

Wishing You and Yours

A Happy New Year!

St. Bernard Happenings

St. Bernard Preparatory School

Winter 2018 

Easing into 2019

With a new year ahead, the St. Bernard Community wishes all of our alumni, students, families and friends the happiest of holiday seasons!

The year of 2018 brought many blessings, challenges and memories to St. Bernard Abbey and Prep School. The monks celebrated the arrival of 5 men into the postulancy to test their vocation to the monastic life. Three men who entered the postulancy in 2017 became novices in 2018; and one monk was ordained to the priesthood. We look forward to the coming year 2019 and how the work of God will unfold at St. Bernard, including the election of an abbot.

The school continues to celebrate academic and athletic achievements; and has experienced many cultural experiences throughout the semester which included a trip to the Alabama Shakespeare Festival in Montgomery (see photo on page 3); as well as the Trans-Siberian Orchestra's perfor-

mance in Birmingham, Alabama. While these trips were outstanding, the students and the fine arts department spread holiday cheer of their own at Lowe's with a performance from the Jazz Band; as well as the St. Bernard Prep Choir Christmas concert at the packed Abbey Byre.

Looking ahead to 2019, a top priority is to increase the enrollment of students in our school. Many parents think private school is unaffordable, they never apply. Our message to them is that St. Bernard is a wonderful investment, and while we are not free we would like to offer our quality program to all children who have the academic ability and are prepared to take on the responsibility that is a part of a good education.

Our school is challenging. Boarding students are quick to discover that the two-hour study hall is a much needed
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Jazz Band Entertains at Lowes

Pictured (l-r): Director, Ken Simpson, TJ Uhler, Lauren Agnello, David DeJesus, Macy Whaley, Jackelyn Arteaga, Caleb Norman, and Sara Barck.

St. Bernard Clairvaux Society has annual meeting

Members of the St. Bernard Clairvaux Society held their annual meeting on Saturday, November 14, 2018 on the campus of St. Bernard Abbey and School. Society members are invited annually to attend the annual dinner

for induction of new members who have joined the group during the previous year. This annual meeting gives the St. Bernard community the opportunity to appropriately honor and thank the members of the Society for their philanthropy and generosity to St. Bernard through their planned gifts.

The evening began with members joining the Benedictine community to celebrate the Eucharist in the Abbey Church with Abbot Cletus Meagher serving as main celebrant. At the conclusion of the Mass, the group gather in the St. Bernard Byre for a festive dinner and ceremonies honoring those who were newly inducted.

Ann G. Fitzgerald, the sister of Fr. Linus Klucsarits, O.S.B., and USN Captain (Ret.) Gene Gasser and his wife, June, were this year's newest additions to the society. During the ceremonies, Abbot Cletus Meagher spoke to the group and thanked them for their generosity. "I want to thank you for your generous contribution to the Planned Giving Program of Saint Bernard Abbey and Preparatory School. Your

generosity and dedication provide the foundation for the future of Saint Bernard and the many generations of Bernardians to come."

The St. Bernard Clairvaux Society Foundation is one of the most prestigious organizations of St. Bernard Abbey and St. Bernard Preparatory School. Established in 2010, the Clairvaux Society pays tribute to our donors who remember St. Bernard through wills, planned gifts and estate plans.

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The Society is managed by Fr. Marcus Voss, the Director of Development for St. Bernard Abbey and School. Individuals or organizations that wish to become members are asked to contact him at frmarcus@stbernard-prep.com or at 1600 St. Bernard Drive SE, Cullman, AL 35055.



Clairvaux Society Members

Seated (l-r): Nancy Natter, Susan Natter, Martha Ann Warnke, and Abbot Cletus Meagher, OSB. Standing (l-r): Carolyn Eck, Michael Menk, Admiral Jack Natter, Mike Natter, Fr. Michael Bausch, Ann Fitzgerald, Rosemary Malinowski, Carol Rooney, Bill Malinowski, Cathy Rymer, Bill Fiorintino, Chris Rooney, and Don Meagher.

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Seniors honored at Dedication Mass

Students at St. Bernard joined with families, faculty and staff to honor the twenty-nine seniors of the Class of 2019 in a special Senior Dedication Mass on Wednesday, October 3, 2018.

Abbot Cletus Meagher provided the homily for the service and encouraged students to not only rely on the wonderful education they are receiving at St. Bernard, but also cherish the gift of faith they have received.

"Knowledge without virtue is an empty promise," he said. "Always seek the good, which combines knowledge and virtue. Never fear to ask yourself the question, 'To what am I dedicating myself and what am I looking for?'"

He reminded the students, "Life is not simply about knowledge and education – it's about the wisdom of the Cross and the connection between what is learned and the knowledge of seeing the truth in God."

"Being at St. Bernard means that you accept responsibility for and dedicate yourselves to the principles of the Christian faith upon which we are founded," Abbot Cletus continued.

As a sign of that dedication, each senior received a Benedictine Cross, and Abbot Cletus explained its symbolism. "The image of the crucified Christ is presented to remind one of the price of true wisdom and

love. If one is truly wise, he or she will learn that life is lived to the fullest in dying to oneself and coming alive to the needs of others."

Abbot Cletus continued his explanation, "On the medal are a number of abbreviations as well as an image of St. Benedict. On one side are the letters C S P B, which stand for "Crux Sancti Patris Benedicti" (The Cross of our Holy Father Benedict). Vertically on the cross are the letters C.S.S.M.L., which stand for "Crux Sacra Sit Mihi Lux" (May the holy cross be my light!); and horizontally are the letters N.D.S.M.D. for "Numquam draco sit mihi dux" (May the dragon never be my guide!)." Abbot Cletus finished by saying, "Take these words to heart as you wear this medal over your heart."

Following the homily, the faculty and staff joined the seniors and stood with them as a sign of their support. The presence of the faculty and staff indicated their concurrence with the decision of Fr. Joel Martin, President, and Fr. Linus Kluscarits, Headmaster, that the seniors should be recognized. The Senior Class then received a blessing in recognition of the roles of leadership they have undertaken for the student body of St. Bernard Preparatory School.

Ms. Jannie Ratliff was the organist for the occasion and the St. Bernard Choral Music Department provided thsinging.

The Knights of the Altar who were present were Gavin Whaley, Carson Holmes, and Gin Zheng.

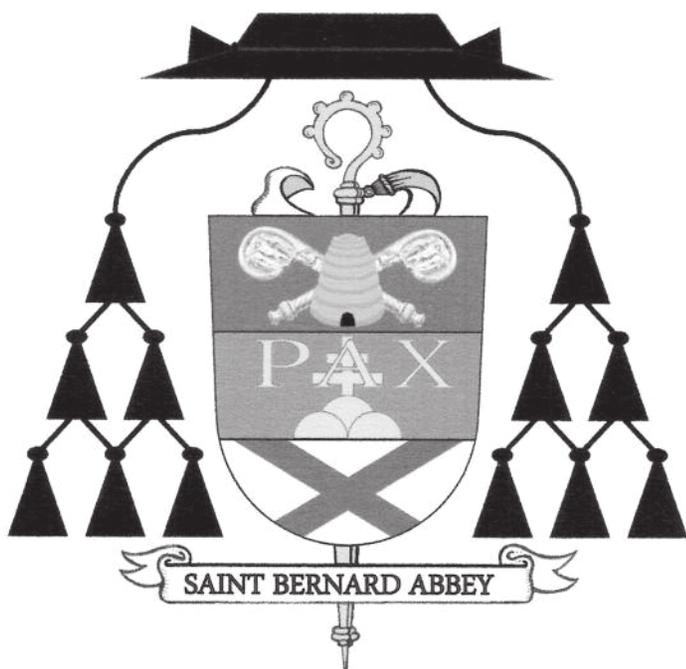
Following the Mass a luncheon was held in the Abbey Byre for the Senior Class and their families.



Senior Dedication

Front Row (l-r): Kim Gao, Mya Agnello, Adrian Smith, Abbot Cletus Meagher, Samantha Silva, Elliot Deep, Phoebe Coccia, and Gin Zheng. Second row (l-r): Fr. Linus Kluscarits, Chenyan Shi, Gracie Loyd, Christine Lauwerth, Andie Zatarain, Brenda Avila, Emma Pierce, Jacinta Tona, and Abigail Curtis. Back row (l-r): Fulton Gil, Josie Reynolds, Alden Olyniec, Peter Duan, Zachary McClain, David Kim, Erik Freudenberg, Ethan Shaw, Jost Malczewski, Gavin Whaley, Joseph McCarthy, Carson Holmes, Thomas Fortson, and Johann Schulze.

Become a member of the St. Bernard Clairvaux Society Foundation



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SBP holds Open House

St Bernard Prep School in Cullman hosted their Fall Open House Event on Sunday, November 11th drawing interest from families across Alabama as well as the Southeast. Seventeen prospective students and their families visited the school to take tours, receive information and find the answers to their questions. Families were greeted by the school administration and introduced to the student ambassadors who lead the tour groups around campus.

After the tours were completed families had the opportunity to visit with the school President, Fr Joel Martin, OSB and the school Headmaster, Fr. Linus Klucsarits. Current school parents were also available to discuss the St. Bernard experience from their prospective.

Admissions Director, Brendan Flannery was quick to express his gratitude for the support given by current students and their parents. "We certainly thank all of those who attended the Open House. Special thanks to our student ambassadors and parents for their generous support in pro-

viding refreshments to visitors and sharing their St. Bernard experiences with our guests."

Overall the event was a success. Families left with a better understanding of the mission, the values, and the potential that a St Bernard education provides.

Anyone wishing to visit St. Bernard or to schedule a

"shadow day" are welcome to contact the school by calling (256)739-6682. Keep up with the daily happenings at St. Bernard by following on Facebook. For more information visit

www.stbernardprep.com

St. Bernard will host a spring Open House on March 10, 2019.



Visiting St. Bernard Campus

Carter Daily and his mom Shannon from Baileyton, attended Open House and enjoyed their tour by Adrian Smith and Marianne Pichardo.

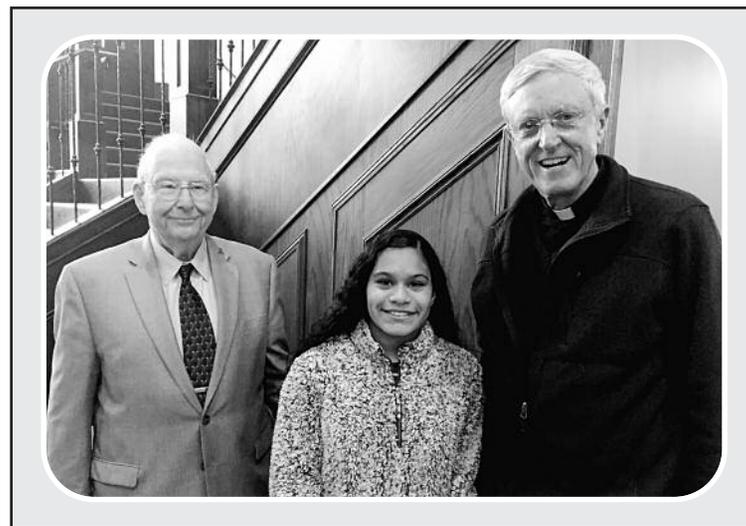
Easing into 2019 at St. Bernard

(Continued from front page) resource at St. Bernard, and day students know about that aspect of life on campus and recognize the value of such an expectation. While life in the school is structured, the day to day comradery creates a bond seldom found on school campuses.

Recently we had a student return to campus to thank us for the wonderful education received at St. Bernard Prep. While this student struggled to maintain a solid "B" and sometimes "C" average, she was proud to say she was excelling at the University level, solidly prepared by SBP for college life.

As we enter 2019, we thank each of you for your prayers and financial support. You are a vital part of our ministry at St. Bernard. We encourage you to recommend our school to your friends and family.

Please follow us on Facebook to stay up to date with all the happenings on campus. Or visit our website www.stbernardprep.com for more information on the school.



Visiting St. Bernard Campus

John Larkins and Isamanda Rodriquez from St. James School in Gadsden spent time with Fr. Marcus Voss inquiring about St. Bernard Prep at the Open House.

JOIN US!
Saint Bernard Prep School
OPEN HOUSE

March 10th, 2019
Or November 11, 2019

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

(256) 739-6682

St. Bernard Happenings

Parents weekend held at St. Bernard

St. Bernard students joined together to showcase the performing arts department of St. Bernard Preparatory School during Parents' Weekend on Friday, October 26, 2018 in the Fazi Richard Athletic Center. This gala event, which included dinner and the performances, was part of an annual event held on the St. Bernard campus.

Parents' Weekend began Friday afternoon as parents were given the opportunity to visit with faculty members for parent-teacher conferences. These sessions continued throughout the weekend and, despite the inclement weather, many parents took advantage of the opportunity to visit with the teachers of their sons and daughters.

The Friday evening event began with the President's Reception hosted by Fr. Joel Martin, O.S.B., President of St. Bernard Preparatory School. Joining Fr. Joel as he greeted parents and grandparents, were Fr. Linus Kluscarits, O.S.B., Headmaster, and Fr. Marcus Voss, O.S.B., Director of Development.

The highlight of the evening was the performances of the Jazz and Concert Bands under the direction of Ken Simpson and the St. Bernard Choral Choirs directed by Michael Kastner.

Parents enjoyed tunes from all bands at St. Bernard. The beginner band presented an assortment of lines from the beginning band book. The Jazz Combo played, *Girl from Impanema*, *Put Your Records On*, *It's Only a Paper Moon*, *Isn't She Lovely*, and *Cantaloupe Island*. The concert band followed by playing *Fairest of the Fair*, *Danny Boy*, *Music from Disney's Hercules*, *March from Raiders of the Lost Ark*, and *Beauty and the Beast*.

In his first year at St. Bernard, Mr. Michael Kastner, Director of Fine Arts, was overjoyed with his departments' performances for the evening. The evening opened with *Seize the Day* from *Newsies*, *The Musicians*, and *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel* performed by the Middle School Choir. The High School Choir performed *Bound for Jubilee*, *Sincerely*, *Tell My Father* and *We Are the World 25 for Haiti*. Combined choirs performed *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*, *You Raise Me up* and the grand Finale of *God Bless the USA*.

At the conclusion of the concert, Kastner recognized Fr. Joel Martin and Fr. Linus Kluscarits for their never ending support of the Fine Arts Department while at the same time recognizing Mr. Ken



Middle School Choir performs at Parents Weekend

Simpson and his amazing band. Ms. Sharon Collier, teacher of the art department, called everyone's attention to St. Bernard's extraordinarily talented student artists. Their art was on display around the room.

"It was an incredible evening," said Kastner. "It was our first concert of the season and the students certainly made it a wonderfully memorable experience."

Dinner for the event was prepared by Flik Dining.



Scene from Parents Weekend

The Journey Continues...

By Mr. Michael Kastner, Director of Fine Arts

A very good friend of mine told me once about 35 years ago and I agree with it with all my heart... "It's all about the journey!"

The students, parents, faculty and staff and I here at *St. Bernard Prep School* have started a journey together up the mountain to Graduation Day on May 26th. Along the way there will be challenges that we need to face, difficulties that will be thrown at us and wonderful accomplishments that we will celebrate together, all under the watchful eye of the Lord.

This first semester together has been one that I have grown as a teacher and as a person. The students and I have been learning a great deal about each other. They have taught me a great deal about *St. Bernard Prep School* and I hope that I have taught them a little bit about music and being

a good person to each other.

As I reflect on our first semester together I can say that that we have come a long way together. Our first Concert at the *St. Bernard Blues & BBQ* was jumping into the deep end without your "life vest" on for the first time. But, the students, as true *SAINTS* do, survived and did rather well. That was the first big hurdle of our journey together.

The end of October was soon upon us with the *PARENTS' Weekend Concert* in the Gym. This was going to be a huge test for us. How would everyone react to the show? The new songs? The new Director? A lot of questions to be answered. Once again, the students came through for me. So many of the parents also welcomed me into the SBP family. *Whew...* I felt so much better about our journey together. I also learned what a fantastic band pro-

gram we have!

Back to work... Christmas Program at *The Byre* would be our next celebration together. I learned that the High School and Middle School like to sing together so that gave me many more options on putting a show together that would start everyone's holiday season that right way.

A story of a long time and well-loved SBP Faculty member was the inspiration for the story. Narrated by our own Mr. Moriarty, the story tied together all of the songs in the show. A more than full house of audience members left with a song in their hearts and the taste of homemade Christmas Cookies in their tummies! The evening turned out really well. Another part of our journey completed. Half way up the mountain. The view is getting better.

Second semester will bring even

more challenges for the students and I! Only trust in the process and God's guidance will we succeed!

January brings auditions for the Spring Musical the end of March. *The Wizard of Oz* is making a return visit to *The Byre* on the 80th anniversary of the 1939 movie starring Judy Garland! With memorable songs like, *Follow the Yellow Brick Road*, *Ding Dong the Witch is Dead*, *If I Only Had a Brain*, and everyone's favorite... *Somewhere Over the Rainbow*. Going to be a huge undertaking, but any journey worth taking needs a few challenges along the way!

Soon after the musical is over, brings our *Spring Band and Choir Trip* for the students. A chance to perform and to grow even closer to their classmates and see a little bit of the world outside the classroom. An amazing part of our journey as we get closer and closer to reaching our goal

and full-filling our destiny.

After Easter, the students will get a chance to perform in the *Talent Show*, showing off their God given talents for their family and friends. Always wonderful to support one another and encouraging one another to do their best.

The last part of our journey together will be our *Spring Concert* in May. The last time our seniors will get to perform here at SBP... before they *spread their wings and fly off into the world* as graduates of *St. Bernard Prep School*. The view from the top of the mountain will be glorious. We can only get there if we work together... sing together... help each other... and most importantly... pray together. For only with God are all things possible.

Thank you for being a part of our journey!

St. Bernard Happenings

Booster Club Drawdown planned

St. Bernard Athletic Boosters will host their annual Drawdown Benefit Dinner on Saturday February 2, 2019 in the Fazi-Richard Athletic Center. Tickets to the event include dinner for two and an opportunity to win over \$12,000 in cash and prizes. Tickets may be purchased by contacting the school at (256)739-6682 or from any of the athletic boosters. You do not have to be present to win. Must be 21 years of age to attend. All proceeds benefit the athletic program at St. Bernard Prep School.

February 2, 2019
Doors Open At 5:00 p.m.
Fazi-Richard Athletic Center
Cullman, Alabama
Must be 21 to attend.
- Do Not Have To Be Present To Win -
PRIZES
Must Present Ticket At Door To Enter
Games: Bingo, Silent Auction, Hold Out Ticket
Dinner at 6:00 p.m.
Bingo Begins at 7:00 p.m.

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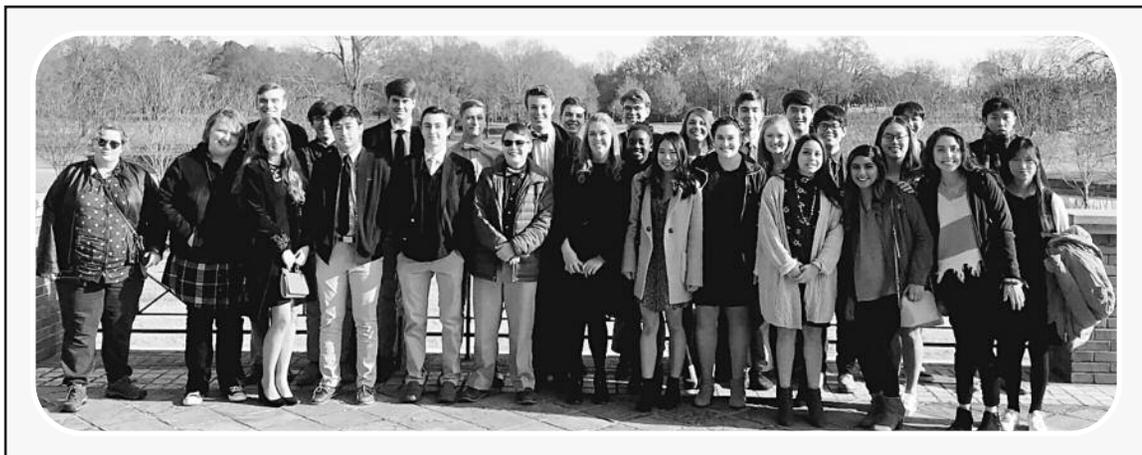
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(Above) Tristan Myers, an employee of Latta Plumbing Company, works on the Rheem "Hot Water on Demand" units in the Girl's Dorm.

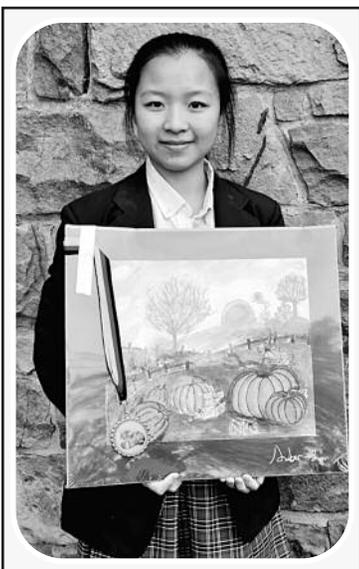


Rheem "Hot Water on Demand" units in the Boy's Dorm



Visiting Shakespeare Festival

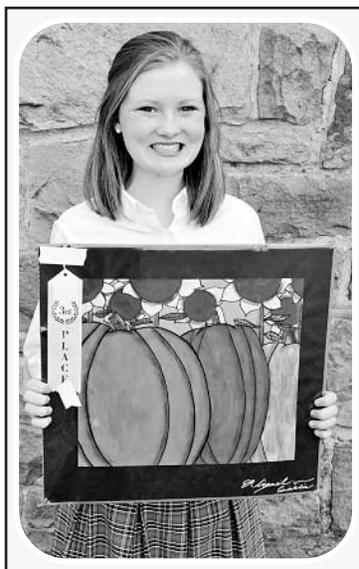
St. Bernard students enjoy trip to Shakespearean Festival this fall.



Amber Lin



Josh Spitzer



Abigail Curtis

Oktoberfest Art Winners

In October St. Bernard art students participated in the Cullman Oktoberfest Art competition. Amber Lin received the Heritage Award; Josh Spitzer 2nd place; and Abigail Curtis 3rd place. Congratulations to each of these talented students and to their instructor, Ms. Sharon Collier.



Middle School Spelling Bee Winners

1st place winner was Elena Saldana. The runner-up was Elizabeth Hazard. Pictured- left to right: Elizabeth Hazard, Headmaster-Father Linus, Elena Saldana.



Emma Pierce represented SBP as Miss Oktoberfest

St. Bernard Happenings

Thanksgiving Service Held at St. Bernard



Thanksgiving Service

Front row (l-r): Sr. Mary Vernon Gentle, RSM, Nazareth House, Birmingham; Abbot Cletus Meagher, OSB, Deacon Peter Nassetta, Sacred Heart Church; and Deacon Tim Vaughn, St. Elizabeth Anne Seton Church, Gardendale. Second row (l-r): Fr. Joel Martin, OSB, Rev. Patrick Cullen, Nazareth House, Cathedral of St. Paul, Birmingham; Fr. John O'Donnell, OSB, Rev. Walter Cash, St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, Cullman; and Br. Peter Le, OSB. Back row (l-r): Fr. Linus Klucsarits, OSB; Rev. Johnson Tharayil Varghese, St. Elizabeth Anne Seton Church, Gardendale; St. Henry's Church, Warrior; Rev. Joe Culotta, Church of St. Mark the Evangelist, Birmingham; Fr. Marcus Voss, OSB; Rev. Raul Posada Valencia; Br. Pachomius Alvarado-Garcia, OSB; and Rev. Paul Campbell, Hanceville First United Methodist Church. Not pictured: Rev. Jerry Lawson, Daystar Church.

Clergy from north Alabama took part in a beautiful Thanksgiving Service held at St. Bernard Preparatory School on Wednesday, November 14 in Cullman, Alabama.

More than 40 clergy and religious were invited from around the country, many from places too distant to travel. Sixteen ministers from the Cullman area, Birmingham and the Tri-Cities took part in the service composed of prayers, psalms, scripture readings and hymns. Students offered thanks and petitions to God as they brought to the church symbols of the various aspects of their lives.

Fr. Joel Martin, President of St. Bernard Prep, said that every student was given the opportunity to request the presence of their pastor or other representative of their church, and he was "happy to see so many of these busy men and women take time away from their jobs to be a part of the service."

After several scripture readings were heard in four

different languages representing some of the various cultures of students from the school community, those in attendance heard the message given by Rev. Jerry Lawson of Daystar Church in Cullman. Rev. Lawson spoke on thankfulness and reminded those gathered that thankfulness was a choice. He encouraged all to be loving and generous while being thankful in all circumstances.

Instrumental music was provided by the St. Bernard Concert band under the direction of Mr. Ken Simpson; they performed the Irish folk tune "Be Thou My Vision." The fine voices of the St. Bernard Prep Concert Choir presented a beautiful rendition of "Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone," under the direction Mr. Michael Kastner. Organist for the service was Jannie Ratliff of Sacred Heart Church in Cullman.

The service was followed by a dinner for all guests, students, faculty and staff. The guest clergymen were served by the students.

SBP students take part in Benedictine Exchange Program

Villa Madonna Academy, Villa Hills, and St. Bernard Preparatory School, Cullman, Alabama, became the first two Benedictine schools in the nation to take part in the Benedictine Exchange Program. Pamela McQueen, principal, Villa Madonna Academy, and Eileen O'Connell, VMA theology teacher, developed this unique program, which presents an opportunity for students and faculty from one Benedictine high school to visit another, meet people who share their values and learn through local experiences.

Villa Madonna hosted 10

students and two teachers from St. Bernard Prep Nov. 14-18. In the spring two Villa teachers and student members of the VMA Benedictine Ambassadors Club will head down to Cullman, Alabama, where the Catholic population is only 3 percent. There are 24 Benedictine high schools across the United States and Mrs. McQueen said that she hopes this is just the beginning.

"Our hope is that this becomes a widespread national movement among the Benedictine schools and that our students get to know each other," said Mrs. McQueen.

"We hope that the students eventually take all of this to the next step, which might be doing service projects together in different parts of the country, and supporting a cause in the spirit of St. Benedict."

Mrs. McQueen said that she really enjoyed seeing the Villa students connect with other Benedictine students. They get to see that they are part of something bigger than just one school so they can share that Benedictine connection with students from a different part of the country.

"Think about how powerful it could be if we could connect teenagers from across

the nation who have a shared philosophy and a shared sense of spirituality," she said. "It could make the world a better place. That is what we are hoping for."

From the moment they arrived in Northern Kentucky the students from St. Bernard Prep were greeted with hospitality and welcomed to the Guest House at St. Walburg Monastery. They met their student hosts, Benedictine Ambassadors, who invited them to a meal, followed by evening prayer. Day two the students enjoyed a trip to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in Cincinnati. They enjoyed

community activities, including a trip to the Cincinnati Zoo and Carew Tower, riding the streetcar around downtown Cincinnati and visiting Findlay Market. Friday night they had some fun at Lazer Kraze and came back to VMA for dinner and a bonfire. Each day began and ended with prayer.

St. Bernard student Ian Sidley said the trip was great. "Everything has been so well organized and the moment we got there everyone greeted us in a way that made it feel like we were at a second home."

St. Bernard will host Villa Madonna in the Spring of 2019.

St. Bernard Abbey news

The Oblates of St. Benedict

The Benedictine Oblates of St. Bernard Abbey are women and men who strive to live according to the spirit of Rule of St. Benedict. The word 'oblate' means to offer oneself. By living

daily in the Benedictine spirit, Oblates strive to deepen their relationship with Christ. Through the Oblate Program, Oblates experience a mutual relationship in the prayers and good works of the Benedictine community, thereby creating a greater bond with St. Bernard Abbey. The community is enriched by the interaction with Oblates, as well as with the culture, insights, and expertise that Oblates bring.

The work of the Benedictine Oblates consists in carrying out their daily obligation in their state of life according to Benedictine values, to the best of their ability. Along with their immediate obligations, such as family, career, etc., the Oblates are encouraged to devote themselves to other good works. Some Oblates volunteer in their own parish furthering the mission of the Church to help the weak and vulnerable of the world. Through their daily living

of the Benedictine motto of Ora et Labora, the Oblates help to spread the Benedictine way of life to places that St. Bernard Abbey cannot reach.

Oblates are of great value to a monastic community. By daily living in the Benedictine spirit, the Oblates bring a spiritual strength and serve as a link between the community and parishes. Oblates and the community mutually affirm their commitment to the Benedictine way of life. The witness of the oblates living Benedictine charisms in the secular world strengthens community members' love and appreciation of the Benedictine way of life of prayer and service.

Anyone interested in the St. Bernard Abbey Oblate Program may contact the Oblate Director at (256) 734-8291 for more information. Oblates meet on the first Sunday of every month at 5 p.m. in the Abbey Church.



Oblates

L-R: Deacon Jeff Montgomery, Steven Gordon, Abbot Cletus Meagher, O.S.B., Tom Kalen, and Fr. Edward Markley, O.S.B.

Br. Benedict to hold Jan. 12th Book Signing

On Saturday January the 12th 2019, Br. Benedict Dyar, O.S.B. will be doing a book signing of his newly released novel: *The Flame of Telbyrin* at the Ave Maria Grotto bookstore in Cullman, AL. Dyar hopes that his novel will help bring light and joy to all who read it.

"It's just a good story that I'm very proud of", he says. "It's not overly religious but gives the reader a taste of the message of both faithfulness and self-sacrifice. I sincerely hope the reader will find joy and life in reading it."

The story takes place in the fictional world of Telbyrin; a world of Elves, Humans, Wood Fays and the dreaded Meldron. At the center of the world is

the Sacred Flame of Telbyrin where the Creator touched the world into existence. All the peoples venerate it as the sign of creation's prayers that rise to the Creator. All except the Meldron; a race with a supposed secret knowledge of dread power that is rumored to hold the key to immortality.

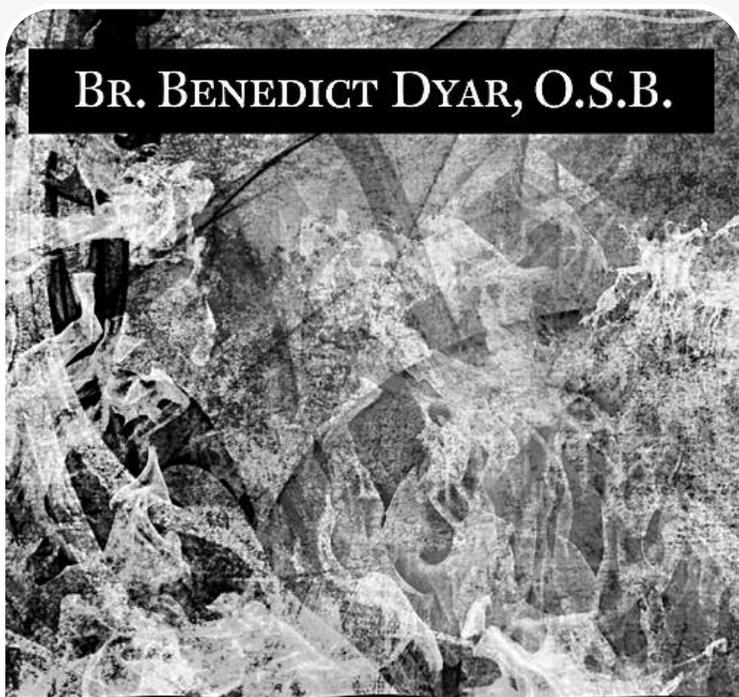
The reader will enter into the world of two young married Elves who live peacefully on a cattle farm. One is a warrior of great renown and the other is a common but courageous farm girl. During their annual pilgrimage to the Sacred Flame, they discover that the Flame is going out. All of a sudden these two peaceful Elves get caught up in an adven-

ture of discovery of why the Flame is going out and who or what may be behind it.

"The story hopefully has the key ingredients of a good Christian fantasy adventure novel", says Br. Benedict. "It has action and adventure, heroes and villains, good and evil, double-crosses and dear friendships, romance, and most importantly, a take home faith message. I very much enjoyed writing it and hope to write more books on Telbyrin soon."

The book signing will start at 11:30 a.m. and will last until 2:30 p.m. Copies of the book will continue to be sold at the Ave Maria Grotto bookstore and online at Amazon.com. Come while supplies last.

BR. BENEDICT DYAR, O.S.B.



THE FLAME OF
TELBYRIN

A TALE OF HEROISM AND FAITH

8 St. Bernard Sports

Middle School Boys

Front row (l-r):
Walter Adams,
Bradley Burrows,
Jiovany Aguilar, and
Grayson Olszowka.

Back row (l-r)
Coach Brendan
Flannery, Emmanuel
Santiago, Ethan
Powell, Kole Gentry
and Peter Tran.



Middle School Girls

Front row (l-r):
Kiara Garcia,
Natalie Garcia,
Elena Saldana, and
Brianna Garcia.

Back row (l-r):
Coach William
Calvert, Citlally
Ramirez,
Emma Powell,
Allison Stidham,
Elana Steele, and
Amelia Tafazoli.



JV Boys

Front Row (l-r): William Tang, David DeJesus, Cisco Tona, Caleb Norman, Peter Tran, and Ethan Powell. Back row (l-r): David Yi, Joseph Arriaga, Druss Hays, Campbel Whaley, Kole Gentry, Josh Spitzer, and Conor Berry. Not pictured Jongha Park.

Basketball Saints at Mid-Season

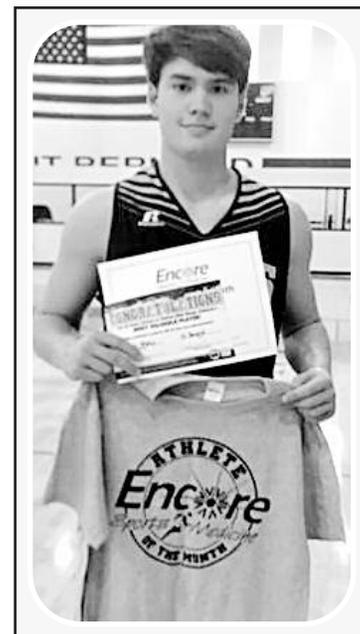
The St. Bernard Saints varsity boys basketball team is having another fine season under the direction of Head Coach Greg Boatright. Windell Calloway, a St. Bernard College graduate, is the assistant coach. The Saints got off to a 3-0 start with wins over Athens Bible, Whitesburg Christian and Vinemont before losing on the road to Winston County and Decatur Heritage. They bounced back with wins over West End and Falkville at home but suffered a heartbreaking two-point loss to Lynn to close out the home stand. Coach Boatright is receiving outstanding team play from seniors Gavin Whaley, Carson Holmes, David Kim; as well as juniors John Christian Rose, Caleb Guthery and Alex Shoaff. Jose Zatarain, Wiliam Tang, Peter Duan and Nikolas Borths are also contributing to the Saints success this season. The Saints are competing in the very tough 1A Area 13 which includes Decatur Heritage, the number one 1A team in the state, as well as Meek, Lynn and Falkville.

The St. Bernard Lady Saints, coached by Tiffany Pope, are competing well against tough competition that includes top-ten ranked teams in Falkville, Winston County and Addison. The Lady Saints have only one win, over Athens Bible School, but the young team is improving each and every game. The team is led by juniors, Claire Sanders, Macey Whaley, Emma Tafazoli and Freshman Claudia Fallin. Jackelyn Arteaga, Bridget Gallegos, Helen Kim, Jaya Badadursingh, and Emma Powell are also regular contributors for the Lady Saints. With no seniors on the current squad and talented players moving up from the middle school team, the future is bright for the Lady Saints.

Coach Sean Moriarty (SBP '13) is in his second year coaching the junior varsity boys team. They have 4 wins against 5 losses on the season to date. Conor Berry, Druss Hays, Caleb Norman, Nikolas Borths and Joseph Arriaga are among those showing strong play and contributing to a successful season.

St. Bernard's middle school teams played a full schedule of

10 games from late October to early December against primarily larger schools in the area. Both teams steadily improved their skills and teamwork during the season. The boys won 4 games and the girls won 2. Brendan Flannery coached the boys' squad. Ethan Powell, Kole Gentry, Peter Tran, Jiovany Arriaga and Emmanuel Santiago played key roles for the team. The girls' team, coached by Tiffany Pope and William Calvert were led by 7th graders Emma Powell and Amelia Tafazoli. Alana Steele, Allison Stidham and Briana Garcia were among those showing progress and making timely contributions to the success of the team.



Gavin Whaley Encore selects Whaley athlete of the month

Congratulations to Gavin Whaley who was selected as the November Athlete of the Month for St. Bernard Preparatory School and Encore Rehabilitation-Cullman!

Gavin is a Senior at St. Bernard where has played Varsity Basketball for 5 years and Varsity Baseball for 4 years. He was The Cullman Times 2017 All-Area Baseball Honorable Mention. In his spare time, he likes playing sports, fishing, wake boarding and riding sea-doods.

Gavin is the son of Josh and Kim Whaley.

St. Bernard Sports



Varsity Boys

Front row (l-r): Druss Hays, Caleb Guthery, John Christian Rose, Jose Zatarain, and Carson Holmes. Back row (l-r): Nik Borths, William Tang, David Kim, Gavin Whaley, Alex Shoaff, and Peter Duan.



Varsity Girls

Front row (l-r): Mariane Pichardo, Jaya Bahadursingh, Claire Sanders, and Helen Kim. Back row (l-r): Jackelyn Arteaga, Emma Tafazoli, Toni Shuper, Macy Whaley, and Claudia Fallin.



Third Place State Cross Country

Joseph Arriaga, Jiovany Aguilar, Francisco Tona, Coach William Calvert, Joey McCarthy, Caleb Guthery, Daniel Bamberry, David DeJesus, Nikolas Borths, and Francis Mami.



Fifth Place State Cross Country

Adrienne Smith, Sara Barck, Coach William Calvert, Liz Medina, Chloe Tombo, Emma Powell, Claire Sanders, and Aria McMillan.

Young Cross Country Teams Finish Strong at State

It was a sunny but very cold, windy Saturday morning November 10th when a young St. Bernard Saints' Cross Country Team completed at the Oakville Indian Mounds Course for the 2018 State of Alabama AHASS State Championships. Fr. Joel Martin, President, Fr. Linus Klucsarits, Headmaster, and most of the coaching staff of the school were present for the event.

Congratulations to the boys' cross country team for finishing in 3rd place. Congratulations to junior Caleb Guthery for earning 3A - All-State honors by finishing in 2nd place with a time of 17:03. Joseph Arriaga placed 19th, only 6 seconds off the pace for

All-State recognition. Senior Joey McCarthy was also close to All-State status placing 22nd. David De Jesus, Nikolas Borths, Jiovany Aguilar, Francisco Tona, Daniel Bamberry and Francis Mami competed well for the Saints in the championships.

Congratulations to the girls' cross country team for placing 5th at the championship competition. Congratulations to Emma Powell for her All-State performance. The 7th grader finished in 10th place with a time of 20:52 over the 5k course. Also competing well for the Lady Saints were Chloe Tombo, Sara Barck, Aria McMillan, Kathleen George, Claire Sanders, Liz Medina and Adrian Smith.

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St. Bernard Alumni news

Congratulations

Amy Gamble Cole (PS '2000) graduated from the University of Alabama, Huntsville on December 6 with a Master's in the Science of Nursing, Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner.

Katie Downs (PS '14) graduated on December 13, 2018 from Jacksonville State University with a Bachelors in Elementary Education. She plans to intern at Walt Disney World and continue her education by getting her masters in special education at Jacksonville State University.

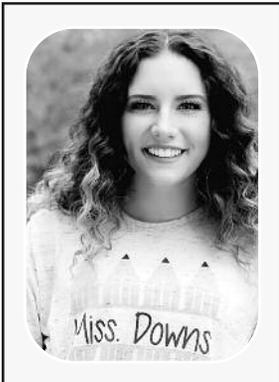
Richard Neese (PS'05) was recognized recently as one of the top ten real estate agents in the country for Weichert Realtors.

Amanda Daniel Pendergrass (PS '99) was promoted from Assistant Professor of Elementary Education to Associate Professor of Elementary Education at the University of West Alabama.

Ethan Arndt (PS '13) SPC-5 is completing his six year obligation in the United States Army. Ethan completed his basic training in Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Upon completion he went to Fort Eustis, VA to U.S. Army Aviation Logistic School. After his training in aviation school he was transferred to Fort Campbell 101-Air Assault in Kentucky as a crew chief of Apache Long Bow helicopters. He was deployed the following year to Afghanistan for nine months before returning to Fort Campbell. He is now stationed in South Korea.



Amy Gamble Cole
and Christy Castillo



Katie Downs



Ethan Arndt

New Arrivals

Kate (Grill) (PS '05) and Jamie Colbert announce the birth of their third daughter, Laura Batson Colbert, who was born September 3, 2018. Batson joins her two sisters, Sarah Grace and Vivian Jane and their home in Hoover, Alabama.

Kate (Brown) (PS '04) and David Gribbin welcomed Eliza Katherine Gribbin to their family on August 13, 2018. Eliza was born 7lbs 1oz and lives with her parents in Huntsville, Alabama. Eliza was baptized in the Abbey Church on November 10, 2018, by Fr. Joel Martin.

Jerrica (Crawford) (PS '13) and Deshawn Hampton announce the birth of their son, Noah Bernard Hampton who was born October 24, 2018. Noah weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz., and measured 21 inches long. He is the grandson of St. Bernard Abbey's Business Manager, Sherri Crawford and husband Marty.

Luke (PS '99) and Nikki Whaley welcome the birth of their daughter, Abigail Kate who was born on September 11, 2018 weighing 7lbs 2 oz. and measuring 20 ¼ inches long. She joins her big brother, Logan at their home in Hanceville, Alabama.

Chris and Sarah Joly (PS '98) welcomed Michael Duncan Joly, on November 10, 2018, weighing 7



Laura Batson Colbert

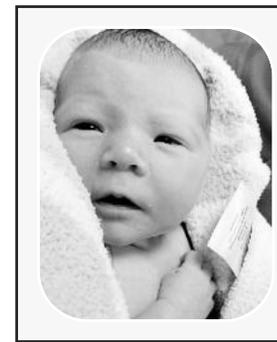


Abby Kate Whaley

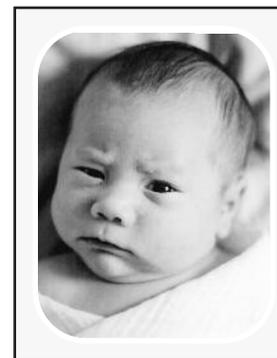
pounds 11 ounces, and 21 inches in length. He joins big siblings Ava Clare, Thomas and Emeline at home in Nashville, TN.



Michael Duncan Joly



Gibson Robert Andrew
Runner Sams



Jacob Henry Sheehan

Aimee (Gapultos) (PS '97) and Luis Ramos announce the birth of their son, Daniel Matias Ramos, who was born on November 29, 2018 weighing 5 lbs. 13 oz., and measuring 19.7" long. He joins his big sisters, Sofia and Bella at their home in Houston, Texas.

Sadie (Jones) (PS '06) and Jay Sams announce the birth of their son, Gibson Robert Andrew Runner, who was born on December 14, 2018. Gibson weighed 6 lbs 9 oz and measured 20 inches long. He joins his big sister, Jocelyn at their home in Pinson, Alabama.

Lindsay (Varquez) (PS '03) and Zach Sheehan announce the birth of their son Jacob "Jake" Henry Sheehan who was born on September 8, 2018 weighing 7 lbs 9.7 ounces and measured 20 inches long. Jake joins his big sister, Isla and family pet Zoe at their home in Portland, Oregon. Jake is the nephew of Michael **Justin Varquez (PS '11) and Caitlin Varquez (PS '13).**

Weddings

Shelby Bailey (PS '12) and Chad Ashworth were married on September 18, 2018. The couple exchanged their vows in a ceremony celebrated in Gillette, Wyoming.

Erin Burke (PS '04) and John Mark Mobley were married on October 20, 2018 in the Abbey Church with Fr. Joel Martin officiating. Fr. Marcus Voss married her parents, Mike and Jill Burke, forty years ago in the same church. Pictured are from left: Fr. Marcus Voss, Mike and Jill Burke, Erin and John Mark Mobley, Br. Charles Manning and Fr. Joel Martin.



Mr. & Mrs.
Chad Ashworth



The wedding of Erin Burke to John Mark Mobley



Mr. & Mrs.
Bennett Glasscock



Mr. & Mrs.
Matthew Patterson



Mr. & Mrs.
Doug Melkowski

Brian Haight (PS '07) and Allison Thomas Haight were married on October 13, 2018.

Bennett Glasscock (PS '13) and Peyton Palmer were married in the Abbey Church on December 8, 2018. Father Bede Marcy, OSB officiated the ceremony.

Oakley Garnett (PS '07) and Matthew Patterson were wed on Saturday, December 1, 2018 at St. Mary's Catholic Church. The couple reside in Rome, Georgia where Oakley is the Farm Manager at G3 Farms, and Matthew is a diesel mechanic.

Marie Robinson (PS '06) and Doug Melkowski were wed on September 29, 2018 in Carrollton, GA. Fr. Joel Martin, OSB officiated.

St. Bernard Alumni news

In Memoriam

Kellie Elizabeth Caples, 32, of Mount Olive, passed away on October 22, 2018, in South Carolina. Kellie was a nurse who worked at UAB Hospital in Birmingham, AL. Survivors include her husband, **Jared Caples (SBP'03)**; son, Carter Caples; her parents, Tony and Pamela DeBerardinis; brothers, Matthew DeBerardinis and Lukas (Jessica) DeBerardinis; father-in-law, John (Judi) Caples; mother-in-law, Karen (Bryon) Duncan; grandparents, Dainward and Nancy Carroll; and uncle-in-law, David (Jeanette) Caples.

Andrew "Chef Andy" James Camardella died of cancer at the age of 76. He married Kathleen Snook Camardella on February 19, 1966 at Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church in North Syracuse, New York. In April of 1961 he voluntarily joined the United States Marine Corp. His foreign deployments included two tours in Vietnam, Bay of Pigs, Cuba, and Okinawa, Japan. He worked as a Chief Steward (chef) and personally served three presidents, twice on Air Force One. He left active duty February 1971 in El Torro, California, though he remained a proud Marine until his last breath. After the Marines, he traveled the world and catered meals to royalty and superstars. He earned the title of Certified Executive Chef and was President of the Birmingham Chef's Association on multiple occasions. Preceding the fall of the Soviet Union, he was included in the very first Russian-American Culinary Exchange with Paul Prudhomme and was inducted into the American Academy of Chef's in 1990. Chef Andy was a second generation, American Italian who made Cullman his home in July of 1999. For several years he served as the chef for St. Bernard Abbey and School. Andy is survived by his wife Kathleen Snook Camardella, Cullman, AL, children Tonia Camardella Beverly, Cullman, AL, Tony Camardella, Hayden, AL, and three grandchildren.

Dr. Elsa Con, July 20, 1949 - September 23, 2018 passed away peacefully at her home in Oakmont, CA, from Multiple Myeloma. Elsa was born in The Netherlands, the child of holocaust survivors, Jacques and Lina Con. In 1958, the family moved to the United States East Coast. She eventually moved to San Diego, CA where she attended the California School of Professional Psychology where she met her husband, **Bucky Jackson (HS'60, C'65)**, and both obtained their Ph.D.'s in Clinical Psychology in 1983. She went into private practice (with Bucky) until 1999, and eventually settled in Carmel Valley, CA, where she and Bucky lived for 25 years. She passionately loved the theater and in 1999, Elsa retired as a psychologist and opened her own theatre and company, Magic Circle Theatre, in Carmel Valley Village. She served as producer and artistic director. Magic Circle Theatre was truly her life's pride and joy. In 2014, Elsa and Bucky closed the theatre and retired to the Santa Rosa area. Elsa leaves behind her husband, Bucky

Jackson (HS'60, C'65), after recently celebrating 36 years of marriage. She also leaves behind her sister, Lily Harvitt, her nephews Dan Harvitt (Liz Wilner), Eric Harvitt (Patty), her niece Renee Harvitt, and seven grand nephews and nieces.

James T. Faugno (C'70), 70, passed away on Oct. 5, 2018, at Morristown Medical Center. Jim was born in Jersey City, N.J., and lived in Maplewood before moving to Belmar 15 years ago. After graduating from St. Bernard College in Cullman, he worked as a master carpenter for several companies over a 35-year span. He then went on to work as a public adjuster for Metro Public Adjusters in Sea Girt, N.J., for 10 years before retiring. Jim was also the owner of Fabulous Finds, a consignment shop on Bay Avenue in Point Pleasant, N.J., which he and his wife, Teri, ran for seven years. He was an avid deep sea fisherman and captained his boat, "Tuna or Later," from Clark's Landing Marina, competing in many Mako shark tournaments. Jim is survived by his wife, Theresa D. Faugno; his son and daughter, Michael Faugno of Nutley, N.J., and Sarah H. Faugno and her husband, Aaron Howard, of South Carolina; his stepsons, Christopher, Michael, and Matthew Pecci, and his eight grandchildren.

Victor A. Johnson, Sr. (HS'48), age 87, passed away on September 29, 2018. After graduation from St. Bernard High School, he returned home to work on the family farm. Farming the land and raising livestock were his passion. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1951, during the Korean War and served until December 2, 1959. Once again he returned to his love of farming.

He served on several farm related boards and was president of the Hancock County Farm Bureau for many years. He was an active member of St Lawrence Catholic Church serving on the Parish Council, Finance Committee, Picnic Chairman for several years and the School Boards of both Mary Carrico and Trinity High Schools. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Lois Brasher Johnson; children: Noel (Monty) Quinn, Albin "AJ" Johnson, Chris (Patsy) Johnson, Tony (Kay) Johnson, all of Hawesville, KY; Rita (Chuck) Hardesty, Anne (Chuck) Hagan of Whitesville, KY; Nancy (Jerome) Doyle of Franklin, KY; and twenty-four grandchildren and twenty-two great grandchildren.

James Arthur Messing (C'66) was one of 16 children born in the farm country of Minden City, Michigan. He passed away suddenly October 7, 2018 at the age of 44. He enrolled at St. Bernard in the seminary department. In his senior year he entered the lay department and after his graduation from St. Bernard College, he joined the Navy and served for almost 25 years. After his years in the Navy, he worked as a consultant for Booz Allen Hamilton. He and his wife, Rosalind retired in

2010 and moved to the Northern Neck of Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Roz; daughter, Penny, his son, Marcel and two grandchildren.

Jane Clemmons Misegades, the mother of SBP's **Molly Misegades (PS '13)** passed away on November 22, 2018. Funeral arrangements were held December 6th at 7:30 p.m. at Moss Funeral Home. The Funeral was December 7th at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Cullman.

Fr. John C. Robinson (HS'46, JC'48), 90, passed away on September 28, 2018. After graduating from St. Bernard Seminary, Fr. Robinson completed his studies at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, Maryland in 1954 and was ordained May 27, 1954, at St. Paul's Church, Birmingham, Alabama by Archbishop Thomas J. Toolen. Father Robinson served as Assistant Pastor to St. Paul Parish, Birmingham; St. Mary Parish, Mobile and St. Peter the Apostle, Birmingham. He was Pastor of St. Bridget Parish, Whistler; St. Joan of Arc Parish and St. Monica Parish, Mobile. He served as Pastor of Holy Family, Mobile from 1970 to 1982 and returned in 1986 where he served until he retired in 1998. Father Robinson moved to Birmingham in 1998 to be closer to his family and was in Residence at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church from 1998 until 2016. He also served as Chaplain, Birmingham Southern University Newman Center; Director of the Archdiocesan Pontifical Missions Society (Propagation of the Faith, Missionary Co-op, Holy Childhood Society) and many other ministries for the Church. He was a resident of Mount Royal Towers at the time of his death.

William C. "Bill" Rogers Jr. age 92, died on October 4, 2018. He was a benefactor of St. Bernard in recent years. He was a World War II veteran, retired attorney and past president of a title insurance underwriting firm. He made his home in Homeland, Maryland.

James David Seymore, 64, passed away on Sunday November 4. He was the son of Jack and Betty Seymore. He graduated from Cullman High School, Auburn University and Samford School of Pharmacy. He enjoyed his professional career. He was employed at Big B, Harco, USA Healthcare- Economed Pharmacy. He is survived by his wife Sarah Seymore; daughters, Katherine (Simon) Ranelli, **Sarah Beth Seymore (PS'08)**; mother, Betty Seymore; sisters, Robin (Ernie) Parson, Pam (Bob) Green; and two grandchildren.

Regina Kay Willoughby of Cullman passed away November 10, 2018 at the age of 60. A gifted teacher and coach, she had a successful career in the Cullman school system. After her retirement, she accepted a position as teacher and coach at St. Bernard Preparatory School. She is survived by her husband, **Tim Willoughby (C'77-79)**, daughter Meghan (Justin) Epperly, son Christian (LeAnne) Willoughby, grandsons Liam and Boone Epperly and John Willoughby, mother Jimmie Gable, and step father Earnesteen Gable.



Regina Willoughby

Robert C. Ninni, 71, of Landenberg, PA, passed away Sunday, December 24, 2017. Born in Drexel Hill, PA, he was the son of the late George and Mary Pitetti Ninni. Bob taught business education courses at Avon Grove High School for 30 years. He coached tennis for numerous years and was a photographic advisor for the yearbook. He enjoyed the fellowship and camaraderie of his colleagues which continued into retirement, and was fortunate to have good friends and neighbors.

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Pensacola Alumni Gathering

The St. Bernard-Sacred Heart Alumni Association of Pensacola held their annual Christmas Party on December 1, 2018 at the Cactus Cantina Grill in northeast Pensacola, Florida. Special guests were Fr. Marcus Voss, OSB and Judge Lacey & Mrs. Bev Collier. Pictured above are: L-R front row, Clancy O'Donnell, Margaret Bruno LeBeau (SH '68), Judge Lacey Collier (SB '53), Mrs. Bev Collier, Lisa Engel, Theresa Soderlind Harrell (SH '71), Lynn Soderlind, Mary Ann Bowen Fell. L-R back row, Larry O'Donnell (SB '71), Jacque LeBeau (SB '70), Ray Engel (SB '65), Fr. Marcus Voss, OSB (SB '66), John Soderlind (SB '72), Mike Engel (SB '72), Woody Soderlind (SB '66), and Jerry Fell (SB '64).

St. Bernard Happenings

Dyron's Lowcountry Hosts Scholarship Dinner

Dyron and Sonya Powell, owners of Dyron's Lowcountry Restaurant in Mountain Brook, annually sponsor a benefit dinner for St. Bernard Preparatory School. This year, guests from Cullman, Jefferson and Shelby County joined the monks of St. Bernard Abbey on Monday, November 19, 2018, for an evening of fine food, fellowship and camaraderie.

A delicious, savory, four-course banquet, prepared by Chef Randall Baldwin and his staff, was served with each course having its own paired-wine selection. The menu consisted of a Lobster Bisque soup, Autumn Harvest mixed green salad with roasted beets, persimmons, pecans, and stone hollow chevre followed by

the entrée of veal osso bucco served with McEwen grits, roasted fall vegetables and red wine jus topped off with a delicious slice of chocolate ganache and peanut butter pie.

"This is truly an evening to remember," said Fr. Marcus Voss, Director of Development for St. Bernard. "Dyron and Sonya and their staff have certainly outdone themselves. As we all know this is a benefit dinner whose proceeds support the Scholarship Fund for St. Bernard Prep School. Yet, it's more than a benefit dinner. It's an evening when friends come together to enjoy one another's company and strengthen their bond to St. Bernard and the work being done there. My thanks to you and all

those who support us in our efforts to educate our students and provide them opportunities that can change their lives."

This year's overflow crowd was the largest ever in the ten-year history of this event. Patrons were seated not only in the main dining room but also in the "overflow room" which glowed in the warm of its fireplace.

Dyron and Sonya have their two children enrolled at St. Bernard Prep School. "Catholic education is important to our family," Dyron said. "We are so happy that Ethan and Emma love St. Bernard as much as I did when I was a student there. They are very involved in the school and enjoy everything about it.

Sonya and I have been blessed and are happy to assist St. Bernard in their fundraising endeavors."

Fr. Marcus concluded his remarks by saying, "This year's

dinner exceeded our goal of \$10,000 and raised \$13,300 for the St. Bernard Scholarship Fund, which helps student's in financial need. My thanks to everyone for your support."



Sonya and Dyron Powell



National Honor Society Officers

National Honor Society officers (l-r): William Tang, Vice President; Fulton Gil, Secretary; Lauren Agnello, Parliamentarian, Emma Tafazoli, Treasurer; and Elliot Deep, President.

HONOR, MERIT ROLL

7th Grade Honors

Elaina Agnello
Scarlette DeCicco
Amelia Tafazoli

8th Grade Honors

Elizabeth Hazard
Nic Ruse

9th Grade Honors

Rachael Agnello
Claudia Fallin
Riley Holmes

Maggie Holsomback
Anahi Jose

Joseph Keith
Maddie McBride

John Pechon
Merrilee Schartung

Morgan Waites
Piper Watson

Campbel Whaley
Emma Whaley

10th Grade Honors

Joseph Arriaga
Jackelyn Arteaga
Sara Barck

Conor Berry
Nik Borths

David DeJesus
Kathleen George

Carla Hubert
Alex Lewis

Caleb Norman
Marianee Pichardo

Samantha Stefani
Chloe Tombo

11th Grade Honors

Lauren Agnello
Ella Buckingham

Dee Gann
Alison Gongre

Caleb Guthery

Dani Hernandez
Jay Kim

Liz Medina
Lilly Nassetta

Mai Thy Nguyen
Yessi Pascual Contreras

Jenna Pechon
John Christian Rose

Claire Sanders
Jimmy Schomburg

Emma Tafazoli
William Tang

Carly Tombo
Macy Whaley

12th Grade Honors

Mya Agnello
Abigail Curtis

Elliot Deep
Erik Freudenberg

Fulton Gil
David Kim

Gracie Loyd
Jost Malczewski

Joey McCarthy
Zachary McClian

Alden Olyniec
Emma Pierce

Ethan Shaw
Crystal Shi

Adrian Smith
Jacinta Tona

Gin Zheng

7th Grade Merit

Brad Burrowss
Cesar Hernandez

Emily Lader
Emma Powell

8th Grade Merit

Jiovany Aguilar Arriaga
Cole Bissot

Kole Gentry

Chloe Lambert
Allison Stidham

9th Grade Merit

David Pascual-Contreras
Mollie Woods

10th Grade Merit

Daniel Campos
Luis Garcia

John-David Grey
Druss Hays

Helen Kim
Eli Loyd

Francis Mami
Jorja Meiners

Lupe Ponce-Marugez
Cole Posey

Toni Shuper
Sam Taber

Francisco Tona
Izzy Warden

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Gabrielle Bennett
Olivia Brown

Yadira Echeverria
Amber Lin

Aria McMillan
Jongha Park

Ian Sidley
Josh Spitzer

TJ Uhler
David Yi

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