

THE HOLY NAME HERALD

HOLY NAME EVENTS



SPORTS



Saint Valentine

Saint Valentine is the saint of love. He was born in Italy. He officiated illegal weddings of Roman soldiers. Because of this he was ordered to death by Emperor Claudius II. He died on February 14 as a martyr. He is remembered nowadays as a role model to follow our dreams.

RECENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- * **Build The Faith**
After February Break we will be making roseary beads in honor of Christina Dangond.
- * **March Madness**
March 19th
- * **No School**
March 20th
- * **Glow Run**
March 27th



News Paper Introduction

By: Layla, Margot, Etta, and Cyan

Welcome to the Holy Name Newspaper. There will be monthly editions. Please join us and read our interviews, random facts, student and teacher spotlights, soda showdown, and sports updates. Newspaper club is made up of 24 hard working students and Mr. Hastings and Miss Fair who are working hard to keep us motivated and focused, they also help with any problems or mistakes.

If you have any questions or recommendations please refer to Mr. Hastings or Ms. Fair, or email michael.hastings@holynameparish.com or molly.fair@holynameparish.com.

Message from the Principal

We are so happy to launch a school newspaper as an addition to our slate of afterschool activities. The Student Council has received several suggestions for a newspaper/journalism club over the last few school years. We are grateful to Ms. Fair and Mr. Hastings for making this club a reality. The club filled quite fast and for the last few weeks students have been working on their first articles. We are excited to publish our first edition filled with students' reporting on school events, the Olympics, Catholic Schools Week, and much more. Happy reading!



Holy Name Basketball

By Carter Wilkens, Patrick Chisholm, and James Mahoney

Grady Ring, Charlie White, and Matthew Andrade said **“they like Holy Name basketball because they like playing with their friends”**. Principal Chisholm and Mrs. Frye has made a few appearances at the Holy name games. In Holy Name basketball, there are 3 teams, 1st and 2nd, 3rd and 4th, and 5th and 6th.



We asked Mr. Reilly this question, **“Who has shown great sportsmanship in Holy Name basketball?”**

He said, “So many Holy Name players practice true sportsmanship on the court but someone who stands out is Ben Sullivan. He listens to his coaches, cheers on his teammates, and respects the opposing team. When I coached him last year, he hustled for rebounds, never gave up on the ball, and played tough aggressive defense every game.”

We asked, **“What type of impact does Holy Name basketball have on its players?”** He said, “Holy Name basketball is a great tradition at our school. It helps build community and friendships, and it creates memories that last a long time. Friday night practices and weekend afternoon games are fun and something players look forward to. Traveling to road games is exciting, and Holy Name basketball is meant to be enjoyed with friends.”



We asked **“On a scale of 1-10, how much do you enjoy coaching basketball”**. He said, “I would definitely say a 10. I have coached all age groups, from the 1st-2nd grade through the 5th-6th grade teams and it is amazing to watch players’ skills, competitiveness, and love for the game grow over the years.”

The final question we asked was **“Who is another person who has had a big impact on Holy Name basketball?”** He said, “Commissioner Mahoney has had a huge impact on Holy Name basketball. He stepped up to lead the program after two years without a season and put in a lot of time and effort. He organizes practices, rosters, uniforms, referees, and game times for all the teams. Commissioner Mahoney played Holy Name basketball as a kid, and you can tell how much the program means to him by how hard he works to make it great for today’s players.”

Thank you and GO HOLY NAME!

Drake Maye vs. Matthew Stafford MVP Race

By: Grady Ring

Drake Maye

Drake Maye, #10, is the starting quarterback for the New England Patriots. He is the #4 passer in the league for passing yards with 4,394 yards. He also has a worse offensive line and receiving core than Matthew Stafford. Drake Maye has been better than Matt Stafford by having over 100 less attempts, averages a whole yard more than Stafford per attempt, and has a 72.0 completion percentage, which is one of the highest ever, being #5 for one season all-time. He also has the best nickname in the league right now, Drake "Drake Maye" Maye.

Matthew Stafford

Matthew Stafford, #9, is the starting quarterback for the Los Angeles Rams. He leads the league in passing yards, with 4,707 yards, which is almost 150 more yards than second place! He also leads the league in touchdowns thrown, with a whopping 46 touchdowns! He also has the most yards per game, with 276.9, which is 8 more yards than second place! He is in second place for passer rating, with a 109.2 rating. He had 8 interceptions, which is tied for the 3rd lowest in the league. He has a 7.7 TD%, which is the highest in the league right now.

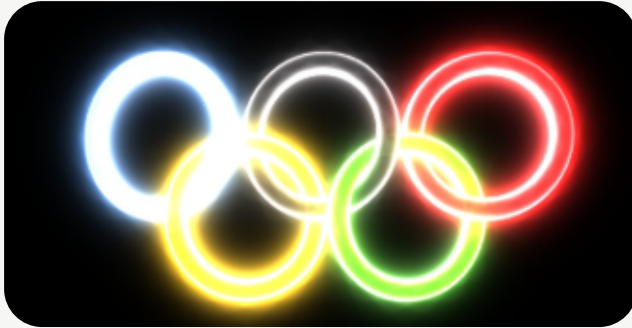


Patriots Turnaround

Last year, the Patriots had a very disappointing season. They had high expectations because they had just drafted North Carolina star quarterback Drake Maye. They had hired a new coach, Jerod Mayo. They were expected to make the playoffs. But, they went 4-13. So in the offseason, they decided to make some big box office moves. They fired Jerod Mayo, hired Mike Vrabel, and then had a great draft. They picked players like offensive lineman Will Campbell, and runningback Treveon Henderson. And they even signed Stefon Diggs and Milton Williams. Those players have helped the Patriots make the playoffs. But the person who has helped the most is second year quarterback Drake "Drake Maye" Maye. He has had an outstanding season. He has thrown for 4,394 yards, which was 4th in the league, 31 touchdowns, which was 3rd in the league, and only 8 interceptions. Treveon Henderson rushed for 911 yards, which was 2nd among rookies. Stefon Diggs had 1,013 yards, which was 16th in the league. All of this has now lead the Patriots into Superbowl LX.

WINTER OLYMPICS

CHARLIE WHITE, WILLIAM BERNAZZANI



The Winter Olympics start on Friday, February 6, 2026 until Sunday, February 22, 2026. The first competition to start is curling on Feb 4, 2026. There is a new sport entering the Winter Olympics, it is Ski Mountaineering (Skimo). The Men's Ice Hockey is the first Gold medal game to be played. The Winter Olympics will be held in Milano Cortina, Italy. The time zone difference is 8 hours. If there is a game at 8am in Italy it would be 11pm Eastern Time.

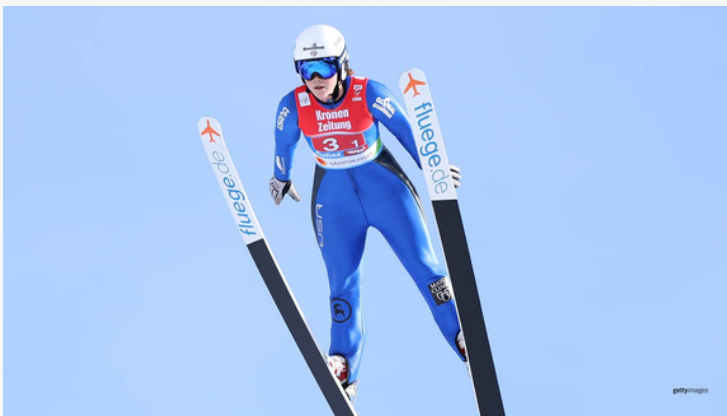
Interviewer: What sport are you most excited about?

Grady: I would like to see ski jumping. What do you think about the new sport of Ski mountaineering?

Grady: Ski mountaineering doesn't sound too fun but I don't really know what it is, so it might be interesting.

Interviewer: What do you think about USA hockey?

Grady: I think the USA hockey will do really well, but their only challenge will be Canada.



Teacher Spotlight

By Lila Mahoney and Cyan Patt

Miss Buckley has been the art teacher at Holy Name for four years and went to Holy Name for elementary school. She learned art through elementary school but learned about George Seurat when she had to research someone in High School. He sounded interesting to her because he used a different type of art. The project that she considers her favorite was when she had to make an art symposium about George Seurat and made a landscape of Maine.

Cyan: What do you enjoy about the school?

Miss Buckley: I love teaching the students. I love teaching art because it has always been my passion.

Lila: Did you have Mr. Gordon?

Miss Buckley: Yes, he was my favorite sixth grade teacher.

Cyan: What was your favorite assignment at Holy Name?

Miss Buckley: It was a sixth grade advertisement for Mr. Gordon.

Cyan: Why did you want to work at Holy Name?

Miss Buckley: I wanted to come back to Holy Name because it helped me grow into the person I am today.

Growing up, Miss Buckley wanted to be a teacher. "I wanted to be a teacher, not an art teacher, a kindergarten or first grade teacher." Miss Buckley said she is excited to get married in the Spring. Her favorite school memory was field day because she loves seeing the students having fun. When we asked her why art is her passion, she answered, "Well (as I mentioned before), one of my favorite artists is George Seurat. He was a pointillist painter and it is one of my favorite types of art." Miss Buckley has enjoyed watching how Holy Name helped us grow.



Ecology

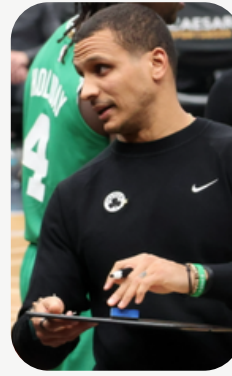
By Cyan Patt

This world is suffering from pollution. Have you ever gone to a beach and noticed colored specks or pieces? Those are probably plastic. According to the *Almanac 2024* by *National Geographic Kids* there is a plastic island, more specifically, the Great Pacific GARBAGE Patch (GPGP). It is three times the size of France and two times the size of Texas.

Most plastic accumulates there by being dragged by the currents. According to the Ocean Cleanup the GPGP covers approximately 1.6 million square kilometers, "A total of 1.8 trillion plastic pieces were estimated to be floating in the patch." This large floating island is not solid. Not much of the plastic we recycle is actually recycled. According to *Smithsonian Magazine* "At Least 85 Percent of U.S. Plastic Waste Went to Landfills in 2021. Only five percent of the material was in the correct condition to be recycled." Also according to *Almanac 2024* by *National Geographic Kids* 9% of plastic pollution is recycled while 72% is sent to landfills 19% is burnt releasing gasses.



From *National Geographic Kids Almanac 2024*



Celtics

Hans, Greyson, Matty, and Owen
Fun facts: Most NBA titles ever, 18, and a legendary dynasty won 8 straight titles from 1959–1966. They were the first NBA team ever to draft an African American player, Charles "Chuck" Cooper.

Stats: Jaylen Brown is the lead scorer for the Celtics with 29.8 points a game. Neemias Queta is the leader in rebounds on the Celtics with 8.2 rebounds a game. Derrick White is the leader in assists, steals, and blocks with 5.4 assists, 1.3 steals, and 1.5 blocks.

How the Celtics have dealt with the loss of Jayson Tatum: Joe Mazzulla has changed the system to moving faster and to more aggressive defensive roles. He changed the system without Jayson Tatum. Now Jaylen Brown is the lead scorer for the Celtics without Tatum.

How Jaylen Brown has stepped up
Jaylen has really stepped up: Jaylen Brown is the lead scorer and is a great player overall. Jaylen Brown has the highest points per game of his career with 29.8 points per game. Without Jrue Holiday and Jayson Tatum They adapted well with Jaylen Brown stepping up significantly.

Joe Mazzulla coming back to Holy Name We are hoping for Joe Mazzulla to come back to Holy Name because we get to pray the rosary which will support our catholic reputation. We also want Joe Mazzulla to come back because we also get to learn about the Celtics by asking Joe Mazzulla questions about the players and the team.

Catholic Schools Week

By Claire Grogan

We just celebrated Catholic Schools Week by showing our pride in our school. Catholic Schools Week is a time when we can celebrate our community and every catholic school, because every state in the USA celebrates this week. It's really important because it's a chance for our school to come together by doing masses, services, and assemblies. Holy Name started this fun week by having two snow days in a row. After the delay we celebrated this week with the basketball show with Kevin "Showboat" Jackson where we learned about making good choices, the police concert, and the k-9 unit. We also had buddy time and a fun Hawaiian themed day with popsicles and Hawaiian themed activities. Catholic Schools Week is a reminder of all the good things we do and see each and every day. The great thing is that the whole school is involved. The timing is also perfect because, it's in January which is the halfway mark.



The Soda Showdown

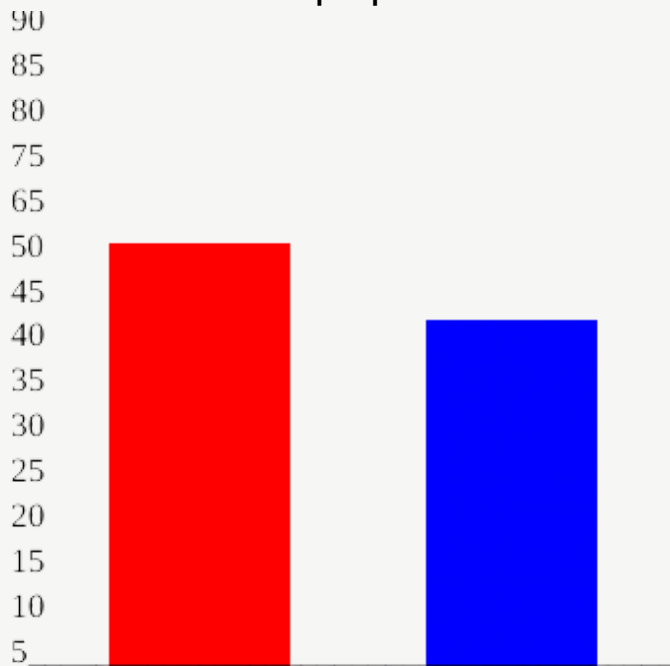
By Abby Da Ros and Maya Cagnie

The Soda Showdown is a competition between two teachers.

Who will be able to raise more money? Everybody who has Mr.

Reilly or Mr. Hastings, as teachers, know they drink lots of soda, but how much? We're going to find out.

Another question for you is how much money they could make by depositing their cans for money. We're also going to figure that out as well, and we'll do this by having a fundraising competition. Whoever can make more money, will get a special interview with the Newspaper.

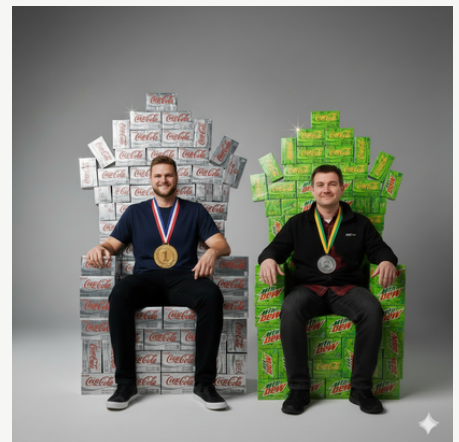
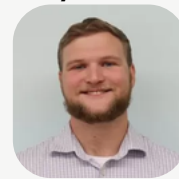


November-January Stats
Mr. Hastings made \$2.45 with 32 cans and 7 bottles.

Mr. Reilly made \$2.40 with 30 cans, 2 liter bottles, and 8 bottles.

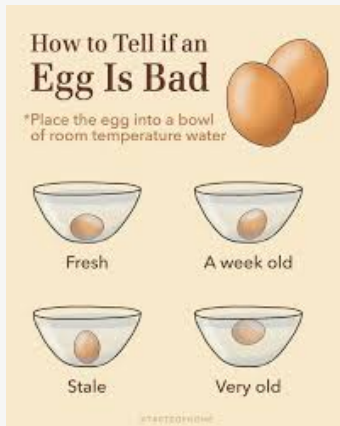
So Mr. Hastings Won This Month.

A special thank you to Mr. Reilly and Mr. Hastings for helping us make \$4.85 for our goal of \$5.00. Thank you also to Liam Tierney, Recycling Commissioner in 5-10, for giving us the ability to count the cans.



Jokes and Fun Facts

When an egg floats In Water it's gone bad.



I couldn't figure out why the basketball was getting bigger. Then it hit me!
HAHAHA!



By: Margot, Layla , and Etta

Thanks for reading!
Keep an eye for our
second edition
coming soon!

The Newspaper Club

MVP Interviews

By Grady Ring

Charlie White was asked who he thinks should win the MVP, and he answered, "I think that Drake Maye should win it because Matthew Stafford has better receivers to throw to, but Drake Maye is still able to find the open man. Matt Stafford also has more time in the pocket than Drake Maye, because he has a way better offensive line. Drake Maye has also brought his team to more victories." When he was asked how he would convince someone who thinks Matt Stafford should win it, he said, "Drake Maye should win the MVP because Drake Maye is more efficient, has a better deep ball, and has better accuracy, being better than Matthew Stafford in all of those stats."

William Bernazanni was asked who he thinks should win the MVP, and his answer was, "I think that Matthew Stafford should win it because more passing yards, he has been playing significantly longer, and has more touchdowns. He also has been able to find anyone that is open, no matter who it is, and he hasn't just been throwing to one person." When asked how he would make someone who thinks Drake Maye should win, he said, "Drake Maye still has a lot more to learn, and Matt Stafford has more knowledge about the game."