

ST. PIUS X

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



LANCER LEGEND

SUMMER ISSUE 2026

OUR MISSION

St. Pius X Catholic High School is a Catholic community dedicated to the education of the whole person, in an environment where extraordinary care and concern for the individual is ordinary.

OUR VISION

We, the Catholic learning community of St. Pius X Catholic High School, strive to maintain recognized excellence in all educational programs for students of all abilities. We strive to impart Christian ethical principles of living to students, preparing them to be productive and contributing members of a global society.

We, as members of the St. Pius X Catholic High School community, seek to challenge each other individually to become lifelong learners in mind, body, and soul.

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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we approach the end of another school year, we are filled with gratitude and hope for the future of St. Pius X Catholic High School. It has been a year of growth, progress, and commitment to our mission of Catholic education. We are excited to share with you the many wonderful developments that are contributing to a bright horizon for our school.

We are proud to be entering our second season on our brand-new baseball field! With the addition of stadium lights, the facility has already transformed the game day experience for our players, students, and fans. The next phase of this exciting project includes paving the parking lot as we continue building a premier home for St. Pius X Baseball.

The recent Legacy Gala was a monumental success, with record-breaking numbers in both attendance and financial support. We are deeply humbled and honored by the generosity of our community, and we are committed to remaining faithful stewards of this mission. Thanks to your support, we will continue to offer a vibrant, Catholic, college-preparatory education to all who seek it.

We are truly blessed by an incredible community whose generous contributions of time, talent, and treasure continue to make our progress possible. As we look ahead, we are excited to move forward with plans to build a new track, football field, gymnasium, and performing arts facility. These initiatives will further enhance our students' educational experience and help shape the future of St. Pius X.

As we close this school year, we are filled with anticipation for the journey ahead. With faith, unity, and the continued support of our incredible community, we will continue to build a legacy worthy of our mission. Please keep St. Pius X in your prayers as we embark on the next chapter of our story.

Thank you for being a part of this remarkable journey. We look forward to all that the future holds for our students and our school.

Yours in Christ,

Jim Lehn

WELCOME TO StPX CLASS OF 2030



On Friday, January 31, faculty and staff came together to personally deliver yard signs and acceptance packages to each member of the incoming Class of 2030. This cherished tradition serves as an official welcome into our school community and marks the exciting start of their high school journey. It's a moment filled with joy and anticipation as these young students prepare to begin a new chapter of academic discovery and personal growth. We look forward with great enthusiasm to welcoming them on their first day of high school this August!

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

**ST. PIUS X IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE OUR
EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR, MR. KEN HALTER!**

As our dedicated College Counselor, Mr. Halter plays a vital role in guiding students toward their futures. Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition, your commitment to our students truly makes a difference. Thank you for living out the mission of St. Pius X each day through the extraordinary care and concern you show to every individual who walks through our doors.



ST. PIUS X FACILITIES UPDATE

BASEBALL FIELD



This spring marked the second season that the Lancers baseball team competed on its new home field, and the excitement surrounding Sapaugh Field at Bridge Memorial Ballpark continues to grow.

This year brought another major milestone with the addition of stadium lights, officially allowing the field to host night games. The atmosphere created under the lights has added a new level of energy and excitement for our players, students, families, and fans. From first pitch to final out, Sapaugh Field now provides an experience that reflects the tradition of St. Pius X Catholic High School.

In addition to the lighting project, a new press box was completed to enhance game-day operations and provide a dedicated space for announcing, media coverage, and viewing. These additions continue to elevate the overall experience for everyone who visits the ballpark.

While we are incredibly proud of what has already been accomplished, the project continues to move forward. The next phase will focus on paving the parking lot and installing new batting cages as we continue developing a facility that will serve and inspire generations of future Lancers for years to come.



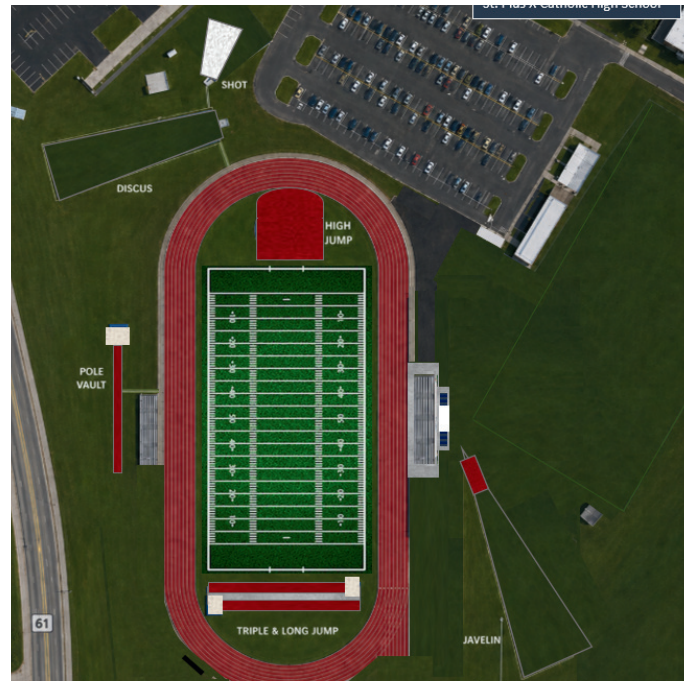


BUILD THE FIELD, FUEL THE FUTURE.

We invite you to be part of a transformational moment at St. Pius X as we launch Phase I of a new Football Field project, a significant investment in our athletic and student life facilities. This phase will include a natural grass field, goal posts, stadium lighting, a scoreboard and video board, spectator seating on both sides, and a new press box, creating a true home field environment for our student-athletes, marching band, cheerleaders, and the entire Lancer community.

More than just an athletic upgrade, this project will strengthen school spirit and bring together families, alumni, and supporters on Friday nights under the lights. Located along Highway 61, the new stadium also offers prime, high-visibility opportunities for local businesses to showcase their logos and information to thousands of daily passersby through sponsorship and advertising placements.

Phase II will complete the vision with an eight-lane track and field complex, expanding opportunities for our growing programs and allowing us to host meets. Together, these enhancements will serve multiple sports, physical education, and community events for generations to come. Made possible through the generosity of alumni, parents, and friends, the project offers meaningful giving opportunities, including naming rights and sponsorships. Your support will help create a place where memories are made, traditions are strengthened, and the Lancer spirit continues to thrive.



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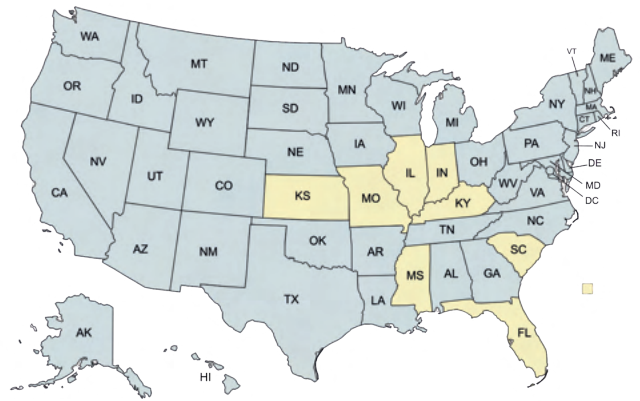


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CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2026

St. Pius X Catholic High School recently graduated 73 students in its 2026 class. In the fall, 92% of the class will be enrolling in a two or four year college, enlisting in the military, or attending a technical school.

- Accepted at 24 different colleges in 8 states
 - 25 (35%) attending a two-year / technical college
 - 41 (56%) attending a four-year college / university
 - 1 has enlisted in the United States Navy
- 59 students earned \$2.8 million in accepted merit / talent scholarships
- Class grade point average: 3.56
- 23 students graduated with a 4.0 or above weighted GPA
- ACT Composite average for the Class of 2026 is 21.3
 - The top 10% of the class: 30.6 ACT composite
 - The top 25% of the class: 27.2 ACT composite
 - The top 50% of the class: 23.9 ACT composite(The national ACT average is 19.4)



LEGACY FAMILIES

In 1959, St. Pius X Catholic High School was able to open its doors because of the efforts of its founding Fathers: Fr. Ira Bell, Mr. Herb Besand, Mr. Amos Govero, Mr. Fred Isenman, Mr. Francis Kist, Msgr Edward Meier, Msgr. Charles Mottin, Mr. William J. Pagano Sr. and Mr. John Peterein. Many of whom sent their children to StPX and some their grandchildren as well. Creating a Legacy of Lancers. Mr. and Mrs. Kist were quoted as saying “what you give will come back to you many, many times”. We acknowledge our Class of 2026 Legacy Families, enriched by the contributions of many families, embodies the enduring spirit and community of the school, bringing generations together to share in the joy of graduation.



Conner & Evan Bailey
Angie (Flynn '89) Bailey
Paul Flynn '65



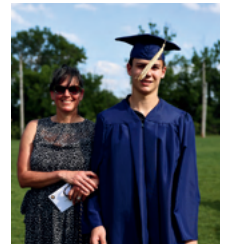
Addison Beffa
Alisyn (Turley '95) Beffa



Ella Choate
Amy (Krodringer '87) Choate
Larry Krodringer '63



Hadley Compton
Ryan Compton '05



Zane Creed
Rene (Surdyke '93) Creed



Harper Gass
Emily (Herrell '00) Gass
John Gass '00
Peggy (Overberg '69) Herrell
Bill Herrell '69



August Herrell
Brandon Herrell '98
Peggy (Overberg '69) Herrell
Bill Herrell '69



Lauren Hunt
Darrel Hunt '95
Mary Kay (Peterein '82)
Morgenthaler



McKenzie McNutt
Sarah (Smith '99) McNutt
Jeff McNutt '98



Abigail & Emma Miller
Lauren (Brouk '99) Miller
Sharon (Swaller '69) Brouk



Gabrielle Mueller
Angela (Gunter '02) Mueller
Mary (Stolzer '72) Gunter



Stella Patterson
Mary (Kovarik '87) Patterson



Mabel Sanders
Lauren Eldridge '02



Samantha Schmelig
Christopher Schmelig '87



Adelynn Wallis
Jennifer (Palmer '98) Wallis

Not pictured:

Faith Sebastian, Joseph Heuer '67
Aubrey Melber, George Melber '76

583 PROGRAM

The 2025-2026 school year has been an exciting one for our innovative 583 Program which provides our students with five college visits to eight different schools during their first three years of high school. This school year, juniors visited Southeast Missouri State University, Maryville University, Lindenwood University, Missouri Baptist University, and the University of Missouri-St. Louis (UMSL); sophomores toured Saint Louis University, McKendree University, Missouri Baptist University, and the University of Missouri-St. Louis (UMSL); and our freshmen began their 583 journey with a spring visit to Jefferson College. In February, as part of our recent expansion of the 583 Program to include students interested in the trades and technical schools, a group of St. Pius students visited Ranken Technical College in St. Louis. In April, a group of 16 students attended the "Build My Future STL" event, where students were able to participate in hands-on construction activities.

A major highlight of the year is our new agreement with Missouri Baptist University, where every St. Pius X graduate is now eligible for a \$24,000 annual scholarship simply by graduating from our school and accepted from MBU. This opportunity of MBU's Christian School Preferred Program further strengthens our commitment to helping students explore a wide range of post-secondary pathways.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HOUSE OF THE YEAR

GENEVIEVE HOUSE WINS!

Another incredible year in the House System has come to a close! Throughout the year, students had countless opportunities to earn points through service, leadership, spirit days, academic achievements, and community involvement. While every house showcased its own strengths, camaraderie, and energy, one house steadily rose above the rest.

Congratulations to Genevieve House on an outstanding and well-deserved victory! Their consistency, teamwork, and unwavering house spirit set them apart. Whether leading cheers or stepping up when it mattered most, Genevieve House truly exemplified the heart of the House System. We celebrate their achievement and look forward to the continued impact they will make in the years ahead.



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST ABOUT ST. PIUS X?



JANUARY

PAIGE CUDDIHEE
“What I’ll miss most about St. Pius X is how it felt like home. I’ll miss the teachers and my friends, and the little moments in the hallways, the routines, and just being part of a place where I felt comfortable every day.”



FEBRUARY

CODY NGUYEN
“What I’ll miss most is seeing everyone in the halls during lunch. The energy, the conversations, and simply being surrounded by friends each day. It’s those small, everyday moments that will stay with me the longest.”



MARCH

ELI BISHOP
“Getting to spend each day surrounded by my friends, and inspiring teachers”



APRIL

ALVARO MEIJAS
“The people who are so full of heart, joy, and the thirst for life, and especially the opportunities to grow in faith.”



MAY

CONNER BAILEY
“I will miss the environment of St. Pius X, and the willingness of any staff member to help out!”

CAMPUS MINISTRY CORNER

PAUL J. KIM VISITS ST. PIUS X

On May 1, St. Pius X welcomed Paul Kim, who shared his powerful story and message of faith with our community. Through humor, honesty, and real-life experiences, he spoke about identity, self-worth, and the importance of building a relationship with God. His words challenged students to look beyond the pressures of the world and instead find confidence in who they are created to be. His message of hope, purpose, and authenticity resonated deeply, leaving a meaningful and lasting impact on everyone in attendance.



CONNER BAILEY RECEIVES THE ARCHBISHOP MAY AWARD

Congratulations to Conner Bailey on being named this year's recipient of the Archbishop John L. May Service Award. This prestigious recognition is awarded to one senior from each Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of St. Louis who exemplifies a deep commitment to service, leadership, and living out their faith in meaningful ways. Conner has consistently gone above and beyond in serving others, demonstrating compassion, humility, and a genuine dedication to making a difference in both the school and greater community. His actions reflect what it truly means to lead through service, and this honor is a testament to the lasting impact he has made.

CHARLIE HARRISON INSPIRED TO BECOME CATHOLIC

Sophomore transfer student Charlie Harrison entered St Pius X with what you could call "normal" expectations. Go to class, play sports, make friends...a typical high school experience. In fact, Charlie encountered more than he realized. Plugged into an environment where the Faith is at the center, Charlie found himself asking questions, seeking answers, and growing spiritually. He was raised in a faithful Presbyterian home where a high priority was placed on prayer, reading the Scriptures, and growing closer with God. At St Pius X, Charlie found that those crucial aspects of his life, aspects which he loves dearly, are not only retained, but in fact, amplified in Catholicism. After months of prayer and discernment, Charlie decided to enter the Catholic Church. He is currently in formation and will soon be received into Holy Mother Church. Congratulations, Charlie!



SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



St. Pius X Senior Alvaro Mejias was recognized at the Twin City Optimist Club Youth Appreciation Luncheon. This is an annual event that the Twin City Optimist Club uses to recognize outstanding students who have good character, strive to do their best at all times and make a positive impact on their community. Congratulations to Alvaro!



St. Pius X seniors and twins, Conner and Evan Bailey, earned their Eagle Scout rank by designing and building a meditation area featuring a Marian grotto and benches on campus. Completed over five months with the support of family, community donors, and local businesses, the project reflects their deep faith and commitment to leaving a lasting legacy at their school. The brothers were recognized by Jefferson County for their achievement and hope the space will serve as a place of prayer and reflection for years to come.



At St. Pius X, students are encountering the Catholic faith in meaningful and transformative ways. Sophomore Chase Papin, who was baptized but not raised practicing the faith, has been inspired through theology classes, campus ministry, and supportive friendships to pursue the remaining sacraments of initiation. Campus minister and theology teacher Jake Fowler sees the school's growing number of non-Catholic students as an opportunity to more visibly live out and share the faith, using everyday moments, from questions about Mass to conversations about confession, as invitations to explore its depth and beauty. With several students, including Chase, now interested in joining the Church, St. Pius X continues to foster a welcoming environment where all are encouraged to grow spiritually and deepen their relationship with Christ.



For the past few years, St. Pius X Catholic High School has offered Spanish IV students the opportunity to earn both the Global Seal of Bilingual Proficiency and the Missouri Seal of Bilingual Proficiency. For the Class of 2026, the recipients are Eli Bishop, Danny DeGeare, Alvaro Mejias, and Taylor Robinson. These students met or exceeded the criteria on approved English and Spanish exams, demonstrating proficiency in reading, listening, speaking, and writing in both languages.



Our Wrestling program reached a historic milestone this season, celebrating its first-ever state champion. Cainen Menke captured the state title in the 132-pound weight class, marking a significant achievement for the program. Additional state medalists include Cash Hancock, who earned a 3rd place finish, and Dawson Litterall, who placed 5th. These accomplishments reflect the hard work and dedication of our wrestlers and coaching staff.

43RD ANNUAL LEGACY GALA DINNER AUCTION

Thank you for your incredible generosity, enthusiasm, and support in making this year's Legacy Gala Dinner Auction such a tremendous success. Because of you, we are proud to share that our final total reached an outstanding \$298,400—a truly remarkable achievement that reflects the strength and spirit of our entire community. The classes were challenged to see who could bring the highest gross totals of all donated class items. Here are this year's results:

- 1st Place – Sophomore Class of 2028: \$48,962
- 2nd Place – Freshman Class of 2029: \$21,515
- 3rd Place – Junior Class of 2027: \$12,670
- 4th Place – Senior Class of 2026: \$12,495

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our students and families, we raised \$95,642.00 through class donations, baskets, live auction items, and more! We cannot thank you enough for your enthusiasm and support in making this year's Legacy Gala Dinner Auction a huge success.

In addition to the Class Challenge, two amazing paddle raise efforts made a big impact:

- "Empowering the Arts" Fund-a-Need raised \$14,000
- Friends of Father Dalton Tuition Assistance raised \$27,850

A heartfelt THANK YOU to our incredible Class Challenge Parent Leaders: Kelly Hermann, Michelle Donovan-Cudihee, Maureen Sherry, Michelle Meyer and Caroline Wacker. Your leadership and dedication made all the difference!

To our phenomenal auction decorating team, silent auction coordinators, donation collectors, and setup crew: Kelly Lehn, Breanna Bannes, Maggie Holmes, Molly Miriani, Laura Harris, Sara Thomas, Marie Del Vecchio, Ann Esswein, Michelle Horne, Karissa Waller and all our student volunteers. Your creativity and countless hours of hard work brought this event to life. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

This year's auction didn't just meet expectations, it surpassed them in the most incredible way. We are truly overwhelmed with gratitude for the generosity, enthusiasm, and support from our amazing school families and the entire community.

Because of you, this event was not only a success, it was extraordinary! Thank you for showing up, giving back, and making such a meaningful impact.

May God bless you,

Amy Atzert '01, Director of Events



FINE ARTS

MUSIC & BAND



Our music program stayed busy with performances and special opportunities for growth. The Rock Band performed at the DeSoto High School Fountain City Jazz Festival, where they received valuable feedback on strengthening their performance skills. The Band, Jazz, and Choir groups went on tour, performing at Our Lady, Holy Family, and St. Joseph schools. In addition, students had the opportunity to work with guest clinicians, including Joe Pastor, who led the Jazz Band in Cuban and Latin percussion rhythms while working closely with the rhythm section, and Caleb Zustiak, who worked with the Concert Choir in preparation for upcoming performances.



ART

The Fine Arts Festival and Senior Exhibition was a truly spectacular celebration of creativity and artistic achievement. Students transformed our campus into a vibrant gallery, showcasing an impressive array of student artwork that reflected both technical skill and imaginative expression. A special tribute was paid to the senior artists, whose dedication, growth, and lasting contributions to the art department were honored with admiration. Congratulations to our winners!

2D Awards:

- 1st: Ava Casteel (Fr.)
- 2nd: Kamryn Deutsch (Sr.)
- 3rd: Leah Downen (Soph.)

3D Awards:

- 1st: Ramona Ruelas (Sr.)
- 2nd: Bailey Winkler (Sr.)
- 3rd: Kamden Lebon (Jr.)

Photography:

- 1st: Nehemiah Culton (Sr.)
- 2nd: Addie Wallis (Sr.)
- 3rd: Lucy Yeung (Soph.)



CIRCLE THEATRE

On April 22, Circle Theatre performed their one-act play, *This is a Test*, at the state tournament in Springfield, Missouri. *This is a Test* is a humorous one-act play centered on a student taking an exam, highlighting the chaotic and often absurd situations that can arise, from blatant cheating to questions written in Chinese. The entire production unfolds as a surreal dream sequence, adding to its comedic and unpredictable nature.

Circle Theatre earned 2nd place at their district competition in March, securing their advancement to the state level. This marks the program's fourth state appearance in the past four years, a testament to its sustained excellence. This production was directed by Dennis Moore and Preston Butricks. Both directors credit the program's continued success to the dedication and hard work of its students, particularly the senior cast members who have committed three to four years to the theatre program.



LANCER ATHLETICS



GIRLS SOCCER

The girls soccer team enters district play with strong momentum, holding a 12-4 record and coming off back-to-back Fox Tournament championships without conceding a goal. With a balanced roster of experienced leaders and a talented freshman class, the Lancers have established themselves as a disciplined and dangerous team poised for a deep postseason run.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The boys volleyball team played at the varsity level against strong, seasoned competition night after night. This team demonstrated remarkable growth, resilience, and determination through one of the most challenging seasons in recent memory. Beyond the challenges on the court, our team also faced the heartbreaking loss of a teammate and classmate before the season began, a tragedy that deeply impacted our entire program and school community. Despite the emotional weight they carried throughout the year, these players continued to show courage, unity, and commitment to one another. This season cannot be measured by wins and losses alone. It was defined by the perseverance, character, and growth these student-athletes displayed every single day.





BOYS GOLF

The boys golf team continued its strong run with wins over Arcadia Valley and Lesterville while rewriting the record books, setting new lows for both 9-hole and 18-hole rounds. Landon Thomas has led the charge, including a tie for first at the St. Pius Invitational.

TRACK & FIELD

The track and field program has been equally impressive, with multiple school records set this season. Elena Ruble and Brody Ervin broke javelin records, while K'Vion Flores set new marks in the pole vault, 200m, and 110m. Jack Michaud is closing in on the 100m record, just .01 seconds off. The boys team capped the season by winning the district championship, and both teams are gearing up for postseason success with strong relay lineups.



BASEBALL

Baseball has seen tremendous growth, posting a 29-20-1 overall record (15-12 varsity) and fielding Varsity, JV, and C teams for the first time in program history. The team earned Academic All-State honors with a 3.24 GPA, with six individual honorees. The program also gained valuable experience playing at Busch Stadium and GCS Ballpark, while multiple players earned postseason recognition, including three All-Star selections.

BOYS TENNIS

The boys tennis team showed steady improvement throughout the season. Despite a 1-7 record, the team competed in many close matches and made a postseason run, upsetting Bayless before falling to eventual district champion North County in the quarterfinals.





THE LANCER ACADEMY

The inaugural year of the Lancer Academy at St. Pius X Catholic High School was a tremendous success, providing students with an exciting and immersive educational experience beyond the traditional classroom setting. Held during a condensed two-week term at the end of the school year, the Academy created an atmosphere of energy, curiosity, and hands-on learning as students explored subjects outside the scope of the regular college preparatory curriculum. Through a variety of elective-style courses, students participated in intensive study, experiential learning opportunities, collaborative projects, and real-world applications that encouraged creativity, leadership, and personal growth. The flexible structure allowed students to focus deeply on topics of interest while building relationships with peers across grade levels in a less stressful and highly engaging environment. By combining academic exploration with practical life skills and career-oriented experiences, the Lancer Academy successfully re-energized students at the close of the school year while helping them develop skills and experiences that will benefit them in college and beyond.



EXPLORE MORE. ACHIEVE MORE.
BE MORE!





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583
Program

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FEATURED ALUMNI

CODY BAHR

In the quiet community of Bloomsdale, Missouri, Cody Bahr has built a life defined by hard work, faith, and a commitment to both his family and his craft. A 2006 graduate of St. Pius X High School, Bahr has gone on to carve out a unique and impactful career in the construction and excavation industry, all while staying deeply rooted in his community.

After high school, Bahr pursued higher education at Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, along with a minor in Engineering Management in 2013. The discipline and problem-solving skills he developed there would become the foundation for his future endeavors.

Today, Bahr serves as Director of Operations and co-owner of Bahr Hydroexcavation, LLC, a company he runs alongside his wife, Leslie, whom he married in 2016. Together, they are raising three children, Charley, Colton, and Cheyenne, while also growing their business and managing a family farm.

Bahr Hydroexcavation specializes in a highly technical and increasingly essential service: hydroexcavation. This method uses pressurized water to break up soil, paired with a powerful vacuum system to remove debris. The process significantly reduces the risk of damaging underground infrastructure such as gas lines, fiber optics, and water mains. Under Bahr's leadership, the company serves a wide range of clients, including state agencies, municipalities, major infrastructure owners, school campuses, and contractors.

In addition to his role as a business owner, Bahr is also a Journeyman Operator with the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 513, reflecting his strong connection to the skilled trades. His advocacy for trade careers is rooted in both experience and foresight. He believes that as technology continues to evolve, careers in the trades will remain both essential and rewarding, offering strong wages, benefits, and the opportunity to avoid student debt.

Outside of work, Bahr's life is equally full. He and his family are developing their farm in Bloomsdale, preparing it for livestock and enjoying time together outdoors. Whether riding four-wheelers across their land or working in his shop building furniture and repairing equipment, Bahr embraces a hands-on lifestyle that mirrors his professional expertise.



Faith also plays a central role in his life. In March 2023, Bahr was installed as an Acolyte in the Catholic Church by Bishop Rivotuso. He now serves across the Good Shepherd, Our Lady, and Sacred Heart Pastorate, taking on roles that include sacristan, lector, Eucharistic minister, and Master of Ceremonies during major liturgical seasons. His commitment extends to organizing monthly First Saturday Devotions at Sacred Heart.

Reflecting on his time at St. Pius X, Bahr credits the school's faculty for pushing him to achieve his full potential. He remembers his years there fondly, especially his involvement in behind-the-scenes work: running the chair crew for events, supporting theatrical productions, and assisting with maintenance projects. Known for his reliability and practical skills, Bahr became the go-to student for fixing problems and building solutions.



One memorable moment captures that reputation perfectly. During his junior prom, Bahr was unexpectedly approached by a police officer and asked to step outside. What initially felt like a moment of concern quickly turned into a testament to his preparedness, he had been recommended as the student most likely to have jumper cables when a police car in the parking lot needed a boost. Sure enough, Bahr had just purchased a new set and was able to help get the vehicle running again. It's a story that reflects the qualities Bahr has carried throughout his life: resourcefulness, reliability, and a willingness to step in when needed.

For current students, Bahr offers practical advice shaped by his own journey. He encourages them to consider careers in the trades, particularly union programs that offer paid training, strong benefits, and long-term stability. In a rapidly changing job market, he sees these paths as both resilient and rewarding. From engineering graduate to business owner, from student helper to community leader, Cody Bahr's story is one of building: structures, opportunities, and a meaningful life grounded in purpose.

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!
**NOMINATE
AN ALUMNI!**



Planned Giving

Sometimes called Legacy Planning, is generally defined as the creation of a gift during one's lifetime or at death as part of a donor's overall financial and/or estate plan.

Planned Giving is for everyone. Anyone, regardless of income or age, can make a planned gift! You can make a tremendous impact on St. Pius X, likely at no cost to you during your lifetime. Planned giving isn't just about a gift, it's about creating a legacy that continues to shape lives for generations. Through thoughtful estate planning, you can make a lasting impact on our mission while also aligning your philanthropic goals with your personal financial plans. Whether through a bequest, charitable trust, or beneficiary designation, planned gifts ensure that the values you care about today continue to thrive well into the future.

Endowment Fund

An Endowment Fund is a permanent, invested fund established by a donor and St. Pius X to support our mission of Catholic education for years to come. The principle fund amount is invested to generate income, preserving the original capital while providing a yearly financial distribution for St. Pius X.

The St. Pius X High School Endowment Fund will serve as a long-term "savings account" for need-based scholarships, faculty and student enrichment, and unrestricted funds for the growing needs of our school. It provides a permanent source of support, strengthening our ability to serve students and families year after year. Gifts to the endowment are invested with care, with a portion of the earnings used annually while the principal remains intact, growing over time and sustaining our mission for decades to come. This future-focused support allows us to expand opportunities, enhance programs, and respond to emerging needs with confidence.

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