



God Speed, Class of 2025

Weatherwise it was a splendid day to celebrate St Augustine High School's 101st Commencement Ceremonies. Per a distinguished tradition, the Class of 2025 proudly saluted closure of its high school years in the honored presence of guests and speakers, Augustinians, alumni, family members, faculty/administrators and friends.

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Our mission is to provide a Catholic liberal arts education for young men in an environment that promotes the development of mind, heart and body in the Augustinian tradition.

By helping to form loving disciples of Jesus Christ we communicate to the world the gospel values of community, truth and love.



FROM THE PRIOR PROVINCIAL

Dear Friends.

What makes a great education? I would say it is one that transcends academic and sporting success and seeks the discovery of a depth of character in the heart of every student that runs, walks, plays and prays on the campus. This depth then continues to form and inform them through every moment of their lives. Saintsmen win accolades all too frequently and for good reason, but the real adventure is the journey of the heart from restlessness to divine rest. St. Augustine High School lives and breathes this great education rooted in the Augustinian tradition.

This community entrusts this journey to our God who is infinite love and perfect faithfulness by looking into the mirror of our core values: Unity, Truth and Love. This mirroring sustains and strengthens us in who we are and in all we do, one in mind and heart. We can see this in the motto of our Augustinian Brother, Pope Leo XIV: “In Illo Uno Unum” – In the One we are One [from St Augustine’s exposition on Psalm 127].

Those who gravitate towards graduation from Saints are formed into loving disciples of Jesus Christ and communicate to the world the gospel values of community, truth and love. As your eye reads these pages, I ask that you see these core values being instruments that sustain and strengthen. In every syllable and sentence there is a reality of faithfulness and adventure. I also ask that you see in these pages a mirror of yourself, reflecting God’s divine work in action.

In this year 2025-2026, I sincerely and humbly thank you for your time, talent and treasure. Your generosity is God’s Love in action mirroring this great project of an Augustinian education that is so amply demonstrated in the hearts and minds of the community. Your faith in us sustains us and strengthens us. Your generosity of heart is an invaluable gift that offers an eternal reward.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart

Very Rev. Barnaby Johns, OSA
PRIOR PROVINCIAL OF THE PROVINCE OF ST. AUGUSTINE





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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Friends,

The 2024–2025 academic year stands as the culmination of thoughtful planning, faculty collaboration, excellent teaching and coaching, and extraordinary community support. As Dr. Jim Hickey, Head of School at Austin College Preparatory in Reading, Massachusetts, recently stated, "A mission without resources cannot be accomplished."

For decades, the mission of St. Augustine High School has been sustained and elevated by the tremendous love and generosity of our community. Through good times and challenging ones, you have stood with us. No one is more grateful than the President's Office. Thank you for helping us continue to reach for the stars on behalf of our young men. Each year, we have strived to offer greater value, and because of your support, we have had the resources to do so.

When the Raymond Center for the Performing Arts was completed in July 2018, the Board of Directors paused to celebrate the completion of all major capital projects that had begun prior to my arrival in 2006. For all involved, the race had reached a triumphant finish; what once seemed impossible had been achieved beyond imagination. It was a moment of deep gratitude and quiet recognition of God's grace.

Looking back, it is clear that our faith in God guided every step of the journey. In just over 18 years, vision, planning, and steadfast execution transformed the campus into a functional and inspiring environment that will serve Saintsmen for generations to come.

As the Board turned to the question of "What comes next?" it became evident that future tuition costs would continue to rise. To remain the region's leading Catholic school, we needed to ensure competitive teacher salaries, excellent benefits, and advanced technology, all of which required sustained financial support.

In 1997, our 75th anniversary year, Fr. John Sanders, OSA, and his team established the **Saints Endowment Fund** to provide tuition assistance for families in need. Their goal of \$750,000 was successfully achieved.

Following Fr. Sanders' untimely death, Fr. John Keller, OSA, assumed leadership as President and recognized a changing landscape for Catholic schools. With the Diocese rebuilding University High School (UNI) and Marian High School, Saints needed to reinvigorate its campus appeal.

Fr. Keller launched a capital campaign, hiring James Horne as Principal to oversee day-to-day administration while he focused on fundraising.

In 2006, I was hired to continue this vision, overseeing fundraising, planning, financing, and construction across all four phases. It was a leap of faith, driven by hope and purpose.

During this period, Endowment growth was modest, fueled mainly by investment gains, while our energy focused on rebuilding the campus. By June 2014, the fund reached \$3.5 million. Recognizing the growing importance of financial assistance, we reignited our commitment to building the Endowment for the future.

By 2018, when our capital projects were completed, the Endowment had grown to \$4.8 million. During the Board Retreat later that year, members agreed that **strengthening the Endowment must be our next major goal**. A feasibility study determined that Saints had the capacity to raise \$40 million by 2038. The Board also understood that realizing this vision would span generations of leadership.

In the seven years since launching the campaign, Saints has raised \$15.2 million, bringing the total Endowment to over \$20 million. A transformative \$2.8 million gift from the Stephen Paul Gillespie '61 Trust provided critical momentum, helping us reach the campaign's midpoint.

Thousands of benefactors have joined us on this journey, one that will ensure every young man who wishes to become a Saintsmen has that opportunity. A \$20 million Endowment typically generates \$1 million annually in perpetuity. With continued support, we are on track to meet our goal within the next 13 years.

We remain deeply grateful for the unwavering generosity of the Saints community over these past two decades. Together, we are ensuring that St. Augustine High School continues to form young men of competence, conscience, and compassion who will become leaders who will transform the world through faith and service.

Thank you for believing in our mission.

Edwin J. Hearn

Ed Hearn
PRESIDENT, ST. AUGUSTINE HIGH SCHOOL





FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Friends,

As I reflect upon my three years as Chairman of the Board of Saint Augustine High School, I am proud of what we have accomplished with the facilities on campus, but I am most proud of the wonderful gentlemen who came to us as young freshman and left as strong, courageous and capable young men, ready to move forward to take their rightful place in this world.

But I am most humbled by the fact that none of this would be possible without the trust our families have given to us, and by the generosity that they and our many benefactors have shown. We have acknowledged this without fail in our meetings, grateful that the Holy Spirit, even when we worried if we could accomplish all we set out to do, gave us the grace to persevere and complete our tasks.

Catholic education is a commitment to our children; an investment in their futures. We strive daily to ensure that the financial investment our families make in their Saintsmen is returned exponentially, that their sacrifices are justified and their faith rewarded. There are many boys who are worthy of this opportunity but, even with their families' sacrifices, the financial obligation is beyond their ability to meet. That is why, for the last several years, the Saints Board of Directors have made it our mission to increase our endowment in order to provide the financial aid necessary to make the Saints experience available to all who can benefit from it.

As St. Augustine said:

Two works of mercy set a person free:

Forgive and you will be forgiven, and give and you will receive.

We are grateful to all who support our mission at Saints, and we look forward to working together to inspire the next generation of Christian gentlemen!

With gratitude and love in Christ,

William R. Hamlin
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Alumni, and Friends,

As we reflect on another remarkable year at St. Augustine High School, we are filled with deep gratitude. Truly, we have been Sustained by Faith and Strengthened by Generosity. Every success academic, spiritual, and personal bears witness to the goodness of God and to the steadfast support of the Saints community.

Our school continues to thrive because of our shared commitment to forming young men in the Augustinian tradition: educating their minds, cultivating their hearts, and shaping their character. Guided by dedicated faculty and staff, our students continue to achieve at the highest levels. From academics and service learning to artistic achievements and athletic championships, Saintsmen are learning what it means to lead with both excellence and humility.

Faith remains the cornerstone of our mission. Through daily prayer, weekly Mass, annual retreats, and countless opportunities for service, our students deepen their relationship with God and one another. These experiences not only strengthen their spiritual lives but also foster a spirit of gratitude, compassion, and responsibility that they will carry into the world beyond Saints.

The strength of our community lies in its people: you, our benefactors, parents, alumni, and friends. Your generosity enables us to sustain programs that form boys into men of faith and integrity. Whether through financial gifts and donations, attendance at events, or the quiet prayers you offer on our behalf, you are an integral part of the mission. Your generosity strengthens our ability to remain accessible, innovative, and faithful to the values that define St. Augustine High School. Together, we will continue to educate, inspire, and guide the next generation of Saintsmen.

Thank you for walking this journey with us. Please continue to keep our students, faculty, and Augustinian community in your prayers, as we will keep you in ours. May God bless you for the many ways your faith and generosity sustain and strengthen the mission of Saints.

In the spirit of Augustinian Education,

James Horne
PRINCIPAL



AN AUGUSTINIAN POPE FOR AN AUGUSTINIAN AGE

What Pope Leo XIV Affirms About Our Mission at St. Augustine High School

Brendan D. Towell, May 2025 www.brendantowell.com



The world is watching as the newly elected Pope Leo XIV steps into his role as the successor of St. Peter. With each passing day, the media offers a glimpse into the man himself and in his words and witness, we hear an echo of something ancient, wise, and urgently needed. Now more than ever, the Church has chosen not just a leader, but a vision: an Augustinian one.

For those of us at St. Augustine High School, this is more than symbolic. It's confirmation of something our community has known for over 103 years: that the spirit of Augustine – his honesty about the human condition, his restlessness, his passion for truth, and his yearning for God – is precisely what this moment in history calls for. You could say we've been ahead of the curve, but more than anything, we're simply grateful to see the wider Church walking this Augustinian path alongside us.

St. Augustine famously wrote (and our students pray daily), "You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You." The modern world is full of distractions and substitutes for God with quick fixes, shallow pleasures, and empty promises. Yet, as any parent knows, none of these are ultimately satisfying. Especially not for young people. Especially not for boys navigating a world that so often misunderstands or misdirects their energy, their questions, and their longing.

At Saints, we form young men to become Augustinian servant leaders: searchers of truth, builders of community, lovers of wisdom, and advocates for the common good. Saints brothers are taught to confront life's deepest questions and to discover that their desires are not a problem to be solved, but a signpost pointing to the Divine. We help them understand that they are wired for God, and that anything less than God simply won't do.

At the heart of it all is our Augustinian focus on community; this is our "secret sauce." It's what has always set us apart. We don't just educate, we form a true Brotherhood. We don't just instruct; we accompany. We believe that the search for truth must be lived out together, in friendship and mutual encouragement. That sense of belonging, purpose, and shared mission is what has sustained us, and it's what so many families today are yearning for.

With the election of Pope Leo, the world will now begin to learn our Augustinian vocabulary. Terms and values like community, restlessness, truth, unity, love, and interiority will no longer just be words we reflect on in our classrooms and chapels – they will shape the Church's global witness. Hopefully, our campus (along with Augustinian schools around the world) can become magnets for faithful families looking for an alternative to what so often feels like cultural chaos and an educational system that is inconsistent with their own values.

As the global Church turns its gaze toward the insights of Augustine, our community in San Diego, CA stands ready to help lead the way. If you're a family seeking more than just a high school experience - if you're looking for formation, purpose, and a deeper vision of what education can be - we invite you to consider St. Augustine High School.

This is our time. This is your moment. As Pope Leo XIV now reminds us: the restlessness of the human heart is not a burden – it's a calling. Allow Saints to help you answer it. As the sounds of excitement begin to fade and the Class of 2024 moves on from their Saints Experience into the world beyond the safety of their home for the past four years, it is important to gaze back over their short four years at Saints. When this class began in the fall of 2020, it was organized unlike any of the countless classes that preceded them. Freshman football, the Freshman Retreat, and Freshman Welcome Week were all different. This class became Saintsmen with Covid restrictions.

In December of 2019, when the class of 2024 was in the midst of eighth grade, we began to hear about an unrecognizable disease that was having fatal consequences for older people and others with compromised immunity issues. By the second week of March, the world was shuttered, and over a weekend with most schools replacing person-to-person learning with Zoom school. Most graduations were replaced with stringent protocols in place that did not resemble a normal ceremony.

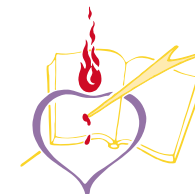
The Class of 2024 experienced their Freshman year unlike almost all of their contemporaries in California. They were able to meet for class on campus but under the strict guidelines of the county. While campus life was more normal than most, it was still unlike any school year in Saints history. They met in cohorts and had to be spaced during class with most classes cut in half. Their teachers had to teach each of their classes twice as half the class gathered outside to study, while the other half of the class was taught by their teacher.

When the class of 2024 returned to Saints for their sophomore year, it was clear that Saints was attempting to adjust to incoming freshmen who had learning issues resulting from the isolation they experienced while being taught via Zoom during their middle school years. There was a great deal of catching up taking place, especially in math where freshmen testing indicated math skills had taken a hit for many boys. While the year appeared normal, it wasn't. People tended to be more aggressive in their demands for their sons. In some cases, arguments, bad body language, and accusations replaced the respect that previously had been accorded the administration, teachers, and staff.

When evaluating this year at Saints, we see the strong post-Covid headwinds of history play into the life of the community. It was a year of ups and downs for our boys. No one experienced it more deeply than the class of 2024. The entire community was tested as the DNA of Saints was threatened by a cloud of suspicion surrounding the football program. It was a time of soul-searching, a time to learn from how this moment happened. It was a difficult time, but with God's grace Saints rebounded into a stronger school focused more fully on unity, truth and love.

Although life is rarely predictable, Saints became better prepared to face its future due to the aftermath of this explosive event that rocked Saints. It appeared that the seniors were able to move forward through these difficult moments with their pride intact for Saints.

Having lived through the Covid and post-Covid world and the many events of their senior year, there was the worry that the Saints Experience for these young men might have been tarnished. After reviewing the annual senior exit interviews in 32 notable areas of school life in the waning moments their senior year it was clear the seniors had a great four years. When rating their moral and spiritual education and overall Saints Experience, 98% of the seniors rated that experience as good to excellent, while 99% of our young men rated their intellectual development as outstanding.



THE CLASS OF 2025

Sean Joseph Abrom
Owen Patrick Adams
Caelyb Jones Aguirre
Emilio Aizpuru
Jacques Alexander Allende
Jose Manuel Alvarez Vidal
Riley James Anderson
Wilford Robert Anderson
Victor Agustin Angeles
Owen Keats Arnaudy
Gino Attisha
Samuel Lorenzo Placides Ayana
Dominic James Bartel
Andres Leon Behar
Fernando Beltrán
Stephen Michael Berggren
Charles Hewson Berkley
Christopher Reilly Black
Grayson Elam Boles
Cameron Joseph Bonanno
Derek John San Agustin Borja
Anthony Michael Bravence
Nathan Michael Brosnan
Adam Emilio Camarena
Adan Guillermo Cardona
Kapon Mahoe Carriedo Nakanelua
Carlos Enrique Castan Rico
Fabián Oliver Castillo Mayoral
Miguel Arturo Chaquica
Jonathan Scott Chavez
Joshua Adam Chu
Levi Arthur Clair
Alexander Martin Clem
Jude Matthew Gelacio Corpus
Manuel Guadalupe Cortez Ramirez
Pablo Cosio
Stephen Michael Cota
Michael Davalos
Jonah Neos De Perro
Carlos Alberto Delgado
Fernando Delgado-Gallegos

Nicolas James DeSouza
Nicholas Michael Dolin
Alexander Luc DuBreuil
Raphael James Pratama Dunne
Luke Duong
Gabriel Joseph Estrada
Oliver DeWitt Fendley
William Robert Fitzpatrick
Milan Flores
Dash Benjamin Frazee
Luke Thomas Friesenhahn
Emilio Gallego
William M. Gault
Ivan Archibaldo Gonzalez
Trent Thomas Gorsich
Mason Charles Gossage
Andres Graniello Mogollon
Luke Thomas Graulich
Joshua Gross Jr.
Elias David Guerrero
Deryk Ronin Cox Guillermo
Javier Guillot Reyes Retana
Ernesto Gutierrez
Marcelo Hank Canavati
Reid Eugene Harrison
Jacob Salomon Herrmann
Noah Lewis Heuring
Mason James Higgins
Matthew Walter Horne
Malosi Adam Iuli
Michael Joseph Ivanjack
Rami Jaibaji
Jorge Antonio Jimenez
Jacob Matthew Kajmowicz
Tanner Kamencik
Alexander John-Michael Kemp
Nicholas William Kiesel
Philip Michael Knapton
Drake Roby Konja
Teo Nicholas Konyn
Juan Marco Kruer

Preston Robert Domingo Lavarez
Maxwell Steven Leadley
Christian David Ledesma
Henry Michael Lenore
Gregory Ray Leong
Christopher Matthew Lindgren
Nicholas Francesco Lupinacci
Michael Gabriel Luzi
Alfonso Martin Macandog
Noah Elijah Magat
Isaac Shamaya Monsour
Cristian Enrique Mares
Santiago Martin del Campo Sanchez
Nicolas Martin Ruvalcaba
Mario Gael Martinez Cota
Killian Erastus Kibet McGinnis
Geno McKenna
Marcelo Mier y Teran Leon
Max James Miller
Matteo Roderick Minford
Thomas Blake Moore
Aaron Isaiah Morgan
Michael Ames Morton
Marco Antonio Mouritzen
Declan Mullins
Ezekiel Musni-Davis
Matthew Vincent Naccari
Elias Isamu O'Hallaren
Luke Brennan O'Leary
Jon-Matthew Mota Oliveros
Joshua Brian Padilla
John Paul Parada
Jackson W. Pawl
Henry Ershat Oswalt Payne
Evan Raúl Pérez
Oscar Plasencia II
Ryan Duke Kalani Popkins
Emiliano Postlethwaite
Santiago Postlethwaite
Johnathan Paul Putrus
Joe Nathan Rascon

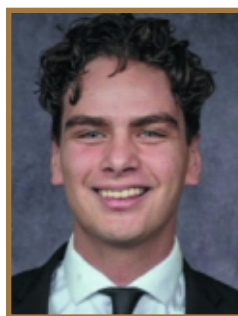
Diego Ruiz
Ryan Michael Sablan
Christian Anthony Salem
Alexander David Samo
Simon Jack Sanders
Joseph Peter Sbuttoni IV
Emiliano Serrano
Aaron Kenyon Simmons
Clayton James Staylor
Braeden Joseph Steele
James Willem Steiner
Marcus Stokely
Johnny Daniel Stone
Owen McCrea Sullivan
Antonio Gabriel Tamayo
Dillon Aleksandar Tar
Spencer Thomas Pablo Taylor
Anthony Maurice Tompkins
Juan Pablo Torres Molina
Trent Neil Torres
Diego Turner
Francisco Leopoldo Uribe
Jacob David Valdez
Carson Arthur Van Nort
Kendrick Alexander Vazquez Diaz
Liam Siddhartha Veeramallu
Jose Velasco Celaya
Jonah Jerome Villafana
Kelvin Vu
Edward William Moore
Wakefield
Derek Brock Weber
Luke Jonathan Weinpel
Wyatt James Weldon
Tyler William Wick
Parker Warren Wickstrand
Charles Anthony Wiese
Ian Woods
Maximiliano Yee Rodriguez
Lucas Michael Younes
Enrique Angel Zamudio



THE ST. AUGUSTINE MEDAL

Awarded to the student who, from the viewpoint of academic achievement, citizenship, and leadership, is regarded as the most representative graduate this year. He must be a four-year Saintsman. The key quality is leadership. Selection is by faculty vote.

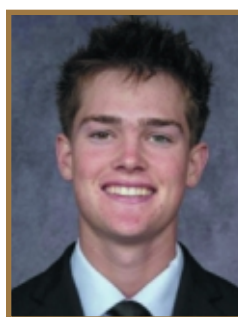
Awarded to Simon Sanders
Honorable Mention - Stephen Cota



THE CHRISTIAN CONDUCT MEDAL

Awarded to the student whose citizenship record has been of the highest excellence and who is judged to have shown positive evidence of those attributes befitting a Christian gentleman. Selection is by faculty vote.

Awarded to Christopher Black
Honorable Mention - Anthony Thompkins



THE GOLD MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE IN ATHLETICS

Awarded to the student who has excelled in at least two sports for two years, and exhibits the attributes befitting a Saintsman.

Awarded to Emiliano Postlethwaite
Honorable Mention - Charles Berkley



THE GOLD MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE IN VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Awarded to a student who has excelled in at least two of the Visual and Performing Art disciplines for at least two years, exhibited creative and intuitive thinking and exhibited the attributes befitting a Saintsman. Selection is confirmed by faculty vote.

Awarded to John-Matthew Oliveros
Honorable Mention - Maxwell Leadley and Anthony Tompkins



THE REV. JOHN R. AHERNE, O.S.A TROPHY

The Rev. John R. Aherne, O.S.A Trophy is awarded to the Varsity Football player with the highest academic standing.

Awarded to Jonathan Scott Chavez



THE PRINCIPAL'S TROPHY FOR EXCELLENCE IN STUDIES OVER FOUR YEARS

The Principal's Trophy for Excellence in Studies Over Four Years is given by the administration.

The awardees were: Trent Gorsich, Luke O'Leary and Jonah Villafana

Honorable Mention: Nathan Michael Brosnan



EVENSON FAMILY AWARD

The annual John D. Evenson Intramural Award is presented to students who exemplify good sportsmanship, teamwork, and a commitment to Saints Intramurals programs.

Awarded to Stephen Cota and Matthew Horne



Congratulations 2025 Honorees



Love is the Quiet Architect of Our Legacy

Good morning, faculty, families, friends, and most importantly, my brothers.

Today is more than a celebration; it is a crossroads of past and future, a singular moment where all of us stand between what we have built and what we are about to become. In this space, we recognize that legacy is not just what we leave behind; it is what we carry forward. It is not simply etched in banners or engraved on trophies but woven into the very fabric of who we are. Our community believes in a type of legacy that lives, one that grows and develops with us, that can be planted as a seed for future generations of saints to enjoy.

Many would describe the Class of 2025’s legacy as the countless banners on the walls of our gym or the continued soaring of Saint’s academic profile, but those are only echoes of something deeper. Our true legacy lives in the moments that won’t be recorded on the walls of the gym or in the prestige we have earned, but rather in the brotherhood we have built.

This brotherhood is built upon our unity, our unity in our collective “domestication” of the freshman, our unity in bringing opposing players to tears in the Pit, and our unity in shared love and pain on our interwoven journey of teenage life. Any conversation with Mr.Cudal, or the Da Luz brothers, or any alumni faculty will point you to the idea that the legacy of their classes isn’t tied to their rings or their GPAs or their AP scores, but rather the unity between their brotherhood, or in Mr.Cudal’s case, the supposed game they all had with OLP at their monthly dances in the old gym. The way that alumni remember the warm unity between brothers will be how I, and I hope all of you, look back upon your saints days, a living legacy of both accomplishments and the laughs we’ve shared.

The living legacy of the class of 2025 is also a story of perseverance and development. One cannot appreciate the finished product without seeing the labors of the artist. We were a class that missed out on key middle school experiences and development; we were a class that wore masks for our first few months of high school and suffered from the anxiety of the post-pandemic world. We were a class that set detention records and seemingly had to stay after every mass to get lectured by Mr.O’Beirne. But we are also a class that has overcome. We are a class that became champions and scholars; we are a class that has become socially vibrant and the leaders of this campus. The mission of St.Augustine High School is to take boys and graduate competent and faithful young men—and the class of 2025 is the perfect reflection of this sacred mission.

And then, there is love. Love is the quiet architect of our legacy. Love for each other is what makes Saints special, it’s the adoption of a family of 166 brothers whom I would trust in the darkest of alleys and direst of straits. Love is the reason our school becomes a home, why a group of boys becomes a brotherhood, why four years becomes a lifetime.

Today is not an ending but a passage. We walk across the stage not as individuals breaking away but as brothers moving together. This may be the last time we sit in the same room, but our lives are now forever intertwined. The halls we walked, the traditions we upheld, the values we embodied—these do not belong to the past. They will outlive us, but they will also live within us. Wherever we go, we carry this torch. And as we go forth into the world, let this light not only guide us—let us light the world with it.

So, to the Class of 2025: our legacy is not behind us. It is ahead. It is within. It is forever. Congratulations, brothers!



THE AUSTINS

The Austins, oral examinations in the fields of English, mathematics, religion, science, social studies, and visual and performing arts are given to seniors selected from among the top 10% of the class in academic rank:

GRADUATING AUSTIN SCHOLARS

SUMMA CUM LAUDE: Luke Brennan O’Leary and Simon Jack Sanders

MAGNA CUM LAUDE: Nathan Michael Brosnan, Trent Thomas Gorsich and Jonah Jerome Villafana

CUM LAUDE: Nicholas Michael Dolin and Kevin Vu

GRADUATING CUM LAUDE HONORS

Based on a 3.6 or higher academic weighted cumulative grade point average after seven semesters:

Sean Joseph Abrom	Raphael James	Jackson W.Pawl
Emilio Aizpuru	Pratama Dunne	Evan Raúl Pérez
Wilford Robert Anderson	Milan Flores	Ryan Duke Kalani Popkins
Owen Keats Arnaudy	Dash Benjamin Frazee	Emiliano Postlethwaite
Samuel Lorenzo	Trent Thomas Gorsich	Johnathan Paul Putrus
Placides Ayana	Mason Charles Gossage	Achai Kingston-Chae Reddy
Dominic James Bartel	Andrés Graniello Mogollón	Ryan Michael Sablan
Stephen Michael Berggren	Luke Thomas Graulich	Alexander David Samo
Charles Hewson Berkley	Reid Matthew Guhse	Simon Jack Sanders
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Adan Guillermo Cardona	Matthew Walter Horne	James Willem Steiner
Kapono Mahoe	Michael Joseph Ivanjack	Owen McCrea Sullivan
Carriedo Nakanelua	Ramy Jaibaji	Antonio Gabriel Tamayo
Carlos Enrique Castan Rico	Jorge Antonio Jimenez	Dillon Aleksandar Tar
Miguel Arturo Chaquica	Nicholas William Kiesel	Anthony Maurice Tompkins
Jonathan Scott Chavez	Teo Nicholas Konyon	Trent Neil Torres
Joshua Adam Chu	Maxwell Steven Leadley	Carson Arthur Van Nort
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Alexander Martin Clem	Michael Gabriel Luzi	Jonah Jerome Villafana
Pablo Cosio	Michael Ames Morton	Kelvin Vu
Jonah Neos De Perro	Ezekiel Musni-Davis	Luke Jonathan Weinpel
Carlos Alberto Delgado	Elias Isamu O’Hollaren	Parker Warren Wickstrand
Nicholas Michael Dolin	Luke Brennan O’Leary	Lucas Michael Younes
Alexander Luc DuBreuil	Jon-Matthew Mota Oliveros	Enrique Angel Zamudio
	Joshua Brian Padilla	

2025 COLLEGE BOUND SAINTSMEN

Of 2025's 166 graduating seniors, an impressive 99% will be attending college this fall.
Here is a look at where many of them will be heading next.

Alfred State College
Alexander DuBreuil
Art Institute / Chicago
Dominic Bartel
Baylor University
Nicholas Kiesel
Boston College
Simon Sanders
Bucknell University
Carson Van Nort
Cal State / Fullerton
Deryk Ronin Guillermo
Cal State / Long Beach
William Fitzpatrick
Cal State / Northridge
Aaron Morgan
Cal State Polytechnic / Pomona
Luke Duong
Cal State Polytechnic / SLO
Nathan Brosnan
Jackson Pawl
Alexander Samo
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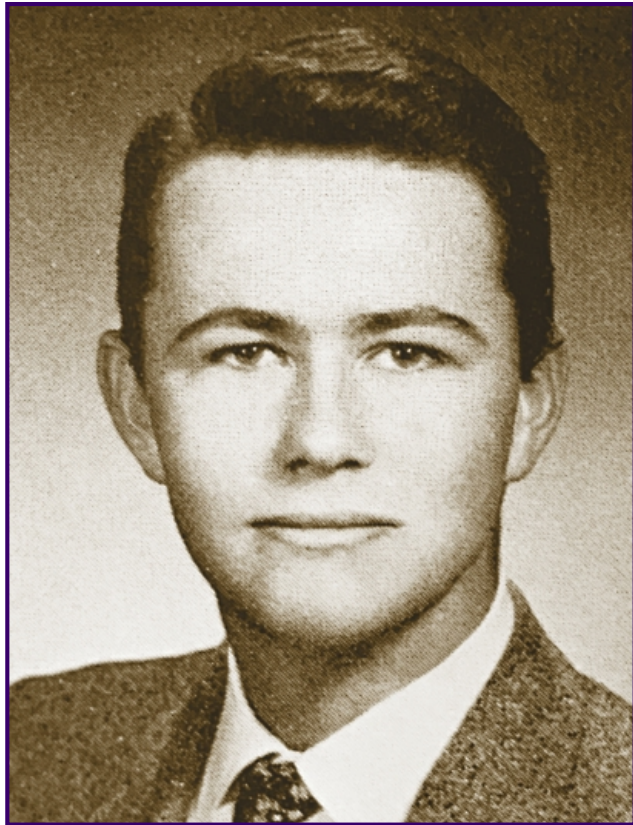
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A LIFE SHAPED BY FAITH, FAMILY, AND FORMATION

Steve's story is uniquely American, and uniquely Saints.

- Born in 1943 in wartime New York, a son of Pan Am employees
- Moved to San Diego, where his father built their family home by hand
- Tended cattle with cowboys as a youth in East County
- Returned to California just in time to attend St. Augustine High School

There, under the guidance of Fr. John Aherne, Steve discovered a passion for theater, starred in school plays, and graduated as valedictorian in 1961. After pharmacy school, he served 36 years with Sav-on Drugs, a quiet, faithful man whose classmates never fully knew his deep affection for Saints. Until now.

On May 2, 2025, St. Augustine High School received the final installment of a transformational trust from Stephan Paul Gillespie, '61, bringing his total bequest to \$2,888,229, one of the largest gifts in school history. Steve named Saints and the University of Arizona College of Pharmacy as equal beneficiaries of his estate. As family homes were sold, Saints received half of each sale's proceeds—faithfully honoring his lifelong commitment to both faith and vocation. Steve cared about Saints and wanted to ensure its mission would endure for future generations.

*"We are honored to share this milestone
with you, one that speaks not only of generosity, but of enduring faith."*

Edwin J. Hearn, President



Ed Hearn receiving the final installment for the Gillespie Trust from
Carrie Morton (Managing Attorney, RMC Morton Law) and Matthew Nichol, '10 (Associate Attorney).



THE CORE UNUM LEGACY SOCIETY - A CIRCLE OF FAITHFUL STEWARDS

Steve was a proud member of the Core Unum Legacy Society, our legacy for those who include Saints in their estate planning. His gift was more than financial; it was spiritual. A statement of belief in Catholic education, the Augustinian tradition, and the lives of young men yet to walk our halls. His act was not just one of generosity; it was an act of hope.

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Fr. Barnaby (right) meeting Pope Leo XIV during the Augustinian General Chapter in Rome on September 15. Alongside is Fr. Joseph Farrell OSA, the newly-elected Prior General of the Augustinians, a position once held by Pope Leo. Fr. Barney gave some gifts and cards to the Holy Father from Augustinian brothers and friends in California.



Fr. Gary Sanders, O.S.A.
At the recent celebrated his
50th Anniversary Mass.

ABOUT POPE LEO...FROM SOME OF THOSE WHO KNOW HIM BEST

From Spiritu Magazine, Fall 2025 by Fr. Gary Sanders, O.S.A.

The world learned a great deal about recently-elected Pope Leo XIV from his first public utterances as Pontiff on May 8, 2025:

"Peace be with all of you. I am a son of St. Augustine (an Augustinian) who said: 'With you I am a Christian and for you, a bishop.' In this sense, we can all walk together towards that homeland that God has prepared for us."

Several of Pope Leo's Augustinian brothers serving in the California Province have known him for many years. One is Fr. Barnaby Johns, OSA, Prior Provincial of the West Coast Augustinians. When he was living in Rome decades ago, Fr. Barney got to know now-Pope Leo when he was Fr. Bob Prevost, OSA, Prior General of the order.

Fr. Barney remembers Fr. Bob as someone who doesn't wait for you to come to him. "He will take the first step to reach out to the other," says Fr. Barney. "He is very down-to-earth and humble and enjoys having a chat about all manner of things. He has a good sense of humor but is never cutting about anyone or anything. He isn't loud or gregarious but has a certain charisma, a fine mind and an Augustinian heart that is so drawn to fraternity and community life."

One character trait that particularly impressed Fr. Barney was what a great listener Fr. Bob was – and is. "He is kind but tough in his approach," says Fr. Barney. "He will steady the boat rather than rock it and allow those in the church and beyond to engage with the Second Vatican Council's proclamation for the universal call to holiness. That is Augustinian – 'the one heart and one mind on the way to God.'"

ANOTHER ENDURING FRIENDSHIP

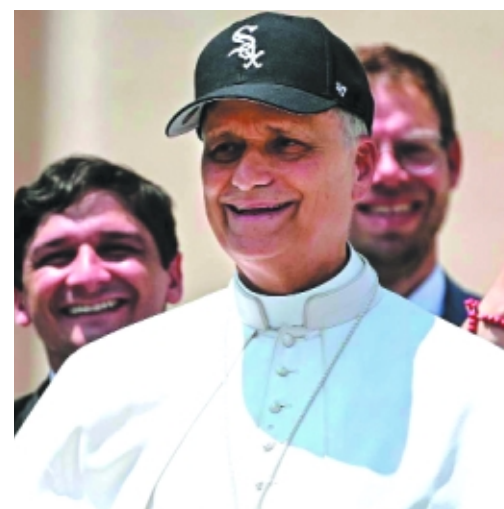
Fr. Gary Sanders, OSA, former Prior Provincial of the West Coast Augustinians, met the future Pope nearly 50 years ago when Fr. Gary was a young priest in San Francisco, and an Augustinian seminarian named Bob Prevost visited the Augustinian community.

"I had the privilege of showing him around the City by the Bay," Fr. Gary recalls. "This initial meeting became a bond to this very day. We shared – and still share – a friendship that was cemented in the fact that we are both vowed members of the Order of St. Augustine."

"He is one of the brightest persons I have ever known," says Fr. Gary. "He is a true polyglot. He holds a doctorate in Canon Law and despite his sometimes quiet demeanor, he has a wonderfully disarming sense of humor. Most of all, he serves the Lord by serving the poor, and by not being afraid to lead. As a young priest, he served the poorest of the poor in Peru."

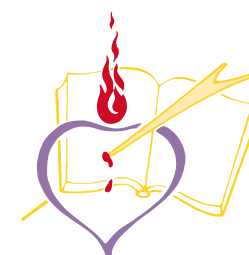
Fr. Bob served as Prior Provincial of the Midwest Augustinians, later was elected Prior General of the Augustinian Order, and in 2014 was named Bishop of Chiclayo, Peru. Over all those years, he never lost touch with his hometown of Chicago, visiting family there. "You don't need to know him very long before discovering that our new Pope is an ardent White Sox fan," says Fr. Gary.

Fr. Gary will never forget the day that his friend had been elected Pope. "I sent Pope Leo XIV an email congratulating him and pledging prayers for him. He responded within three hours and wrote: "Thanks for your message, Gary! You are often in my thoughts and prayers, and I only ask that you please pray for me! Fraternally, Bob"



When was the last time you saw a pope
in a baseball cap?

Pope Leo's Augustinian brothers know
this first American pope to be a loyal
Chicago White Sox fan.



GOLDEN SAINTS RETURN • THE CLASS OF 1975



Members of the Class of 1975 were welcomed back to St. Augustine High School to celebrate their 50th reunion during the 2025 graduation ceremonies. A proud campus tradition, each year’s golden anniversary class is invited to be honored alongside the newest graduates—bridging generations of Saints with shared brotherhood and spirit.

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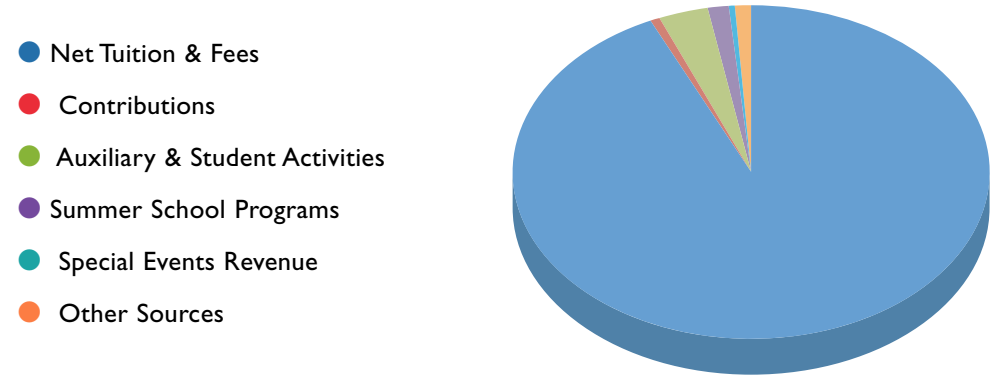
The Class of 63 celebrated 80th birthday!
Left to right: Armando Bareno, Prof. Mike Greenwald, David Canedo, Paul Tuomainen, Danny Ramos, Dr. Lenny Weber, Leo Sullivan, Fr. Barry Martinson, SJ, Eddie Ryan



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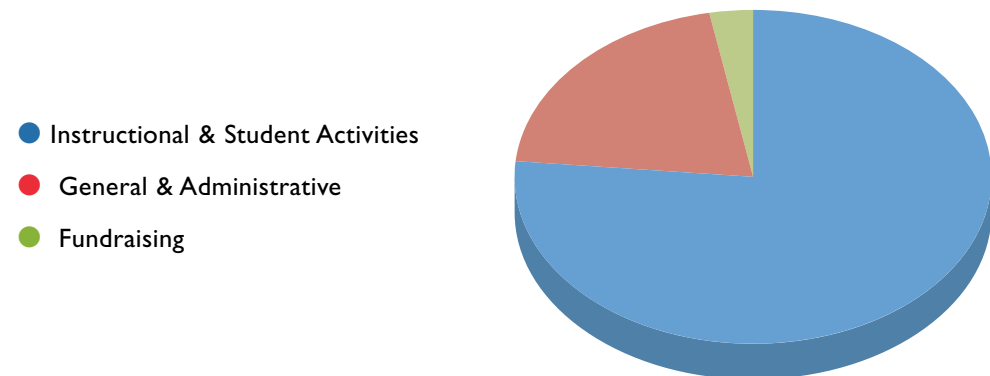
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Tuition & Fees	21,099,132
Less Grants & Scholarships	(4,863,132)
Net Tuition & Fees	16,236,000
Contributions	111,533
Auxiliary & Student Activities	588,486
Summer School Programs	246,705
Special Events Revenue	70,537
Other Sources	192,475
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TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER SUPPORT	17,445,736



2024 - 2025 EXPENSES

Instructional and Student Activities	13,517,416
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TOTAL EXPENSES	17,667,827



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I will not be with the Saints Community next fall. I am off on a new adventure. Life as an Augustinian is much like life at Saints, it is full of adventure, and it is never boring. While my next steps to our parish in Los Angeles comes with a lot of new unknowns for me, I know that if I stay true to myself, and continually pursue unitas, veritas, and caritas in all things, that I will be just where I need to be, and doing what God wants me to be doing.

Thank you, Saintsmen for many things. For your exuberant joy, your playful tricks, your sometimes obliviousness, your inquisitive questions, and your witness to the faith. Being a chaplain is a privilege, and to accompany you as Saintsmen growing in your faith was and is an absolute honor.

Special blessings to all of you dear Saintsmen, and blessings to the class of 2025.

*When the last big game is over
and the last roll call is heard.
When the oldest pedagogue
Has had his final word
We shall come to Alma Mater
In our dream again
With a prayer to St. Augustine
and a strong Amen.*



THANK YOU MRS. JEANNE OLIVA

After 19 years of dedicated service as St. Augustine High School's Registrar, Mrs. Jeannie Oliwa has announced her retirement. She was honored with a service award presented by Principal James Horne at a recent awards ceremony. Among her many contributions, she diligently compiled the Saints Honor Roll each semester.



2026 Augustinian Achievement Award Ceremony



Saturday, January 31, 2026

5:00 pm – Cocktail Hour in the DanVera Lobby of St. Augustine Commons
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