



The CURLEY Chronicle

Homecoming 2018

By Wyatt Peters '19

Homecoming at Curley began with Spirit Week, where the students dressed according to the theme for each day. The themes for this year were aMerica' Monday, Toga Tuesday, Class War Wednesday, Throwback Thursday and the homecoming t-shirt/ sports jersey on Friday. This year, the Student Government Association (SGA) hosted mini pep rallies with various competitions each day of the week. With every competition win, the winning class earned points, and at the end of the week the class with the most points (the Seniors) earned a dress down day. Each class also received points for a person who showed the most spirit each day.

Saturday, October 20th marked Homecoming 2018! Festivities included varsity soccer at 11 and varsity football at 2. The scores were somewhat disappointing for Curley. Students and Alumni came out early to tailgate in the parking lot before the soccer game. The soccer game was the game to see as the game ended in a 1-1 tie. Curley was able to strike first within the first ten minutes of the game on a penalty kick from Anthony Dragisics '19. The score would stay 1-0 until the last two minutes of the game. Tyler Harry got called for a controversial push in the back. This set up the game tying goal for Gilman on a

penalty kick. Overtime was a stalemate, until an interesting ending. A penalty was called on Curley. However, the refs stopped the clock and gave Gilman a chance to win. The Gilman player missed the goal kick and the game ended in a tie. The football game saw Curley mount a comeback in the second half, but it was too little, too late. The team lost to Avalon 35-14.

The dance was bumping Saturday night! The crowd loved the new DJ. There was all kind of majestic lighting effect that made the atmosphere in the gymnasium electric! It was certainly a homecoming to remember! I was able to sit down with a couple people who were taking a break from dancing and I asked them one question. What does homecoming mean to you? Seth Maharaj said, "Spending time with friends at the game, then with your date at the dance." John Mitcherling commented saying, "It's a dance where you can hang out with your friends and have a great time." The last person I asked was Bryce Esposito. He said, "It is time

to get together with Curley brotherhood, not only at the dance, but the games as well. To me, homecoming is just as it sounds. Yes it is a great chance to celebrate with your friends and date, but I think you can go deeper into this. I think it means coming home, referring to the alumni. I think it is a time for past Curley men to connect with younger Curley brothers. It is their chance to come back to a place they called home."

More homecoming photos on pages 6-7.



Photo by Shane Stone '19

St. Francis and Curley

By Mitchell Frye '20

St. Francis is a fundamental figure at Archbishop Curley. He is the basis for many of the ideals and principles that we get to experience here at Curley every day. St. Francis sets an example of a lifestyle that the Friars here at Curley embrace and try to live out and that all of us should strive to follow.

St. Francis was born in Umbria in Assisi in the year 1181. When Francis was growing up, he had a very easy life because of his father's wealth. During his youth, everyone loved Francis and wanted to be his friend. Francis eventually grew up to fulfill his father's every hope for him, including falling in love with France and being a successful business man, but Francis wanted something more than what he had. Francis wanted to be a knight so that he could earn glory and prestige.

Francis got his opportunity to get this glory when Assisi declared war on Perugia, but things did not go as he had planned. Assisi lost the battle and Francis was taken prisoner. When Francis returned to Assisi after his ransom was paid, seemingly unchanged, he continued to party and lead a life of sin. Then, he got another chance to achieve his dream of having glory when there was a call for knights for the Fourth Crusade. After Francis' dad had bought him a horse and extravagant armor, he headed off for battle, only to turn back before not even making it a day away from Assisi. He turned back because he had a dream in which God told him that he had everything in his life mixed up and wrong and had to return home, so he did just that.

When Francis returned home, he was made fun of by the entire town. Francis started spending more time in prayer. One day, when Francis was riding through the country, he saw a leper and immediately jumped down and kissed the leper. As he was riding away, he turned around to look at the leper one last time and he was gone. Francis viewed the leper as Jesus and the situation as test from God that he had passed. He went on to rebuild the Church at San Damiano when he heard Christ tell him, "Francis, repair my Church." Francis took this literally and rebuilt the physical building of the San Damiano Church before realizing that Christ meant for him to bring people to Christ and Christianity. This led Francis to take on the life of a poor person who traveled and preached the Word of God. Men, and later women came to follow Francis. Thus were the Franciscan Orders formed.

Here at Curley, we try to model ourselves after St. Francis and be the caring brother to all. We try to live out our Franciscan Ideals of Dedication to Christ in the Church, Strong Community Relations, Outreach to the Marginalized, Concern for the Environment, and Peaceful Resolution of Conflict. These ideals are what make Curley the place it is and why there is such a strong sense of brotherhood between all of the students, faculty, and staff at Curley. The student body, faculty and staff celebrate the feast of St. Francis on October 4th with a community Mass.

One of the Friars at Curley, Fr. Chris Dudek, said that many of the things found within the Franciscan Brotherhood are found here at Curley. He said that we are all like Francis in the sense that we have brothers with us that help us through tough times and that we also help. He recognizes the fact that Brotherhood is challenging, but through accepting what we have been given, we can persevere and still remain in union with our brothers. He also said that there is something in Francis' life for everyone, whatever that person may see as helpful to them. Fr. Chris stated that, "The Lord sent me brothers," realizing the fact that we don't choose who we come to Curley with. The Lord sends us our Curley Brothers and we make the best with what we have been given. This is what makes the Curley Brotherhood so strong and meaningful here at Curley and why, without St. Francis' example, Curley would not be the place it is today.



Editorial: Why Curley?

By Luke Tollen '19

It can take four years to realize how much one has grown. The development of character and knowledge by Curley has shaped my ideas of what a true man is, a Curley Man..

The factors to making a true Curley Man are many. The numerous rules in the school have a purpose. When one wears a uniform every day, one feels a unity with everyone else. The business world's dress code is a suit and tie at all times. Curley students learn this as a preparation for later. Rules are not the reason men become the way they are. Men develop when placed in an area that requires them to be proficient, motivated to do what is right, and challenged to take risks to achieve. Curley pushes its students to achieve this excellence. It sounds challenging, but that is the excitement of the entire school. One is challenged by teachers, peers, and activities. This constant pursuit brings students to take classes that they would never imagine taking. The experience Curley has directed me in this way. I was an average student who took classes seriously, but I never believed I could reach the potential I did.

The day I stepped into my freshman year I knew I wanted to grow. Curley allowed me, like many friends of mine, to enter classes of unknown trials. I remember the end of Spanish 1 class my teacher asked me to move up to Honors Spanish 2. Though I felt a little scared, I also desired the challenge. Such moments in one's high school experience can change a student's life. Curley educates and nurtures. Its goal is to help the student grow into a hardworking man. Teachers will make work that seems impossible into ten-minute homework every night. Being a senior allows me to reflect on my journey. As a freshman, I found it difficult to write five paragraphs. But now in my senior year, having to write six papers a week can make freshman year seem like a breeze. Curley can also change one's perspective on life.

Service is at the core of Curley. The school requires students to do several hours of service in communities. As a freshman, service is not founded in your mind as something good. Yet, as one performs service for others, one feels proud to help people who need it. The experience Curley provided me in regards to service has molded me into who I am. The Refugee Youth Project allowed me to be introduced to kids from cultures that were under constant fear of harm, poverty, or disaster. To learn their stories and to see their smiles impacted my entire outlook on life. If these kids can smile, so can I.

I smile while at Curley. The school encourages students, even under heavy stress, to be happy. The freedom to work on one's own made me into the risk-taker that all Curley students can be. One can find students who challenge and students who encourage. There is someone just like you at Curley. One finds friends in the classes and activities. And together students are formed into Curley men who are disciplined and refined, challenged in academics and in activities, a happy and involved in service. This is why I would tell anyone to

Club Period By Seth Maharaj '19

"It's really fun, I really enjoy it" -anonymous. "I think it is stupid" -anonymous. We all have mixed opinions on the new club period as some hate it, some love it and some don't care. This year we incorporated a new schedule where we would have to do a club on day 3 at the end of the day. Why would they do this? Well my guess is the school is just trying to get us, the students, more active in school. They don't want us just sitting in a study hall, they want us to do something useful. I personally don't mind it, as much as I would like a study hall I wouldn't mind doing WFRS or playing board games in Ms. Kangas's room. I believe that being in a club would be more interesting than sitting in the SDR on my iPad while being watched over by a teacher, but that is just my opinion on the new club period.

The Curley Choirs

By Anakin Schneider '19

The Archbishop Curley Choir is the largest organization in the school, consisting roughly of about 110 Curley men. The Choir, directed by Mr. Gaffney, consists mostly of students who have never sung a note in their life. The choral music program includes four different groups: the Full Choir, *Schola*, *Luminare*, and Handbells. The *Full Choir* is composed of 110 men, 95% of whom have had absolutely no prior singing experience. The *Curley Schola*, composed of approximately 30 choristers, is considered the "varsity" choir and represents the school in its numerous performances in Maryland and beyond. The *Luminare Choir*, with its complement of selected



Schola members and alumni, also performs frequently in the Baltimore area. The *Curley Ringers* are students from the Choir who learn the art of handbell ringing and perform pieces at the concert. This group is student-led.

The *Curley Choir* has been the best part of my tenure of Curley. Though

another students' niche might be soccer, robotics, or math, mine is singing. The Choir is something that I look forward to every day because it is filled with many people to whom I can go for anything. The Choir, though it is a class, offers time to go out and spend time singing and learning with friends at Choircamps. These happen three times a year, one in the fall, the second in the spring, and the third in the summer. These camps act as an opportunity to bond with my Curley brothers, as some of my best memories from Curley occurred when I was in Choir, and specifically at Choircamp. This is just the tip of the iceberg, when it comes to the Choir, and more specifically, Curley. Find something that you enjoy doing, as Curley has a plethora of clubs and classes for everyone to enjoy. I hope to see many of you at the Open House event, and more specifically, next year at Curley

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The Curley Bands

By Jarvis Borromeo '22

The Concert Band is a whole lot of fun. From the flute to trumpet and many more instruments, all have a part to play in the band. They all work together to make one beautiful sound. The band has two concerts at Curley, the Christmas Concert and Spring Concert. In addition to these wonderful concerts, members of the bands participate in the Band Trip in April, to a music festival where they will play and be judged by the festival judges. Curley bands always get high ratings.



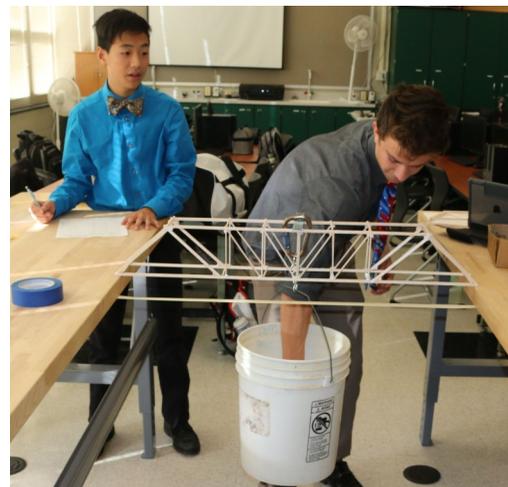
There are other groups besides the Concert Band. You can also be involved with the percussion and be a part of the Drum Line, which meets every Monday and Wednesday night at 6:30-8:00. You play a rock type beat which sounds really fun and cool. The Drum Line performs at Varsity Football Games and at Homecoming and other special events at Curley.



The third group is the Jazz Ensemble which consists of the best Curley musicians on saxophone, trumpet, electric bass, trombone, guitar, keyboard, percussion and bass. Although practice is constant and Mr. Stauffer is tough, band can be fun. Jazz Ensemble performs at the Christmas and spring concerts, as well as at "All That Curley Jazz" in March.

The Drumline is Curley's percussion ensemble that entertains at varsity home games, pep rallies and other events.

Engineering students Ian Hoffman and Joe Kurek test the strength of the truss bridges they designed and built.



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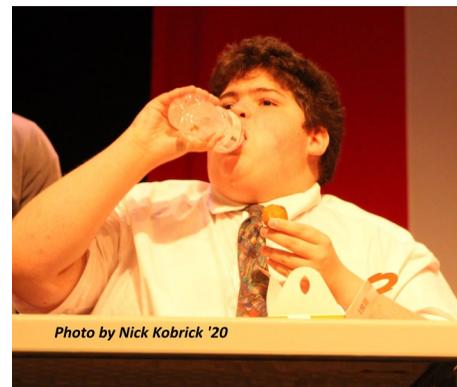




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Model UN By Cameron Leitch '20

Archbishop Curley High School offers a Model U.N. club for students looking for a challenging and cooperation-based after-school activity. The Model U.N. club meets every Club Day and is mostly geared toward sophomores-seniors. During this club period, all Model U.N. participants are assigned a country and a multitude of real world issues to resolve. Students must learn to coordinate ideas to come up with solutions for these problems. Curley participates in an annual U.N. conference simulation held in Baltimore. This conference is sponsored by Johns Hopkins University, held from February 7th- 10th. The main goal of the conference is to bring together students from all across the east coast.



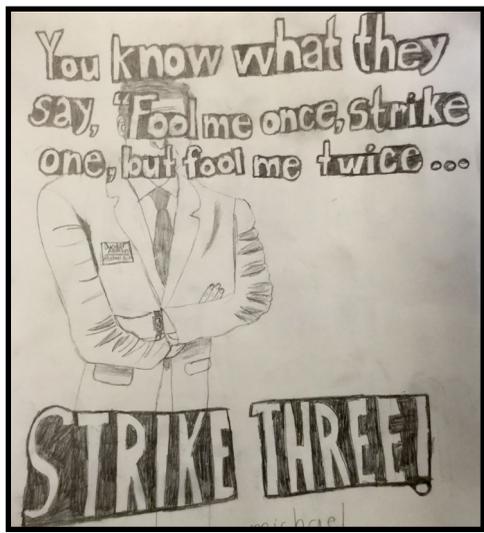
Fishing and Outdoors Club By Sean Lord '20

Archbishop Curley has a large selection of clubs and extracurricular activities from which to choose, from sports to theater. One of Curley's newest clubs is the Fishing and Outdoors Club. This club is moderated by Mr. Lombardi, which creates an environment like any other. Even if you are an amateur in fishing or are relatively new to outdoor activities, this club is worth the visit. The laid-back nature of the meetings makes the club welcoming to all people. During the meetings, members share fishing stories and show off any photographs that they have brought in. Some more experienced members will give short presentations on something particular or a subject matter they find important. The club also places an emphasis on conservation efforts and supports Chesapeake Bay restoration projects. The club intends on joining these projects in order to clean up our local waterways. The club also sometimes has guest speakers and demonstrations. So if you love the outdoors, care for our environment, and enjoy a good time, I highly suggest stopping by the Fishing and Outdoors Club held in Room 213.

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New to Curley This Year: Mr. Stephen King By Max Corcoran '20



Mr. Stephen King is one of the new science teachers at Curley. He is originally from Austin, Texas. Mr. King spent five years in the United States Army from 1997-2002. He was then recalled from 2003-2004. He worked as a technical trainer for a government contractor from 2004-2014. After this he went to Towson University from 2014-2018, where he graduated with a bachelors in biology. When asked why he chose Curley he replied with "I started looking for private schools to make it feel more like I was teaching and not babysitting, besides that there is a great atmosphere here." When asked of Mr. King what made him become a teacher he said "I always liked science and I wanted to make it fun again for students and I want them to like it."

I asked him if he had any personal goals for teaching and he added: "I would like to be science major and a science head one day, and a stretch goal is to have at least one student win the Nobel Prize." Besides teaching, Mr. King co-moderates the cooking club. He says he will hopefully get more involved with dances and games as he settles into a better teaching pace. Mr. King's other goals in life include finding the perfect school and dying at the age of 103 on a Puerto Rican beach with Aero Smith singing this is my 103rd birthday at a live concert on the beach.

Other things that Mr. King likes include: his favorite authors (Steven King and John Scalzi); his favorite movies (The Breakfast Club, The Empire Strikes Back, Caddyshack, and Scent of a Woman); his favorite college team (The Texas Longhorns.) His favorite pro football team is the Ravens until he moves out of state. His favorite bands include Motley Crew (when he was young) and currently Ghost. He likes Heavy Metal. If you see Mr. King make sure you say hi!



Welcome Back, Friar Chris By Mike Rakosky '22

Friar Chris is a returning teacher at Archbishop Curley High School. He was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts and would develop a love of learning and theology during his school life. He joined the Franciscan Friars and received his BA from Catholic University. He would later go on to study theology in Rome, Italy.

Friar Chris taught at Curley during the 2014-15 school year. After completing his studies in Rome, he has returned to Curley this year as a deacon. He teaches theology and modern language, is the Campus Minister, and leads the Flex team and FYM. His inspiration for teaching others comes from his love of learning, sharing knowledge with others, and being a positive influence on his students. Friar Chris will be ordained a priest in the spring or summer of 2019.

CURLEY SPORTS

Curley Soccer Defeats St. Paul's

By Ronix Bhandari '19

On a chilly Friday afternoon (Oct 5th), the Curley Varsity Soccer team defeated Saint Paul's 5 to 0. The game was very lackluster as the first score came couple minutes before halftime. Captain Anthony Dragascis was paramount to the team as he scored an astonishing three times and Jaylon Anderson and Anthony Schlee scored as well. Although in high school sports the stars are the athletes that deliver points in the board, the coach, in this case, Barry Stitz, shall not be forgotten as he guided this team to their fifth win of the season. The defense's manifest performance was vivid as the goalie, Mike Caulkins, and the defense delivered a shutout.

Unfortunately, the St. Paul's goalie, who was robust as any soccer player could have been, was erased from the game as he injured his nose while diving for the football. It could have easily been an explanation for the late scores by Curley. The Friars this season are very inconsistent, but they still remain one of the most feared teams in the MIAA as they look to continue their season.



Photo by Shane Stone '19

Soccer seniors: Garrett Wilson, Anthony Dragiscis, Brayden Wise, Thunlwyn Garcia, Alex Martinez Herrero, Walter Wyatt, Coach Stitz.



Photo by Shane Stone '19



Sam Yakim sets the ball over his head for Connor Draper and Mike Sacha.

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Ron Clark (#33) takes a handoff from QB Kofi Kwaw (#14) as John Munk (#27) and Trevor Lintz (#60) lead the blocking. The last game of the season is on November 2nd against John Carroll at home.



Will Hanna-Leverett '19 and Joe Kurek '20 lead the Curley Cross Country team against Loyola and St. Paul's.



JV Volleyballers Shane Auffarth and Cameron Munk go for a block.