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BASKETBALL PROGRAM GUIDE



Congratulations on the 25th Anniversary of the 2000 Philadelphia Catholic League Champions 24-7 Overall Record

5 Tyree Wallace	10	5'6"
11 Mike Wild	12	6'3"
15 Brent Welton	11	6'5"
21 Emil Buccilli	12	5'10"
22 Jim Kelly	11	5'9"
23 Joe McCourt	11	6'1"
24 Tim Mahon	12	5'10"
31 Marques Gantt	11	6'10"
32 John Huggins	11	6'2"
33 Eddie Griffin	12	6'9"
44 Tamal Forchion	11	6'6"
52 Scott Paxson	11	6'4"
55 David Levetter	12	6'6"

Athletic Director: Dave Falcione

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10 Kenyatta Bey	12	5'9"
11 Mike Wild	11	6'3"
13 Anthony Miller	11	5'10"
15 Brent Welton	10	6'4"
21 Gianpaolo Giampaolo	11	6'3"
22 Jim Kelly	10	5'9"
23 Joe McCourt	10	6'0"
24 Tim Hogan	12	6'0"
32 John Huggins	10	6'1"
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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 Catholic High. In the 135 years since that time, Roman Basketball has observed a growing reputation – regularly featured in national rankings and 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 court. 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,

John A. Prendergast

John A. Prendergast '08

President

Roman Catholic High School



DEAR FANS OF ROMAN BASKETBALL



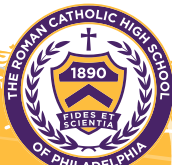
I am really excited for the 2024-2025 season! It should be another exciting year of basketball at Broad & Vine. We have a great group of seniors this year in CJ Miller, Sebastian Edwards, and Shareef Jackson who we'll lean on to represent the program well. We want to thank all our alumni, families and 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 2024-2025 STAFF

President	Mr. John Prendergast
Principal	Mr. John Curry
Athletic Director	Mr. Brian Haas
Head Coach	Chris McNesby
Assistants	Bill Goebig, Kyle Bernard, Brad Wanamaker
Junior Varsity	Brad Wanamaker, David Polisano, Gabe Perez
Freshman	Jim Parrella, Michael Flood
Basketball Operations	Dennis Seddon, Mike Griffenberg
Strength and Conditioning	Joey Ferrero
Trainer	Ken Eaves
Announcer	Dan Hoban
Managers	Xavier Brown, Patrick Mangold
Nickname	Cahillites
Mascot	Roman Gladiator
School Colors	Purple and Gold



IN MEMORIAM

Roman Catholic Basketball and the Philadelphia basketball community lost a legend on November 1st.

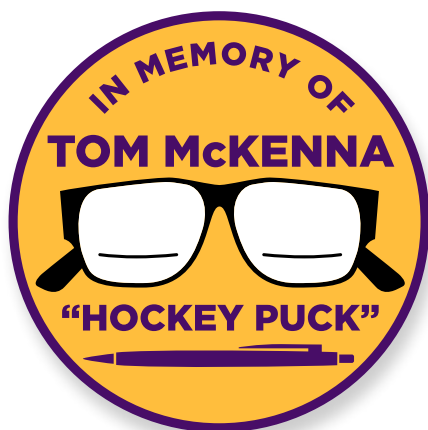
Tom McKenna, who was known by many as “Hock” or “Puck,” served as a statistician and videographer for Roman Catholic Basketball for almost four decades. Tom was also recognized as one of the best stat men in the business, as he also worked for legendary Philadelphia Daily News high school reporter Ted Silary for decades as well.

“Hock” would be present at any big game in the area, whether it be at Roman, the Big Five, the Narberth League, or a future PCL opponent.

Loved and respected by players and coaches across the area, Tom would always call a college coach for any player regardless of uniform if it would help a high school player earn a scholarship. Tom had a huge heart, and our hearts at Roman Basketball are broken by his passing. The Cahillites will be wearing special patches to honor Tom, beautifully designed by Gene Burns '81 – complete with his trademark biofocals and a pen.

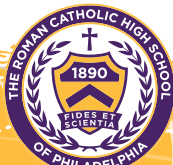


The Roman Catholic Basketball family dedicates this season in memory of our good friend and staff member Tom “Hockey Puck” McKenna.



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
Dallas Comegys	DePaul, San Antonio Spurs
Charron Fisher	Niagara
Tamal Forchion	George Washington
John Griffin	Head Coach-St. Joseph's
Eddie Griffin	Seton Hall, Minnesota Timberwolves
Marvin Harrison	Syracuse, Indianapolis Colts, NFL Hall of Fame
John Huggins	American International, Asst. Coach-Wood
Reggie Jackson	Maryland
Marc Jackson	Temple, Philadelphia 76'ers
Bernard Jones	St. Joseph's
RC Kehoe	East Stroudsburg
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 Stroudsburg, 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	Temple
John Siorek	Drexel
Matt Guokas Sr	St. Joseph's, Philadelphia Warriors
Chuck Storm	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
Rob Lawton	Millersville
Michael Watson	Mt. St. Mary's



RCHS PLAYER'S NAME	COLLEGE/POST-COLLEGE CAREER
Rob Williams	Marist
Lari Ketner	Univ. of Mass., Indiana Pacers
Brent Welton	Philadelphia University
Rockeed McCarter	James Madison
Brad Wanamaker	Pitt, Washington Wizards, Asst.-Roman
Brian Wanamaker	Head Coach-Texas Wesleyan
Mike Ringgold	Rider
Malik Perry	Ball State
Courtney Stanley	Loyola-Chicago
Will Kirkland	Shippensburg
Wes Kirkland	Shippensburg
Lonnie Perry	Lock Haven
Mike Wild	Holy Family, Asst. Coach-Holy Family
Maalik Wayns	Villanova, LA Clippers
Rahkeem Brookins	Siena
Kevin Regan	Merrimac
Fortunat "Junior" Kangudi	Rider
Koron Reed	Hampton
Anthony Mayo	Stony Brook
Shep Garner	Penn State
Rashaan London	North Carolina Central
Matt Simon	Immaculata
Gemil Holbrook	Lincoln
Manny Taylor	Rutgers
TreVaughn Wilkerson	Hartford
Tony Carr	Penn State, New Orleans Pelicans
Lamar Stevens	Penn State, Detroit Pistons
Nazeer Bostick	St. Peter's
Paul Newman	Bucknell
Da'Quan Davis	Albany
Colin Flach	Chestnut Hill
Allen Betrand	Norfolk State
John Kelly	Juniata
Seth Lundy	Penn State, Atlanta Hawks
Hakim Hart	Villanova
Gabe Perez	Mansfield
Lynn Greer III	Temple
Nasir Lett	Lincoln
John Flood	Immaculata
Daniel Skillings	Cincinnati
Khalil Farmer	Hofstra
Xzayvier Brown	St. Joseph's
Anthony Finkley	St. Joseph's
Eric Oliver Bush	St. Anselm
Jermai Stewart-Herring	Grayson
Kabe Goss	Montclair State
Hunter Johnson	Allen
Robert Cottrell	Alvernia
Travis Reed	Chestnut Hill



ALL-OPPONENT TEAM

OPPONENT NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE/PRO
Jason Kidd	St. Joseph's (CA)	California
Rasheed Wallace	Simon Gratz	North Carolina
Joe Smith	Mauzy (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
Jerrold 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



OPPONENT NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE/PRO
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
Sharife Cooper	McEachern	Auburn
Derrick Jones	Archbishop Carroll	UNLV
Luca Garza	Maret School	Iowa
Hunter Dickinson	DeMatha	Kansas
Justin Moore	DeMatha	Villanova
Rahsool Diggins	Archbishop Wood	Connecticut
DJ Wagner	Camden	Kentucky
Justin Edwards	Imhotep	Kentucky
Karter Knox	Tampa Catholic	Arkansas
Jalil Bethea	Archbishop Wood	Miami
Thomas Sorber	Archbishop Ryan	Georgetown
Nick Coval	Parkland	Davidson



CAHILLITES CAREER 1,000 POINT CLUB

As of 1/10/25

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
Xzayvier Brown '23	1,226
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
Shareef Jackson	Still playing



CAHILLITES ALUMNI CURRENTLY PLAYING NCAA COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Louie Wild '19	Bloomberg University
Lynn Greer III '20	Temple University
Kyle Maska '20	Gwyned-Mercy
John Flood '21	Immaculata University
Dan Skillings '22	University of Cincinnati
Khalil Farmer '22	Hofstra University
Xzavier Brown '23	St. Joseph's University
Anthony Finkley '23	St. Joseph's University
Eric Oliver-Bush '23	St. Anselm College
Robert Cottrell '24	Alvernia University
Hunter Johnson '24	Allen University
Travis Reed '24	Chestnut Hill College
Kabe Goss '24	Montclair State University
Jermai Stewart-Herring '23	Grayson College

CAHILLITES ALUMNI PLAYING PROFESSIONAL BASKETBALL

Lamar Stevens '16	NBA-Detroit Pistons
Seth Lundy '19	NBA-Atlanta Hawks
Tony Carr '16	Bharain
Da'Kquan Davis '20	Ireland
Hakim Hart Jr. '19	Finland
Allen Betrand '18	Mexico



THIS IS ROMAN CATHOLIC BASKETBALL



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 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.



Dr. James Naismith

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 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



Billy Markward and 1902-03 Basketball Team



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 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



1969 PCL Championship Team with Coach Morris (far right)

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.

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





Dennis Seddon

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.

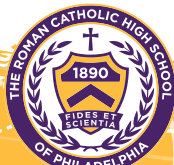
Chris McNesby, one of Seddon's former point guards, lead Roman Catholic Basketball into the PIAA era of Catholic League Basketball from 2009 through 2016. The 2014-2015 season was one of Roman Catholic's all-time finest, as the Cahillites compiled a 29-2 overall record. In doing so, Roman received a 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 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.



Chris McNesby

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."





Matt Griffin

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 at Bucknell 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. In his first season back patrolling the sidelines, McNesby's team finished first in the PCL regular season and reached the semi-finals at the Palestra. The team then ran off a six-game 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.

The 2022-23 season brought another magical run with an overall 27-4 record, a Beach Ball Classic title, and the program's record 33rd Catholic League Championship at a packed Palestra. The Cahillites roared back from a seven-point deficit with under one minute left against rival powerhouse Neumann-Goretti to force overtime. Senior point guard Xzavier Brown, the Markward Club's PCL Player of the Year, forced the extra session by nailing a twenty-five foot three point shot at the buzzer to send the Roman faithful into a frenzy and the NG side into a stunned silence. Even though the arena holds 9,000 people, many more than the actual attendance will say for decades that they witnessed "the shot."

Not to be outdone, the 2023-24 Cahillites, led by All-State and All-Catholic junior Shareef Jackson, embarked on a 26-3 season that saw the Purple and Gold have an undefeated record well into the PCL season. The playoffs saw Coach McNesby's troops complete a "revenge tour" on the two teams that defeated Roman in the regular season. With Roman fans fondly remembering the heart-stopping title win a year ago, Roman Catholic's 34th PCL crown came in a thrilling buzzer-beater by senior point guard Kabe Goss, who drained a fifteen-foot high arcing jumper over Ryan's Thomas Sorber as the clock ran out. In the span of six seconds, everyone wearing purple in the hallowed Palestra went from the agony of defeat to the unrivaled thrill of victory. Only minutes after the Cahillites players cut down the nets, the entire final sequence of the overtime was featured nation-wide by ESPN's Sportscenter in anchor Scott VanPelt's Best Things I Saw Today. The game winning sequence will be replayed forever in the hearts and minds of Roman fans.

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 2024-25 SCHEDULES



Varsity Schedule 2024-2025

Day	Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Sat.	Dec. 7	TBA	Sanford	PYB-6th Man Cntr
Fri.-Sun.	Dec. 13	2:30 pm	Gonzaga DC Classic (3 Games)	Washington DC
Sat.	Dec. 21	2:00 pm	St. Peter's Prep	PYB-6th Man Cntr
Fri.	Dec. 27		Junior Orange Bowl	Miami, FL
Sun.	Dec. 29		Junior Orange Bowl	Miami, FL
Mon.	Dec. 30		Junior Orange Bowl	Miami, FL
Fri.	Jan. 3	7:00 pm	Archbishop Carroll	Archbishop Carroll
Sun.	Jan. 5	2:30 pm	Lansdale	Holy Family
Wed.	Jan. 8	7:00 pm	St Joe Prep	Bensalem High School
Fri.	Jan. 10	7:00 pm	West Catholic	Holy Family University
Sat.	Jan. 11	3:30 pm	Newark Arts	Iverson Classic
Fri.	Jan. 17	7:00 pm	Neumann Goretti	Drexel
Sun.	Jan. 19	2:30 pm	Bonner-Prendie	Holy Family
Thu.	Jan. 23	7:00 pm	Judge	Jefferson University
Sun.	Jan. 26	2:30 pm	Devon Prep	Holy Family
Wed.	Jan. 29	7:00 pm	Wood	Wood
Fri.	Jan. 31	7:00 pm	Conwell Egan	C-E
Mon.	Feb. 3	7:00 pm	La Salle	La Salle
Fri.	Feb. 7	7:00 pm	Cardinal O'Hara	O'Hara
Sun.	Feb. 9	TBA	Archbishop Ryan	Holy Family



Junior Varsity Schedule 2024-2025

Day	Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Thu.	Dec. 5	5:30 pm	Bensalem High School	Bensalem High School
Mon.	Dec. 9	5:30 pm	Archbishop Wood	Roman Catholic
Tue.	Dec. 10	5:30 am	Father Judge	Father Judge
Wed.	Dec. 18	5:30 pm	Archbishop Ryan	Archbishop Ryan
Sun.	Dec. 22	3:30 pm	Conwell Egan	Roman Catholic
Mon.	Dec. 30	1:00 pm	La Salle High School	Roman Catholic
Fri.	Jan. 3	5:30 pm	Archbishop Carroll	Archbishop Carroll
Sun.	Jan. 5	5:30 pm	Lansdale Catholic	Holy Family University
Wed.	Jan. 8	5:30 pm	St. Joseph's Prep	PYB 6th Man Center
Fri.	Jan. 10	5:30 pm	West Catholic	Holy Family University
Tue.	Jan. 14	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's Prep	Roman Catholic
Fri.	Jan. 17	5:30 pm	Neumann Goretti	Drexel University
Mon.	Jan. 20	5:30 pm	Holy Ghost	Holy Ghost Prep
Thu.	Jan. 23	5:30 pm	Father Judge	Jefferson University
Sat.	Jan. 25	TBA	Monsignor Bonner	Roman Catholic
Sun.	Jan. 26	1:00 pm	Devon Prep	Holy Family University
Wed.	Jan. 29	5:30 pm	Archbishop Wood	Archbishop Wood
Fri.	Jan. 31	5:30 pm	Conwell Egan	Conwell Egan
Mon.	Feb. 3	5:15 pm	La Salle High School	La Salle
Fri.	Feb. 7	5:15 pm	Cardinal O'Hara	Cardinal O'Hara
Sun.	Feb. 9	1:00 pm	Archbishop Ryan	Holy Family University

Freshman Schedule 2023-2025

Day	Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Thu.	Dec. 5	4:00 PM	Bensalem High School	Bensalem High School
Mon.	Dec. 9	4:00 PM	Archbishop Wood	Roman Catholic
Tue.	Dec. 10	7:00 PM	Father Judge	Father Judge
Thu.	Dec. 12	5:30 PM	Haverford School	Roman Catholic
Mon.	Dec. 16	3:30 PM	Wissahickon High School	Wissahickon High School
Tue.	Dec. 17	4:00 PM	Haverford School	Haverford School
Wed.	Dec. 19	4:30 PM	Archbishop Ryan	Archbishop Ryan
Sun.	Dec. 22	5:00 PM	Conwell-Egan	Roman Catholic
Mon.	Dec. 30	2:30 PM	La Salle High School	Roman Catholic
Sat.	Jan. 4	3:30 PM	Cardinal O'Hara	Roman Catholic
Mon.	Jan. 6	4:00 PM	Lansdale Catholic	Lansdale Catholic
Tue.	Jan. 14	4:30 PM	St Joe's Prep	Roman Catholic
Fri.	Jan. 17	3:30 PM	St Joe's Prep	St. Joe's Prep
Mon.	Jan. 20	4:00 PM	Holy Ghost	Holy Ghost
Fri.	Jan. 24	4:00 PM	Father Judge	Father Judge
Sat.	Jan. 25	TBA	Monsignor Bonner	Roman Catholic
Mon.	Jan. 27	4:00 PM	Devon Prep	Devon Prep
Wed.	Jan. 29	4:00 PM	Archbishop Wood	Archbishop Wood
Fri.	Jan. 31	4:00 PM	Conwell Egan	Conwell Egan
Mon.	Feb. 3	3:45 PM	La Salle	La Salle
Fri.	Feb. 7	3:45 PM	Cardinal O'Hara	Cardinal O'Hara
Mon.	Feb. 10	3:45 PM	Archbishop Ryan	Archbishop Ryan



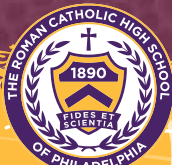
ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BASKETBALL



Back Row Left to Right: Semaj Robinson, Doo Carr, CJ Miller, Shareef Jackson, Sammy Jackson, Judah Sterling

Front Row Left to Right: Elijah Guer, Dwayne Ruffin, Sebastian Edwards, Tyler Sutton, Brad Wanamaker

Managers: Xavier Brown and Pat Mangold (Both not in picture)





ROMAN CATHOLIC VARSITY BASKETBALL 2024-25 ROSTER

Head Coach: Chris McNesby

Assistants Coaches: Bill Goebig, Kyle Bernard, Brad Wanamaker, Dave Polisano, Dennis Seddon, Mike Griffenberg, Joe Ferraro

Managers: Xavier Brown

SHAREEF JACKSON



44

Forward
Senior
Height: 6'8"

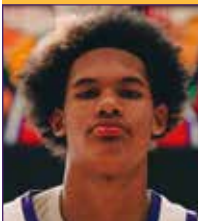
SEBASTIAN EDWARDS



4

Guard
Senior
Height: 6'2"

CJ MILLER



14

Forward
Senior
Height: 6'5"

SAMMY JACKSON



1

Guard
Junior
Height: 6'7"

SEMAJ ROBINSON



5

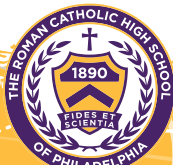
Guard
Junior
Height: 5'9"

TYLER SUTTON



3

Guard
Sophomore
Height: 6'2"



ELIJAH GUER



2

Guard
Sophomore
Height: 6'2"

DOO CARR



10

Guard
Sophomore
Height: 5'11"

JUDAH STERLING



15

Guard
Sophomore
Height: 6'4"

WAYNE RUFFIN



0

Guard
Freshman
Height: 5'8"

BRAD WANNAMAKER



24

Guard
Freshman
Height: 6'2"



ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL JV BASKETBALL



Left to Right: Derek Carr, Adrian Alberto, Elijah Valentine, Orji Osinakachukuu, Tre Scipio, Chase Booker, Patrick DeStephanis, Isaiah Villefranche, Judah Sterling, Gus McNicholas, Brad Wanamaker, Markus McFarlane, Eric Murphy






ROMAN CATHOLIC JV BASKETBALL 2024-25 ROSTER

Head Coach: Brad Wanamaker
Assistants Coaches: David Polisano, Gabe Perez
Managers: Pat Mangold

DOO CARR



35

Guard
2027
Height: 6'0"

BRAD WANAMAKER



1

Guard
2028
Height: 6'3"

JUDAH STERLING



30

Forward
2027
Height: 6'4"

GABE MEDLEY



5

Forward
2027
Height: 6'2"


CHASE BOOKER



11

Guard
2027
Height: 5'10"

ADRIAN ALBERTO



24

Guard
2027
Height: 5'11"



TRE SCPIO



0

Guard
2027
Height: 5'11"

ERIK MURPHY



15

Guard
2027
Height: 6'0"

ORJI OSINAKACHUKUU



2

Forward
2027
Height: 6'2"

MARCUS MCFARLANE



4

Guard
2027
Height: 6'0"

GUS McNICHOLAS



14

Guard
2026
Height: 5'8"

PAT DeSTEPHANIS



3

Guard
2026
Height: 6'0"

ISAIAH VILLEFRANCHE



12

Guard
2027
Height: 5'9"

ELIJAH VALENTINE



44

Forward
2027
Height: 5'11"



ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN BASKETBALL



Left to Right: Coach Flood, Shane Hubert, Naru Tennant, Steve Kelly, Jesus Martinez, Saleem McNeal, Ethan Jackson, Anthony German, Michael O'Connell, Zakhi Anderson, Lucas Jordan, Savion Dowling, Christian Mazza, Gabriel Fox, Coach Parrella





ROMAN CATHOLIC FRESHMAN BASKETBALL 2024-25 ROSTER

Coaches: Jim Parrella, Mike Flood
Managers: Tommy Murray, Micah Cole Jones

SALEEM MCNEAL



0

Guard
Height: 5'5"

ZAKHI ANDERSON



1

Guard
Height: 5'9"

NEHRU TENNANT



2

Guard
Height: 6'0"

SAVION DOWLING



3

Guard
Height: 5'10"

ANTHONY GERMAN



4

Guard
Height: 5'5"

ETHAN JACKSON



5

Point Guard
Height: 5'10"



JESUS MARTINEZ



10

Forward
Height: 5'10"

LUCAS JORDAN



11

Forward
Height: 5'10"

CHRISTIAN MAZZA



12

Forward
Height: 6'1"

STEVE KELLY



14

Forward
Height: 6'1"

MICHAEL O'CONNELL



15

Forward
Height: 5'10"

SHANE HUBERT



20

Guard
Height: 6'0"

GABRIEL FOX



32

Forward
Height: 6'4"



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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
2009 - Maalik Wayns*
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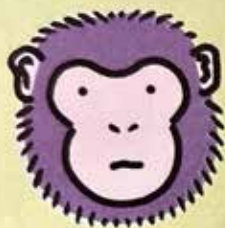
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Bam, Pop, Nanny, and Pappy



**Good Luck
#5 Ethan Jackson**

**Love Mom Dad
and the entire Family**



Words can't explain how proud we are of you. You set a goal that many people thought was impossible. Not only did you accomplish it, you surpassed it. Your strength and determination are unmatched.- Love Mom & Dad

To my big little brother, I am forever proud of everything you have accomplished. You will be a champion not only at Roman, but in life as well.

Love you to the moon and back.- Bria

To my grandson, I wish you the best in all of your endeavours athletically, academically, and in life going forward.
God's blessings - Grandpa

Congratulations, Sebastian "Sinbad" Edwards. The Thompson family is proud of you. Be strong and jump high.- Uncle Nate, Aunt Shakita, Andrew, & London

My Grandson is the best basketball player.
-Grandma Pam

"Perfection is not attainable. But if we chase perfection, we can catch excellence."

-Vince Lombardi

Congratulations Bash, and keep chasing.

- Uncle Walt

Congratulations Bash, Keep striving for greatness.

-Aunt Tamara & Damien

Sebastian, Life isn't free it is a struggle. But if you are dedicated to something and work hard, you will realize how easy it is to progress. Continue with your dedication to your sport and education and you will reap the fruits of your labor.

-Love Grandma Bev and Aunt Rose



Class of 2025



Sebastian "Bash" Edwards

Congrats
Patrick DeStephanis
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