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BISHOP MANOGUE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Mission Statement

Educating through faith, leadership, knowledge, and compassion.

Philosophy

Bishop Manogue Catholic High School is a faith-based community working together for the education of all students. Catholic values and ideals are the basis for all instruction and interaction. The school community, together with parents, alumni, and benefactors fosters an environment that supports academic achievement, spiritual growth, self-motivation, extra-curricular involvement, and Christian service.





Dear Alumni and Friends of Bishop Manogue,

Another successful school year is coming to a close. While we started 2022-2023 off with an unforeseen flood that affected our academic wing, our staff and students, once again, persevered and bounded forward appreciating that we were able to stay in school. We were darned if another obstacle was going to prevent our students from being in the classroom learning next to their peers.

We are thrilled to announce that as of June 2022, Bishop Manogue is debt-free. This is a wonderfully huge accomplishment for our institution, as it opens the doors to greater opportunities. We have already begun implementing some of these changes and updates which include:

- At the beginning of the school year, and for the first time in the school's history, we welcomed 720 students as the largest student body to go through Bishop Manogue to-date. A waiting list of almost 100 families remained as we used part of this year to strategically plan the ways we can accept even more students for the next school year, which we anticipate growing by another 50+ students and reaching our maximum student capacity.
- A new Robotics program, directed by Dr. Ryan White, has encouraged students to delve into a competitive and more complex learning method.
- Through donor funding, a state-of-the-art project began in the Fall of 2022 to improve a number of Bishop Manogue's outdoor athletic facilities. The project is anticipated to be completed in the Fall of 2023, and we look forward to watching our student-athletes compete on these new fields next year and sharing the complex with our community.
- Once again, I am happy to boast about the number of our teams and student-athletes who have brought home state and regional titles, who made first and second teams, and most importantly, the more than 130 student-athletes who were recognized for academic achievement.

More in-depth information about these programs, projects, and achievements, and how you can support them, can be found in this edition of the Miner Messenger.

Lastly, I am happy to share that last summer Bishop Manogue was asked to take over the operations and daily tasks for the Diocese of Reno Catholic Schools Office, which has given us the opportunity to grow our staff and faculty. Additionally, this shift has allowed for a more cohesive connection among our area's Parochial schools and provides the ability to share educational practices from early childhood education through high school. We are grateful for Bishop Mueggengborg and his decision and support in entrusting us to take on this new and exciting role.

As always, I appreciate your continued support of Bishop Manogue as we continue on this path of positive growth. We look forward to sharing our progress with you and as always, ask for your prayers.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." – Helen Keller

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew J. Schambari". The script is fluid and cursive.

Matthew J. Schambari
President, Bishop Manogue Catholic High School
Bishop's Representative for Catholic Schools

Make. Your. Mark.

Bishop Manogue has always been special to me; it has always been a place I want to be, a place I want to send my children, a place I want to see succeeding far into the future for the generations of Miners to come. It has made me laugh and brought me great joy, made me cry and brought me crazy frustration, and it is still the place I want to be. It is that place for many of us...happy, sad, hurting, wherever we may be in our lives personally, we are always drawn back to Bishop Manogue. We talk about "Miners Making Their Mark," but what about the mark Bishop Manogue has made upon us?



This year has brought us tremendous growth and unexpected challenges (I mean...who thought we would flood week two of school and be back to temporary virtual learning?). Our halls are full, our classrooms are never empty, and our campus doesn't have an off time. The 800 students we dreamed of when we opened this building in 2004 are just about a reality, as we expect to hit nearly 780 next fall. And we continue to make our mark. Kairos is bigger and just as strong as ever, clubs and student-run organizations are growing, athletics are outstanding, and our students' desire to serve the world has returned following COVID. Our academics just so happen to be top-notch as well, with this year's senior class earning more than 16 million dollars in scholarships. We may be growing, but we continue to be the family that draws each of us in, the family that makes its mark.

As we say goodbye to this school year and an amazing senior class we wish we could keep, we are already running toward the 2023-2024 school year (truly...we are at a dead sprint through summer and into day one). With faith and full hearts, we can't wait to see the mark our graduates make and we are excited to bring the Bishop Manogue mark to our new freshmen as we welcome them into our family.

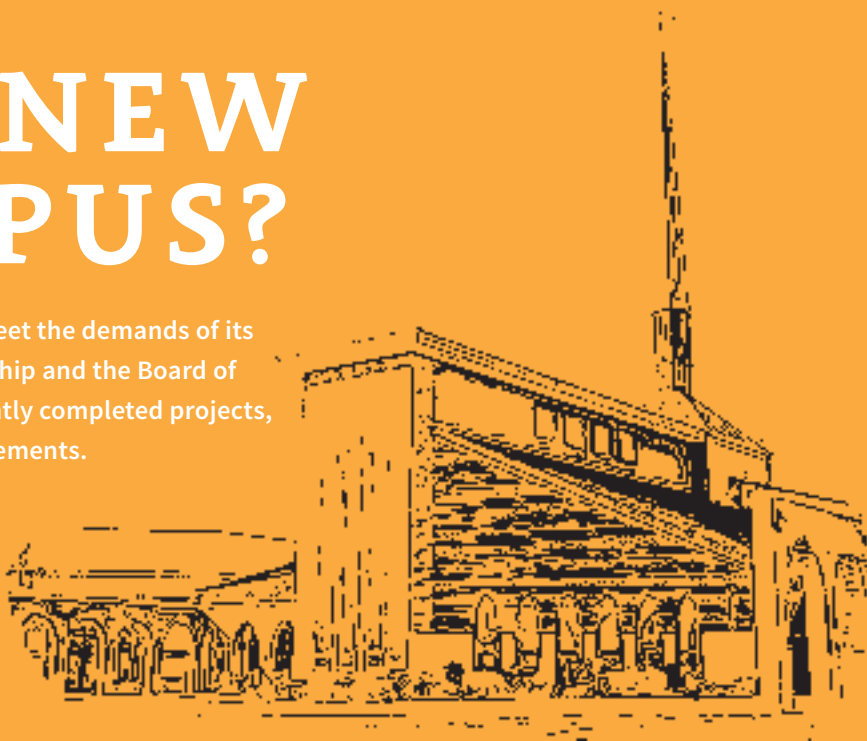
God Bless you, Miners. Go make your mark!

A stylized, cursive handwritten signature in black ink.

Bri Thoreson
Principal, Bishop Manogue Catholic High School

WHAT'S NEW ON CAMPUS?

As Bishop Manogue continues to evolve to meet the demands of its ever-growing student body, School Leadership and the Board of Directors are proud to share a number of recently completed projects, updates, and program enhancements.



FRESHMEN ENROLLMENT AT AN ALL-TIME HIGH

At the start of the 2020-2021 school year, Bishop Manogue made the decision to hold on to its overall enrollment numbers to stay in compliance with various CDC restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Enrollment at that time was 632 students. It was also during that time administrators began to see an uptick in interest to attend Bishop Manogue Catholic High School. During the summer of 2020, transfer requests from all

grade levels forced an enrollment waitlist where nearly 30 families were hopeful to be sending their child(ren) to Bishop Manogue for the 2020-2021 school year.

As time went on and COVID-19 restrictions were slowly lifted, Bishop Manogue was able to increase the enrollment threshold. At the start of the 2021-2022 school year, 669 students (a nearly six percent increase) were accepted and enrolled to attend Bishop Manogue. Even with the increased acceptance, a waitlist of 30 families still existed. Administrators and Board Members began working on innovative ways to be able to increase student enrollment without jeopardizing the school culture and teacher-student ratio, while also following capacity limitations.

All COVID-19 restrictions were removed as Bishop Manogue administrators began preparing for the 2022-2023 school year, allowing them to once again increase enrollment. 720 students were enrolled in the 2022-2023 school year, which was a 14 percent increase from 2020-2021. Still, the waitlist for admission into Bishop Manogue continued to increase and the school was faced with even more families waitlisted.

Bishop Manogue has made big changes throughout campus within the classrooms, facilities, staffing, and administrative offices to accommodate the increased admissions among the student body. The 2023-2024 school year is projected to enroll more than 770 students, another increase from the previous year and almost



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a 22 percent increase overall in the past three years. These vital and necessary changes allow for more space and the remastering of programs to be more inclusive of our new and more diverse student body.

Interest in Bishop Manogue remains extremely high and the waitlist continues to grow. With the current enrollment projections, the 2023-2024 student body will reach full capacity.

Bishop Manogue continues to be at the forefront of education in Washoe County and the surrounding area. In order to continue providing the best high-quality education while keeping up with the steady increase in admission, Bishop Manogue has hired more staff and teachers to ensure the 1:22 teacher-student ratio is being met and continues to strive for smaller class sizes for students.

2022 BELIZE MISSION TRIP

In July 2022, 34 students participated in a mission trip to Belize. The students served in the northern Orange Walk District, working and ministering to the people of San Pablo for four days.



The days consisted of painting and cleaning St. Ramon Catholic Church, clearing a large field so the children can play soccer, and Vacation Bible school with nearly 100 local kids for three hours each day. The students worked hard, made many memories, and most importantly, served others with loving hearts.

The 2023 mission trip is well underway and the Bishop Manogue students are serving in Costa Rica. Students are serving an orphanage in La Fortuna and the school hopes to maintain a long partnership with this orphanage to benefit the children and the surrounding community. Two trips will take place this summer, and more are anticipated for the 2023-2024 school year.

INTEGRATED LEARNING CENTER UPGRADE

Bishop Manogue Catholic High School is honored and excited to share that the ILC (Integrated Learning Center) students have been thriving in their newly renovated space. Generously funded by a grant from The Huelsmann Foundation, the project upgrade was completed in August of 2022.



Project Highlights Include:

- **Furniture Upgrade:** The ILC now has more functional furniture to help students who need both active and collaborative learning spaces. The furniture upgrade features six sit-to-stand whiteboard desks and chairs as well as two, 10-foot power tables to accommodate device charging needs.
- **Technology Upgrades:** The learning space is now equipped with three touch screen televisions to allow the ILC staff to differentiate various presentations to classes, which also accommodates the many students who come from a mix of grade levels. Some presentations are tailored towards grades 9/10, and others are more appropriate for 11/12. This in-room technology provides more meaningful presentations for all ILC students throughout the year. A new scanner and office printer were also purchased for this space.



- Structural improvements: Outdated cabinets and fixtures were removed and electrical was updated to accommodate the upgraded furniture and equipment. In addition, the ILC learning space was freshly painted and cleaned before the new fixtures were installed.

Not only is this space more functional and current with our students' technological demands, but ILC instructors have expressed immense satisfaction with the efficiency of the space. With a record number of enrolled students accessing services provided by the ILC, this expanded and updated environment is paramount to the success of Bishop Manogue students and their abilities to advocate for themselves in the classroom and beyond.

About the BMCHS ILC program:

Established in 2010, the Integrated Learning Center (ILC) at Bishop Manogue Catholic High School is an accommodation program that assists students in becoming successful learners by understanding their unique

learning styles. The goal for students is autonomy in learning that reflects greater self-awareness and consistent use of individualized learning strategies. Services are provided on various levels depending on students' individual needs. An individualized plan is developed for each student and implemented by certified and experienced staff. 98 percent of all ILC students attend a class called "Academic Seminar," which is an entire class period dedicated to developing the following: organization, time management, re-teaching core curriculum, note-taking, study habits, test prep, understand-

ing and applying reading/study, strategy for text, College Board Test prep, diffusing test anxiety, technology use, and most importantly, self-advocacy. As a private, Catholic school, Bishop Manogue is not required to comply with the IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act). However, our community saw a need to provide accommodated learning services to families and students who seek the overwhelming benefits of Catholic education.

BISHOP MANOGUE ROBOTICS PROGRAM

This year Bishop Manogue is fielding its first-ever competitive Robotics team directed by Dr. Ryan White. The Ingenuity Space, which is the classroom lab dedicated to the Robotics Program, provides an opportunity to let students engage in project-based learning through two main programs developed by Dr. White - First Tech Challenge and Introduction to Computer Science. A STEM Seminar Series is in its infancy and hopes to begin running a class in the 2023-2024 school year.

Students participated in the First Tech Challenge, which had teams collaboratively create robots that navigate through a designed obstacle course. In order to build the bot, the Ingenuity Space is being supplied with fabrication equipment such as 3D printers, a laser cutter, and various hand tools.

The freshman Introduction to Computer Science course is also being taught in the Ingenuity Space. In addition to learning high-tech skills and design thinking, the students were engaged

ILC DEMOGRAPHICS AS OF 2022-2023:

- 54 students total

Gender breakdown:

- Male- 34
- Female- 20

Class breakdown:

- Freshmen- 13
- Sophomores- 14
- Juniors- 12
- Seniors- 15

in Digital Empathy Projects with family and community members at the end of each semester. The purpose of the project was to use newly learned digital skills to design, create, and test a solution to a “felt need” in their community. They presented the findings to the community in the first-ever Ingenuity Fairs held in December 2022 and May 2023.

The Ingenuity Space was also designed with the idea of being a collaborative space that brings together talented educators to create new curricula and experiences for students. One of those collaborative efforts established is a lunchtime STEM seminar series where educators and professionals can come to the Bishop Manogue campus to present on real-world topics that can serve and generate new ideas and programs. Dr. Ana de Bettencourt-Dias from the University of Nevada Chemistry Department was the first speaker who spoke about the history of the discovery of the structure of DNA.

For more information about the BMCHS Robotics Program or to learn how you can support their efforts, please contact Dr. Ryan White at ryan.white@bishop-manogue.org.

FACILITIES UPGRADE

Through donor funding, a state-of-the-art project began in the Fall of 2022 to improve a number of Bishop Manogue’s outdoor athletic facilities. Hellas Sports Construction headed up the project as one of the leading companies in sports construction nationwide. This extensive project upgrade offers a higher level of safety for Bishop Manogue student-athletes, long-term durability for the fields, and additional options for partners and community members to host approved sporting events at Bishop Manogue. The facilities upgrade is anticipated to be complete in the fall of 2023.

Facts About the New Facilities Upgrade

Fields being upgraded include Baseball (Varsity and JV), Football, and Soccer/Lacrosse.

- The field turf being used on each playing field is the nicest, safest turf currently on the market. Hellas’ products do not contain heavy metals or toxins, providing “greener” synthetic turf systems. This also means, there are no carcinogenic (cancer-causing) materials that are being used.
- Due to the high quality of the field turf and expected longevity, year-round use is now an

option, which in turn will allow Bishop Manogue to offer the use of these facilities to feeder schools and other community youth programs.

- Other professional stadiums and facilities, including the MLB Dodgers and NFL Raiders, use this exact same turf on their fields.
- This field turf upgrade is the only of its kind in Northern Nevada and will house the nicest facility for youth sports in the area.

Football Field Additions:

- New turf
- Upgraded and enhanced padding under the turf
- New goal posts

Baseball and Softball Field Additions:

- Transition to turf
- New pitching mound
- Helmet and bat racks

Soccer and Lacrosse Complex Additions:

- New turf
- Girls and Boys dual-sided scoreboard for Lacrosse
- Field netting behind the girls’ field and around the boys’ field

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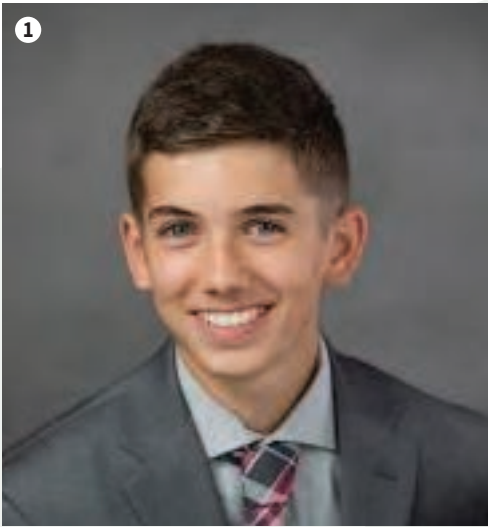


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MINER MOMENTS

Highlights from 2022-2023!

Throughout the year Bishop Manogue students have dedicated their time and energy to focusing on their academics, athletics, and co-curricular activities. Bishop Manogue is proud to highlight just some of those successes from the 2022-2023 school year.



BISHOP MANOGUE ACADEMICS

- 1 National Merit Scholar, Jacob Struby, received a letter of Commendation for the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program. As a Commended student, Jacob placed among the top 50,000 students nationwide who received high scores on the PSAT/NMSQT and is recognized for his outstanding academic promise. He was also named Valedictorian for the class of 2023 among many other accomplishments.
- 2 Madeleine Jones, Bishop Manogue Junior, placed third in the Speech and Debate District Tournament for the Northern Nevada Forensics League, earning her a bid to the National Speech and Debate Tournament this June in Phoenix, AZ. The national tournament is the largest academic competition in the world and hosts the top-achieving students from the U.S. and beyond.



- 3 Senior Racquel Buenting received the Scholastic Gold Award for her AP Studio Art Portfolio. Her work was on display at the Shepherd Gallery at the University of Nevada last February. Racquel also received a scholarship from the Nevada Museum of Art, which will support her at USC next fall. In addition Racquel was selected as the Gold Key winner which is the highest level of achievement on the regional level. Approximately 7 to 10 percent of all regional submissions are recognized with Gold Key Awards and all are considered for national-level recognition.

SERVICE AT BISHOP MANOGUE

- 4 In November 2022 Bishop Manogue students and families participated in Sodality's Thanksgiving Food Drive. The club was able to provide more than 2500 items of food and loads of gift cards to the Reno community.
- 5 The National Honor Society students volunteered and partnered with the Reno Burrito Project helping prepare and deliver burritos to the homeless on the streets of Reno and to the Cares Campus facility.
- 6 Freshman and Sophomore students stayed after school to help create sleeping mats for the homeless made out of plastic. The first step to making the mats is to make the "plarn" which is plastic strips from disposable shopping bags. Once the plarn is created, the strips are crocheted into mats, which can be slept on or sat upon. Thanks to Mary from St. Rose of Lima parish for teaching the students how to turn the abundant amount of shopping bags into something useful. These students spent their afternoon creating "holy moments" and helping others.
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MINER ATHLETICS

- 8 Masyn Navarro was named 5A Northern Player of the Year. Masyn helped the Miners volleyball team to first place in the Northern 5A and a top seed in the Regional tournament. Masyn will be attending Eastern Illinois University in the Fall to play volleyball.
- 9 Logan Howren was named 5A Player of the Year for Northern Nevada when he helped lead the Miners to a 5A Regional Championship, throwing 47 touchdowns for 3,877 yards in the 2022-2023 season.
- 10 Isenia Martinez, Olivia Rasor, and Abigail Basa dedicated countless hours outside of the classroom to provide sports medicine care to the varsity football team, under the supervision of the Bishop Manogue Head Athletic Trainer, Sarah Smith. These girls are not only hydration specialists but competent in a variety of tapings and first-aid management.
- 11 Whitney Heit, senior and sole female wrestler at Bishop Manogue, placed first at the inaugural girls' Nevada State Championship in the 145.
- 12 Kole Cronin, Bishop Manogue freshman, earned a spot on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard U16 Jr. Championships held in Sun Valley, Idaho during Spring break. The Championship brought together athletes from the five Western Region divisions, selected based on their World Cup Points (WCP) earned during the Winter season. Kole participated in the Slalom, Giant Slalom, and Super G events. Additionally, Kole's exceptional academic and on-hill performance during the Spring of 2022 earned him a spot on the Far West Academic Team.



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A B.A.S.H. FOR THE BOOKS!



For the first time since 2019, Bishop Manogue joyfully hosted its most significant event of the year, BASH (Building A Scholastic Heritage), in-person on August 6, 2022. Nearly 400 Bishop Manogue supporters gathered at the Bishop Manogue campus for an evening of food, friendly conversation, and, most importantly, fundraising for our crucial Tuition Assistance Program. After two years of virtual BASH events, our community was ready to embrace each other once again.

When the doors opened, guests were immediately greeted with beverage stations and a walk through an immersive timeline installation featuring images of Bishop Manogue students throughout the decades displayed throughout the main corridor. The event then progressed to the SCC for cocktails and passed appetizers, where guests could mingle and begin bidding on generously donated silent auction items.

Finally, attendees made their way to the front lawn, where a spectacular northern Nevada sunset was waiting to greet them, along with the beautifully lit Bishop Manogue Chapel as the backdrop.

Student emcees Amaya Aramini, Torrance DiGrazia, Alivia Long, and Joey Scolari led the evening's program.

The program started with a blessing from Most Rev. Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg, followed by a family-style meal catered by Liberty Food & Wine and heartfelt remarks from President Matthew Schambari. The event culminated with a boisterous live auction with longtime friend Jimmy Minor and live music and dancing accompanied by the musical stylings of 'Henry Undercover.'

The camaraderie and energy of the evening were magnetic; the opportunity to reconnect with longtime supporters and welcome a host of new friends whom we now call our Bishop Manogue family, was truly treasured. As a result of the love, spirit, and support, BASH raised more than \$300,000. These record-breaking funds will support a record-breaking enrollment of students and help to expand access to the highly sought-after Bishop Manogue education. Currently, 1 in 4 students requires

financial assistance to attend Bishop Manogue. The Tuition Assistance Program allows many families to access the BMCHS experience so students can have the best start possible as they reach their educational dreams.

Thank you to those of you who attended, supported, and sponsored BASH 2022! Here's to an even more magical 2023 event!

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The 2022 Bishop Manogue Catholic High School Commencement Ceremony was held on Thursday, June 2, 2022. It was a beautiful spring evening that brought students, families, and faculty together to celebrate the amazing accomplishments and hard work of the Class of 2022. The graduating class had a 100 percent graduation rate with 97 percent of those students going on to attend a 4-year institution and 3 percent attending two-year institutions. The average GPA for the graduating class was 3.70 and more than \$12.6 million dollars was offered in scholarships to graduating seniors.



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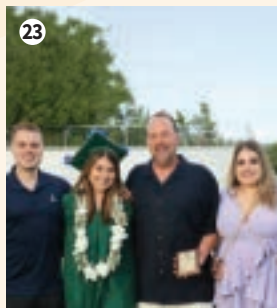
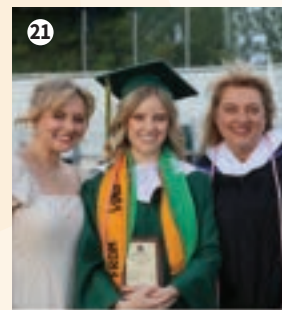
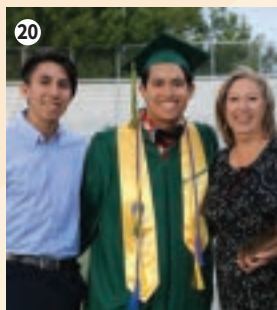
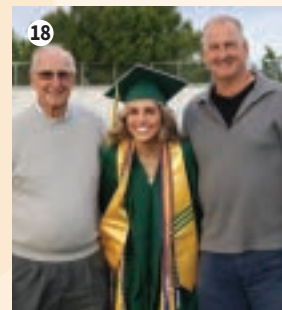
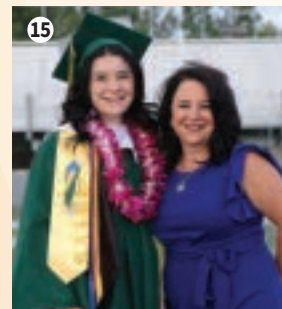
TRADITION AWARDS

The annual Tradition Awards bring together generations of Miner graduates during the Bishop Manogue Graduation Ceremony. The awards are given to current graduates whose parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents are alumni of Bishop Manogue Catholic High School. In the 2022 graduating class, 24 families were recognized for their continued legacy as Bishop Manogue Miners!



- 1 Matthew Allen '88, Jamison Allen '22, and Madison Allen '19 (Jamison was the 14th member of the Allen family to graduate from Bishop Manogue!)
- 2 Christine Arrascada Aramini '90 and Elena Evelyne Aramini '22
- 3 John Silvio Barsanti '85 and Elio Phillip Barsanti '22
- 4 Darrin Scott Damonte '89 and Eva Diana Damonte '22
- 5 Candy Lee Young '65, Matthew Day '22, and Brian Victor Day '89
- 6 Anthony Gino DeRicco '17, Donovan Nathaniel DeRicco '22, Samuel Paul DeRicco '18, Christopher Paul DeRicco '84
- 7 Michael Dianda '89, Joseph Dianda '22
- 8 Michael Charles Evans Jr. '84, Michael Charles Evans III '22, and Ilene Katz Evans '84
- 9 Lauren Gay '20, Lillianna Marie Gay '22, and Jaqueline Pasa Gay '85
- 10 Waylon Griffith '22 and Brigitte Weir Griffith '94
- 11 Jaida Hargrove '22 and Lisa Arrate Hargrove '98

- 12** Faith Holleman '22 and Michelle Holleman '81
- 13** Thomas Klippenstein '18, Kelly Klippenstein '16, Sean "Otto" Klippenstein '22, Joseph Klippenstein '15, Matthew Klippenstein '08, Stephen Klippenstein '10, and Maureen Glenn Klippenstein '82
- 14** Matthew Benardis '93 and Aidan Espinoza Little '22
- 15** Megan Elyce Madole '22 and Jennifer O'Gorman Madole '88
- 16** Patricia Gibeau-Manavbasi '81 and Mary Fatima Manavbasi '22
- 17** Allison Matteoni '21, Dominic Matteoni '16, Anthony Matteoni '22, and Jeff Matteoni '81
- 18** David Michitsch '58, Ava Catherine Michitsch '22 and Mark Michitsch '70
- 19** Mackenzie Montoya '22 and Gary Montoya '87
- 20** Demetrius Quinn Olsen '19, Christian Matteo Olsen '22, and Toni Leal-Olsen '87
- 21** Mary Elizabeth Sexton '18, Keely Elva Sexton '22, and Christine Chism Sexton '86 (Annika Sexton '20 not pictured)
- 22** Sandra Gerhardt Carroll '79, Jillyan Silva '22 and Leon Carroll '79
- 23** John F. Tillis '14, Olivia Pia Tillis '22, John H. Tillis '84, and Silvana Maria Tillis '16
- 24** Jaqueline Roxas Zerby '91 and Abigail Zerby '22 (Jacob Alexander Zerby '20 not pictured)





NextStep Prep and Co-founder, Jacob Benna

Past mentorships and the desire to give back to the Reno community are what motivated Bishop Manogue alum, Jacob Benna ('16), and business partner, Stephen Lencioni, to create a business that empowers and educates students who aspire to attend college. With a staff made up of all college graduates, including many Bishop Manogue alumni, NextStep Prep is a community-based tutoring and mentorship program offering tutoring services to high school students and college prep advising for college-bound students.

After graduation from UCLA, what made you want to come back to Reno and start up your own company?

JAKE: I was born and raised in Reno. Reno will forever be home to me. Following graduation from UCLA in 2020, I found an incredible opportunity to work as a scribe in the Renown Emergency De-

partment while I was applying to medical school. During that year I was able to spend a lot of quality time with my family and friends. I could not be happier about staying in Reno to attend UNR Med and training in the community I hope to one day serve as a physician. Between studying or attending clinic, Stephen and I frequently talk about what we can do to be

more involved in the Northern Nevada community. The more we talked about our passions for mentorship and education, the more NextStep Prep turned from conversation to reality. Northern Nevada has played an instrumental role in my development, and I just hope that I can contribute back to this community that helped shape me.

With a background and degree in medicine, and a focus in Physiologic Sciences, what was it about creating a company around mentorship and tutoring that inspired you?

JAKE: We frequently discuss how important the mentors in our lives have been in providing guidance and inspiration. We both attribute part of the reason we are in medical school to those mentors who have inspired us along the way. Stephen and I believe strongly in the power of education, the power of mentorship, and the power of community. I am extremely grateful for the mentorship I have received and I want to contribute back to the Northern Nevada community and to the next generation of students and leaders. I wanted to create a structured platform for mentorship to inspire and encourage students.

Tell us about NextStep Prep and what opportunities it offers students in our community.

STEPHEN: Our mission is to educate and empower the next generation of students through community-based tutoring and mentorship. Our team members are focused, determined, high-achieving graduate students. NextStep Prep offers opportunities for students to engage in peer-peer relationships with mentors and tutors who are invested in their development and success. We offer 1-on-1 tutoring services and 1-on-1 college preparatory services. We have designed a college prep package around navigating college applications, choosing schools, and professional development. Every new client meeting starts with a conversation



about the students' goals and what we can do to best support them in achieving those goals. We want to uplift students in the community through education, as well as prepare our graduate students to become future leaders in the community. There are so many opportunities for students to learn and grow with the NextStep team.

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What advice do you have for high school students as they prepare for college?

JAKE: I like to remind students that their college application is a culmination of their 4 years in high school. I encourage students to get involved in activities and extracurriculars they genuinely enjoy and care about. I want them to remember that applying to college should not simply be checking boxes, but rather demonstrating a linear story about their passions and growth. As scary as it may seem during the application process, college is such

a fun and exciting time to further explore interests and passions. Be true to who you are and you will end up in the right place!

Tell us about your fondest memory while attending Bishop Manogue Catholic High School.

JAKE: One of my fondest memories at BMCHS was my Senior Sunrise. Waking up early and spending the morning with my friends and my graduating class was one of those bittersweet moments. We were so excited to start our senior year. We had all experienced so much together during the previous 3 years and we could not wait to finally be seniors. At the same time, that morning also represented the “beginning of the end,” as our high school experience was coming to a close. We were all happy to be there together that morning, but we also recognized that shortly everyone would be embarking on new adventures. I remember sitting out on the front lawn with all my friends watching the sunrise and soaking in that moment. It was a great moment to reflect back on the last 3 years together, considering how we would make the most of our last year together, and think about what the future held for each of us.



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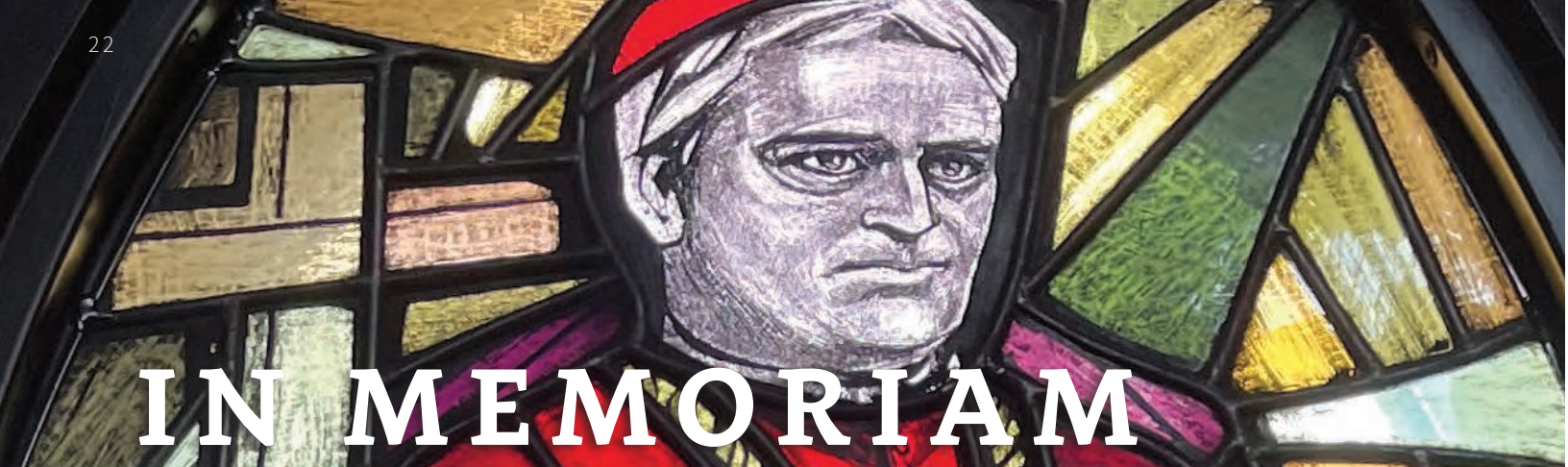
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IN MEMORIAM

Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them." —Revelation 14:13

At Bishop Manogue Catholic High School, legacy runs deep and true through the halls and Bishop Manogue families. Exceptional students walk away from the arch-lined school to pursue passions, inspire innovation, and change the world. Since the first graduating class in 1950, BMCHS alumni have become writers, scientists, parents, engineers, artists, teachers, and so much more.

Supporters and friends of Bishop Manogue have turned into family as they showed their love and dedication, participated in events and volunteer opportunities, and helped Bishop Manogue grow year after year.

The alumni and friends who have passed will always have a special place within the BMCHS family as they have made lasting impressions in the wonderful Bishop Manogue community. In their memory, BMCHS is inspired and motivated to continue creating meaningful legacies.

Bishop Manogue family, friends, and alumni, we've said goodbye to in 2022 & 2023.

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Bishop Manogue Catholic High School is proud to share the 2021-2022 financial statements.

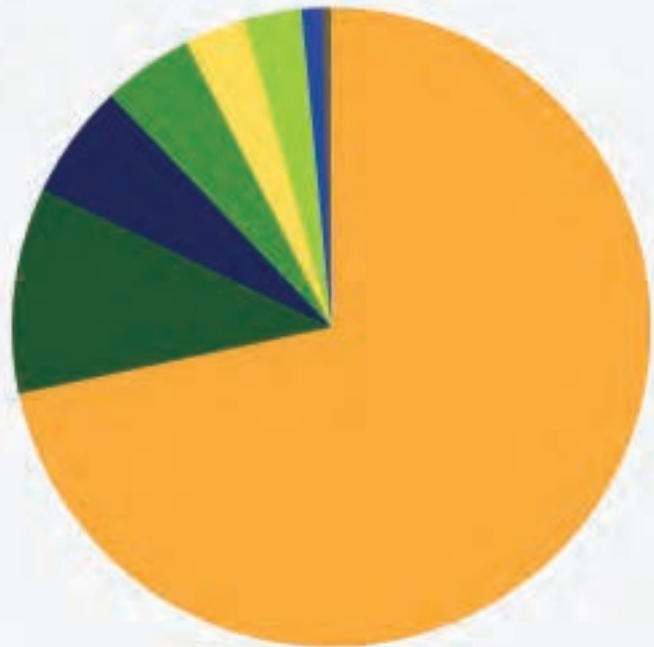
In June of 2022, one of Bishop Manogue's biggest and most notable financial highlights included the pay-off of the school's long-term debt, after years of concentrated debt payments. Additionally, the school was able to add \$50K to its reserves, which allows the school to maintain five months of operating cash in reserve.

Bishop Manogue is more than happy to report that the 2021-2022 fiscal year illustrated improvements, once again, in the financial health of the school. Still

feeling the effects of COVID at the start of the 2021-2022 school year, it was a goal of Bishop Manogue's Board of Directors, Administrators, and the Financial Department to maintain the tuition rate, which kept in line with the actual cost to educate a Bishop Manogue student.

"The COVID Comeback" – WOW! The return of all students on campus was truly amazing. It was so nice to once again, see students and families active on campus and involved in co-curricular activities.

2021-2022 REVENUE



With this return came an increase in fundraising and on-campus spending from student events, athletic competitions, and other store and food service revenue. Donation income also saw the effects of “The COVID Comeback.” Revenue from just donations, not including BASH 2022 donations, saw an increase of 45 percent from the previous year - Thanks to the generous Bishop Manogue donors!

In 2021-2022, \$300K was the make-up for Bishop Manogue’s market loss on investments. However, one of the biggest and most positive investments of 2021-2022 was the school-wide implementation of Blackbaud, a new software system that can be accessed by the entire Bishop Manogue community including parents, students, teachers, administrators, and staff. This program has allowed the school to streamline a

number of different processes from admissions and grading, to finance and development.

Lastly, Bishop Manogue is proud to share that once again, financial assistance and/or discounted rates, assist 3 in 5 Bishop Manogue students with tuition. These financial breaks add up to more than \$1 million. At Bishop Manogue it is a major goal and top priority to provide families with faith-based, college-preparatory education, no matter the ability to pay.

The accomplishments of Bishop Manogue’s financial state are met through the dedication of its supporters. Thank you for investing in the future.

The two pie charts provide a graphical representation of the school’s income and expenditures by category.



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MARRIAGES + ENGAGEMENTS

"Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." —Romans 12:10



**SABRINA COOLEY '18
AND OTTO ELVRUM '16**

Sabrina and Otto were married on June 25, 2022, in Washoe Valley, Nevada.

**CAROLINE (MCCARTHY) '12
AND MATTHEW FLOYD**

Caroline (Cara) and Matthew met the week Cara moved to Oregon for law school in 2017 and bonded over their shared undergrad major, criminal justice. They have been together for almost six years and were married on June 12, 2022, in Dallas, Oregon. They have established their home in Salem where Cara is a Senior Deputy District Attorney in nearby Polk County and Matthew works as a Corrections Officer.



**DEDE (DULCENEA) BERRY '18
AND ALEX BROADWAY**

Dede and Alex met six years ago when they both worked at Savemart on Pyramid Highway, where Dede trained Alex on his first day. They will be getting married on June 17, 2023, in Dede's parents' backyard in Sparks, Nevada.



**BROOKE DOLAN '16 AND
JAKE BENNA '16**

Brooke and Jake met in Mrs. Wieland's class 1st period of their freshman year at Bishop Manogue and just got engaged in Park City, Utah last June! Brooke is now in her third year as a dental student at the University of Utah School of Dentistry and Jake is a second-year medical student at the University of Nevada School of Medicine! They are looking forward to their next adventure together and plan to be married on September 28, 2024, in Southern California.



JANEY (ALMARAZ) '15 AND BRADY MATTHEWS '15

Janey and Brady met and began dating their freshman year at Bishop Manogue. After 10 years together, they finally tied the knot! They live in Reno where Janey is a labor and delivery nurse and Brady is completing his second year of medical school at UNR. They were married on May 28, 2022, in Reno, Nevada.





SAVE THE DATE!

JIM WILLIAMS

MINER GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, September 29, 2023

Join us at Gray's Crossing Golf Course in
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GRAY'S CROSSING

MINI MINERS

Welcome to the Miner family! These Mini Miners arrived into the world to loving arms between 2021 and 2023.

JACK CHRISTOPHER BELL

Caitlin (McCarty) '11 and Benjamin Bell '09 welcomed Jack Christopher Bell on June 6, 2022 at 4:19 a.m. Jack measured at 8lbs 7oz and 21 ¾" long.



wonderful man from Iowa who also graduated from UNR. It was in Reno where they started their family with two wonderful boys. The Ludwig family now lives in Arizona where they have adopted 3 little boys who have changed their lives and completed their amazing family.

VINCENT (ENZO) JOHN ROSSI

Christine (Routhier) '09 and Vinnie Rossi '09 welcomed baby boy Vincent (Enzo) John Rossi on October 19, 2021.



ADA ELIZABETH KETSCHER

Mary (Glenn) Ketscher '15 graduated with her BSN from Grand Canyon University in April 2019. Mary and Jordan Ketscher married on October 12, 2019 and welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Ada



Elizabeth Ketscher on November 18, 2021 weighing 6lbs 11oz.

ELLA RUTHIE WILLIAMS

Danielle Tolleson, Blake Williams '04 and big sister Ella welcomed Eva Ruthie on January 3, 2021. Ella could not be happier about the arrival of her new best friend!



LUDWIG FAMILY

Katie (Tetzlaff) Ludwig graduated from Bishop Manogue in '87 (and to this day still claims it's the best school). She lived in Reno since 3rd grade, graduated from UNR, worked in advertising for 10 years. Here in Reno she met and married the most



MINERS ON THE MOVE

Miner alumni and partners continue to take on the world with great pride and success!

The following Miners on the Move highlights were submitted in the summer, fall, and winter of 2022.

RYAN EVANS '04

Ryan was recently named the assistant coach for the women's Swim and Dive Team at Kansas University.



BRET FREY '84

For the past seven years Bret has been the president of Northern Nevada emergency physicians staffing for all the Renown Emergency Departments. He was appointed by the Governor to the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners in 2019. Bret is also the Medical Director of Reach Air Medical Services in Nevada.



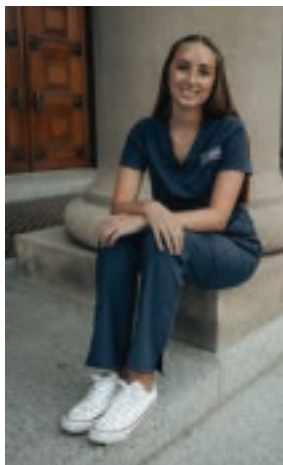
MIKE GLENN '12

Since 2020 Mike took over as the owner of Reno Blinds & Repair. Specializing in new blind, shade & shutter sales, as well as repairs. Mike is proud to be a Manogue Alumni.

ARCHIE GRANATA '61

Still Vertical!!





JASMINE HAAS '19

Jasmine is graduating with her Bachelor's degree from the Orvis School of Nursing in December and has accepted a job offer at Carson-Tahoe Regional Medical Center. She is so grateful for the great education she received at Bishop Manogue.

RICK HUTT '63

Rick recently retired from the Law Office of the Cook County Public Defender in Chicago. He served his final 10 years as a Division Chief. He continues his work as an Adjunct Professor at Loyola Law School teaching trial advocacy. Rick also regularly plays guitar in the Oak Park Farmers Market bluegrass band.



DAVID MICHITSCH '58

In June of 2022, David walked his granddaughter, Ava Michitsch ('22), and alongside his son, Dr. Mark Michitsch ('79) across the stage at the 2022 graduation. David is so grateful for the Tradition Awards that Bishop Manogue offers during graduation, allowing BMCHS alumni the opportunity to be recognized at graduation with their legacy. He cherished the plaque he received with all their names and graduating years. David is looking forward to 2024 and walking with his youngest grandchild, Ella Michitsch.



AMAYA "DUCKY" MCLEOD '21

Amaya is playing in her second year as a Cal State Stanislaus Warrior for the women's basketball team. She was recently back in her hometown when she played against the University of Nevada, Reno during the non-conference exhibition game back in November.



KELLY (RAYBOULD) SMALL '95

Kelly retired in May of 2022 after 25 years of working as a 9-1-1 call taker/public safety dispatcher for the City of Reno. She is now working on completing her Masters in Mental Health Counseling and plans to help end the stigma behind first responder mental health.

MINER SCENE

A look back at the 2022-2023 social activities on and off campus! For the most current news and all the fun BMCHS happenings, be sure to follow @BishopManogue48 on social media.

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- ❶ **2022 Senior Lunch:** The class of 2022 enjoyed a fun senior lunch on April 5, 2022, generously hosted by senior parent volunteers. The senior class proudly sported shirts from their future colleges!

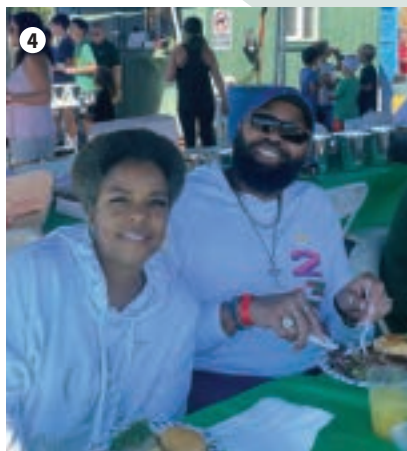
Left to right: Elena Aramini and Marisol Ascuaga



- ❷ **New Family BBQ:** BMCHS was thrilled to welcome its newest students and their families at the New Family Barbecue on August 3, 2022. More than 1100 attendees enjoyed hot dogs and each other's company as they embarked on a new school year. This was an opportune time for new students to meet each other and see the campus before they begin classes.



- ❸ **Welcome Back Week:** Back to school, back to FUN! Welcome Back Week is always an energetic and exciting time on the BMCHS Campus. This year, motivational speaker Juan Bedana spoke to students, providing an inspiring and uplifting start to the year.
- ❹ **Alumni Tailgate/Homecoming:** On September 24, 2022, Bishop Manogue eagerly welcomed more than 100 attendees to its Alumni Tailgate at the west end of the football stadium. Guests enjoyed a fantastic meal from Char-B-Que, complimentary beverages, and cheered on the Miners at the homecoming game vs. Damonte Ranch. Marshaun Brown and Masyn Navarro were crowned as the 2022 Homecoming King and Queen.



5 Open House 2022: With interest and enrollment at an all-time high, the 2022 Open House held on October 12, 2022, welcomed hundreds of prospective students and families to the Bishop Manogue campus. Attendees enjoyed classroom demonstrations, met with teachers and coaches, and even got to sample some of the BMCHS cafeteria cuisines. Be sure to mark your calendars for our 2023 Open House scheduled for October 11, 2023.

6 Family Night 2022: Strength In Family... It's what BMCHS is all about! All ages were invited to participate in pre-game face painting, lawn games, and a complimentary snow cone truck as part of the 2022 Fall Family Night. All attendees received free admission to the football game and had the opportunity to engage with our incredible Bishop Manogue community.

7 Kairos Retreats: Since its program inception in 2001, Kairos has made an impact on thousands of Bishop Manogue students. This year, Kairos 67, 68, and 69 brought together the junior and senior students on retreats to Zephyr Point Conference Center in South Lake Tahoe. More than 200 students and nearly 15 chaperones bonded and strengthened their faith together as they participated in lectures, prayers, and liturgy to deepen their faith. In 2023-2024 Kairos will host four retreats due to the high demand of student participation.



8 2022 Jim Williams Miner Golf Classic: Held at the renowned Old Greenwood Golf Course in Truckee, Calif., The Jim Williams Miner Golf Classic brought together a sold-out crowd of more than 240 alumni, supporters, and BMCHS friends for a little friendly competition! Blessed with beautiful weather, the annual scramble-style tournament helps raise funds for tuition assistance. Be sure to join us for the 2023 tournament on September 29, 2023 at Gray's Crossing Golf Course!



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ATTENTION CLASS OF 1973!

SAVE THE DATE
OCTOBER 20-22, 2023

It's a fun weekend of reminiscing and catching up with old classmates, in conjunction with the 2023 Homecoming Alumni Tailgate. Make sure you're included in the celebration!

For more information contact:
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ATTENTION CLASS OF 1983!

Planning has begun for the 40th-year reunion. Keep an eye out for communications regarding dates and location.

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