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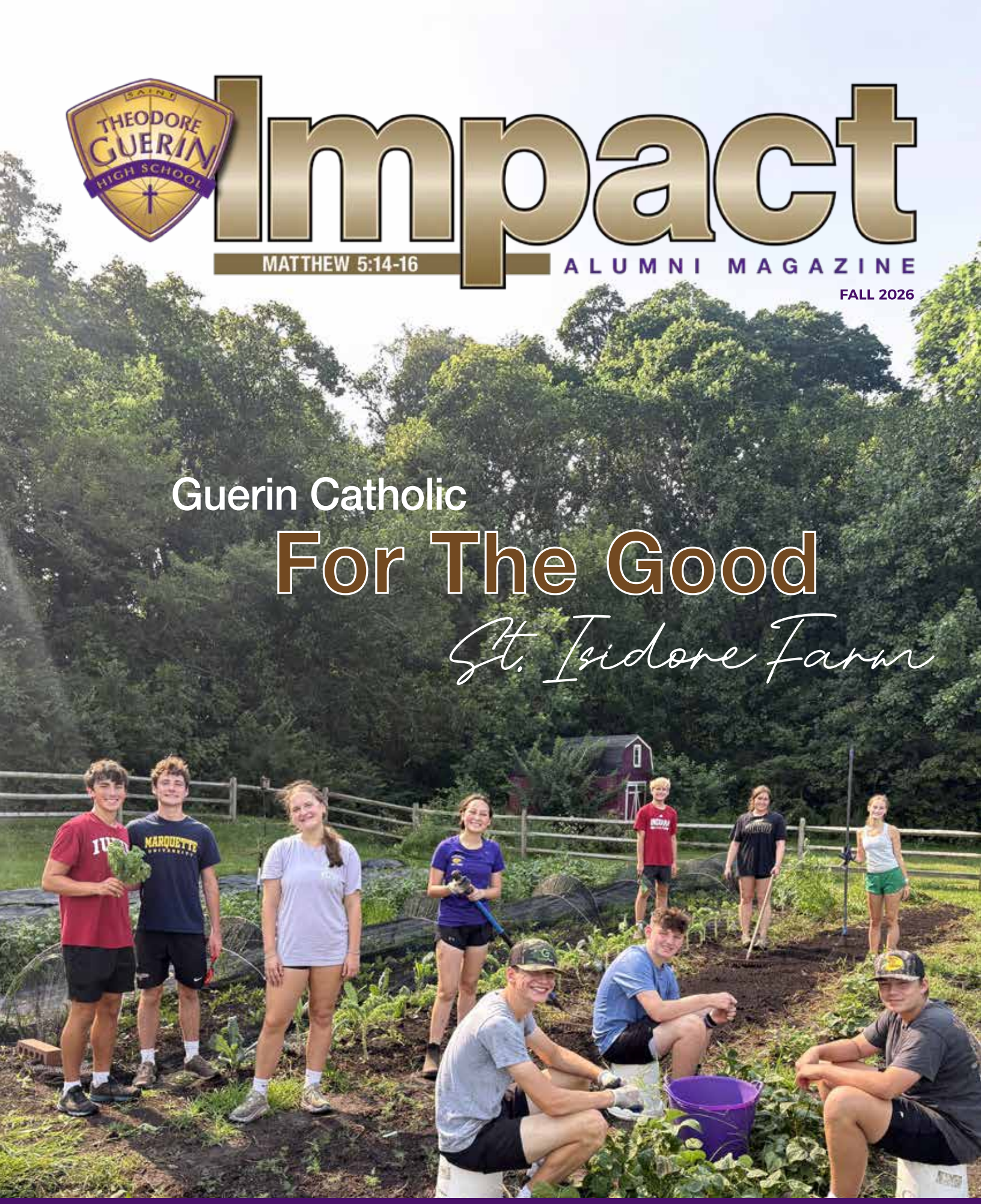

ST. ISIDORE FARM ON THE CAMPUS OF GUERIN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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dominican sisters of *St. Cecilia*



IN THE CLASSROOM

Guerin Catholic is once again blessed with two Dominican Sisters for the 2026-2027 school year. **Sister Rose Miriam (L)** returns to Guerin Catholic as Theology Department Chair. This is her second time at GC as she completed her student teaching in **Mr. Adrian Deboy's** classroom in the fall of 2015. **Sister Lily Anne (R)** is in her third year at GC, moving from the English Department to the Theology Department.

IN FORMATION



Miss Kathryn Tiplick '24 (far right) entered the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia in Nashville on August 15, 2026, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A special Mass was held for her at her home parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel before she left. Former GC Chaplain **Father John Nguyen** (right) and current Chaplain **Father Coady Owens** concelebrated the Mass.

Kathryn is one of four GC alumni who are beginning formation for religious vocations this fall. *For a full list of GC alumni in religious formation and vocations, please see page 25.*

president's message



The theme of this year's *Impact Magazine* is **Guerin Catholic for the Good**. Part of our vision statement calls the community to *"Lead with Humility,"* so the title of this year's Impact Magazine references the good work being done by Guerin Catholic students, staff, and alumni that serves the broader community.

You'll read about this good work, including the work being done at our **St. Isidore Farm**, the beautiful production of the spring musical ***Providence: A Love Story***, successful athletic programs representing Guerin Catholic with class, and, of course our alumni making a difference in the world. This year, alumni spotlights will shine on those serving as educators and non-profit and public health professionals.

You'll also read about the GC Media Center being transformed into the **Bishop William L. Higi Student Life Center**. Bishop Higi passed away on January 3, 2025. Guerin Catholic is widely regarded as his legacy. The Student Life Center will honor that legacy and provide the current GC students with a newly-refreshed gathering space.

Kathleen (Wannemuehler) Prohaska '13 continues to do an outstanding job as our Alumni Relations Specialist. Alumni communication and engagement are a priority. We have seen increased participation from our alumni at events like **Providence Fund Kick-off Dinner**, **Donuts with Santa**, and **Homecoming**, where we had nearly 100% increase in participation with over 150 alumni guests. We value your input and want you and your family to always feel welcome at Guerin Catholic!

If you have ever been a part of the Guerin Catholic community, you REMAIN a Golden Eagle forever.

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

St. Theodore Guerin, Pray for us!

Deacon Rick Wagner
President









Congratulations
CLASS OF 2026

Guerin Catholic High School celebrated its 20th Commencement exercise on Thursday, June 4. The 199 graduates of the Class of 2026 were offered over $49 million in college scholarship awards with 21% of the class earning an International Baccalaureate Diploma.

The ceremony featured an opening prayer by **Ava Horn '26** *(Photo 1);* the Pledge of Allegiance by **Courtney Bassi '26**, **Nixon Ewers '26**, **Quentin Klee '26**, **Ada Mertes '26**, and **Anna Ososki '26** *(Photo 2);* student address by **Katie Kolb '26** *(Photo 3);* faculty address by **Father Coady Owens**, Chaplain *(Photo 4);* and alma mater by **Isabelle Riley '26** *(Photo 5).*

As the 20th graduating class, they are now part of an alumni network of more than 3,000 graduates. ■



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CLASS OF 2026 AND THEIR IMPRESSIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS



199
MEMBER CLASS
ATTENDING 51
COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

$49+
MILLION
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

33K+
SERVICE HOURS
COLLECTIVELY OVER 4 YEARS

26
ATHLETES
COMMITTED TO PLAY
SPORTS AT THE
COLLEGIATE LEVEL

2
NATIONAL MERIT
FINALISTS

1
NATIONAL MERIT
SEMIFINALIST

7
NATIONAL MERIT
COMMENDED SCHOLARS

class of 2026
campus snapshots



A NEW LUNCH ROOM

The Class of 2026 was the first class of seniors to eat lunch in a new space—the St. Anne Room. The former weight room was converted into a multi-purpose room with the addition of the Fine Arts and Wellness Center in 2025. The new space allows seniors to eat lunch together instead of separating into the cafeteria, student lounge, courtyard, or media center.



A NEW CONCERT VENUE

The trimester Music Department concerts moved into the new St. Francis Auditorium in the 2025-2026 school year. Students in Sounds of Providence, string orchestra, band, GoldenVoice, and other ensembles were the first to perform on the St. Cecilia Auditorium Stage.



SENIOR SUNRISE

Girls in the Class of 2026 retired their skirts after their sophomore year (2023-2024) but were allowed to bring them back painted with their college decision for the annual Senior Sunrise in May 2026.

on *campus*



GC ESPORTS CAPTURES FIRST STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Guerin Catholic celebrated a historic achievement as the Golden Eagles Esports Team captured its first-ever state championship. Led by Language Arts teacher and alumnus **Holden Booher '17**, the team completed an incredible underdog run. Entering the state finals as the sixth seed, the Golden Eagles faced the top-seeded team from Scottsburg in a thrilling championship match that came down to the final game. With confidence, determination, and teamwork, the Golden Eagles pulled off the upset and claimed the state title. Booher, who returned to Guerin Catholic with the goal of reviving the Esports program, couldn't be more proud of his players, not only for what they accomplished in competition, but for how much they grew along the way. ■



GUERIN CATHOLIC GOLDEN GEARS ATTENDS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

The Guerin Catholic Golden Gears made an incredible showing at the 2026 FIRST Worlds Championship in Houston this past spring. Their bot, the Omega, was completely designed and assembled by Guerin Catholic students. After an incredible season, the team was awarded the prestigious Rookie All-Star Award at the Kokomo District Event and earned a spot at the championship. When competing, the team faced an early setback when Omega was sidelined in the opening match. Demonstrating remarkable resilience, the Golden Gears bounced back with eight wins over the next two days, earning 8th place in their division and a spot in the playoffs.

Selected as the first pick of the 5th-seeded alliance, the Golden Gears advanced all the way to the final round of the lower bracket, before falling to the eventual division champions. Their performance placed them among the world's best, with an EPA (Expected Points Added) ranking of **96th globally** and **2nd in Indiana**.

The Golden Gears (FRC Team 10021) was founded in 2024 by faculty member **Mr. Jeremy Cromer**, who serves as the head coach. Follow their competitions at **team10021.com** ■





Happy Retirement





At the end of the 2025-26 school year, Guerin Catholic said farewell to **Mrs. Grace Pratt** and **Mr. Perry Page ("P-Squared"),** two beloved original staff members who celebrated their retirements after more than 20 years of service to the school.

Since the school opened its doors in 2004, Mrs. Grace Pratt wore many hats during her time at Guerin Catholic, including serving as the first Director of Admissions. She most recently served as one of Guerin Catholic's school counselors, helping countless individuals discover their strengths and reach their full potential. "Mrs. Pratt, (was) the first staff member my family met when I was a prospective student. When I returned as a student, (she) remembered my name. Mrs. Pratt provided so much comfort to me and my family as I found my footing at Guerin," said **Victoria Sullivan '16**.

Mr. Perry Page, also know as "P-Squared," has been a cornerstone of the math department since day one. Always appreciated for his playful teaching style and love for his students, P-Squared was also known as GC's Santa Claus, resident Colts' superfan, Band of Brothers Kairos leader, candy jar estimator, and firework "pyrotechnician." "I will always remember how he taught with humor and kindness, especially teaching us how to play euchre and drawing cards to collect homework," said **Maribeth Allen '12**.

To celebrate his retirement, his math department colleagues invited all staff to wear Colts gear and coordinated a visit from former Colts tight end (and his favorite player) **Jack Doyle**, whom he taught 7th grade Pre-Algebra at Holy Spirit in Indianapolis. On June 4, at the Class of 2026 Commencement ceremony, he distributed his infamous candy bar quote one last time (below), greeting all 199 graduates after they accepted their diploma, just like he did for classes before them. He leaves his students and all alumni with this advice: "Make sure whatever you do, make Mother Guerin proud of you." ■



A graduation tradition . . .







media center makeover

BISHOP WILLIAM L. HIGI STUDENT LIFE CENTER

The renovation of the Media Center was featured as the Fund-a-Need at the Guerin Catholic Gala in April 2026, and the effort was a great success! The space received a major facelift and now serves as a beautiful gathering space for students.

With the improvements, the Media Center was renamed **The Bishop William L. Higi Student Life Center**. Bishop Higi (1933-2025), the founding bishop of Guerin Catholic, was a huge proponent of Catholic education, and cared deeply for the students entrusted to the care of the school. He always said that Guerin Catholic would be his legacy. The new name for the renovated space honors that legacy as well as his love for the students.

In the new space, hanging on a brick wall is a photo of Bishop Higi (photo above right). Underneath the photo, a beautiful wood and glass display case holds his chalice. At his request, the chalice is on indefinite loan to the school from the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana.

The newly-renovated space accomplished both of its intended purposes: provide a beautiful, comfortable, and practical space for the students while honoring the bishop whose “yes” made the school possible. ■

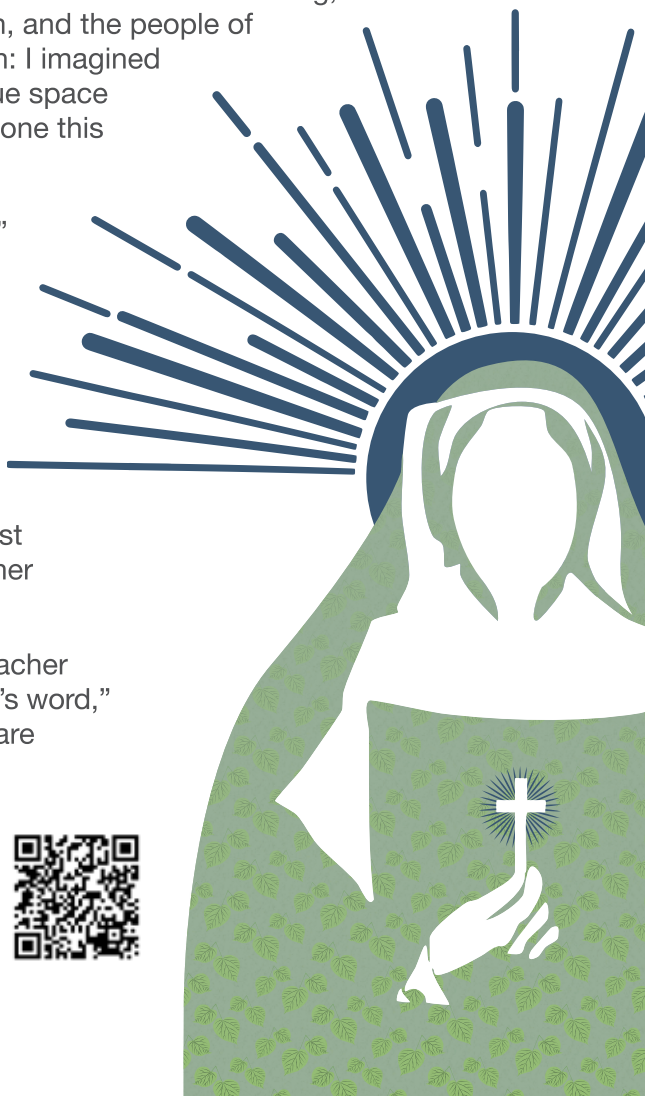
honoring our patroness in a new musical

PROVIDENCE: A LOVE STORY

In March 2026, the spirit of St. Theodore Guerin, the school's patroness, could be felt on stage and in the audience as an original musical, *Providence: A Love Story,* premiered in the new St. Francis Auditorium.

The show, written by Director of Fine Arts **Mrs. Marcia Murphy**, was the twenty-second musical she has directed at Guerin Catholic, and the first she has written. "When I tell people I've written a musical, it sounds absurd. I knew nothing about writing musicals. But Mother Guerin's impact on my life inspired me to believe, with her prayers, that anything is possible," said Murphy, who has been at GC since it opened in 2004. "For years, **Mike Panasuk** (Theatre/Media teacher), **Mark Duray** (former Director of Fine Arts), and I discussed creating a show to honor our patroness. For a decade, I have thought about this story. How could I tell the story of a woman who experienced tragedy, suffering, and discrimination, without making the musical overwhelmingly sad? Despite her hardships, Mother Guerin was joyful, humorous, and loving. My prayers and reading about her led me to this story."

The story narrates the unique relationship between St. Theodore Guerin and Sister Theodosia Mug, who was St. Theodore Guerin's official biographer and the recipient of the saint's first miracle. While they never met on earth, Murphy imagines that the two sisters were good friends. Through the story, she wanted to encourage others to see Mother Guerin as an intercessor and let her example guide their faith. "I spent time researching not only Mother Guerin, but also Sr. Theodosia Mug, Celestine de la Hailendière, Sr. Francis Xavier, Sr. Marie Kevin, and the people of their eras," said Murphy. "This show is not strictly non-fiction: I imagined conversations and adapted the story for the stage. The unique space inspired me to convey the story's key point. I couldn't have done this without the amazing adults and students who supported me. Her story is central to our community, and by honoring her, we show our gratitude and mark a meaningful new beginning."



The two leading roles in the show were portrayed by **Lilah Cruz '27** as Saint Theodore, and **MJ Becker '26** as Sister Theodosia. As quoted in a March 2026 article in *The Criterion newspaper* (Archdiocese of Indianapolis), Cruz says of the sisters' relationship: "They have one of the deepest types of friendship because it's brought together in prayer, and it's rooted in Jesus. Being that they've had a lot of similar life experiences, I feel they're so close they're almost like the same soul. I think when Sister Theodosia prays, Mother Theodore carries her prayers to God."

The show features original music composed by GC music teacher **Ms. Sarah May**, "The songs are another way to proclaim God's word," Becker says. "Some are strictly based on the plot, but there are songs that are giving glory to God. For me, doing theater is also a way to glorify God." ■

Listen to an original cast recording of the soundtrack to *Providence: A Love Story*, now available on music streaming platforms such as Spotify and Amazon music.

Parts of this article were written by John Shaughnessy, and published by The Criterion, the official weekly newspaper of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, on March 6, 2026.

PROVIDENCE
A *Love* STORY











2026 BOYS LACROSSE 1A STATE CHAMPIONS



2026 POLE VAULT STATE CHAMPION
Amelia Smith '27

playing for the good



2026 BASEBALL 3A STATE CHAMPIONS

2025-2026 athletics season

BY THE NUMBERS

579 STUDENT ATHLETES IN '25-26

4 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

BASEBALL
BOYS LACROSSE
BOYS SOCCER
POLE VAULT
AMELIA SMITH '27

8 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

GIRLS GOLF
BOYS SOCCER
BOYS BASKETBALL
BOYS GOLF
GIRLS LACROSSE
BOYS LACROSSE
GIRLS TENNIS
BASEBALL

2 STATE RUNNERS-UP

TEAM: GIRLS LACROSSE

INDIVIDUAL:
BOYS GOLF - ELI WESSEL '26
NAMED 2026 MR. GOLF

2 STATE FINALISTS

BOYS GOLF
GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

2 IHSAA MENTAL ATTITUDE AWARDS

BOYS SOCCER
Adam Jurewicz '26

BASEBALL
Luke Gremelspacher '26

8 STATE QUALIFIERS

GIRLS GOLF
Ali Scott '26

CROSS COUNTRY
Cole Eckstein '27

SWIMMING & DIVING
Sam Holl '27

TRACK AND FIELD
Zoe Travelsted '27
Katie Kolb '26
Katie Kolb '26
Jillian Tichenor '29
Chloe Tragesser '29
Brinna Wolf '27
Brooke Bunnell 26
Alli Parker '29
Addy Horvath '26
Katie Wendt '27
Seffrin Smith '26

1 NATIONAL QUALIFIER

CHEERLEADING

new sport for 2026-2027

GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL TAKES THE FIELD

The Golden Eagles joined more than 100 high schools across Indiana to field a Girls Flag Football team for the 2026-27 academic year. The initiative from the Indianapolis Colts called "Road to 100" was created to have 100 flag football teams to help qualify the sport as an official varsity sport by the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA). The initiative started in 2023 with eight teams, grew to 78 in 2025, and went over the 100 mark for the fall 2026 season. The IHSAA may vote to officially sanction the sport as early as May 2027. The first fall season features a GC team of 19 girls from all grades who will play eight games under the direction of Coach **Tony Vespa**. ■





HANDS-ON *learning* for the good



outdoor education on
ST. ISIDORE FARM

Alumni can attest to the fact that not every lesson that takes place at Guerin Catholic happens in the classroom. At St. Isidore Farm, education extends into the great outdoors, where students grow vegetables, serve the community, and discover a deeper connection between faith, ecology, and human dignity.

Located on Guerin Catholic's 72-acre campus, St. Isidore Farm is an innovative school farm business that combines ecological education, sustainable agriculture, and Catholic social teaching about food justice into hands-on learning experiences. The farm provides students with opportunities to study regenerative farming practices while also living out the school's Catholic mission of service to others.

Formerly known as the Guerin Garden, the farm was named in 2020 after St. Isidore the Farmer, the patron saint of farmers and rural communities, and reflects a philosophy rooted in stewardship of creation. Inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home*, the program encourages students to see the natural world as interconnected with human life and faith.

The farm involves students through a trimester-long Farming and Food Justice course, summer internships, elective credit, service hours, and summer camps. Participants gain practical experience in planting, harvesting, irrigation, and soil care while learning about sustainable food systems and environmental responsibility.

One of the most important aspects of St. Isidore Farm is its commitment of serving the local community. The program donates the first and best 10 percent of each week's harvest to address local food insecurity. Remaining produce is distributed through the farm's Veggie Box Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program, which provides fresh, seasonal produce to staff members and local families of the Guerin Catholic community.



According to GC social studies teacher and farm director **Mr. Zach Haselhorst**, the farm has donated more than 3,000 pounds of organic produce to families in need, engaged more than 350 students through internships and coursework, distributed more than 2,500 weekly produce boxes, and assembled over 100 cut flower bouquets.

In an age when young people are increasingly disconnected from the origins of their food and the rhythms of nature, St. Isidore Farm offers a refreshing alternative; an education grounded in practical skills and spiritual purpose. Through its combination of sustainability, service, and Catholic values, the farm has become a unique and inspiring part of the GC student experience. ■



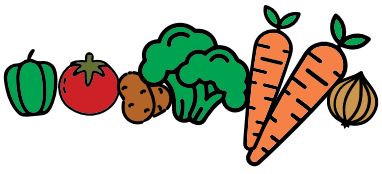




Did you know? The 2023 Guerin Catholic Gala Fund-a-Need raised over $24,000 for the farm to install water, electricity, and a fence. The funds also were used to improve its greenhouse facilities and tool storage. These improvements allowed the farm to donate an even bigger percentage of weekly produce to local families in need. The farm also received a gift-in-kind donation of work from Citizens Energy Group worth $15,000 to complete the irrigation work needed to water the farm.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT GUERIN CATHOLIC'S ST. ISIDORE FARM!

For more information on how to support St. Isidore Farm or to purchase produce grown on the farm, please contact Mr. Zach Haselhorst, Farm Director, at zhaselhorst@guerincatholic.org.



non-profit finance

Brittany Babbitt ’10

MORNING LIGHT, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT

Throughout her life, **Brittany Babbitt ’10** has felt God’s call to serve others. She currently serves as Morning Light’s Director of Finance and Development. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Morning Light offers a free home to terminally ill patients of low income in Indianapolis. Morning Light reimagines end-of-life care by providing no-cost housing, support, and compassion. “Together with our community, we honor every life and light the way for dying with dignity.” (Morning Light)

Babbitt attended Butler University, where she earned her bachelor’s degree and embraced numerous leadership opportunities as president for both her sorority, Alpha Phi, and Butler’s Pre-Law Society, and served as an intern with the Indiana Supreme Court. “Through each experience, my passion for public service, servant leadership, and advocacy was strengthened,” she said.

After college, she spent eight years in the banking industry, building expertise in finance, operations, and strategic leadership. While she valued the experience and professional growth, she felt called to use those skills in service of a greater mission. “God’s call led me to the non-profit sector, where I found the opportunity to combine financial stewardship with meaningful community impact.”

As the Director of Finance and Development at Morning Light, Babbitt oversees the organization’s finances, operations, human resources, information technology, and marketing, helping ensure Morning Light can continue providing dignity, comfort, and peace to individuals at the end of life.

Outside of work, she serves a variety of community organizations, such as Allies, Inc., Zionsville Women in Network (ZWIN), Congregational Care Network, and is deeply involved in her faith community at Second Presbyterian Church. ■







sisters in education



Colleen (Regan) Hayden ’09

LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER, WILDWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

As long as she can remember, **Colleen (Regan) Hayden ’09** knew she was meant to be a teacher. That dream took shape at Guerin Catholic, as she experienced firsthand how her caring, relationship-first educators provided the space for her to grow into her best self, in and outside of the classroom. While she holds fond memories of all her teachers, she remembers with particular appreciation **Mrs. Shelley Horn**, **Mr. Mark Duray**, **Mr. Mike Panasuk**, and **Mrs. Marcia Murphy**.

Guided by these role models and trained by incredible faculty at Ball State University, Colleen launched her teaching career immediately after graduating from college. She taught ninth grade in Madison-Grant and Blackford, before relocating to St. Louis with her husband, Austin, in 2016.

In St. Louis, Colleen began teaching middle school—a move she once vowed she would never make—but one that she has come to love. Colleen teaches 8th Grade Language Arts at Wildwood Middle School (WMS) in the Rockwood School District, where she’s been since 2020.

Colleen’s commitment to her students has been recognized with **two Teacher of the Year nominations** at WMS, as well as a **nomination for an STL Excellence in Education Award** at her previous school. Colleen serves as co-sponsor of WMS’ inclusive leadership program and co-chairs the Social Committee.



Colleen (Regan) Hayden ’09 (sitting) with her students at Wildwood Middle School in St. Louis; Top: Colleen receives her Guerin Catholic diploma in 2009 from Fr. Dale Ehrman.

Earlier this year, Colleen graduated with a master’s degree in Education-Curriculum and Instruction from Southwest Baptist University. She considers her greatest achievement, however, to be navigating this past school year while juggling full-time teaching and parenthood. She and Austin welcomed a son, Graham, born in May 2025.

After thirteen years as a teacher, Colleen remains passionate for teaching. As an educator, her central focus is cultivating a safe, welcoming environment where every student feels secure taking risks, making mistakes, and asking life’s big questions. ■



Katie (Regan) Gardner ’10

PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER, OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL



Katie (Regan) Gardner ’10 receives the Golden Eagle Athletic Award for Girl’s Volleyball in 2010 from then Athletic Director Chris Buhler. Top: with her former students at the May 2025 OLMC Alumni Mass

Katie (Regan) Gardner ’10 always knew that she wanted to end up in the classroom, the gym classroom that is.

“How do I become the next ‘B’?” was the question Katie often asked former GC Kinesiology teacher and Athletic Director **Mr. Chris Buhler** (lovingly known to all as “B”), and it eventually became her professional mission statement.

Mr. Buhler was not the stereotypical kinesiology teacher. He rocked a slicked back ponytail and rode a motorcycle to school everyday. More importantly, he made learning about health fun. Even students who had very little interest in exercise seemed to love B’s classes because of his unique way of connecting with everyone. By the time she graduated from Guerin Catholic in 2010, Katie knew she wanted to provide that type of experience for the next generation of students.

After earning degrees in Health and Movement Sciences and Secondary Education, Katie was named as one of **Hanover College’s Outstanding Future Educators**. She is now in her thirteenth year teaching physical education at her grade school alma mater, Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

“I can confirm God put me on the right path. While I rock a slightly different type of ponytail and drive a minivan to school everyday, I try to connect to my students in the same way ‘B’ did,” said Gardner. “I consider it the best job a person can have, and I have Guerin Catholic (and ‘B’) to thank for the inspiration to pursue it.” ■

non-profit healthcare







Maggie Kroeff-Streiff ’15

QUALITY AND POPULATION HEALTH DIRECTOR,
INDIANA PRIMARY HEALTH CARE ASSOCIATION

Maggie Kroeff-Streiff ’15 has built a career focused on improving health outcomes and expanding access to quality healthcare across Indiana.

As a GC student, Maggie was active in National Honor Society, GC Girls Golf and Track and Field, all while working on a full International Baccalaureate diploma. She earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Public Health from Saint Louis University in 2019, and continued her education at the University of Illinois Chicago, where she received a Master’s Degree of Public Health in 2021. Afterwards, she joined the Indiana Primary Health Care Association (IPHCA) as a Project Assistant. After multiple positions over the past five years with IPHCA, Maggie currently serves as Senior Quality and Population Health Director.

“In this role, I support Indiana’s 40+ community health centers, which provide primary care to over 820,000 Hoosiers every year,” said Maggie. “Many of these patients are low-income, uninsured or underinsured, or have other barriers that may prevent them from obtaining medical care. I help health centers meet quality goals often by implementing quality improvement projects. I host webinars, provide 1:1 technical assistance, and conduct data analyses to support our community health centers in providing the best possible care to Indiana’s most vulnerable residents, regardless of their ability to pay.”

“One of my proudest moments since starting at IPHCA was helping plan and execute a one-day maternal and child health summit in the summer of 2025,” said Maggie. “The summit brought healthcare professionals together to address some of Indiana’s most pressing maternal health challenges.” Maggie’s career improves access to high-quality healthcare for all Indiana residents and benefits Hoosiers across the state.

Outside of her professional career, Maggie is a wife and mother. She is married to current GC Social Studies teacher **Mr. Tom Streiff**. They welcomed a daughter, Delaney Catherine, in March 2026. ■

mentoring students



Noah Wilson ’15

HISTORY TEACHER, GREENCASTLE HIGH SCHOOL

Since graduating from Purdue University in 2019, **Noah Wilson ’15** has built a career in education centered on student success and continuous professional growth. He began teaching at Greencastle High School during the 2020–21 school year, where he taught U.S. History, AP U.S. History, geography and History of the World, government and economics. Noah became involved in the broader school community as a track and field coach, Academic Super Bowl coach, and a technology resource for fellow teachers adapting to digital learning platforms.



As his career progressed, Noah assumed leadership roles within the school. His teaching responsibilities expanded to include AP Government, Indiana Studies, and eventually dual-credit courses through Indiana University. He served as Junior Class Sponsor, Prom Sponsor, Professional Learning Community (PLC) leader, stepped in to teach Yearbook, and was selected to deliver the Class of 2023 graduation speech.



Committed to expanding opportunities for students, Noah enrolled in a dual master’s program through Indiana University, pursuing a Master’s degree in History and a graduate certificate in Political Science. This preparation enabled him to transition into teaching dual-credit U.S. History and Political Science courses while continuing his own education. He also helped to develop, and now leads, a Freshman Orientation and Retention Program that pairs upperclassmen with incoming freshmen.

In 2025, Noah was honored with both the **Indiana Association of School Principals High School Teacher of the Year Award** and **Greencastle Community School Corporation’s High School Teacher of the Year Award**. These awards reflected the positive impact Noah has had through his energy, dedication, and commitment to excellence in education. Looking ahead, he will serve as Head of the Social Studies Department while continuing to teach, coach, sponsor student organizations, and mentor students.

Much of Noah’s educational philosophy was shaped by former teachers who challenged him to think critically and engage deeply with history. Noah credits GC Social Studies teacher **Mr. Zach Hazelhorst** and his rigorous history course for his love of the subject. “He was a fantastic teacher who expected the best out of his students and gave help you needed whenever you asked.” By combining his GC experiences with his own passion for education, Noah strives to create classrooms that foster curiosity, academic growth, and a lifelong appreciation for learning. ■

HOMECOMING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2
5:30 - 7 PM TAILGATE

All GC alumni are invited to join us at our Homecoming Tailgate on Friday, October 2 from 5:30 – 7:00 pm. Reconnect with classmates, tour the school, enjoy dinner, music, and fun for the whole family! It's a great opportunity to see how your legacy lives on. Families who pre-register will receive free admission to the GC vs. Andrean HS football game at 7:00 pm.







Alumni *Faces & Places*

ALUMNI *Mass & Brunch*

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2026

10:45 am Mass, brunch immediately to follow

Visit with former teachers and catch up with your GC friends. We can't wait to see you back in *The Nest!*

DAY OF GIVING

The **Class of 2008** was crowned the Legacy Class for raising the most money on the 2026 Day of Giving, which raised $88,147 overall from 204 donors. **Luke Hacherl '11** was the winner of the Alumni Brick raffle.

SAVE THE DATE
DAY OF GIVING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2027

BLINGO



Hosted by Parent Guild to raise money for teacher wishlists, the annual BLINGO Purse Bingo continues to grow and would love to have more alumni join the fun! Guests could win designer bags by playing 10 rounds of bingo. Raffle and best-dressed prizes were also awarded. **Lauren (Van Atter) Pohl '13** was a lucky winner of a Longchamp Le Pliage bag!

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BLINGO PURSE BINGO
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2027







2026 Bishop William L. Higi Leadership Award Recipients *(top L-R) Mrs. Christine Williams (Principal), Andy Guljas (President's Award), Shelley Horn (Faculty/Staff Award), Kathleen (Wannemuhler) Prohaska '13 (Alumni Award), Pete Smith (Community Award), and Deacon Rick Wagner (President); siblings Molly Clayton '15 and JP Clayton '11 (bottom left) show off guitar picks from local country artist Clayton Anderson (bottom right).*

GUERIN CATHOLIC GALA BOOTS and Blessings APRIL 10, 2026

The Guerin Catholic community came together at the 2026 ***Guerin Catholic Gala: Boots and Blessings*** in April. Adorned with cowboy hats and boots, attendees celebrated the 2026 Bishop William L. Higi Leadership Award recipients—language arts teacher **Shelley Horn**, Coach **Pete Smith, Andy Guljas,** and alumna **Kathleen (Wannemuhler) Prohaska '13**. The evening also featured a Fund-A-Need for the Media Center Makeover (see pg. 7) and an exciting live auction. Attendees closed out the night dancing to live music from Indiana's own country music artist **Clayton Anderson**. Special thanks to presenting sponsors **Merchants Foundation** and **Leo Brown Group**.

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GUERIN CATHOLIC GALA
FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 2027
SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH

NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2027 BISHOP WILLIAM L. HIGI LEADERSHIP AWARDS OPEN ON NOVEMBER 1, 2026

VISIT THE GC WEBSITE TO REGISTER AND LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR ALUMNI EVENTS!



CAMPUS2CAREER

Over 30 alumni career speakers returned to campus for the annual **Campus2Career** event in March. Students had the chance to attend two alumni career sessions during Student Choice Day. If you are interested in participating this year, email **alumni@guerincatholic.org**.

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CAMPUS2CAREER
FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2027

Alumni legacies

As GC alumni, you know better than anyone what makes the school so special—the Kairos Masses in St. Joseph Chapel, the excitement at Friday night football games, the teachers who care enough to go the extra mile, lifelong friendships, and more.

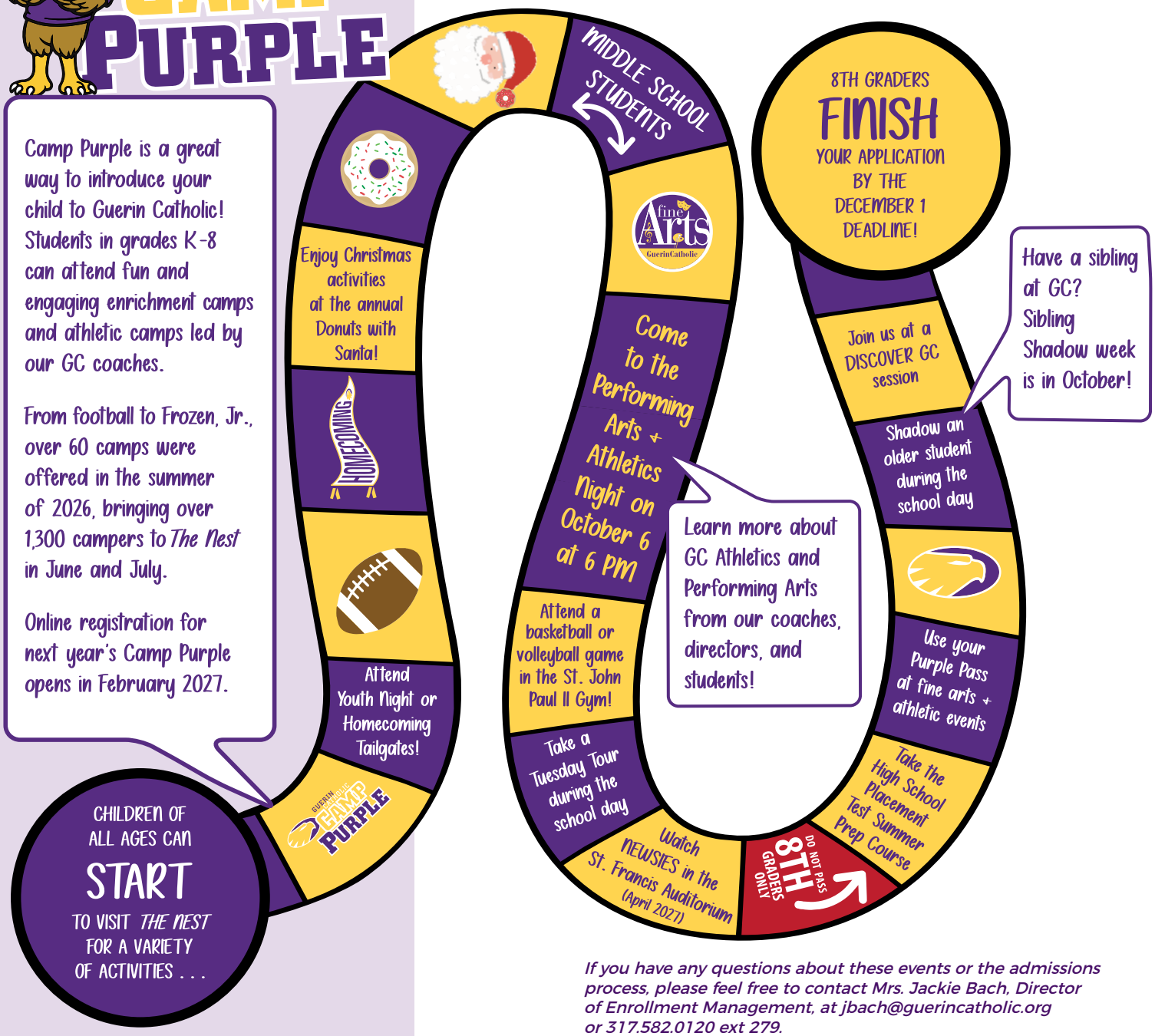
With the school entering its 22nd academic year, "legacy" students are starting to join *The Nest!* It's never too early to bring the next generation of Golden Eagles to campus. Whether your child is in middle school or a few years away, we encourage your family to visit us for events throughout the year!

GUERIN CATHOLIC CAMP PURPLE

Camp Purple is a great way to introduce your child to Guerin Catholic! Students in grades K-8 can attend fun and engaging enrichment camps and athletic camps led by our GC coaches.

From football to Frozen, Jr., over 60 camps were offered in the summer of 2026, bringing over 1,300 campers to *The Nest* in June and July.

Online registration for next year's Camp Purple opens in February 2027.



If you have any questions about these events or the admissions process, please feel free to contact Mrs. Jackie Bach, Director of Enrollment Management, at jbach@guerincatholic.org or 317.582.0120 ext 279.

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Alicia (Hacherl) Tambourine ’08 welcomed her second son, Aaron Kelly, in March 2026.

09



Grace (Wirthwein) Speckman ’09 recently joined Meridian Investment Advisors as a Senior Financial Advisor.

10



Katie (Regan) ’10 and **Sam Gardner ’08** welcomed their fourth child, Ty Theodore, in February 2026. Ty is named after St. Theodore Guerin! Ty joins big siblings Kendall, Quinn, and Will.

Class Notes reflects news received through June 2026. Guerin Catholic High School staff have the final determination on the publication of submissions.



Katie (Stark) Moran ’10 and her husband Joseph welcomed Patrick Gabriel in March 2026.

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Lee ’12 and **Olivia (Titus) ’12 Harris** welcomed their 6th child, Timothy Lee, in March 2026.





Dr. Jonathan Coss ’12 completed his Fellowship in Primary Care Sports Medicine in New York with Hospital for Special Surgery/ Weill Cornell where he served team physician roles with the New York Knicks (photo above), New York Giants, New York Mets, and St. John’s University. In August 2026, he accepted a position in Los Angeles as an Assistant Clinical Professor of Orthopaedics, Primary Care Sports Medicine, and Emergency Medicine/Pediatrics at UCLA. Dr. Coss is pictured above with former GC Basketball Coach **Pete Smith**, when he served as a student assistant coach of the first GC state Boys Basketball championship team.



Patrick McAlexander ’12 and his wife Sarah recently went to Italy with their infant daughter Cecilia Margaret. While attending the Papal Audience, Cecilia was lucky enough to be blessed by Pope Leo XIV! “*We feel so fortunate that our baby girl received such a beautiful blessing at her young age!*”

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Katheryne (Nelson) Strong ’14 and her husband John currently reside in Lafayette where they are raising their young family. *Please keep their family in your prayers. Matthew Paul, their infant son, photographed above in Katheryne’s arms, was born and baptized in March 2026. Matthew was welcomed into the loving arms of our Heavenly Father on May 26, 2026.*

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he Rest In Peace.

15



Rebecca (Zatkulak) Schafer ’15 and her husband Sloan welcomed their second child, Dominic, in May 2026.



Maggie Kroeff-Streiff ’15 and her husband Tom welcomed their first child, Delaney, in March 2026.



Karen (Quay) Wolf ’15 and her husband Quinn welcomed their first child, Zelie Elizabeth, in February 2026.

16



Christina (Copley) Gasway ’16 and her husband are currently living in Austin, Texas. They have one son and another on the way.



Emma (Balcer) Poirier ’16 and her husband Jon-Luc welcomed their first child, Beau Michael, in March 2026.

17



Emily McGrath ’17 (second from left) coaches D1 women’s college soccer at High Point University, where her team won the conference championship game and went to play in the first round of the NCAA tournament! Emily was recently engaged to Anthony Hayes.



Alyssa (Lewandowski) Tallman ’17 recently started a charcuterie business, **Fig & Rind**. The company is focused on creating elevated spreads for life’s special moments like weddings, showers, or parties. Alyssa and her husband **Mike ’17** have two children, Isla (3) and Connell (1).

19



Catalina Dunasky ’19 married Zack Sherrow in August of 2025. The couple welcomed their first daughter, Juliana, in May 2026.



James '19 and **Jeanne (Fletcher) '19 Maguire** welcomed their second child, Callum James, in June 2026.

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Nathaniel Kaus '20 graduated with a Master's Degree in Social Work and is a practicing therapist.

Josie Juarez '20 graduated from Indiana University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Informatics.

21



Ethan Cabotage '21 is engaged to Victoria Schildknecht. Both are 2025 graduates of Xavier University. They are planning a fall wedding at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Cincinnati.

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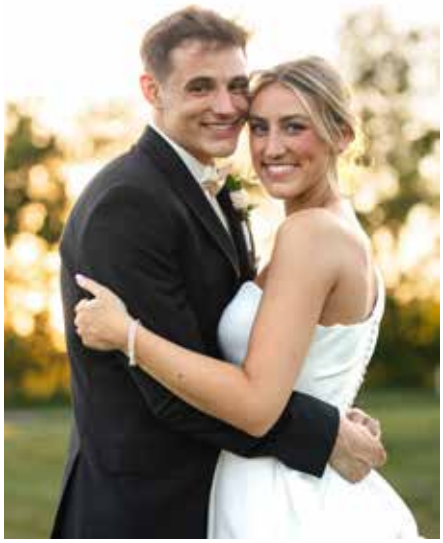
Kelly (Igo) '22 and **James Brooks '22** were married in May 2025. They are expecting a baby girl in August 2026.



Kirsten (Mascari) '22 married Michael Habegger on June 12, 2026.

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Brendan McIlvenna '23 (#67) and **Max Thompson '24** (#57) faced off on the field last season as Division I football rivals. McIlvenna plays for Valparaiso University, while Thompson suits up for Butler University. As the only two Pioneer Football League teams in Indiana, the matchup has quickly become a spirited in-state rivalry. Former teammates at Guerin Catholic, the two alumni enjoyed the opportunity to reconnect after the game.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

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.

RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

Please continue to pray for our alumni living out their religious vocations:

Father Cole Daily '09
Pastor, St. John Vianney Catholic Church

Father Will Summerlin '11
Chaplain, Lafayette Central Catholic School

Father Nicholas Hartman, O.P. '11
Dominican Friar, Province of St. Joseph

Father Matthew Jakupco '13
Parochial Vicar, Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception and St. Ann Church

Sister Rose Dominic Daily, O.P. '13
Dominican Sister of St. Cecilia, school teacher

Sister Clare Dominic Pottratz, O.P. '14
Dominican Sister of St. Cecilia, school teacher

Father Jason Diebolt '16
Assoc. Pastor, Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church

Brother Jordan Chang, C.S.C. '18
Temporarily professed Brother, Congregation of Holy Cross

IN FORMATION

Mr. Thomas Nelson '21
Seminarian of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana; admitted to candidacy for Holy Orders in August 2026

Mr. Sean Loub '24
Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

Miss Kathryn Tiplick '24
Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, Nashville, TN

Mr. Chase Osborne '25
Seminarian, Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

Mr. Luke Ross '25
Seminarian, Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

Mr. Linus Bergsma '26
Seminarian, Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

Mr. Danny Hall '26
Seminarian, Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

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