

Diocese of Scranton Catholic High Schools Class of 2022



Chelsea Flaherty





Jordan Chepalonis



WILKES-BARRE — Holy Redeemer High School was the first Diocesan secondary school to hold spring commencement exercises when graduation ceremonies were staged on June 1 at the F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts in Wilkes-Barre.

A total of 126 Holy Redeemer seniors, led by Principal Doreen S. Dougherty, were conferred their diplomas by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also addressed the graduates and offered benediction.

The class' Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 31 at Saint Nicholas Church, Wilkes-Barre, by Father J. Duane Gavitt.

The 2022 Holy Redeemer class valedictorian is Chelsea Carissa Benderavich Flaherty, daughter of Joseph and Heather Flaherty of Plains. Co-salutatorians are Carissa Benderavich, daughter of Paul and Noelle Benderavich, Laflin; and Jordan Chepalonis, daughter of Robert and Amy Chepalonis, West Wyoming.

> Of the total number of graduates, 122 will be enrolling in colleges or universities to further their education, including 41 who will be attending Catholic institutions of higher learning. The 2022 Holy Redeemer senior class merited a total of 558 scholarship awards worth \$34 million.

"I am beyond excited to see you all chase after your dreams and follow your passions as many of you have already been doing these past four years. Thank you and congratulations class of 2022!"



- Chelsea Flaherty Valedictory Address excerpt

"Tonight is not the end; rather, it is the beginning of the next chapter of our lives. Although we may be going our different ways, it is important to remember Holy Redeemer's motto, 'All things through Christ.""

- Carissa Benderavich, Salutatory Address excerpt

"As you receive your diploma tonight, be proud of yourself and everything you have achieved throughout your high school career. Go out and change the world because we are the ones who have the power to do so."

- Jordan Chepalonis, Salutatory Address excerpt



Michelle **Pierce**



Emma Logue

Saint John Neumann Regional Academy

WILLIAMSPORT — Graduation ceremonies were conducted for the Saint John Neumann Regional Academy Class of 2022 on June 2 at the Church of Saint Boniface in Williamsport.

Saint John Neumann Principal Alisia McNamee presided over the presentation of diplomas to the 17 members of this year's graduating class, which were conferred by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also offered remarks and the closing benediction.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated June 1 at Saint Luke Church in Jersev Shore, where Father Bert Kozen, host pastor, served as principal celebrant and homilist.

This year's Saint John Neumann valedictorian is Michelle Pierce, daughter of Robert and Maria Pierce, Muncy. Salutatorian honors were bestowed upon Emma Logue, daughter of Stephen and Anne Logue, residents of Williamsport.

Fourteen of the 2022 Saint John Neumann graduates will be pursuing further education on the university/college level, including five class members who plan to attend Catholic institutions of higher learning. As a class, the Saint John Neumann seniors amassed 15 academic scholarships worth \$212,000.

"Maybe we wish to cultivate gratitude for the gifts that we have been given, or to become more courageous and outspoken on the

issues that matter. Ultimately, our goal is to acknowledge and learn from our weaknesses so that we gain the strength, confidence and kindness we need to succeed."

> "Thinking beyond ourselves and helping those in need are some of the pillars of our school's mission. Serving others...will definitely stick with us throughout our lives. As well-rounded, responsible, respectful and determined individuals, we are prepared to take on new challenges and succeed wherever God leads us."

> > - Emma Logue Salutatory Address excerpt



- Michelle Pierce

Valedictory Address

excerpt

279

The total number of young men and women who graduated from the four Catholic High Schools in the Diocese

\$76 million

Graduates earned more than 1,400 scholarships, cumulatively earning this much toward their future schooling

94%

The percentage of seniors who will continue their education in college. Nearly 100 graduates will attend Catholic institutions of learning



Yianna Papadopoulos



Serabi Francis

Notre Dame High School

EAST STROUDSBURG — Commencement exercises were held June 4 for Notre Dame High School, during which 49 graduates received their diplomas from Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also offered the principal address and closing benediction.

The high school theater set the stage for the graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2022 at Notre Dame, where Jeffrey N. Lyons serves as principal.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 31 in the school's theater by Father Ryan Glenn, chaplain of Notre Dame High School.

Earning valedictorian honors for this year's Notre Dame graduating class was Yianna Papadopoulos, daughter of Alexander and Katerina Papadopoulos of Stroudsburg. Serabi Francis, daughter of John and Maria Francis who reside in Bangor, was honored as class salutatorian.

Nearly the entire 2022 Notre Dame senior class will continue their education at the university/college level, including ten students who will be attending Catholic institutions of higher learning. The class received a total of 169 scholarship awards valued at nearly \$11 million.

"Whatever respective institutions we go to, whatever jobs we start our careers in, when things get really hard, reach to God, like we were taught here and at home, and let's not forget where it all started — right here in the hallways of Notre Dame."



— Yianna Papadopoulos, Valedictory Address excerpt

"I am so lucky to have grown up with such an amazing group of people. The kind of people who text me to see if I'm okay just because they thought I looked sad, or the people who will never let someone sit alone at lunch. When I say we have grown up together, I mean we as a class have influenced each other throughout our time at Notre Dame."

- Serabi Francis, Salutatory Address excerpt



Samuel Mulvey



Kaitlyn Idhaw

Holy Cross High School

DUNMORE — The Sette La Vergetta Center for Performing Arts at Marywood University was the setting for the annual commencement of Holy Cross High School.

Graduation ceremonies for the 87 members of the 2022 Holy Cross senior class were held on June 3, led by school Principal Benjamin D. Tolerico.

Presiding over the commencement exercises and conferring the high school diplomas was Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who addressed the Holy Cross graduates and offered the benediction.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 27 at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton, with Father Cyril D. Edwards, school chaplain, serving as principal celebrant and homilist.

The 2022 Holy Cross valedictorian is Samuel Mulvey, son of Mark and Christine Mulvey of Mayfield. Class salutatorian is Kaitlyn Idhaw, daughter of Gil and Barbara Idhaw, Clifford Township.

Nearly 94 percent of the Holy Cross graduating class will be attending institutions of higher learning, with 26 graduates planning to enroll at Catholic colleges or universities. As a whole, the class earned 688 post-secondary scholarship awards totaling more than \$31 million. "Remember you are in control of your identity... You only live once, and you never know when God will call you home, so live with the courage to not only take pride in who you are but also the courage to be who you are meant to be."



— Samuel Mulvey, Valedictory Address excerpt

"We take our faith into our futures. We take the morals based upon love, kindness and compassion that our education provided us... We are a diverse group of people with various personalities, interests and paths for the future. I hope each of you live lives that bring you true satisfaction."

- Kaitlyn Idhaw, Salutatory Address excerpt

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Award

The Diocese of Scranton Catholic Schools Office recognizes these Seton Award recipients. The Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Award is recognition of 8th grade students who are enrolled in one of our Catholic high schools for the 2022-23 school year and exemplify the traits of Saint Seton: devoutness to faith, compassion, and desire to help others. This award is also given to students in 5th Grade at St. John Neumann Elementary School, and students in 6th Grade at Notre Dame Elementary, Epiphany and St. Agnes Schools, who meet criteria determined by their principal. Families of these individuals are commended for their commitment to Catholic education, and the students are congratulated for this distinguished honor. For these students and for all young people in our Catholic schools, Catholic education impacts their formation by incorporating a strong emphasis on the spiritual that is evident in all components of the learning process. Our vision for these students is to provide them an educational experience that promotes a lifelong learning in the faith, and one that prepared them to be responsible, competent, and confident persons as citizens of our country and world. In addition, our schools are dedicated to providing a loving, safe and nurturing environment where the young learn respect for themselves and for all persons.



Evan McCoy All Saints Academy



Margaret Jones All Saints Academy



Lila Voorhees Epiphany School



Kathryn Apolinario La Salle Academy



Cole Lipinski La Salle Academy



Aidan Lalley Our Lady of Peace School



Bridget Fay Our Lady of Peace School



Gregg Novak, Jr. Our Lady of Peace School



Giuseppe Pilone Our Lady of Peace School



Mackenzie M. Brown St. Agnes School



Adilynn M. Thibodeault St. Agnes School



Claire Polishan St. Mary of Mount Carmel School



Elizabeth Coval St. Mary of Mount Carmel School



Nina Dunleavy Good Shepherd Academy



Madeline Szura Good Shepherd Academy



Frank Klimovitz Good Shepherd Academy



Brandon DelBalso Good Shepherd Academy



John Fredericks Good Shepherd Academy



Luke Nicolai Good Shepherd Academy



Isabel Rista Holy Family Academy



Jacob De La Cruz Holy Family Academy



To the students who have benefited from a Catholic education, and to those who continue their educational journey in a Catholic environment, we salute you and pray that God, through the intercession of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, guides you in

Faith, Hope and Love.



Theresa Rudloff Holy Rosary School



Cole Lisowski Holy Rosary School



Pierce Sparich St. Jude School



Aurora Roote St. Jude School



Lily Nguyen St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Andrew Grove St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Grace Stetz-Madden St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Richard Partington St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Mia Correa Wyoming Area Catholic School



Brandon Renfer Wyoming Area Catholic School Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Aiden Acosta Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Matt Jankowski Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Christine Lee



Carlos Vergara Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Leah Corcoran Notre Dame Elementary School



Jedidiah Bioh Notre Dame Elementary School



Nick Bailey St. John Neumann Jr./Sr. High School



Savana Smith St. John Neumann Jr./Sr. High School



Brooklyn Clabaugh St. John Neumann **Elementary School**



Kenadee Ballard St. John Neumann **Elementary School**

Congratulations Catholic High School Graduates!Lucas James DwyerPaul Anthony Aleksak
Logan Joseph AldrichClass of 2022Lucas James DwyerEthan Michael Elmes
Chisom N. Eneh



Emily Joan Bentler Caitlin F Bestrycki Nora Avery Betts Bryce William Betz Kayla Dominica Bickauskas Malaney Isabella Brady Leah Gail Brundage Nicholas David Cabets Krista Nicole Carachilo James Ceccoli Christian Michael Ceccoli Giovanna Rose Cerminaro Gianna Gianna Chickeletti **Emily Lolita Clark** Emma Sage Clause **Richard Nathaniel Cobley** Jeffrey Thomas Costello Alicia Victoria Dec Nodiya DeFreitas Isabella Marie Diana Dawson Daniel Errigo Maiah McKenzie Fadl Kaitlyn Margret Farrell Madelyn M Franceski Andrew James Francis Jordyn E Glover Julia Christina Goetz Gavyn Nicholas Grems Priscilla Alden Grill Jacob Groncki Matthew Patrick Hassaj

Sean Charles Herbert Kai Schoen Horeis **Rachel Caroline Hosie** Faith Anne Hosie Molly Kathleen Houston Kaitlyn Clementine Idhaw 🛉 Laura Johnson Sean Patrick Kennedy Will Kittrell Kaci Lynn Kranson Madison Leigh Kranson Nathan Paul Kwiatkowski

* Valedictorians

Salutatorians

HOLY REDEEMER

Lacey Marie Amos

Aleia Jean Atherton

Sajidul Alam

Cameron Jefferey Anthony Moczulski Isabella Anne Moffitt Tyler Lee Moncinelli Christina Elizabeth Monroe Leila Elizabeth Moran Samuel Adam Mulvey * Grace Murtagh Sofiya Maria Myronyuk Megan Elizabeth Nidoh Autumn Catherine Niemiec Michael Normandia Ian Xi OToole



Gurpreet Singh Lahl Abby Theresa Lazecki Ryan Robert Legg Ariyana Maristella Linko Zachary Michael Luciani Sarah Josephine MacDonald Rocco James Mack Dana Jessica Mackin Kalli Patricia Mahasky Mariah Alexandra Mancuso Adam Robert Mariotti Nathan V McAndrew Meghan Elizabeth McDonnell Anna Marie Mellody Julia B Menichello

Brennah Marie Piasecki Grace Kathleen Polansky Madison Elizabeth Rodriguez Caitlyn Ann Roever Thomas Rohan Rohan Aleena Marie Sandy Sophia Lisa Scalese Mya Joie Schimelfenig Nicholas David Sikorski Milana Ariel Snyder **Emily Alexis Stone** Jonelle Ann Symonies Summer Mariah Trojani Matthew Charles Tucker Molly Erin White Carly Anne Wywoda

Mason Patrick Bagusky Daniel Gabriel Balas Jacob Michael Baldrica Sebastian Charles Beck Victoria Marie Becker Carissa Lauren Benderavich Sophia Mariam Bere Ryan Jacob Bilski Abigayl Caroline Blasco Thomas William Brady Christina Elizabeth Brezinski Emma Ann Broda Julia Noelle Bucknavage Caleb Matthew Cackowski Kevin Daniel Caffrey Samara Grace Carey Shawn Alan Carey, Jr.

Brooke Elizabeth Casey Jordan Alexis Chepalonis 🛉 Paul J. Cooper Aubrey Ann Curley Nathaniel Joseph Dudeck Nicholas Michael Dunleavy Julie Anna Duris Jordyn Elisabeth Dutko



Katharine Maria Isabella Fitzgerald Chelsea Christine Flaherty * **Charles John Floryan** May Ann Fredericks Sabrea Carys Goyne



Abigail Marie Joan Grula Jayden Anthony Halstead Abigayle Marie Hanson Kyra Rose Elizabeth Hayden Vianna Christine Hindmarsh **Courtney Hine** Grace Ann Holmes Dean Michael Hudak Emma Hunter **Emily Mae Humm Richard Hynick** Jacob Ralph Jachimiak **Cora Emily James** Erek B. Jamiolkowski Abby Elizabeth Jones Aubrey Jumper Janeb Kanate Lauren Mary Kane Zachary Robert Kane Derek James Kasmark Alexandra Regan Keefer Evelyn S. Kilburn De'Shaun R. L. Knox Akira Grace Kopec Kylie Ann Krashnak



Edward Lee Patrick, III

Cameron Joseph Krugel John Paul Kuderka III Edward Joseph Langdon Grace Anne Lehman Christian Ernest Billy Leon Isabella Rose Locke Marie Isabella Lombardi Nicholas Philip Lombardo Raeann Elizabeth Luca Daniel John Marinelli, Jr. Teresa S. Martin Gordon Jacob Matusavige Kathryn Lee McIngvale Elizabeth Mendrzycki



Emma Marie Midkiff Sebastion Lawrence Morgantini Zebulon Moses Grace Bernadine Nealon Thang Q. Nguyen Grace Mira Nicolai Olivia Marie Orlando Christopher Jeffrey Papciak Rosalyn Partington

Andrew John Phillips Madison Elizabeth Polachek Matthew Francis Prociak Arianna Puscavage Kalie Nichole Quaglia Yousef Shereef Ramadan Gabriella Rose Randazzo Taedrah Ann Randolph Nicholas James Reilly-Bonomo Jonathan J. Renfer Jack Redington Riley Lacey Ann Rinker Brayden Mark Rogowski Isabelle Marie Romano Laurel Grace Roth Jenna Santuk Grazia Jean-Chloe Saporito Christopher Alan Schell Laney Marie Schulz **Robert Sedlak** Faith Elizabeth Sekol Taylor Lynn Serafin Justice Divine James Shoats Jenna Elizabeth Skibitsky Grant Smith Saige Stempien Lynese Swida Eva Catherine Szura **Emily Barbara Theroux** Izabella Margaret Timchack **Diane Tran Tang** Justin L. Tran

Jack Trybulski Eric J. Vogt, Jr. Skylar Marie Voytko Hunter Michael Wesolowski Matthew Edward White Lily Marie Wickizer William Eric Wolfgang Nathaniel Joseph Wren Adam Joseph Zarola

NOTRE DAME

Audrey Ann Adorno Ryan Christopher Cabrera



Lia Polly Castner Madison Renee Cheslock **Camron Karife Curtis** Shea Catherine Dailey Ryan Joseph DeFabo Ellan Saputalo DeLaCruz James Joseph DeSilva Kevin John Dillon Kido Emefieh Douglas Sebastien Richard Durand Isabelle Rose Ems Kyle Austin Erickson Jonathan Miguel Fernandez Serabi Christina Metelus Francis 🕈 Angelina Victoria Glaskey Lea Nicole Gore Melissa S. Guaman

Veronica Sylvia Guercio Trevor Alexander Hardy **Riley Elizabeth Henderson** Zyrus Edwin Hernandez Alyssa N. Lorusso Emily Jean Loughran Chelsea Lubbe Neha Drishti Matta Chase R. Medina John Michael Melchiori Daniel C. Miranda Gary J. Natale, Jr. Alyssa Marilyn Neely Edward Schrezade Newallo Chloe Debbie O'Donnell Luis Ochoa Cordova Corey Ortiz Yianna Papadopoulos * **Catherine Terese Pascal** Jordan M. Paskel Trenton Charles Wayne Porter Joshua Emmanuel Quijada Natalie Nicole Rinaldi **Timothy Ryan Rogel Alexander Tadros** Tyler Sofia Thompson Jeremy Gavin Buenaseda Torres Arrington Olivia Triantis Alexis L. Wess Kylee Diane Wickenheiser



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