

# CAMPUS COMMUNICATOR

ST. JOHN PAUL II LITURGICAL CENTER ✦ ST. MARY'S PREPARATORY ✦ POLISH INSTITUTE OF CULTURE & RESEARCH

JULY 2025

*"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." ~ 1 Thessalonians 5:11*



*The first weekend in June marked Founder's Day 2025, a time for alumni, family and friends to come home to celebrate new and time-honored rituals and traditions and make new memories.*

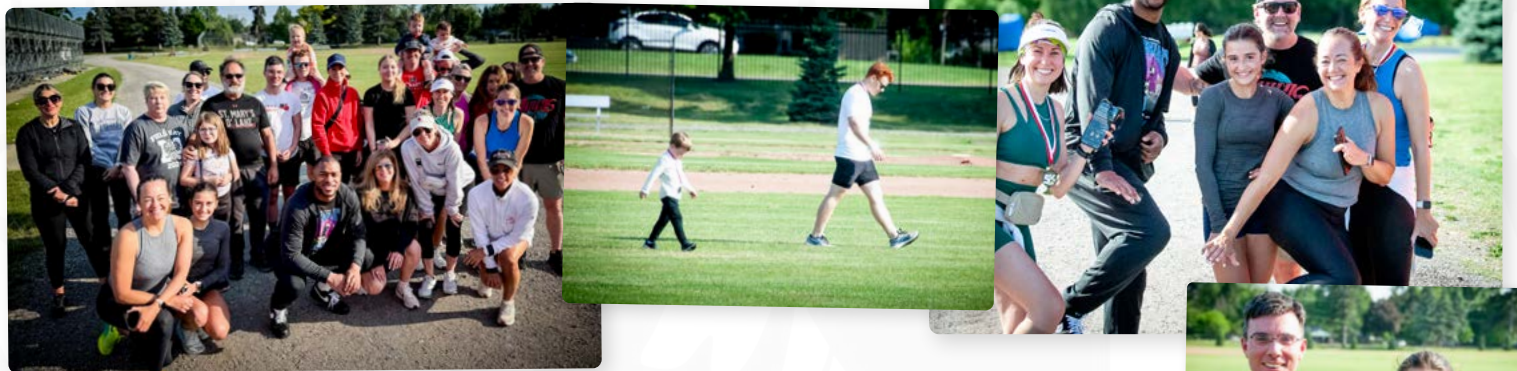
# FOUNDER'S DAY 2025

## FRIDAY GOLF AT PINE KNOB GOLF CLUB



Over 80 golfers kicked off Founder's Day weekend with a fantastic day on the course at Pine Knob Golf Club. Welcomed by our Development team and Alumni Board members, players teed off starting at 10:30 AM and kept the friendly competition going until the final group hit the fairway after 2:00 PM. With perfect, overcast skies setting the stage, it was an ideal day for golf, filled with camaraderie and great shots all around.

## 5K FUN RUN/WALK



The 5K Fun Run/Walk kicked off our 74th Founder's Day celebration with energy and excitement! St. Mary's families, alumni, and friends hit the campus trails for a lively morning of running, walking, and reconnecting. After two scenic laps around campus, everyone crossed the finish line just behind the football field—greeted with Dutch Girl Donuts and big smiles. Adding to the excitement, St. Mary's alum and professional football player Allen Robinson was there to greet and cheer everyone on, take photos, and celebrate the start of a memorable day.

## ALUMNI SOCCER SHOWDOWN



For the first time ever, alumni girls joined the guys for an epic co-ed match on the red field! The energy was high, the competition fierce, and the fun nonstop. Alumni came out to play, with the girls holding their own and then some! Proud parents lined the sidelines, cheering on every goal and great play. After the final whistle, players and fans gathered under the tent to relax and reconnect over a complimentary barbecue—swapping stories, sharing laughs, and reliving the action. It was a blast—and as always, everyone's already counting down to next year's rematch.

## ALUMNI FOOTBALL FRENZY

The afternoon heated up with an action-packed 7v7 alumni football game! Watching our seasoned grads zip across the field—full of energy, laughter, and competitive spirit—was a highlight of the day. After the games, players and fans refueled with a classic BBQ of burgers and hotdogs. Reunion classes from '65, '70, '75 and more were out in full force, cheering on the fun!



## LEGACY ON THE LAKE



Our 2024 and 2025 girl grads returned to campus for their very first alumnae celebration: The Lakeside Legacy Luncheon, and it was nothing short of magical. The afternoon began with chic mocktails, refreshing cold brew, and delicious bites, setting the perfect tone for reconnecting and reminiscing. The highlight was a beautiful alumna pinning ceremony on the BAC veranda, with staff and mentors proudly placing pins as Fr. Anthony Camilleri offered a heartfelt blessing. With Orchard Lake shimmering in the background, it was a day of sisterhood, tradition, and the start of a legacy that's only just begun.

## FOUNDER'S DAY MASS AT THE GROTTO

Fr. Camilleri led a touching prayer service in memory of the beloved members of the Class of 1995 who have passed on, bringing a sense of reflection and unity to the afternoon. The service was followed by a beautiful Mass at the Grotto filled with warmth and nostalgia, and concelebrated by Fr. Witek, who also celebrated his 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordained ministry, and Fr. Camilleri and Fr. Whalen. Over 100 alumni and friends attended the service. Members of the Class of '75 added a special touch by serving and reading, making it a truly meaningful tribute to the past and the enduring St. Mary's spirit.



## FOUNDER'S DAY & 140<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Founder's Day and Orchard Lake's 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary were spectacular milestones to celebrate within the Trzcinski Quad and Fr. Rakoczy Old Gym. Guests enjoyed an evening of festive elegance, featuring a curated bourbon tasting under the tent and a relaxed cigar lounge. Alumni and friends mingled over delicious food, craft cocktails, mocktails, and specialty coffee drinks while enjoying live music, Vegas-style entertainment, a lively auction, and a 50/50 raffle. The night also honored our community's legacy, with heartfelt recognition of this year's Alumnus of the Year, Distinguished Alumni and Honorary Alumni. It was a night to remember—celebrating tradition, connection, and the enduring spirit of Orchard Lake.



# ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS FINDER'S DAY 2025

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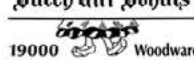
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Class of '63  
KENNY SMERECKI  
Class of '91  
JOHNNIE SMERECKI  
Class of '96  
JOSEPH SMERECKI  
Class of '20  
SIDNEY SMERECKI  
Class of '27



"We're the boys from Orchard Lake."  
Prep Class of 1970



## THE MARY PROJECT

AT ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS

After many years of thoughtful footsteps, the pathways of the Marian Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at Orchard Lake St. Mary's have given way to age and are in need of repair. The Mary Project needs your help to sustain this prayerful space.

We are soliciting your support to repave the walkways and paths, starting with the walkway from the Grotto towards the lake. It will be paved with custom bricks to make it much more attractive and durable than poured concrete, and we are asking that you donate one or more of the bricks.

You may individualize a brick for you, or your family, honor a loved one or create an in-memoriam message. The donated bricks will become a part of the Grotto, paving the way for generations of visitors. As a friend of the Grotto and Orchard Lake Schools, please take advantage of this exceptional opportunity to have your commemorative brick(s) become a permanent part of this prayerful space.

Construction of Phase 2 will begin in early November. Sales for Phase 3 (continuing towards the lake) begin September 15, 2024. There is plenty of space for additional commemorative bricks. Bricks purchased for Phase 3 are \$150 each and will be installed in November 2025.

The bricks are 4" x 8" x 2 1/4" and are engraved using state-of-the-art laser technology. Every brick engraving is guaranteed for life!

All donations are tax deductible. EIN: 82-5453994

**ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2025**

**PLEASE PROOF READ CAREFULLY! \$20.00 FOR CHANGES MADE AFTER ORDER IS PLACED**

\$150 - 4x8 Brick

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**MAIL FORM AND PAYMENT TO:**

The Mary Project  
3535 Commerce Road  
Orchard Lake, MI 48324

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

The Mary Project

If you have any questions,  
please contact: Maureen Gross  
themaryproject@myyahoo.com

**IMPACTING ANGEL'S PLACE**

Over 375 Girls Division students and mothers attended the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Mother & Daughter Brunch at Wabeek Country Club this past spring. The "Breakfast at Tiffany's" themed event not only showcased glitz and glam in true Audrey Hepburn style, but for the third consecutive year featured a spectacular raffle that raised funds in support of Angels' Place. "This organization was founded 32 years ago through a collaboration between five mothers," said Tom Szczepanski, an OLSM graduate of the Class of 1977 and Chief Executive Officer for Angels' Place. "Today, the organization supports nearly 100 residents with intellectual



and developmental disabilities through 21 homes."

Through kind donations from local businesses and our OLSM families who created 25 baskets (approx. \$300-\$500 each), the work of the raffle committee

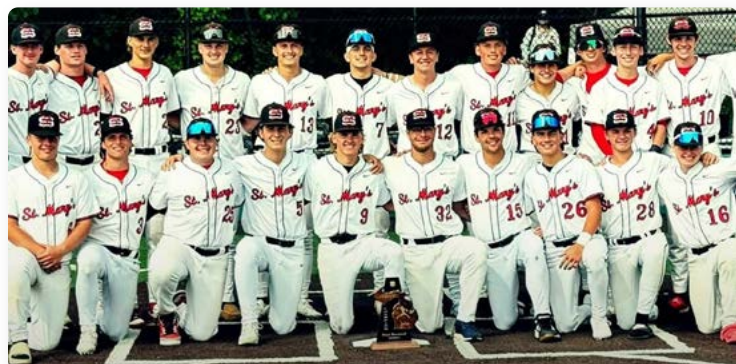
including Monica Kizi, Tanya Yono, and Cheri Cosnowski, plus the generosity of the mothers and daughters who purchased raffle tickets, \$10,331.60 was raised for Angels' Place! "The funds donated by OLSM have been added to the Angels' Place Enriching Lives Campaign," said Szczepanski. "As a component of that campaign, five ladies will move into a new, fully accessible house about two miles from the

OLSM campus. This new home will ensure they can safely and comfortably age-in-place while in Angels' Place care. To commemorate the generosity of St. Mary's, an Angel has been placed in the garden at the home. We are so grateful for you."

Shortly after the event, OLSM Girls Division students and parents joined Szczepanski at the nearby home to present the check, receive a tour of the house from the ladies that live there, enjoy some snacks, and stay for a lovely visit at the place many call home and community.

**BASEBALL STATE QUARTERFINALISTS**

Congratulations, Varsity Baseball MHSAA Regional Champs, on defeating SCS Lake Shore (6-1), advancing to the state quarterfinals where they defeated Yale (11-0) before taking on Forest Hills Eastern in the state semifinals.



**SECTIONAL CHAMPS!**

Congratulations to our tennis team sectional champions! The girls made school history as this was the first year St. Mary's achieved this. The following tennis players achieved Catholic League Honors:

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| <b>All-Catholic:</b> | <b>All-League:</b> |
| AMELIA BROWN         | SLOANE BERGER      |
| JESSICA ASMUSSEN     | MIA VITALE         |
| ANGELINA ATTO        |                    |

**CONGRATULATIONS, HONOREES**



Great job, Girls Varsity Soccer All-Region Honorees:

- DELANEY DAVID  
KIRA HOWCROFT  
CAROLINE KOPMEYER  
HARPER NATINSKY!

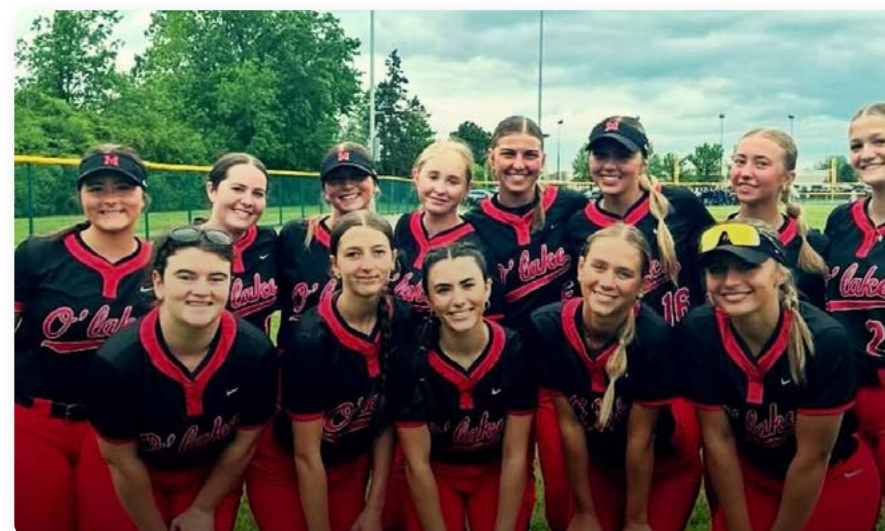
What a great season, Lacrosse! Cheers to our MHSAA honorees: (honors are listed in the images to the right)

- LOGAN KINANE  
LUKE JASINSKI  
DANE HEIDISCH

**All-State Honorable Mention All-Region**  
Luke Jasinski  
Junior  
Attackman

**All-State Honorable Mention All-Region**  
Dane Heidisch  
Sophomore  
LSM

**All-State Honorable Mention All-Region All-Catholic All-Academic**  
Logan Kinane  
Senior  
Midfielder



Congratulations to Girls Softball First Team All-State honorees:

- MADDY ANSON  
MIA TRIBUL

# ST. JOHN PAUL II LITURGICAL CENTER UPDATE

On July 14<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, a 17<sup>th</sup>-century Iroquois woman. She was beatified on June 22, 1980, in St. Peter's Basilica, as the first Native American by Pope John Paul II. During that celebration, he called her a "bountiful gift" to the Church and a "sweet, frail yet strong figure." During the homily, St. John Paul II described Kateri with these words:

## IN THE WORDS OF ST. JOHN PAUL II

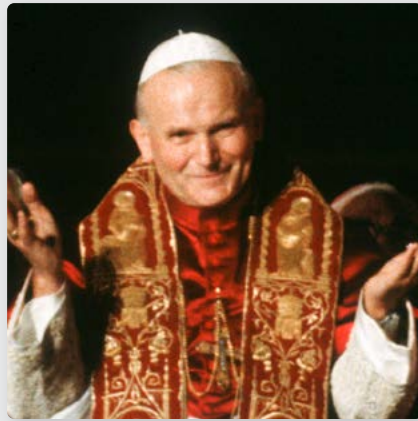
*"When her family urged her to marry, she replied very serenely and calmly that she had Jesus as her only spouse. This decision, in view of the social conditions of women in the Indian tribes of that time, exposed Kateri to the risk of living as an outcast and in poverty. It is a bold, unusual and prophetic gesture: on 25 March 1679, at the age of twenty-three, with the consent of her spiritual director, Kateri took a vow of perpetual virginity, as far as we know the first time that this was done among the North American Indians.*

*The last months of her life were an ever clearer manifestation of her solid faith, straightforward humility, calm resignation, and radiant joy, even in the midst of terrible sufferings. Her last words, simple and sublime, whispered at the moment of death, sum up, like a noble hymn, a life of purest charity: 'Jesus, I love you.'"*

Addressing the Indians of North America shortly after her Beatification on June 24, 1980, Pope John Paul II said:

*"Indeed, Blessed Kateri stands before us as a symbol of the best of the heritage that is yours as North American Indians. The Church has declared to the world that Kateri Tekakwitha is blessed, that she lived a life on earth of exemplary holiness and that she is now a member in heaven of the Communion of Saints who continually intercede with the merciful Father on our behalf.*

*Her beatification should remind us that we are all called to a life of holiness, for in Baptism God has chosen each one of us 'to be holy and spotless and to live through love in his presence'. Holiness of life — union with Christ through prayer and works of charity — is not something reserved to a select few among the members of the Church. It is the vocation of everyone."*



**FR. BERNARD WITEK**

Director, St. John Paul II Liturgical Center

# ZAPRASZAMY

You are invited to join us for Polish 1st Sunday!

A special Mass at the Orchard Lake Schools to pray for Polonia

**Sun, Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> • 1:00 PM**

*PLEASE NOTE: No gathering or refreshments after the Mass this month.*

• For more information, call (248) 602-7579 or [bernardwitek@yahoo.com](mailto:bernardwitek@yahoo.com).



at the Shrine of St. John Paul II, celebrated by Fr. Bernard Witek

## SHRINE OF ST. JOHN PAUL II: JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE SITE

*Did you know that the Archdiocese of Detroit has designated our Shrine Chapel at Orchard Lake one of 12 Detroit-area pilgrimage sites ahead of the Jubilee 2025; a place for pilgrims to visit and receive a plenary indulgence?*

*The Church celebrates ordinary jubilees every 25 years. In December 2024, the late Pope Francis ushered in the Holy Year 2025 by opening the Holy Doors of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome for a year of grace, forgiveness and renewal — centered on the theme, "Pilgrims of Hope."*

*In 1470, Pope Paul II established the practice of celebrating jubilees every 25 years, instead of 50, to allow more people to experience a Holy Year within their lifetimes.*

*"We never give more honor to Jesus than when we honor his Mother."*

*St. Louis DeMontfort*



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**AND IN OUR ON-CAMPUS NEWS BOXES FOUND IN THE:**

SMAC Lobby • Campus Bookstore • Prep Office

Dining Hall Lobby • Shrine Chapel

**MESSAGE FROM ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR**

Summer, though quieter on campus, offers its own rhythm—one of reflection, preparation, and renewed purpose. While students and faculty are away, the Polish Institute of Culture & Research at Orchard Lake remains active behind the scenes: coordinating visits, hosting cultural tours, and planning a robust calendar for the year ahead. This season also brings an uptick in interest from guests and families eager to explore our Galeria and archives while the grounds are serene.



In June, we were honored to again participate in the Orchard Lake Schools' Founder's Day celebration. Visitors enjoyed guided tours of our current Galeria exhibit, Biographies: Polish-American Memories of Great Men and Women, which reflects on influential figures whose lives shaped both Poland and the Polish-American experience. The Galeria remained open during each Polish-language Mass held on campus and will be open again for Polish 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday this July 6<sup>th</sup>. As always, we are happy to share the exhibit and welcome guests by private appointment.

We also extend warm congratulations to the 2025 Top 25 Polish American Leaders, presented by the Piast Institute. Among those recognized were two of our own: Chairman Richard Walawender and Trustee Ann Bankowski. Their leadership and service to Polonia continue to guide and strengthen the mission of our Institute.

This spring's Polish Language Student Art Competition, inspired by the Biographies exhibit, invited young artists to respond to lives of bravery, brilliance, and faith. Their works brought fresh perspective to enduring stories. Now, as we look to fall, we are proud to partner with Friends of Polish Art for the 29th Fine Arts Competition, a juried exhibition opening October 5 that invites submissions from artists of all media. We hope to see many of you at the opening reception and throughout the exhibition's run.

We invite you to explore our most comprehensive listing yet of Michigan and Ohio Polonia events, available at [www.picrol.org/calendar](http://www.picrol.org/calendar). You'll also find our updated 2025–2026 directory of Polish language schools across the state—an invaluable resource for students and families who wish to continue learning and living their heritage. As we mark American Independence Day on July 4, we're reminded of the enduring contributions Polish Americans have made to the founding and fabric of this country. At the same time, July in Poland is often a month of quiet pilgrimage and remembrance—a prelude to the solemn commemoration of the Warsaw Uprising in early August. It is a time to reflect, reconnect, and rededicate ourselves to the work ahead.

Dziękujemy za wspólne pielęgnowanie polskiego dziedzictwa tu, na amerykańskiej ziemi. Niech ten letni czas przyniesie Państwu wytchnienie, dumę i inspirację do dalszego działania.

Z wyrazami szacunku,

**ANIA BIECIUK**  
*Associate Director for Polonia Affairs*  
*Polish Institute of Culture & Research*

**VISIT THE POLISH INSTITUTE ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**

We invite you to explore our social media pages for more photos and news.

*(Online readers can click below)*

**FACEBOOK:** [Polish Institute of Culture & Research at Orchard Lake](#) **INSTAGRAM:** [@picrOrchardLake](#)



**FOUNDER'S DAY VISITORS EXPERIENCE THE BIOGRAPHIES EXHIBIT**

As part of this year's Founder's Day celebration on Saturday, June 7, the Galeria at the Polish Institute was open to guests during the cocktail reception. Director John Radzilowski led guided tours of our current exhibit, Biographies: Polish-American Memories of Great Men and Women. It was a true pleasure to welcome visitors and share the stories of individuals who helped shape our shared heritage.



**VISIT THE GALERIA THIS MONTH**

The Galeria will be open to the public on Sunday, July 6 from 12–3 PM. As always, private visits are welcome by appointment. To schedule a tour, please call 248-836-1284 or email us at [info@picrol.org](mailto:info@picrol.org).

We look forward to welcoming you!

**CELEBRATING A YEAR OF LEARNING AND GROWTH**

The Father Józef Dąbrowski Polish Language School recently held its end-of-year celebration, marking the conclusion of the 2024–2025 academic year. Congratulations to all students, families, and teachers on a remarkable year of learning and cultural connection. We wish you a joyful and restful summer!

Życzymy Wam wspaniałych wakacji pełnych słońca i przygód!  
We wish you a wonderful summer full of sunshine and adventures!



## FINE ARTS COMPETITION RETURNS TO ORCHARD LAKE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH FRIENDS OF POLISH ART

### 29<sup>th</sup> Friends of Polish Art FINE ARTS COMPETITION

In partnership with the Polish Institute for Culture & Research



Image: detail of painting by Richard Kubinski

**Open call to artists of all media**  
**Submission deadline is September 2, 2025**  
go to: [tinyurl.com/FPA-Competition-Submission](https://tinyurl.com/FPA-Competition-Submission)

**Opening Reception 2-5 pm on October 5, 2025**  
at the Galeria 3535 Commerce Road, Orchard Lake, MI  
Awards to be presented at 3:00pm

**Exhibition on view October 5-24, 2025**  
send questions to Elijah Majewski, Galeria Manager [emajewski@picrol.org](mailto:emajewski@picrol.org)



This partnership with Friends of Polish Art underscores our shared commitment to cultivating creativity, heritage, and community.

The competition honors the memory of Richard Kubiński—a gifted painter, poet, and educator whose life was devoted to Polish art and cultural advocacy. The exhibition stands as a lasting tribute to his vision and contributions to the Polish American community.

We are proud to share that the Friends of Polish Art Fine Arts Competition returns this fall in partnership with the Polish Institute of Culture & Research at Orchard Lake. Relunched after more than a decade, this juried exhibition revives a cherished tradition of celebrating artistic excellence inspired by Polish heritage.

The 29<sup>th</sup> Fine Arts Competition will take place October 5–24, 2025, at the Galeria. The opening reception will be held Sunday, October 5 from 2–5 PM, with the awards ceremony at 3 PM. Artists of all media are invited to submit up to five original works by September 2, 2025.

Submissions are encouraged on all themes, with a special category honoring works that reflect Polish culture, history, or identity. Online readers can view the full entry details and submission link by visiting this website:

<https://tinyurl.com/FPA-Competition-Submission>

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TOP 25 POLISH AMERICAN LEADERS IN 2025!

FROM THE ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS  
AND THE POLISH INSTITUTE FOR CULTURE & RESEARCH!



*A special salute to our own  
PICR Trustees and OLSM Regents:*  
**RICHARD WALAWENDER**  
*and*  
**ANN BANKOWSKI**



SERDECZNE GRATULACJE DLA WSZYSTKICH LAUREATÓW WYRÓŻNIENIA  
„TOP 25 POLISH AMERICAN LEADERS IN 2025”!

Z dumą i radością Ośrodek Kultury i Badań Polonijnych w Orchard Lake oraz Orchard Lake Schools składają najserdeczniejsze gratulacje wszystkim wyróżnionym za ich wybitne osiągnięcia, zaangażowanie w życie Polonii amerykańskiej oraz pielęgnowanie polskiego dziedzictwa.

Szczególne wyrazy uznania kierujemy do naszych PICR Trustees and OLSM Regents:  
**RICHARDA WALAWENDERA i ANN BANKOWSKI.**

Dziękujemy za Wasze przywództwo, wizję i nieustanne wspieranie naszej misji.

Jesteście inspiracją i dumą dla całej wspólnoty Orchard Lake!

Gratulujemy i życzymy dalszych sukcesów!

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**ST. MARY'S ALUMNI, FAMILY & FRIENDS**

8<sup>th</sup> Annual  
*Alumni & Friends*  
**2025**  
**GOLF OUTING**



*Play 18 holes on  
one of Michigan's  
premier championship  
golf courses!*

50/50 & Prizes for Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive



**\$250 PER GOLFER** ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND.  
**Scan QR code to register**  
For more information please contact Stephanie Gonzales [sgonzales@orchardlakeschools.com](mailto:sgonzales@orchardlakeschools.com)

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**MONDAY, SEPT 15<sup>th</sup>**

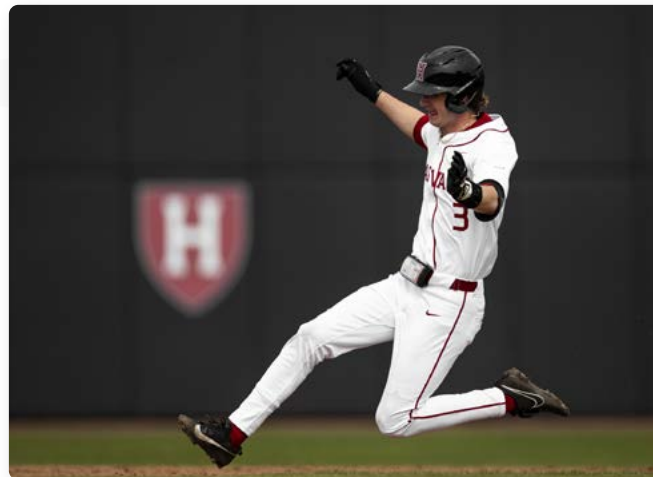
**OAKHURST GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB**  
7000 Oakhurst Lane • Clarkston

**ALUMNI ATHLETES SHINE IN COLLEGE**

Alumnus **RYAN MOONEY** (P'23) took his high school athletics successes in football and baseball to Harvard in the fall of 2023, the place where he committed to the crimson jersey and playing football as a wide receiver. Two years later, he joined the baseball team at the encouragement of both coaching staffs.

“Orchard Lake St. Mary’s opened many doors academically and athletically for my son, Ryan,” said Joe Mooney. “I’m happy Ryan is getting the opportunity to play on multiple teams and experience as much as he can while at Harvard.”

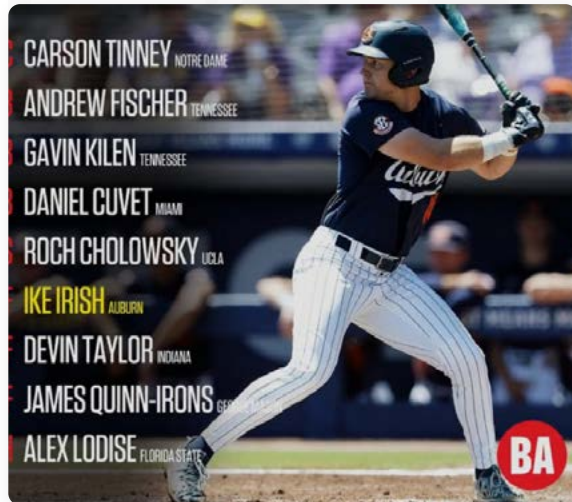
Mooney is celebrating the friendships he’s made on both



*Photo courtesy of Harvard Athletics*

teams. And this fall, he will balance his dedication, time commitment, strong work ethic, and challenging academics to help Harvard defend its Ivy League Championship title and work toward the FCS playoffs before spring when, as one of just a handful of Harvard’s dual sport athletes, he’ll head to O’Donnell Field for baseball season!

**IKE IRISH** (P’22), an outfielder for Auburn University baseball, has been named to Baseball America’s 2025 College First Team All-American. He’s been called “one of the more complete hitters in this year’s draft class . . . this season was the best of his career, as he hit .364/.469/.710 with 13 doubles, a career-high 19 home runs and 58 RBIs.”



**MONTHLY ENROLLMENTS**

*Throughout the year, donors to the Orchard Lake Schools enroll their loved ones in the “Friends of the Orchard Lake Schools.”*

*Prayers are offered at every mass at the Archdiocesan Shrine of St. John Paul II for those names enrolled.*

*These names are those that have been added from the month of May.*

DORIS BATES	AMELIA ESCOBEDO	NANCY ANN MINCKLES
CLARA RAMIREZ BENCOMO	JOSEPH FREY	GALEN ALLEN "AL" MOORE
JOSEPH BUFANO, JR.	JANETTE GARJOSA	BOB PICHOWSKI
MARK CHAMBERS	JIM HAVINS	FRED SALK
JON ERIK CORRETTE	ELAINE HOCKSTAD	DOROTHY SWISTAK
MICHAEL DOLACK	ELAINE KAROUZAKIS	RICHARD TONDREAU
EDWARD DZIUBA	MARY KIAZEK	MATEUSZ WASIOLEK

*For more enrollment information, please contact Lisa Gray at [lgray@orchardlakeschools.com](mailto:lgray@orchardlakeschools.com)*

**UPCOMING EVENT HIGHLIGHTS**

**JULY 2025**

- 1-6** Campus offices closed
- 4** **INDEPENDENCE DAY**
- 6** **POLISH 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY** 1:00 PM Mass  
Galeria open to the public 12:00 - 3:00 PM
- 7** Campus offices reopen
- July-August** Orchard Lake Schools Summer Camps

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR ALUMNI AWARDS RECIPIENTS!**



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# JULY 2025

## MASS SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY, JULY 6

<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. McDONELL • LATIN	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>11:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • ENGLISH	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>1:00 PM</b>	FR. WITEK • POLISH* <b>POLISH 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY</b>	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE

### SUNDAY, JULY 13

<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. McDONELL • LATIN	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>11:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • ENGLISH	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE

### SUNDAY, JULY 20

<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. McDONELL • LATIN	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>11:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • ENGLISH	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>1:00 PM</b>	FR. WITEK • POLISH*	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE

### SUNDAY, JULY 27

<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • POLISH*	SEMINARY CHAPEL
<b>9:00 AM</b>	FR. WHITAKER • LATIN	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>11:00 AM</b>	FR. WITEK • ENGLISH	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE

*\* Feed for the Live stream of the Polish Masses: [www.facebook.com/olsnews](http://www.facebook.com/olsnews)*

### DAILY MASSES

<b>MONDAYS-FRIDAYS</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b> • IN ENGLISH	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>SATURDAYS</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b> • IN ENGLISH	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE

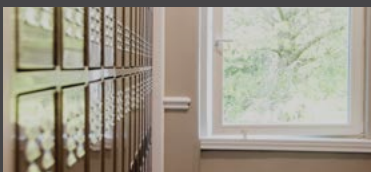
### SHRINE OPEN HOURS

<b>SUNDAY-SATURDAY</b>	<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 PM</b>	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
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### CONFESSIONS

<b>MONDAYS-FRIDAYS</b>	<b>6:00 PM - 6:55 PM</b>	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE
<b>SATURDAYS</b>	<b>8:00 AM - 8:55 AM</b>	ST. JOHN PAUL II SHRINE

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