLIC BASKETBALL 2022–2023 STAFF

President	Rev. Joseph Bongard
Principal	Mr. John Curry
Athletic Director	Mr. Brian Haas
Head Coach	Chris McNesby
Assistants	Bill Goebig
	Kyle Bernard
	Tom McKenna
Administrative Staff	Maggie Canavan
	Renee Granato
Junior Varsity	Manny Taylor
	Trevaughn Wilkerson
	Ryland Watts
Freshman	Jim Parrella
	Michael Flood
Strength and Conditioning	Joey Ferrero
Trainer	Ken Eaves
Announcer	Dan Hoban
Managers	Joe Dever '23
	Ahmed Keita '24
	Edmund Arquitola '24
Nickname	Cahillites
Mascot	Roman Gladiator
School Colors	Purple and Gold



Joe Dever '23



Ahmed Keita '24



Edmund Arquitola '24



PART OF THE ROMAN TRADITION

RCHS PLAYER'S NAME	COLLEGE/POST-COLLEGE CAREER	
Clayton Adams	Duquesne	
Ed Jenkins	Philadelphia Textile	
Rod Baker	Head Coach-Delaware 87'ers	
Mike Bantom	St. Joseph's, 1972 Olympic Team, 76'ers	
Rasual Butler	La Salle, San Antonio Spurs	
Donnie Carr	La Salle, Assistant Coach- La Salle University	
Dallas Comegys	DePaul, San Antonio Spurs	
Charron Fisher	Niagara	
Tamal Forchion	George Washington	
John Griffin	Head Coach-St. Joseph's University	
Eddie Griffin	Seton Hall, Minnesota Timberwolves	
Marvin Harrison	Syracuse, Indianapolis Colts, NFL Hall of Fame	
John Huggins	American International	
Reggie Jackson	Maryland	
Marc Jackson	Temple, Philadelphia 76'ers	
Bernard Jones	St. Joseph's	
RC Kehoe	East Stroudsberg	
Donald Kelly	American	
Tom Lee	Loyola	
Kyle Locke	Coppin State	
Jim Maloney	Assistant Coach-Temple	
Zane Major	St. Joseph's	
Joe McCourt	Lafayette	
Lonnie McFarlan	St. Joseph's	
Mike McKee	Lehigh, Head Coach-La Salle College HS	
Chris McNesby	East Stroudsberg, Head Coach – Roman Catholic	
Adrian Moody	Holy Cross	
Mike Moody	St. Joseph's	
Randy Monroe	Phila. Textile. Asst. Coach-Jefferson University	
Bill "Speedy" Morris	Head Coach, La Salle University, St. Joe's Prep	
Mike Morrow	St. Joseph's	
Jim O'Brien	St. Joseph's, Asst. Coach-Philadelphia 76'ers	
Scott Paxson	Penn State, Pittsburgh Steelers	
Ernest Pollard John Siorek	Temple Drexel	
Matt Guokas Sr		
Chuck Storm	St. Joseph's, Philadelphia Warriors La Salle	
Ed Hoban	Philadelphia Textile	
Melvin Hawkins	Farleigh Dickinson	
Chico Singleton	Niagara	
Tarone Thorton	South Carolina	
Mark Stevenson	Notre Dame	
Chuck Veterano	St. Peters	
Alan Watkins	Duquesne	
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	Hakim Hart	Maryland
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Nasir Lett Lincoln		
John Flood Immaculata		Immaculata
Daniel Skillings Cincinnati		Cincinnati
Khalil Farmer Hofstra	Khalil Farmer	Hofstra



ALL-OPPONENT TEAM

OPPONENT NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE/PRO
Jason Kidd	St. Joseph's (CA)	California
Rasheed Wallace	Simon Gratz	North Carolina
Joe Smith	Maury (VA)	Maryland
Dennis Scott	Flint Hill (VA)	Maryland
Kevin Garnett	Farragut (IL)	Boston Celtics
Kobe Bryant	Lower Merion	LA Lakers
Shamgod Wells	La Salle Academy	Providence
Roderick Rhodes	St. Anthony's	Kentucky
Keith Booth	Dunbar	Maryland
Bobby Hurley	St. Anthony's	Duke
Lionel Simmons	Southern	La Salle
Richard Dumas	Washington (OK)	Oklahoma State
Jeff Lebo	Carlisle	North Carolina
Billy Owens	Carlisle	Syracuse
Dan Hurley	St. Anthony's	Seton Hall
Terry Dehere	St. Anthony's	Seton Hall
Brian D'Amico	Reading	North Carolina State
Danny Ferry	DeMatha	Duke
Traig Lee	St. Joseph's (OK)	Ohio State
David Rivers	St. Anthony's	Notre Dame
Jerrod Mustaff	DeMatha	Maryland
Rodney Monroe	St. Maria Goretti (MD)	North Carolina State
Boo Harvey	Stevenson (NY)	St. John's
Eric Riley	St. Joseph's (OK)	Ohio State
Irving Thomas	Carol City (FL)	Kentucky
Steven Hood	DeMatha	Maryland
Duane Ferrell	Flint Hill (MD)	Georgia Tech
Donyell Marshall	Reading	Connecticut
Anthony Cade	Oak Hill	Kansas
Cuttino Mobley	Cardinal Dougherty	Rhode Island
Joe Forte	DeMatha	North Carolina
Keith Bogans	DeMatha	Kentucky
DeShawn Stevenson	Washington Union (CA)	Utah Jazz
Andre Barrett	Brother Rice (NY)	Seton Hall
Tyson Chandler	Dominguez (CA)	New Orleans Hornets
Dajuan Wagner	Camden	Memphis
Patrick Ewing Jr.	Nat'l Christian Academy	Georgetown
Austin Freeman	DeMatha	Georgetown
Gerald Henderson	Episcopal Academy	Duke
Wayne Ellington	Episcopal Academy	North Carolina
TJ Ford	Willowridge (TX)	Texas
Ryan Ayers	Germantown Academy	Notre Dame
Brian Westbrook	DeMatha	Villanova



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Isaiah Armwood	Montrose Christian	Villanova
Wally Judge	Arlington Country Day	Kansas State
David Wear	Mater Dei	UCLA
Travis Wear	Mater Dei	UCLA
Lance Stevenson	Lincoln (NY)	Cincinnati
Rick Jackson	Neumann-Goretti	Syracuse
Antonio Jardine	Neumann-Goretti	Syracuse
Kyle Anderson	St. Anthony's	UCLA
Ja'Quan Newton	Neumann-Goretti	Miami
Steven Vasturia	St. Joseph's Prep	Notre Dame
Jesse Govans	Wings Academy (NY)	Georgetown
Quade Green	Neumann-Goretti	Kentucky
Colin Gillespie	Archbishop Wood	Villanova
Cameron Reddish	Haverford School	Duke
Myles Dread	Gonzaga	Penn State
Isaiah Wong	Bonner-Prendergast	Miami
Chris Lykes	Gonzaga	Arkansas
RJ Barrett	Montverde	Duke
Rodney McGruder	Arlington Country Day	Kansas State
Derrick Jones	Archbishop Carroll	UNLV
Luca Garza	Maret School	lowa
Hunter Dickinson	DeMatha	Michigan
Rahsool Diggins	Archbishop Wood	Connecticut



CAHILLITES CAREER 1,000 POINT CLUB

Reggie Jackson '78	1,861
Lonnie McFarlan '80	1,842
Charron Fisher '04	1,804
Eddie Griffin '00	1,656
Bernard Jones '91	1,663
Donnie Carr '96	1,470
Shep Garner '14	1,437
Lynn Greer III '20	1,392
Rakeem Brookins '10	1,382
Glenn Welton '81	1,323
Brad Wanamaker '07	1,306
Tamal Forchion '01	1,283
Alan Watkins '89	1,247
Rasual Butler '98	1,237
Marvin Harrison '91	1,166
Maalik Wayns '09	1,151
Seth Lundy '19	1,150
Jim "Chico" Singleton '73	1,127
Rashaan London '14	1,103
Tony Carr '16	1,065
Hakim Hart '19	1,035
Xzayvier Brown '23	





Xzayvier Brown '23 achieved 1,000 points on February 5, 2023.

CAHILLITES ALUMNI CURRENTLY PLAYING NCAA COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Allen Betrand '18	Rider University
Seth Lundy '19	Penn State University
Hakim Hart '19	University of Maryland
Gabe Perez '19	Mansfield University
Lynn Greer III '20	St. Joseph's University
Nasir Lett '20	Lincoln University
Kyle Maska '19	Gwyned-Mercy University
Louie Wild '19	Bloomsberg University
John Flood '21	Immaculata University
Dan Skillings '22	University of Cincinnati
Khalil Farmer '22	Hofstra University
Da'kquan Davis '17	University of Albany

CAHILLITES ALUMNI PLAYING PROFESSIONAL BASKETBALL

Lamar Stevens '16NBA-Cleveland CavaliersTony Carr '16Denmark

Did you know?

Roman Catholic Basketball has produced FIVE McDonald's All-Americans since the game's inception in 1978-Reggie Jackson '78, Lonnie McFarlan '80, Dallas Comegys '83, Mark Stevenson '85, Eddie Griffin '00, and Maalik Wayns '09. Coach Speedy Morris '60 was the coach of the East Team at The Spectrum in 1978.







Thomas E. Cahill

It is said that an old wine grows better with age. This statement could also be made when describing Roman Catholic High School and the many young men that have graced the halls. Over one hundred and thirty years have passed since the school that Thomas E. Cahill founded began to



Dr. James Naismith

rise above the corner of Broad and Vine Streets. Since then, there has been a continuous line of purple and gold-clad men who have entered society prepared for the future.

For over a century, Dr. James Naismith's game has been played at Catholic High in the historic third-floor gym. To the present day, Roman Catholic is known nation-wide for its basketball program. Roman has had a great basketball tradition since the very first game

was played in 1899. The first game was a loss to Rex A.A. by the score of 18-8, but the explosion was about to come. In 1902, a former professional basketball player accepted the coaching position at the young school. Billy Markward led the Purple and Gold for 40 years, an unprecedented

amount of dedication and loyalty. Sporting a style of play decades ahead of their time, his teams were sheer greatness. From 1902 to 1942, Coach Markward's Roman teams won 20 titles in various interscholastic leagues and the Philadelphia Catholic League. The 1934 "Mighty Mites" team is now a Philadelphia high school sports legend. It must be recognized that Roman Catholic became the first



Billy Markward and 1902-03 Basketball Team



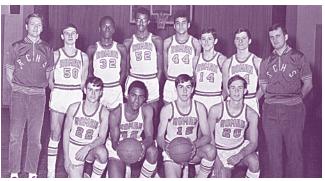
integrated high school basketball team in the country in 1902-03. Roman was threatened with suspension by the interscholastic league if they allowed Johnny Lee, the son of a former slave, to play on the team. In a team meeting with Coach Markward, one by one the team members stated if Lee could not play, they would not play. Roman took a stand for justice and equality many years before Jackie Robinson broke baseball's color barrier.



Billy Markward

The years after Markward were ones of highs and lows. The 1943 team lost their first four games yet battled back to make the playoffs and capture the Catholic League Title. They later defeated City Title holder West Philadelphia to take home the Red Cross Championship at the Palestra. During the period between 1944 and 1967, Roman had many talented individual players but failed to capture any titles.

In 1968, Coach Bill "Speedy" Morris returned to his alma mater to take over the Cahillite program, and in doing so, lead the Cahillites into the playoffs for the first time since 1943. In 1969, his team captured the



1969 PCL Championship Team with Coach Morris (far right)

Catholic League Title in only Coach Morris' second year. In total, Morris' teams won 6 Catholic League crowns, 7 Southern Division Titles, a City Title, and 2 Alhambra Catholic Titles while placing Roman Catholic on the national high school basketball radar. "Speedy" produced many fine players who are ever grateful for their guidance and training under Coach Morris. Coach Morris retired after the 2019 season at St. Joe's Prep with 1,035 career victories and was truly one of Roman's finest and is the all-time leader in victories in the Philadelphia Catholic League.

In 1982, Barry Brodzinski came to Roman and built on the program's success. Brodzinski led the Cahillites to a pair of Catholic League Titles in 1982 and 1986 while producing some of the city's best talent and young men, including Dallas Comegys, a first-round NBA Draft pick in 1987 after an All-American career at DePaul University.



Dennis Seddon

From 1987 to 2008, Coach Dennis Seddon guided the Cahillites with unrivaled success. A true gentleman on and off the court, Seddon guided the Cahillites to a school record 516 wins. In his third season at Broad and Vine, Roman captured the 1989 Catholic League crown and began a streak of 6 straight Catholic League Titles. During this run, Seddon's teams possessed a 50-game winning streak against Catholic League opponents from 1990 through 1992. Three of

his teams went undefeated in Catholic League regular season and playoff action. In all, Dennis Seddon's Roman teams captured 10 Catholic League Titles, 4 Alhambra Catholic Titles, and numerous tournament crowns across the United States. His legacy includes over 36 former players who are now involved in coaching. Six of his players have progressed to the NBA and many more have played professionally overseas. One is enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Most of Seddon's graduates have matriculated to college and many have graced the college basketball hardwood.

Chris McNesby, one of Seddon's former point guards, lead Roman Catholic Basketball into the PIAA era of Catholic League Basketball from 2009 through 2016. The 2014-2015 season was one of Roman Catholic's all-time finest, as the Cahillites compiled a 29-2 overall record. In doing so, Roman received a national ranking by every major media outlet. The Cahillites earned a clean sweep of every title-two prestigious preseason tournament titles, the Catholic League Championship in front of a sold out Palestra, the District 12 crown



Chris McNesby

for the third consecutive year, and the first PIAA State Championship in the 125-year history of Catholic High. Not to be outdone, the Cahillites answered the call in the 2015-16 season, defending their Gonzaga DC title along with the Catholic League, District 12, and a second straight PIAA AAAA State Championship. Coach McNesby was named Pennsylvania Coach of the Year by the Associated Press and the USA Today after a 27-4 overall record and a national ranking. These two seasons were truly ones that many fans will remember forever. There was no greater sound than hearing the student section belt out the words of "The Purple and Gold" in celebration.

Did you know? Hall of Fame Coach Dennis Seddon (1987-2008) now has 41 former players that are now in the basketball coaching ranks.





Matt Griffin

Matt Griffin, who played for Coach Morris at St. Joseph's Prep, and the son of Roman Catholic and St. Joseph's University Hall of Famer John Griffin, coached the Cahillites for five seasons. An All-Catholic guard and a starting point guard at Boston University in the NCAA Tournament, Coach Griffin was also instrumental in player development at St. Joseph's Prep on Coach Morris' staff. In only his second season, Griffin's Cahillites embarked on a remarkable run to the

Catholic League title over a favored Bonner-Prendergast team and the PIAA 6A State Championship in a high-scoring tilt over Philly's Abraham Lincoln. Griffin's Cahillites finished last season with a 24-6 record and a #28 ranking in the country by MaxPreps.

Not to be outdone, the Cahillites backed up their campaign in 2018-19 with a December victory over #5 nationally ranked Imhotep Charter and a solid showing in the Chick-Fil-A Classic against national caliber competition in Columbia, South Carolina. Coach Griffin's troops embarked on a Catholic League campaign that saw the Purple and Gold only drop one game on the road by one point. The icing on the cake was yet another night at the Palestra where the student section belted out "The Purple and Gold." After reaching the PCL final in a pandemic shortened 12-game 2020 season, one in which Griffin's Cahillites reached the final game in four of five straight seasons, Coach Matt moved on to the college ranks and is now an assistant coach to his college coach Pat Cahmbers at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Chris McNesby, now a member of the RCHS Sports Hall of Fame, returned to the sidelines at Broad and Vine for the 2021-22 season and picked up where he left off. McNesby's team finished first in the PCL regular season and reached the semi-finals at the Palestra. The team then ran off a sixgame run to Catholic High's fourth state title, avenging a regular season loss to Archbishop Wood in the 6A championship game at the Giant Center.

Throughout the many years of basketball at Catholic High, Roman Catholic basketball players strive to achieve not only on the hardwood but in the classroom as well. While producing great talent and teams, the Roman Catholic Basketball Program has produced great men who have made their families, school, alumni, and city proud to follow **Roman Catholic Basketball – A Great Philadelphia Tradition!**

ROMAN CATHOLIC BASKETBALL 2022–2023 Schedules





Varsity Schedule 2022-2023

Day	Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Fri.	Dec. 2	7:30 pm	Plymouth Whitemarsh HS	Holy Family University
Fri.	Dec. 9	8:30 pm	Gonzaga DC Classic	Washington DC
Sat.	Dec. 10		Gonzaga DC Classic	Washington DC
Sun.	Dec. 11		Gonzaga DC Classic	Washington DC
Fri.	Dec. 16	7:30 pm	West Philadelphia HS	Holy Family University
Wed.	Dec. 21	4:30 pm	Salieseanum	Chase Fieldhouse, Wilm, DE
Wed.	Dec. 28		Beach Ball Classic	Myrtle Beach, SC
Thu.	Dec. 29		Beach Ball Classic	Myrtle Beach, SC
Fri.	Dec. 30		Beach Ball Classic	Myrtle Beach, SC
Tue.	Jan. 3	7:30 pm	Archbishop Wood HS	Holy Family University
Fri.	Jan. 6	7:00 pm	Cardinal O'Hara HS	Cardinal O'Hara HS
Sun.	Jan. 8	2:30 pm	Bonner-Prendie HS	Holy Family University
Fri.	Jan. 13	7:00 pm	Archbishop Ryan HS	Archbishop Ryan HS
Mon.	Jan. 16	6:00 pm	Conwell-Egan HS	Conwell-Egan HS
Fri.	Jan. 20	3:45 pm	Lansdale Catholic HS	Roman Catholic Gym
Sun.	Jan. 22	3:00 pm	West Catholic HS	West Catholic
Thu.	Jan. 26	7:00 pm	Devon Prep HS	Jefferson U
Mon.	Jan. 30	7:00 pm	Father Judge HS	Jefferson U
Fri.	Feb. 3	7:00 pm	Neumann-Gorretti HS	Nuemann-Gorrett HS
Sun.	Feb. 5	2:30 pm	La Salle College HS	Jeffferson U
Fri.	Feb. 10	7:00 pm	St. Joseph's Prep HS	St. Joseph's Prep HS
Sun.	Feb. 12	2:30 pm	Archbishop Carroll HS	Holy Family University



Junior Varsity Schedule 2022-2023

Day	Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Sat.	Dec. 3		Plymounth Whitemarsh HS	Plymouth Whitemarsh HS
Wed.	Dec. 7	6:00 pm	Bensalem HS	Bensalem HS
Mon.	Dec. 12	5:15 pm	Archbishop Ryan HS	Roman Catholic HS
Tue.	Dec. 13	7:00 pm	Father Judge HS	Father Judge HS
Thu.	Dec. 15	3:45 pm	Germantown Academy	Germantown Academy
Fri.	Dec. 16	4:30 pm	Penn Charter	Penn Charter
Sun.	Dec. 18	1:30 pm	St. Francis Prep (NY)	St. Francis Prep (NY)
Thu.	Dec. 22	5:30 pm	Archbishop Wood HS	Archbishop Wood HS
Wed.	Dec. 28	1:30 pm	Reading HS (PA)	Roman Catholic HS
Sat.	Dec. 31	12:30 pm	La Salle College HS	La Salle College HS
Tue.	Jan. 3	5:30 pm	Archbishop Wood HS	Holy Family University
Fri.	Jan. 6	5:30 pm	Cardinal O'Hara HS	Cardinal O'Hara HS
Sun.	Jan. 8	1:00 pm	Bonner-Prendie HS	Holy Family University
Fri.	Jan. 13	5:30 pm	Archbishop Ryan HS	Archbishop Ryan HS
Mon.	Jan. 16	4:30 pm	Conwell-Egan HS	Conwell-Egan HS
Tue.	Jan. 17	6:00 pm	Lenape HS (NJ)	Lenape HS (NJ)
Friday	Jan. 20	5:15 pm	Lansdale Catholic HS	Roman Catholic HS
Sun.	Jan. 23	1:00 pm	West Catholic HS	West Catholic HS
Thu.	Jan. 26	5:30 pm	Devon Prep HS	Jefferson U
Mon.	Jan. 30	5:30 pm	Father Judge HSI	Jefferson U
Fri.	Feb. 3	5:15 pm	Neumann Goretti HS	Neumann-Goretti HS
Sun.	Feb. 5	1:00 pm	La Salle College HS	Jefferson U
Fri.	Feb. 10	5:15 pm	St. Joseph's Prep HS	St. Joseph's Prep HS
Sun.	Feb. 12	1:00 pm	Archbishop Carroll HS	Holy Family University

Freshman Schedule 2022–2023

Day	Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Wed.	Dec. 7	4:30 pm	Bensalem HS	Bensalem HS
Mon.	Dec. 12	3:45 pm	Archbishop Ryan HS	Roman Catholic HS
Tue.	Dec. 13	5:30 pm	Father Judge HS	Father Judge HS
Thu.	Dec. 15	5:15 pm	Germantown Academy	Germantown Academy
Fri.	Dec. 16	4:30 pm	Penn Charter	Penn Charter
Sun.	Dec. 18	12:00 pm	St. Francis Prep (NY)	St. Francis Prep (NY)
Thu.	Dec. 22	7:00 pm	Archbishop Wood HS	Archbishop Wood HS
Wed.	Dec. 28	12:00 pm	Reading HS (PA)	Roman Catholic HS
Sat.	Dec. 31	11:00 am	La Salle College HS	La Salle College HS
Mon.	Jan. 2	4:00 pm	Archbishop Wood	Roman Catholic HS
Friday	Jan. 6	3:30 pm	Cardinal O'Hara HS	Cardinal O'Hara HS
Mon.	Jan. 9	3:45 pm	Bonner-Prendie HS	Bonner-Prendie HS
Friday	Jan. 13	3:45 pm	Archbishop Ryan HS	Archbishop Ryan HS
Mon.	Jan. 16	3:45 pm	Conwell-Egan HS	Conwell-Egan HS
Tue.	Jan. 17	4:30 pm	Lenape HS (NJ)	Lenape HS (NJ)
Fri.	Jan. 20	3:45 pm	Lansdale Catholic HS	Lansdale Catholic HS
Mon.	Jan. 23		Potential Open Date	JV/V West
Thu.	Jan. 26	3:30 pm	Devon Prep	Devon Prep
Mon.	Jan. 30	3:45 pm	Father Judge HS	Father Judge HS
Fri.	Feb. 3		Potential Open Date	JV/V Neumann
Mon.	Feb. 6	3:45 pm	La Salle College HS	La Salle College HS
Fri.	Feb. 10	3:45 pm	St. Joseph's Prep HS	St. Joseph's Prep HS
Mon.	Feb. 13	3:45 pm	Archbishop Carroll HS	Archbishop Carroll HS

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BASKETBALL



Left to Right:

Xzayvier Brown, Sammy Jackson, Byrce Hillman, Justin Ezeukwu, Will Felder, Shareef Jackson, Anthony Finkley, Robert Cottrell, Sebastian Edwards, Jermai Stewart-Herring, Erik Oliver-Bush

Not Pictured: Jayden Rounbehler



ROMAN CATHOLIC VARSITY BASKETBALL 2022–2023 ROSTER

Head Coach: Chris McNesby Assistants Coaches: Bill Goebig, Kyle Bernard, Manny Taylor, Tom McKenna, Dennis Seddon, Mike Grifenberg Managers: Joey Dever '23, Ahmed Keita '24



Guard Class: 2023 Height: 6'1"





JERMAI STEWART-HERRING

Guard Class: 2023 Height: 6'3"





ERIK OLIVER-BUSH

Guard/Forward Class: 2023 Height: 6'4"







SEBASTIAN EDWARDS





Class: 2025 Height: 6'0"

SHAREEF JACKSON





Forward Class: 2025 Height: 6'7"

JUSTIN EZEUKWU



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Guard/Forward Class: 2025 Height: 6'2"

BRYCE HILLMAN



III //IDO White Purple Guard Class: 2026 Height: 6'1"



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ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL JV BASKETBALL



Left to Right:

Coach Manny Taylor, Chris Gallagher, Sabastian Edwards, Bryce Hillman, Semaj Robinson, Elijah Gutierrez, James Cook Justin Ezeukwu, Robert Spruill, Jalen Little-Tinsley, Sammy Jackson, Johncarlo Gulino, Coach Ryland Watts



ROMAN CATHOLIC **JV BASKETBALL** 2022–2023 ROSTER

Head Coach: Manny Taylor Assistants Coaches: Ryland Watts, Trevaughn Wilkerson Manager: Terrance Reese 5'9" Sophomore

ELIJAH GUTIERREZ



Guard Class: 2024 Height: 5'7"



Guard Class: 2024 Height: 6'1"



JOHN CARLO





Guard Class: 2025 Height: 5'8"





SABASTIAN EDWARDS



JUSTIN EZEUKWU



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Guard
Class: 202

Class: 2025 Height: 6'2"

ROBERT SPRUILL



5 Guard

Class: 2025 Height: 6'2"



SAMMY JACKSON



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Guard Class: 2026 Height: 6'5"





ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN BASKETBALL



Back Row (Left to Right):

Jerome Tannanbet, Shaun McCormac, Aiden Blango, Mekhi Dawson, Mekhi Martin, Nathan Farrior, Brady Helm

Front Row (Left to Right):

Coach Jim Parrella, Amir Dominic, Emmanuel Parrilla, Ryan Torres, Brion Bennet, Khalil Hudgins, Gus McNicholas, Coach Mike Flood Jr.

Missing: Patrick DeStephanis



ROMAN CATHOLIC FRESHMAN BASKETBALL 2022–2023 ROSTER

Head Coach: Jim Parrella '81 Assistants Coach: Mike Flood Jr. '20 Managers: Ethan Flood, Javcob Moore, Nigel Lambert Scorebook: Tom McKenna

AIDEN BLANGO



Guard

Class: 2026 Height: 5'10"



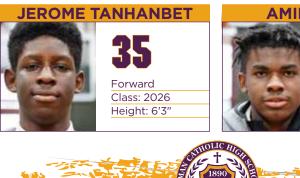


Guard Class: 2026 Height: 6'2"



Height: 5'8"

NATHAN FARRIOR Guard Class: 2026 Height: 6'10"



AMIR DOMINIC









Guard Class: 2026 Height: 5'5"



Guard

Class: 2026 Height: 5'3"





Height: 5'7"







Forward Class: 2026 Height: 6'1"

BRADY HELM





Guard Class: 2026 Height: 6'0"



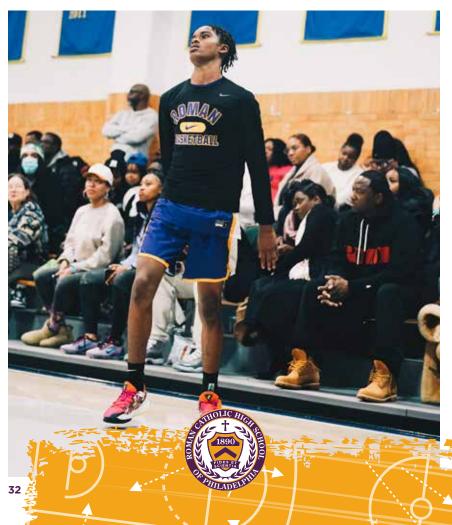
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ROMAN CATHOLIC MARKWARD AWARD WINNERS

1963	Chuck Storm
1970	Jim O' Brien*
1973	Jim "Chico" Singleton*
1975	Zane Major*
1978	Reggie Jackson*
1980	Lonnie McFarlan*
1981	Randy Monroe
1982	Dallas Comegys*
1985	Mark Stevenson
1991	Bernard Jones
1993	Marc Jackson

1995	Lari Ketner
1996	Donnie Carr*
1998	Rasual Butler
2000	Eddie Griffin*
2001	Tamal Forchion*
2004	Charron Fisher
2006	Mike Ringgold
2008	Maalik Wayns
2019	Hakim Hart*
2022	Daniel Skillings*

*denotes Overall Player of The Year







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The DeStephanis Family would like to congratulate

PATRICK #20

for his selection to the 2022-23 Freshman Basketball Team Good Luck this season!

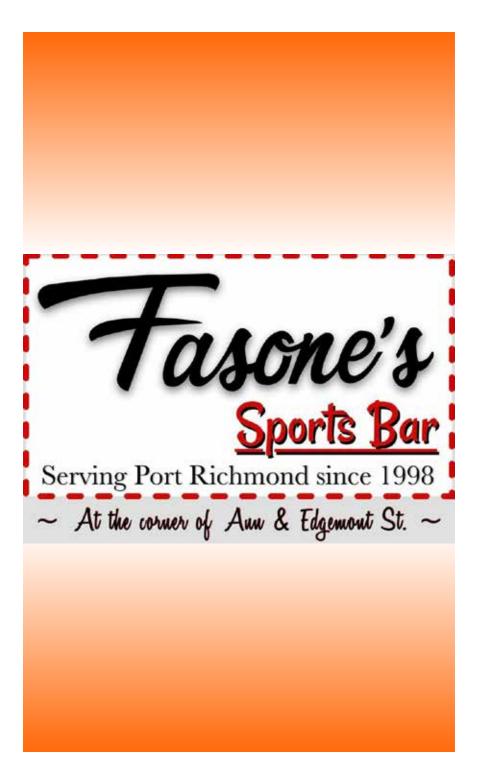














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We are so proud of you for making the Freshman Basketball team. Your commitment, dedication, and determination never wavered. We want you to know how wonderful of a son you are and how grateful we are to be your parents. You can do any and everything you put your mind to; don't let anyone tell you differently. Work hard and play harder. You are what it means to be a student-athlete.

Education is a very important process in this thing called life, don't ever take that lightly. The late great Kobe Bryant once said "No matter how difficult the challenge is, always stay positive and believe in yourself". In life, you will face challenges, big and small and you will have to make hard decisions. We encourage you to look to God for guidance for that's where our help comes from.

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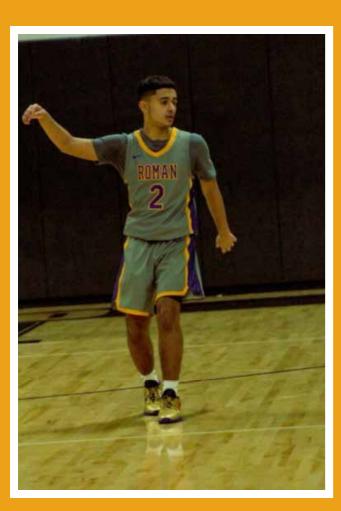
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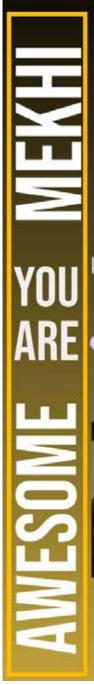


Ryan Torres, Class of 2026

We are so proud of your intelligence and the thoughtful way you make decisions. I'm proud of your determination, your character, and the way you persevere. I'm proud of the kindness and respect you show others and of their admiration in return. You've grown into the amazing young man I dreamed you'd become.

Always remember "Its what you learn, after you know it all, that counts"-John Wooden.

"If you can dream it, you can do it!"



"The road to success is always under construction. Never give up on your dreams!"

"The only place success comes before work is in the dictionary."

Keep these things in mind as you go get what's yours, and know in the process we love and support you!!

Aunts Dawn, DeLana, Ikysha, Kareema, Natasha, & Trina







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Believe in yourself and your abilities out on the court. Me'hki, continue to be the awesome, talented, laid back young man that you are. Dreams do come true. Amazing things will continue to happen for you! Just believe, we certainly do! Best wishes!

Love Aunt Queedles, Kamster, and Ms.Karen





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We love you and are super proud of what you have accomplished so far. Keep up the good work and continue to work hard in everything that you do.

Love, Shakiera, Mike, Mikey and Mason Proud to support the Roman Catholic's Purple & Gold Basketball Program. Best of luck to our grandson, Shaun McCormac, #0 on the Freshman Team. Looking forward to a terrific season. Go Roman!

The Donatelli and McCormac Families



Good Luck to the 2022–2023 Roman Basketball Team Lead us to a Championship!

Ms. Renee & Ms. Canavan

A Vision of Promise

While Roman Catholic High School has a great and storied history, preparing young men for the future is our primary goal. After years of thoughtful planning, with the engagement and support of students, alumni, trustees, and the Board of Advisors, Roman has embarked on a transformational campaign to provide programs and facilities that will enable our students to actualize their potential as lifelong learners and leaders, equipped to make a difference in the world. The Campaign is entitled: A Vision of Promise (VOP). This Master Plan promotes a campus expansion that will proceed in four phases:

Phase 1 - Howard Center for the Arts (Completed and opened in Sept. 2018)



- The Howard Center facilities include:
- Computer-aided Design (CAD) Lab
- Kiln Room
- Digital Media Studio
- Band Room
- Black Box Theatre

Phase 2 – STEM Center



- Will contain innovative classrooms dedicated to the study of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)
- New biology, chemistry, and physics laboratories
- Active learning classroom to connect Roman students with other students around the world
- Space for expanded dining hall and updated kitchen

Phase 3 - The Field House



- 1,200-seat athletic facility
- Suspended indoor track
- Locker rooms
- Athletic trainer area
- Space for vital school programs such as assemblies, social events, and ceremonies

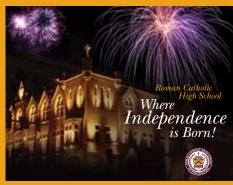
Phase 4 - The 1890 Building Reimagined



- Present gym space will be repurposed into an auditorium
- The remainder of the gym area will be transformed into a chapel

If interested in contributing to the "Vision of Promise" campaign please contact John Prendergast, '08, Executive Director of Mission Advancement, JPrendergast@RomanCatholicHS.com, 215.627.5487, Ext. 204.

Know of a young man in 7th or 8th grade that may be interested in attending RCHS?



Visit RomanCatholicHS.com/Admissions to read and review our viewbook

2023 Admissions Events

7th Grade Practice Test Saturday, April 1, 2023

Spring Open House Sunday, March 26, 2023, 11:00am to 1:00pm

Scholarship Preparatory Summer Program Monday, August 7, 2023 to Friday, August 18, 2023

"Roman Catholic High School offers an abundance of opportunities for students to reach success. The Roman teachers challenge me to be the best student I can be each and every day. Roman helped me become a man who values effort, diligence, and respect."

Mike '23, travels 5.6 miles to Roman Catholic



For information on private tours and the admissions process, please have them contact: Mr. Joe Trinacria '08 Director of Admissions & Communication 215-627-1270 ext. 110, JTrinacria@RomanCatholicHS.com



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