

# SAINTS SCEN



**ORDAINED.** Fr. Max Villenueve (left) and Dcn. Nicholas Porter (right) with Bishop Robert McElroy (center) were supported at their recent ordination by the Loyal Sons of St. Augustine. It was a fabulous day for the Order of St. Augustine and for the community at Saints who were able to witness the sacrament of Holy Orders.



HOOPLA. Saints Varsity Basketball team in early season polls is ranked number one in the county and number 7 in the state. Above, that's Luke Haupt about to score a layup in a recent Saints 65-46 win vs. Encino's Crespi High. More basketball coverage see page 4.

# PLANNING FOR SUCCESS

BOLD FISCAL DRIVE LOOKS AHEAD TO 2023 & 2038

By Edwin Hearn, President SAHS

# BEGINNING, AGAIN DEAR PARENTS & FRIENDS



Principal James Horne

When the clock strikes twelve on December 31st, people all over the world cheer and wish each other a very Happy New Year. For some, this event is no more than a change of a calendar. For others, the New Year

symbolizes a better tomorrow and the chance for a new beginning.

Thomas Paine once said: "We have it in our power to begin the world again."

Poet Maya Angelou says it another way: "Each new hour holds new chances for new beginnings."

### IT'S AN HONOR

We hope you've noticed the advertisements in Saints Scene and the school website announcing the upcoming Augustinian Achievement Award program later this month. Like all inaugural events, a word of what's going on, is a good idea.

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President Edwin Hearn

At the October
Board of Directors
meeting, the board
voted unanimously
to launch a twentyyear \$40,000,000
Endowment Campaign
to help families with
the tuition expense of

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### **DIRECTOR'S PROFILE:** THIRD IN A SERIES

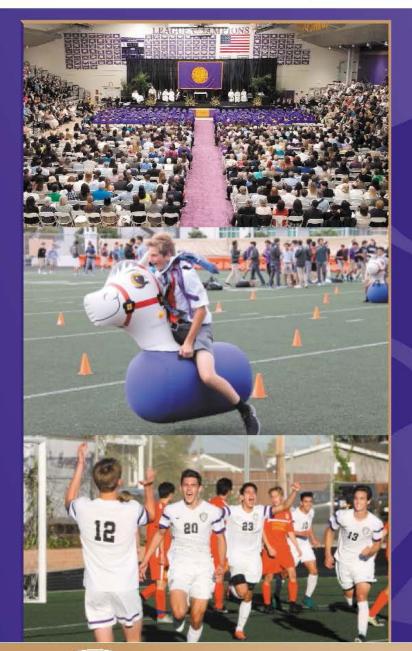


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Editor's note: The school is proud and grateful for the leadership provided by the St. Augustine High School Board of Directors. To continue to thank and honor them, Saints Scene will highlight individual Board Members with this series of profiles over the year.

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# St. Augustine High School

Seek WISDOM

"If any of you lacks wisdom You should ask God who gives generously to all and it will be given to you."

- James 1:5



## **Entrance EXAM**

Sat. Jan 26, 2019 8:00AM - 12 PM

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# COLLEGE NEWS FROM THE SAINTS COUNSELING OFFICE

SENIORS: Please be aware of your deadlines for upcoming regular decision college applications. Many are due during January, and some are not due until February 1 or 15. Remember to go online and have your ACT or SAT scores sent directly to your colleges that require them during the application process. And also check for deadlines for financial aid and scholarship applications. If you are going to do an interview with an admissions person remember that you can see your counselor to help prepare you for the interview process.

Watch your email closely for information from colleges you applied to asking you to set up an account on their web portal. This is how many colleges will communicate important information about requirements, deadlines, and decisions to you. Check your web portal regularly.

If you applied to a UC campus you may have received an email during December that informed you that you have been randomly selected to verify information on your application. If you are selected the deadline to respond will be January 31 and your application can be cancelled if you do not reply. Also watch for notifications from UC and CSU schools asking for a transcript during January. This is unusual, but if you are notified you must respond by January 31. See Mrs. Oliwa to have the transcript sent if requested.

And please remember to send thank you notes to teachers and counselors that submitted recommendations for you.

**JUNIORS:** The college process gears up during the spring semester. The Junior Parent College Night will be **Wednesday**,

January 30 in Raymond Theater. We will be working with junior students in classrooms during the first week in February to prepare for the second semester Junior Family College Meeting with student and parents to discuss college opportunities. Plan on taking ACT and/or SAT tests during the spring semester. Juniors will also submit course requests for the senior year in early February. It is important to have a quality senior schedule, but also one you can live with.

FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES: Keep your grades up, work on your academic skills, and get involved in activities, service, and athletics. And take a challenging course load, but again, one you can live with. The entire college process is much easier if you have built a strong foundation during your first two years of high school.



# Save the Date Saints Grandparents

You are invited to be our Guests!

St. Augustine High School
March 15, 2019 • 10:45 AM

Grandparents' Day Celebration



## SANE BEHAVIOR BEHIND THE WHEEL

Not just for the Holidays.

n September 30, 1955, the nation was stunned when Hollywood idol James Dean, in his early twenties with a tremendous future in front of him, was killed on a rural highway in San Luis Obispo County when he lost control of his car. That car crash remains fixed in Americana as an example of how dangerous driving really is, especially when traffic rules are not followed.

No less riveting, a few years ago during the holiday season, four local teenage boys died in car accidents. None were from the Saints Community. Nonetheless, it was a profound series of tragedies. All were in cars driven by teens with multiple teen passengers, a violation of the California driving laws. The



## IT'S TIME TO PICK YOUR COURSES

SCHOOL'S 2019-20 CURRICULUM GUIDE

As we turn the calendar announcing the new year, it is time to begin the process of requesting courses for the 2019-2020 school year. All the information regarding this process, as well as the 2019-20 Curriculum Guide and course selection presentation, is now available on the front and academic pages of the St. Augustine website (www.sahs.org). Please utilize these materials to assist you and your son in completing the course request forms.

These forms will be distributed to the current freshmen in their Speech courses and the current sophomores and juniors can pick them up from Mrs. Oliwa in the Registrar's office. The forms can also be

#### **HOOPLA!**

#### SAINTS EARNS EARLY SEASON SUCCESS



**VARSITY CHAMPS.** Saints Varsity Basketball team are North County Classic tournament champions. Led by Chibuzo Agbo and his game high 33 points, Saints came from behind to outpoint Torrey Pines High 67-60. It was the top ranked Falcons first loss of the 2018-19 varsity basketball season.



**JV CROWN.** Congratulations to Saints Junior Varsity on winning the 2018 Armstrong Memorial JV Tournament. Saintsmen topped Christian High in the finals, 54-42.

## VARSITY BASKETBALL PREVIEW

QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION WITH COACH MIKE HAUPT

## Q. What things has the team done well in the preseason?

**A.** We changed our offensive system after last year where our guys have more freedom to play different spots on the floor. That can take a while to get used to but this team has done a great job of understanding the new system as well as their roles in that system.

## Q. What things do you want to see the team fine-tune as the season continues?

**A.** With the great championship run by the football team we were late in completing our final roster. It will be important to get the football guys up to speed on our system. The roles change for everyone and it is an adjustment. I am excited about it though as it will make for better practices and a deeper roster.

#### Q. Who do you expect to make an impact coming over from the football team?

**A.** Byron Cardwell, a Sophomore, who is just getting his basketball legs going.



#### Q. What will fans of last years Saints Squad notice different about this year's team?

**A.** We are very noticeably much bigger and stronger than last year. We played with zero seniors and mostly sophomores last year. Misa Rosado is our only senior this year and he is much improved.

#### Q. Who's new to the team?

**A.** Adding Nakial Cross, at 6'7" and extremely athletic and skilled player makes

us better. He can guard, rebound and score. I didn't know what to expect out of him before the Torrey tournament because it's hard to simulate game speed in pre-season practice. But now as he hits his stride, he's going to be a big help.

#### Q. How's the team spirit?

**A.** We are more confident because of our experience from last year. Our guys work really hard and are a tight-knit group. We are going to have a lot of fun together this year!

# STARTING TO GEL

#### SAINTS VARSITY BASKETBALL EASES NEW PLAYERS INTO WINNING LINE UP

Photo essay by William Hill, Saints Parent.



Early round of Torrey Pines Holiday Classic Prep Tournament was held in Saints new gym.



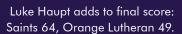
Chibuzo Agbo scores against Orange Lutheran.



Newcomer Nakial Cross at the freethrow line vs. OL Lancers.



Senior Misa Rosado in tournament action.







Tyson McWilliams moved over to varsity basketball from football.



New scoreboard in Saints Gym. Saints at this point was 11-1.



# Inaugural Augustinian Achievement Award Ceremony

Saturday, January 26, 2019

5:00 pm – Cocktail Hour in the DanVera Lobby of St. Augustine Commons 6:00 pm – Dinner in Fr. John Sanders, O.S.A. Gymnasium • 7:00 pm – Presentation of Awards

#### 2019 Award Recipients:



Rev. Richard Brown S.J., 1944



Mr. Ron Raymond 1964



Rev. John Sanders O.S.A., 1967



Mr. Steve South 1980



Mrs. Jean Shaw HG, 1991

Steering Committee: Mr. Mark Johnson, '83 (Chair), Mr. Aram Hodoyan, '84, Mr. Dan Morrin, '77, Rev. Brother Dick Hardick, O.S.A., '57, Mrs. Laura Walsh, (APA President), Mr. Mike Kennedy, '75, Mr. Rob Leach, '80, Mr. Tom Cudal, '72

– This will be an Evening/Business Attire Event. –

Tickets: \$55 per person • Tables: \$500 (table of 10)

For more information please contact:

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# AROUND CAMPUS

### ATTENDANCE SOARS

#### "Build it and they shall come..."

- A popular phrase from the 1989 movie, "The Field of Dreams."

Just before Christmas, the Saints Visual and Performing Arts faculty and students performed in the annual Holiday concert. This year marked the second time the musical event was held in the new Raymond Center for the Performing Arts under the direction of Director Ms. Cindy Au.

Principal James Horne was beaming as he scanned the more than 250 persons attending the Christmas performance. "In years past, we'd count maybe 50 persons in the audience. Things have change for the better," said Mr. Horne.





**NEW VENUE.** The 2018 Christmas Concert was held in the new Raymond Center and delighted a crowd of about 250.



**HOLIDAY JAZZ.** The 32nd street Jazz band played some swinging Christmas tunes under the direction of Mr. David Burnett.



**STRUMMER BOYS.** The beginning guitar class showed off some of their new found skill.



**AU WHOLLY NIGHT.** The concert band closed the show with Ms. Cindy Au holding the baton.



# AROUND CAMPUS



Fr. Gary Sanders, Director of Formation in the West, lays his hands on Fr. Max as part of the ordination services.



Bishop Robert McElroy blesses the hands of Fr. Max with oil.

#### **FAN OF THE YEAR**

The Saints Alumni Association took the opportunity of the first home basketball game late last month to honor Tom Kunde from the school's Class of 1967 as this year's honoree of the James O'Hara ('72) Memorial Saints Greatest Fan Award.

Tom, who is an avid fan of Saints Varsity football and basketball games hails from San Diego's St. Columba Parish, where until recently he coached in that school's parochial sports programs.



# WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Handsome Saints Alums Chris Tanaka (left) and Tysean White had a chance to catch up at the annual Army / Navy game which was held again this year in Philadelphia. How proud do our Alums make us? Talk about tearing up!

BTW: Army won its 3rd straight game at the annual President's Trophy 17-6.

While Tysean is a Midshipman at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Chris attends Catholic University of America in nearby Washington DC.



## STUDENT VIDEO CAPTURES CHAMPIONSHIP YEAR

Saints Sophomore Michael Andrus compiled a terrific eight-minute video from various sources highlighting Saints Varsity football team's CIF Division I Championship year. Video is found on Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NeaZtKBgXLc&feature=youtu.be



#### DEAR PARENTS & FRIENDS

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In other words, we always have it in our power to begin again, to create a new beginning. Whether we turn over a new leaf at school, make a fresh start with a friend or relative, or decide to take a new approach to our physical fitness or finances, each day we can make new choices and begin again.

Today, ask yourself this: What in my life needs a fresh start? Is there something I can be doing now to help my student with a new beginning?

January is a fruitful month for change. It is an ideal time to make a step or two in the direction of reduced harm and enhanced well being. It is also a great time to teach our sons/students about Christ's message of hope and beginning anew.

Yours in the Spirit of Catholic Education,

James Horne Principal



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The Augustinian Achievement Awards recognizes those who have demonstrated through their lives and actions the Augustinian core values of community, truth, and love.

#### Recipients of the award have lived out these Augustinian values while:

- 1. providing exceptional inspiration, leadership, and service to their community;
- 2. accomplishing great achievement within their field or vocation; and/or
- 3. generously giving their time, talent, and resources in service of the Gospel.

Come mingle with the deserving awardees Saturday night, January 26. RSVPs indicate it will be a sold out event, but there's still time you obtain your tickets.

For more information check out the AAA advertisement on page 6.

#### **DIRECTOR'S PROFILE**

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Serra in 1769. We have a deep and abiding love for this city, and the people in it. Although I had several friends who went to Saints when I was in high school, I did not. I attended Point Loma High School, as did my three siblings, and it is where I met my beautiful wife, Jane. Point Loma High was also where my parents met, graduating from there in the early 1940s. Jane and I had always assumed that our children would attend there as well,

ur family came to San Diego almost 250 years ago, travelling here from Spain with Father

but when it came time to make that decision for my eldest son, Billy (Class of 2007), he wanted us to consider St. Augustine High School and, after getting to know the school and its teachers, staff and alumni, it was clearly the right choice to send him there, and we have never regretted that decision.

Since that time, we have had our other two sons (Jack, Class of 2015 and Richie, Class of 2017) graduate from here, as well as both of our daughters graduate from OLP. Additionally, I have two nephews who graduated from Saints, and a niece from OLP.

Although we made this choice for our sons, I have benefitted from my association with the school as well. In 2004, I was honored to be offered a seat on the Saints' Finance Committee, getting the opportunity to help steer the school as they headed into a significant building campaign that would literally re-envision and re-build the school from the ground up. Later, I was invited to join the Board of Directors of Saints, and I currently remain on both the Finance Committee and the Board, where I hold the position of Vice Chairman.

I have worked in real estate development my entire life, and I have watched as communities we designed and buildings we planned become reality, and I have been fortunate to watch young families move into their new home in a new, pristine community. But, to be able to be a part of the incredible changes that have made the campus of Saints what it is today, and to see not only my sons and nephews, but all of the many young men, grow and thrive in this environment, has been one of the most rewarding things I have ever done in my life. We have been truly blessed to be a part of the Saints family!

My wife and I recently celebrated our 30th wedding anniversary, and our oldest son has given us our first grandchild, William IV (a future Saintsman!), so our time at Saints is far from over, and I look forward to watching an entire generation of boys become strong, Catholic gentlemen! Go Saints!

#### SANE BEHAVIOR BEHIND THE WHEEL

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most telling fact is that all four deceased were not buckled. The others in the cars were buckled and escaped serious injury.

For teenage boys, driving a car is a rite of passage that represents freedom. They can be seen driving down streets and freeways at speeds that show little concern for their safety or anyone else's. Somewhere in the middle of high school, the magic age of 16 is finally reached allowing young boys to drive. Some are more ready than others are. As the father of three sons, it was a constant struggle urging them to slow down, to leave the radio alone or to make sure the braking distance was adequate, in order to be prepared for a potential crisis. Despite repeated admonitions, I realized this concept was over their heads. Unfortunately, it took some fender benders and continued experience for them to fully comprehend the attentiveness driving takes. Thankfully, they survived the lessons without serious mishap.

Today's cars have so many safety features and feel stable at almost any speed, making the posted speed limit feel like one is driving a horse and buggy. Maybe it is the computer whose speed doubles every couple of years that has caused us to lose patience with a normal pace of life. Speed and immature decision-making are the curse of young male drivers. Recent research indicates that young men's brain function does not mature until the mid to late twenties. It is difficult for adolescents to see the possible consequences of their actions. For this age group, bad things happen to other people.

Boys by themselves tend to be better decision-makers than in a group. When there is more than one, their reason seems to go out the window. Their natural proclivity to impress their peers often leads to a total disregard for safety. The addition of alcohol and/or drugs is a recipe for disaster, very often leading to the phone call every parent wishes to avoid – the late night call from the police department that their son has been in an accident.

Emphasize the necessity of buckling up for safety, enforce your son's curfew and California's teenage driving laws, and talk to him openly about the dangers of alcohol and drugs.



sending their sons to Saints. In January 2018, the Board hired the services of Netzel Grigsby, Inc., to conduct a Feasibility Study for the launch of a campaign to build a more significant Endowment Fund for financial assistance. Dave Canedo, Chairperson of the Board and a member of the class of 1963 stated, "With the completion of the Master Plan, the time is right to launch a campaign to develop a stronger, more robust fund that will generate monies for financial assistance in perpetuity."

The firm interviewed 37 Saints families about St. Augustine High School's ability to achieve this goal. With a well-organized campaign, the analysis of the data demonstrated that Saints current Endowment Fund, which was valued at \$4.7 million on July 1, 2018, has the potential to grow to \$10 million by the 2022- 2023 school year, the Centennial Celebration of Saints founding.

During the latter months of 2018, the Advancement Committee, led by Dan Morrin and Michael Whitton, have identified the various elements of the campaign and volunteers to populate and lead the many committees needed to meet this challenge. Michael Whitton stated, "The goal of the Endowment Campaign is to ensure that Saints is accessible to all deserving young men regardless of means, by making tuition more affordable and providing scholarships to worthy students. By developing the endowment from \$4.7 million to \$10 million in the short term and then moving the needle to \$40 million by 2038, the manner in

which Saints provides tuition assistance and finances its operations will be more secure."

You might be wondering exactly what an Endowment Fund is? An Endowment Fund is a super fund that generates income for financial assistance in perpetuity. The Saints Endowment Fund began during the 75th anniversary of the founding of Saints. Under the leadership of Fr. John Sanders OSA '66, the Principal during the 1990's, \$750,000 was raised for the initial corpus of the Fund.

The St Augustine Endowment Fund is a restricted account. When Saints receives a gift, it goes into the Endowment Fund and can never be withdrawn for any purpose. The fund is invested according to a strict investment strategy that was created by the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee of the Board of Directors serves as the oversight committee for this Fund. The annual investment gain is the only monies that come out of this restricted fund and can only be used for student financial assistance.

This campaign addresses the heart and soul of Saints. While the Board of Directors is cognizant of the unity our Catholic faith demands of us, many Catholic schools across the nation have experienced tuition growth pricing out many families in their communities. This preserves the school, but the school no longer builds a community where everyone is included.

To live in harmony with one another, Saints has created a place where boys study together, play on teams together, belong to clubs together, go to Mass together, go on retreats together and do Christian service together. By being together, differences fade away and lifetime friendships form the fabric of our community. For the Augustinians, this is a key reason a Saints education is offered. To search for truth together, to learn to love each other and to live as friends have been the underlying reasons for committing to a deeper educational journey for our graduates than most secondary schools offer.

There is no other cause that will have a larger impact on the development of young men! It is energizing to think an outside consultant feels we can accomplish our goals of providing more financial assistance to enlarge the work of the Augustinians.

As Dan Morrin '77, recently stated, "As a director and alum, I am so satisfied that our campus has been revamped for the use and benefit of thousands of future Saintsmen.

Now, as a community, we need to focus our efforts on making Saints as accessible as possible for those future students and families desiring a Saints education."

It is full speed ahead to a \$10 million Endowment fund by 2022-2023 and then on to \$40 million by 2037-38. If we give it our best effort, the greatness that is accorded our school will continue to flourish and change lives. Help Saints continue to be a place where a young man with a strong desire and ability can find their faith, understand Christian leadership, become competent intellectually, and find their place in the larger community. To be outstanding requires all of us that claim "The Saints Community," to do our best.

#### IT'S TIME TO PICK YOUR COURSES

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found on the front and academic pages of the St. Augustine website (www.sahs.org).

On their designated day, each student will meet with a member of the counseling staff to review their academic transcript and input their requests for next school year.

In order to request courses, students must have (on their person at the time of their meeting with a counselor) a completed course request form that is signed by a parent or guardian as well as a completed and signed Advanced Placement contract if applicable.

#### Students will request their courses according to the following schedule:

Current freshmen (Class of 2022)

Thursday and Friday, January 31 and February 1, during their Speech course.

#### Current juniors (Class of 2020)

Wednesday and Thursday, February 6 and 7, during their religion course.

#### Current sophomores (Class of 2021)

Wednesday and Thursday, February 13 and 14, during their religion course.

If you have any questions concerning course selection, please feel free to contact your counselor.

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# The 2019 Intersession Expo

Thursday, January 31 at 6:30 p.m.

# St. Augustine Commons

Saints invites you and your family to join us for our annual Intersession Exposition.

Come and enjoy refreshments provided by the Cooking Basics class while you hear first-hand from students about their Intersession experiences.

Don't miss this very special evening!





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