



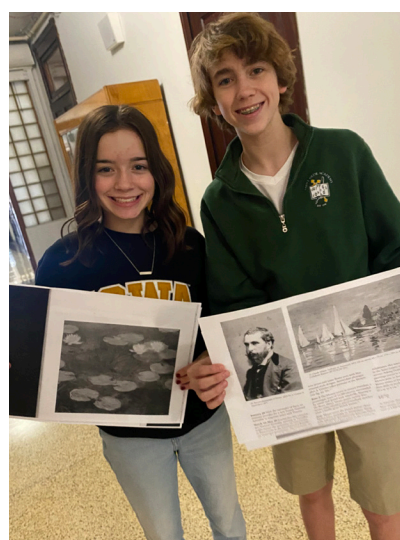
SUMMER/FALL 2022 ISSUE

THE Bedan Record





You will find this edition of the Bedan Record includes a theme, "Season of Change." Embracing our Season of Change provides an opportunity to rejoice in the countless blessings of the past as we seek to build on the foundations and provide for the future needs of St. Bede Abbey & Academy.





A Warm Welcome,



Over twenty-five years ago I would drive down Route 6 with my infant daughter in the back seat. I would gaze over at the St. Bede tower and say to myself, "I hope I can send her to St. Bede someday." When 2011 arrived, God provided. Our family was welcomed with open arms to St. Bede by the staff, administrators, and families. I am now blessed to be working for such an influential academy.

Although there are many exciting things going on at St. Bede, there is also a sense of calmness here that cannot be defined. I love pulling in every day and driving down the lane knowing that the work we do is meaningful and rewarding. I am grateful to be working with such an outstanding team in the development department; Julia Yaklich, Bonnie Prokup and Goldie Rapp.

As I see children shuffling down the halls to class I can't help but to think how fortunate they are to be a part of the Benedictine tradition. They are preparing for their future while being welcomed into the learning of Christian values. The unspeakable moments at St. Bede will speak volumes in the future as they reflect back on them. I recall listening to stories at the dinner table and being moved to tears. Whether it was learning of students supporting other students or a speaker that came to St. Bede that had an impact on them. The friendships that they make here will last a lifetime and the memories will forever be cherished.

We as families and teachers must educate them to continue in the mission by giving back to the school. Whether it is of their time or financially, they must know that they can and will make a difference in the lives of others. We all want to make certain that our school continues for generations to come. And, to make sure that all those that hope they too someday can go to St. Bede are able to do so. The support of the alumni and friends has been so heartwarming for me to see. We are so grateful for you and your support. We can continue this work together to mold our future students into generous philanthropists.

Thank you to everyone who has welcomed me once again to St. Bede. I look forward to meeting many of the alumni, and getting to know each of you better. I am happy to be here and I believe this is truly "where I belong."

Sincerely,

Tracy Makransky
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*Wife of Cross Country and Track & Field Coach Marty Makransky,
mother of Madigan Ellis '15 and Thomas Makransky '23*

*Best wishes to Jeannie Margherio who
recently retired from St. Bede Academy
after serving 37 years!*

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A Transition in Leadership

This summer, we saw a transition in leadership at both the academy and at the abbey. In June, Michelle Mershon retired as the academy's Principal after 23 years of service (August 1999 – July 2022).

Following in her footsteps is Nick McLaughlin, who had before served as Assistant Principal and Athletic Director beginning Summer 2020. McLaughlin successfully completed a two-year planned mentorship under Mershon, which prepared him to assume the new responsibilities this school year.

At the abbey, on the morning of Wednesday, July 13, Rev. Michael Calhoun, OSB, was elected to serve the St. Bede community as abbot. Abbot Michael is the ninth abbot of St. Bede Abbey, succeeding Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB, whose term was completed on his 75th birthday – April 3, 2022. Until the abbatial election in mid-July, Abbot Emeritus Philip served as interim abbot of St. Bede.

Abbot Michael is a 1989 graduate of St. Bede Academy. He was professed on December 8, 1994, and ordained on June 1, 2002. Abbot Michael holds a Master of Arts degree in Scripture from St. Vincent Seminary, Latrobe, PA and a Master of Arts Degree in Monastic Studies from the School of Theology, St. John's University, Collegeville, MN.

“Abbot Michael is very much a man of faith, who grew in holiness through St. Benedict. He is very devoted to prayer, and for many years, has generously served the monks in a variety of jobs. I could not have accomplished the work I did as abbot without the daily support of the good prior.” —Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB



Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB '65 (from left), Abbot Michael Calhoun, OSB '89 and Rt. Rev. Jonathan Licari, OSB, president of American-Cassinense Congregation of Benedictines pose for a photo following the July 13 abbatial blessing.

Beginning in 1995, Abbot Micheal served as a faculty member of St. Bede Academy, teaching religion during the years he was not furthering his graduate work studies. He continued to teach at St. Bede for more than 20 years until 2022. He also served as prior from 2009 up until his newly-elected position.

A FINAL NOTE FROM MERSHON

Before Mershon became Principal at St. Bede, she taught at the academy from 1983 to 1985, and coached tennis from 1985 to 1991.

“The St. Bede team has been incredible. From the faculty through the staff, I have never in my 40-year career been part of such an incredible group of people committed to providing excellent Catholic education to its students.”
—Michelle Mershon

Upon her retirement, Mrs. Mershon said it's the people she will miss most at St. Bede.

Looking back at her career, the three highlights that come to mind was when she was instrumental in adding advancement placement courses and dual credit/dual enrollment classes to the curriculum, which allowed hundreds of students to shorten the amount of time needed to complete bachelor's degrees; also during her principalship, students scored the highest ACT score in the history of St. Bede; and lastly, she provided leadership that maintained the traditions of St. Bede, and was a part of decisions that helped keep the doors open.

“So many Catholic schools have closed in the last two decades. It's frightening. I hope that in some small way, the leadership I provided and the decisions that I was part of, helped maintain the traditions of St. Bede and the opportunity for young people to receive, what I believe is, the best high school education in north central Illinois,” she said.

Mershon remains in awe at the accomplishments St. Bede graduates have taken on over the years.

“They make an unbelievable impact on their families, parishes, community and the world. They use what they have learned at St. Bede to propel them to successful lives that all of us benefit from,” she said.

In retirement, Mershon and her husband, Randy, plan to travel and spend the winter months in Arizona and Florida. She is hoping to backpack through Europe someday, but has yet to convince Randy. You might also catch them out practicing their skill in tennis, pickleball and golf.



Michelle Mershon welcomes Nick McLaughlin to the position of St. Bede Academy Principal.

BUILDING ON SUCCESSES

For McLaughlin, it's an honor to take the lead as Principal here at the academy.

McLaughlin believes it's St. Bede's ability to educate the whole person – mind, body and spirit – that sets it apart from other area schools.

"Public education misses the mark when it comes to the spiritual aspect of education. We can speak about our faith, our morals, and our God-given abilities and talents. It sets the foundation for the St. Bede family, which is strong and active," he said. "I would also say St. Bede's legacy. There are so many people who have been difference-makers in the world who hold a diploma from this institution. It's amazing to see that and the love and loyalty they have for this place."

McLaughlin's top three goals as Principal:

- That each student grows spiritually and academically.
- That each student has at least one positive interaction with a staff member every single day. "They are the reason we are in this profession and I want students to know every staff member who walks in the halls cares about them," he said.
- That each teacher and staff member knows that he cares about them professionally and personally, and that his success is based on their and the students' successes.

We wish a happy retirement to Mrs. Mershon and Abbot Emeritus Philip, and welcome Abbot Michael and Mr. McLaughlin to their new roles. We believe their leadership will bring great success to the abbey and academy.

"St. Bede is a storied institution and holds a special place in the hearts of many. I hope to continue to build on the successes of the previous individuals who have held this position and made St. Bede what it is today." –Nick McLaughlin

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Execution of the exciting plans to revitalize and stabilize monastic life, the boarding program and academy facilities has provided opportunities for the leadership of the abbey and academy to work together toward the common goal of providing for the students and monks for the long term.

Over the past year, the leadership from the monastic community, which includes Abbot Emeritus Philip, Abbot Michael and Prior Dominic, worked diligently with Superintendent Eve Postula to customize their new monastery – complete with the addition of a chapel containing several special items moved from their previous building.

"Abbot Michael and I share experience and passion around leading the St. Bede community toward greater stability, commitment to the Benedictine Mission and St. Bede Academy Legacy," said Postula.

While change and moving is not typically Benedictine practice, the desire to begin again and refocus in a deeper spiritual benedictine community has helped maintain a sense of stability here at St. Bede.

When Abbot Michael talks about the future of St. Bede, he assures of the steadiness in it.

"I am 51 years old. The required age of resignation for abbots these days is 75 years old. Some quick math shows that my term as abbot could be 24 years, if God wills it. It is important that I offer a steady and sure hand of leadership." –Abbot Michael Calhoun, OSB

During his term he plans to encourage the monastic community to continue in their transformation in Christ by being faithful to prayer, reading of scripture and the daily round of Divine Office and Mass. At the academy, he hopes to see that it continues to graduate well-rounded, educated young men and women who take to heart Christian and Benedictine values of gentleness, compassion and hospitality.

Abbot Michael assures he does not plan to start new and different initiatives.

"There are plenty of transitional issues the monastic community faces with its move to a new residence. As the abbot, I have to assure the monks are working together to resolve these issues. As for the academy, I think that there is a good spirit of cooperation among the people at St. Bede. My intention is to insert myself into that good spirit and to foster it when and where I can."

The senior council of monks and Eve look forward to building on their vision as they continue the work for St. Bede's future.

A Beacon of Stability

On Saturday, September 3, the Abbatial Blessing for Michael Calhoun, OSB took place at St. Bede Abbey Church. He was blessed by the Most Reverend Robert J. Lombardo, C.F.R., D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago.

During the ceremony, Abbot Michael, who is the ninth Abbot of St. Bede, spoke about his predecessors and how they exercised authority, leadership and governance according to their own talents and own time. He reviewed the experiences of each one's term, which included construction projects, renovation projects, transitions of one kind or another, financial concerns, moving, fires, calls to a deeper prayer and authentic monastic spirituality.

As Abbot Michael prepares to face what lies ahead for him during his term, he said he will rely on the holy spirit to guide him day-by-day, year-by-year.

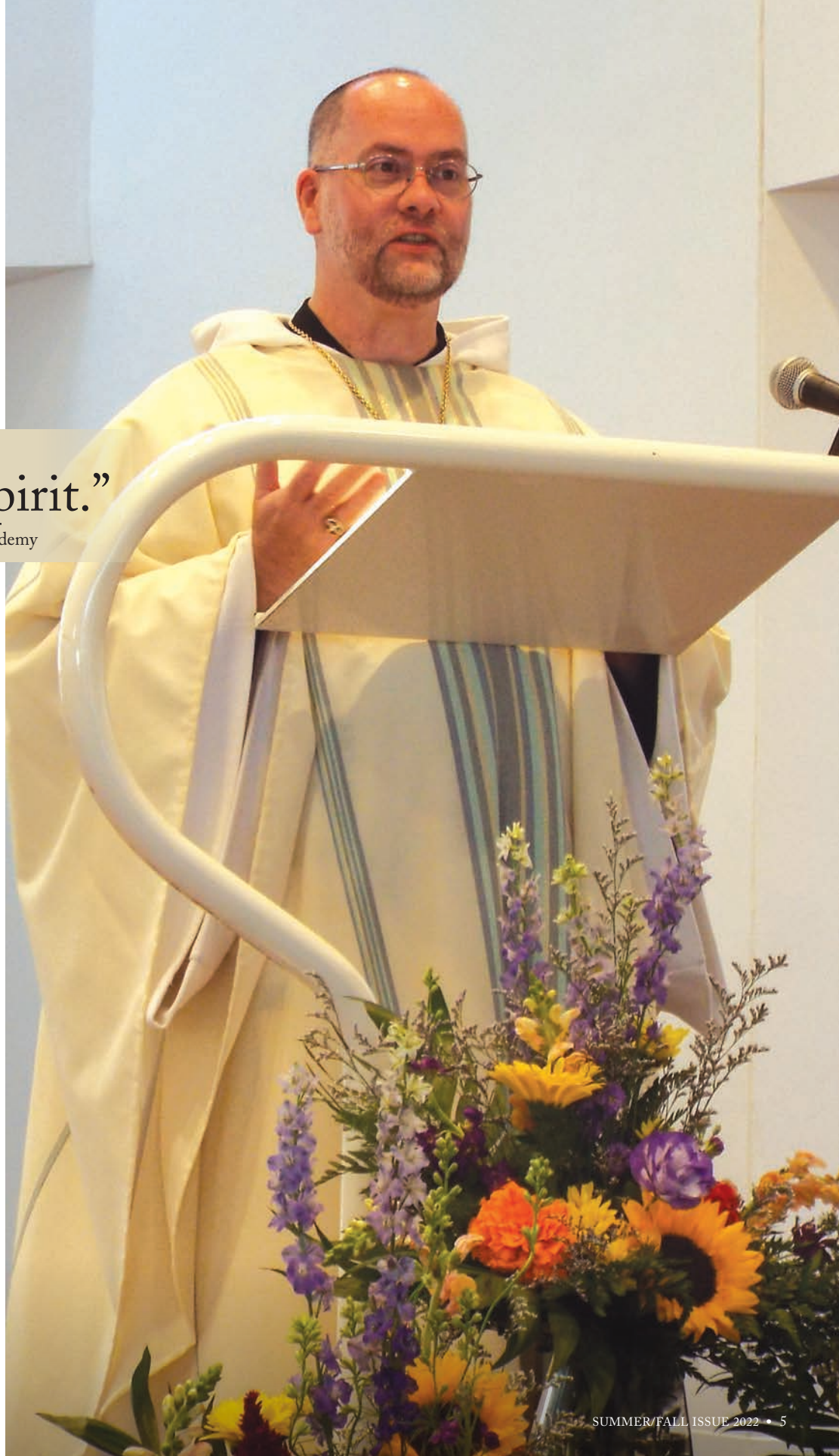
There is one definite thing Abbot Michael can provide in his leadership, and that is stability and consistency. Prior abbots have served an average of 14 years, and being that Abbot Michael was elected at the young age of 51, he very well, God willing, may exceed the 14-year average. The required age of resignation for abbots these days is 75 years old.

Akin to the abbots before him, he intends to exercise authority, leadership and governance according to his own talents and at his own pace. He has been blessed with a number of good examples of leadership: Abbot Marion, Abbot Roger, Abbot Claude, Abbot Emeritus Philip and also the abbots he encountered in theology and graduate school: Archabbot Douglas at St. Vincent Archabbey and Abbot John at St. John's Abbey. Their examples of leadership have formed Abbot Michael into the kind of abbot he intends to be for St. Bede for years to come.



“Our unity of purpose is a





gift of the Holy Spirit.”

-Abbot Michael referring to the Abbey & Academy



Congratulations to the Class of 2022



132nd Annual Commencement



Valedictorian Deborah Daluga



Salutatorian Lia Bosnich



Pictured is Former Principal Michelle Mershon, School Board President Angelo Perino '80, Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey '65, Superintendent Eve Postula '84 and Rev. Larry Snyder '68, who was the commencement speaker.

Class of 2022 - Where Will They Go Next?

Trenton Acuncius – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Lifei “Anna” An – *University of Washington, Seattle*

Emma Borelli – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Lia Bosnich – *University of Wisconsin - Madison*

Jake Bradach – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Yuan “Wilt” Cao – *Case Western Reserve University*

Yixuan “Carleen” Chen – *Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY*

Anton Cain – *Southern Illinois University Carbondale*

Brianda Cain – *Work Force*

Deborah Daluga – *Indiana University –
Purdue University Indianapolis*

Daniel Dugosh – *Iowa State University*

James Erwin – *Saint Ambrose University*

Ziteng “Ivy” Fan – *University of Toronto*

Brady Flanagan – *Loyola University Chicago*

Tyreke Fortney – *Illinois State University*

Rylee Funfsinn – *Savannah College of Art and Design*

Giavanna Gayan – *Work Force*

Maureen Gensler – *Illinois State University*

Abbie George – *Southern Illinois University Edwardsville*

Erin Gray – *University of Iowa*

Lauren Griggs – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Payton Giordano – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Josh Grob – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Patrick Harmon – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Dylan Harris – *University of Iowa*

Jaden Hart – *University of Saint Francis*

Paul Hart – *Culver – Stockton College*

Rylan Heersink – *University of Saint Francis*

Logan Humpage – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Grace Irwin – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Grace Jackson – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Jake Jackson – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Miguel Jones – *Work Force*

Morgan Jones – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Zayd Khan – *University of Illinois Chicago*

Kaitlyn Kobilsek – *Bryant and Stratton College*

Benjamin Koyak – *Arizona State University*

Paige Kraml – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Jayce Ladzinski – *Bradley University*

Zachary Lambie – *Life Pacific University Virginia*

Duncan Lawler – *University of Wisconsin - Madison*

Che “David” Liu – *Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University*

Suhan “Susan” Liu – *University of Toronto*

Renn Ludford – *Western Michigan University*

Jaxon Lynch – *Illinois State University*

Ava Manicki – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Veronica Martin – *Culver-Stockton College*

Grace Maschmann – *University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign*

Nolan May – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Miranda Mazzorana – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Anna McDonald – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Madison McGunnigal – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Rylee McGunnigal – *North Central College*

Maximo Medina – *Universidad Anahuac Mexico*

Aleanna Mendoza – *Saint Ambrose University*

Pia Mindrup – *Gymnasium Bad Iburg*

Mia Monerastelli – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Brady Mudge – *Loyola University Chicago*

Colin Nave – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Abby Nawa – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Henry Orteza – *Southern Illinois University Edwardsville*

Matthew Pozzi – *Work Force*

Payge Pyszka – *Clarke University*

Nubia Sajuan – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Alyssa Schneider – *Western Illinois University*

Stephen Shaver – *Gap Year*

Stephen Shaw – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Katriene Sibbaluca – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Leah Smudzinski – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Quenten Sondgeroth – *Work Force*

Ethan Sramek – *Eureka College*

Luke Story – *Illinois Valley Community College*

Ryann Stoudt – *Quincy University*

Kaiyang “Sophia” Su – *University of Washington*

Charles Vaessen – *Work Force*

Jessica Waddell – *Eureka College*

Jack Wallace – *Boston University*

Ce “Aaron” Wang – *University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign*

Mia Waters – *University of Iowa*

Chi-hsuan “Esabel” Wei – *Kyung Hee University*

Hunter Welch – *Florida Gulf Coast University*

Augustus Wiesbrock – *Parkland College and*

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Qiaoxi “Josie” Zhou – *Michigan State University*

Xinrui “Ray” Zou – *University of California Santa Cruz*

Honor Awards

2022 ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS

Front row: (L-R) Thomas Harris, Erin Gray, Deborah Daluga, Grace Maschmann, Henry Orteza, Stephen Shaw, Katriene Sibbaluca, Grace Irwin;
Back row: (L-R) Daniel Dugosh, Jack Wallace, Duncan Lawler, Lia Bosnich and Brady Flanagan



CLASS OF 2022 TOP TEN

Left to right: Jack Wallace, Duncan Lawler, Deborah Daluga, Erin Gray, Dylan Thomas Harris, Grace Maschmann, Katriene Sibbaluca, Lia Bosnich, Brady Flanagan and Henry Orteza

FR. KEVIN GORMAN AWARD

Trenton Acuncius, Anton Cain, Dylan Thomas Harris, Grace Maschmann, Luke Story and Ryann Stoudt

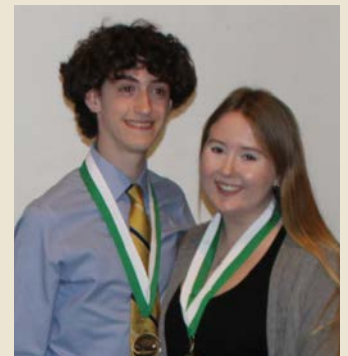
ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Lia Bosnich and Tyreke Fortney



SENIOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Erin Gray



SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD

Duncan Lawler and Deborah Daluga

St. Bede WYSE Team Scores Big at State

Out of the Division 300 group, the WYSE team took 4th place at state with a total score of 376.

Students who received state medals:

Computer science

- 4th Place - Ray Zou
- 5th Place - Dylan Thomas Harris
- 5th Place - Duncan Lawler

English

- 3rd Place - Debbie Daluga

Math

- 3rd Place - Duncan Lawler
- 4th Place - Brady Flannigan



Left to right: Duncan Lawler, Ray Zou, Dylan Thomas Harris, Stephen Shaw, Lea Asani, Brady Flannigan, Kylie Cofoid, Debbie Daluga and Madelyn Torrance



Two Bruin Generations Unite

On May 4, members from the Class of 1972 returned to St. Bede to meet their legacy Class of 2022. The alumni enjoyed lunch with the students in the Loft and participated in their senior farewell mass, which is one of St. Bede's most moving traditions for outgoing classes.

The time spent together allowed for the sharing of St. Bede stories, which inspired the graduating seniors in their final days on campus and bring a renewed sense of pride for those who once were, and still are today – a Bruin. This special event encompasses the importance of tradition and what it means to be a St. Bede graduate.

The Class of 1972 also had a chance to discuss their class gift, which was completed this summer. Their gift, with a goal of \$143,000, included the complete restoration of the historic old main stairwell. The project repaired and restored all the railings, woodwork and terrazzo stairs from the basement to the third floor and added the new St. Bede crest on the first floor.

We look forward to hosting next year's luncheon between the Class of '73 and Class of '23.

Athletics

DEAR ST. BEDE FANS,



Welcome back to the 2022-23 school year. I have been both blessed and honored to join your school family and wish to thank the many St. Bede staff members, families/supporters, and students who have welcomed me here this past summer.

To share some of my background, I am entering my 22nd year in education and 16th as an Athletic Director. My career began as a PE Teacher at the Catholic school (St. Rita in Rockford) I grew up attending. I actually left education for a brief time to become a sports/programming director at a YMCA before returning in my first Athletic Director role for a small public district Northwest of Rockford.

As I moved through my career, I was called back to Aurora Central Catholic High School and worked for one of my old high school teachers who was then the Principal at ACC. I was fortunate to return home to Rockford East High School and work closely with a family member who served as the District Athletic Director for Rockford Public Schools. After taking a year away from administrative work, I discovered my heart was truly in Catholic education and was blessed to serve as the Principal at St. Anne School in Dixon for the past three years.

During that time, I grew to miss athletics. So, when the opportunity presented itself for St. Bede Academy to need a replacement AD for Mr. McLaughlin, I knew that serving St. Bede Academy would be akin to a dream coming true.

In my short time here, I have been impressed with the sense of family and community which has a life within these walls. I am looking forward to mentoring the students, assisting our school staff and families in elevating teenagers to do great things as adults, and being able to partake in one of my passions again, athletics!

I invite all our students and families to attend our activities and join me in promoting sportsmanship, community, as well as what helps make St. Bede such a special place: our caring, our respect, our kindness, and our love for others.

God bless all our students, families, staff, alumni, and supporters.

Go Bruins!!!!!!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Armato".

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Bowling

Trenton Acuncius '22 had an area-best 222 average and placed seventh in the IHSA state tournament.

Esports



On Saturday, April 30, 2022, Tom Makransky '23 (above left) competed in the inaugural IHSA eSports State Finals competition playing NBA 2K at Bloomington High School. Though he was knocked out in the 3rd round, we are proud St. Bede was able to represent and participate in the first-ever IHSA eSports State Finals.



Softball

The Varsity Softball Team are the 2022 Regional Champions.

Track & Field



Tyreke Fortney '22 (left) and Duncan Lawler '22 advanced to the IHSA State Finals. Tyreke competed in the 100 and the 200. He set a school record in the 100-meter with a time of 10.66. Duncan competed in the High Jump and tied the school record by jumping 6' 4". That record was set by Michael Langham, a 2012 graduate.



St. Bede Track Coach Marty Makransky poses for a photo with Anna Lopez '23 at the state track meet where she finished 7th in the triple jump. She broke her own school record by jumping 35' 10.25" on May 11, 2022.

St. Bede's boarding program is reaching new heights

This semester, Marcia Wagner, Dean of Residential Programs, welcomed our largest group of boarding students to St. Bede.

The academy is home to 40 international and domestic students (24 girls and 16 boys) this school year who arrived from seven abroad countries - China, Ukraine, Mexico, Japan, Turkey and Vietnam and three U.S. states - Wisconsin, Arkansas and Massachusetts.

Wagner captured a 48% increase in students attending this year compared to last year's numbers when the world was just beginning to bounce back from COVID.

To add to that excitement - the female boarding students moved into a new home on campus. Over the summer, the fourth floor of the former monastery was converted into boarding dorm rooms that can now accommodate up to 28 students. Public shower rooms were also incorporated, along with an apartment space where Mackenzie Brady '18 lives full-time as the Residential Life Supervisor of the girl dorms.

Transforming the space required minimal repairs. The rooms received a fresh coat of paint, additional electrical outlets, window air conditioners for climate control, new window blinds and ceiling fans. A fire safety system was also installed and a security system within the hall for the safety of students. St. Bede was able to complete these repairs using a loan from its sister school in China, Kinglee High School, which graciously was willing to invest in the academy's ability to grow its boarding program.

Wagner believes much of this year's growth in the boarding program can be attributed to international boarders opening back up post COVID.

"During COVID, it was almost impossible for students to obtain Visa appointments and if they did manage to get their Visa, finding a flight to the U.S. was prohibitively expensive," she said.

Despite these challenges, COVID did create one silver lining for the program. For the first time, recruitment events went virtual, which allowed Wagner to reach international events that had previously been out of the budget due to high travel expenses.

Virtually, Wagner was able to build business relationships with international agents that have since been instrumental in bringing light to St. Bede being a boarding option in the U.S. Today, the word about the academy's ESL program and college-prep education is spreading.

"By featuring St. Bede on the individual agent websites and boarding school websites, we've increased our reach dramatically," Wagner said.



Residential Life Supervisor Mackenzie Brady '18 snaps a "selfie" with the female boarding students while on a trip at Six Flags Great America in Gurnee, IL before the start of the school year.



When thinking about what sets St. Bede apart from other boarding programs in the U.S., Wagner said it's all about the family aspect that can be felt at the academy.

"To know that you're going to be accepted for who you are and that there really are other students with the same interests is a powerful thing for a teenager," Wagner said. "The fact that our faculty, staff and day-students are so friendly and curious about the boarders and their lives makes them feel welcome and if they can embrace that friendliness they quickly become part of the family."

From a cultural standpoint, the boarding program is seen as extremely beneficial for students and staff at the academy. Wagner said it's important for the faculty, staff and students to get to know and learn a deeper respect for people from all parts of the world.

"Becoming global citizens and recognizing and appreciating the different cultures that make up our world is only going to serve future generations for the better. The more we can do to facilitate that diversity, the better off future St. Bede graduates will be," she said.

To explore more information about St. Bede Academy's boarding program, visit www.st-bede.com.

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The boarding students enjoyed a trip to Six Flags Great America in Gurnee, IL before the school year began.

THE ACADEMY IS HOME TO 40 INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC STUDENTS FROM SEVEN COUNTRIES ABROAD AND THREE U.S. STATES



Above: During the first days on campus, Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB '65 met with the boarding students to conduct a welcoming prayer upon their arrival.

Right: The boarding students have fun making pizzas as part of a weekend activity on campus. Scheduled weekend activities began this year and involve faculty and staff who spend Friday through Sunday in the dorm planning structured, on-campus activities with the boarders. The program is meant to encourage friendships among students and engage one another outside the classroom.



What's to come with the program?

With the fourth floor receiving building repairs for the girl boarders, next on the list is renovating the second floor to accommodate up to 28 male students in Fall 2023. An apartment where a full-time house parent to reside will also be included.

This building project will then allow all boarding students to be housed under one roof on campus and it will create more opportunities for interactive areas for the students to hang out. Wagner envisions a game room with a pool table, table hockey, game consoles, etc., plus a quiet, sound-proof space for students who want to engage in music practice or prayer/meditation, and an art/creative space.

The long-term plans include renovations to all four floors, plus the basement rooms to continue expansion of the program in time.

“The future of the program will only be limited by the number of beds available,” Wagner said.

The 39th Annual Auction a ‘showstopping’ event



On June 18, the St. Bede Auction and Special Events surpassed its fundraising goal of \$325,000 by \$95,000, giving us another reason to celebrate and be grateful for all those who stand with our mission and believe in the spirit of St. Bede.

This year’s Fund-A-Need was aimed at supporting St. Bede’s performing arts program. The intent was to raise \$125,000 for repairs to the stage curtains and aged pulley system in the Abbot Vincent Gymnasium. To jumpstart the evening’s mission, attendees were drawn in with a video and remarks made by theater director Fr. Dominic Garramone, OSB. The success of this goal was immediately evident as paddles were quickly drawn at the start of bidding.

We extend a special thanks to our Presenting Sponsor, the J.A. Happ Family Foundation, and to our Cast Party Table Sponsorships, Cawley Chicago, David Porter ’61 Family and Jeff Perry Buick GMC.

Some highlights from the auction included the return of the popular Bedan Bonanza and Golden Ticket, a Silver Oak Package donated by David and Kary Duncan and the generous golf package at Rich Harvest Farms, which sold three times and was generously matched by Jerry Rich.

The bounty from our St. Bede family was incredibly moving this year. We are truly blessed as the success of the St. Bede Auction and Special Events is what makes it possible to keep tuition affordable and offer a Catholic education to anyone who seeks it.

We are also grateful for Bonnie Prokup and all the tireless work she does throughout the year to ensure the annual auction meets its goal and is deemed a success. Without her dedication and perseverance, the event would not be what it is today.

A special thanks to our sponsors, supporters and underwriters, and those who dedicated their time and support of St. Bede Academy.



Dr. Steve Ludford '75 (from left), Jim Gamache '72, Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB '65 and Joe Kolodziej '75 enjoyed having time together at the auction.

Our annual event was held in the Perino Science Center with around 160 guests in attendance.

The evening kicked off with a lead gift in the amount of \$15,000 by the Miller Group Charitable Trust. The gift was followed by a number of key contributions in the amount of \$15,000 each made by donors both in attendance and not present at the auction. The contributions total \$60,000 altogether. All of this kicked off the start of the paddle raise for the Fund-A-Need campaign.



SAVE THE DATE
40th St. Bede Auction
June 10, 2023 in the
Perino Science Center

In the meantime, we are looking for condo stays, airline tickets, hotel nights, sporting, concert event tickets, or any unique opportunity you may have to share. Please contact Bonnie Prokup at bprokup@st-bede.com.



HELP US CONTINUE TO *Write the Stories*

There's been a lot of good stories surrounding St. Bede lately. The ninth abbot of St. Bede was elected to lead our mission, we welcomed a historic number of boarders within the decade to a program now reaching new heights, we watched major renovations within the academy come to completion and our annual auction, once again, surpassed its goal and was deemed a 'showstopping' success.

We've been proud to share this news. As the school year has kicked off, we're filled with much enthusiasm for what's been accomplished and what is still left to tell.

The students are the heart of everything we do and who we strive to meet our goals for every day. As they continue to gain entrance to prestigious colleges and universities and garner local and national attention – we take pride in knowing the first chapters of their success were written here at St. Bede.

We are proud to chronicle their successes. But, without you, it would all come to a halt.

We rely on the generous contributions from our St. Bede alumni and friends to help fill the gap of 59% to keep tuition as low as possible and to support the mission of our monks who continually grow in holiness and in prayer.

It is with conviction in our mission, we write to you asking for your support of the St. Bede Fund. The young men and women who attend St. Bede are just beginning their story. There is so much yet to be told. Be a part of our narrative by helping keep the spirit of St. Bede alive.

Help make a difference today to keep St. Bede tuition affordable by returning the enclosed St. Bede Fund envelope or online at www.st-bede.com/give-now.

What does your St. Bede Fund gift support?

TUITION GAP

Your gift helps to fund an internal scholarship given to every St. Bede student that is equivalent to 59% of the actual cost of tuition.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

All school liturgies, annual retreats, mission trips and local service experiences.

STUDENT LIFE

In the classroom, on the stage, or in the field, the St. Bede Fund supports experiences that let students' talents shine.

DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS

Your gift keeps the water running, lights on and the campus beautiful.

The Legacy Project



Keep the Momentum Going

We've reached a crucial time in our highly successful capital campaign, known as the Legacy Project.

The completion of renovations in Wing 1 of the second floor were done on time and on budget this summer, which allowed crews to shift gears and begin work down the hall in Wing 2. Our focus now fully relies on needing to secure an additional \$1 million so that we can continue the renovations in the first floor of the academy.

As you know, we can only do this when we have the funding in hand.

Please help us keep the momentum of this restoration project going. These renovations only happen because of the generous support of our alumni, donors and friends who believe in our mission.



Seeing the completion of more than half the second floor, which encompasses seven classrooms and two offices, has filled us with so much pride. We can now walk down the hallways and take note of the better lighting in spaces where students are learning; we can feel the climate-controlled classrooms where HVAC systems relieve students of feeling too hot or too cold during their lessons; we can look out of brand new windows that preserve the historic look of the building, yet allow better energy efficiencies; we see a polished, modern look of new flooring, desks and lockers that make us feel proud during recruitment events.

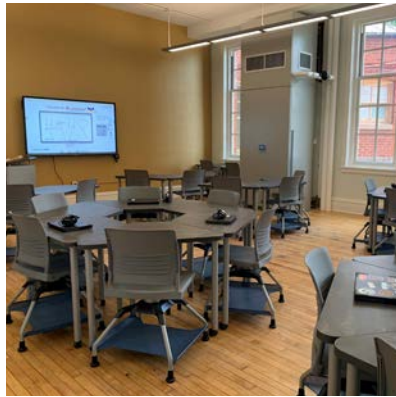
These state-of-the-art improvements have come alive from the pages of architecture designs that carefully considered the preservation of a 132-year-old academy building, yet incorporated ingenuity needed for today's 21st century learning environment. It's because of your generous support that these renovations will allow our academy to thrive and achieve academic success for another 132 years.

As we began construction in January 2022, it inspired an idea to allow naming rights to the newly renovated classrooms, which quickly became appealing to donors. The personal touch to a classroom has intrigued many looking for an emotive way to be a part of our campaign. For \$50,000, a classroom can be named in honor of the donor's wishes and is acknowledged at the entrance of the classroom of their choosing, as well as our future donor wall.

We have only 12 classrooms and two teacher collaboration rooms throughout the academy that are still available needing a name. That's 14 opportunities to make your personal mark on St. Bede's legacy.

We think about the meaningful naming opportunities that have already taken place this summer at the academy.

The Class of '65 came together to honor their classmate – Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB. They chose the teacher collaboration room in Wing 1 as they believe Abbot Philip



represented a collaboration between the academy and abbey during his time as Abbot. It was a moving moment when they came together to unveil this surprise to Abbot.

The Bernardoni Family gift was for the classroom where Latin was once taught by Rev. Peter Zureck, OSB and was to honor his memory – he was a man who made such an impact on the family.

Greg Haas '68 and sister, Denise Lewis, chose the room Greg lived in when he was a boarder at the academy.

The Martin family gift for the computer science center room in memory of their loved ones who have passed on.

The stories and reasons behind a gift to the renovations are endless, and what better way to honor someone who is a part of our legacy.

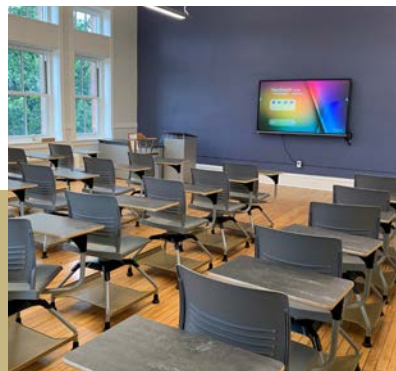
Our Legacy Project means more than updated classrooms, new lockers and shiny floors, it means preserving our home – a place so many feel a connection to because of the memories they have here.

St. Bede has touched so many lives, in so many ways. Now more than ever, it is time we invest in the establishment that has provided so much for the students who have attended here. Help us preserve our home so it can continue to make a difference for the generations to come.

Every investment made to this project is meaningful. We are most grateful for your support in helping us carry on our mission.

Julia Yaklich

Julia Yaklich
 Director of Mission Advancement & Major Gifts
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We invite you to follow the progress of our Legacy Project on our website at www.st-bede.com/legacyproject-1.

Let me help you tell your story and leave your legacy.

Abbey News



A Moving Experience



In June, our nine monks relocated to a new residence on the north edge of campus. The home was formerly used for the boarding students and includes a large kitchen and dining room, common living room, office spaces, 10 private

bedrooms and 5.5 bathrooms all on a single level.

The NRRO grant allowed for a chapel addition to be built onto the home this past July that the monks now use for daily prayer, a chapter room and a formal, private entrance to the new monastery spaces.

While the move comes with change and growing pains, as any move does, a sense of stability can be found in familiarity of things like furniture and dinnerware from the former residence. Abbot Michael shared that he chose to bring the bell system typically used to give reminders of scheduled prayer times. Also, the monks continue to follow the monastic schedule with its daily Divine Office

and Mass and have remained regular about lectio divina, the practice of reflecting on and praying about a scripture passage.

While this marks a transitional period for the monastic community, the monks have made this sacrifice for the betterment of St. Bede.

It has relieved St. Bede of the significant maintenance burden and expense of a 46,000-square-foot monastery and allows a new safe, handicap accessible home for the monks that is an affordable long-term solution.

Like you've read in the prior pages, this former monastery space is now home to the female boarding students and will be utilized for the expansion of the domestic and international student boarding program.

The growth of the boarding program is a significant long-term financial prosperity for St. Bede.

Abbot Michael Calhoun, OSB

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The monastic senior council, which includes Prior Dominic Garramone, OSB (from left), Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB and Abbot Michael Calhoun, OSB pose for a photo in the monastery's chapel addition during construction. The chapel project was finished mid-July.



Monk's Market, the sales outlet of St. Bede Abbey, offers many items produced by St. Bede monks such as handmade candles by Fr. Patrick and cookbooks written by Fr. Dominic, as well as a number of items for resale from other religious communities. Shop online at www.monksmarket.com.

Distinguished Alumnus Award

The St. Bede Alumni Association is pleased to announce the recipient of the **Distinguished Alumnus Award for 2022, Paul D. Perona '56**

Paul D. Perona, Esq. has been selected by the St. Bede Alumni Association as the 2022 recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award for his selfless contributions to St. Bede and the Illinois Valley.

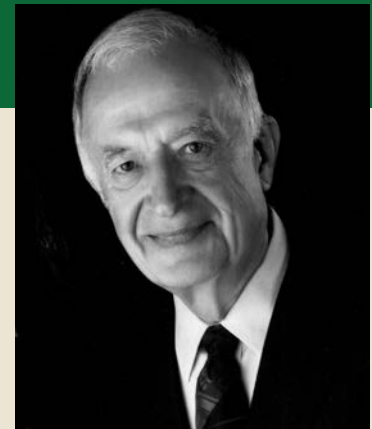
When receiving news of the award, Paul said, "I am humbled and honored to receive the Distinguished Alumnus Award. I have always been proud to be a Bruin."

Paul was a recognized athlete and scholar at St. Bede, graduating in 1956. After graduation, he attended the University of Notre Dame (B.A., 1960) and Northwestern University Law School (J.D., 1963). Paul returned to live and work in the Illinois Valley and has been a consistent and honored participant in St. Bede's lay community ever since. Paul and his wife Carole raised five children, Mary (Hinders) '80, Paul '81, Mark '84, Bruce '86, and Michael '93, and now have nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Over the decades, Paul has supported St. Bede with his wisdom, time, compassion, and financial resources, chairing multiple fundraising efforts and hosting Abbey priests at his home or visiting past coaches and teachers in their retirement. A lifelong devout Catholic, Paul served on the parish council and school board for his local parish, Holy Family Church, where he continues to act as a lector.

Paul practiced law in the Illinois Valley for over fifty years and is widely respected in the local legal community for his honesty, intelligence, and shrewdness. He has represented clients as diverse as national corporations and local farmers, all with equal zeal. He handled cases at all levels of the court system, including the United States Supreme Court, and has been recognized by local and state bar associations for his leadership and involvement. Serving as president of the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce and as a board member for several local banks, Paul has been an active local presence to foster economic and industrial development.

When Prairie State Legal Services asked private attorneys to represent clients in need of legal help, he did not hesitate to take on the cases *pro bono*. Paul's assistance was so effective that he was lauded by Prairie State as their first Volunteer Attorney of the Year. He also served as a "big brother" in the juvenile court system, providing stability and guidance to youths who frequently ended up before the court.



Paul's many good works extend far beyond the courtroom. In the mid-60s, a program was put together that included direct interaction between Chicago inner-city children and Illinois Valley families. African American teens lived with local families for a few weeks, for both parties' benefit. Paul and Carole were one of the first families to volunteer. A few years later, as the Vietnam War raged, Paul and his brother spearheaded the sponsorship of Laotian and Vietnamese families. And in the early 1980s, when tensions erupted in Poland, Paul and Carole volunteered to house a refugee, opening their home to a 25-year-old Pole and assisting him in lining up licenses, documentation, and employment.

In addition, for decades, Paul and Carole visited and interacted with the residents and staff at Horizon House, taught SPEC (special ed religious instruction) classes, volunteered at the IVCC literacy program, and served many meals at PADS (the local homeless shelter). Paul also is a record volunteer blood donor for the local Red Cross, having made more than 240 individual blood donations consisting of over thirty gallons of blood.

Paul D. Perona exemplifies how a Catholic layperson should live in accordance with the Rule of St. Benedict, and the St. Bede Alumni Association is proud to honor him as the Distinguished Alumnus of 2022.

The St. Bede Alumni Association (SBAA, Inc. NFP) is the official alumni association for St. Bede Academy and provided this piece. Information on how to join the Alumni Association and connect with other St. Bede Alumni will be forthcoming as the Association unveils its new website.

CLASS NOTES

William "Bill" J. Arkins '47 and wife, Kaye, celebrated 66 years of marriage this year. They have three sons and three daughters, nine grandchildren whose ages range from five to 35 years old. The Arkins still live in their home in Oglesby, IL, where they've resided for more than 63 years. Bill served in the U.S. Army CIC, is a 1952 graduate from the University of Illinois Pharmacy school and still enjoys riding his bike from the 1950s, a Schwinn.

Anton Bergandi '48 of New Albany, IN celebrated his 92nd birthday on May 22 and he and his spouse, Maryanne, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on June 22. They are parents of **Tom Bergandi '71** and **Amy Bergandi-Eyrich '85**.

Kenneth Krogulski '55 and Barbara Krogulski celebrated their 63rd anniversary on June 20. They are the parents of five children – four of them St. Bede alums. In addition, they have 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, with one on the way.

Cornelius O'Malley '55 enjoyed his 85th birthday in May with family.

Denis Donnelly '56 was selected as the February 2022 Family of the Month for Knights of Columbus Council 16052.



Dr. James Van Speybroeck '56 has seven grandchildren, one who was deployed in Afghanistan, now in Kuwait.

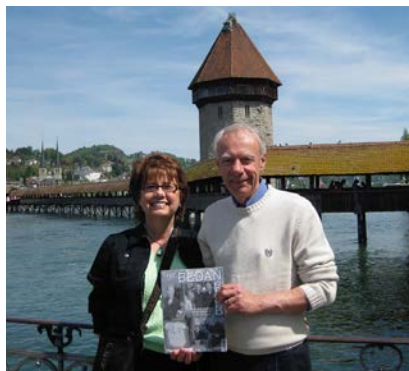
Roger V. Krolak '56 completed two years as Grand Knight of Knights of Columbus Council 14995 at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Kettering, OH. on June 30. It was a very rewarding experience. The council membership is 181 members.

Dale Coughlin '58, and wife, Pam, have done a lot of traveling in Europe, as well as Moscow and Beijing. Together they have three kids, eight grandkids and 10 great-grandkids, with one on the way.

Joseph Ficek '58 is happy to report he is still living the good life in Sun Lakes, AZ.

Charles E. Swanson '58 and wife, Carole, celebrated their granddaughter's wedding on Oct. 2 in Galena, IL.

Wayne Sherman '60† and his wife Bobbie enjoyed a trip to Luzern, Switzerland. Wayne passed away in February 2022.



Mike Rossiter '61 had the opportunity this summer to play Rich Harvest Farms from his winning 2021 St. Bede Auction package with his son, Matt, son-in-law, Judd Lee and good friend, Jeff Rubel.



Michael Hollerich '65 and **Paul Bernabei '65** visited with their classmate, **Abbot Emeritus Philip Davey, OSB '65**.



Michael Hollerich '65 enjoyed a trip to Durham Cathedral in the UK where the remains of Saint Bede are entombed.



Joseph Ryan '65 has a book out titled, "Ice & Oil the Life and Legacy of Dan Murphy California's Unlike Titan" published by Angel City Press. Dany Murphy (1858-1939) and his foundation have given more money to the American Catholic Church than any other family, as stated by Roger Cardinal Mahony. The book can be purchased on Amazon.



Jack Ennenbach '68 is happily retired and has been blessed with two married daughters and two grandkids. He is in awe of the wonderful monks who taught him so many years ago.

John Koehler '69 and his wife, Gerlyn, celebrated 40 years of marriage on Jan. 3, 2021.

Rev. Kenneth Przybyla '69 celebrated his 44th anniversary of priesthood on May 21, and retired on June 30, 2022.

Stephen Byrne '74 retired as a high school principal after 32 years in education. He had a life-changing experience as a St. Bede graduate.

David Raccuglia '77, filmmaker of the HBO documentary, "The Murders at Starved Rock," received news in July that his film featuring the Chester Weger case received an Emmy nomination for Outstanding Crime and Justice Documentary.

Class of '78 alumni: Fran Brolley, Bill Ebener, Rich Dudek, Bob Gilligan, Dave Noonan, John Toraason and Tim Murphy gathered for their annual fishing trip to Eagle Meir, PA.



Friends from the **Class of '81, Jennifer (Narog) Sucher (from left), Mary (Steichen) Burgess, Jane Weiden, Maureen (O'Sadnick) Johnson, Molly (Maher) Pyszka, Mary (Noonan) Schmidt, Elena Welch and Lisa (Pothoff) Newman** spent a long weekend on the Oregon coast after seeing Elena Welch sing at a Jazz club in Portland on Valentine's Day 2022. Their photo was taken at Haystack Rock on Cannon Beach.



Alisa (Balestri) Clancy '89 and Chris Clancy '89, along with their son, Liam, traveled to Rome, Italy in July. Among the places they visited were St. Peter's Basilica and the Colosseum.



Mark Bosnich '94 (from left) and his daughter, **Lily Bosnich '26, Arun Jagasia '95** and his daughter, Vera, **Maggie Arkins '26** and her father, **Eric Arkins '95**, gathered at the 2022 IESA Class 1A State Track & Field Championship.



Rich Fiocchi '00 and his spouse, Kathleen, recently visited the poured sculpture, Prairie Girl, in Peck Farm Park in Geneva, IL. with their daughters, Ruth-Anne (6), Teresa (3) and Bridgett (1). The statue was created by artist **Larry Johnson '69**. Johnson studied the lost wax bronze casting method and created a pouring foundry at St. Bede for the students. The Fiocchi family highly recommend this site and bronze statue as a day trip.



Jake Postula '13 graduated from the Marquette University School of Dentistry and **Zoe Postula '16** graduated from Marquette University College of Health Sciences with a Masters in Speech Language Pathology on May 21. Dr. Jake has joined **Dr. Steven Ludford '75** in practice in Peru, IL. Zoe is practicing SLP Rehabilitation Services at Citadel in Northbrook, IL. Jake and Zoe are the children of proud parents **Tim '86 and Eve (Jasiek) '84 Postula** of LaSalle and siblings to **Anna Postula '19**.



Xavier Braboy '17 is this year's recipient of the Executive Director Award from Illinois State University's Campus Recreation.



Rodrigo Villalobos '18 served as Student Body President at Illinois State University from 2021-2022 and recently graduated. He is continuing his education at Marquette University Law School in pursuit of his Juris Doctor.



ST. BEDE WEDDINGS

Cory Tuinetti '08 married Mackenzie Fenza on March, 31, 2022 in La Salle, IL.



Lucy Stanke '10 married Ricman Davis on April 23, 2022 in Hot Springs, NC.



Megan Bolelli '17 married Tim McNally on March 27, 2022.



Rachel Bandaly '16 married Dennis Andreev on December 12, 2021.



Olivia Dean '11 married Eugenio Mancini on August 27, 2022.



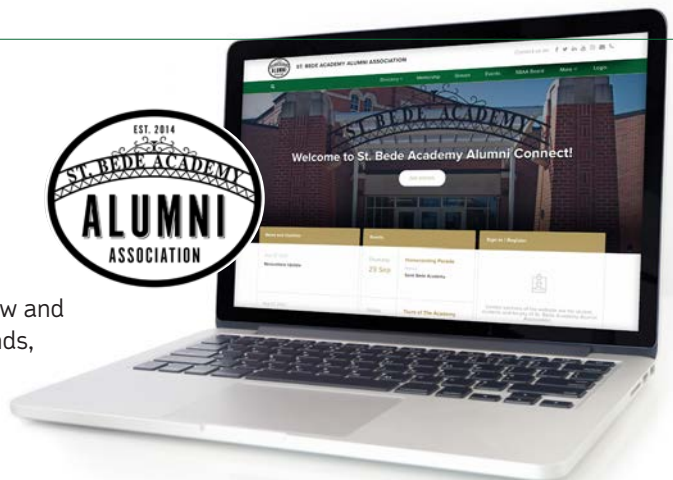
Have your wedding featured in the Bedan Record.

Submit your photos to Goldie Rapp, Development Engagement Specialist, grapp@st-bede.com.

ALUMNI WEBSITE

In partnership with the St. Bede Academy Alumni Association, we are happy to announce the launch of St. Bede's exclusive Alumni Website.

Visit alumni.st-bede.com today and sign up to explore our new and growing online alumni community. There, find classmates, friends, neighbors, mentors, Bruins who went to the same college, and exclusive alumni content. We're happy to bring St. Bede to your desktop like never before!



ST. BEDE BABIES

Ashton Kasperski '12 and her husband, Clay, welcomed a son, Colton Manley, on April 10, 2021.



Marissa (Martin) Delgado '96 and her husband, Jeff, adopted Mario Thomas on April 1, 2022.



Caden Anthony Racine was baptized on March 19, 2022. He is the son of **Jason Racine '03** and Lauren and sibling to Kenzie and Emma.



Anna (Perino) Boll '09 and her husband, Alex, welcomed John (Jack) Peter Boll on June 24, 2022.



Margaret (Pryde) Ellefson '10 and husband, Lucas, welcomed Theodore (Teddy) Ellefson on March 19, 2022.

In Memoriam

Celebrating the lives of alumni, family and friends

August 3, 2021
Michael Prokup
Father of Kyle '10

August 4, 2021
Louis Tamborini '57

January 2, 2022
Lillian Cicala
Mother of Chris '71

February 5, 2022
George Wolf '57

February 16, 2022
Wayne Sherman '60 JC '62

February 22, 2022
Dennis O'Keefe '64

February 28, 2022
Peter Fiocchi '69

March 2, 2022
Barbara Bendkowski
Mother of Barbara '96
and Robert '99

March 2, 2022
William Harrison
Father of Hannah Vickers '05
and Jared '07

March 17, 2022
Frank "Hank" Senica '53 JC '55

March 20, 2022
Thomas Clark '63

March 24, 2022
Janet Bickham
Mother of Kevin '80

March 25, 2022
Donald "Hagar" Heagy '68

April 8, 2022
James Loftus '52

April 22, 2022
John Kendrick '53

April 26, 2022
Robert Schmidt '77
Father of Daniel '13

April 30, 2022
Edith Koehler
Mother of Matthew '78
and Christopher '79

May 7, 2022
Joseph Kunkel '47

May 19, 2022
Richard Byvik '55

May 19, 2022
Dolores Renkosik
Mother of John '74,
Raymond '76, Mary Plese '78,
and Joanne Stachowicz '84

May 29, 2022
John Prindiville '57

June 4, 2022
Robert Siebert '53

June 13, 2022
Joseph Dooley
Was employed by SBA
as a custodian

May 22, 2022
Raymond Trompeter '49

June 24, 2022
Robert "Bob" Burris
Husband of Abbie (Hyson) Burris '99
Father of Ella 2024

July 12, 2022
David Edward Grygiel '65

July 23, 2022
Catherine Teresa Matthews '77

August 2, 2022
John L. Perino
Father of Angelo '80
and Sylvanio '78†

† Deceased

Memorials

Hundreds are remembered in prayer by our monks and students. Contact the Development Office at 815-250-0278 or tracymakransky@st-bede.com for a memorial packet. A memorial packet sample can be found on the [Ways to Give](#) page on our website under Support.

These names indicate memorial gifts to St. Bede from February 16, 2022 to August 19, 2022.

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Art & Mary Ann Washkowiak

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Paula Walsh

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Maria Mattioda

Catherine Matthews
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Laura Petrincec

Howard McCarty
Ed & Rita Ersfeldt

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Theresa McNeill
Bea Verucchi

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Ron & Karon Mini

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