

# KENNEDY

*John F. Kennedy Catholic School*

2021-2022  
ANNUAL REPORT

*Fall 2022*



## WHAT IS A LEGACY?





# VALUES & VISION

Kennedy Family,

Legacy. It's a word that we use often and with pride at Kennedy. Graduating seniors who have alumni parents and/or grandparents are recognized with Legacy awards at Baccalaureate. During homecoming week we ask all of our current legacy students to stand and be recognized at our spirit rally. This year, seven of ten members of the Homecoming court were legacies. It warms my heart that the education and experience our graduates received at both St. Mary's and Kennedy High Schools inspired these families to provide the same for their children. The musical Hamilton describes it as "planting seeds in a garden you never see." Luckily, our family legacy allows for a celebration of that garden over time and our alumni have the opportunity to see the seeds they planted flourishing in 2022. We are proud to share this good news with you:

- \$3.6 million offered to the Class of 2022 in collegiate scholarships;
- a breakdown of \$94,000 per student
- 87% of graduates committed to attend a 4-year college
- Four 2022 National Speech and Debate Qualifiers
- State Champion finalists in Track & Field
- 2021 DVII Football Regional Champions
- 2022 DIV Baseball District Champions
- \$207,000 in K-12 tuition assistance was distributed last year; 100% of expressed need was met
- Installation of air conditioning in the Gillen Gymnasium and all classrooms
- Complete renovation of the front entrance sidewalks including custom "K" stamped cement
- Celebrating the largest Junior High School, grades 6 - 8, in the Diocese of Youngstown

Our ability to focus on the needs of every child, providing a challenging experience, K - 12, helps us to develop graduates who thrive academically, spiritually, and socially. Small class sizes and competitive student-to-teacher ratios allow us a different lens when it comes to education, enabling us to educate and develop the whole person. Through academic, athletic, and extracurricular programming, students have the opportunity for the same rich and fulfilling education enjoyed by over 6,500 graduates. At every level, we are blessed with the winning combination of excellent students, supportive parents, and determined educators pushing our students to their fullest potential year after year.

As you learn more about the journey we continue on in this edition of the Kennedy Magazine, we hope you feel the busy, vibrant community that is fueled by the talent, energy, and enthusiasm of our students, faculty, and alumni. We are extremely grateful to our many families and friends who support the mission of this wonderful school. Kennedy Today. Kennedy Forever.

Mr. Joseph Kenneally,  
John F. Kennedy Catholic School, President

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Homecoming 2022 Court L to R: **Ambrose Hos**o (Sylvia Hladky Hoso '57, Frank Hoso '52, Anthony Napolet '56, Mary Jo Tatalo Napolet '61, Greg Hoso '86, Natalie Napolet Hoso '89), **Patrick Valent** (Greg Valent '90, Tricia Tempesta Valent '90), **Aidan Rossi** (Anthony G. Rossi '53, Marilyn Fuller Rossi '54, Anthony G. Rossi III '84, Amy Toth Rossi '87), **Sam Bolino** (Carla Darak-Bolino '89), **Thomas Valent** (Greg Valent '90, Tricia Tempesta Valent '90), **Ava Schlosser**, **Aubree Yocum**, **Abby Williams** (Sarah Todd Williams '92), **Jocelyn Stitle**, and **Sarina Massacci** (Dante Massacci '87, Shibani Sheth Massacci '89).

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### Mission:

Educating leaders of courage, integrity and dedication in service of God and to the world.

### Vision:

John F. Kennedy Catholic School will be the most innovative college preparatory school and family community that develops faith filled leaders for our Church and world.

*Kennedy Magazine* is distributed for free to alumni, parents, and friends of the Kennedy community. Comments or questions can be directed to Jillian (Rossi) Phillips '97 at [jphillips@warrenjfk.com](mailto:jphillips@warrenjfk.com). Please note, we make every effort to include all news and notes shared with the communications office throughout the school year.

### Editor:

Mrs. Jillian (Rossi) Phillips '97

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# THE KENNEDY EXPERIENCE

## The Energy Bus

Lower Campus has committed to the Energy Bus initiative as an entire school family. Staff first read, *The Energy Bus* by Jon Gordon and then ordered the children's version for all K-5 students. The book is about showing children how to overcome negativity, bullies, and everyday challenges to be their best and share their positive energy with others. Teachers create lessons and reflections on the story in class. Every month they focus on a particular element of the book and then choose one student from each class to be the Bus Driver for showing leadership qualities. Everyone goes into the hallway and faculty announce their names and award them with certificates, etc. and take their picture "driving the bus". Research shows that culture and leadership greatly influence a school's learning environment and students' academic success. Our Lower Campus is committed to growing a school culture where school leaders, students, and faculty develop as positive leaders and energize the Kennedy family together.



## 2022 Eagle Crew

Congratulations to our Eagle Crew! We are proud to share our newest group of 5th grade leaders who are selected by faculty and administration to help out at school and parish events, oversee morning announcements, and much more! Based on written

essays and personal recommendations, this group of students are the face of Lower Campus and we are so proud of them for their initiative and commitment to excellence.

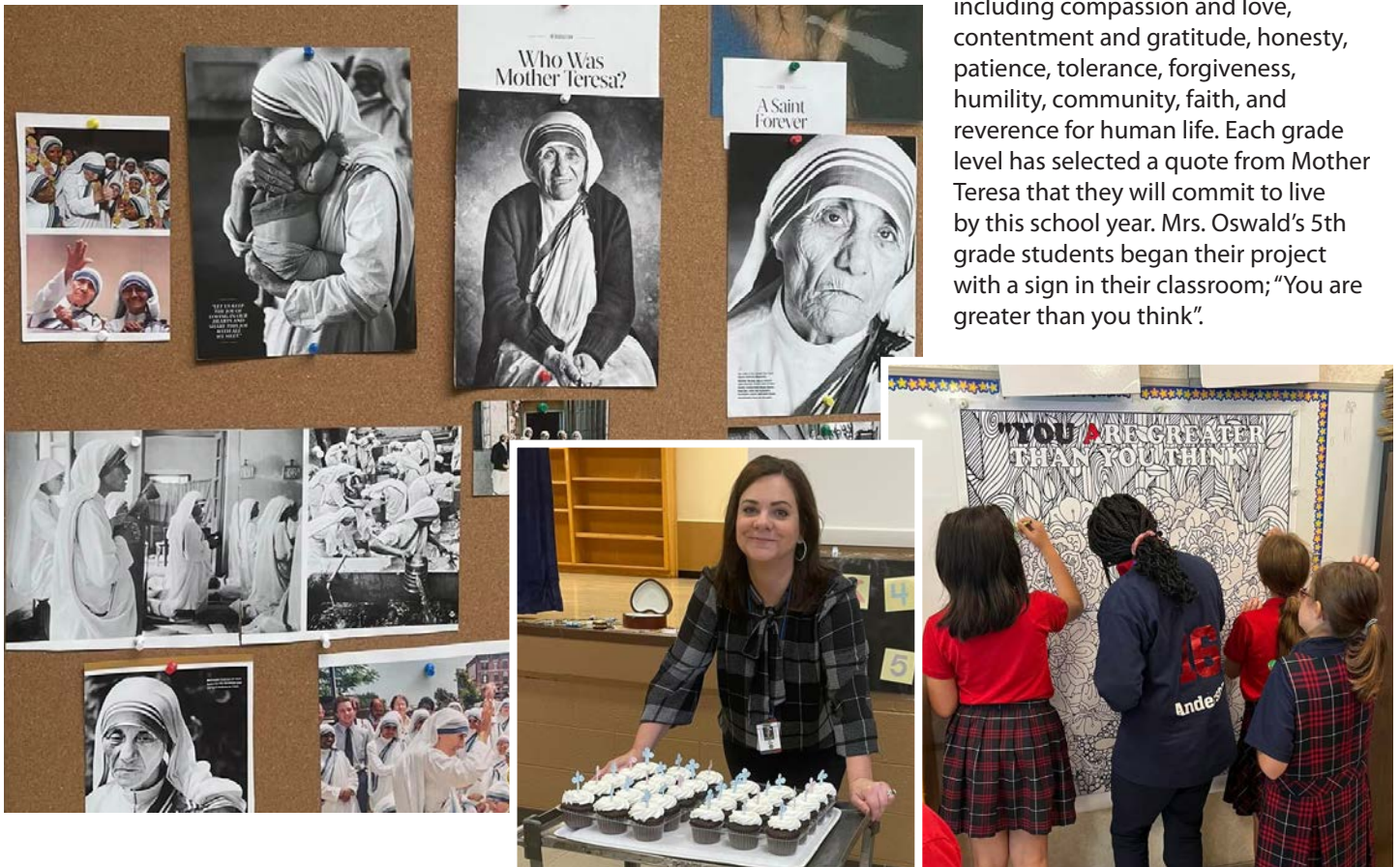


## Catholic Identity Theme 2022 Mother Teresa

Lower Campus has chosen their Catholic Identity theme for the 2022-23 school year; to honor and model Mother Teresa. They began their journey at Mass in September where **Father Christopher Cicero '01** dedicated his homily to her

legacy, and then viewed relics, and celebrated with cupcakes at lunch. The Lower Campus is blessed to have Dr. Paul A. Wright, grandfather to **Concetta '32** and **Vincent '34**, as a leader on this journey. He served as personal physician

to Mother Teresa during the last five years of her life and wrote the book, "Mother Teresa's Prescription: Finding Happiness And Peace in Service". He has talked with all grades about the methods Mother Teresa prescribed for finding inner peace and happiness including compassion and love, contentment and gratitude, honesty, patience, tolerance, forgiveness, humility, community, faith, and reverence for human life. Each grade level has selected a quote from Mother Teresa that they will commit to live by this school year. Mrs. Oswald's 5th grade students began their project with a sign in their classroom; "You are greater than you think".



## Altar Server Training

We love having our Lower Campus students take an active part in weekly Mass. Thanks to Father Cicero '01, students have the opportunity to train and practice early in the fall so they can participate all year long.





# THE KENNEDY EXPERIENCE

## Upper Campus Experience

Beginning in the Spring of 2022, Upper Campus has undertaken numerous significant capital improvement projects to enhance every aspect of student life. Over \$220,000 has been invested in these upgrades and improved the quality of our 55+ year structure.

## Additional Enhancements

The entire parking lot was resealed, repainted, and all potholes were filled. The cement sidewalks in front of the were removed, after removal it was discovered that all the metal canopy poles needed to be cut and new legs were welded to the existing poles to ensure the safety of the canopy. New sidewalks were poured and custom Kennedy logos were stamped onto the sidewalks. After the

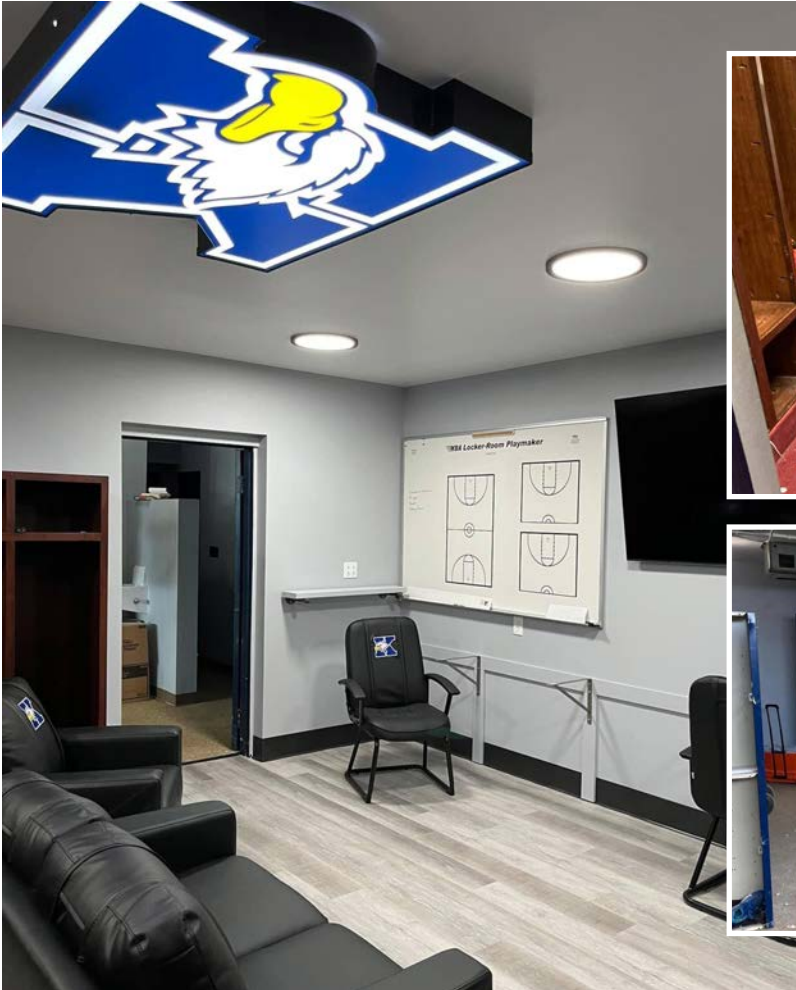
completion of the cement, the area was landscaped and custom window clings were installed on all main doors.



## Track & Field Resurfacing Project

We secured funding in the amount of \$80,000 to resurface the eight lane all-weather Eugene E. Rossi Memorial track. The projected completion date is Spring 2023. In order to prepare for the resurfacing a significant amount of overgrowth, trees, and vegetation had to be removed. The area to the right of the track was professionally excavated as well; the entirety of that project totaled \$80,000.

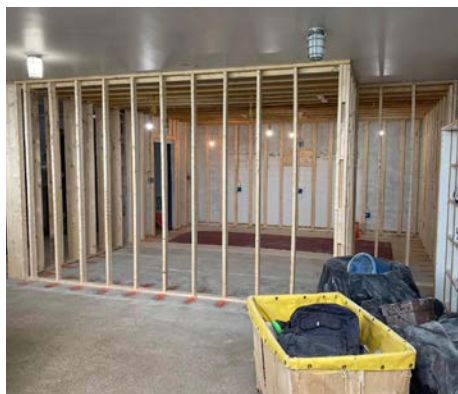




## Boys Basketball Locker Room

Boys Basketball began their locker room renovation project this summer. The locker room was 18 x 10 feet held twenty lockers and a whiteboard for scouting and game notes. The renovation expanded the space to nearly 18 x 18 feet. This expansion allows a more spacious and comfortable area to enable both film and study sessions.

The lockers were repurposed to better utilize the space, improved lighting and new electrical wiring was installed, as well as flooring. In addition to the expansion, the team purchased new seating, a study island with office chairs, television, and a custom Kennedy lit ceiling logo.



Our goal was to provide a locker room to be proud of and that parallels the immense time and effort our student athletes commit to the Kennedy Basketball program. We thank all of the generous donors for their commitment and willingness to make the locker room a reality.

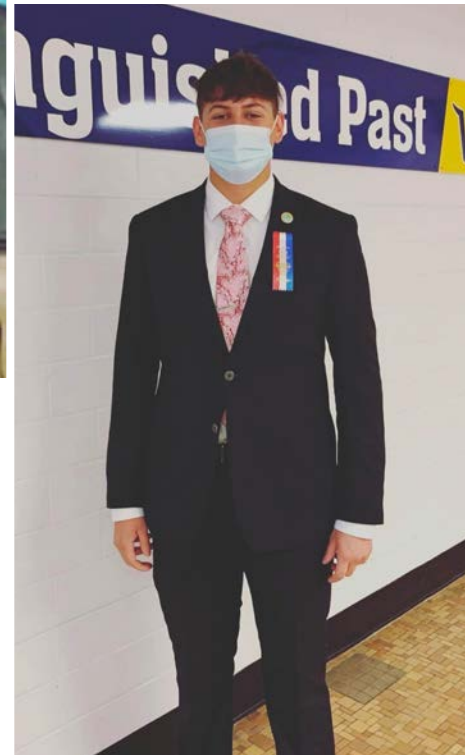
**The cost of the project was covered by program fundraising and the generous donations of the following individuals:**

*Thank You*

The Esposito Family  
 The Condoleon Family  
 Shawn Pompelia  
 Sam Covelli



# THE KENNEDY EXPERIENCE



## Speech & Debate National Qualifiers

Jacob Conde, **Morgan Rieger '22**, and Matthew Powell competed in Congressional Debate and **Liam Wilson '22** represented Kennedy and the State of Ohio in the World Schools Debate at the National Speech & Debate Association tournament in Louisville, Kentucky this summer. World Schools Debate emphasizes winning arguments with a conversational, approachable

speaking style, and delivering subject matter in such a way that the average bystander can fully comprehend the subject of this debate. This highly interactive style of debate allows debaters to engage each other, even during speeches.



## Tradition

Our Opening School Mass held on September 21, 2022 honored the journey of the Class of 2023 and the first steps in the Kennedy Family for the Class of 2035. Our time honored tradition



puts these students together so we can all celebrate their bright futures. After Mass, **Father Chris Cicero '01** led the congregation in a Eucharistic Procession, a walking example of a very alive faith.



The Catechism of the Catholic Church says that the Eucharist is "the source and summit of our faith", meaning that we want to refocus our attention on Jesus as the center of our lives.



## Spring Production

The Kennedy Theater made its triumphant return this spring with a production of *The Lion King, Jr.* Directed by **Mrs. Jeanine Consiglio Bofenkamp '84** and lights and sound by Mr. Fred Hoover, the stage was filled with color and song. It was a show that featured students as young as 1st grade to Scar and Mufasa, **Liam Wilson '22** and **John Dragos '22**. Multiple shows are planned for the 22-23 school year, beginning with *Into the Woods* this winter.





# *What is a Legacy...*

COVER  
FEATURE





**From the Class of 1972 to the graduating Class of 2022, this year made us reflect on what a privilege it is to show those who came before us our continued commitment to excellence at Kennedy.**

## What is a Legacy

At our Baccalaureate Mass each year, a legacy student is chosen to address their class. Liam Wilson was selected from the Class of 2022; the last of an epic line of both Wilson and Stansilaw family members to attend JFK. He used the line from the musical Hamilton which states, "What is a legacy? It's planting seeds in a garden you never get to see". How lucky we are at Kennedy that those who came before us still have the ability to see the seeds they planted. Liam's message aligned perfectly with a summer of reunions where the Classes of 1970, 1972, and 1982 came home to the school they loved. These groups worked months in advance to host a reunion that would be special for their classmates and included a stop at the place where it all started. Those who played a sport could see their name or team success memorialized on the walls of the Gillen Gymnasium or in our trophy case. We shared the current success of our athletic programs who have been consistently successful in post season tournament action including our football, basketball, baseball, soccer,



track and field, and golf programs. Graduates who performed in Fiddlesticks were thrilled to see our stage full of props and costumes for our upcoming production of *Into the Woods*. Successful business owners and those committed to growing, thinking, and problem solving in their work life were impressed with

our Think Lab and Entrepreneurship class that are molding the community leaders of tomorrow. Without the gifts from these graduates and the programming they support, our success at Kennedy would not be possible. Thanks to those who came before us, our garden is thriving...and that is their legacy.

# CLASS OF 2022 LEGACIES

## Cheers to the Class of 2022!

Congratulations to the Class of 2022 who were offered over \$3.6 million in collegiate scholarships; an average of \$94,000 per student. 87% of the class will attend a four-year college including the United States Military Academy West Point, The Ohio State University, University of Cincinnati, Purdue University, Bowling Green University, and Allegheny College.

### VALEDICTORIAN:

## Edward Kiernan III

University of Colorado



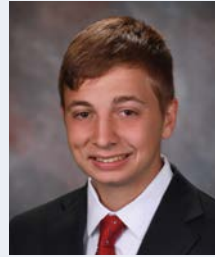
### SALUTATORIAN:

## Michael Mauro

The United States Military Academy West Point

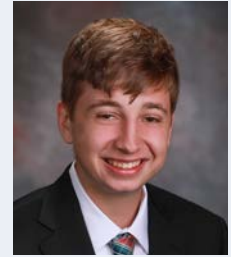


## LEGACIES - 3rd Generation



**Colin Vassis**

Martha Blank Smith, Class of 1952  
Robert Blank, Class of 1954  
Mary Blank Vassis, Class of 1983



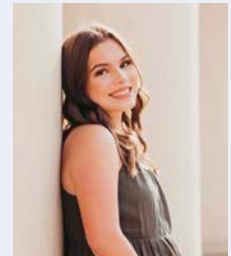
**Nicholas Vassis**

Martha Blank Smith, Class of 1952  
Robert Blank, Class of 1954  
Mary Blank Vassis, Class of 1983



**Austin Kovalik**

Frank Kovalik, Class of 1952  
Barbra Chizmar Kovalik, Class of 1955  
Frank Kovalik, Class of 1976  
Elizabeth Petersal Kovalik, Class of 1980



**Emily Klaus**

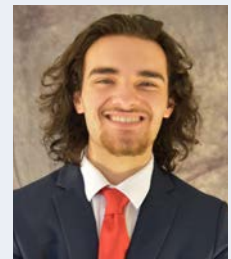
John H. Vlahos, Class of 1960  
Patricia Pecorelli Vlahos, Class of 1960  
Vicki Vlahos Orwig, Class of 1993

## LEGACIES - 2nd Generation



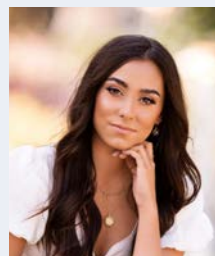
**Isabella Diana**

Marian Mitolo Diana, Class of 1986



**John Dragos**

Erik Dragos, Class of 1990



**Chloe Coates**

Gina Steadman Coates, Class of 1985  
James Coates, Class of 1984



**Liam Wilson**

Patrick Wilson, Class of 1981  
Elisabeth Stanislaw Wilson, Class of 1982



# COVER FEATURE



## 1970 Reunion Committee

Grace Jewell Bacot, Tony Ciminero, Larry Hileman, Geri Renfle Pascute, Dave Elston, Rick Muccio, Diana Hernandez Muccio, Jill Williams Gilliland, and Georgette Spelich.

## 1972 Reunion Committee

Christine Kalman Delpha, Laurie Antonelli Epp, Andrea Zelinsky Hovance, Paula Yahner Humason, Anna Valentino Lamosek, Evelyn Williams Lazor, Mark Lynch, Luann D'Amico Rossi, Denise Young Safos, Ken Strader, Bill Vennetti, and Denise Slanina Wheeler.



## 1982 Reunion Committee

Ann Basista Prendergast, Tina Makosky McCue, Brian McCue, DeAnn Holowatch Williams and special help from Andrea Emmerth Loyd.

*"I am honestly humbled and grateful to see what great things are happening at Kennedy!" - Ann Basista Prendergast*

## 2022 John D. Gillen Golden Eagle Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient



A large part of celebrating a legacy student is the idea that their families honored the same commitment to Catholic education as the generation before them. Our 2022 Golden Eagle, **Mr. James Coates '84** and his wife **Gina (Steadman) '85** sent their four children to Kennedy, **James '12, Angelene '13, Jacob '17, and Chloe '22**, and he reflected on the impact it had on their family during his commencement speech.

*"We have been involved with Kennedy for over 46 years and truly cherish the core values the school has instilled in our family. From the faculty to the arts program, athletic events to the friendships, and most especially our Catholic identity, Kennedy truly holds a special place in our life. Though Chloe will be the last to graduate from JFK, the Kennedy Family will always hold a special place in our hearts."*

It is our honor to thank Jim and his entire family for their dedication to our school. No favor is too big, no initiative too small for Jim and Gina to jump in wholeheartedly and make it a reality. They have been longtime supporters of our "Just For Kicks" Benefit Auction, the Flying Eagle 5K in Honor of Coach Tony Napolet, all of our Athletic programming, and the Kennedy Commitment Annual Appeal. There is not a program that is put on without a Coates Car Care sponsorship or an event that the Coates Family does not support. Thank you from the entire Kennedy Family.

## The Cheerful Giver

Our mission is to create leaders of courage, integrity, and dedication in service of God and to the world. It is a testament to the work of our educators and faith leaders that Kennedy students take the tools they are given in the classroom to use in our community. In this section, we celebrate the good work in a variety of causes adopted by our Eagles.



### Shining a Light

Senior Thomas Valent is a man with a mission. He is a Diocese of Youngstown Eagle of the Cross Award recipient, 20 Under 20 nominee, a standout on the football field, and a fixture in our community. One of the places closest to his heart is the Warren Family Mission. He volunteers his time and donates items to help the residents of the shelter and those who utilize their services enjoy a special day. He brings candy on Valentine's Day and popsicles and ice cream

sandwiches during the summer. Thomas is so committed to volunteerism that during the spring of 2020, when the world was on pause and he was unable to help others, he started his own podcast *Hometown Heroes* to shine a light on those doing good in those dark times. First up? His uncle, **Dr. Jason Valent '94**, an Oncologist at the Cleveland Clinic followed by another uncle, **Detective Frank Tempesta '98**. To Thomas, a hero is "someone who makes sacrifices for the

*“The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”*

**2 Corinthians 9:6-7**

greater good of mankind” and from his first two interviews he has continued his podcast, notably interviewing Bishop David J. Bonnar upon his appointment to the Diocese of Youngstown. Thomas says, “I just love to help people; it comes naturally to me, I enjoy it and there is no greater feeling.”



## Mount Carmel Festival - Cheese Puff Committee



Principal Alyse Consiglio is a member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Niles, and a huge proponent of volunteerism at their annual summer festival. Kennedy faces can be found in booths and behind the scenes, she says, "I'm always amazed at how many students come to volunteer during the summer at the Mount Carmel Festival. From learning to make the famous cheese puffs together to setting up the church grounds and working the booths during the festival hours, Kennedy students are an integral part of making the festival a big success.

Students have a great time

being a part of something and building connections with their peers and adults. They see many Kennedy staff (administration, teachers, coaches, etc) volunteering at the festival; this plants the seed that it is essential to be a part of your parish life as an adult. Some of the student volunteers are OLMC parishioners, but many are not. It is very special to know that my Kennedy family is contributing to my home parish event and creating the habit of being a volunteer at our supporting parishes."



## Helping Children in Need Sleep Better

Sisters Grace (10th grade) and Julia (7th grade) Anderson were introduced to Sleep in Heavenly Peace this summer. The belief of this organization is that a bed is a basic need for the proper physical, emotional, and mental support that a child needs. All children deserve a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads. That's where the volunteers come in. There are two phases to this initiative; Build Day and Deliver Day. Grace says, "the chance to physically cut wood, sand, and assemble a bed had a much bigger impact on me than just buying or donating something. I felt proud of the work I had done." Next, teams visit homes and personally deliver the beds and linens to a child in need. Julia cannot wait to go back next summer, "I felt so happy seeing the family that we were helping and giving them something that will really help a child sleep better at night."





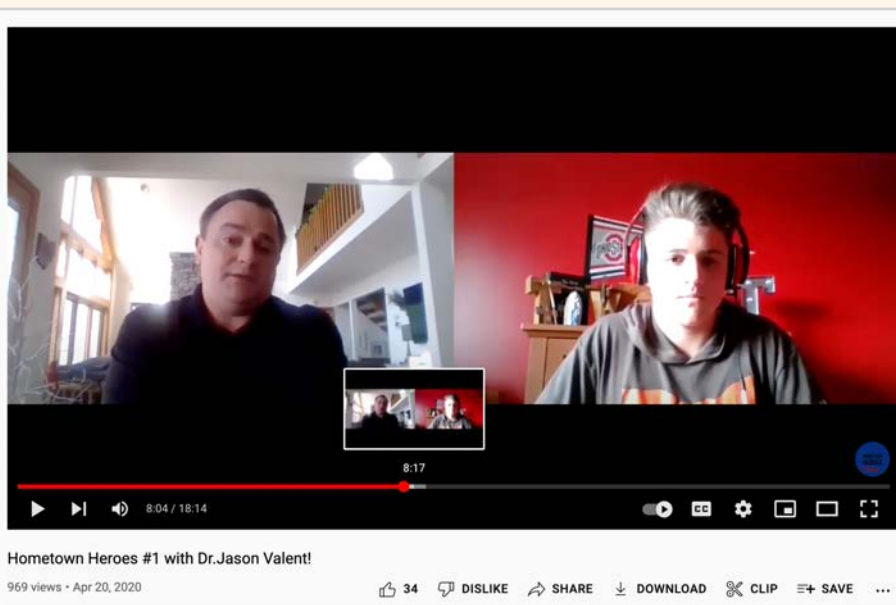
## Lemonade For a Cure

7th graders Lyla Day, Ella Economos, and Alessandra Renn have been hosting a summertime lemonade stand for the past five years. The funds raised benefit

Akron Children's Hospital Pediatric Oncology unit. The girls came up with the idea in support of Alessandra's mother who is a cancer survivor and

were also inspired by a fellow Eagle, 4th grader Jaden Poole, who passed away from the disease in 2017. They sell lemonade, baked goods, and painted garden rocks; over the last five years they have raised over \$4,000. The girls say the best part of the experience is the night before, "we have a sleepover and get everything organized. I love when people are out walking and they say they will come right back with money, and they always do!"

**This and all episodes can be viewed on YouTube, search "Hometown Heroes".**



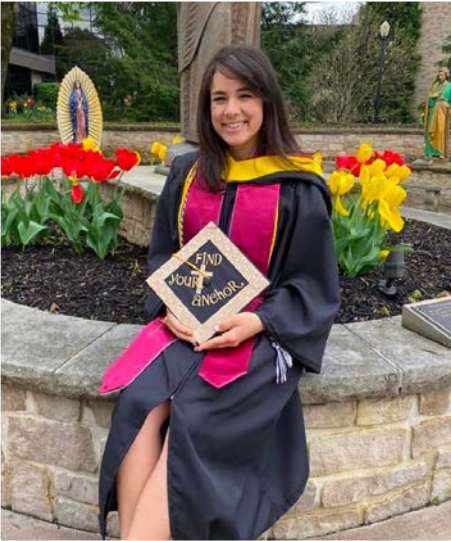
***"We feel happy knowing that kids who are sick or struggling can know that other kids care for them and want to help out any way they can."***



# CHEERFUL GIVER

## New Campus Minister Meet Ms. Madeleine DiSalvatore

The Kennedy Family welcomed Ms. DiSalvatore this year and she has wholeheartedly embraced our school and put together numerous opportunities for servant leadership.



When asked about her commitment to helping others and educating students to make this part of their life she says, "The mission of my undergraduate alma mater, Walsh University, is 'to make Christ better known, loved, and served.' This has been so ingrained in me and become such a love of mine that one of my deepest desires is now to help students grow to become servant leaders for others! True service, listening to the outcasts, loving the seemingly unlovable,



is not only a great act of love and incredible act of mercy, but it places one outside of oneself, so the focus is no longer on me, but on Jesus; me serving Him through serving others."

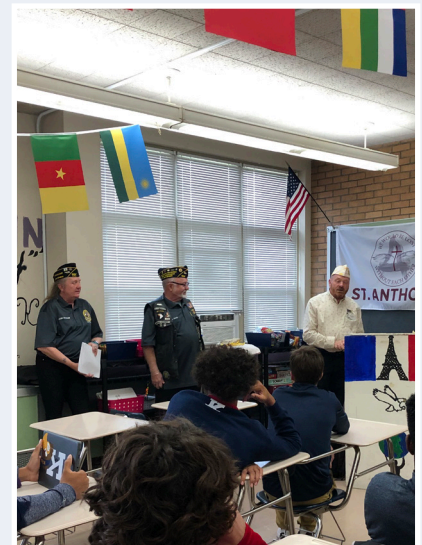
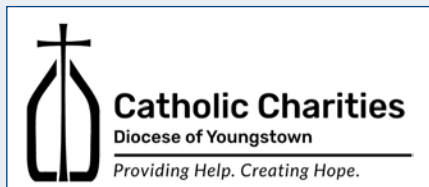
This fall, Ms. DiSalvatore coordinated a visit for several students to help organize and move items for a family in our community. Five seniors offered their time on a day they could have come in late because of school wide testing. These Eagles are leaders and we are grateful for their service!



## We Serve We Soar

The Houses of Kennedy have each selected an organization to learn more about and serve as contributing members of our community. Some of their selections include:

- St. Thomas More - Sleep in Heavenly Peace
- St. Michael - Animal Welfare League
- St. Anthony - Disabled American Veterans
- St. Ignatius - Teen Suicide Prevention
- St. Augustine - Operation Gratitude
- Junior High School - Catholic Charities
- St. Cecilia - The Rich Center for Autism
- St. Francis - St. Vincent de Paul
- St. Mary - Someplace Safe
- St. Damien - Warren Family Mission



# *Thank You*

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These recognition levels for **Annual Fund Gifts** have been established to honor the proud legacy of both St. Mary's and John F. Kennedy Catholic Schools. The Leadership Society is composed of leading benefactors who, through their generosity, demonstrate a strong commitment to the ideals and mission of Catholic Education. Membership in this society is permanent and open to all individuals, companies, and foundations who have made cumulative gifts of \$10,000 or more to the Kennedy Commitment. All Leadership Society and Gift Club donors are recognized in the Annual Report.

We are grateful to all who support our mission by making Kennedy a charitable priority. Your support in the form of a Kennedy Commitment gift is evidence of your commitment to Catholic Education and a vote of confidence in our efforts to provide an exceptional educational experience for our students. Each and every gift has a meaningful impact on every aspect of this school and on all those who work and study here.

Please note, this is our second year categorizing our annual gifts in this manner. Through consultation with many educational and philanthropic organizations, we will move toward a more traditional listing with special recognition for those who have generously achieved lifetime giving society status.

Your time, talent, and treasures help to advance Kennedy's mission and allow us to provide our young scholars with a quality college preparatory Catholic education. Please know that every effort is made to present the Annual Report accurately and inclusively with gifts received between 7/1/2021 and 6/30/2022. We apologize for any omissions.

## Matching Gifts

Pursuing a company-matching gift from your employer may be the most dynamic way to help our school and increase the impact of your gift.

Kennedy has been very fortunate to benefit from the generosity of wonderful national, regional, and local groups who willingly match their employees' philanthropic efforts. We are very grateful to the donors who pursue these gift

matching opportunities. Ask your Human Resource department about gift matching at your company.

### Key:

*Faculty/Staff Challenge Donor* \*  
*Board of Directors* \*\*  
*Parent Challenge Donor* ^  
*Designated Tuition Assistance +*  
*Deceased* ++

### Scholarship Society (\$100,000+)

Mr. and Mrs. Chris '76 Columbus and  
Monica Devereux  
*On behalf of the San Francisco Foundation/  
Columbus Family Fund*  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam '71\*\* and Caryn Covelli+  
The E. Jeffrey '71 and Carol A. Rossi Family  
Foundation Designated Growth Fund

### \$50,000 - \$99,000 Kennedy Society

Mr. and Mrs. Robert++ and  
Heidi Heltzel - Friends  
Mr. and Mrs. Patrick '68 and  
Catherine (Kittle) Norton '68  
*On behalf of the Catholic Foundation*  
Mr. and Mrs. James and Margery Shoaf '58

### \$25,000 - \$49,999 Presidential Society

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick '71 and  
Debbie (Repasky) Esposito '72  
Mr. and Mrs. Gavin and  
Annette (Covelli) Ford '67  
Mr. Michael Misocky '88  
Mr. and Mrs. Jarred and  
Regina (Rebhan) Mitchell '89  
Mr. Patrick Mokros '00  
Mr. Peter Rossi '58

### Guardian of the Mission (\$10,000 - \$24,999)

Mr. Andrew Bayman '82  
Mr. and Mrs. James\*\* '84 and  
Gina (Steadman) Coates '85  
The Albert M. Covelli Foundation  
Dr. Eugene DeLucia III '67  
Mr. and Mrs. Jay++ and Doris Hays - Friends  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas and  
Darlene Jones - Friends  
Father John-Michael Lavelle - Friend  
Mrs. Molly (McGuire) Lieberman '74  
*In honor of Mr. Fred Hoover*  
Dr. and Mrs. Carlos and  
Liliana Ricotti++ - Friends  
Mr. and Mrs. Michael '68 and Rosanne++ Rossi  
Mrs. Ann Schenkel - Friend  
Mr. Dan Seikel '91  
Mr. Donald G. Welsko '74  
*On behalf of the Welsko Family Fund*

### Legacy Society (\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Mr. George Shuttic '69 and  
Ms. Mary Joy Pigozzi  
*In memory of Ronald Karrenbauer*

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## **Mohawk Society (\$2,500 - \$4,999)**

Mr. Mark Biviano '71  
*On behalf of the Mark S. Biviano Fund*  
Dr. Jason Valent '94

## **Honor Society (\$1,000 - \$1,999)**

Mrs. Alicia (Antolini) Cook '83  
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Ms. Shelley Taylor - Friend  
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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blum '51  
Mr. Conrad Daugherty '67  
Mr. Carmen DeChristofaro '00  
Mrs. Cindy (Dippolito) Farrar '85  
Mr. Albert Guarnieri '78  
Mr. James Hays '96  
Mr. Anthony Iannucci '65  
Mr. Richard Kadvan '65  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klein '69  
Reverend John Lody '54  
Mr. Andrew Noe '80  
Dr. and Mrs. Terry and Loretta Puet - Friends  
Mr. and Mrs. Anthony '53 and  
Marilyn (Fuller) Rossi '54  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wiczorek '60

## **Organization**

The Anderson's Inc.

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Dr. William J. Barson '66  
Mrs. Frederika Baytos Huber '66  
Mr. Daniel Boich '93  
Mr. William Cafaro - Friend  
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Laura Casey^  
Mrs. Nancy M. (Vennitti) DeGood '61  
Mr. John Guarnieri '76  
Mr. Robert Guarnieri '73

Ms. Suzanne Harnichar '68  
Mr. and Mrs. Christopher '81 and  
Noreen Heltzel  
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Dr. David A. Orsinelli '75  
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Ms. Julianne Syper '70  
Mr. Daniel Ujczko '94  
Dr. Jennifer Waldeck '90  
Ms. Jane Zerbi '85

## **Patrons Club (\$100 - \$249)**

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Mrs. Abigail (Rossi) Bartlett '00  
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Consiglio\*^  
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Moselle DiCenso - Friends  
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Mr. and Mrs. Fred and  
Laurie (Antonelli) Epp'72  
Mrs. Donna J. (DeMarco) Evans '58  
Ms. Roberta Fenwick '76  
Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and  
Melissa (Epp) Frantz '96

Mrs. Teresa (Fisher) Frantz '71  
The Honorable and Mrs. James '71 and  
Lou Ann (Malone) Fredericka '73  
Mr. Gannon Fridley '19  
*Roots & Wings Honor Gift: Mr. Michael  
Klockner, Mr. Shawn Mark, all Kennedy  
faculty & staff*  
Mr. Michael Gombos '73  
Mr. and Mrs. Albert '78\* and  
Marisa (Ciabattoni) Gregos '77  
Mr. Christopher Guanciale '89  
Mr. and Mrs. Michael '58 and  
Suzanne Guarnieri '58  
Mrs. Cyndi (Zakrajsek) Hawkes '83  
Mr. and Mrs. John '72 and  
Susan (Yonkovitch) Hewitt '71  
Ms. Valeria Jesionek '82  
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Mr. Paul Kramer '74  
Mr. and Mrs. John Landolfi '82  
Dr. Diane Lapp '61  
Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy and Megan Luzadder^  
Ms. Mary Claire Mahaney '72  
Mr. and Mrs. Christopher '94 and  
Nicole Malanga  
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Donna (Fialko) May '69  
Mr. Trevor McAleer '00  
Ms. Nancy L. Meacham '63  
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Michelle Moten++^  
Mrs. Mary Jo Napolet Tatalo '61  
*Roots & Wings Honor Gift: In honor of all of  
the Notre Dame Sisters that taught at St.  
Mary's K-12 and instilled Roman Catholic  
tradition*  
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Dr. August Orsinelli '87  
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The Snack Shack

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 Mr. James Botzenhart '55

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 Mr. Michael Dezsi '68  
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 Toni (Massacci) Gilmore '76  
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 Mr. Jack Thompson '71  
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## “Just For Kicks” Live & Silent Benefit Auction

The 32nd Annual “Just For Kicks” Virtual Benefit auction was an overwhelming success! During the 21-22 school year we had so much to be grateful for; providing a first class learning experience, celebrating Mass together, honoring our commitment to serve, and cheering our athletes on. The support of our family friends was evident on Auction night, the 3 Minute Drill for Technology raised over \$10,000 alone! Thank you for believing in the work we do at Kennedy.

Under the outstanding leadership of our **2022 Chairwoman Kim Esposito, Catalog Chairwoman Connie Klaben** and with the talent of our **Live Production Manager Jim Fogarty '94** and fan favorite hosts **Mr. Joseph Kenneally** and **Mrs. Alyse Consiglio** our virtual auction has become a hugely successful platform. Real time donations, raffles, wine pulls, and live interaction all made the evening a special event from the comfort of your home. Thanks to these individuals, all of our dedicated volunteers, and the support of the Kennedy Family, we were able to net over **\$142,000.00** in support of our students and educational programming.

### **Diamond Underwriters: \$10,000**

Covelli Enterprises/Panera Bread  
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The Cafaro Foundation  
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Rudy & Diane Schlosser  
Joe '97, Jen & Joey Vigorito





## Mark Your Calendars!

On **March 25, 2023** we will gather TOGETHER in a new space with a celebration truly three years in the making. Auction 2023 will be celebrated at the Eastwood Event Centre and plans are currently underway for a truly spectacular gathering for the Kennedy Family. Information will be available in early 2023 to attend, donate, and celebrate our biggest fundraiser of the year!



## Drill for Technology

### *Thank You*

John and Mary Jo Altobelli

Anthony McCoy and  
Amara Salero-McCoy

Todd and Jill Anderson

Brian and Jade Barton

Dean and Jeanine Bofenkamp

Paul and Carla Bolino

Terry and Joyce Cahill

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## Thank You

We are grateful for the generosity from our neighboring priests and parishes. With their support, we celebrate the success of Catholic Education in Trumbull County. Thank you to our 2021-2022 supporting Parish partners:

St. William Parish  
St. Stephen Parish  
St. Mary and St. Joseph Parish  
Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish  
St. Robert Bellarmine Parish  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Niles  
Blessed Sacrament Parish  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish  
St. Mary Parish, Mineral Ridge  
St. Thomas the Apostle Parish  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish



Special thanks to the **I.J. Van Huffel Foundation** for their gift of \$4,000 used to purchase a third Epson ultra short-throw interactive projector. Their commitment to our STEM (Math & Science) classroom upgrade gives our students the greatest chance to utilize and learn from the latest technology and apply it to their future education and career.

## Additional Gifts

Thank you to the following individuals and organizations for their contributions to these important Kennedy programs and initiatives:

### Capital/Building Improvement

Mr. Charles Hoover

### Growth Fund

Equitable Foundation Inc.

### General Operating Fund

Values and Visions Fund

### Project Kennedy

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick and  
Debbie Esposito

### Girls Softball

Eagle Goaltenders

### Technology

Mr. and Mrs. John Dugan  
The I.J. Van Huffel Foundation  
Ohio Department of Education  
State of Ohio Grant

### Theater Development

Mr. Charles Hoover  
Mrs. Jamie Aulet





## 8th Annual Flying Eagle 5K in Honor of Coach Tony Napolet

The Flying Eagle 5K was held on Saturday, September 24th. This annual event was started in celebration of the life of Coach Tony Napolet; legendary Kennedy Football coach who helped shape the minds and hearts of so many of our student athletes. This year, we were overwhelmed with the generosity of our sponsors who helped us raise the most funds in support of our scholarship program to date. Over 100 runners/walkers enjoyed a beautiful day beginning with prayer on Valedictorian Drive and a moment of silence for **Kim Rowbotham Daugherty '89**. Kim was always the first person to sign up for the race each year and would cheer on the runners with limitless enthusiasm. Her presence was sorely missed. The kids race on the Eugene E. Rossi Memorial Track finished out the day. Thank you again to all who made this day possible!

### \$500 Courage Level Sponsors

The Callahan Family  
 The Cafaro Foundation  
 Jessica Fox '97  
 Enzo's Restaurant  
 Goal Liners, Inc.  
 The Napolet Family  
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 The Consiglio Family - Joe '97, Alyse,  
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 Harrison Rossi  
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## Tuition Assistance Fund

During the 2021-2022 school year, the Kennedy Family and our generous donors distributed over **\$207,000** to K-12 families with a demonstrated financial need; **100%** of expressed need was met. The percentage of need we are able to meet would not be possible without the generous annual gifts from families and organizations to our Tuition Assistance Fund. We want to thank the following families and foundations for their generosity:

Blessed Sacrament Church  
Albert M. Covelli Family Scholarship  
The Albert M. Covelli Foundation  
Mr. and Mrs. John Dugan  
Goal Liners, Inc.  
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John F. Kennedy Catholic School  
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Junior High School  
Sam and Mary Pipino Trust Scholarship  
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Scholarship Fund  
Youngstown Diocesan  
Confederation of Teachers

### Tom Shilling Memorial Scholarship

Dr. and Mrs. Anthony '57 and  
Sally Antolini  
Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey '71 and Carol Rossi  
Mr. Michael Shilling  
Mr. and Mrs. Brian '82 and  
Tina (Makosky) McCue '82  
Mrs. Kristy (High) Pottkotter '96  
Mrs. Amy Rossi '96

## Memorial Donations

We thank the generous alumni and friends who designate John F. Kennedy Catholic School as the recipient of memorial gifts. The donors listed below made a significant difference in the areas of Tuition Assistance, Athletics, and so much more. We thank them for their thoughtful gifts.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Groner  
*In memory of Mrs. Ann Guarnieri*  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green  
*In memory of Mr. Anthony Mongelluzzo*  
Dr. Isaac Torem  
*In memory of Mr. Anthony Mongelluzzo*  
Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rossi  
*In memory of Mr. Anthony Mongelluzzo*  
Ms. Lara DeLeone  
*In memory of Mr. Anthony Mongelluzzo*  
Ms. Deborah Manofsky  
*In memory of Mrs. Colette Hlas Sergi*  
Mrs. Kathleen Caragher  
*In memory of Ms. Kathleen Dundee*  
Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Opalka  
*In memory of Mrs. Marianne West*  
Mrs. Patricia Bauman  
*In memory of Mr. Martin Kerns*  
Mrs. Mary Jo Braden  
*In memory of Mr. Martin Kerns*





# KENNEDY COMMITMENT

## Albert M. Covelli Scholarship



The Kennedy Family is honored to announce the recipients of the Albert M. Covelli Foundation Scholarship, established in 2015 to inspire a new generation of leaders to make a difference in the world they live in. The following ten seniors who have shown exemplary

academic, service and leadership skills will each receive a \$5,000.00 scholarship to be used for college tuition. Congratulations to **Nathan Bartoe, Chloe Coates, Alex DeSalvo, John Dragos, Deonna Ellis, Emma Gorby, Timothy Harden, Jr., Edward Kiernan III, Gavin Shrum, and Liam Wilson.** Mr. Covelli was a devoted family man, decorated military veteran, business icon and staunch supporter of Catholic education who passed away in May of 2014. Mr. Covelli's son, **Sam '71**, said his dad was committed to providing opportunities for young people. "My dad was especially fond of doing things that

could improve the lives of young people. He created this scholarship with the hope that it will provide an opportunity for the recipients as they continue their education so they can enjoy success and, more importantly, use that success to impact the lives of others." We thank the Covelli Family for their investment in the future of our leaders and believing in the mission of John F. Kennedy Catholic School. In a time where college education is critical for emerging leaders, scholarship resources are so very important. Thank you to the Covelli Family for their support.



**Nathan Bartoe**



**Chloe Coates**



**Alex DeSalvo**



**John Dragos**



**Deonna Ellis**



**Emma Gorby**



**TJ Harden**



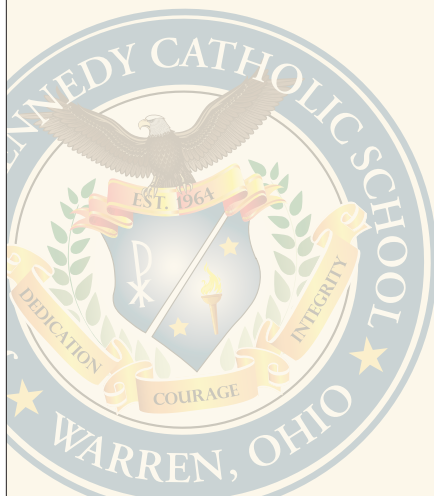
**Eddie Kiernan**



**Gavin Shrum**



**Liam Wilson**



*"Academic learning alone does not complete my high school experience, it is also the connections I've made among a wide variety of individuals from different backgrounds. In addition to this, being unified through faith while attending Kennedy has also been a gift of its own; preparing me for college and reassuring me of my faith in the world around me."*  
- TJ Harden

*"Being a part of the Kennedy family has taught me to be determined and passionate in every obstacle I take on in my future. It has shown me that nothing worth having in life comes easy. Being able to personally know just about everyone that I see walking the halls is a feature of Kennedy that I have always appreciated. Blue Pride is not just a saying to me, it is the reason I have become the person I am today."*  
- Chloe Coates

*"At Kennedy the teachers and the staff instill a different mindset when it comes to academics, they take pride in teaching us at a higher level in preparation for taking next steps and going to college. Not only do they take pride in teaching us but they also demand that we are responsible for our grades, take pride in the work we do, all while following God's mission."*  
- Gavin Shrum

# BLUE PRIDE

## 2022 Varsity Club Hall of Fame Weekend



Faith. Family. Education. Athletics. These were the major themes of our 2022 Varsity Athletic Club Hall of Fame Weekend. Honorees came from near and far to be recognized for their contributions to our rich history of athletic success. The group was celebrated at halftime of the JFK v. Sandusky Perkins football game; a rousing 20-12 victory for the Eagles that locked in their playoff berth after week four, and then inducted at a luncheon the following afternoon. Very special thanks to the 2022 Committee, **Mrs. Luann Rossi '72**, Mr. Bob Todd, Mr. Fred Hoover, and **Mr. Al Gregos '78**.

### Coach Jeff Bayuk

Coach Jeff Bayuk had a 35 year career teaching high school English and Career-Based Intervention. He started his coaching career at Kennedy Catholic in Sharon, Pennsylvania in 1978. In 2014, he took the reins of the JFK Football Program. In that six year span, the Eagles had a record of 47-27. In 2015 the Eagles posted a record of 11-2 and were the Regional Runners-Up. In 2016 the Eagles posted a record of 14-1 and, for only the second time in school history, won the State Championship. The Eagles made the playoffs in 2017, 2018, and 2019.

### Greg Kuszmaul '91

As a member of the Kennedy Football team, Greg was named All-American Honorable Mention, 1st Team All-State, NEO 1st Team Captain, and a member of the 1989 State-Runner Up Football Team. He also played Basketball and Baseball for the Eagles. After graduation from Kennedy, Greg went on to play football for The Ohio State University from 1991 - 1996.

### Chad Phillips '97

A standout on the Boys Basketball Team, playing for Coach Denny Rossi as a member of the 1996-1997 AP State Championship Team. Chad was a 1997 Division III Captain and earned DIII First Team, 1997 All NEO DIII Co-Player of the Year, All NEO DIII First Team, 1997 DIII All-Ohio First Team, and 1997 Trumbull County Coaches Association Player of the Year honors. He was the Trumbull County representative at the annual Ohio North-South All Star Game and averaged 20.2 points/game his senior year.

### Congratulations

A very special congratulations to Mrs. Cathy Zolciak who was our 2022 Friend of Kennedy award recipient. The Zolciak Family reflected on her contributions to athletics; serving as an Eagles' Mom, transporting to and from countless practices, and cheering on our Eagles rain or shine. Cathy has done anything and everything asked of her for the love of her family, Kennedy, education, and athletics. She and her husband Dennis are still avid fans and can be spotted at games every season.





# AWARDS & RECOGNITION



The Administrative Team of President Joseph Kenneally, Principal Alyse Consiglio, and Director of Communications **Jillian Rossi Phillips '97** were recognized as 2022 Special Honorees for their work in keeping athletics open and thriving during the pandemic; a time that saw our 2021 State Baseball Championship, 2020 State Runner Up Football Team, and 2021 Elite Eight Basketball Team.

## Adam Daskivich '99

During his time at Kennedy he was a four year starter on the Golf team and an Individual Golf State Finalist his senior year. He played basketball for three years and baseball for four years.

## Sarah (Dagati) Marino '99

Sarah was selected for her contributions to the Kennedy Girls Tennis program. From 1995-1999 she was the #1 singles player on the team; during that time she never lost a challenge match. Sarah was a four-year district qualifier, a four-year varsity letter winner, and named captain of the team her senior year. She earned USTA Sectional and National rankings.

## Scott Jerald '87

A major contributor to Kennedy athletics as a member of the Football, Basketball, and Track programs. On the Football team, he served as Team Captain and was a Varsity Letterman, Anne Jewell Award recipient, and named to All Conference MVC, All County, and All Diocesan teams. Scott also played as the quarterback for the first playoff victory in school history. On the track team he was a

Captain, Varsity Letterman, named "Most Improved", and ran on a state qualifying relay team his senior year.

## Anthony Naples '90

Anthony started playing football in the 5th grade and continued his career through college. While at Kennedy, he was a three year letter winner in football and received the prestigious Andrew White Award in his senior year. Anthony was also All-State first-team and Defensive Lineman of the year, All-Northeast Ohio, All-Mahoning Valley Conference, and was named team MVP on JFK's 1989 state runner-up team.

## John Vlahos '60

John Vlahos has made incalculable contributions to St. Mary's and John F. Kennedy Athletics. During his time at St. Mary's High School, he was a Varsity Football and Basketball aide (1962 & 1963), a three year letterman in Football, three year letterman in Basketball, and a charter member of the Varsity Letterman's Club established in 1958 for Varsity Letter Winners. In 1959 he was the co-captain of the Football team and was selected 1st Team All Trumbull County for

## Friend of Kennedy Previous Honorees:

- Mr. Barney Macali - 2012
- Mrs. Phyllis Noark - 2011
- Mr. Fred Hoover - 2014
- Mr. Al Gregos '78 - 2016
- Ms. Patty Orsinelli - 2018

Football in 1960. John also represented the Athletic Program as a member of the Senior Student Council.

## Mandy (Zolciak) Willis '97

Mandy earned twelve varsity letters in four sports at Kennedy. She was a captain, MVP, and 1,000+ career point scorer on the Kennedy Basketball team. She was also 1st Team All MVC, Trumbull County, Northeast Ohio, and Special Mention All Ohio in basketball. She was chosen as Female Basketball Player of the Year in Trumbull County as a senior. Mandy was also a captain, MVP, and All League Player in soccer. She was a captain and two-year letterman in softball. She was a two-year letterman in track.

# SPORTS & HIGHLIGHTS

## Signing Day

Two members of the Class of 2022 signed to play sports at the collegiate level.



**Gavin Shrum '22** attends Malone University to play baseball and major in Finance. Gavin was a standout two sport athlete at Kennedy playing football and baseball. He was a member of the 2020 DVII OHSAA State Runner Up and 2021 State Semi-Finalist Football teams as well as the 2021 Division IV State Championship Baseball team. Gavin was the game winning pitcher for the championship game. In 2021 he earned All-State Honorable Mention honors, State Championship MVP, and MaxPreps Ohio Athlete of the Week for baseball.

**Will Toth '22** attends Allegheny College to play football and plans to major in Business/Finance. Will was an integral part of both the Kennedy football and track programs. He was a member of the 2020 DVII OHSAA State Runner Up and 2021 State Semi-Finalist Football teams and has earned numerous recognitions. In football he was a three year varsity starter, 3 year varsity letter winner, named to the 2021 2nd Team All Portage Trail Conference Team, and the 2021 All Trumbull County Team. Will was also a three year varsity letter winner on the Track team and member of the Football Champions Club.





# BLUE PRIDE

# Fall Sport Highlights

## Football Highlights

The 2022 Fall Sports season has brought some quick and significant recognition for our Eagle athletes. Varsity Football punched their ticket to a playoff spot after week four of the season. Not only is a playoff spot secured; we will also host a first-round game. The DVII Eagles had more computer points at that time than all but 21 of the 706 teams statewide, regardless of division.



## Soccer Highlights

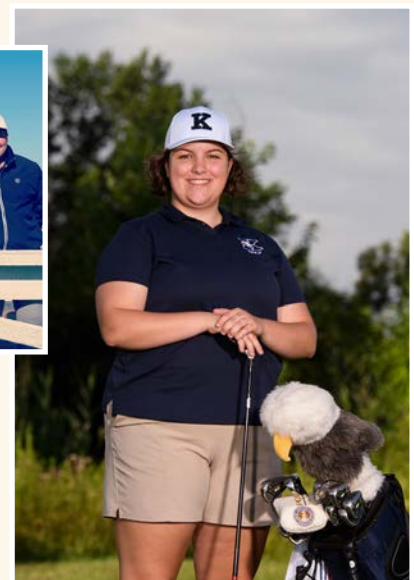
Under the leadership of Coach **Anthony Ledenko '15** and **Justin Bofenkamp '17**, Kennedy Boys Soccer earned back to back Portage Trail Conference Championship titles after a 1-0 over Rootstown and a perfect 6-0 conference record on the season. The team has had a storied turnaround after 2020 where they posted a record of 0-15-1 to the 2021 season and a record of 9-6-1.

## Golf Highlights

The boys golf team dominated the DIII Sectional Championship in late September. They led the pack by 13 strokes on their way to the District Tournament. After a second place finish at Districts, the Eagles earned their spot at the OHSAA State Tournament. The young team made up of Junior Bryce VanHorn, and freshmen Andrew LaPolla, Henry Phillips, Andrew Fredenburg, and Julian Bolino placed 7th out of 12 teams. They posted a great season leading up to the tournament, winning both the Kennedy



Invitational and the Trumbull County Invitational, defeating 14 other county schools in all divisions. Senior Samantha Calderone represented the Girls Golf team and also advanced to the District Tournament as an individual.



## Special Recognitions

This year, two special awards were created to be given out during our High School Academic Award assembly. The first, in honor of Anthony Mongelluzzo '04 to a graduating member of the Kennedy Golf Team and the other was an award created to honor the excellent work being done by our faculty, named in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Peter and Lorene Simunich.

### Anthony Mongelluzzo Memorial Golf Scholarship

**Anthony A. Mongelluzzo** was a graduate of the class of 2004 who passed away in March of 2021. Anthony was an avid golfer, had a great sense of humor and was a friend to anyone he met. He was a loving uncle, brother, and son. Friends and family gathered to celebrate Anthony's life by doing what he loved the most, golfing. The outing was a dual celebration of life and fundraiser to create a scholarship for a graduating golfer at Kennedy. Donations made in Anthony's memory totaled nearly \$10,000 and a scholarship was created in his name. The inaugural award was given to senior **Nicholas Vassis** who went on to attend Ohio University.

### The Peter and Lorene Simunich Excellence in Education Award.

The Peter and Lorene Simunich Excellence in Education award was made possible through a generous gift from **Roseann Simunich '75** and **Steve Simunich '73** in memory of their parents and in celebration of the good work of our faculty. This \$500 award will be given annually to one high school teacher who has demonstrated excellence in the classroom and provided a first class educational experience for our students. The recipient was nominated by and voted for by our senior high students. Together, we thank the Simunich Family for their continued and unwavering support of John F. Kennedy Catholic School and celebrate our first recipient, Mrs. Charlene Morrow.



## Tom Shilling Merit Scholarship

8th graders are given the opportunity at the end of the year to apply for the Tom Shilling Merit scholarship, funded through the incredible generosity of

Kennedy friends and family. The prompt is to compose an essay telling of a person you believe has taken a stand for justice and has acted courageously to defend

a cause. This stand may have had a negative effect on their own popularity but is recognized for the good it calls for from others. Our 2022 recipient,

Hannah Meyer, chose Sonita Alizadeh an Afghan activist that vocalizes against forced marriage. She said of Alizadeh, "Even though I'm not in her type of situation, it showed me that you can make a difference. I can stand up for what is right. She is a perfect example that your age doesn't matter. Anything can make a difference in your life and the lives of others." For those that knew and admired Mr. Shilling, we believe asking these students to think outside of the box and investigate those who make a difference in the world around them would make him proud.





# *courage • integrity • dedication*

## **Our Commencement Ceremony has found a new home!**

The Robins Theater was home to our 2022 graduation ceremony; a new tradition! The beautifully restored space has become a popular spot in downtown Warren and we love how it naturally envelopes the Kennedy Family. After the diplomas were handed out, the Class of 2022 walked down the block to throw their caps in front of our iconic courthouse.



### **Courage, Integrity, and Dedication Alumni Award**

This award was established in celebration of the entire Class of 2020. The recognition is given to a graduate who lives our motto each day to the benefit of the Kennedy Family. We are proud to announce Christopher Guanciale '89, as our 2021 recipient.

Christopher is a 1989 graduate of JFK. He went on to earn his degree in Business

from Marquette University. A product of Catholic Education for his entire academic career, Christopher chose to come home to be with family and friends and serves as the Vice President of Operations at Mars Transportation in Warren.

Because of his strong ties to Kennedy and his family bond as part of the Napolet family, Christopher was chosen many

years ago to be the administrator of the Goal Liners Charitable Foundation; an organization started in the mid-90's by Coach Tony Napolet and Mr. Donald Pompelia. The purpose of this organization is to provide for the students of JFK and improve their school experience. The funds raised by this organization have helped provide critical scholarship dollars, capital improvements, outdoor beautification, and enhanced athletic programming for numerous JFK sports teams. The Goal Liners have given significant funds to Kennedy for nearly 30 years and Christopher has been a loyal steward of the gifts and makes sure that the original intent of the founders is followed to the benefit of JFK students. He credits Terry Fiorina as a great friend of the Goal Liners as well.

We asked Christopher what his time at Kennedy meant to him and any advice he had for you, our current Eagles. He credits his Kennedy education with his deep sense of service and commitment to his faith. "Don't take for granted the tools that you are being given today, they will serve you well in the future."

# ALUMNI JOURNAL

## 1960's

### 1965 - Gregory Clark

Gregory's hobbies include photography, art, music, planes, trains, and automobiles. He and his wife have been married since 1973, they have two daughters and five grandchildren. Some of his favorite trips have been to Beijing China, Disneyland, and the Royal Gorge bridge in Colorado; one thousand feet straight down to the stream. He has also traveled to the 102nd floor of the Empire State Building and the top of Pikes Peak. After graduation from Kennedy, Gregory earned a degree in Chemistry from Youngstown State University and an MBA from Kent State University. He served as an Army Officer and worked as a Steel Mill Chemist, Fossil Fuel Research Chemist, Environmental Manager, substitute teacher, Safety and Environmental Team at Case Western Reserve University, EPA Inspector, and served on the Stark County Local Emergency Planning Committee. He is proud of daughters, both college degreed and productive citizens and proud of his grandchildren who are on their way to becoming productive citizens. One of his favorite Kennedy memories was working as the photographer for the yearbook and doing all the dark room work himself.

## 1970's



### 1972 - George Hancin

George retired as a high school art teacher after 26 years and is now working on his own paintings. He is married with grown stepchildren and grandchildren. Some of his favorite travel spots include Italy, Spain, and India. Some of his favorite memories from Kennedy include working with his friends and creating a satirical club and newspaper.

## 1980's



### 1980 - Brenda Peters

Retired now, Brenda was a Medical Assistant/Phlebotomist and her hobbies include crafting and diamond painting. She has four grown children and one grandson. Louisville, Kentucky was one of her favorite places to visit and being on the flagline at football games is one of her special school memories.

### 1982 - Robin Caroselli

Hobbies include reading, hiking, and camping. Robin has two beautiful step daughter's and has traveled all over the United States. Her favorite Kennedy memory was the band trip to Nashville.

### 1982 - Georgann Sypert Sandoval

Georgann is an Ophthalmic Tech and has recently traveled to Naples, Positano, Capri, Amalfi, Pompeii, and Ravello. She is most proud of her family and career.

### 1989 - Michael Scheidly

Michael is an RN in MICU at the Cleveland VA Medical Center. He is married with a daughter and a son and is most proud of his family. Playing football was his favorite memory; the best time ever.

## 1990's



### 1990 - Jennifer Pecchio Troutman

Jennifer is an attorney with the United States Department of Health and Human Services. She has three children, Anthony, Dominic, and Sophia. She won

an election in November 2021 for Kenston Local Schools Board of Education and is the current vice president. The shaving cream fights in the parking lot on the last day of school is her favorite Kennedy memory.

## 2000's

### 2001 - Regina Negro Orellana

Owner of her own hair salon, Artistic Strands by Regina in Dublin, Ohio and the mother of two boys.

Being a member of the Girls Golf Team is one of Regina's favorite memories.

### 2004 - Jackie Starkey Franz

Jackie is a Corporate Recruiter and her favorite Kennedy memory is playing on the Girls Soccer team.

### 2005 - Michael Fye

Michael is an Educator and the proud father of Colson. His favorite memories include Mrs. Binko's art class and Mrs. Steines biology class; the two of them inspired him to become a teacher!



### 2006 - Sean Clair

Works as a Senior Project Manager at Hall Contracting and enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, and golfing.

Sean and his wife traveled to Ireland on their honeymoon in 2018 and building his career in the commercial landscape industry and building a home with his wife are his proudest accomplishments. Friday night football and golf season are his two favorite memories.





**2006 - Philip DeCapito**

Football Coach at the University of Pittsburgh and has had the opportunity to travel the entire country from coast to coast to coach football. The impact that he has on the kids he works with and getting to see them grow into men are his proudest accomplishments. Beating Howland his senior year is a favorite experience.

**2012 - Alina Baker Kaden**

Alina and her husband own a music studio and have two beautiful children, a boy and a girl.

She is most proud of the fact she is able to do what she loves everyday and share the gift of music with her students. Meeting at the victory bell after winning a game was her favorite memory.

**Reunions**

***Cheers to Us!***

The Class of 1997 gathered this fall to celebrate 25 years and the Class of 1980 also spent the weekend together, taking in a game and catching up. We love to see these smiling faces!



*In Memory*

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

- Betty Ann Devorich Jocola, 1950
- Deborah DiFrancesco, 1977
- Rose Marie Ognibene DiCenso, 1949
- Charlotte Trunick, 1974
- Patricia Galmish Brown, 1958
- Roy Robert Mason Jr., 1987
- Kim Rowbotham Daugherty, 1989
- Thomas Thornton, 1982
- John Neilan, 1964
- Nelma Basciano Carter, 1971

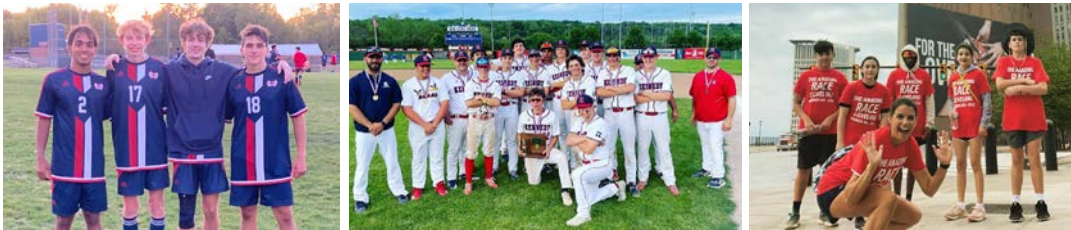
- Martin Kerns, 1979
- Donna Limpach, 1948
- Marlene Marx Dragash, 1978
- Michael Natoli, 1986
- Gina Cickelli Perry, 1993
- Kathleen Simini Young, 1969
- Mary Lou Fye Forrest, 1962
- Geraldine Dailey, 1954
- Mary Packo Littleton, 1969
- Fabian Wiery, 1968

- Mary Katherine Mahaney Baumeister, 1961
- Colette Hlas Sergi, 1961
- Gina Sacco, 1984
- Robert J. Lyell Jr., 1975
- Jay Saunders, 1972
- William Lackey, 1957
- Mrs. Michelle Moten - Friend of Kennedy
- Raymond Dimartini, 1971



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