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Our restored stained-glass windows and new lighting, made possible through the capital campaign, illuminate our 100-year tradition and Catholic identity.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear O’Dea Community,

This year, we are blessed to celebrate a historic milestone: the 100th anniversary of O’Dea High School’s first graduating class. A century ago, a small group of young men graduated from a school founded in partnership with the Christian Brothers and inspired by the vision of Blessed Edmund Rice. Today, we honor their legacy and the generations of O’Dea graduates who have followed, each shaped by faith, learning, and a commitment to service.

Much has changed over the past century. Classrooms, instructional methods, and technology look very different from those early days, and our faculty and staff reflect a wider range of backgrounds and experiences. Yet, what has remained constant is our dedication to a mission-centered education rooted in Catholic faith and guided by the Edmund Rice charism, educating young people with compassion, purpose, and a sense of justice. O’Dea is the only Catholic high school in the Pacific Northwest solely dedicated to educating young men. As today’s youth navigate a complex world, this intentional focus is more important than ever as we encourage our young men to become the best versions of themselves.

While O’Dea’s programs may look different today, the heart of an O’Dea education remains the same. I am confident that if the members of our first graduating class were with us, they would be proud of what the members of the Class of 2026 have accomplished during their time at O’Dea and inspired by the positive impact they are certain to have on our world.

As Scripture reminds us, “For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works” (Ephesians 2:10). May God bless O’Dea High School as we carry this sacred mission forward throughout our next century.

Peace and Roll Irish,



Jim Walker, Principal



On the cover: This year marks 100 years since our first class graduated from O’Dea. The class of 1926 includes Russell Ryan, Fr. Michael Ryan’s father, who is pictured second from right in the middle row. The Class of 2026 will celebrate their graduation on May 27, 2026.

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ACADEMICS



EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT: A SPACE TO GROW

The Educational Support Program (ESP) is a student-centered initiative that provides structured academic support, personalized guidance, and encouragement to students who benefit from additional assistance in their learning. Led by a team of four educators with diverse expertise, the program creates a welcoming environment where students feel supported, respected, and empowered.

The ESP team supports students daily and in partnership with classroom teachers, guiding students through coursework, reinforcing key academic skills, and helping them build confidence across subjects. Collaboration is central to the program, giving

students opportunities to connect with instructors, receive individualized or small-group tutoring, and access targeted support to stay on track with their learning goals. Students are supported by a network that includes the ESP team, school counselors, and faculty members.

Support is available before, during, and after school, allowing flexible access to resources. Students also develop personal accountability by learning to manage their time, organize their work, and seek help proactively. As they grow in confidence and responsibility, they strengthen their self-advocacy and pride in their achievements while building habits that support lifelong skills as independent, resilient learners.

STUDENTS ARE SUPPORTED BY A NETWORK THAT INCLUDES THE ESP TEAM, SCHOOL COUNSELORS, AND FACULTY MEMBERS.

PATHS MADE POSSIBLE FOR O'DEA STUDENTS

ANNOUNCING A UNIQUE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY AT CARROLL COLLEGE

We are excited to announce an extraordinary scholarship opportunity available exclusively to O'Dea High School students. Beginning with the 2025–2026 school year, and each year thereafter, up to three graduating seniors will be eligible to receive a scholarship covering full tuition and fees for all four years at Carroll College. This life-changing opportunity is made possible by the Simperman-Corette Foundation, who established it in loving memory of Roy F. Simperman and Diane Corette-Simperman, who both believed deeply in the power of Catholic education and the opportunities available at both O'Dea and Carroll College.

Scholarships like this do more than ease financial burdens — they open doors, expand possibilities, and empower students to pursue their goals. This generous gift is also a powerful reminder of the strength of the relationships O'Dea has built over its more than 100-year history. The connections we have formed through generations of students, families, alumni, and supporters continue to create meaningful



opportunities for today's learners. We are incredibly grateful for partnerships like this.

Owen Lopez-Kimball '26 is a recipient of the Simperman-Corette Scholarship and will continue his academic journey at Carroll College this fall.

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A LEGACY OF OPPORTUNITY

It is hard to believe it has just been over a year since we learned of the passing of Roy F. Simperman, honorary graduate of the class of 2019 and longtime champion of O'Dea High School. At this time, we would like to acknowledge his son, Roy Simperman, Jr. '88, who is stepping forward to continue his dad's longstanding commitment to O'Dea by carrying on his charitable spirit and deep belief in our mission. With thoughtfulness, Roy Jr. is taking the time to enhance his understanding of what is important to O'Dea and its future. In doing so, he is not only honoring his father's legacy, but he is becoming a true partner himself by helping ensure an O'Dea education and experience is the best it can be.

STUDENT LIFE - GROWING A COMMUNITY OF LEADERS



LEADERSHIP BEGINS AS FRESHMEN

At O'Dea, leadership is woven throughout the student experience. With over 100 leadership opportunities available across campus, and many students involved in more than one, O'Dea encourages young men to step forward and contribute to the community from the moment they arrive.

For many students, these early leadership roles become a defining part of their O'Dea experience.

Callum MacLeod '29, Kilkenny Freshman House Captain, saw leadership as an opportunity to build a strong foundation for his high school career.

"Excellence is passed down at O'Dea," MacLeod said. "One of the best parts of leadership is learning from the older guys. Their advice and experiences really help you understand what it means to be part of the O'Dea brotherhood."

Serving as the Waterford Freshman House Captain, as

well as a Mentor Group Captain, **Nathan Cain '29**, has discovered the value of listening and collaboration.

"I've learned to be more open-minded and respectful of other people's thoughts and opinions," he shared. "It's also been great to share ideas with other mentor group captains and help represent our class."

For **Baylor Childers '29**, leadership has been a chance to grow in confidence and contribute to the community. "I wanted to become more involved in my school and help make O'Dea a better place," he explained. "Through this role, I've learned how to receive constructive criticism, build on others' ideas, and speak confidently in front of a group."

By creating opportunities for students to lead beginning their freshman year, students begin to discover what it means to serve others and strengthen the Brotherhood.

DECA: A LAUNCHPAD FOR FUTURE LEADERS

Part of a global organization dedicated to preparing emerging leaders and entrepreneurs, DECA equips students for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management. Over 110 O'Dea students compete each year, making it one of our most dynamic and popular clubs.

Through role-play competitions, sales and consulting challenges, and written projects, students tackle real-world business scenarios that require critical thinking, professionalism, and confidence under pressure.

This year, O'Dea students earned multiple top 10 finishes at the DECA area competition. First Place honors went to **Fisher Black '26** and **Mason White '26**. 61 students qualified for the state competition, and Fisher represented O'Dea at the DECA International Career Development Conference in May.



In addition, several O'Dea students were selected to participate in DECA's Emerging Leader Series, a program designed to help members develop leadership skills through goal setting, collaboration, and project implementation.

Eli Heckinger '28 participated in the Elevate Academy, while

Paul Cabanilla '29 and **Mateo Estrada '29** took part in the Ignite Academy experience which strengthens communication, problem-solving, and innovation skills essential for future leaders.

While the awards are impressive, the true impact of our students participating in our DECA club is that they gain experience, confidence, and leadership skills that will serve them for a lifetime.



Left: DECA Area Competition First Place Winners Mason White (L) and Fisher Black (R).

DECA BY THE NUMBERS

110

STUDENTS PARTICIPATED

4

STUDENTS SELECTED TO REPRESENT O'DEA AT THE DECA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

61

STUDENTS QUALIFIED FOR STATE

OMNIA OMNIBUS

FAITH & SERVICE

DIFFERENT FAITHS, ONE BROTHERHOOD

At O’Dea High School, Catholic identity shapes daily life through prayer, theology classes, retreats, and service. Yet our community reflects a wide range of backgrounds, with many students coming from different faith traditions.

For some students, arriving at O’Dea brings uncertainty about what attending a Catholic school might feel like. **Ramere Collier-Banks ’26** admitted that he initially wondered how much religion would shape his experience. “Before coming to O’Dea, I thought a Catholic education would mostly focus on religion and that it might feel strict or only centered around Catholic students,” he said.

What he discovered was a community where the lessons of faith focus on values that resonate with every student. “Conversations in theology class focus on morality, leadership, and how we treat others,” Collier-Banks explained.

“EVEN IF YOU DON’T SHARE THE SAME RELIGIOUS BELIEFS, THOSE DISCUSSIONS STILL MAKE YOU THINK ABOUT...THE IMPACT YOU WANT TO HAVE ON OTHERS.”

– RAMERE COLLIER-BANKS ’26

Max Speller ’27, shared that “even though I do not identify as Catholic, many of the traditions, teachings, and moral values that come from Catholic education stay with me and influence the way I approach life. In many ways, the lessons learned through Catholic education go beyond religion itself and focus on becoming a better man and contributing positively to the people around you.”

Timothy Sousou ’26 also explained that “faith at O’Dea doesn’t mean a pressure to conform to one faith but simply shows you the values and teachings of being a Catholic,” while remaining open to other faiths and beliefs.



Ramere Collier-Banks ’26 and Max Speller ’27



Timothy Sousou ’26 and Kaleb Mehari ’27

O’Dea’s environment encourages open conversations about faith and different traditions. “O’Dea pushes us to think about, or at least have an idea of, our peers’ different traditions,” **Kaleb Mehari ’27** shared. Students at O’Dea say their strongest connection comes through O’Dea’s defining value: Brotherhood. “The idea of brotherhood connects students from different faith backgrounds by basically saying we are all brothers no matter where we’re from or how traditions are celebrated,” explained Kaleb. “We are all the same, and that connection with each other helps us move forward together as brothers.”

THE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE: GROWING IN FAITH

The Encounter Retreat is one of O’Dea’s most meaningful and enduring traditions, offering students a chance to step away from daily routines and reflect in a supportive, guided environment. Rooted in the spirit of brotherhood, this journey brings young men together to build deeper connections, grow in self-understanding, and experience the power of community.

For **Josiah Bowman '26**, the retreat provided a powerful moment of connection with his classmates. “When I attended Encounter last spring, I had the chance to learn about my classmates’ different walks of faith,” Bowman shared. “Seeing others thriving and struggling in some of the same areas as me gave me a real sense of comfort and brotherhood.”

Throughout the retreat, students are accompanied by dedicated teachers who walk alongside them, offering encouragement and support as they navigate moments of reflection, honesty, and personal growth. Encounter often becomes one of the most transformative experiences of a student’s time at O’Dea, an opportunity to strengthen character, deepen relationships, and see themselves and others with greater compassion. Having just completed Encounter 108, we look forward to ensuring this powerful program continues to be a highlight of the O’Dea experience.



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- JOSIAH BOWMAN '26



WELCOMING FATHER GARY LAZZERONI

Father Gary Lazzeroni was appointed Pastor of St. James Cathedral last summer, and we are pleased to welcome him to the O’Dea community as well. Father Lazzeroni was always attracted to a life of faith, which led him to a career as a lay parish minister, the Vicar for Clergy Office at the Chancery, and eventually the priesthood and his current position. His favorite thing about being a priest is being in people’s lives, journeying with them through ups and downs, and walking in faith with them. His second favorite thing is anything to do with the game of golf. We are fortunate to have Fr. Lazzeroni now walking in faith with our students, and we welcome him to play with our golf team any time!



FIGHTING IRISH, FIGHTING CANCER

Each year, the O’Dea High School community comes together to raise awareness and funds to support pediatric cancer care and research at Seattle Children’s Hospital. For many years, the campaign centered around Beards for Bros, with students and faculty growing beards in solidarity with those battling cancer. This year, this student-led initiative expanded into “Fighting Irish Fighting Cancer,” introducing additional activities and opportunities for more people in our community to participate and show their support.

Below and on the following page are three highlights from this year’s campaign.

BUCKETS FOR BROS



Buckets for Bros is our new three-on-three basketball tournament that brought our community together for friendly competition and to raise funds. **Hutton Leverett '26** explained that “This was our first year of Buckets for Bros, and it was cool seeing kids from every grade level come together for an amazing cause and have some fun playing basketball. Ms. McNulty and her leadership class did an amazing job putting this event together, and it was a huge success for our Fighting Irish Fighting Cancer campaign.”

“IT WAS COOL SEEING KIDS FROM EVERY GRADE LEVEL COME TOGETHER FOR AN AMAZING CAUSE...”

- HUTTON LEVERETT '26

\$173,000 RAISED SINCE 2016

CUTS FOR CANCER



During Cuts for Cancer, O’Dea alumni professional barbers and student barbers provided haircuts, with the proceeds benefitting Seattle Children’s. Organized by O’Dea’s student leadership group in partnership with Golden Cuts Studio, the barbers gave 35 haircuts spanning 6.5 hours, and raised \$1,500. One of the student barbers, **Luis Arbini ’26**, explained that “it felt good knowing that something simple like a haircut could help families and children who are fighting cancer.”

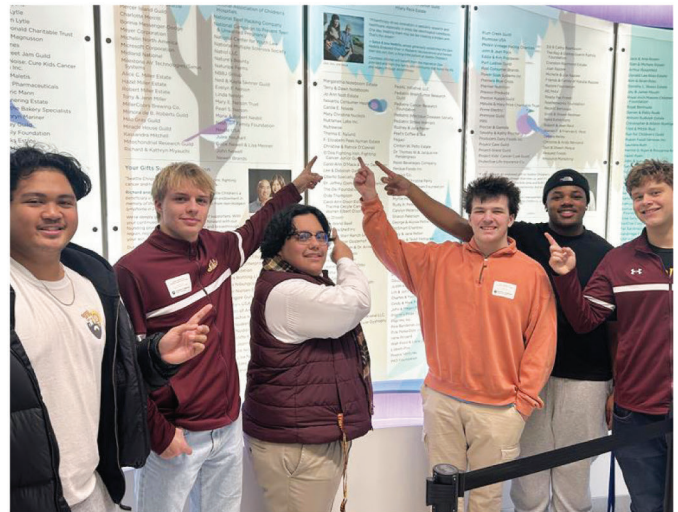
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FIGHTING IRISH FIGHTING CANCER JUNIOR GUILD RECEIVES AWARD

Since the guild was founded in 2016, O’Dea has raised \$173,000 to support the Seattle Children’s Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Program. This year we were excited to be notified that our guild is being presented with the Award for Guild Excellence and will be honored at the Seattle Children’s Guild Association Annual Meeting and Luncheon Celebration on Friday, May 15th. They explained that O’Dea’s guild was selected because, “as the only all-boys junior guild, you have built a remarkably sustainable guild model by engaging your entire school community in their annual fundraising efforts. We are incredibly inspired by these young philanthropists who, despite the busy schedules of high school life, prioritize advocating and fundraising for the Seattle Children’s Teen Cancer Fund every year.”



“ WE ARE INCREDIBLY INSPIRED BY THESE YOUNG PHILANTHROPISTS WHO...PRIORITIZE ADVOCATING AND FUNDRAISING FOR THE SEATTLE CHILDREN’S TEEN CANCER FUND EVERY YEAR. ”

- SEATTLE CHILDREN’S GUILD ASSOCIATION

Through initiatives like Beards for Bros, Buckets for Bros, and Cuts for Cancer, the Fighting Irish Fighting Cancer campaign continues to reflect the heart of O’Dea’s mission: students coming together to support others and make a meaningful difference beyond their own community.

ATHLETICS

A STRONG SEASON IN THE POOL

The O’Dea Swim & Dive program delivered an outstanding season this winter, capturing its 12th Metro League Championship and finishing 4th at the 3A State Championships. The team’s depth and dedication were evident throughout the season, with 12 of the program’s 32 athletes qualifying for State, including three divers.

The season also saw two new team records set in relay events including the 200 Medley Relay team of **August Pierce '26, Edward Nakhuda '27, Robert Nakhuda '27, and Torsten Schenck '27** and the 200

Free Relay team of **Prentice-Garnett Sanders '26, Edward Nakhuda '27, Robert Nakhuda '27, and Torsten Schenck '27**. Both relay teams went on to place second at the State Championships.

Athletes also delivered impressive individual performances at the State competition. **Marcelo Slye '27** placed 5th in diving, **August Pierce '26** finished 4th in the Backstroke and 5th in the Butterfly, and **Robert Nakhuda '27** placed 4th in the 100 Free and 5th in the 50 Free.

SPORTS JOURNALISM IN ACTION

Athletics at O’Dea High School are about far more than wins and records. They are classrooms of a different kind — places where young men learn discipline, resilience, accountability, and leadership through daily commitment to themselves and others. Students from Will Chambers’ Sports Journalism course turned their attention to the stories behind the scoreboards. Interviewing seniors from our winter sports, Basketball, Wrestling, and Swim & Dive, they explored what it means to be a student-athlete at O’Dea. Following are excerpts from articles written by students, about students, that provide a deeper look at athletics as an extension of the O’Dea experience.

SWIMMING

Senior **Wyatt Sanford '26** has been involved in swimming since he was a young boy, but stepping into the captain’s role reshaped his perspective, pushing him to grow not only as an athlete but as a leader within the Brotherhood and beyond.

As captain, he has been required to attend the freezing cold morning practices in Medina, a commitment he says has strengthened his discipline and taught him the value of delayed gratification. Sanford explains that these early mornings have helped him learn to push himself even when circumstances are difficult; a lesson he believes will stay with him long after high school.

Being a captain also demands significant time management. To balance academics and athletics, Sanford arrives early each day, uses Irish Block effectively, and prepares for his classes before practice begins, ensuring he stays focused and ready.

But the impact goes beyond routine. Sanford’s understanding of the Brotherhood has deepened



as well. Since becoming captain, he has noticed that sometimes supporting each other doesn’t look like what he once thought it did; instead, it can mean “pushing each other to get better every day.”

- By **Torsten Schenck '27**

WRESTLING

This year, wrestler **Justus De Jesus '27** stepped into an important role as a junior captain. Wrestling demands physical toughness, mental strength, and daily commitment, and De Jesus has embraced those challenges while becoming a steady presence for his teammates this season.

“WRESTLING HAS PUSHED ME TO GROW BOTH IN THE CLASSROOM AND AS A PERSON.” – JUSTUS DE JESUS '27

For De Jesus, leadership is not just about wearing the title of captain, it is about effort and attitude, especially during difficult moments. His approach highlights the mindset that coaches value at O’Dea, where consistency and work ethic are central to success.

Wrestling has also shaped De Jesus beyond competition. The lessons learned through demanding practices and preparation have influenced his growth



Pictured are senior wrestlers Kyle Butler '13 and Jomie Schuchart '13.

as both an athlete and a student. “Wrestling has taught me discipline, time management, and accountability,” De Jesus explained. “It has pushed me to grow both in the classroom and as a person.”

Through dedication and example, Justus continues to reflect the values of O’Dea.

- By **Brady Curran '27**

BASKETBALL

A basketball court is full of talent, but what truly makes a player stand out is when they have talent along with true character and wisdom.

Josiah Bowman '26 possesses size and skill, but he also brings a thoughtful approach to the game that goes far beyond scoring or defending. He sees basketball as a place where he learns about himself and the world around him, and that perspective shapes everything he does.

Josiah believes the lessons he learns on the court translate directly into real life. “Applying the game to real life scenarios, you have hard practices sometimes and in life you have hard things, and you need to persevere.” It is a simple idea, but it reflects the way he approaches challenges with patience and purpose. His leadership is rooted in consistency and care. He listens, he guides, and he sets the tone through his actions.



Josiah treats basketball as a place to practice resilience, humility, and discipline. He pays attention to how he reacts in tough moments — he knows those reactions reveal who he is becoming and the person he is growing into.

- By **Owen Lopez-Kimball '26** and **Ivan Quispe '26**



We have been excited to watch Kohler Field come together this year and can't wait for our students to use it in the fall. Join us at the ribbon cutting Fall 2026, and see it for yourself as we launch a new era of O'Dea Athletics and student opportunities. Watch your email for more information and to RSVP closer to the date. We can't wait for the field to be finished this summer!





COMPETING WITH HONOR



ADVANCEMENT

CELEBRATE O'DEA

On March 21st, our community came together to celebrate our school and raise money to support financial aid, ensuring that the life-changing opportunities of an O'Dea education remain accessible to students ready to work hard, grow, and contribute to something bigger than themselves. A sold-out crowd joined us for a night full of fellowship, food, and bidding! A special thank you to our Auction Committee and Auction Event Chairs, **Rhonda Banchemo** (mother of Paolo '21 and Giulio '26) and **Stephanie Leverett** (mother of Hutton '26) for their work and dedication to making the evening so special.

THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT, THIS YEAR'S AUCTION RAISED \$1 MILLION, DIRECTLY HELPING ENSURE O'DEA STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO AN EDUCATION THAT MATCH THEIR POTENTIAL.

THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS VISION TO LIFE AND INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF OUR STUDENTS.



O'DEA IS MORE THAN A SCHOOL

From the moment you walk on campus, there is an energy, a pride, and a brotherhood that sets it apart from anywhere else. Young men are challenged, believed in, and given opportunities that shape who they become for the rest of their lives. The excellence in our classrooms, the intensity on our fields, and the support that surrounds every student makes the O'Dea experience truly one of a kind.

This year's Fund-A-Need fueled financial aid to ensure this extraordinary opportunity is available to students who are ready to work hard, grow, and contribute to something bigger than themselves, even when tuition is not affordable for their family. This creates access for young men whose potential will be cultivated at O'Dea and whose presence strengthens our community.



CHECK OUT THE AUCTION VIDEO BY SCANNING THE QR CODE.



HALL of FAME

Honoring Character, Faith, and Service

2026 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Congratulations to our 2026 Hall of Fame inductees! The Hall of Fame is an honor given to those who have made significant contributions to O'Dea or the greater community through their professional accomplishments, dedication to faith and service, and/or meaningful enhancement to O'Dea's student, faculty, and staff experience. We are thrilled to recognize and celebrate the following people:



JOHN O'LEARY '73

John has built a remarkable career in global business leadership. He currently serves as CEO of Daimler Truck North America and credits O'Dea for shaping his success.



KEVIN SHEA '84

A devoted Marine and leader whose life was defined by faith, courage, and selfless service, Kevin was killed in action in 2004. His legacy lives on through his family and friends.



STAFFORD MAYS AND LAURIE BLACK

Stafford and Laurie have dedicated themselves to strengthening O'Dea and the greater Seattle community through a lifetime commitment to leadership, service, and youth mentorship.

ITALIAN DINNER

Our 59th annual Italian Dinner brought together the Fighting Irish community for an incredible night at St. Anne's Parish. Over 300 O'Dea alumni, families, and supporters enjoyed an evening full of laughter, connection, and tradition. This year's event honored three outstanding members of the O'Dea community. **John Cain Jr.** (father of Nolan '27 and Nathan '29) received the Terrence Johnson Father of the Year Award and, **Nicholas Andrews '99**, was named the James Bosa '98 Alumni Volunteer of the Year. In addition we were thrilled to introduce a new award, the O'Dea Mother of the Year Award, which was presented to **Kaliha Holiday** (mother of Khalil '22 and King '25). We are deeply grateful to these individuals for their dedication and service to O'Dea.

A special thank you to Sandy & Dave Dubuque, Marci Mascio and her team for putting together the fabulous



raffle baskets, which are always extremely popular. We also want to recognize our incredible committee, Donny Jones, Peter Jones '17 and Travis Stanley-Jones, for their hard work and dedication in making this event a success.

ALUMNI

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

PAYING TRIBUTE TO SOME OF OUR MORE RECENT ALUMNI

Thomas Endashaw '21

graduated from the University of Southern California and is pursuing a career as a stand-up comedian and actor. Thomas recently booked his first acting role on ABC's Emmy-winning series, Abbott Elementary. He is also currently the youngest performing comedian at the World Famous Comedy Store in Hollywood as part of its storied Door Guy program, where he continues to hone his craft and build his name in the comedy scene.



Jason Fridge '21 spent this past NFL season working as an Email Marketing Associate for the Philadelphia Eagles, where he collaborated with the business operations team on marketing events, corporate sponsorships, and game-day activations. Highlights of the season included being part of the Eagles' Super Bowl LIX banner reveal and being on the field pregame for the Wild Card playoff game.



Owen Prentice '21

earned his broker's license and is working for USI Insurance Services. He will move to London in June to work with insurance brokerage, BMS, to gain further experience in the industry before returning to Seattle to continue his career with USI, potentially focusing on the marine insurance space.



Dawit Mulat-Davis '22

is a senior at Texas Tech University pursuing a B.S. in Kinesiology, with minors in Nutrition and Human Development and Family Sciences. He is an active member of Delta Alpha Omega Multicultural Fraternity, Inc. and currently serves as Secretary on the executive board. He is currently applying to chiropractic programs and looks forward to continuing his education in the healthcare field.



Asa Reese '22 recently began his redshirt junior season of college baseball at PLU and is off to a strong start. He was named Hitter of the Week in the Northwest Conference (NWC) and is hoping to keep the momentum going for the rest of the season. Asa enjoys attending O'Dea events when able and can't wait when his younger brothers attend O'Dea.



Jamison Saxton '22

interned last summer with Brown & Riding Insurance Services in their Chicago office, where he learned about the insurance brokerage industry and honed his professional skills. He will complete another internship there this summer and then work for them full-time after he graduates from the University of Mississippi with a Bachelor of Business Administration in December 2026.





Dylan Cohen '23 is currently finishing his Communications degree at the University of Montana. While in Missoula, he is coaching football at Sentinel High School and substitute teaching throughout Missoula County Public Schools. In his free time, Dylan has developed a passion for fishing and says he's becoming quite the fisherman.

Jack Suk '23, a student at the Mendoza College of Business at the University of Notre Dame, completed an eight-week internship with PwC's Strategy & Division in Chicago. During the experience, he worked on a pro bono client project and gained exposure to the deals strategy space while connecting with industry professionals and expanding his business knowledge.

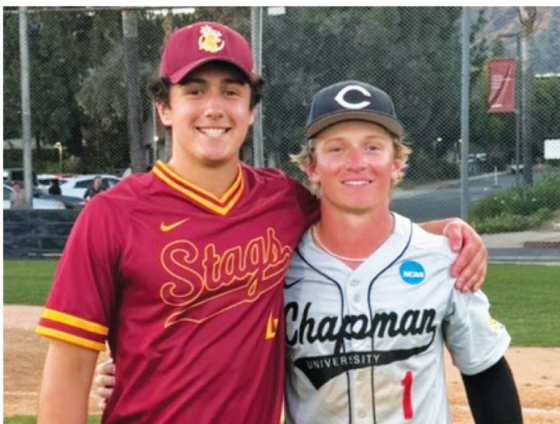


Benjamin Sollom '23 is a Biological Sciences Pre-Med student at the University of Notre Dame. On campus, he is involved with PEMCo Musical Theatre and the Biology Club, and serves as the Siegfried Hall Athletic Commissioner and a Legion (Notre Dame Athletics student section) Ambassador. Last year, he also performed at Saint

Eli Hough '24 is currently attending the United States Naval Academy. While the Academy does not offer traditional internships, Eli will spend this summer at sea aboard a U.S. Navy destroyer, shadowing a division officer. On campus, he serves as Vice President of the Iron Man Club and recently won the heavyweight division of a triathlon. Eli is also the Open Water Program Manager for the Scuba Club, where he has helped certify nearly 100 divers to date.



James Cathedral with the Notre Dame Men's Glee Club during the group's spring tour.



Keegan Cabrera '24 (L) is a second-year general engineering student at Harvey Mudd College in Claremont, California. He is also an outfielder for the Claremont-Mudd-Scripps baseball team. During his freshman season, the team posted a 35–15 record and won the program's first-ever NCAA Regional.

Briggs Ellis '25 (R) is enjoying his time at Chapman University, where he wrapped up his first semester with a 3.9 GPA and credits O'Dea with preparing him well for college academics. On the baseball field, Briggs recently made his first start of the season and recorded a few hits as the team continues to play well. He also had the chance to reconnect on the diamond with former O'Dea teammate, Keegan Cabrera '24.



We love celebrating the journeys of our O'Dea alumni. Share your latest milestones, accomplishments, and life updates by scanning the QR code and submitting your information for our Irish Review alumni feature. We look forward to highlighting where the Brotherhood has taken you!



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