



The Tournament Committee would like to thank the entire St. Helena Community for supporting the **2026 Annual CYO Invitational Memorial Basketball Tournament - “The Battle in Blue Bell”**. We had over **100 St. Helena Families** volunteer their time and talents filling hundreds of open volunteer roles and many more supplied our snack stand with homemade food, snacks and drinks. Volunteer roles are open to all and we hope you will join us next year – all the little contributions are what make this such a success!

Over the years, we have honored many members of our community that are no longer with us. This year, we honored Kevin Gaw, parent of St. Helena student Finn. Thank you to all for the lovely memorial for Kevin and support for his loved ones.

This tournament does not happen without the support of our incredible sponsors! Help us continue to show our gratitude for their support with your patronage. Full list of sponsors below!

For those who had the opportunity to attend, we trust you saw great basketball by some of the best teams from the Archdiocese. Photos, videos, and game replays can be found on the tournament Facebook page—take a look! Over the weekend, 28 games of basketball were played, and the live stream reached 5,700+ people with over 70,000+ views.

The Tournament is a fundraiser and proceeds support: our CYO programs, our school, and local charities connected to our community. Our tournament has helped to fund a new gym floor, branded chairs, live stream in the church, tuition assistance for students at St. Helena for those who have lost loved ones or are experiencing a difficult time, and so much more.

Special Contributions

The Tournament Committee extends its heartfelt gratitude to the following people for sharing their talents.

National Anthem Singers - Your beautiful renditions of the national anthem stirred a deep sense of patriotism and pride in everyone present and your performance did not go unnoticed, especially by our guests.

The Tiger Media Club - The Tiger Media Club, founded by tournament committee member and parent Kristin Kane Ford, was a massive success at the tournament again this year. Students worked behind the scenes with video production, photography, play-by-play commentary, social media, interviewing techniques, and many other valuable skills. So many attendees commented on the exceptional job these students did throughout the tournament.

Thank you to our **fantastic families who** volunteered hundreds of hours of time to support our CYO Memorial Basketball Tournament. God has blessed us with an awesome and generous community.

This tournament is a massive endeavor that has grown over the years to ensure the best basketball with all the bells and whistles for players, making it the most sought after tournament for teams in the Philadelphia area. We are actively seeking enthusiastic go-getters to join our committee to help ensure the tournament's success. No experience needed, just the willingness to volunteer your time and talents. Connect with any committee member (listed below) to learn more. Thank you!

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