From the Office of Alumni Relations

The Trinity

A Newsletter for Alumni, Parents and Friends of
Berks Catholic, Central Catholic and Holy Name High Schools

Winter 2024 Edition

Season's Greetings from Berks Catholic!

As we approach the end of another remarkable year, we want to take a moment to reflect on the many blessings we share as a vibrant community of Berks Catholic alumni, friends, faculty, and students. The spirit of unity, service, and faith that defines our school continues to shine brightly, and it's all thanks to your unwavering support.

This holiday season, we are filled with gratitude for the lasting connections we've built over the years. Whether you're near or far, your commitment to Berks Catholic helps us continue our mission of fostering excellence in education and living out the values of our Catholic faith. As we gather with loved ones and look forward to a new year, we pray for peace, joy, and blessings for each of you. May the coming year bring renewed hope and abundant success.

Thank you for being a vital part of the Berks Catholic family. We are excited for all that the future holds and are blessed to have you alongside us on this journey. The Power of WE!

Best Wishes for a wonderful holiday season,
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What's New?



2024-25 Annual Fund

The 2024-25 Annual Fund kicked off on November 1st with our "Give Like A Saint Day" and runs to June 30, 2025. If you still need to make your donation, look for a letter in your mailbox or donate online by clicking the logo below.

GIVE TO Saints BERKS CATHOLIC



Deliveries will arrive the week before Christmas.

Visit the Alumni - Legacy Apparel Store section of the Berks Catholic website or click on the button below.

ORDER HERE

Say What Sunday!

We'd love to hear what you have to say about Berks Catholic.
Please scan the QR code or click the link below.



Say What Sunday Submissions



Calling all Alumni with Memorabilia!

This year, Berks Catholic has been chosen to host the 50th annual Diocesan Music Festival! We are in search of photos of memorabilia and alumni from past festivals from Central Catholic, Holy Name and Berks Catholic to highlight at the event. If you would like to share your Diocesan Music Festival memories, please submit them to our form!

Submit Photos Here

EVENTS



RSVP HERE


Saints
BERKS CATHOLIC
Berks Catholic
ANNUAL
Christmas
MOVIE NIGHT
Get your Christmas shopping done...
Or your wrapping...
Or simply take a break before the busy holiday season.
We will watch your Future Saints!
December 19th
6-8pm

RSVP HERE

REUNION NEWS

Class Reunions and Gatherings

From casual meet-ups to elaborate events, class reunions provide a unique opportunity to see how everyone has been doing and to rekindle old friendships, all while sharing laughter and stories from the past. Below are a few reunions that have occurred recently.



Central Catholic
Class of 1959
at the Berkshire
Country Club

Central Catholic
Class of 1969
at Anthony's
Trattoria





Holy Name

Class of 1974
in the McGlinn
Commons at Berks
Catholic

Central Catholic

Class of 1974
in the
McGlinn
Commons at
Berks Catholic





Central Catholic

Class of 1994
at Chatty Monks

Upcoming Reunions

Holy Name Class of 1999 - **25th Reunion** - Saturday, November 30, 2024 at the Lincoln Park Fire Company from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. For more information, contact Sarah Hess at shess@berkscatholic.org.

Central Catholic Class of 2004 - **20th Reunion** - Saturday, November 30, 2024 at Uncorked - 622 Penn Ave, West Reading from 4-6pm. Join our FACEBOOK group, Reading Central Catholic Class of 2004 Reunion page. For more information, contact Dillon Eppenstein at dillon.eppenstein@gmail.com.

Holy Name Class of 2004 - **20th Reunion** - **POSTPONED** until spring/summer. For more information, contact Victoria (Schifalacqua) Kramer at vschif@gmail.com

Berks Catholic Class of 2014 - **10th Reunion** - Saturday, November 30, 2024 at at Schaylor Brewing from 6-11pm. Contact Alec Kostival at ajkostival@gmail.com for more information.

Berks Catholic Class of 2019 - **5th Reunion** - Friday, November 29, 2024 at Berks Catholic in the McGlinn Commons from 5-8pm. Contact Sarah Hess at shess@berkscatholic.org for more information.

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 Sarah Hess at 610-374-8361 ext 231 or shess@berkscatholic.org.

Alumni Highlights

To submit an alumni highlight, click here for our form.



Dr. Londyn Witmer

BC 2017

graduated from Palmer College of Chiropractic in October 2024 with her Doctor of Chiropractic degree. She is working at Exuberance Chiropractic and Wellness Center in Minnesota.

Alex Hartline

CC 2009

has been promoted to Bellevue Hospital's ACT team Social Work Supervisor.





Sam Calabria

HN 1999

received the Francis "Fran" Drexler Public Safety Award for his ongoing commitment to providing law enforcement services that prevent, combat and intervene in drug and alcohol related events.

Additional Alumni Highlights:

Christopher Kochel (BC 2021) attended the Culinary Institute of America and is now the Head Chef at State Hill Cocktails and Kitchen in Wyomissing, PA.

Rev. Amy Matthews (HN 1991) was ordained as an interfaith minister after a two year program with One Spirit Interfaith Seminary in NYC.

Fay Moser (BC 2021) is a senior leader on the Loyola Women's Swimming Team.

Mark Yost (HN 2008) was inducted into the Albright College 2024 Athletic Hall of Fame on September 28. He and his wife live in Colorado and celebrated the arrival of their first child.

Lauren (Reddy) Urban (HN 2006) was named the 2024 BCIAA Girls Tennis Coach of the Year. She led her team to the District 3 Class 2A team title and the BCIAA team championship.

Carlos Diaz (HN 2002) retired as a Master Sergeant from the Army after 22 years of service.

Mario Vicari (HN 1979) was inducted into the DeSales Athletic Hall of Fame on September 20, 2024.



Engagements:

Michael Reedy (HN 2004) to Fiorella Lazaro
Diana Tran (BC 2017) to Zack Fick
Tyler "Gehrig" Vogel (BC 2017) to Polly Prout
Mariselle Parisi (BC 2013) to Timothy Kiedeisch
Taylor Hafer (BC 2016) to Anthony Merendino *(see photo)*
Sawyer Butto (BC 2012) to Gregory Rouse

Marriages:

Bri Amato to Tyler Parisi (HN 2009)
Teressa Schuetz (BC 2012) to Luke Wenger
Samantha Benedick to Jabari Carter (HN 1995)
Olivia Zdradzinski (BC 2016) to Timothy Rosenhoover (BC 2016) *(see photo)*
Nara Hoerner (BC 2019) to Peyton Vostenak
Courtney Wensel (BC 2015) to Alex Palescandolo





Birth Announcements:

A daughter, Jordan Elizabeth, to Brittany (Pacella) (HN 2005) and Joffrey Reynolds
A son, Luke Ryan, to MaryKate (Katzenmoyer) (CC 2008) and Michael Lloyd
A daughter, Goldie to McCalee and Marcus Leaf (BC 2012)
A daughter, Sloane Madison, to Kelsey (Little) (HN 2010) and Erik Johansson
A daughter, Mildred Ruth, to Adrian (Schaeffer) (HN 2003) and Joe Traficanti
A son, Kameron Harry, to Allyson (Menzies) (HN 2002) and Amir Bahremand
A son, Ellison John, to Kayla and Mark Yost (HN 2008)
A daughter, Willow Lee, to Carolyn and Mark Spezialetti (HN 2008)

Did we miss you or someone you know?

Stories about alumni as well as reunion announcements and pictures for the Trinity come from alumni and friends like you. If you would like to include any information in the next newsletter or share a contact for a friend or family member, please click HERE and tell us about it.

Save the Date!

Saturday, December 7 -	Santa with the Saints
Thursday, December 19 -	BC Annual Partner School Christmas Movie Night

2025

Monday, January 27 -	Make a Joyful Noise Competition
Friday, February 28 -	Spring Musical - Cinderella (7:00pm)
Saturday, March 1 -	Spring Musical - Cinderella (2:00pm)
Friday, April 11 -	Alumni Networking Event at Mimmo's