



Hello and Welcome to the St. Pius X High School quarterly Alumni Newsletter. The focus of the newsletter is to inform you, our alumni, about what is happening on campus and to celebrate all accomplishments. We would love to hear from you!

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Boy's Soccer State Finalists



After defeating Fair Grove in the State Semi-Final Game 4-0 the Lancer Boys Soccer Team headed to the state final game on November 20, 2021. The 2021 St. Pius X boys soccer team ended the year as a state finalist, finishing second place in Class 1, with a record of 18-7. The team placed higher than any other StPX boys' soccer team in the history of the program. Coach Aaron Portell '94 was named JCAA Coach of the Year. Two players made All-Conference first team, two made second team and one made honorable mention. Three players were named 1st team All-State and one received 2nd team All-State honors. Senior Kyle Lewis was named the Class 1 Defensive Player of the Year. Congratulations to all players and coaches on a successful season!

In total there were 85 goals for and 23 against. Congratulations to all the players and coaches on a successful season.



TRIVIA NIGHT

SPONSORED BY THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

JANUARY 15, 2022

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM | TRIVIA BEGINS AT 6:30 PM

COST PER PERSON:
\$20.00 BY JANUARY 10TH
\$25.00 AT THE DOOR

8 PEOPLE PER GROUP	BEER, WATER, AND SODA PROVIDED	RALPH BOYER MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM
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FUNDS RAISED BENEFIT THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS FOR INCOMING FRESHMEN

QUESTIONS: CONTACT PEGGY FLANAGAN, ALUMNI COORDINATOR AT PFLANAGAN@STPIUS.COM OR (636) 931-7487 EXT. 106

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Featured Alumni: Ryan Loveless '19



After graduating from St. Pius X in 2019 Ryan continued his education at Lindenwood University where he is on the Shotgun Sports Team. This past November, his hobbies hunting and fishing helped him to achieve earning a spot on the Missouri State Trap Team. He started last May traveling the country competing in numerous state events...

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Winter Sports Preview

Boys Basketball

The 2021-2022 St. Pius X Boys Basketball Season is off to a great start. With the experience of 10 seniors on the squad and several juniors and sophomores that saw significant varsity time last year, we are ready to compete. Our competitive scheduled games should prepare us for the district tournament in late February. This year boys basketball will compete with three teams, freshman, junior varsity and varsity. Our students are fired up in practice, and are ready for another exciting season of St. Pius X Basketball! Fans can catch a game anytime, see our schedule [here](#).

Girls Basketball

This year the girls' goal is to WIN the conference and district championship after finishing in 2nd place in the past two seasons. Coming off two very successful seasons (2020-21 -- 16 W 5L, 2019-20 -- 20W 5L) Coach Portell feels he has the players that can continue the success. The team will be a defensive minded team that will pressure the length of the court and the offense. He believes they will continue to get better throughout the season through hard work. It should be a fun season to watch!

Wrestling

2021 is the first year for St. Pius X boys/girls wrestling. We have a very motivated team of young and hungry student athletes. We started the season against a very tough Herky team and it only gets tougher from there. We have scheduled Valle Catholic, O'Fallon Township High School, and others that will provide us the challenges we need to progress on the mats. Senior Maddie Birkenmeier and Junior Christian McCline have earned Team Captain spots and are leaders on the mat. A majority of the team are Freshman and are expected to step into varsity rolls once the dual season starts. The Lancers bring a positive attitude and work extremely hard in practice. The goal of this season is to develop, compete, and learn the sport. We know there are no easy wins on the schedule, but the team is excited and ready for competition to begin. The Wrestling Lancers are coached by RJ Eberhart '97 and Gary Oxford.



From the President

With the Christmas season upon us, we must remember to take time to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It is also a time to spend with our loved ones, pray for the distant ones and reflect on the many blessings from God.

For me personally, January 1 is a special time for me to be thankful. This date will mark my fourth year as president of St. Pius X High School. I am so humbly honored to have been given the opportunity to serve such a dedicated, caring and extraordinary community. As all alumni know, St. Pius X High School is truly something special that needs to be shared.

As I reflect on the last four years, we've not only continued to provide an exceptional education, we also managed to make many improvements while being good stewards of our resources.

AD Office Build/Move
Annex Chiller Upgrade
Annex Lower Level Redesign
Annex Main Level Update
Art Room Renovation
Band/Choir Storage Update
Baseball Backstop/Dugouts/Field
BBQ/Social Area

Outdoor Classroom
Parking Lot Striping
Robotics/Industrial Arts Room
School Boilers
Server/IT Room
Soccer Field and Sprinkler
Soccer Press Box/Storage
Softball Field Hillside/Landscaping

Boys Locker Room Update
Cameras/Electronic Doors
College Area Refresh
Equipment Storage Area
Football Field Grass/Second Clocks
Front Office Redesign
Girls Locker Room Update
Gym Refresh
HVAC Gym
Library Update
Maintenance Area Refresh

Softball Field Soil
Tennis Courts Repair/Paint/Nets
Tennis/Softball Pavilion Landscaping
Trainer Room
Visitor Locker Room Created
Water Filling Stations
Wellness Center
Wellness Center Mezzanine
Wheelchair Lift
Wrestling/Cheer Area

As we look to the future, we fully embrace the mission of balancing funding with the need to update St. Pius X High School – academically, spiritually, and physically. We are currently at the early stages of expanding our campus to include a 4 acre tract of land that sits directly in front of the school. This property is sandwiched between St. Pius Drive and 61/67. God willing, this property will be developed into a soccer/lacrosse field. The current asking price is \$1.2M and we have approximately \$400k committed towards the goal.

Future plans will most likely include remodeling the chapel, creating a student service center, new parking lot, stadium field reconfiguration with a track, new gym and a performing arts center. As always, we will continue to stay focused on our primary mission...providing extraordinary Catholic education to all that seek it at St. Pius X High School.

Thank you for your continued support and please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Yours in Christ,

Jim Lehn
President
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Upcoming Events

St. Pius X Legacy Gala



Restore

ALL THINGS IN CHRIST

Save the Date

Legacy Gala Dinner Auction

Saturday, April 2, 2022
1030 St. Pius Drive Festus, MO 63028

Past Events

Taytro's Night

The 1st ever Night Before Thanksgiving Alumni Catch Up was held at Taytro's Restaurant in Festus. It was a fun time catching up with past classmates and meeting other alumni. Please consider joining us next year.



Alumni Soccer Game

The Alumni soccer game was held on November 27, 2021. Over 30 alumni men and women soccer players came out for the game and chili potluck. If you missed it this year we would love to see you next year on November 26, 2022.



Alumni Softball Game

The alumni softball game was held in September on the Barb Charboneau Softball Field. The girls that attended had a lot of fun and laughs. Please consider joining us next year. Details will be posted on our Alumni Facebook page.



Alumni Volleyball Game

The Alumni volleyball game was held in October. The girls who attended enjoyed seeing each other and hitting the ball around. Be on the lookout for this event next year.

Please visit the St. Pius X Alumni Facebook page to see upcoming events and stay connected with St. Pius X and other alumni. All Alumni events will be posted here and in future newsletters with details.

Past Reunions 1971, 1991 & 2001 Held on Campus

St. Pius X was the venue for three reunions this past fall. The Class of 1971 held their 50 year reunion on campus starting with an outdoor mass in our new outdoor classroom and a catered buffet dinner in the cafeteria. The Class of 2001 held their reunion during the Homecoming Football Game in the outdoor classroom with drinks and appetizers. The Class of 1991 held their 30th dinner reunion in the cafeteria with a tour of the school. St. Pius X is a beautiful location for your next class reunion. Various options are available. Please contact us at (636) 931-7487 ext. 106 or alumni@stpius.com

New Staff Member

Meet Fred Huff our newest staff member. He will be on the maintenance staff and will be a huge asset in keeping St. Pius X looking good!

Class Representatives

If you would be interested in becoming a Class Representative or part of the Alumni Association, please contact Peggy Flanagan '91, Alumni Relations Coordinator, pflanagan@stpius.com,.

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