

# TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL Newsletter



### WELCOME PRINCIPAL GAUMONT BY: PRESIDENT, NATHAN STANTON



I am thrilled to share the wonderful news that Michael Gaumont, our trusted and dedicated Junior High School Principal, has accepted my offer to step into a new role as Principal of grades 7-12 for both St. Joseph's and Trinity High School.

This reflects Mike's unwavering commitment to our students, faculty, and families, as well as his proven leadership in fostering excellence in our school community. It also reflects my commitment to maintaining our growth and excellence under two different and developmentally adapted school experiences, supported by a coordinated and responsive leadership structure. My vision for this leadership transition is that over the next 12-18 months we integrate enrollment, financial, and administrative practices while keeping a unique and distinct programming experience for families between our two schools.

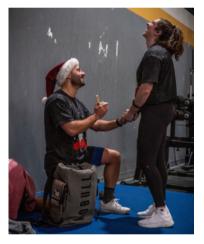
This decision comes after an extensive and thoughtful process led by our Principal Search Committee. I want to extend my deepest gratitude to the members of the committee for their time, input, patience, and dialogue about the leadership needs of our school. Their insights over the last many months were instrumental in aligning our vision for a leadership structure that supports the growth of our community, enhances collaboration within our teams, and continues to elevate educational and the formation experience for all our students.

Mr. Gaumont stood out among the candidates as having two masters' degrees, program leadership experience at the high school level at Founder's. He has helped navigate the past 2 ½ years in a Principal role while completing his CAGS certification program. Beyond his qualifications and certifications, the endorsements he received as a leader from those closest to him - as a responsive, empathetic, engaging, and decisive leader - elevated his candidacy with the committee and shaped my recommendation to the Superintendent.

# **CELEBRATING LOVE** RECENT ALUMNI ENGAGEMENTS & WEDDINGS



Haley Burgess '17 is engaged!



Seairah Demers '21 is engaged!



Carmen Giampetruzzi '14 is engaged!



Molly Schwamb '17 is engaged!



Paul Boyd '17 is engaged!



Ryan Boldwin '15 & Eireann Kolden '17 got married!



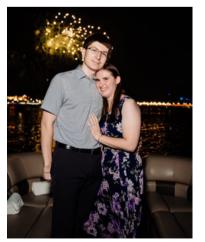
Mary Stephen '17 got married!



Nick Capobianco '15 got married!



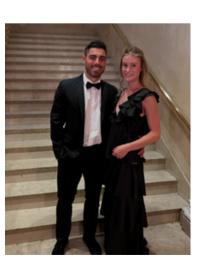
Cam Nowakowski '17 & Morgan Giguere '17 are engaged!



Margaux Lestage '19 is engaged!



Shaylyn Kelly '17 got married!



Briana Bouchard '16 is engaged!

# CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. The first was celebrated in 1974. Catholic Schools Week has occurred annually since, always being in the last week of January. This year, our celebration providentially coincided with the feast days of Saints Angela Merici, Thomas Aquinas, and John Bosco. Saint Angela Merici was the foundress of the Ursulines, a religious order dedicated to the education of girls. Saint Thomas Aquinas, known as the Angelic Doctor for his unparalleled contributions to theology and philosophy, is the patron saint of students, schools, and academics. Saint John Bosco founded the Salesians, an order devoted to the betterment and education of disenfranchised youth. It is no wonder that the Church chose this week as an appropriate occasion to celebrate Catholic education!

Our observances this year at Trinity High School and Saint Joseph Junior High focused on our identity as institutions of Faith and appreciation for the families, faculty, and students that are the foundation and aim of our mission. Mass was offered daily throughout the week, and we are grateful to Father Jason Jalbert, Father Celestine Hettrick, and our chaplain Father Rory Traynor for leading our students and staff in worship, celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, as



well as presiding over Eucharistic Adoration throughout the day on Friday.

We are grateful to our Parent Group for providing a delicious lunch for our faculty on Wednesday. Thanks as well, to our friends at the Puritan Back Room for their generosity in helping with our Ice Cream Sundaes for high school students on Thursday. That same day, we saw our Junior High students delighted by their annual Catholic Schools Week trip to McIntyre Ski Area for an afternoon of snow tubing.

Through these events and more, we strive to focus on the value Catholic education provides to our students and their families, as well as our contributions to the Church and our communities. May the Saints we celebrated throughout the week this year continue to intercede for us, and may God continue to bless Trinity and St. Joe's!



# ART AT THS

#### MOSAIC INSPIRED PAPER COLLAGE BY: ALICE ALEXANDRE

For this project, my class and I were instructed to create a Christian paper collage using cut magazines to replicate the imagery of classic Italian mosaics. I chose to base my design on the archangel Uriel. Although he is not recognized in Catholicism, he is revered in other sections of Christianity as a "nononsense" angel of repentance and can be found in The Apocalypse of Peter. Because I was doing a piece on a human-like figure, I decided that attempting the Art Nouveau style would be a fun way to go about the project. I framed the setting to be a sunset in the Garden of Eden with a border of the slightly obscured hands of sinners reaching out for forgiveness. Uriel is designed within the scene with warm colors to replicate some images I saw online as well as to bring attention to the sun symbolism I saw of him. Because he is also known for wisdom alongside repentance, I also had him hold a book in his right hand. Before actually placing the paper to add color to the piece, I took a picture of it and colored it digitally so that I would have a reference to work off of.



### DEREK ERILLA RECEIVED A GOLD KEY Award for toebias

Exerpt from the backstory of Toebias

This mysterious and elusive creature has been encountered very few times, but it has captured the hearts of everyone who has crossed its path. Found in the enchanting Redwood National Park, this animal has been mentioned interacting with mankind since the dawn of time. He is known to be very timid, but also charming. The creature earned the nickname Toebias, due to its strikingly ugly toe-like features. Toebias has a stumpy little body on top of four short legs, each made up of one single big toe. He is crowned with a sharp nail on the back of his head. Witnesses of Toebias say that he wears a gloomy, defeated look on his face. His flesh-like complexion and human facial features resemble a human foot if it were to be mutated in a freak accident, but his true origin is a mystery.





# WINTER SPORTS Photographs taken by chris lacasse



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# **STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS** PIONEERS AT WORK IN OUR COMMUNITIES



Joey Beck '26, from Chester, NH received his Eagle Scout on January 6th, 2025. Prior to receiving the rank of Eagle Scout, all Life Scouts are required to complete a Service Project to benefit their community. For his project, Joey chose to partner with Trex Composite Decking, an environmentally conscious decking company whose boards are made up of 95% recyclable materials (Trex.com). Trex runs a challenge called NexTrex for individuals who would like to educate their community on plastic reduction. The goal of this challenge is to collect 1000 pounds of plastic film in six months. Joey continued this challenge started by another resident of his town. For completing this project, Trex is sending Joey a bench, which he will assemble, and place on the approved space he was given in front of The Chester Town Hall. Congratulations on all of your hard work Joey!





Jeffrey Hickey '25, a Senior at Trinity received the Hooksett Youth Achievement Award which recognizes a younger individual who has achieved a staggering number of achievements at a young age. "I didn't even know the award existed, so it was a big surprise, but it is nice to be recognized. You don't go through life looking for recognition, it just comes to you," said Jeffrey. Among his many accomplishments outside of school, Jeffrey led the Bald Eagle Patrol to a first-place finish in the 2021 Boy Scout Klondike Derby, earned the Ad Altare Dei Catholic religious medal, earned the Pope Pius XII Catholic religious medal, earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 2023, and has been a US Soccer and HYAA flag football referee.

At school, Jeffrey is a member of the National Honor Society, a member of the Student Ambassador Club, assists with the sound system for school events, produced a video to advertise our newly renovated campus, played on the Trinity Baseball team, was a member of the Ski Team, played Football all four years and earned All-State Honors for his sophomore, junior, and senior year in football. Jeffrey has also been selected for the CHaD East-West New Hampshire All Star Game in June.

Jeffrey is committed to Bentley for Finance and received an offer to play football for the Falcons. We are so proud of this Pioneer for his leadership and accomplishments!

# HALL OF HONORS & Athletic Hall of Honors

Trinity's Hall of Honors was conceived to recognize alumni who serve as outstanding examples of lives invested in service to country, community, and faith. The examples of these alumni help us complete our mission by inspiring our students to think of success and happiness in terms of service to others and to ask ourselves how this world is a better place for our having been here.

### **ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

The Athletic Hall of Fame inducts Manchester Catholic High Schools alumni from yesterday through today. It was established to formally honor the memory and contributions of the many outstanding athletes, coaches, and supporters of our athletic programs. We are proud of our student athletes and the rich tradition of academic and athletic accomplishments our Catholic schools have achieved. The Hall of Fame serves as a symbol of our appreciation of the excellence, honor, and devotion displayed by these celebrated individuals and teams. We remember those who graduated from Trinity High School as well as remembering and thanking our predecessors: St. Joseph's School for Boys, St. Joseph's School for Girls, Ste. Marie High School, St. Anthony High School, St. George High School, Immaculata High School and Bishop Bradley High School.

### **INDUCTEES**

Hall of Honors Meredith Poznanski Cook THS '89 Ronald Ouellette BB '66

Athletic Hall of Fame Mathew Myers THS '09

William Zarakotas BB '59

Jersey Recognition

Christopher Lutz THS '04

### **EVENT INFORMATION**

**Date** Friday, March 14, 2025

#### Time

Cocktail Hour at 5:30 pm Dinner with Program at 6:30 pm

Location Derryfield Country Club

### **TICKETS**

**Cost** \$45 per person

#### Purchase Tickets

<u>Click here</u> or scan QR *Tickets on sale until March 5, 2025* 





# ROBOTICS



Trinity Robotics competed at WPI in December led by Mr. Pouliot. "As a parent, I was highly impressed with the effort that was involved in this competition by all," says Maria Hawkins, mother of Cam Hawkins '26.



TEAM A

Tristan Hasselbach Lauren Souza Cam Hawkins



TEAM B

Luke Boucher Aiden Gurley Aiden Methot



### MANCHESTER BUSINESS LEADER DAVID WENGER NAMED CHAIR FOR TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL & ST.JOSEPH JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Manchester resident and business leader David Wenger has been named chair for Trinity High School and St. Joseph Junior High School Faith, Scholarship, Character Campaign to expand the school facility and student offerings.

He joins Honorary Chair Dan Mullen, head football coach at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, to lead a \$5 million fundraising initiative to support phase one of the expansion and improvement project.

Wenger attended Trinity High School, graduating in 1985. He is a Senior Vice President in Global Commercial Banking at Bank of America. He served as chair of the Trinity High School Advisory Board and currently serves on the Catholic Charities New Hampshire Board of Trustees.

"My time as a student at Trinity High School provided me with a positive foundation that serves me both professionally and personally today," Wenger said, "I know I speak for alumni, parents, and faculty that furthering the capabilities of Trinity and St. Joseph is a worthwhile endeavor and one that deserves our support."

Honorary Chair Dan Mullen, a New Hampshire native, also attended Trinity High School, helping lead the Pioneers to a state football championship in 1988. He is a former head football coach for Mississippi State University, University of Florida, and a former ESPN Analyst.

"I am pleased to join Dan Mullen to lead this campaign effort," said Wenger, "He will bring a winning spirit to the task that will support our ultimate success."

For more information about the Faith, Scholarship, Character Campaign, contact Nate Stanton, President, Trinity High School and St. Joseph Junior High at (603) 668-2910, ext.115 or nstanton@trinity-hs.org.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST PIONEER!



Welcome to our newest Pioneer & Ms. Waldrupe's new bundle of joy, Jonah!

# MISS TEEN NH

The Miss America Scholarship Program has been empowering young women to become leaders in their communities.

Senior, Kylie Laroche has grown up with dancing and pageant life in her blood. Her mother, Heidi Laroche, blazed the trail for Kylie. Heidi is a former Miss Winnipesaukee and former Miss Manchester. At 18, Heidi opened her dance studio, Dance Visions Network in Pinardville where Kylie has danced since she was two years old. Heidi and her husband Kevin '89 continued to volunteer through Miss America.

During her sophomore year at Trinity, Kylie sought to become more involved in her community. Kylie entered the pageant world fueled by her love for dance and the scholarship opportunities.

Kylie was a natural, winning the second pageant she competed in, Miss Gate City. She went on to be named 1st runner-up for Miss New Hampshire Teen, became Miss Winnipesaukee Teen, and the won Miss New Hampshire Teen pageant in 2024. To



Photos from Miss New Hampshire's Teen Facebook page

compete in Miss America's Teen, "You win a local to represent the region and after that, you compete at Miss America," says Kylie.

Over Winter Break, Kylie and her family headed to Orlando where she competed in Miss America's Teen 2025. The competition took place over five days where Kylie interviewed with judges and competed in the preliminary competition and the talent competition. She received the Miss America's Teen Preliminary Kawai Talent Award for her performance of "Somewhere" from West Side Story. Kylie says, "there [was] something so special about stepping onto that iconic stage and feeling the energy of everyone who has walked before me." The dance was special for her as she choreographed it with her mom, Heidi, and her dance teacher, Miss Kendal.

Kylie is in the process of deciding where she wants to attend college. She plans to Major in dance and had an audition several weeks ago at NYU. We wish Kylie the best of luck during the rest of her reign and her Senior year!



# **OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE BACK**



We are looking for you to share your expertise with our students!

#### **Event Details**

Friday, March 14, 2025

7:30 am - 10:00 am

**Trinity Gym** 



Sign Up Here



Please contact Amber Byron with any questions at abyron@trinity-hs.org or 603-668-2910 Ext. 352



As part of Trinity High School's goal to provide students with private Catholic education, all proceeds from the 33rd Annual Golf Tournament will go towards financial aid.

Derryfield Country Club

25 Mammoth Rd., Manchester, NH 03104

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2025

For More Information Contact advancement@trinity-hs.org



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **CLASS OF 2015** 10 YEAR REUNION

**Contact:** Luke Testa 603-247-4474 <u>luke\_testa@harvard.edu</u>

### CAREER DAY

Date: March 14, 2025 Time: 7:30 am-10:00 am Location: Trinity High School

#### DUELING PIANOS GALA

Date: May 17, 2025 Time: 6:00 pm Location: 581 Bridge Street Manchester, NH

#### HALL OF HONORS & ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Date: March 14, 2025 Time: 5:30pm Location: Derryfield Country Club

#### **GRANDPARENTS DAY**

Date: March 19, 2025 Time: 7:45 am-10:30am Location: Trinity High School

#### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Date: August 1, 2025 Time: 8:00 am Location: Derryfield Country Club

### CLASS OF 1995 30 YEAR REUNION

Date: TBA Time: TBA Location: Trinity High School **Contacts:** Brent Kiley 603-506-4485 brent.a.kiley@ampf.com

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