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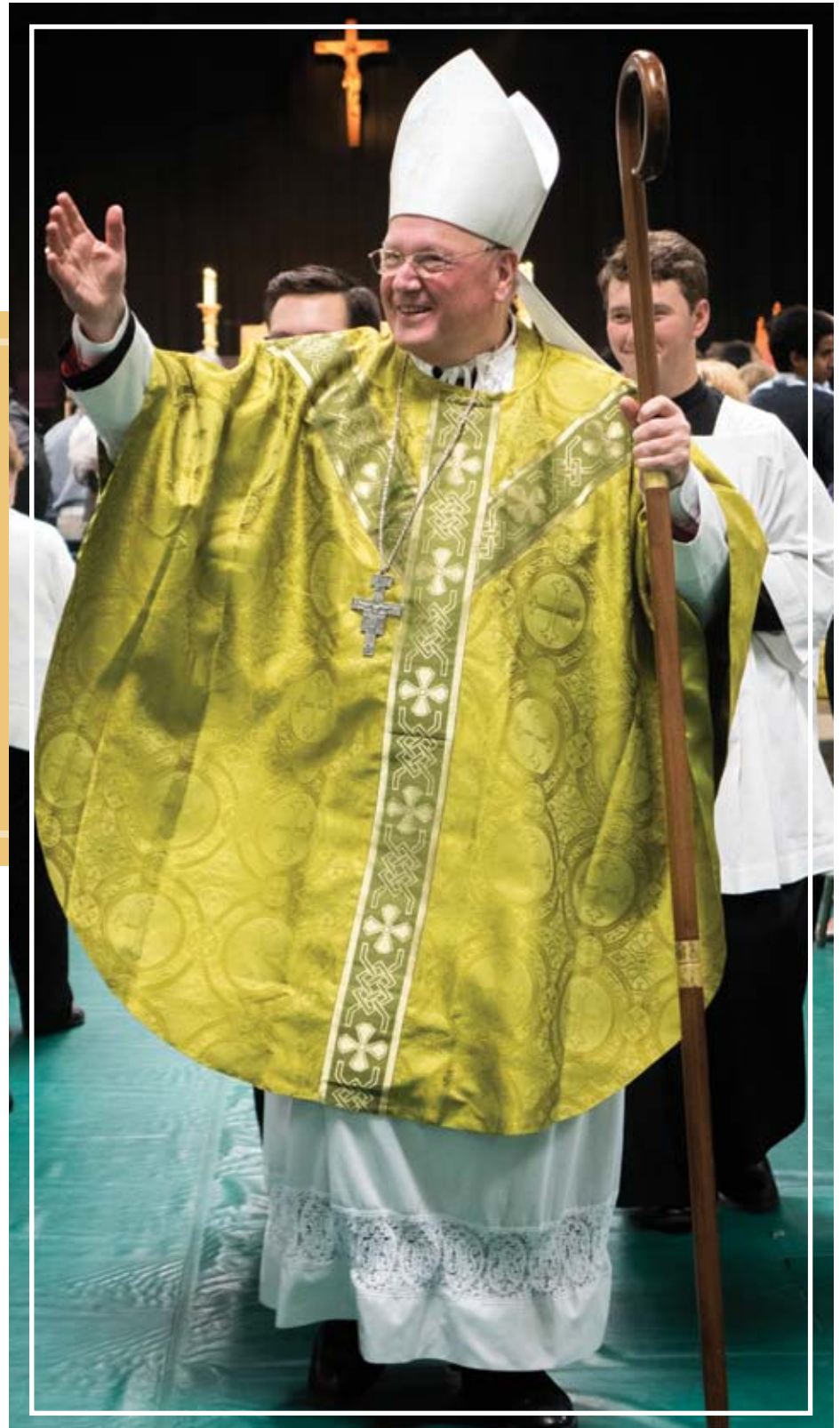
A Newsletter for Alumni & Friends
John A. Coleman Catholic High School

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Cardinal Timothy Dolan Comes to Coleman!

On October 3, 2016 Cardinal Timothy Dolan celebrated Mass and blessed the newly renovated and renamed Chapel of St. Ursula at John A. Coleman Catholic High School. It was an amazing day for all that attended.



Coleman's Development Director



We have so many wonderful events to look back on and to be grateful for this year. Coleman continues to serve so many students within our community. We conducted National Honor Society Inductions, listened to choral concerts, cheered on our student athletes as they competed and won titles against other schools and watched our theatre group entertain the community. In June, we graduated an amazing group of young people who are destined to make the world better by attending college, the military, prep schools and vocational training schools. We started our school year with a talented group of students and welcomed back our energetic and enthusiastic student body.

One of the most exciting and meaningful events this year was the chapel dedication and the visit from Cardinal Dolan. The newly renovated chapel is beautiful and has regained its status as the centerpiece of our school. Thank you to everyone that contributed to the renovation fund. The chapel was renamed to honor the Sisters of St. Ursula. It was dedicated to their Order and to all of the Sisters, Brothers and Priests that contributed their talents to Coleman High School. If you haven't had the opportunity to see it, we invite you to stop in and spend a moment with us. If you would still like to contribute to the chapel, there are items that can be dedicated to "In Memory of" or "In Honor" of loved ones. (A list of items is included in this newsletter.)

Lastly, thank you to all that have contributed to Coleman with financial contributions or by volunteering or in many cases, both!! Past parents, current parents, community leaders continue to work together to make Coleman successful in providing a faith based, co-educational education to all students!

We invite you to celebrate your shared connection with the John A. Coleman High School Community by giving to the annual Coleman Fund today.

Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year!

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Coleman Canvas – fundraiser

Living with ALS: Coleman Alum trusts in God's plan for her life



Kathy Piantanida Keenan '81 and her husband, Dr. James Keenan in their home in Bennington, Vermont.

Many of you may remember Kathy Piantanida from the Class of 81. We were recently in touch with her dad during the chapel renovations and he sent us an update on Kathy.

Kathy graduated from LeMoyne College in 1985 and from South Carolina Medical College with a graduate degree in Genetic Counseling in 1987.

She and her family moved to Vermont in 1999.

Kathy's husband, James Keenan Ph.D. and M.D., is chairman of the Radiology Department at the Southwestern Vermont Hospital in Bennington.

They have three children: Katie, 24; Luke, 21; and Bridget, 16.

Always active in her parish, her community and at her children's school, Kathy knew something was wrong when she couldn't tie a shoe for the children on her soccer team and also when she had difficulty playing the piano. After numerous test, she was diagnosed with ALS in 2008.

Kathy lives with ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, but that has not stopped her participation in the life of her parish, Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales in Bennington, VT.

She uses a motorized wheelchair and has difficulty speaking. She often communicates with the help of Eye Gaze technology on her computer.

She uses her computer to help with parish fundraising emails and to gather materials for the Bible study she organizes. She participates in a book club that she began 17 years ago.

Her parents, Vern and Paula, moved to VT in 2010 to help her and her family. She has a team of caregivers to ensure someone is with her at all times.

Though she always knew what is important in life—faith, relationships and health—that awareness became more acute. "Her disease really made a whole lot of people realize what is important in this world," Dr. Keenan said. "Kathy continues to be a huge part in people's lives."

Her faith never weakened, and she always finds ways to honor and give glory to God by helping others: She is a good listener, shares her wisdom and assists others with cooking tips and home finance guidance.

"I have a good life," she said, speaking in soft words that those closest to her can best understand. Among her most precious blessings she counts her husband and children, her parents and in-laws, her caregivers and friends, her parish and her faith.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Meet Frank Patience Class of 1976 Hear What He Has to Say About Coleman



"I am very grateful that my parents made the sacrifices that they did in order to allow me to attend John A. Coleman Catholic High School. It was the best investment that they ever made. I received an excellent education in a caring, loving, and safe environment. I thoroughly enjoyed my years at Coleman and look back at them with a great sense of gratitude. I feel that Coleman prepared me for college and life in general. While at Coleman my interest in public service and government was created

and strengthened. I attribute the success that I have obtained to the sound moral, ethical and intellectual foundation that was set while I was attending Coleman.

I am so happy that John A. Coleman Catholic High School continues its' tradition of excellence. I would strongly recommend that all parents consider making the sacrifice to send their child(ren) to Coleman. You won't be disappointed."

Frank W. Patience

*John A. Coleman Catholic High School ~ Class of 1976
Secretary of the Senate, State of New York*

CLASS OF 1976 - REUNION



*Seated (L to R): Maureen Quilty, Martha Hill Jones, Frank Patience, Kevin Schneider
Standing: Maureen Molinaro Hackett, Mary Jo Hastings Bailey*



Nancy Mayone Gallo, Peggy Wagner, Susan Karol Alfone

Alumni & Coleman Friends News

Graduations

The following alumni have completed their courses of study at Ulster County Community College.

Clay Harshberger ('06)

Garry Tuma ('11)

Kristofer Diacovo ('12)

Abigail Ressa ('13)

Travis Shultis ('13)

Nicole Tarcza ('13)

Angelina Baker ('12) graduated cum laude from Colgate University with a B.A. Degree in neuroscience.

Vincent Terrone ('12) received a B.S. Degree in civil engineering from Manhattan College.

Engagements

Rebecca Rood ('10) and Liam DeStefanis are engaged to be wed on June 24, 2017. She is employed as a research assistant at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. He is a claims adjuster with Progressive Insurance.

Births

Congratulations to Bill and **Kelly Schmitt Santella ('02)** on the birth of their daughter, Grace Elizabeth, on April 13, 2016.

In Memoriam

Once again, we extend sincere sympathy to our families who have lost loved ones. Please remember all, and keep them in your prayers.

Kevin M. Ryan	9/22/15
William A. Scafidi, Sr.	9/27/15
Edmund Lawrence Klan III	9/30/15
Daniel X. Kelley	10/2/15
Naomi McGinnis	10/4/15
Patricia M. Camp	10/9/15
Elizabeth 'Betty' M. (McArdle)Jordan	10/11/15

Josephine Peruso	11/30/15
Phyllis McCardle	12/3/15
James A. 'Jim' Brown, Sr.	12/10/15
Anne J. Sweeney	12/11/15
Jennie Mary Spada	12/16/15
Dora M. Schmitt	12/17/15
Dionia Catherine Bouck Perry	12/20/15
Joseph Patrick Woods, Jr.	12/23/15
Mary Ann Vanyo	12/25/15
Francis 'Frank' J. Kurtz	12/29/15
Wendell Aloysius Scherer	12/30/15
Marilyn 'Lynn' C. Gorman	1/8/16
Frank Grimaldi	1/16/16
Angeline Schabot	1/18/16
Linda A. Bandorovich	1/21/16
Raymond J. 'Ray' O'Connor	1/27/16
Rose Mayone Sasso	2/14/16
Joseph S. Thurin	3/5/16
Sr. Marion McGillicuddy, SU	3/6/16
Hazel 'Gigi' Marie McGrath Utter	3/7/16
Carmela 'Millie' Martino	3/8/16
James S. Smith	3/9/16
Robert A. Weishaupt	3/10/16
Henry E. Ritter	3/13/16
Arthur A. Mulligan	3/24/16
Martin Desmond Kelly	3/27/16
Carl F. Stauble	4/1/16
William R. Loughran	4/14/16
Lena Leone Landi Johnson	4/18/16
Sr. Margaret Boyle (Sr. Mary Jeanine)	4/19/16
Gustav C. deOlde	4/21/16
Nicholas T. Scott Sr.	4/21/16
Marilyn Ann Kinkade Post	4/22/16
Lucy Kunst	4/23/16
William Ashmore	4/27/16
Marie E. Cornish	4/29/16
Adele J. Maday	5/3/16
Cecelia M. Scanlan	5/3/16
Lisa A. Naccarato Schatzel	5/7/16
Mary A. Vetere	5/15/16
Mary V. McCloskey	5/24/16
Carly Elaina Bradley	5/30/16
Maureen M. McHugh	6/5/16
Florence V. Sullivan	6/5/16

Daniel T. Landi	6/8/16
Shirley Yantz	6/11/16
David J. Rask	6/12/16
Gerald G. Burr	6/16/16
Patrick M. Gorman	6/26/16
William A. 'Bill' Zentner, Jr.	7/2/16
Marie E. Larkin	7/21/16
Frank P. Faluotico	8/7/16
Rose Marie Buboltz	8/8/16
Lois Ann Kupec	8/26/16
Joseph E. Fischer	8/27/16
Carmine 'Charlie' F. Spada	9/3/16
William J. Weishaupt, Sr.	9/5/16
Jo Ann Wildblood	9/7/16
Anilda H. Matthews Searles	9/9/16
Charles E. Coutant	9/21/16
Lucille E. Bruck	9/27/16
William H. Collier	9/30/16
Joan Ida Sullivan	10/1/16
Frederick Peter Miller	10/2/16
Donald W. Rice	10/26/16
Robert A. Bodenweber	10/27/16
Metro J. Solian Jr.	10/27/16
Jeniece L. 'Jen' Hackett	10/28/16
Francis L. Watzka	10/28/16
Christine Matteson	11/2/16
Joan S. Van Loan	11/3/16
Caroline M. Ferraro	11/11/16

LET US REMEMBER...

Brian Michael Lamb ('93) died too soon on January 29, 2016. We had lost touch with Brian after his mother, Barbara (Wenzel) Lamb died, and he moved to Knoxville, TN. Only 40 years old, he touched many lives with his work ethic, enjoyment of life, and great sense of humor. Brian is survived by his extended family and his friends. Contributions in his memory can be sent to the Port Ewen Athletic Association, PO Box 797, Port Ewen, NY 12466. Rest in peace, Brian.



Firefighting was a long time dream of **Jack Henry Gerard Rose ('14)**. Only 19, on December 19, 2015, he lost his life in a tragic fire fighting incident, doing what he loved best. He leaves behind a legacy of love, friendship, dedication and service.

On his 16th birthday, he signed up with the Mount Marion Fire Company. For three

years, he was a devoted member and had been promoted to captain shortly before his death.

A committed student also, Jack was a member of the National Honor Society and played varsity golf and tennis. He was a sports fan and often could be found playing football with friends and family, especially his brother, in their front yard.

Jack will be remembered by his friends, classmates, fellow firefighters and the community at large. Most of all, he is missed by his family, his parents, Linda and Gary, his brother, Matthew and his large extended family. May he rest in peace.

Douglas A. Chase, died on October 30, 2015. As part of the Coleman family, he worked as a custodian and then as head of the maintenance department prior to his retirement in 2003. He spent his spare time with his family, traveling, reading and creating art work or objects out of wood. In his earlier days, he was a Boy Scout leader. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, and his children, Douglas and Rene Chase, Judith and Allan Roebuck, Sherri and Michael Morrissey and Penny and David Gray. Also surviving are his two sisters, five grandchildren and many extended family members. Barbara and Doug Jr. are also part of the Coleman family and he continues in his father's footsteps in the maintenance department

At Coleman High. As a parent working on or organizing special fund raising events, especially the annual yard sales, card shows or yearly winter dinners, I know we created extra work for Doug Sr. yet, he never complained and always supported our efforts on behalf of Coleman. I miss him still.

Brother Gregory DelaNoy, FMS died on April 6, 2016. He was a Marist Brother for 59 years and spent 54 of them in education. This included 17 years at Our Lady of Lourdes in Poughkeepsie, 14 at Coleman and the remainder at Mt. St. Michael Academy in the Bronx, Marist High School in Chicago and Marist College in Poughkeepsie. Brother Gregory is buried in the Marist Cemetery in Esopus, almost in between Our Lady of Lourdes and Coleman. May he rest in peace in the beauty of the Hudson Valley.

Other Alumni News

Brother Todd Patenaude ('82) is the Director for Vocations for the Marist Brothers.

Eric Anderson ('87) now lives in Wilmington, NC. He has been married for 20 years, and he and his wife have two sons. After some years in corporate roles with GE and IBM, he now works in the pharmaceutical industry.

Arthur (A.J.) Perry ('87) is still living in Kingston. He has been married for 25 years and is the father of four daughters. He is self employed as a landscaper.

Timothy Voloshen ('91) has been named to the Rochester

Athletic Hall of Fame. After his graduation from Coleman he continued to run in cross country and track events with Rochester's National Championship teams. He was a three time All American, U.A.A. Champion and NYSCT and FA Champion. Tim is the director of Global Clinical Immunology Business Operations at Sanofi Pasteur, Inc. He resides in Nazareth, PA with his wife, Nancy and their three children, Christian, Caitlin and Emily. Still running, solo or with his family, he enjoys obstacle course racing and marathons.

Michael Grieco ('01) has been promoted to the rank of major in the United States Army. He has had a distinguished career in his service to the U. S. beginning with the 7th Cavalry Regiment in South Korea. After a stint at Fort Carson, CO, he served as squadron operations officer of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He then attended and graduated from the Military Intelligence Captain Career Program at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Following an assignment at Fort Wainwright in Fairbanks, AK, He deployed to Afghanistan for Operation Freedom. There he commanded the Headquarters Company and was the brigade intelligence officer for the Battlefield Surveillance Brigade. On his return to the U. S., he was stationed at Joint Base Lewis-McCord in Washington State. In July, he was to attend the Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, KS to pursue a graduate degree. Congratulations Michael and thank you for your service.

Barbara Ginty ('02) is the owner of Independent Financial Services, a Kingston based family business. Following her graduation from the University of Scranton, she received her CFP designation through NYU.

Victoria Miner ('10) has completed and passed the National Certified Neurophysiological Interoperative Monitoring (CNIM) exam. Prior to the exam, Victoria had to complete a 12 week intensive training course and supervise over 150 surgical cases involving neurological monitoring. There are only about 3000 of these positions nationwide and only 400 women a CNIM. Victoria is employed as a Surgical Neurophysiologist by Neuroalert in White Plains, NY.

Imma Rutigliano ('12) graduated from Hartwick College this past spring, with a degree in education. She ended her college years, not only with her degree, but with an impressive record on Hartwick's swim team. She set several school records, broke the backstroke record and earned spots on the Empire Swimming Teams.

We congratulate all of our graduates on their achievements and accomplishments and wish them continued success.

Staff News

Christine Kane has joined the Olana Partnership as vice president for development. She has been pursuing a Masters

Degree in nonprofit management and philanthropy from Bay Path University. Congratulations, Chris.

Deacon Kareem Smith was ordained as a transitional deacon for the Archdiocese of New York on November 5th. Bishop DeMarzio of Brooklyn performed the ceremony at St. Joseph's Seminary in Dunwoodie. We will keep you in our prayers, Kareem.

Our good friend, Father George Hommel, celebrated his golden anniversary to the priesthood on May 28th. He was ordained by Cardinal Francis Spellman at St. Patrick's Cathedral on May 28, 1966. Cardinal Timothy Dolan celebrated a mass of Thanksgiving with Fr. Hommel and his fellow priests, at the cathedral on May 11, 2016. On May 29th, Father celebrated his personal mass at St. John's in West Hurley with the members of his congregation, and his family and friends. God bless you, Fr. Hommel. We thank you for your dedication, especially to our Coleman family.

Other News For Colemanites

Fr. John Borzuchowski has retired as administrator of Immaculate Conception Parish in Kingston.

Fr. John Kearney retired on August 1, 2015. He had been pastor of St. Catherine Laboure, parochial vicar at St. Mary's, Kington, and administrator at St. Joseph's, Glasco.

Fr. Marc Oliver retired on August 1st, also in 2015. He was temporary administrator at St. Mary's, Kingston, and administrator at St. Peter's, Kingston, since 2010. Some may remember him as campus chaplain at Dutchess Community College.

We thank our former staff and the priests of our community for their service. We wish them well and pray for their happiness and well being.

A Note From Breda

I am so blessed to have been a member of the Coleman family for 43 years. I continue to enjoy my association with the staff, the students and their families. I especially enjoy meeting our alum. Often sadly, this happens at calling hours or funerals, but I have been lucky to run into Colemanites at different places and in happier situations.

It is always wonderful to see you and to hear from you. Please keep in touch by sending greetings, updates or news to office@colemancatholic.net, attention Breda McMahon.

God's blessings to all for a happy Christmas and holiday season. Happy New Year too. May it be healthy and joyful.

Breda

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GRADUATES

2016



2016 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



L - R: Tom Kelly, Don Kiernan, Kathleen Smith ('81), Guy Leonard, George Sullivan

WE WELCOMED NEW FACULTY & STAFF THIS YEAR

Victoria Howland – English 12 and Choral Director: Victoria has a BA from UMass Amherst and a MA and a MAT in English from SUNY New Paltz. She is also classically trained as a singer.

Tiffany Ivino – Math: Tiffany graduated with a BS from SUNY New Paltz and is certified in adolescent education (7 -12) specializing in mathematics. She has her Masters in Special Education and for the past 10 years has worked at local school districts in Ulster and Dutchess Counties. Tiffany loves sports and incorporates team building concepts into her classroom.

Tina Steffanatos – AP Bio, Biology and Zoology: Tina attended Marist College and graduated with a Bachelor's in Bio and Education. She is NYS certified in Adolescent Ed (7 -12) specializing in Biology. Tina enjoys boating, hiking and kayaking in the Catskills and the Hudson River.

Amy Ryan – Freshman English: Amy graduated from UNH with a Bachelor's in Elementary Education. She received her Master's in teaching from Eastern Connecticut State College. Amy is married to **Bob Ryan ('80)** and they have 4 children.

Ellen Anderson: has worked in Catholic education for over 30 years. She has experience in both secondary and elementary education. She is certified in Secondary Education, in School Administrator/Supervisor and has her Masters in Educational Leadership and Administration. She attended Marist, SUNY New Paltz and Seton Hall. She has been married for 37 years and has 3 children and 2 grandchildren.

CHAPEL RENOVATION FUND

One of our challenges last year was to raise funds to correct the damage that occurred to the Chapel due to flooding caused by the frozen pipes that burst. Although we were not expecting this expense, we have taken this opportunity to restore the Chapel to the centerpiece of the school.

Many Coleman community members have reached out to help to cover some of these unforeseen expenses. Upon this overwhelming outpouring of support, the Coleman Chapel committee was formed. The committee is lead by Bishop Lagonegro. If you haven't had the chance to be part of this experience, there are chairs, kneelers and other items (see list) available to be placed "In Honor" or "In Memory of a loved one." A nameplate will be engraved with your family's name and message.



Chairs	\$250
Kneelers	\$50
Ordinary Altar	\$750
Brass Candlesticks	\$150
Pascal Candlestick	\$300
Altar cloth (3)	\$100 each
Devotional Kneeler	\$350
Processional Torches.....	\$500
Pulpit	\$400 (taken)
Lectionary Stand	\$300
(2) Server Chairs.....	\$250 each (taken)
Processional Cross	\$500 (taken)
Bible	\$750 (taken)
Credence Table.....	\$300
Sanctuary Lamp	\$375
Brass Bells	\$100
Sound System.....	\$750



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