

**25 Years since 1st Meeting**

**Crusaders**

BERGEN CATHOLIC Basketball 2022-2023

**PAR/NP “A” STATE CHAMPS:** 1978, 1994, 2002, 2019, 2022 **PAR/NP “A” NO. CHAMPS:** 1978, 85, 88, 89, 94, , 95, 2002, 03, 19, 20, 22

**11X BERGEN COUNTY JAMBOREE CHAMPIONS:** 1977, 1986, 1989, 1991, 1992, 1994, 2001, 2003, 2015, 2019, 2022

**SPARTANS VISIT CRUSADERS IN BNC GAME**

**VS**

**DWIGHT ENGLEWOOD #8 BERGEN CATHOLIC**

**BULLDOGS (8-7) CRUSADERS (10-5, 3-1)**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 – 7 pm @ Hoehl Gymnasium

***Video Broadcast*: https://locallive.tv/bergencatholic**

**CRUSADERS 2022-23 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS**

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| **DATE** | **OPPONENT** | **ST** | **H/A** | **RES** | **BC** | **OPP** |
| 17-Dec | Pembroke Pines Charter | FL | N (FL) | W | 70 | 66 |
| 19-Dec | Cardinal Gibbons | FL | N (FL) | W | 78 | 54 |
| 20-Dec | Potomac School | VA | N (FL) | W | 80 | 47 |
| 28-Dec | Blair Academy | NJ | N (DE) | L | 54 | 60 |
| 30-Dec | DeMatha Catholic | MD | N (MD) | L | 53 | 70 |
| 1-Jan | Rutgers Preparatory | NJ | N (NJ) | W | 78 | 67 |
| 3-Jan | Ramapo | NJ | A | L | 62 | 75 |
| **5-Jan** | **Paramus Catholic** | **NJ** | **H** | W | 88 | 56 |
| **6-Jan** | **Saddle River Day** | **NJ** | **H** | W | 81 | 53 |
| 8-Jan | Archbishop Molloy | NY | N (NY) | W | 78 | 50 |
| 10-Jan | St. Joseph Regional | NJ | A | W | 62 | 43 |
| **12-Jan** | **Don Bosco Prep** | **NJ** | **H** | L | 50 | 72 |
| **17-Jan** | **DePaul Catholic** | **NJ** | **H** | W | 79 | 58 |
| 19-Jan | Millard North | NE | N (IL) | W | 87 | 83 |
| 20-Jan | Wasatch Academy | UT | N (IL) | L | 48 | 65 |
| **24-Jan** | **Dwight Englewood** | **NJ** | **H** |  |  |  |
| 27-Jan | Roselle Catholic | NJ | A |  |  |  |
| 28-Jan | Jambo w/o Dumont/Elm Pk. | NJ | N (NJ) |  |  |  |
| 30-Jan | Paramus Catholic | NJ | A |  |  |  |
| **1-Feb** | **Red Bank Catholic** | **NJ** | **H** |  |  |  |
| **2-Feb** | **St. Joseph Regional** | **NJ** | **H** |  |  |  |
| 4-Feb | BCCA Jamboree | NJ |  |  |  |  |
| 7-Feb | Don Bosco Prep | NJ | A |  |  |  |
| 9-Feb | DePaul Catholic | NJ | A |  |  |  |
| 11-Feb | BCCA Jamboree Semi-finals | NJ |  |  |  |  |
| 17-Feb | BCCA Jamboree Finals | NJ | N (NJ) |  |  |  |





**TONIGHT’S MATCH-UP**

For the fifth time, the Crusaders and Bulldogs meet on the hard court in fine Bergen County Basketball. This very occasional rivalry began a quarter century ago in the County Jamboree.

**CRUSADERS:**  BC is returning home following a split in the prestigious Quincy Shootout in Illinois. Terry Copeland scored 35 points combined as a number of players stepped up around national talent. Bergen had a trifecta of 13s scored by Austin Spencer, Brandon Benjamin and Naiim Parrish in Bergen’s first game against Nebraska’s Millard North High School. In the second game, it was Copeland’s 17 leading again, this time against Wasatch Academy of Utah. Tyler McQuaid (12 points), David Munro (7 points) and Benjamin (6 points) provided much of the remaining offense. The Crusaders look forward to the return of Chidi Nwigwe who was unable to compete over the weekend.

**BULLDOGS:** Dwight Englewood has had a rough go of it lately, dropping their fourth straight game against St. Mary’s of Rutherford on Sunday (55-49). Things will get no easier for this K-9 crew against a Bergen team that hopes to heat up going into the Bergen County Jamboree.

**BC Head Coach: Billy Armstrong ’94**

*12th Season: (221-81; .732); 3 County, 3 Section and 2 State Titles*

**Athletic Trainer:** Mike VanKoppen

**BERGEN CATHOLIC ADMINISTRATION**

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Principal……...…...................................……**Mr. Timothy McElhinney**

Athletic Director………………….……......**Mr. Brendan McGovern ’10**

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| **NO** | **NAME** | **POS** | **YR** | **HT** |
| **0** | Naiim Parrish | G | 10 | 5-11 |
| **1** | Austin Spencer | G | 10 | 6-3 |
| **2** | Shawn Spencer | PG | 10 | 6-2 |
| **3** | Jaylen Robinson | G | 11 | 6-3 |
| **4** | AJ Williams | G | 9 | 6-7 |
| **5** | Terry Copeland | F | 11 | 6-9 |
| **10** | Chidi Nwigwe | G | 9 | 6-7 |
| **11** | Tyler McQuaid | PG | 10 | 5-11 |
| **12** | David Munro | F | 10 | 6-7 |
| **13** | Mikai Klintman | PG | 12 | 6-0 |
| **14** | Rocco Gratale | G | 12 | 5-11 |
| **15** | Austin Sargenti | G | 12 | 5-11 |
| **20** | Brandon Benjamin | F | 11 | 6-8 |
| **21** | Declan Wucherpfennig | F | 10 | 6-6 |
| **24** | Julius Avent | G | 9 | 6-6 |
| **30** | Nehemiah Snell | G | 10 | 6-0 |

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| **NO** | **NAME** | **POS** | **YR** | **HT** |
| **1** | Brad Brown | G | 9 | 5-10 |
| **2** | Nick Balakian | G | 12 | 6-2 |
| **3** | Myles Bland | G | 12 | 6-4 |
| **4** | Jack Sauma | G | 12 | 6-0 |
| **5** | Vaughn Foster | F | 12 | 6-7 |
| **10** | Evan Brown | G | 11 | 6-3 |
| **11** | Ryan Epstein | G | 11 | 6-4 |
| **12** | Raymond Valdez | G | 10 | 6-0 |
| **13** | River Smith | G | 11 | 5-10 |
| **14** | Andrew Leak | G | 10 | 6-2 |
| **15** | Jackson Burke | F | 11 | 6-7 |
| **20** | Jack Park | G | 10 | 6-0 |
| **21** | James Burke | G | 10 | 6-1 |
| **22** | Zach Colosimo | G | 12 | 6-0 |
| **23** | Dusan Dobric | F | 10 | 6-10 |
| **24** | Christian Garrett | G | 11 | 5-10 |

Head Coach: Alex Kuchar

**DWIGHT ENGLEWOOD BULLDOGS**

**VARSITY BASKETBALL ROSTER**

**BERGEN CATHOLIC CRUSADERS**

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**This Day in Crusader Basketball**

**JANUARY 24, 1973 – NEW CITY, NY**

Fifty years ago today, the Crusaders beat Clarkstown North 63-59 in a game that was closely played throughout. Tied early at 4, the Rams’ Tom Holstein scored four in a 6-point run to give the home team a 10-4 lead. This lead was short-lived, however, as Jim Hopkins and company worked to give BC a 17-16 lead after one quarter.

Hopkins was outstanding at the free-throw line, where he scored nine of his 17 points. Jimmy Moye and Greg Sheerins each scored team-high18 points.

The win helped BC to reach 10-4 on the season. Bergen was on its way to a very fine 19-6 overall record under Coach Chris “CJ” Donfield.

**BERGEN CATHOLIC:** Jim Hopkins 4-9-17, John O’Brien 4-0-8, Greg Sheerins 8-2-18, Dan Lenihan 0-2-2, Jim Moye 6-6-18. **Totals: 22-19-63**

**CLARKSTOWN NORTH**: Fritz 1-0-2, Fuchs 2-0-4, Holstein 9-3—21, Rubbert 12-2-26, Beckley 2-0-4, Mott 1-0-2. **Totals: 27-5-59.**

**BERGEN CATHOLIC 17 15 16 15 --- 63**

**CLARKSTOWN NORTH 16 17 12 14 --- 59**

By, Kevin Sweeney ‘26

**BC VS. DWIGHT ENGLEWOOD**

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|  | **BC** | **DE** | **BC W PCT** |
| OVERALL | 3 | 0 | 1.000 |
| HOME | 1 | 0 | 1.000 |
| AWAY | - | - | - |
| NEUTRAL | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| JAMBOREE | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| STATE PLAYOFFS | - | - | - |
| OVER TIME | - | - | - |
| ARMSTRONG ERA | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| FIRST WIN | 1998  (71-41) | - |  |
| LAST WIN | 2022  (71-64) | - |  |
| MOST POINTS | 107  (2022 W) | 66  (2022 L) |  |
| FEWEST POINTS | 71  (1998, ‘21 W) | 41  (1998 L) |  |
| AVG POINTS | 84.0 | 51.3 |  |
| STREAK VS. OPP | 3 WINS | - |  |
| LAST FIVE-SEASON | 3-2 | 1-4 |  |