

Holy Redeemer High School



**Lainey
Conway**

WILKES-BARRE — Holy Redeemer High School was the first Diocesan secondary school to hold spring commencement exercises when graduation ceremonies were staged on May 29 at the F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts in Wilkes-Barre.

A total of 104 Holy Redeemer seniors, led by Principal Cody Opalka, were conferred their diplomas by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also addressed the graduates and offered benediction.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 28 at Saint Nicholas Church, Wilkes-Barre, by Father Philbert Takyi-Nketiah, school chaplain, and numerous concelebrative priests.

The 2024 Holy Redeemer class valedictorian is Lainey Conway, daughter of Joseph and Stacy Conway of Mountain Top. Earning salutatorian honors was Jorden Lech, son of James and Joell Lech, who reside in Larksville.

Of the total number of graduates, 101 will be enrolling in colleges or universities to further their education, including 39 who will be attending Catholic institutions of higher learning. The 2024 Holy Redeemer senior class merited a total of 664 scholarship awards worth \$39 million.



**Jorden
Lech**

“Our class has learned that the only constant in this life is change, and our reaction to it. Appreciating what we have in the present is one key to happiness and success. I challenge you to never forget the importance of real human connection.

Foster relationships with those around you, help others when they need it, and do not be afraid to ask for help in return.”

“While tonight marks the end of one chapter in our lives, it also marks the beginning of another new and exciting chapter — a chapter that will be filled with new challenges and new opportunities. Wherever we may go, our faith-based education at Holy Redeemer has prepared us for any challenge we may face, as we do all things through Christ.”

— Jorden Lech
 Salutatory Address excerpt



— Lainey Conway
 Valedictory Address
 excerpt

Saint John Neumann Regional Academy



**Emma
Gallew**

WILLIAMSPORT — Graduation ceremonies were conducted for the Saint John Neumann Regional Academy Class of 2024 on May 30 in the George S. Klump Center at the Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport.

Saint John Neumann Principal Alisia McNamee presided over the presentation of diplomas to the 16 members of this year’s graduating class, which were conferred by Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also offered remarks and the closing benediction.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 28 at Saint Joseph the Worker Parish, Williamsport, where Father Bert Kozen, school chaplain, served as principal celebrant and homilist.

This year’s Saint John Neumann valedictorian is Emma Gallew, daughter of Steven and Pamela Gallew, residents of South Williamsport. Salutatorian honors were bestowed upon Elizabeth Weller, daughter of Kevin and Julia Weller of Woolrich.

Fifteen members of the senior class will be pursuing further education on the university/college level, including four graduates who plan to attend Catholic institutions of higher learning. As a class, the Saint John Neumann seniors amassed 10 academic scholarships worth more than \$940,000.



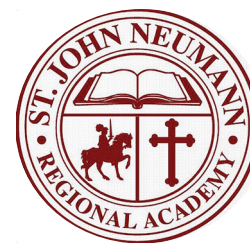
**Elizabeth
Weller**

“I encourage you all to not see this coming change as a bad thing, but instead, to see it as an opportunity to make new friends and improve on yourself. And remember, if you make a mistake, don’t dwell on it, because there’s no progress without mistakes.

To the underclassmen ... enjoy each moment you have because you might miss out on important memories if you don’t.”

“Whether you’re going into college, the work force, the military, or even taking a gap year, we all have a future. Nobody knows what the future holds for them. All we can do is give it our all and believe in ourselves. It’s not about where we end up, it’s about the memories and experiences we make along the way.”

— Emma Gallew
 Valedictory Address
 excerpt



— Elizabeth Weller
 Salutatory Address
 excerpt

224

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

\$64 million

Graduates merited more than 1,140 scholarships, cumulatively earning this much toward their future schooling.

95%

The percentage of seniors who will continue their education in college. More than 70 graduates will attend Catholic institutions of learning.

Holy Cross High School



Benjamin Mulvey

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

Graduation ceremonies for the 69 members of the 2024 Holy Cross senior class were held on May 31, led by school Principal Benjamin D. Tolerico.

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

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 30 at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton, with Father Cyril D. Edwards, school chaplain, serving as principal celebrant and homilist.

The 2024 Holy Cross valedictorian is Benjamin Mulvey, son of Mark and Christine Mulvey of Mayfield. Class salutatorian is Lillie Kochis, daughter of Steve and Meghan Kochis of Dunmore.

Nearly 96 percent of the Holy Cross graduating class will be attending institutions of higher learning, with 25 graduates planning to enroll at Catholic colleges or universities. As a whole, the class earned 402 post-secondary scholarship awards totaling more than \$19 million.

“Each and every one of you has a story. For the Class of 2024, you too have finished a chapter of your story. I challenge you to improve yourself every single day. Don’t start when you begin your next endeavor, whether that be college or the work force or the military. Start now. I promise you there is nothing stopping you once you walk out those doors.”

“To my classmates, the Class of 2024: join me in ‘praying for the strength’ to go forth out of this auditorium and pour ourselves out to others, using all we have been taught at Holy Cross High School. Remember, your journey begins with a ‘leap of faith’ and it will continue to circle back to faith.”

— Lillie Kochis, Salutatory Address excerpt



— Benjamin Mulvey, Valedictory Address excerpt



Lillie Kochis

Notre Dame High School



Joseph Nguyen

EAST STROUDSBURG — Commencement exercises were held June 1 for Notre Dame High School, during which 35 graduates received their diplomas from Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, who also offered the principal address and closing benediction.

The high school theater set the stage for the graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2024 at Notre Dame, led by school Principal Bryan Scotton.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated May 28 in the school’s theater by Father Brian J.T. Clarke, chaplain of Notre Dame High School.

This year’s Notre Dame graduating class hailed a trio of valedictorians: Joseph Nguyen, son of John Nguyen and Khanh-Du Le of Tannersville; Misail Papadopoulos, son of Alexander and Katerina Papadopoulos, Stroudsburg; and Isabella Siciliano, daughter of Nicholas and Jeanmarie Siciliano, East Stroudsburg.

Of the 2024 Notre Dame senior class, 32 graduates will continue their education at the university/college level, including four students who will be attending Catholic institutions of higher learning. The class received a total of 66 scholarship awards valued at nearly \$5 million.

“Whenever you make a decision, think: Who am I? Think of what a person you have become, and think: What would this person do? Hopefully, it is something good, something beautiful that draws on the joy and gratitude you have felt in your life.”

“Living in the present is not easy ... especially like having to prepare and worry about our futures. I take my memories of living in the present with me, and I encourage everyone here today to live in the present a little more because we only have one life and limited time here.”

— Misail Papadopoulos, Valedictory Address excerpt

“I will admit I am still not ready to bid you all farewell, but I trust that just because we are journeying into new beginnings that doesn’t mean that we will forget the people we were in high school and leave behind all the memories that we made.”

— Isabella Siciliano, Valedictory Address excerpt



— Joseph Nguyen Valedictory Address excerpt

Misail Papadopoulos



Isabella Siciliano

Congratulations Catholic High School Graduates!

Class of 2024



HOLY CROSS

Brandon Christopher Art
 Connor Christopher Art
 Isabella Violet Lois Ann Bagnuolo
 Anna Elizabeth Bebla
 Brooke Maria Bilski
 Hailey Bittencourt
 Nicholas Patrick Borgia
 Ryan Thomas Boyce
 Lily Butler
 Eva Marie Carachilo
 Grazia Maria Cerminaro
 Melissa Commadario
 Liam Anthony Connor
 Francesco Cutrona, Jr.
 Hannah Elizabeth D'Annunzio
 Gracie Ann Ealo
 Abigail Lynn Ednock
 Rachel Ann Fay
 Nikauri Fernandez
 Ryan Christopher Georgetti
 Luke Patrick Healey
 Journey MinShu Horeis
 David Owen Huester
 Gillian Kelly Idhaw
 Caroline Elizabeth Kennedy
 Partik Khadka
 Lillie Kochis †
 Joseph Cosmo Lalli, Jr.

Mia Rose Lameo
 Rosanna Marie Leach
 Genavieve Luciani
 Cecilia Anne Matatics
 Giavanna Elizabeth Matrone
 Mia Isabelle Mills
 Zachary Scott Minich
 Aubrey Priscilla Moase
 Lexi Ann Moncinelli
 Angelena Theresa Montefour



Thomas Moran
 Luke Xavier Mozeleski
 Benjamin Robert Mulvey *
 Madolyn L. Murphy
 Julia Norella
 Charles P. O'Malley
 Scott Ohmnacht, Jr.
 Alyssa Pajalich
 Brooke Anne Pawelski
 Garek Joseph Petraitis
 Christopher Jason Petrucci
 Everly Skye Prostka
 Alyssa Marie Resio
 Stephanie Ann Richter

* Valedictorians

Jenna Anne Robertson
 Sam J. Rosetti
 Alison Ross
 Anthony Salina
 Emma Faith Scalese
 Mia Grace Catherine Scalese
 Brayden Joseph Sherry
 Alexander Jacob Stabinski
 Evan Matthew Stabinski
 Alexander David Strausser
 Lena Sylvain

† Salutatorians

HOLY REDEEMER

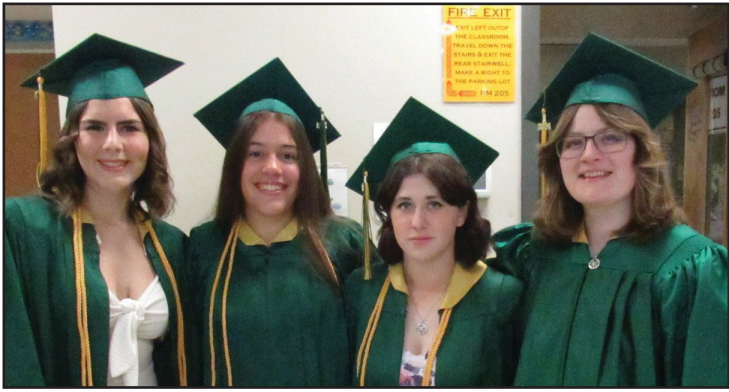
Konner John Achuff
 Marie Geneva Bañares Adajar
 Marie Prudence Bañares Adajar
 Kyle Robert Antinnes
 Bailee Ann Atcavage
 Mark James Atherton
 Kaden Albert Ayre
 Bianca Marie Barrager
 Francesca Delaine Basalyga
 Olivia Kathryn Bilbow
 Kassidy Teagan Birmer
 Owen Joseph Boshek
 William Edward Brady
 Aaliyah McKenna Brennan
 Payton Marie Brown
 Addison Grace Burick
 Richard Joseph Carey
 Michael Martin Casey
 Shane Jerome Cegelka
 Avery Grace Chepolis
 Nathan Scott Coates
 Ava Conrad
 Jacob Michael Considine
 Nicholas Michael Considine
 Lainey Ann Conway *
 Angelina Marie Corridoni
 Patrick John Paul Cosgrove
 Alyssa Paige Daubert



Ava Lily Deiter
 Julia Marie Desciak
 Michael John Dubaskas
 Christopher Connor Durko
 Alyssa Lauren Evans
 Jaden James Exter
 Ella Valeria Fenstermacher
 Max Spencer Filchak



Vanessa Elizabeth Flaherty
 Alex Frusciant
 Ryan Day Garvin
 Alanna Christina Gilchrist
 Carly Rebecca Glaser
 Genesis Gomez
 Isabella Maria Granteed
 Molly Grove
 Kaylee Raye Gryboski
 Anya Katherine Grzesek
 Luke S. Hajkowski
 Alex Hanson
 Jude Samuel Harfoush
 Luke Hendrzak
 Michaela Kay Irwin
 Hannah Grace Jones
 Lukas Bernard Ivan Kachinko
 Theresa Gabrielle Khoudary
 Emilia Rose Kindler
 Luke Vincent Kopec
 Emily Mackenzie Krevey
 Talia Sage Lasota
 Olivia Edith Latoski
 Liam Anthony Lazecki
 Jorden James Lech †



Alyson Marie Lenker
James Charles Locke
Lauren Olivia Lokuta
Prem A. Majamundar
Gabriella Elizabeth Marosevitch
Alexander Matthew Martin
Yovanny Eliezer Martiñez
Delbert John McDermott IV
Aiden H. McDonald
Abigail Rose Miller
Marissa Rose Miller
Anthony James Nazario
An Lac Hoa Nguyen
Jessica Nguyen
Nicholas Nguyen

Jacob George Ohrin
Kody Alexander Olejnik
Brooke Eryn Marie Plucas
Yuannis Alexander Polemitis
Joshua Thomas Prebola
Brian Jordan Puscavage
Lucie Jeanne Currie Racicky
Maleea Kaycee Rembish
Stephen James Renfer
Johnathan Rocha
Noah Jeremy Rokosz
Alexis Carol Romanowski
George Joseph Sabatini
Janelle Elizabeth Sando
Jack Anthony Scavo
Zoe Elizabeth Sechler
Aloysius M. Sennett
Vera Lynn Shaver
Brandon Cyril Shay
David Stochla
Donato Albert Strish
Stephanie Grace Ulitchney
Bianna Marie Van Why
Ivan Matthew Vnuk

Shayla Vo
Tyler Thomas Vodzak
Nicole Allyson Yencha
Amanda Irene Zemetro

NOTRE DAME

Siya Manish Amin
Abigail Frances Anderson
Phoebe Bioh
Dominick Colucci Bojko
Emily M. Brown
Alyze Marie Cappabianca-Sanchez
Jonathan G. Colon
Ryan Patrick Carroll Cosgrove
Samantha Marie DeFabo



Elliz De La Cruz
Alexander Joseph DiDuca
Romeo James Balgoa Dorosz
Finn Feeney
Olivier Samuel Fils-Aime
Jayden Jamal Freeman
Grace A. Godette
Adam Barnabas Gott

Ian Nathan Hale
Vane B. Henderson, Jr
Autumn Jean Kishel
Daton Noel Lorenzo
Douglas Gordon Mackenzie III
Aliciana Star Mendez
Joseph Van Nguyen *
Misail Christos Papadopoulos *
Angel Gabriel Pincay
Paige Ryan Pugh-Weiss
Christopher John Rinaldi
Isabella Grace Siciliano *
Xavier Zavion Spears
Sean Patrick Thompson
Julia Evelyn Traino
Natalie Anna Van de Loecht
Mary Christina Warnagiris
Riley Ellen Wurz

ST. JOHN NEUMANN

Gabriel Cendoma
Jordan Cioffi
Malachi Coleman



Adelyn Dawes
Emma Gallew *
Joshua Hamilton
Layla Harris
Saniye Loyd
India Moss
Tyrick Moy
Giyannah Parlante
Yuvika Porob
Jozef Savage
Aden Smith
Aidan Vogt
Elizabeth Weller †



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Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Award

The Diocese of Scranton Catholic Schools Office recognizes these Seton Award recipients. The Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Award is recognition of 8th grade students who are enrolled in one of our Catholic high schools for the 2024-25 school year and exemplify the traits of Saint Seton: devoutness to faith, compassion, and desire to help others. This award is also given to students in 5th Grade at St. John Neumann Elementary School, and students in 6th Grade at Notre Dame Elementary, Epiphany and St. Agnes Schools, who meet criteria determined by their principal. Families of these individuals are commended for their commitment to Catholic education, and the students are congratulated for this distinguished honor. For these students and for all young people in our Catholic schools, Catholic education impacts their formation by incorporating a strong emphasis on the spiritual that is evident in all components of the learning process. Our vision for these students is to provide them an educational experience that promotes a lifelong learning in the faith, and one that prepared them to be responsible, competent, and confident persons as citizens of our country and world. In addition, our schools are dedicated to providing a loving, safe and nurturing environment where the young learn respect for themselves and for all persons.



Ava Nitch
All Saints Academy



Jane Walsh
La Salle Academy



Raymond Mozdian
Our Lady of Peace School



Mila Santiago
St. Agnes School



Charles Marx
St. Clare/St. Paul School



Chase Liska
Good Shepherd Academy



Brody Altier
All Saints Academy



Joseph Yusinski
La Salle Academy



Christian Novak
Our Lady of Peace School



Tyler Kohut
St. Clare/St. Paul School



Michael Biagi
St. Mary of Mount Carmel School



Connor Makarewicz
Good Shepherd Academy



Agonza Mwesige
Epiphany School



Magdalyn Lipko
Our Lady of Peace School



Mary Kathleen Cullen
St. Agnes School



Aiden Kreidler
St. Clare/St. Paul School



Maria Terescavage
St. Mary of Mount Carmel School



Robert Mullery
Good Shepherd Academy



Nicolo Martin Rossettie-Cabrera
Epiphany School



Natalia Matrone
Our Lady of Peace School



Alexander Johnson
St. Agnes School



Kiara Lynn
St. Clare/St. Paul School

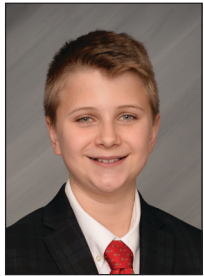


Liam Tamkus
Good Shepherd Academy



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

Faith, Hope and Love.



Collin Yurkanin
Holy Family Academy



Emma Williams
Holy Family Academy



Elizabeth Rich
Holy Rosary School



Jonathan Fitzmaurice
Holy Rosary School



Clare Grandzol
St. Jude School



Luke Gordon
St. Jude School



Maxwell Reynolds
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Emily Werner
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



Megan Ohrin
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



William Moller
St. Nicholas/St. Mary School



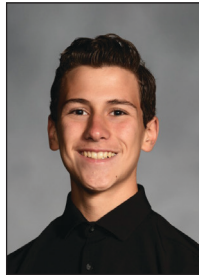
Emily Cunningham
Wyoming Area Catholic School



Ethan Matechak
Wyoming Area Catholic School



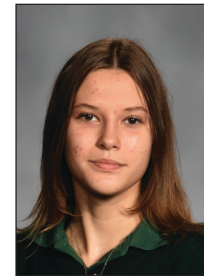
Jedidiah Bioh
Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Raymond Full
Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Rey Pomaquiza-Morocho
Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Liana Romanowska
Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School



Susan Hunter
Notre Dame Elementary School



Caitlin Nappa
Notre Dame Elementary School



Legend Dillard
St. John Neumann Jr./Sr. High School



Karrah Bair
St. John Neumann Jr./Sr. High School



Madelyn Steele
St. John Neumann Elementary School



Topanga Conrad
St. John Neumann Elementary School