God · Family · Academics · Fun



ANNUAL REPORT

2023–2024

For fiscal year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024



MISSION STATEMENT

Berks Catholic High School is centered on the four pillars of God, Family, Academics, and Fun. As a vibrant Christ-centered community, the Administration, Faculty, and Staff are dedicated to providing a challenging academic environment for a diverse population of young men and women. Through Christian principles, rooted in the Catholic tradition, we strive to positively impact our students spiritually, intellectually, socially, physically, and emotionally, so they can live productive lives of service in this world and attain eternal life.

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Principal

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Director of Career and College Counseling

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Chaplain

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"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." — 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Dear Friends of Berks Catholic,

As I write to our many thoughtful and generous friends, I do so rejoicing, praying and giving thanks for you! We are blessed by your steadfast commitment to Berks Catholic this past year. As I serve in year two of my tenure as Principal, I continue to be overwhelmed and amazed by our many generous benefactors, alumni and parents. Each day I experience something touching. Whether it is an interaction with a student, a visit to a classroom, or a conversation with a parent, I see, feel and hear their wonderful stories about Berks Catholic and how this school is shaping them.

Central to this amazing community are, of course, our Saints! I like to say, "it is easy to do what you love." Well, I love coming to school each day because of our students! They inspire me to be better, work harder, pray more intently and give of myself more freely. Like you, I want to do that, so their Berks Catholic experience is meaningful, unforgettable and impactful. But I would be strongly mistaken if I thought I alone could do that.

The generosity and love that our Saints experience day in and day out starts with YOU! The commitment of so many individuals allow us to provide distinctive Catholic education in Berks County. Your generous loyalty to Berks Catholic provides new academic programs and expansion of college level courses. It allows families who could not afford a Catholic education to send their children to BC. It allows us to offer impactful religious programs like the Kairos Retreat. It allows us to foster a community committed to God, Family, Academics and Fun. We live these Four Pillars every day and they are at the heart of who we are as a community. Our school theme - "The Power of WE!" - reminds us that we can accomplish so much more together than by ourselves. Without you, Berks Catholic would not be the school that it is today.

With rejoicing, sincere prayer and gratitude in my heart, I submit the 2023-2024 Annual Report. Thank you for being an integral part of the success of Berks Catholic High School. May God bless you and your families.

It's a great day to be a Saint!

With warm regards,

John P. Petruzzelli

John P. Petruzzelli
Principal

ANGEL LETTER

Dear Donors,

From the bottom of my heart, I want to express my sincere gratitude for your generous donations; without them, I wouldn't have been able to attend Berks Catholic. My name is Jenhaydee Padilla, and I am a senior. I have always put my all into my academic work and my sport as a cheerleader. I continue to navigate the path to graduation by keeping my best foot forward. The four pillars of Berks Catholic – God, Family, Academics, and Fun – are exactly what I believe I have achieved in my four years here. As I work my way through these last few months, I bear in mind how blessed I am to be a part of such a wonderful school where I can feel loved and accepted.



Since I have attended Catholic school my entire life, it was always my family's intention to further my education and faith at Berks Catholic. Our school's primary objective is to make sure every student is prepared for the future, whether it be college, the military, or anything their heart desires. I have personally built close bonds with friends, faculty, and others around me; this has helped me grow my personality and who I am as a person. I am a member of the National Honor Society, clubs, and captain of my cheer team; this means I must balance my responsibility to prioritize my studies. Forming these bonds with my teachers is important because they genuinely care for everyone's situations and are willing to help out whenever needed. I have always tried to be open minded and try new things, but I never had the confidence. With the help of my friends, I have learned to live freely and enjoy my last moments with them. Berks Catholic is filled with vivid memories of past events that will continue on for years and keep the BC spirit alive. It is with the help of the students and parents that our sporting events are filled with energy in order to keep our players going. As some venture off onto their own paths, we will always remain one big family.

As I wrap up, I would like to say thank you again for all that you have done for the school and me. It is with your help that I have been able to further my education while being surrounded by God and family. We are grateful that you have contributed to the development and strength of our school community. It is because of you that children are able to experience the warmth and hospitality of our Berks Catholic family. Once again, thank you; your generosity will always be remembered.

Sincerely,
Jenhaydee Padilla

Jenhaydee is a responsible and positive student. She brings a quiet confidence to the classroom and can always be counted on to complete her work at the highest level. Jenhaydee shows her school spirit by kindly supporting her classmates and participating in many school-related activities. She truly exemplifies what it means to be a Saint!

– Mrs. Fran Eisenhofer

Berks Catholic Facts

God • Family • Academics • Fun

School Motto

Unum in Christo
"One in Christ"

School Colors

Black and Gold

Principal

John P. Petruzzelli, M.Ed.

Clubs and Activities

Aevidum
Art Club
BC Bakers
BioMed Club
Book Club
Business Club/D.E.C.A.
Book Club
Competitive Gaming Club
E-Sports
Forensics
Gardening Saints
Green Team (Recycling Club)
Math Club
Mock Trial/Model U.N.
National Honor Society (NHS)
Pickle Ball
Pro-Life Club
Quiz Bowl
Saint Ambassadors
Ski Club
Spirit Club
STEM/Science Club
String Ensemble
Student Government
Yearbook

Enrollment

6055 students
(49% female, 51% male)

Diversity 43%

Non-Catholic 21%

iPad to Student Ration

1:1

Student to Faculty Ratio

18:1



2024 Graduates

141 Total

91% attending two- or four-year colleges

Scholarships: $24.66 million

Advanced Placement

21 courses offered

10 AP Scholars

2 AP Scholars with Honors

1 AP Scholar with Distinction

1 National Merit Award Winner

Dual Credit through Alvernia University

Dual Enrollment with Mount Saint Mary's University

Partnership with Reading Hospital School of Health Sciences

Athletics

Baseball
Basketball*
Cheerleading
Cross Country*
Field Hockey
Football
Golf*
Lacrosse*
Soccer*
Softball
Tennis*
Track & Field*
Volleyball*
Wrestling*

Swimming, Water Polo* and Diving* are available through a co-op with Reading High School.*

** Denotes boys and girls*

CLASS OF 2024 SUMMARY









With 141 students, the Class of 2024 is the smallest in the history of Berks Catholic High School. The previous smallest classes are BC ’23 (157), BC ‘22 (157), and BC ‘17 (177). Despite having 12 fewer students than the class of 2023, Saints 2024 showed growth in the following key areas: *number of college acceptances, geographic diversity of colleges applying/admitted to, scholarship dollars earned, number of student-athletes competing in college.*

The BC Class of 2024 began high school under unique and ever-evolving circumstances due to Covid and concluded with unprecedented challenges and financial aid uncertainty caused by changes to and extended delays in the launching of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application. Saints 2024 proved adept in their ability to navigate these challenges.

Post Graduation Plans /Class Highlights

91% are reporting that they will pursue higher education at 54 different 4- and 2-year institutions, in 12 different states and Washington DC. Class of 2024 members will also serve in the US Army and enter the workforce full-time.

The Class of 2024 has earned **$24.66 million dollars** in academic, athletic, and other merit and talent-based scholarships, including full-tuition awards or the highest-level scholarships offered from a variety of institutions. ***This is the highest amount earned in school history, eclipsing the previous record of $21 million was earned by a larger class.***

The Class of 2024 has received **518 offers of admission to 150 different colleges and universities in 31 different states, Washington DC.** They have been offered admission to highly selective, specialized and accelerated degree programs such as ***BS/MBA, BA/JD, Accelerated Admission Pharmacy***. They been invited into and will attend Honors Colleges/Programs at: ***George Mason University, Immaculata University, Loyola University – Maryland, Monmouth University, Penn State University – University Park, University of Pittsburgh***.

Among the many majors they will pursue include ***Accounting, Aeronautical Science, Agricultural Science/ Pre-Vet, Animation, Arts & Sciences, Biological Sciences, Biology/Pre-Med, Biomedical Engineering, Business Administration, Chemical Engineering, Chemistry, Civil/Mechanical Engineering, Communications, Computer***



Nicola Polinsky

Valedictorian

Nicola is the daughter of Dr. Ron and Dr. Claire Polinsky and is a member of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish in West Lawn. She attends Colgate University, considering majoring in Speech/Language Pathology. During her time at Berks Catholic, Nicola was a member of the Basketball, Volleyball and Lacrosse teams, served as VP of Marketing in the DECA club, was part of the Theater program as stage crew and performer, a leader at Kairos and a member of the National Honor Society.

"...we are all beautiful children of God...We are destined for greatness, for a kingdom we are all worthy of entering."



Caroline Matz

Salutatorian

Caroline is the daughter of Jane Walsh and Josh Matz and is a member of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish in West Lawn. She attends Providence College, majoring in Science/Pre-Med Track. During her time at Berks Catholic, she was a member of the Soccer team, served as a Saint Ambassador and was a member of the National Honor Society.

"...the process of success in life often proves to be grueling, but success is how we best exemplify or character and showcase our gifts given to us by God."

Class of 2024 Summary *(continued)*



Science, Criminal Justice, Cybersecurity, Economics, Education (PreK-4th, Elementary/Middle, Secondary/English), Exercise Science, Food Business Management, Forensic Science, Health Professions, History, Hospitality Management, Kinesiology/Pre-Chiropractic Med, Korean, Marketing, Mechanical Engineering, Molecular Biology, Nursing, Pre-Pharmacy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Science, Sports Management...just to name a few!

The Class of 2024 Saint Student Athletes will continue their academic and athletic careers in 11 different sports at **17 different NCAA DI, II, III** institutions in the following sports: ***Basketball (M,W), Baseball, Football, Golf(M), Lacrosse(W), Soccer, Softball, Tennis (M/W), Track & Field (M), Volleyball (W), Wrestling(M).***

A comprehensive graduation report for the BC Class of 2024 is available upon request.

From July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, Berks Catholic Hosted, Conducted And Participated In:

- **94 (+14%) College Representative Visits from institutions in 18 different states and Washington DC**: Saints indicate that these are among the most helpful and productive opportunities offered by BC College & Career Counseling.
- **40+ College/Career Information Programs and Interactions (*no change*):** This equates to roughly 2-3 programs per month depending on the time of the calendar year.
- **Daily, Individualized, College and Career Planning Meetings** *during and after school hours.*
- **Individualized Academic Advising / Course-Selection Meetings** *on-going as needed.*

Berks Catholic Office of College and Career Counseling



Berks Catholic High School stands apart, in various ways, from other high schools in Berks County. Among the areas of distinction is Berks Catholic's commitment to individualized college and career advising.

The staff, whose backgrounds include college and university admissions as well as secondary school social / emotional, crisis, and college and career counseling are solely dedicated to the college and career discernment and search process. The staff is recognized and networked locally, regionally, state-wide, and beyond. What follows is an overview of the Berks Catholic Office of College Counseling.

OVERVIEW

Who We Are

- A team of college admission professionals solely dedicated to providing college and career guidance to the students and families of the Berks Catholic Community
- The Team is comprised of:
  - One former university admission director with 32 years expertise in university admissions and college admissions advising at the secondary school level.
  - One former admissions director with 39 years of experience at Villanova University, St. Joseph's University and Temple University.
  - One former admission officer with 16 years experience at Penn State University.
- Professionals who are highly connected to the college admissions community
- Recognized leaders, contributors, and educators in our state professional association, PACAC*, and members of the national professional organization, NACAC^

What We Believe

- In the dignity, value, dreams, and aspirations of those whom we serve
- It's *All About the Fit*: In other words, every student deserves the opportunity to realize their potential by pursuing educational and career opportunities that best suit them

Whom We Serve

- 620+ Students and families at Berks Catholic H.S.
- Hundreds of students and families at the Berks Catholic Partner School.
- All alumni of Berks Catholic, Central Catholic, and Holy Name high schools

What We Provide

- 4 Years of comprehensive college and career planning education via:
  - Professional experience, knowledge of best practices and current trends
  - Programming/Networking Opportunities
  - Library of published and on-line resources
- Individualized, strategic, data-driven planning for every student
- Networking opportunities with college admission and career professionals

**PACAC Pennsylvania Association for College Admission Counseling*
^NACAC National Association for College Admission Counseling

WAYS TO GIVE

Other Ways to Give

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

EITC/OSTC

Businesses and individuals who meet the qualifications of an accredited investor can reallocate PA state tax dollars to help provide scholarships and financial aid to Berks Catholic students through the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) and Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC). The EITC and OSTC programs allow businesses and accredited individuals to receive a 90% tax credit (if donating for two consecutive years), for a donation that provides tuition assistance for families at Berks Catholic. Business owners can view information at **www.newpa.com/eitc** or **www.newpa.com/ostc**. For more information about qualifications to donate as an individual through our Special Purpose Entity (SPE) please contact Bob Birmingham at 610-374-8361 ext 224 or rbirmingham@berkscatholic.org

Gifts of Stock

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

Matching Gifts

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

Planned Gifts/St. Nicholas Society

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

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

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

Qualified Charitable Distributions

Individual retirement arrangement (IRA) owners age 70½ or over can transfer up to $100,000 to their charity tax-free each year. These transfers, known as qualified charitable distributions or QCDs, offer eligible older Americans a great way to easily give to charity before the end of the year. And, for those who are at least 73 years old, QCDs count toward the IRA owner's required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year. Any IRA owner who wishes to make a QCD for 2023 should contact their IRA trustee soon so the trustee will have time to complete the transaction before the end of the year.

Advertising/Sponsorship Opportunities

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

For more information about any of these ways to support Berks Catholic High School, please contact Sarah Hess at 610-374-8361 ext 231 or shess@berkscatholic org.

Statement of Financial Position

for Year Ended June 30, 2024

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 242,962
Investments	3,997,997
Funds held by others	512,189
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of $31,726	90,257
Other receivables	128,172
Pledges receivable, net	43,686
Inventory	24,224
Other assets	45,023
Beneficial interest in trust	–
Right of use assets – operating leases	57,469
Fixed assets, net	7,115,794
TOTAL ASSETS	**$12,257,773**
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable & other payables	$ 255,655
Accounts payable - construction	33,200
Accrued expenses	437,433
Other liability – EANS grant	407,583
Prepaid tuition and fees	163,487
Operating leases payable	57,469
Notes payable	2,795,551
TOTAL LIABILITIES	**$ 3,742,795**
NET ASSETS	
Without Donor Restrictions	$ 7,010,772
With Donor Restrictions Purpose or time restrictions	1,504,206
TOTAL NET ASSETS	**$ 8,764,161**
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	**$12,257,773**

Source – 6/30/2024 financial statements, audited by O'Connell & Company, LLC.
An unqualified opinion was received.

Statement of Operations

for Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Without Donor Restrictions	*With Donor Restrictions*
REVENUE		
Tuition and fees	$5,822,152	–
Less financial aid	(1,410,807)	–
Satisfaction of scholarship/financial aid restrictions	605,445	(605,445)
Tuition and fees – net	5,016,790	(605,445)
External scholarship/financial aid contributions	214,388	–
Student activities	169,333	–
Gifts and grants	33,679	808,615
Annual fund	219,149	–
Diocesan subsidy	45,833	–
Fundraising, net	94,214	–
Investment income	252,835	47,872
Auxiliary income	191,514	–
Satisfaction of time restriction	459,576	(459,576)
Satisfaction of purpose restriction	85,724	(85,724)
TOTAL REVENUE	**$6,783,035**	**(294,258)**
EXPENSES		
Program services	5,209,963	–
Management and general expenses	1,635,617	–
Development	325,816	–
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$7,171,396**	–
(Decrease) in net assets before other income	(388,361)	(294,258)
OTHER INCOME		
EANS grant	407,583	–
Change in beneficial interest in trust	–	25,853
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	407,583	25,853
Increase (decrease) in net assets	19,222	(268,405)
NET ASSETS (Beginning of Year)	**$6,991,550**	**$1,772,611**
NET ASSETS (End of Year)	**$7,010,772**	**$1,504,206**

2023-2024 Annual Report of Gifts

Archangels Society ($100,000 – $249,999)

Mr. John Langan CC '59 and Dr. Judith Nadell
Mr. and Mrs. Terrence HN '92 and Kristin (Emkey) HN '91 McGlinn
Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Susan Timochenko

Patriarch & Matriarchs Society ($50,000 – $99,999)

Anonymous
Mr. and Mrs. Peter and Marshia Carlino

Apostles Society ($25,000 – $49,999)

Dr. Natalie Parisi Bell HN '85 and Dr. Thomas Bell
Supreme Ceilings, Inc.

Disciples Society ($10,000 – $24,999)

Dr. and Mrs. Stephen HN '84 and Lisa Banco
Dr. and Mrs. Peter C. Campanella
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East Penn Manufacturing Company
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Supreme Ceilings, Inc.
Mrs. Catherine (Didyoung) Wright CC '58

Missionaries Society ($2,500 – $4,999)

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Anonymous
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Constellation Energy Matching Gifts Program
Mr. and Mrs. Brian and Malinda Devine
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Mr. and Mrs Steven and Kathleen (Homa) HN '71 Gable
Reverend James Harper
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Mr. Francisco Moronta
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Sharon Reimels
Mr. and Mrs. David HN '78 and Celeste Rowan
Reverend Leo Stajkowski

Saints Society ($1,000 – $2,499)

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Angstadt Family Dental
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Barley Snyder
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Blue Mountain Foundation
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Mr. and Mrs. William and Vicki Combs
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Constellation Energy Matching Gifts Program
Mr. Kyle Cruley HN '94
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Ms. Rebecca A. Horyczko CC '70
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Mr. Peter Marmarou
Mrs. Sylvia (Schiavo) McNeill CC '53
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Mr. Henry Mullen
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Mr. Mike Nerino HN '76 and Ms. Sarah Stapleton
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph and Kathleen Nevel
Ms. Sonia Perez
Mr. John P. Petruzzelli
Mr. and Mrs. Charles CC '76 and Sharon (Witmer) CC '78 Phillips
Mrs. Nancy (Yoder) Potteiger CC '60
Reading Box Co. Inc.
Revere Dental Associates
Mr. and Mrs. James and Sonia Rogers
Mr. Gerard CC '77 and Dr. Louise (Correnti) HN '79 Russo
Mr. Edward Scibek CC '80
Mr. and Mrs. D. Gerald CC '59 and Carlene Searfoss
Mr. and Mrs. Jan CC '65 and Carol (Price) CC '65 Sockel
Solve IT Solutions
Mr. John Spangler CC '54
Mrs. Brenda (High) Stanton CC '56
Ms. Susan Vath
Mr. and Mrs. Donald CC '54 and Patricia (Didyoung) CC '53 Wentling
Mrs. Geraldine (Rutolo) Wolf CC '62
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond CC '81 and Cynthia Zdradzinski

Guardian Of Missionaries Society ($500 – $999)

Mr. Michael Ambrosiani HN '71
Anonymous
Mr. Brian Appleton HN '09
Mr. and Mrs. Brad and Maria Bansner
Ms. Jennifer Barrett CC '06
Mr. and Mrs. Richard CC '65 and Barbara Bentz
Berks Catholic Youth Football & Cheer
Mr. and Mrs. James HN'71 and Theresa (Caruso) HN'71 Bernardo
Mr. and Mrs. David HN '71 and Joan Booth
Mr. William Booth HN '82
Mr. and Mrs. Edward CC '77 and Liz Bortz
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen and Becki Boyer
Mrs. Denice (Ferri) Cannon HN '75
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Mr. Philip Cerrato

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Diocese of Allentown
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Keystone Instant Printing
Mr. Joseph Kozik CC ’64
Mr. Philip Kurpiewski CC ’77
Dr. and Mrs. John HN ’69 and Debra LaManna
Mr. and Mrs. Matt and Renee Langdon
Deacon Michael HN ’71 and Wilhelmina Laroche
Mr. and Mrs. Brian and Kimberly (Reimels) HN ’94 Lewis
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Miss. Patricia Murphy
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2023 SWING FORE THE SAINTS GOLF OUTING

On September 18, 2023, Berks Catholic held the thirteenth annual Swing Fore the Saints golf outing at the Berkshire County Club. The golf outing was hosted by Terrence J. McGlinn, Jr. (HN 1992) and his wife Kristin (Emkey) McGlinn (HN 1991). 175 golfers came out to enjoy a day of golf and to support Berks Catholic High School. All proceeds from the golf outing go toward financial aid for Berks Catholic students. Thanks to TJ and Kristin's generosity as well as the support of many sponsors and golfers, over $39,000 was raised in 2023.

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Extravaganza 2023

Extravaganza 2023 was held at Berks Catholic High School and online from September 26-October 7, 2023. This annual hybrid event is our biggest social fundraiser that both celebrates and advances the mission of Berks Catholic High School. Auction items were open for bidding on the event site beginning September 26, 2023, and the live event began on Thursday evening, October 5, 2023, with Family and Donor Night where parents, alumni and friends bid on silent auction items and the homeroom basket auction. On Saturday evening, October 7, 2023, dinner, and auction were held, which included hors d'oeuvres, open bar, silent and live auctions, raffle drawing, music, and entertainment. This year we celebrated our "New Sheriff in Town" Principal John Petruzzelli. And we honored Stephanie Rado Taormina, HNHS 1983, the 2023 Berks Catholic Distinguished Alumni Recipient. Extravaganza 2023 was a great success and raised over $185,000.00, including $60,193.00 toward the Emotional Appeal.

Extravaganza Income	**$249,010.11**
Extravaganza Expense	**$63,603.04**
Net Income	**$185,407.07**
Inclusive of Emotional Appeal	**$60,193.00**
Inclusive of Donation to Endowment Fund	**$10,000.00**
True Net Income	**$115,214.07**
Total Reservations	**140**

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