

BERGEN CATHOLIC WRESTLING 2023-2024

STATE CHAMPIONS

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STATE RANKED TEAMS MEET FOR FIRST TIME



VS



**#11 ST. JOHN VIANNEY
LANCERS (3-0)**

**#10 BERGEN CATHOLIC
CRUSADERS (2-3, 2-1)**

Friday, January 12, 2024 – 7 pm @ Hoehl Gymnasium

Video Broadcast: <https://locallive.tv/bergenatholic>

CRUSADERS 2023-24 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Date	TIME	H/A/N	Opponent	State	BC	Opp
16-17-Dec	TBA	N	Beast of the East	DE		
17-Dec	8:30 AM	A	JV Championships	NJ		
20-Dec	5:00 PM	A	Hackensack	NJ	84	0
27-28-Dec	TBA	N	Sam Cali Tournament	NJ		
28-Dec	9:00 AM	A	JV Championships	NJ		
29-Dec	7:00 PM	N	Powerade Tournament	PA		
30-Dec	7:00 PM	N	Powerade Tournament	PA		
3-Jan	6:30 PM	A	St. Peter's Prep	NJ	13	52
6-Jan	10:00 AM	H	Camden Catholic	NJ	33	38
6-Jan	2:00 PM	H	Paramus Catholic ^{BNC}	NJ	30	40
10-Jan	7:00 PM	H	DePaul Catholic ^{BNC}	NJ	61	16
12-Jan	7:00 PM	H	St. John Vianney	NJ		
14-Jan	7:30 AM	A	JV Championships	NJ		
15-Jan	7:30 AM	A	JV Championships	NJ		
15-Jan	11:00 AM	H	St. Benedict's Prep	NJ		
15-Jan	12:30 PM	H	Pope John XXIII	NJ		
15-Jan	2:00 PM	H	St. Augustine Prep	NJ		
19-Jan	7:00 PM	A	Don Bosco Prep ^{BNC}	NJ		
20-Jan	TBA	N	BCCA Tournament	NJ		
21-Jan	TBA	N	BCCA Tournament	NJ		
24-Jan	7:00 PM	H	Passaic County Tech	NJ		
26-Jan	7:00 PM	A	St. Joseph Regional ^{BNC}	NJ		
6-Feb	TBA	TBA	Team States Rounds 1-2	NJ		
8 - Feb	TBA	TBA	North Section Team Final	NJ		
11 - Feb	TBA	TBA	Team State Final	NJ		
17-Feb	TBA	H	District Championship	NJ		
23, 24-Feb	TBA	N	Regional Championship	NJ		
2/29-3/2	TBA	N	Indi States	NJ		

TONIGHT'S MATCH-UP

St. John Vianney and Bergen Catholic will meet for the first time ever on the wrestling mat this evening. On paper, it seems a perfect matchup with two teams, ranked #11 and #10 toeing the line. Both teams have state and nationally ranked wrestlers, so fans, this night was made for you. SJV is hoping to remain undefeated. BC wants to get back to .500. Tonight, we have a chance to see who will be more determined.

CRUSADERS: After a difficult start to the new year, BC got on the winning side of things in Wednesday's Big North Conference victory over DePaul Catholic. Tonight, watch for Ryan Ford, nationally ranked #17 at 157 lbs. and the 29th ranked wrestler in New Jersey leading the Crusaders on the mat. 285-pounder Ben Shue is the second of BC's state-ranked wrestlers. He is #32 among NJ's top 50.

LANCERS: For SJV, Anthony Knox is ranked #1 or #3 Nationally at 126 lbs. He kicks off a loaded lightweight group on the mat. Knox is also the #1 Top 50 wrestler in NJ and following him are NJ #3 Pat O'Keeffe (132) and #48 Jake Zaltsman (138).

BC Head Coach: Dominic Santoli '00

1st Season

1 District Title

Athletic Trainers: Mike VanKoppen & Dominic Barbarullo

BERGEN CATHOLIC ADMINISTRATION

President.....**Dr. Brian Mahoney**
Principal.....**Mr. Timothy McElhinney**
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DISTRICT CHAMPS: 1982, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 2000, 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23

BERGEN CATHOLIC Coach: Dom Santoli	POTENTIAL MATCHUPS WEIGHT CLASS	ST. JOHN VIANNEY Coach: Chris Notte
Tommy Pflugging-Howes	106	Julian Zargo Riley Correal
Frank Patti	113	Zachary Zaltsman
Chris Nucifora	120	Matthew Gould
Brian Melamud Nick Onello	126	Anthony Knox
Chad Sadaka	132	Patrick O'Keeffe
Noah Kochman	138	Jake Zaltsman
Joseph Barbaro Daniel Washburn	144	Desmond Lenaghan
Jayden Iznaga	150	Ryan Garvish Christopher Pohl
Ryan Ford	157	John Saraiva
Logan Cantone	165	Cole Stangle
Peter Stathis	175	Daniel Breen
Leo Varga Alexander Kavallieratos	190	Jacob Feinstein
Mason Marck	215	Luca Minardo Jake Mandarino
Benjamin Shue Mac Fitzgerald	285	Ryan Buchanan

This Day in Crusader Wrestling

JANUARY 12, 2019

BIG WIN AT BEAT THE STREETS VS. MONTINI CATHOLIC

OAK PARK, IL – A year after suffering a 32-30 defeat at the hands of the Broncos in 2018, the Crusaders more than took care of business in 2019.

It was a nice weight lifted from Bergen's shoulders as the match the year before at Beat the Streets Chicago cost BC the unanimous National Championship among all media sources. Following the match, BC shared their national title with Blair Academy, a team they defeated for the first time in school history, earlier that January.

BERGEN CATHOLIC 43 – MONTINI CATH. (IL) 18

182 – Christopher Foca — W Tech Fall (15-0) 3:14; **195** – Jacob Cardenas – L Dec 3-1; **220** – Gabe Mendez — W Pin 2:44; **285** – John High — W Forfeit; **106** - Joseph Cangro — W Dec 4-0; **113** – Nick Kayal — W Maj Dec 9-0; **120** – Dylan Cedeno (BC) — Dec 12-5; **126** – Robert Howard — W Maj Dec 10-2; **132** – Luke DiGiovanni – L Dec 5-0; **138** – Nate Camiscoli — W Pin 5:06; **145** – Alex Strashinsky L – TF (22-7) 5:49; **152** – Wade Unger – L Sudden Victory 3-1; **160** – Adrian Pietri – L Maj Dec 12-3; **170** – John Fiore - W Forfeit.

CRUSADER WRESTLING ON THIS DATE

First Match, 1977; First Win 1980 Overall Record 13-2 (.867)

Current Streak: BC 3 Wins dating back to 2019

YR	RES	HAN	OPP	ST	BC	OPP
1977	L	A	Bergenfield	NJ	0	59
1980	W	A	Montclair	NJ	37	18
1990	W	H	Clifton	NJ	44	20
1991	W	H	Paterson Eastside	NJ	49	20
2000	W	A	St. Joseph Regional	NJ	46	34
2008	W	H	Mendham	NJ	38	26
2008	W	H	Vestavia Hills	AL	37	33
2008	W	H	Oxford	PA	58	11
2013	W	A	Brick Memorial	NJ	38	29
2013	W	H	Toms River South	NJ	41	15
2013	W	A	Jefferson Township	NJ	61	3
2019	L	A	Lake Highland	FL	29	39
2019	W	N	Montini Catholic	IL	43	18
2019	W	N	Oak Park River Forest	IL	38	24
2022	W	H	DePaul Catholic	NJ	72	0