TWIBC SPORTS
THIS WEEK IN BERGEN CATHOLIC SPORTS

AND THEN THERE WAS ONE!

Angeli accounts for 3 TDs. Butler surpasses 3,000 rushing yards. Crum's all over the field.

November 20 – Oradell, NJ – Ryan Butler and his football teammates took steps toward reaching the pinnacle of high school football on Saturday, punching their ticket to MetLife Stadium for the NJSIAA Non-Public 4 Championship. They needed to take care of a team that has posed problems throughout the years, but Saturday, despite a rough second quarter, the Crusaders grabbed the reigns and charged to a 35-10 victory before a standing-room-only crowd at The Jack.

Quarterback Steve Angeli showed his athleticism as he led the Crusaders down the field 79 yards in just 5 plays on their opening drive. Angeli hit running back Saeed St. Fleur for a 13-yard gain. Next he showed off his footspeed, running the ball for 40 yards (the longest rushing play of the game. which culminated in a 30-yard strike to Logan Casey.

After the defense stopped the Marauders three plays and out, BC started driving, but uncharacteristically fumbled the football, giving SPP an opportunity at their own 45 yard line.

John Fiore made a tackle for a five-yard loss which put the Marauders in a hole in their next drive. The Crusaders held up and forced a second-consecutive three-and-out.

This is when the critical mistake occurred as the Prep long-snapper snapped the ball over the punter's head. As he chased after the ball, DJ Samuels and Jayden Bellamy pressured resulting negative 18 yards punt. That set BC up 1st and 10 at the 25.

After an encroachment penalty against SPP, Ryan Butler and Angeli alternated on carries which culminated in Steve scampering eleven yards and diving into the corner of the endzone.

Senior placekicker Giancarlo Carbonaro remained perfect on the season, putting the Crusaders up 14-0 with his second PAT of the day. He would finish with five for the second week in a row.

The second quarter remains to be the dip in the Crusader performances (if any). As a matter of fact, the Crusaders have given up only 87 points this entire season (7.9 per game). FIFTY of those points have come in the second quarter.

Prep drove the ball from their own eighteen yard line to field-goal range via a number of long completions. The BC D held, when in the red-zone and forced a field goal. (14-3)

Dom Brogna celebrating a devastating hit! Malachi Mercer led the team with 11 tackles. Number 5 was all over the field on Saturday punishing SPP ball carriers all day and playing a major role in limiting their rushing game to just 47 yards.

After a short possession, BC's Richie Reid punted and put the Marauders at their own 35. Three plays later, the Prep struck on a 53-yard touchdown pass down the sideline with just 0:40 remaining in the half.

The two teams retired to the locker room and the third quarter made it apparent, this was only going to go in one direction. Gerry Crum had an incredible day, recording statistics in almost every category, including a spectacular, diving interception that helped create tremendous momentum for BC.

As the third quarter started, BC stopped the Marauders first drive and went on the offensive. Coach Campanile utilized Butler, St.Fleur and Justan Luzzi to get things going on the ground. On a second and eleven, Angeli found St.Fleur for a 20-yard gain by air. Saeed picked up another 9 on the subsequent play which set up Angeli's second rushing career of the afternoon. Carbonaro's kick was good and BC expanded its lead to 21-10.

With 5:02 remaining in the third, Peter's threw their first interception of the game. In an attempt to simply throw the ball away out of bounds, Gerry Crum never gave up on the play. Crum leapt, snatched the ball and seemed to spin, somehow remaining in-bounds the whole way. The floodgates were opening.

Butler ripped off runs of 12 and 14 yards on BC's first two plays. He then did something we have not seen him do much in his career. Butler threw a pass on a halfback option pass to Jack Comeau. The junior TE made what appeared to be a tremendous catch in the endzone, but alas, the striped-men-of-wisdom felt otherwise. That set Butler to run the ball into the endzone (we've seen him do that A LOT!). After an 11 yard run to set it up, Ryan scored career TD #48.

Sydir Mitchell. Some people forget about the Big Man's basketball skills. Below, Sydir protects the ball and runs for paydirt. He had the longest interception return of the day (11-yards).

Butler would put the final nail in the Marauders coffin with a fourth-quarter touchdown run. The Crusaders have been dominant in the second half of games this year. BC has outscored their opponents 170-20. Third quarters have been especially devastating to opponents as BC has scored 100 points, yielding only one third quarter touchdown to Smyrna, DE back in week 2.

After Jayden Bellamy (part of the NO FLY ZONE tandem) picked off a pass in the endzone with under two minutes remaining, BC was ready for handshakes and the singing of the alma mater!

LEAD ON BERGEN CATHOLIC HIGH

By, Mr. James Obrotka

Lead on Bergen Catholic High!
Lift your banner to the sky.
Sons of scarlet, sons of gold
In honor, brave and bold
B for bravery without guile
C for Catholic all the while
H for Hearts until we're old
S for Scarlet tinged with Gold
Honor-bound we'll always be
Filled with real sincerity
Alma Mater with all pride is
Bergen Catholic High!

DEFENSE:

(TACKLES-UNASSISTED-ASSISTS). Mercer Malachi (11-1-10), Gerry Crum (9-2-7), Dom Brogna (8-2-6), John Fiore (6-5-1), Christian Ross (4-0-4), Kaj Sanders (4-2-2), DaQuan Stewart (3-3-0), Jaeden Gould (3-1-2), Sydir Mitchell (3-1-2), AJ Morris (3-0-3), DJ Samuels (2-2-0), Jayden Bellamy (2-2-0), Chris Mimmo (2-2-0), Christian Gonzalez (2-0-2), Christian Carti (1-1-0), Rafi Bailey (1-0-1).

TACKLES FOR A LOSS (SOLO-ASSIST): Gerry Crum (1-1), Dominick Brogna (1-1), DJ Samuels (1-0), John Fiore (1-0), Christian Ross (0-1), Malachi Mercer (0-1).

SACKS (SOLO-ASSIST): Gerry Crum (1-0).

INTERCEPTIONS (3): Jayden Bellamy (1), Gerry Crum (1), Sydir Mitchell (1).

PASSES DEFENDED: DJ Samuels (2), Kaj Sanders (1), Chris Mimmo (1), Christian Ross (1), AJ Morris (1).

FORCED FUMBLES: n/a

RECOVERED FUMBLES: n/a

OFFENSE:

PASSING (Comp-Att, Yds, TD, INT): Steve Angeli (9-14,153, 1, 0), Ryan Butler (0-1, 0, 0, 0).

RUSHING (Car-Yds, TD): Ryan Butler (17-94, 2), Saeed St. Fleur (9-67, 0), Justin Luzzi (3-12, 0), Steve Angeli (6-55, 1)

RECEIVING (Rec-Yds, TD): Saeed St. Fleur (3-38, 0), Jack Comeau (1-40, 0), Logan Casey (1-30, 1), Ryan Butler (1-14, 0), Santino Correa (1-14, 0), Christian Carti (1-11, 0), Justan Luzzi (1-5, 0), Larue Linder (1-6,0).

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	QTR	SCORE	PLAY
BC	1	7-0	Casey 30-yd TD rec from Angeli (Carbonaro kick)
BC	1	14-0	Angeli 11-yd TD run (Carbonaro kick)
SPP	2	14-3	24-yd Field Goal
SPP	2	14-10	Fowler 53-yd TD rec from Long (PAT good)
BC	3	21-10	Angeli 6-yd TD run (Carbonaro kick)
BC	3	28-10	Butler 1-yd TD run (Carbonaro kick)
BC	4	35-10	Butler 22-yd TD run (Carbonaro kick)

SPECIALS

KICKING: Giancarlo Carbonaro 5 PATs

KICKOFFS: Carmelo Vellardo 6 Kickoffs, 2 Touchbacks

PUNTS: Rich Reid 2 Punts, 46 Yards, 1 inside 20 yl.

BY THE NUMBERS	BC	SPP
First Downs: Rush - Pass - Pen	15-6-0	2-11-1
Rush Yds	291	47
Pass: Comp/Att	9/15	16/31
Pass Yards	153	272
Pass: TDs/INTs	1/0	1/3
Total Plays	53	58
Total Offense	372	319
Fumbles/Lost	3/2	0/0
Penalties/Yards	6/50	2/20
Defensive Sacks/Yards Lost	1/1	1/11
Time of Possession	22:31	25:29
3rd Down Efficiency	1 of 5	5 of 12
4th Down Efficiency	1 of 1	0 of 3
Punts - Average	2 for 23.0	3 for 24.3

EXTRA POINTS:

CRUSADERS SCORING

PTS	1	2	3	4	T
BC	143	80	100	70	**393**
OPP	17	50	6	14	**87**

PPG	1	2	3	4	T
BC	13.0	7.3	9.1	6.4	**35.7**
OPP	1.5	4.5	0.5	1.3	**7.9**

UNDEFEATED

2021 marks the 5th time, BC went undefeated and untied (11-0) through their first eleven games (82, 91, 92, and 98). The 2021 Crusaders are pursuing a championship season and the eighth undefeated and untied season in school history. The last and ONLY 12-0 perfect season was under the

direction of Coach Fred Stengel in 1998. The 2021 Crusaders seek to match that best-in-school-history achievement this coming Saturday!

The Crusaders finished 12-0 and #1 in the state of New Jersey. Coach Stengel's Crusaders were undefeated twice before as well in 1991 and 1992, putting a 23-game win streak together that ended during the 1993 season.

Coach Tony Karcich led BC to one undefeated season in 1982, his last season at the help of the Crusaders. He also led the Crusaders to an undefeated state championship in 1979 (10-0-1). Keith Krayer led Bergen to an undefeated, state-champion season in 1965 and Bob Norton led BC to an undefeated season in 1966.

INDIVIDUAL MILESTONES AND ACHEIVEMENTS

Ryan Butler achieved his first school record with a game to play. Butler eclipsed Mike Morgan's 3,356 yards with his performance last week against Donovan Catholic and this week, he rose to #1 All-Time with **3,548 Yards from Scrimmage** (Rushing + Receiving), eclipsing the all-time record set by Joe Sandberg '03 whose mark was 3,560 yards.

Butler's **508** career carries earn the #2 overall rank out of all BC rushers behind only Joe Sandberg '03. His **3,024** yards make him only the second Crusader runner to achieve

the 3,000-yard milestone. He is now #2 all-time in Rushing Yards behind Sandberg's 3,196.. Butler's pair of rushing touchdowns lifted him to #2 in Rushing TD's all-time behind Sandberg (47). He is just 3 TD's behind Eric Lane's single season TD record. Ryan's 49 career TD's is tied for 2nd all-time (with Mike Morgan '84) and behind only Joe Sandberg (54). Ryan's 138 points on the season place him seventh All-time.

Ryan is in sole place of third all-time with **282** points and **47** TDs. He is currently 24 points behind Mike Morgan '84 and 44 points behind #1 Joe Sandberg '03. Ryan's **126** points this year, ties him for 10th overall with Nick Gerst during a single season. Ryan is tied for second with Morgan '84 with **41** career rushing touchdowns. He is **9th** overall for

single-season touchdowns, but just 5 away from the school record, held by Eric Lane '92 (24). Only one Crusader has carried the football more times than Butler (491) from scrimmage in his career…Joe Sandberg with 515 carries.

QB Steve Angeli added to his outstanding season, now passing for 1,623 through 11 games (he's played in 10). Angeli's 2,780 total passing yards moves him into 6th All-Time behind Mike McGovern '88 (2,875), Matt Lovecchio '00 (3,203), Rob Eckrote '09 (3,410), Craig Pengitore '98 (4,193) and John Germano '13 (5,498). Steve is 4th All-Time in completions (196) and is now 5th overall with pass attempts in a career (306).

Steve has completed over three-quarters of his passes this year (69.0%) and averages 14.7 yards per completion. That season completion percentage is currently the best all-time in Crusader football history. Steve's QB Rating is an exceptional 114.7.

Placekicker, Giancarlo Carbonaro is currently working his way up the charts with kicking points. The senior has 63 points on the season, placing him fifth, tying Chris Hanley '03 (63 pts in 2001).

He passed the 100-point mark, placing seventh all-time in Career Kicking Points with 103 behind Buck Elsey '96 (109). In addition, Giancarlo is currently tied with Mike Halligan '10 for fifth overall, with 7 career field goals.

History: With their win over St. Peter's Prep, the Crusaders playoff record improved to 60-29 overall record (.674 winning percentage) in the NJSIAA Tournaments since BC's first appearance in 1975.

Interestingly enough, the first loss was a tie, that was decided by an "overtime yardage measurement" procedure. The 1975 State Championship between BC and DePaul Catholic ended with a 7-7 score. To decide the game, each team received the opportunity to move the ball 4 plays and the team with greater yardage won. The Spartans outgained

the Crusaders and took the 1975 crown. Needless to say, that procedure was short-lived.

The Crusaders have won 14 state championships since the tournaments began, (17 overall) with the most recent coming in 2017; BC's 44-7 victory over St. Peter's Prep.

BERGEN CATHOLIC IN THE STATE FINALS

Year	WLT	H/A/N	Opponent	BC	Opp
1975	L	N	DePaul Catholic	7	7
1977	L	A	Seton Hall Prep	0	15
1978	L	A	Seton Hall Prep	10	22
1979	W	N	DePaul Catholic	14	6
1980	W	N	Seton Hall Prep	12	0
1981	L	A	Seton Hall Prep	12	20
1982	W	N	Immaculata	25	0
1983	L	A	Don Bosco Prep	10	12
1984	L	H	Don Bosco Prep	0	15
1986	W	N	St. Peter's Prep	33	0
1987	L	H	St. Joseph Reg	0	7
1991	W	H	St. Joseph Reg	14	0
1992	W	N	Paramus Catholic	44	34
1993	W	H	Don Bosco Prep	7	0
1994	L	N	St. Peter's Prep	24	26
1995	W	N	St. Peter's Prep	19	6
1996	W	N	Holy Cross	48	28
1998	W	N	St. Joseph Reg	35	9
1999	W	N	Don Bosco Prep	42	13
2001	W	N	Delbarton	10	9
2002	L	H	Don Bosco Prep	7	26
2003	L	N	Don Bosco Prep	13	14
2004	W	N	Don Bosco Prep	13	10
2008	L	N	Don Bosco Prep	13	34
2010	L	N	Don Bosco Prep	27	37
2011	L	N	Don Bosco Prep	14	42
2012	L	N	Paramus Catholic	34	37
2017	W	N	St. Peter's Prep	44	7
2018	L	N	St. Joseph Reg	0	13

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2021 - 2PM

METLIFE STADIUM

Don Bosco Prep and Bergen Catholic is certainly the most storied rivalry between the schools, if not through the state of New Jersey. When you hear Bergen-Bosco, you know you're in for a big game. This Saturday represents the eleventh time the two will meet in the state finals with the Ironmen holding a 7-3 advantage.

The first meeting of the two schools was on Thanksgiving Day in 1958 and the Crusaders won by a score of 14-0. Since that time, it has been a rivalry of runs with Don Bosco Prep currently holding a 33-40-1 advantage over BC. Don Bosco Prep spoiled the Crusaders bid for a perfect season last year, winning on the final play of the game 21-20 at the Jack. This year, BC travelled to Don Bosco and shut out the Ironmen at Granatell Stadium 17-0.

BERGEN CATHOLIC VS. DON BOSCO PREP ALL-TIME RESULTS

Year	Winner	H/A/N	BC	DBP
1958	BC	A	14	0
1959	DBP	H	0	6
1960	DBP	A	0	41
1961	DBP	H	0	25
1962	DBP	A	9	19
1963	BC	H	28	21
1964	BC	A	6	0
1965	BC	H	40	13
1966	BC	A	21	0
1967	BC	H	38	6
1968	DBP	A	25	27
1969	DBP	H	6	33
1970	DBP	A	8	34
1971	BC	H	7	0
1972	DBP	A	0	13
1973	T	H	14	14
1974	BC	A	20	0
1975	BC	H	21	14
1976	DBP	A	14	21
1977	BC	H	9	7
1978	BC	A	34	0
1979	BC	H	32	8
1980	DBP	A	7	9
1981	BC	H	17	0
1982	BC	A	33	0
1983	DBP***	A	10	12
1983	BC	H	3	0
1984	DBP	A	0	13

1984	DBP***	H	0	15
1985	DBP	H	0	24
1986	T	A	0	0
1987	BC	H	22	0
1987	BC**	H	21	0
1988	BC	A	17	6
1989	BC	A	41	14
1990	BC	A	14	7
1990	DBP**	H	0	21
1991	BC	H	54	0
1993	BC***	H	7	0
1998	BC**	H	38	13
1999	BC	H	21	7
1999	BC***	N	42	13
2000	DBP	A	13	29
2000	DBP*	A	10	24
2001	DBP	H	13	14
2002	DBP	A	16	47
2002	DBP***	H	7	26
2003	DBP	H	8	49
2003	DBP***	N	13	14
2004	DBP	A	21	42
2004	BC***	N	13	10
2005	DBP	H	14	24
2006	DBP	H	10	34
2007	DBP	A	7	27
2008	DBP	H	7	38
2008	DBP***	N	13	34
2009	DBP	A	20	28
2010	DBP	H	18	38
2010	DBP***	N	27	37
2011	DBP	A	22	33
2011	DBP***	N	14	42
2012	DBP	N	17	20
2012	BC**	A	28	14
2013	DBP	N	17	23 (3OT)
2014	BC	H	10	3
2015	DBP	A	19	24
2015	DBP**	A	21	27
2016	DBP	H	10	17 (OT)
2017	BC	A	29	26
2018	BC	H	14	13
2018	BC**	H	35	17
2019	BC	A	23	17
2019	DBP*	A	7	24
2020	DBP	H	20	21
2021	BC	A	17	0

* = state quarterfinals ** = state semifinals
*** = state finals

CROSS-COUNTRY AT NPA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

November 16 – Holmdel, NJ – Senior Alex Shaia ran his 5000 meters, just a hare over eighteen minutes, finishing 40th overall at a time of 18:02. He led the Crusader Cross Country Squad to a 9th Place Overall finish in the 2021 Non-Public "A" Championships. Matthew Marques and Nick Pesanello finished 50th and 51st both with a time of 18:28. James Hughes also finished under the 19-minute mark with a 56th place finish and a time of 18:37.

Jacob Rodman finished at 19:17, followed by Joseph Griffith (19:36) and Miles Suitt (19:39). All three earned points for BC as well.

Team Finishes

1. Union Catholic	32 points
2. Christian Brothers Association	43 points
3. St. Peter's Prep	87 points
4. Delbarton School	138 points
5. Don Bosco Prep	149 points
6. Seton Hall Prep	166 points
7. Pingry School	260 points
8. St. Joseph Metuchen	272 points
9. Bergen Catholic	277 points
10. Camden Catholic	289 points

WINTER SPORTS READY TO START UP DATES

SPORT	TRYOUT PERIOD	1st DAY PRACTICE	OPENING DAY
BASKETBALL	11/22-24	11/29	12/17
BOWLING		11/8	11/20
ICE HOCKEY		11/8	11/26
INDOOR TRACK	11/22-24	11/29	12/17
SKIING		11/29	1/3
SWIMMING		11/8	12/1
WRESTLING	11/22-24	11/29	12/17

BIRD OF THE WEEK:

PEREGRINE FALCON – SPEED KILLS!

November 21 – Rockleigh, NJ – There's almost nothing (other than BC's FOOTBALL DEFENSE) that defends its turf with speed as well as a Peregrine Falcon. The peregrine is the FASTEST CREATURE IN THE WORLD. Research has shown that a peregrine can fly at speeds of 65-70 miles per hour. Cheeetahs, the fastest land- animals, can run at 70-75 miles per hour for short distances. The difference is in the dive, otherwise known as a stoop. Researchers have found the peregrine to hit speeds over 200 miles per hour with a group of researchers documenting a diving speed of TWO HUNDRED FORTY-TWO MILES PER HOUR!

One danger in moving at speeds like that, is air pressure building up in the lungs and causing the peregrine's lungs to explode. The species, though, evolved with a bony conical structure called a tubercle, inside its nostril structure. It acts like a baffle, slowing down the speed of the air entering the peregrine's body and allowing it to breathe normally.

Like our defense, they have incredible eye-sight to see prey or threats up to a mile away and can track up to three objects at a time. Within each eye, peregrines have a fovea center (focal point on the retina) at the back of each eye, which is similar to a telephoto lens.

FUN FACTS: People have trained falcons for hunting for over a thousand years, and the Peregrine Falcon was always one of the m prized birds. Efforts to breed the Peregrine in captivity and reestablish populations depleted during the DDT years were greatly assisted by the existence of methods of handling captive falcons developed by falconers.

The Peregrine Falcon is one of the most widespread birds in the world. It is found on all continents except Antarctica, and on m oceanic islands.

The oldest recorded Peregrine Falcon was at least 19 years, 9 months old, when it was identified by its band in Minnesota in 2012, th same state where it had been banded in 1992.

These fun facts and more can be found at: https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/Peregrine_Falcon

The TOOLBOX

Our Father

Our Father, Who art in Heaven
Hallowed be Thy Name
Thy Kingdom Come.
Thy will be done
On Earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation.
But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace
The Lord is with You
Blessed are you among women
And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God
Pray for us sinners
Now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen

Act of Contrition

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance,
to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.

Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change,
Courage to change the things I can, and
Wisdom to know the difference. Amen

I Confess to You

I confess to almighty God, and to you,
my brothers and sisters,
that I have sinned through my own fault,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;
and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The Jesus Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Blessed Edmund Rice Prayer 2021

Creator God, we thank you for the life and work of this gifted man,
Blessed Edmund Rice. He opened his heart generously to
Christ present and appealing to him in the poor who were
oppressed by poverty and injustice. May we follow his example of
faith and generosity. O God, give us the courage and compassion of
Blessed Edmund as we seek to support one another, protect
the vulnerable and care for the earth, our common home.
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Grace Before Meals

Bless us, O Lord, and these, thy gifts
Which we are about to receive from
thy bounty, through Christ, Our Lord. Amen

The Golden Rule

Love one another as I have loved you.

St. Patrick's Breastplate (shortened)

Christ with me. Christ before me. Christ behind me.
Christ in me. Christ beneath me. Christ above me.
Christ on my right. Christ on my left. Christ when I lie down.
Christ when I sit down. Christ when I arise.
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me.
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me.
Christ in every eye that sees me.
Christ in every ear that hears me.

Prayer of St Francis

Lord make me an instrument of Your peace
Where there is hatred let me sow love.
Where there is injury, pardon.
Where there is doubt, faith.
Where there is despair, hope.
Where there is darkness, light.
Where there is sadness joy.
O Divine master grant that I may
Not so much seek to be consoled as to console
To be understood, as to understand.
To be loved. as to love
For it's in giving that we receive
And it's in pardoning that we are pardoned
And it's in dying that we are born...
To eternal life.