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THANK YOU PRINCIPAL MCNEANY!

Mr. James McNeany served as principal of Guerin Catholic for 12 years and assumed his new role in June 2025 as Executive Director of the Indiana Non-Public Education Association. Mr. McNeany concluded his final All-School Mass by joining the praise and worship singing with the Class of 2025 and *GoldenVoice*. Read more about the accomplishments of the Class of 2025 on page 6. ■



NEW SPACES, SAME CLASSES

Mr. Hugh Ross' physics experiments have taken students in hallways all around campus over many years. Do you remember yours? With the opening of the new Fine Arts and Wellness Center, Mr. Ross' classes have new areas to hoverboard and test waves. Read more about our new space starting on page 16. ■

building on *your* legacy

president's message



future, not necessarily with bricks and mortar, but by building upon the solid foundation of Guerin Catholic's mission and purpose.

Since publishing last year's *Impact Magazine*, we have celebrated the Class of 2025 at the school's nineteenth Commencement ceremony, welcomed the Class of 2029, another 200+ freshmen class to GCHS, and on October 3rd—the Feast Day of St. Theodore Guerin—hosted a donor event and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Fine Arts and Wellness Center. **Bishop Timothy Doherty** and Noblesville **Mayor Chris Jensen** joined us for the festivities. There was an empty chair on the stage for GCHS founding bishop, **Bishop William Higi**, who passed away on January 3, 2025. Guerin Catholic is widely regarded as Bishop Higi's legacy.

The morning concluded with an all-school Mass, followed by a Eucharistic procession, which also served as a blessing of the new building addition. It was a beautiful morning celebrating the past, present, and future of Guerin Catholic.

You'll notice the theme of this year's *Impact Magazine* is *Building on the Legacy*. The title references the excitement generated by the opening of the new Fine Arts and Wellness Center and speaks to how we will continue to build in the

This year's magazine also shines the spotlight on our new principal, **Christine Williams**. While new to the role of principal, Christine is no stranger to GCHS, having served as our Assistant Principal and Director of Academics for the past nine years. While **James McNeany** will certainly be missed, the transition to Christine's leadership has been seamless.

A number of our impressive alumni are highlighted, some for their discernment to a priestly or religious vocation and others for their willingness to connect with current students by sharing their career journey at our Campus2Careers event last spring.

You might remember the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan included hiring a full-time Director of Alumni Relations. We hired **Kathleen (Wannemuehler) Prohaska '13** for that role and she has done a tremendous job. We are currently developing the 2026-2029 Strategic Plan. Alumni communication and engagement will continue to be a part of that plan. I hope you know how much we value you and want your family to feel welcome at Guerin Catholic now and always!

If you have ever been a part of the Guerin Catholic community, you REMAIN a Golden Eagle forever, and there has never been a better time to be a Golden Eagle!

May all of us continue to Lead with Humility, Serve with Love, and Trust in Providence.

St. Theodore Guerin, Pray for us!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Wagner".

Deacon Rick Wagner
President

BISHOP EMERITUS WILLIAM L. HIGI

AUGUST 29, 1933 - JANUARY 3, 2025

Bishop Emeritus William L. Higi, the fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana, and founding Bishop of St. Theodore Guerin High School, passed from his life peacefully on January 3, 2025, at the age of 91. He was a priest of Jesus Christ for 65 years.

Bishop Higi was born in Anderson, IN, on August 29, 1933, the eldest of William Leo and Helen (nee Vickery) Higi's three children. Bishop Higi never graduated from high school at St. Mary's in Anderson, but instead left after his junior year, entering seminarian prep school for the diocese.

"I attended Catholic schools myself and believe strongly in the value of a Catholic education," he shared in an interview with Guerin Catholic.

During his tenure as Bishop, he worked to help improve the quality of education for youth throughout the diocese and beyond, helping make improvements at Central Catholic High School in Lafayette, as well as opening Guerin Catholic High School in Noblesville in 2004.

Bishop Higi was known for his humility, always crediting the success of the Church and Catholic schools to the collaborative efforts of those who helped make these initiatives possible. "The lay supporters of the project (Guerin Catholic) were so convincing," he said, "all I had to do was say, 'Yes!'"

That simple "yes"—spoken with humility, courage, and faith—opened the doors to a school that has since formed over 2,800 young people rooted in

Gospel values, academic excellence, and service to others.

Bishop Higi believed deeply in the power of Catholic education not just to shape minds, but to form souls.

He spoke with conviction about the school's

influence on the broader community.

"It has made the community stronger. There is now an entire generation of young people that I am confident understand and will promote the faith."

In a message to the Guerin Catholic community on the occasion of the school's 20th anniversary in 2024, Bishop Higi offered words we now treasure even more dearly. "THANK YOU to all the people that believed in the importance of offering a quality, authentic Catholic education—not just believed in it, but got involved and made things happen. If I don't leave anything else, I believe Guerin Catholic is my legacy."

Bishop Higi's legacy is alive in every classroom, in every Mass, in every act of service, and in every student who walks through our doors. His vision continues to light the path forward—a beacon of hope, faith, and love. ■

*+Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*



Scan the QR code to view a video explaining Bishop Higi's "yes"



building a new chapter

NEW ROLE, FAMILIAR FACE: PRINCIPAL CHRISTINE WILLIAMS

Guerin Catholic is proud to welcome a familiar face into a new leadership role. After nearly a decade of serving the school as Assistant Principal and Director of Academics, new principal **Christine Williams** brings a deep love for the Guerin Catholic community and a steadfast commitment to Catholic education.

Spending much of her early career in public education, including as a middle school history teacher, Christine never imagined herself in school administration—until she felt a distinct call to serve in Catholic schools. That call led her to Holy Name Catholic School in Beech Grove, where she served as both assistant principal and principal before joining Guerin Catholic in 2016. Now in her 16th year in Catholic education and her 10th year at GC, her passion for nurturing faith, learning, and student life has only grown stronger.

What stands out most about Guerin Catholic? Without hesitation, it's the people. "There is a spirit of ongoing conversion in our community that is both challenging and inspiring," she shares. "Our faculty and staff seek growth in all areas of life—spiritually, personally, and professionally. They inspire me daily to be a better wife, mother, educator, and Christian." She adds, "I also carry the unique joy of being the sibling of two Guerin Catholic graduates: **Andrew Baxter '14** and **Sarah Baxter '15**.

Little did I know when they walked these halls that I would one day have the privilege of serving alongside many of the same educators and mentors who helped form them into the thoughtful, compassionate, and generous people they are today. Watching them now as an uncle and aunt to my three children has been a living reminder of the life-long and generational impact of a Guerin Catholic education."

Stepping into her new role, she looks forward to guiding conversations that impact every corner of our school—from faith formation and academics, to student life. "This role allows for deeper collaboration and an even greater opportunity to ensure that every decision we make reflects our Mission, Vision, and Promise Statement."

Among the many cherished GC traditions, the Feast Day of St. Theodore Guerin holds a special place in her heart—particularly the Mass and Eucharistic Procession. "There's something profoundly moving about the way our community comes together to honor Mother Guerin's legacy with reverence and joy," she says. ■





HAPPY RETIREMENT TO A GUERIN CATHOLIC "OG"

The city of Noblesville and **Mayor Chris Jensen**, declared Wednesday, December 17, 2025 "**Leona Chianello Day**" in honor of Guerin Catholic's own **Mrs. Leona Chianello**, who retired in December after 21 years of service to its faculty, staff, students, and over 2,800 alumni. Affectionately known as "Mama Chi" to students, Chianello has been an employee of St. Theodore Guerin High School since the school opened, serving in her previous capacity as School Registrar from 2004-2019, and most recently as Assistant to the Principal.

Many GC alumni expressed their love for Chianello when learning about her retirement in a recent social media post. Comments from alumna **Colleen (Regan) Hayden '09** beautifully reflected what so many alumni commented: "Mama Chi! Congratulations on a long and successful career at Guerin Catholic. In one of your first Kairos groups, as my confirmation sponsor, office pop-ins, and hallway interactions, you have always been a supportive, warm, and welcoming staple in the GCHS community. I know your absence will be felt profoundly by staff and students alike. Wishing you love, light, happiness, and fulfillment in your next chapter!" ■



CLASS OF 2029

Guerin Catholic welcomed the Class of 2029 to the 2025-2026 school year in August. The school opened her doors to a total enrollment of 802 students coming from 68 sending schools. ■



GOLDEN GEARS ROBOTICS TEAM

Golden Gears, Guerin Catholic's FIRST Robotics Competition Team (#10021) made an impressive debut in the 24-25 school year, finishing 29th out of 75 championship teams and earning the title of highest-ranked rookie team. Their success has truly put GC robotics on the map. Housed in the former Kinesiology classroom, the team's robotics lab is a naturally lit, modern workspace with direct outdoor access where students design, build, and prototype. ■

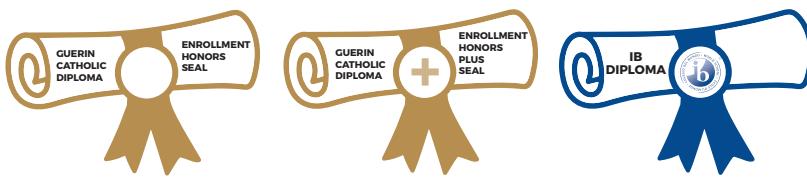
INDIANA'S NEW DIPLOMA: WHAT IT MEANS FOR GUERIN CATHOLIC

In December 2025, the Indiana State Board of Education (SBOE) approved a new statewide diploma structure, including a system of seals, effective with the graduating class of 2029. This decision follows a revealing statistic: while 76% of Indiana high school graduates say they intend to pursue post-secondary education, only 53% actually follow through. In response, the SBOE designed a more flexible diploma framework intended to better serve students' diverse goals and pathways.

The updated structure includes a single Indiana Diploma with optional Honors Seals and Honors Plus Seals, each tailored to one of three post-graduation pathways: Enrollment, Enlistment, and Employment. **At Guerin Catholic, where 96%–99% of graduates continue on to post-secondary education each year, we view the Enrollment Seals as a great fit with our mission.** We are excited about the possibilities these new diploma seal options offer, and we believe they complement our liberal arts, college-preparatory foundation.

What do the new diploma and seals mean for academic programming at Guerin Catholic? As a college-preparatory high school, Guerin Catholic will continue to offer a rigorous academic experience. Students will now have the opportunity to graduate with: the Guerin Catholic Diploma, the Enrollment Honors Seal, and the Enrollment Honors Plus Seal. Guerin Catholic will also continue to offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma.

We believe the Enrollment Seal options will support a wide range of futures, whether students are discerning military service, attending a four-year university, entering the workforce, joining a trade program, or pursuing a religious vocation. Importantly, we believe the Enrollment Seals align exceptionally well with our Catholic liberal arts approach and our dedication to forming the whole person.



In recent years, Guerin Catholic has embraced an **“IB for All”** philosophy, believing that all students benefit from the learner attributes of the International Baccalaureate curriculum. **Beginning with the Class of 2024, all students complete IB Literature, and starting with the Class of 2026, all students also complete IB History.** These courses naturally align with the new Indiana diploma structure.

To further prepare students for success beyond Guerin Catholic, we have added two graduation requirements. **Personal Financial Responsibility**, previously offered as an elective, is now required for all students beginning with the Class of 2028. This required course equips students with practical skills in budgeting, saving, credit management, and financial decision-making. Beginning with the Class of 2029, all freshmen will also complete **Preparing for College and Careers**, a course designed to help students discern their God-given gifts and explore how those gifts might be used in service to God’s call. This course includes career assessments, guest speakers, and a student-led career fair, all designed to expose students to a variety of post-secondary options.

The adoption of the new Indiana diploma and seals has provided Guerin Catholic with an exciting opportunity to reflect on and enhance our academic programming. As we continue to align our curriculum with these new requirements, we remain firmly committed to our mission: to provide excellence in academics while forming the whole person. We look forward to watching our students thrive under this new structure, and to seeing how it will further empower them to answer God’s call in their lives. ■

- MRS. AMY KLINK
DIRECTOR OF COUNSELING/SCHOOL COUNSELOR (A-B)



**\$41+ MILLION
SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDS**

21%
EARNED AN IB DIPLOMA
WITH 100% TAKING AN IB
CLASS

20
ATHLETES COMMITTED
TO PLAY SPORTS AT THE
COLLEGIATE LEVEL

Class of 2025

Guerin Catholic High School celebrated its 19th Commencement exercise on Friday, May 23, 2025 for its 191 graduates. The class of 2025 earned over \$41 million in college scholarship awards with 21% of the class earning an International Baccalaureate Diploma. The ceremony featured opening prayer by **Kevin Lee '25**, the Pledge of Allegiance by **Anna Mauch '25** and **Adam McNeany '25**, student address by **Ella Sumski '25**, alma mater by **Luke Ross '25**, and faculty address by **Mrs. Krista Stubbs**, faculty member in the Language Arts department. ■



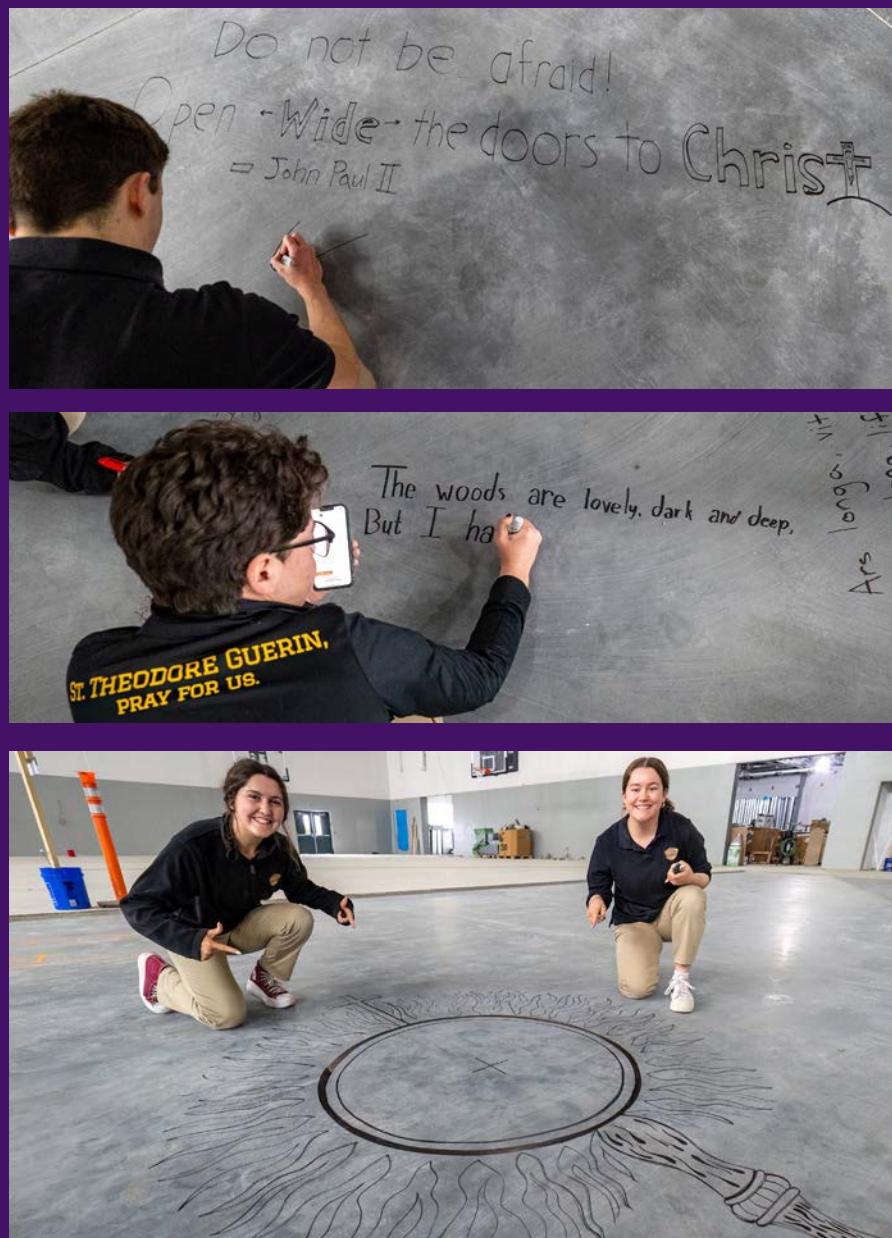
CLASS OF 2025 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

The University of Alabama
 Anderson University
Arizona State Univ.-Tempe
 University of Arizona
 University of Arkansas
 Ashland University
 Auburn University
 Ave Maria University
Ball State University
 Bellarmine University
Belmont University
Benedictine College
 Bethel University-Indiana
 Bluffton University
Boston College
Bowling Green State Univ.
 Bradley University
 Brescia University
Butler University
 Univ. of California-San Diego
 Case Western Reserve Univ.
 The Catholic Univ. of America
Central Connecticut State Univ.
 Central Michigan University
 Centre College
College of Charleston
Univ. of Cincinnati
 Clemson University
 Coastal Carolina University
 Univ. of Colorado-Boulder
 Colorado State Univ.-Fort Collins
 Creighton University
University of Dayton
 University of Denver
 DePaul University
DePauw University
 Dominican University
 Earlham College
 East Stroudsburg Univ.
 of Pennsylvania
 Eastern Illinois University
 Eastern Michigan University
 Eckerd College
 Elon University
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical
 Univ.-Daytona Beach
University of Evansville
 Ferris State University
 Flagler College
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
 Florida Institute of Tech
 Florida Southern College
 University of Florida
 Fordham University
Franciscan Univ. of Steubenville
 Franklin College
 Georgia Military College
 University of Georgia
 Goshen College
 Grace College and
 Theological Seminary
 Grand Canyon Univ.
 Grand Valley State University
 Grove City College
Hanover College
 Hawaii Pacific University
Hillsdale College
 Holy Cross College
 Hope College
Huntington University
 University of Idaho
 University of Illinois
 at Urbana-Champaign
 Indiana State University
 Indiana Univ.-Bloomington
 Indiana Univ.-Columbus
 Indiana Univ.-Indianapolis
 Indiana Univ.-Kokomo
 Indiana Univ.-South Bend
 Indiana Univ.-Southeast
Indiana Wesleyan Univ.-Marion
 University of Indianapolis
Iowa State University
 University of Iowa
 James Madison University
 Juniata College
 Kansas State University
 University of Kansas
 Keiser University
 Kent State University
University of Kentucky
 Kenyon College
 Kettering University
 Lake Forest College
 Le Moyne College
 Lipscomb University
 Louisiana State University
 Louisiana Tech University
 University of Louisville

Lourdes University
 Loyola University Chicago
 University of Maine
 Manchester University
Marian University
 Marion Military Institute
Marquette University
University of Mary
Miami University-Oxford
 University of Miami
 Michigan State University
 Univ. of Michigan-Ann Arbor
 Middle Tennessee State Univ.
 Millikin University
 Univ. of Minnesota-Twin Cities
 Mississippi State University
University of Mississippi
 Univ. of Missouri-Columbia
 The University of Montana
 Morehead State University
 University of Nebraska-Lincoln
 Univ. of North Carolina-
 Wilmington
 North Carolina State Univ.
 University of North Dakota
 Northeastern University
 University of Northern Iowa
 Northern Kentucky University
University of Notre Dame
Nova Southeastern University
 Oakland City University
 Ohio Northern University
 Ohio University
 Oklahoma State University
 University of Oklahoma
Olivet Nazarene University
 Palm Beach Atlantic Univ.
 Pennsylvania State Univ.
 Pepperdine University
 University of Pittsburgh
Univ. of Prince Edward Island
Purdue University
Purdue University-Fort Wayne
 Purdue University-Northwest
 Regis University
 University of Rio Grande
 University of Rochester
Rose-Hulman Inst. of Tech.
 Rutgers University
Univ. of Saint Francis-
 Fort Wayne
 Saint Louis University
Saint Mary's College
 Samford University
 University of San Diego
 University of San Francisco
 Seton Hall University
Siena College
University of South Carolina
 Southern Illinois University
 -Edwardsville
 Southern Illinois University
 -Carbondale
Univ. of Southern Indiana
 Southern Methodist Univ.
 Spring Arbor University
 Stetson University
 Stony Brook University
 The University of Tampa
 Taylor University
The University of Tennessee-
 -Knoxville
 Texas A&M University
 -College Station
 Texas State University
 The Ohio State University
University of Toledo
 Trine University
Troy University
United States Military
 Academy at West Point
 University of Northwestern
University of St. Thomas (MN)
 Valparaiso University
 Villanova University
Vincennes University
 Virginia Tech
 University of Virginia
Wabash College
 Univ. of Washington-Seattle
 Western Kentucky University
 Western Michigan University
 Westminster College
 Univ. of Wisconsin-La Crosse
 Univ. of Wisconsin-Stout
 Univ. of Wisconsin-Whitewater
 Wittenberg University
 University of Wyoming
Xavier University

*Bold indicates attending institution

class of 2025 building on traditions



LEAVING PRAYERS, QUOTES AND HOPES FOR FUTURE GOLDEN EAGLES

Students continued a beloved Guerin Catholic tradition by signing the foundation of the new Fine Arts and Wellness Center before installation of the floors—adding saint quotes, prayers, and hopes for the future. With each construction project through the years, graduating seniors have had an opportunity to leave their mark behind. From the 800 Wing and Student Lounge projects, to last year's new Fine Arts and Wellness Center, alumni and students continue to bless future Golden Eagles, leaving a foundation of faith and hope beneath every new space.

building career connections

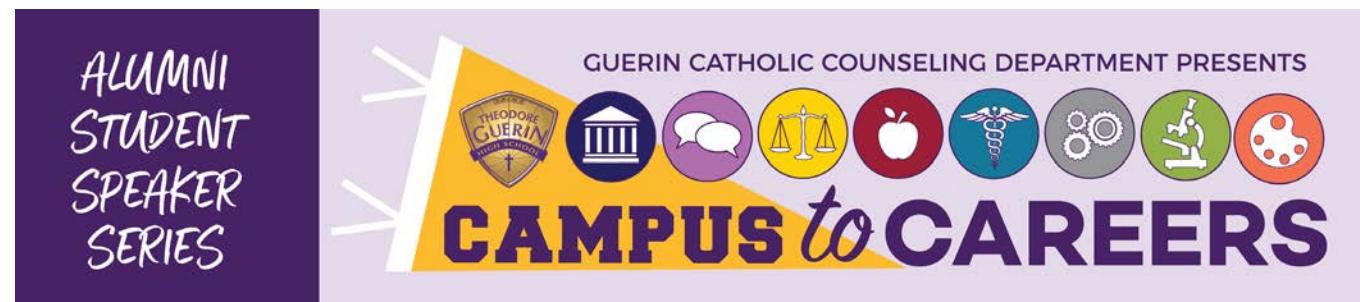
CAMPUS2CAREERS PROGRAM: ALUMNI SHARE CAREER INSIGHTS

On April 3, 2025, Guerin Catholic proudly hosted **Campus2Careers**, an event designed to connect students with the diverse and inspiring career journeys of alumni. With changes to the Indiana High School Diploma Requirements, there is an increased focus on career-readiness and connecting students with professionals. This program continues to grow, both in scope and impact to provide competitive and meaningful real-world opportunities to students.

Thirty-three alumni returned to campus to share their professional stories and insights. From discussing their educational pathways to describing their various professional roles, each speaker offered students a real-world look at the future possibilities. Alumni shared their personal experiences, along with advice, lessons learned, and pivots they had to make along the way. They also shared tips they wish they would've known in high school, how they discerned their role, how they navigated challenges, and stayed adaptable in an ever-changing career landscape. Their candid insights helped students envision their own unique paths and build confidence in making informed decisions about their futures.

The event was held as a part of Student Choice Day, where students are able to select topics and activities that interest them, and learn real-world skills not typically taught in the classroom—i.e., BBQ meats on the smoker, learning to play Euchre, or fishing 101. New for 2025 were two sessions of alumni presentations focused on a variety of career interests. This format allowed for smaller group engagement and thoughtful dialogue between students and alumni, creating an environment where curiosity was encouraged and connections could be made.

Sarah Harlowe '19, Regional Director of Marketing for Chick-fil-A, engaged students with promotional items and fresh chicken biscuits while sharing insights into the company's marketing strategies and brand guidelines. She also discussed her career journey and answered questions about marketing. **Luke Hacherl '11**, Chief Revenue Officer at Cyber Shield, encouraged students to begin building meaningful connections during their time at GC to support their future career paths. He also highlighted the many ways that students could build their resume using the opportunities provided at Guerin Catholic. ■



If you're an alumnus(a) and would like to be considered as a speaker for our next Campus2Careers event on Friday, March 20, 2026, we'd love to hear from you! Please reach out to alumni@guerincatholic.org.



special thanks 2025 alumni career presenters

Rachel (Yuska) Bott '15
Physician Assistant, Magnificat Family Medicine

Ryan Brinkworth '13
Co-Founder and Chief Engineer at Panda Sound House and Great Bear Studios

Kylie Broton '12
System Engineer Associate Manager, Lockheed Martin

Alison (Eicher) Carson '09
Senior Consultant, Slalom Consulting

Scott Corman '17
Private Banker, J.P. Morgan Private Bank

Jonathan Coss '12
Chief Resident, Combined Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics, Univ. of Arizona

Bennett Ely '19
Private Banking Analyst, J.P. Morgan

Gabby (LaMere) George '14
Talent Manager, Alora Society; Executive Regional Vice President, Arbonne; Podcast Host

Andrew Godfrey '11
Valuation Manager, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Faith Goodin '20
Research and Development Oils Trainee, Bunge Global

Luke Hacherl '11 1
Chief Revenue Officer, Shield Cyber

Sarah Harlowe '19 2
Regional Director of Marketing, Chick-Fil-A Inc.

Ashley (Olovich) Huber '15
Doctor of Physical Therapy

Chloe Kennedy '18
Landscape Designer and Planner, KFM Engineering and Design

Colleen (Derksen) Kent '07
Marketing Communications Manager, Corteva Agriscience

Jake Labus '18
Account Executive, Roche Diagnostics

Hank Lazzara '19
Senior Support Specialist (AI, Chatbots), Staffing Engine

Katherine Martin '13
Founder and Designer at Duet Floral Studio

Patrick Martin '14
Product Manager, Allegion

Nicholas Moss '17
Manufacturing Engineer, Heartland Food Products Group

Tori (Wannemuehler) Neidigh '15
Pediatric Registered Dietitian, Riley Children's Hospital

Tom Nichols '07
CEO and Co-Founder, Citra Space Corporation

Nick Reinhart '11
Endoscopy Sales Representative, Stryker

Cooper Robinson '15
PR Professional, Toyota and Lexus Racing

Audrey (McCurdy) Rucklos '13
Elementary Art Teacher, Valparaiso Community Schools

Theresa Spech dos Santos '13
Attending Emergency Medicine Physician, Ascension St. Vincent

Jacob Stubbs '19
Intelligence Analyst, US Navy

Sam Titus '08 3
Orthodontist, Titus Orthodontics

Alli (Kenney) Vanneman '12 4
Director of Strategic Partnerships, The Mind Trust

Luke Wiese '16
Associate Attorney, Taft

Madeline Worcester '19
Management and Event Marketing, YD Athletics

Jeremy Yahwak '07
Capital Projects and Engineering Manager, South Bend Int'l Airport

building champions

The Guerin Catholic Boys Lacrosse team under Coach **Charlie Barry** won their second state title in program history after defeating Evansville Memorial 14-5 in the IHSLA Class 1A Championship game.

Additional athletic highlights of the 2024-25 school year included:

- The **Baseball** team made school history by capturing the first sectional and regional titles in program history and advanced to within one game of the state championship.
- The **Girls Lacrosse** team has now competed in four straight state championship games, winning two (2022, 2023) and finishing runner-up (2024, 2025).
- The **Boys Basketball** program, entrenched by past success, won the sectional for the 4th time in 5 years and the 8th time overall.
- The **Cheerleading** program competed in the UCA Nationals for the first time ever in February 2025.
- Nine Golden Eagles individually qualified for the State Finals in **Cross Country**, **Track and Field**, and **Boys Golf**, and 21 students in the Class of 2025 went on to play their sport at the collegiate level. ■



NEW ROLE, FAMILIAR FACE: **BOYS BASKETBALL COACH SAM GARDNER '08**



Sam Gardner '08 was named Guerin Catholic's head Boys Basketball coach in May 2025. Gardner is the third head coach in program history and has been a part of this program since its first season in 2004.

Throughout the program's storied history, Sam has played a key role—as a player helping build the program's foundation with Hall of Fame coach **Pete Smith**, as an assistant coach capturing the 2015 Class 3A State Championship, and assisting former coach **Bobby Allen** to the 2023 Class 3A State Finals.

"As a product of the Guerin Catholic basketball program, it is difficult to articulate the pride I feel in being selected to serve in this role.

Guerin Catholic Basketball is special—it has changed the trajectory of my life and the lives of many others. Coach Smith created a unique program, and Coach Allen built upon that vision. Our staff will work to ensure that the program continues to shape young men by furthering the mission of the school." ■

SOCER TEAM CAPTURES 3RD STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN OVERTIME PENALTY KICKS

The Guerin Catholic boys soccer team capped an incredible season by winning the 2025 IHSAA Class 2A State Championship in unforgettable fashion. After a scoreless match through regulation and two overtimes, the Golden Eagles faced a record-setting penalty-kick shootout, ultimately prevailing 12-11 over Bishop Chatard, the most combined kicks in an IHSAA state final.

Goalkeeper **Ryan McGrath '26** was at the heart of the victory, dedicating the season to his late father, **Coach Chris McGrath**, who led the Golden Eagle soccer program from 2016-2021 before his passing in 2021. Standing in goal, Ryan thought of his dad before the first kick, calling it an emotional moment and a source of motivation.

McGrath's performance was remarkable with 12 saves in 94 minutes, including the final, championship-clinching stop, and even converting one of his own penalty kicks in the marathon shootout.

The Golden Eagles finished 18-4 under current head coach **Jim Alvarez**, capturing the school's third state title with a remarkable group of players, including **Adam Jurewicz '26**, who received the 2025 C. Eugene Cato Mental Attitude Award for Class 2A Boys Soccer, and midfielder **Christian Zermenio '26**, who was named IndyStar's Player of the Year ■



building a *legacy* on stage



2005

A final curtain fell after 20 years and 65 productions of GC student acting, dancing, singing, building, and performing on the cafeteria stage. As the very first *and* the very last production on the now “**Legacy Stage**”, *Godspell* was the final Guerin Catholic Fine Arts show on the cafeteria stage before the new St. Francis Auditorium opened in September 2025.

As **Mrs. Marcia Murphy**, Director of Fine Arts, noted in the production’s Director Notes, “In the year that Guerin Catholic opened, I decided with **Mr. Mark Duray**—our school’s first music teacher and first Director of Fine Arts—to present *Godspell* as our initial theater production (in 2005). We knew the show well, since both of us had acted in it when we were younger, and it’s, in many ways, a relatively simple show to produce: it requires no elaborate set, costumes are easy, and the cast size is very flexible. It was the first show I directed at Guerin Catholic. Performers, parents, and audiences seemed to like it, and we were both so pleased with the production that we decided to do it every four years. *Godspell* returned in 2009 and again in 2013, but I was over the show by 2017.”

“In the meantime, the dream of completing our campus with a Performing Arts Center, which was part of the school’s vision from the beginning, began to take shape in 2020. As this dream became a reality, I vowed that we would do *Godspell* again—(here) in the cafeteria, where Guerin Catholic theater began—when the time came to move into the new space.”

As the final show on the “**Legacy Stage**”, alumni were invited back for the first Saturday performance to be a small part of the show. “Many responded to the invitation with our alumni’s typical enthusiasm, a beautiful way to say goodbye. Although we’ll move into a new space, I will always cherish the memories I made on this stage with students.” ■

GODSPELL

FIRST AND LAST
PRODUCTION ON
THE CAFETORIUM
STAGE SPANS 20 YEARS



ORIGINAL ST. THEODORE GUERIN MUSICAL

TO DEBUT IN ST. FRANCIS AUDITORIUM

For years, faculty members of the Fine Arts department have discussed creating a show to honor St. Theodore Guerin, the patroness of Guerin Catholic High School, to coincide with the opening of the planned auditorium space. This idea is becoming a reality with the opening of the St. Francis Auditorium for the 2025-26 school year. Guerin Catholic High School is proud to present a new musical, titled *“Providence: A Love Story”*, which will make its debut as the school’s first spring musical in the new auditorium March 6, 7, 13 and 14, 2026.

The script, written by **Mrs. Marcia Murphy**, Director of Fine Arts, is enhanced by music composed and arranged by music teacher **Ms. Sarah May**. Additional faculty members have collaborated on the production, including Assistant Fine Arts Director **Mrs. Angie Goćur**, theatre teacher **Mr. Mike Panasuk** (directing), and teacher **Mrs. Karen Kennedy** (choreography).

The musical narrates the unique story between St. Theodore Guerin and Sr. Theodosia Mug. Sr. Mug is St. Theodore Guerin’s official biographer and is the recipient of the first miracle attributed to St. Theodore Guerin. Through the story, Murphy desires to share their inspiring story, encourage others to see Mother Guerin as an intercessor, and to let her example guide their faith. ■



The St. Francis Auditorium will host the premiere showing of “Providence: A Love Story” in March 2026. The music department has utilized the new space with the “Roses are Red” Student Studio production, as well as the fall and winter music concerts.

PROVIDENCE

A *Love* STORY

MARCH 6 7 PM

MARCH 7 2 PM & 7 PM

MARCH 13 7 PM

MARCH 14 2 PM & 7 PM



TICKETS

A NEW MUSICAL
ON THE LIFE OF

*St. Theodore
Guerin*



ST. FRANCIS AUDITORIUM

FINE ARTS AND WELLNESS CENTER

building *celebration*

On October 3, 2025—St. Mother Theodore Guerin's Feast Day—the Guerin Catholic community gathered to celebrate the long-awaited opening of the new 63,000-square-foot Our Lady of Champion Fine Arts Center and Saint Raphael the Archangel Fieldhouse and Wellness Center. The morning included an official ribbon cutting ceremony with **Bishop Timothy Doherty** and Noblesville Mayor **Chris Jensen**. **Deacon Rick Wagner**, President, opened the ceremony recognizing the empty chair in honor of the late **Bishop Emeritus William L. Higi**. “It was Bishop Higi who said yes to breaking ground on the original building.



L-R: John Gallina, Marcia Murphy, Barb Gallina, Deborah Wood, Mike Panasuk



Maggie Scott '27, Mary Claire Bradley '27



Emily Kijovsky '26, Danielle Leininger '26



Marcia Murphy



You'll notice we have a chair here for him as we were certain he wouldn't want to miss it," he said. After remarks, cutting the ribbon included Bishop Doherty, Mayor Jensen, **Lori Norris**, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Campaign co-chairs **Tom and Amy Smith** and **David and Jeanne Stordy**, Honorary chairs **John and Barb Gallina** and **Bill Godfrey**, Principal **Christine Williams** and student representatives. The morning also included an All-School Mass and Eucharistic procession to bless the new spaces, which feature a 500-seat auditorium, a two-court fieldhouse, new classrooms, and a state-of-the-art weight room.



FINE ARTS AND WELLNESS CENTER

building *new* spaces

Thank you to the many GC families and community members who have contributed to the new spaces in the Fine Arts and Wellness Center. Following is a listing of the rooms and the corresponding Saints personally chosen by the donor families.

ST. FRANCIS AUDITORIUM

Named by John and Barb Gallina; Margaret Gallina-Flynn '08, Maria (Gallina) Ambrogio '10, Nicholas '14, Julia '17, Adrianna '18



OUR LADY OF CHAMPION FINE ARTS CENTER

Named by William and Deborah Wood; Miranda (Wood) '09 and Sean '08 Armie, Eleanor, Alice, Zelda, Judah, Julian; Christopher Wood '10

ST. CECILIA AUDITORIUM STAGE

Named by Philip and Brigitte Caito in recognition of Allie Wagner '23

ST. PETER THE FISHERMAN THEATRE CLASSROOM/ GREEN ROOM

Named by Richard and Kari Ellery, Brooks '23, Anna '25

ST. THEODORE GUERIN FINE ARTS OFFICE

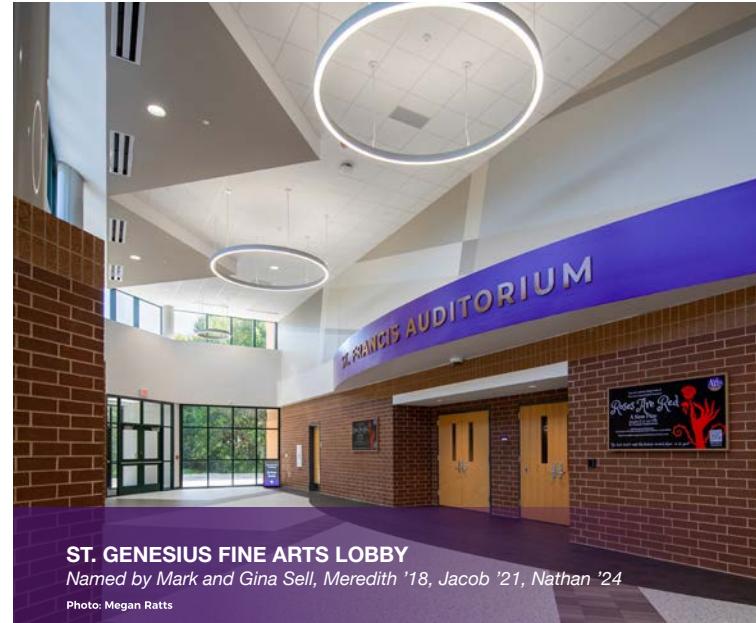
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ST. FRANCIS AUDITORIUM SEATS

Class of 2023, Day of Giving Donors, In Memory of Jim Mominey

SAINTS COSMAS AND DAMIAN ART WALL AREA

Named by Joe and Lisa Henderson, Lori '14, Ryan '17



ST. GENESIUS FINE ARTS LOBBY

Named by Mark and Gina Sell, Meredith '18, Jacob '21, Nathan '24

Photo: Megan Ratts



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY LOCKER ROOMS

Named by Steve and Sally Caltrider, Mary, Emily (Caltrider) '09 and John Gebbie, Steven '11 and Marianne Caltrider, Lucy '23

Photo: Megan Ratts



ST. SEBASTIAN WEIGHT ROOM

Named by John and Angela Stagge, Dylan '18, Sarah '20, Samuel '22

Photo: Megan Ratts

INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE FIELDHOUSE COURT #1

Named by Bonnie and Mandy Wagner, Allie '23, Davis '24, Brady '27

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI FIELDHOUSE COURT #2

Named by Bruce and Joan Eicher, Alison (Eicher) '09 and Charles Carson, Andrew '12

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL WELLNESS CENTER LOBBY

Named by Steve and Kenya Cobb, Drew '17, Lauren '19, Megan '23

ST. PADRE PIO FIELDHOUSE TRACK

Named by Brian and Danielle Cardinal, Bryson '25, Emery '27, Delanie '29

ST. DENIS BLEACHER AREA

Named by Dennis and Kristy Murphy, James '20, Ella '23

ST. LEO THE GREAT SCOREBOARDS

Named by The Leo Brown Group

ST. CARLO ACUTIS WEIGHT ROOM DOOR #1

Named by Jason and Nicole Becker, Andrew, Colin, Matthew, Luke

BLESSED CARLOS MANUEL CECILIO

RODRIGUEZ SANTIAGO WEIGHT ROOM DOOR #2

Named by Gabriel and Jamie Alejandro, Lucy '27, Eva '28, Lena

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS WELLNESS HALLWAY

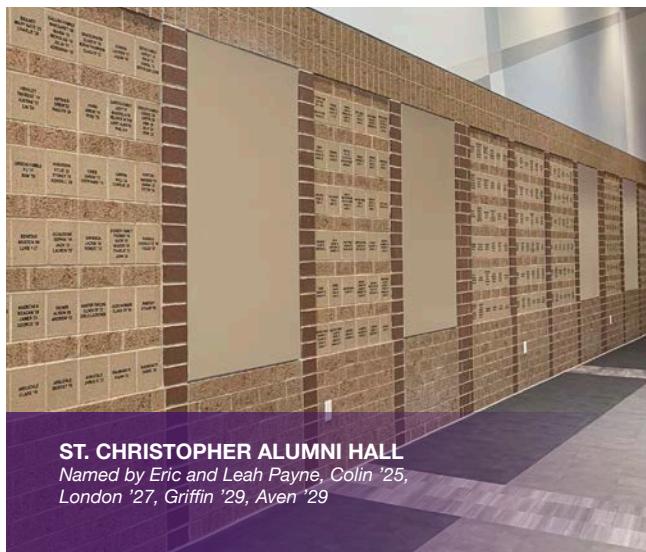
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ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FIELDHOUSE AND WELLNESS CENTER

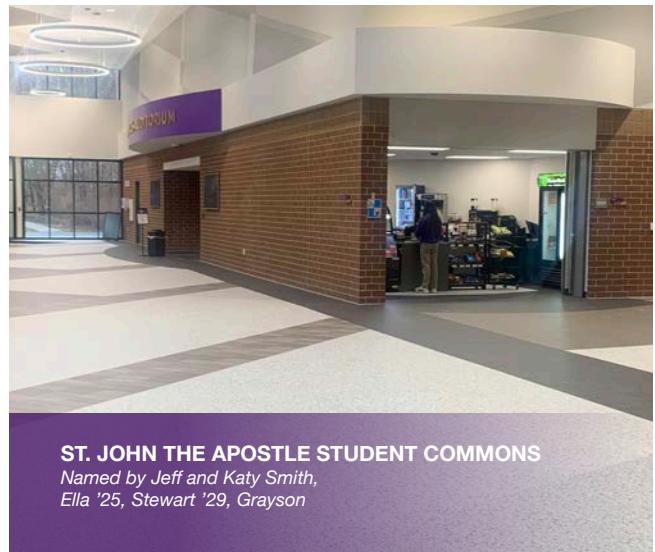
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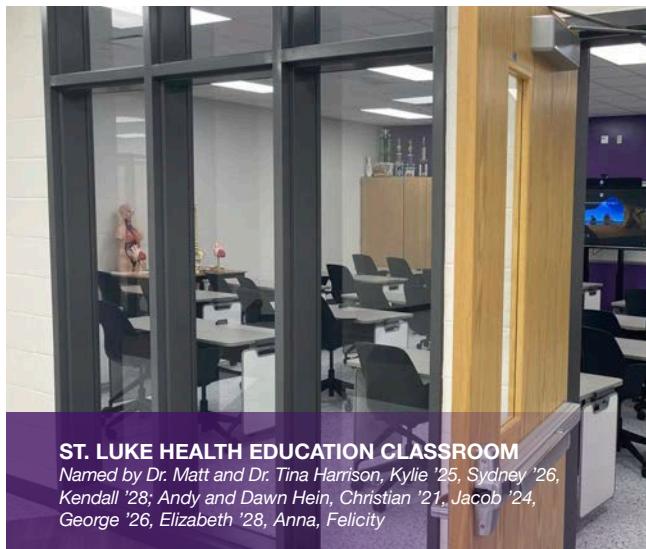
ST. CHRISTOPHER ALUMNI HALL

Named by Eric and Leah Payne, Colin '25,
London '27, Griffin '29, Aven '29



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE STUDENT COMMONS

Named by Jeff and Katy Smith,
Ella '25, Stewart '29, Grayson



ST. LUKE HEALTH EDUCATION CLASSROOM

Named by Dr. Matt and Dr. Tina Harrison, Kylie '25, Sydney '26,
Kendall '28; Andy and Dawn Hein, Christian '21, Jacob '24,
George '26, Elizabeth '28, Anna, Felicity



ST. ANNE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

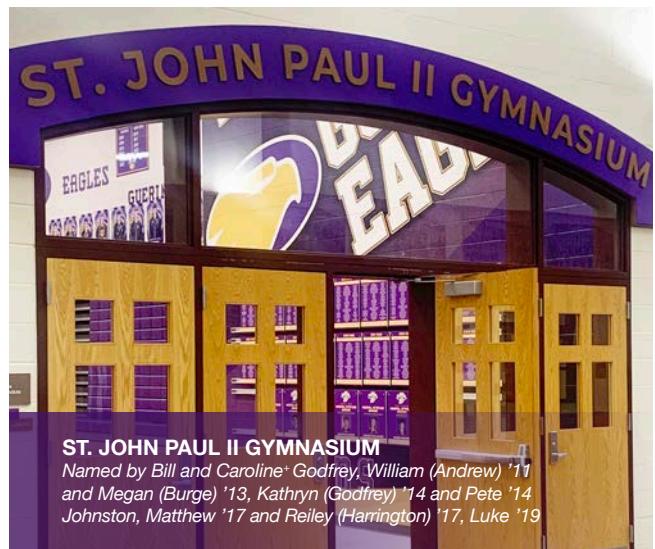
Named by Dr. Scott and Shannon Guenther,
Evan '23, Gracie '25, Katherine '29, Molly, Matthew;
In recognition of the Class of 2025 for their love and support of this area



ST. NICHOLAS CONCESSION STAND

Named by Patrick and Patty Lindley, Stephen '09 and
Olivia, Grant and Bridget Lindley, Erica (Lindley) '12
and Wyatt '12 Wunnenberg

Photo: Megan Ratts



ST. JOHN PAUL II GYMNASIUM

Named by Bill and Caroline Godfrey, William (Andrew) '11
and Megan (Burge) '13, Kathryn (Godfrey) '14 and Pete '14
Johnston, Matthew '17 and Reiley (Harrington) '17, Luke '19



The Godfrey family at the dedication of the Blessed Caroline Gerhardinger Tennis Center in memory of Caroline Godfrey.

In September 2025, the tennis facilities at Guerin Catholic were blessed and dedicated in Caroline's memory by her husband Bill and children, and renamed **The Blessed Caroline Gerhardinger Tennis Center**.

THE BLESSED CAROLINE GERHARDINGER TENNIS CENTER

Caroline Godfrey, mother of Guerin Catholic graduates **William (Andrew) '11, Kathryn '14, Matthew '17, and Luke '19**, absolutely loved Guerin Catholic and was an avid supporter and fan of the GC tennis program. Caroline had a storied collegiate career as a tennis player at the University of Kentucky, capturing the SEC Doubles Championship in 1986 and the SEC Singles Championship in 1987. She was also an Arthur Ashe Award finalist in 1989.

Caroline spent many years as a tennis teaching professional at Indianapolis Racquet Club and the Washington Township Youth Tennis Program. Caroline died of breast cancer in 2022 at the age of 56.

Thank you!

FINE ARTS AND WELLNESS CENTER

Thanks to the remarkable success of the **Unite+Build+Soar Campaign**, we surpassed our \$26 million fundraising goal for the new Fine Arts and Wellness Center. Because of the commitment of our donors, our campaign committee, and overall Guerin Catholic community, we opened the new building in September 2025—a beautiful space where our students will grow, create, compete, and thrive for years to come. ■

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building an *alumni* program



The Guerin Catholic alumni community is growing stronger each year, and the past year brought increased alumni engagement and events. With the establishment of the **Office of Alumni Relations** in July 2024 and the addition of a **full-time Alumni Director**, there's been a renewed focus on communication, outreach, and creating meaningful ways for alumni to stay involved.

Along with the Alumni Council, **we currently serve 2,807 alumni from 18 graduating classes, ranging in age from 18 to 37**. While in different stages of life, we recognize that staying connected to GC is important to our alumni population, with survey results from 2023 stating that 73% alumni consider staying connected "Very Important" to them.

A key priority has been reconnecting with alumni who may have lost touch over time. Behind the scenes, this meant improving records, refreshing communication tools, and showing up consistently online. Last year alone, 680 alumni records were corrected, a quarterly alumni newsletter was reinstated, and social media posts went out three times a week. Even for alumni who can't attend events in person, staying visible and connected helps reinforce that they're still an important part of the Guerin Catholic family.

The results speak for themselves. **Over the past year, our social media followers grew from 559 in July 2024, to 1245 in October 2025 (+122.7% increase)** and alumni attendance across all events increased by 46% compared to 2023-2024. We also had 134 alumni choose to make a financial gift to Guerin Catholic (compared to 61 the previous year).

Looking ahead, the Alumni Council and Office of Alumni Relations see tremendous opportunity in expanding virtual and regional engagement, ensuring that no matter where life takes our graduates, there's always a way to stay connected.

Ready to get involved? There are so many ways to connect with us and find ways to serve our alumni population. Contact us at alumni@guerincatholic.org for more information.

St. Theodore Guerin, Pray for us!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Prohaska".

Kathleen (Wannemuehler) Prohaska '13
Alumni Relations Specialist



 **alumni**
Snapshot

GC alumni who traveled to Rome, Italy to witness Church history at Pope Leo XIV's Inaugural Mass in May 2025 met up in St. Peter's Square. Faith, friendship and an unforgettable moment! Be sure to tag us on socials [@guerincatholicalumni](https://www.instagram.com/guerincatholicalumni).

Alumni *Faces & Places*



CLASS OF 2015 10-YEAR REUNION

The Class of 2015 Reunion kicked off their reunion weekend with a spirited tailgate, prayer service and Homecoming game celebration at GCHS. Festivities continued on Saturday, October 11, 2025 with a celebration at Blind Owl Brewery in Indianapolis, where 32 alumni and their guests came together to reconnect.



PROVIDENCE FUND DINNER

The 2025 Providence Fund Kick-off Dinner brought together a record number of 42 alumni and their guests. The annual dinner hosted over 600 attendees to support tuition assistance. Attendees enjoyed tours of the new building, an inspiring student speaker, and performances from our talented bands and choir. Save the date for next year's dinner on Thursday, September 17, 2026. *Pictured above L-R are Julie (Mennel) Fox '07, Colleen (Derksen) Kent '07 and Shannon (Murray) Strong '07.*

GUERIN CATHOLIC GALA

The 2025 Guerin Catholic Gala celebrated familiar faces with the presentation of the 2025 Bishop William L. Higi Leadership Award. The recipients of the 2025 award included (L-R) Geometry teacher **Perry "P2" Page**, **Philip and Brigit Caito** (grandparents of **Allie Wagner '23**, **Davis Wagner '24** and **Brady Wagner '27**), Past Principal **James McNeany** (2013-2025), and alumnus **Sam Titus '08**. The Gala is always a beautiful evening to come together as a school community and celebrate the important work being done at Guerin Catholic. Tickets for the 2026 Guerin Catholic Gala on Friday, April 10 go on sale in February.

Katherine (LaReau) Metz '21

This past May, as president of the Class of 2025 for the United States Military Academy at West Point, **Katherine (LaReau) Metz '21** had the honor of presenting the class gift to the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, during the annual commencement ceremony. The clip was played on media outlets across the globe and the moment was captured in picture by national and international online publications.

“Guerin Catholic prepared me exceptionally well for the rigors of West Point,” she said. “The IB program sharpened my critical thinking skills and equipped me to take on a demanding Chemical Engineering curriculum. Most importantly, Guerin Catholic prepared me spiritually for both West Point and for life. My personal relationship with Christ grew through time in the chapel, participation in all-school Masses, and the example of priests, sisters, and faculty who lived out their faith with joy and integrity. That foundation carried me through some of the most difficult moments at West Point, and continues to guide me today.”

In addition to pursuing the full IB diploma during her time at Guerin Catholic, Katie was also involved in athletics, student council, started the speech team and gave a memorable address to her classmates during the GC Class of 2021 commencement ceremony on the soccer and lacrosse field. She felt well-prepared to take on the physical and mental rigor that awaited her at West Point.

When asked about specific teachers making an impact on her, Katie mentioned **Mrs. Karen Kennedy, Mr. Hugh Ross, Dr. Jeanine Conklin**, and reserves a special place in her heart for **Mrs. Stephanie Ganser**. “My favorite teacher was Mrs. Ganser. She ignited in me a great interest in our government and politics, but most importantly, she taught me how to love the Lord and how to see Christ in every person around me. She is a blessing to Guerin Catholic,” she said.

Her four years at West Point were highlighted by confronting fears through classes such as Boxing and Survival Swimming, and rigorous trainings that took her into the woods for

building leaders



nighttime military operations and rappelling from helicopters. But the highlight of her four years was meeting her current husband, Mark Metz.

"My husband comes from a huge Catholic family (11 children), two of which are priests, and three of which went to West Point. While Mark and I had very different experiences at West Point (he was a D1 wrestler and I was in the Glee Club), we were united in love by our Catholic faith, which will continue to guide and strengthen our marriage," she said.

As a recipient of the Barry Scholarship, Katie will now pursue two years of study at Oxford University where she plans to complete a Master's in Energy Systems, followed by a Master's in Public Policy, while continuing to explore the vital role of energy in society. Following the two years of study, Metz will then begin her service as an Army officer.

"As I step into graduate studies and prepare to lead soldiers as an officer in the U.S. Army, I continue to lean on my faith for direction," said Metz. "As an Army officer, I aim to lead soldiers from every walk of life with integrity and compassion, striving to be a witness to Christ and to help each of them grow into the person God created them to be."

To current Guerin Catholic students, Metz offers this advice: "Take full advantage of everything Guerin Catholic has to offer, and trust that you will leave well prepared for the challenges of college. Make time to visit the Lord in the St. Joseph's Chapel—whether in the morning, during lunch, or after school. He is always waiting there, ready to guide your life and give you peace as you discern who He created you to be." ■



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building the kingdom of God

Father Jason Diebolt '16

Currently assigned to Holy Spirit and St. John Vianney parishes in Fishers, Indiana, Father **Jason Diebolt '16**, credits his parents, Dan and Janice for instilling the Catholic faith in him from the beginning of his life. Father, and his twin sister **Jenna '16**, attended Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church and school, and both attended Guerin Catholic. Father Diebolt was ordained a priest with the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana in June 2025.

"I am extremely grateful for the Catholic identity at Guerin Catholic," he said. "Having the opportunity to go to daily Mass was very formative in my discernment and I am most especially grateful to **Fr. Joshua Janko** (former GC Chaplain) who helped to guide me to discern a call to the priesthood and see the beauty of that vocation."

After graduating from Guerin Catholic, Father Diebolt spent four years at St. John Vianney

Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota and three years at St. Francis de Sales Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Through his ministry as a priest, he hopes to bring the love of Jesus Christ to others.

"It is when we live our faith to its fullest that we find joy and peace in who God made us to be. I find the most hope when people desire to live their faith courageously. The Sacraments, in particular regular reception of Holy Communion and frequent Confession, help us to recognize our need for God's grace in our lives to be holy and strive to do His holy will," he said.

When asked what advice he would give young people, Father said, "...start living as the person you want to be today. We all have hopes and dreams, especially in high school, and we must start forming our lives to that reality today. Be zealous for the faith and pray every day, as this will be the foundation of your life. When all else fails, God is with you." ■



Sister Clare Dominic Pottratz '14

As the oldest of eight children, **Sister Clare Dominic Pottratz, O.P. '14**, credits her parents, Michael and Wendy, for providing the foundation of faith that ultimately led to her discernment and religious vocation.

“My parents committed early on to sending all of us to Catholic schools,” said Sister. “I went to St. Luke from kindergarten to eighth grade, but really didn’t take my faith seriously until my sophomore year at Guerin Catholic.” It was during Lent that year that Sister decided attend daily Mass rather than giving up the typical items of chocolate or Starbucks.

“As I received Jesus every day in the Eucharist, I experienced the peace that the world cannot give, and that I didn’t even know it was possible to have. Even after that Lent ended, I couldn’t stop going to daily Mass. That was definitely the beginning of my discernment,” she said.



Sister Clare Dominic is a Dominican Sister with the St. Cecilia Congregation in Nashville. She also credits her vocation to Guerin Catholic’s Theology teachers who challenged her to understand the faith more deeply and to think more critically about where to seek the truth.

“As a junior, I started to think more about colleges, careers... and possibly a vocation. I realized that God had planted big desires in my heart. I was encouraged by my friends both at Guerin Catholic and at Our Lady of Mount Carmel who were also open to discerning priesthood and religious life. I knew I wasn’t crazy for considering it,” she said.

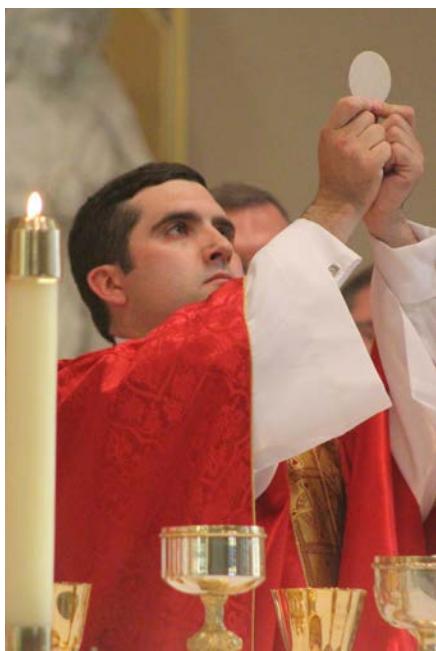
As a matter of fact, it was through her involvement in Guerin Catholic’s Students for Life and the Rosary Club where she got to know the future **Sr. Rose Dominic Daily, O.P. '13**, who was discerning with the Nashville Dominicans.

During her senior year at Guerin Catholic, two Dominican Sisters, **Sister Mary Peter** and **Sister Gianna**, were assigned to Guerin Catholic.

“Even though I didn’t have them for class, just seeing them in the hallways was such a joy! We had great conversations, and I knew I could always go to them with whatever questions I had about religious life.”

When asked what advice she has for young people discerning their path in life, Sister said, “In the words of St. John Paul II: ‘Do not be afraid!’ When I was discerning, I always had the sense that Christ was leading me toward the beginning of a great adventure—and I can say with certainty that no day since I entered the convent has been boring! The best thing to do is to step out on the adventure, and if you stay close to Christ in prayer and the sacraments, you will not go astray.”

Sister Clare Dominic currently teaches English and literature at St. Croix Catholic School in Stillwater, Minnesota. ■



Father Cole Daily '09 is currently serving in the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana at Holy Spirit at Geist as an Associate Pastor.



Father William Summerlin '11 is currently serving in the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana as a Chaplain and Theology Teacher at Lafayette Central Catholic.



Father Nicholas Hartman O.P. '11 is a Catholic priest with the Dominican Friars of Providence of St. Joseph.



Father Matthew Jakupco '13 is currently serving in the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana at St. Mary Cathedral and St. Anne Church Pastorate as a Parochial Vicar.



Sister Rose Dominic Daily O.P. '13 is a Dominican Sister with the St. Cecilia Congregation in Nashville.

IN FORMATION

Please pray for our alumni currently in formation:



Drew Cobb '17
seminarian with the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana.



Brother Jordan Chang C.S.C. '18 is a Temporary Professed Brother with the Congregation of Holy Cross.



Thomas Nelson '21
seminarian with the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana.



Sean Loub '24 is currently in formation with the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.

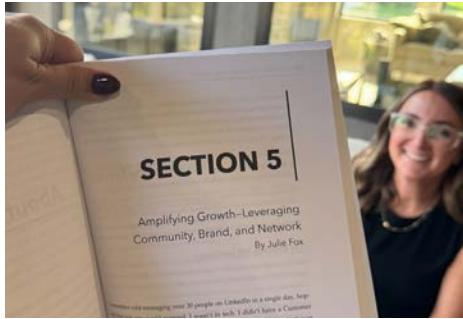


Luke Ross '25 is currently in formation as a seminarian with the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana.



Sister Maria Clare Smith T.O.R., a Guerin Catholic Faculty Member from 2007-2008, is a Franciscan Sister, T.O.R. of Penance of the Sorrowful Mother. *Photo courtesy of Franciscan Sisters T.O.R.*

07



Julie (Mennel) Fox '07 helped publish *"The Customer Success Talent Playbook: How to Hire, Grow, and Thrive in Customer Success"*. Julie was featured as one of six award-winning industry-leader authors.

10



Katie (Stark) Moran '10 and her husband Joe welcomed Molly Catherine "Molly Cate" in July 2024.

12



Kylie Broton '12 married Wes Fichera in June 2025. She finished her MBA in 2024 and is currently working at Lockheed Martin as an Engineering Manager.

09



Miranda (Wood) '09 and Sean '08 Armie are opening their first business, **Stella House Books**, an independent book store in the heart of downtown Carmel. The store, which plans to open in Spring of 2026, is dedicated to curating a timeless collection of literary classics, both old and new.



Kara (Moore) Wilson '09 and her husband welcomed a son, Arthur Grey, in November. Arthur joined big brother Van and big sister Ruby.



Eleanor Wannemuehler '10, Chief of Staff for Vanguard's Wealth Management division recently had the chance to ring the closing bell of the New York Stock Exchange in May 2025 to celebrate the company's 50th anniversary.

11



Sam Ganser '11 is a professional pianist and has started her own business, Sam Ganser Piano. She primarily plays for weddings (cocktail hours, services, ceremonies), but also is available for holiday parties, showers, and corporate events in the Indy area.



Joe Viater '12 recently wrapped up his career in private equity to bring **French Florist** flower shops to the midwest, beginning with the first location in Indianapolis this past November. French Florist is the top flower shop in Los Angeles and Joe is excited to bring that same level of quality and care to the area. Pictured above is Joe, his wife Mollie, and their daughters Mae and Halle during opening week at the new shop at 1514 W. 86th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46260.

13



Katt (Trott) Boaz '13 and her husband **Alex '13** welcomed Bennett ("Benny") Boaz in June 2025.



Kara (Linton) Brennan '13 and husband **Aaron '14** welcomed the newest member of their family in February 2025. Baby Miller joins older sister, Scarlett (2).



Anna (Stark) Busald '13 and her husband Jack welcomed their third boy, William, on August 9th, 2025. William joins brothers JT (4) and Henry (2).

Catherine DeSilvester '13 works as a litigation services attorney at Latham & Watkins in Boston, MA. She is also the Girls Development Lead and a coach at Lionheart Volleyball Club.

14



Natalie (Weber) Piggush '14 started a new job this year as the Manager of Public and Media Relations for The Children's Museum of Indianapolis—a dream job where she gets to work with dinosaurs, spaceships, the carousel, and more!



Mariah (Callon) '14 and **Patrick '14 Martin** welcomed their first baby, Wesley Callon Martin.

15



Christopher Bluish '15 earned a spot in the prestigious New York City Marathon this year through a lottery entry. On November 2, he joined more than 59,000 runners in what became the largest marathon in world history. Christopher crossed the finish line in 3:17, placing in the top 10%. A lifelong runner, he competed for both Guerin Catholic and Purdue University. After the race, he celebrated with his biggest fan, Regan, who is pictured with him. The couple is engaged and will be married in 2026!



Kelleen (Haddad) '15 and **Kevin '14 Coltrain** welcomed their 4th child, Jaxton, to their family, joining siblings Kelsea (4), Kaelynn (3), and JT (2).

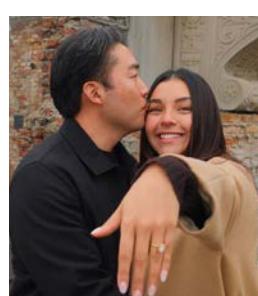


Audrey Cross '15 and her fiancé are parents to children Adessa (4) and Arion (3). Audrey works at Anthony's Chophouse, where she recently celebrated her 5th work anniversary.

16



Christina (Spech) '16 and **Nicholas '16 Mayhew** welcomed their second daughter, Juliana Rose, in August. In January 2025, Nicholas published his first book, *Lords of Conquest: Iron Raven*.



Brenda Rodriguez '16 is engaged to Bryson Murakami.

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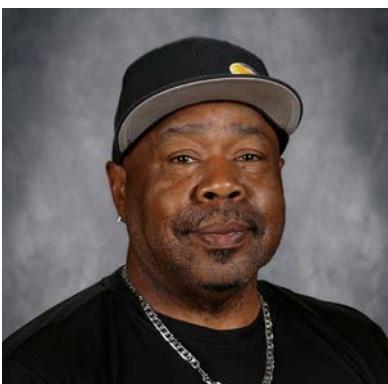


Jason Gandhi '18 started a job as General Manager for Men's and Women's Basketball at the University of Delaware.

19



Matt Adjaharian '19 and Emma Cunningham '19 recently got engaged in Cabo. Matt has his own property management company and manages over 35 properties. He is a broker with REAL real estate. Emma is currently a Radiologic Technologist in Vascular Interventional Radiology, recently passing her boards.



IN MEMORIAM Alvis "AJ" Johnson

The unexpected passing of our colleague and friend, Alvis Johnson (AJ), in April 2025, left us all heartbroken.

AJ was one of the original staff members when Guerin Catholic opened her doors in 2004, and among many other duties, has served as a maintenance technician, grounds crew member, and bus driver for the school.

Guerin Catholic President, Deacon Rick Wagner, said, "AJ was a fixture in our building, loved and appreciated by all—staff as well as students. He was a joyful man with a ready smile and a willingness to help wherever needed. He will be greatly missed."

May the soul of Alvis Johnson and all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.



Davis Schlichte '19 studied Marketing at Butler University. In 2024, he founded **Ascend Media and Marketing**, a Carmel-based agency committed to helping businesses, entrepreneurs, and visionaries grow through creative and data-driven marketing strategies.

20

Rose McIntyre '20 graduated from the University of Wyoming and started her first job as a Committee and Events Coordinator for the Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce.

21



Katherine LaReau '21 married Mark Metz in June. She is attending Oxford University for her masters degree.



Abigail Snyder '21 graduated from the IU Kelley School of Business, and is now diving full-time into **Abigail's Best**, the bakery she started while at Guerin Catholic! She is currently looking to move into a commercial space soon as the business continues to grow.

23



While studying abroad in Vienna, Austria for the fall semester, **John Tiplick '23** travelled to Rome and played piano at St. Peter's Basilica.



WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!
Whether it's a big move, a new job, recent accomplishment, or just a life update, let us know by filling out the alumni info form on GuerinCatholic.org.



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GC DAY OF GIVING

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

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Thursday, January 29, 2026

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SPRING MUSICAL: PROVIDENCE—A LOVE STORY

March 6-7, 13-14, 2026

CAMPUS2CAREERS

Friday, March 20, 2026

GUERIN CATHOLIC GALA

Ritz Charles, Carmel
Friday, April 10, 2026

GOLDEN EAGLE CLUB

GOLF OUTING

Sagamore Golf Club
Tuesday, May 26, 2026

CLASS OF 2026 BACCALAUREATE MASS

Guerin Catholic
Wednesday, June 3, 2026

CLASS OF 2026 COMMENCEMENT

The Palladium, Carmel
Thursday, June 4, 2026

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