



# CRUSADERNEWS

NEWS FROM BERGEN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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## A Recap of November 2023 at Bergen Catholic



The following are some notable news and events from November 2023:

### **Bergen Catholic Football Completes Crusade for a Three-Peat**

Congratulations to the Bergen Catholic Crusader football program on winning their 2023 Non-Public A state championship, following a thrilling (24-14) win over Delbarton on a cold Tuesday evening at MetLife Stadium on November 28th.

The Crusaders won their third consecutive state title, the first time accomplishing that feat since (1991-1993), and brought home the 20th football state championship in school history back to Oradell.

Congrats to head coach Vito Campanile, his entire coaching staff, all the BC student-athletes, and our entire BC Brotherhood who share in this championship season. Deus Vult!

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### **BC Students Take Immersion Service Trip to Brownsville, TX**



BC students traveled to Brownsville, TX from November 4th-11th for a service immersion trip where they worked with fellow Edmund Rice Christian Brothers schools to help the needy and were educated on the challenges posed by immigration at the Southern border.

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### **Crusaders Give Back to Provide Thanksgiving for the Needy**

Members of the ***Crusaders for Christian Action*** club ran a Thanksgiving Food Drive and donated their bus-full collection of food to the Center for Food Action in Mahwah, NJ.

BC senior **Jack Tenaglia** & junior **Tommy Hunt** also got into the giving spirit and helped deliver 500 turkeys and 500 side dishes to various food

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pantries in the area to help provide Thanksgiving meals for those less fortunate.



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### ***Crusader Crazies* Raise Donations to Honor Kyle Egan '20**

The Bergen Catholic *Crusader Crazies* cheering section created customized orange t-shirts prior to the football team's state semifinal playoff game on November 18th to honor the memory of **Kyle Egan '20** and to raise awareness and money to combat leukemia.

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### **BC Crusaders Do Their Part for Veterans & Active Military**



Bergen Catholic's **Ryan & Tristan Ruffino** raised over \$2,000 for *Wreaths Across America*, a non-profit who helps place wreaths at the graves of veterans across the country, and planted flags on the BC campus for Veteran's Day.

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BC's **Trey Rolnick** founded *Operation Santa: Sam's Soldiers* as a non-profit meant to put together care packages for our military serving abroad during the holidays. This year he has already raised over \$2,300 in one day from a school-wide dress down day, rallying his peers to his cause for others.

For more info to help support *Operation Santa: Sam's Soldiers* please visit:

<https://gofund.me/01a37e75>



### **BC Students Raise Over \$43,000 in *Sleep Out* Event**

More than 200 Bergen Catholic students participated in the annual *Sleep Out* event to raise money and awareness for Covenant House, a shelter for kids experiencing homelessness and trafficking.

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### **BC Medical Club Runs November Blood Drive**

Thank you to all the members of our Bergen Catholic Brotherhood that participated in a November Blood Drive on November 13th, sponsored by the BC Medical Club in the school library.



### **Class of 2027 Experience First Freshmen Retreats**

The Bergen Catholic Class of 2027 began to experience their first school retreats run by the Bergen Catholic Campus Ministry office in early November, as these Crusaders came together for a day of reflection, prayer, meditation, and team-building while at The Church of St. Anne in Fair Lawn.

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### **Living Legends Return to Crusader Country**

Bergen Catholic was honored to welcome back some living legends of Crusader history to Oradell for their annual Thanksgiving and Retirees Breakfast and school Mass on Tuesday, November 21st.

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### **BC Soccer Produces Championship Double**

Both the Bergen Catholic JV and Freshman soccer teams won Bergen County championships this November, as the JV squad knocked off Don Bosco Prep (2-1) at Jack McGovern Field, and the freshman team capped off an undefeated (26-0) season with a (4-1) win over Ramapo in the county final!

The Crusader varsity soccer team finished a great season ranked #6 in the state.

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### **Seven BC Student-Athletes Honored at November Commitment Day**

The Crusader student-athletes who were honored included:

**Parker Day** (Bucknell lacrosse), **Ryan Ford** (Rutgers wrestling), **Doyee Kim** (Army West Point Swimming), **Joe Lee** (Lafayette Soccer), **Ryan Marchina** (Mount Saint Mary's Baseball), **Chris Nucifora** (Bucknell Wrestling) & **Cosimo Tristani** (Fordham Soccer).

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### **Thanks for Supporting the 2023 Crusader Gala!**

Thank you to everyone who attended or supported the 2023 Crusader Gala! It was a terrific night of entertainment provided by our incredibly talented Masked Singers, and was all for a great cause to support the Bergen Catholic Student Tuition Assistance Fund, making a Bergen Catholic education possible for future Crusaders!



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