

CYM SPORTS NEWSLETTER

Produced by the Office for Catholic Youth, Young Adult, and Family Ministry & the CYM Sports Office



2025-2026 Season Underway!

A total of 52 CYM Sports games or events occurred for Week 1 in Cross Country, Football, Soccer, and Volleyball.

Week 1 results for varsity programs are available at cymsports.com/

508+

FALL COACHES

Over 500+ Coaches and Volunteers participating in CYM Sports for Fall

143

TEAMS

Over 140 Teams are competing in sports competition and programs for Fall, 2025

1710

REGISTRATIONS

Over 1700 registrations so far for the 2025-2026 program year for CYM

IMPORTANT DATES



WEEK 2 START
September 12th

GOLF BENEFIT
September 17th

WINTER INFORMATION
October 1st

XC CHAMPIONSHIPS
October 26th

WINTER PRACTICES BEGIN
November 1st

SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP
November 1st

VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
November 2nd

FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
November 9th

FALL POSTSEASON MEETINGS
November 10th-13th

WINTER SCHEDULE RELEASE
November 14th-20th

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING
December 2nd

WINTER COACHES MEETING
December 3rd

WINTER SPORTS START DATE
December 5th

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THE CYM SPORTS NEWSLETTER IS A TOOL AND RESOURCE TO KEEP LEADERS INFORMED REGARDING VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF OUR ROBUST PROGRAM. YOU CAN FIND PREVIOUS EDITIONS AT WWW.CYMSPORTS.COM/DOWNLOADS

CYM Sports programming for the 2025-2026 year began on Friday, September 5th at the Chase Turf Fields. An estimated 500 were in attendance. On Saturday, all JV games were moved inside to avoid the storms, with many excited families. This is the first season that CYM Soccer is utilizing the riverfront facilities.

CYM Volleyball began their campaign and served up their first matches on Saturday at seven local parishes & schools, continuing into Sunday. Volleyball remains the second largest growing sport in CYM Sports with 70 teams.

St. Anns hosted the first cross country meet of the season at Tatnall School this Sunday; 415 are registered as cross country student-athletes this fall.

Abessinio Stadium hosted the first CYM football match-ups for year. CYM Football has exclusive access on Sunday afternoons for all regular season contest.



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CYM COACHES AND PARENTS REMINDERS

- The CYM Office reminds all affiliated programs that CYM Sports follows strict codes of conduct for coaches and spectators.
- A new Sportsmanship pledge was introduced in the winter of 2025, and a new Sportsmanship prayer was presented by Bishop Koenig this summer. You can find both located on the CYM Sports homepage.
- You can follow us this year on Facebook, Twitter/X, and Instagram! We ask all administrators to share content as they see appropriate, which includes photos and videos of programs. Links are available at www.cymsports.com under "About Us".
- Coaches are required to understand and read CYM policies and the rulebooks regarding their sports.

LEARNING CENTER: MINISTRY IN SPORTS

On September 7th, 2025, the canonization of Saint Carlo Acutis occurred in Rome, Italy at the Vatican. The enthusiasm surrounding the canonization of Saint Carlo Acutis is important to note, as he becomes the first millennial to be declared a Saint in the 21st century. Blessed Carlo Acutis is considered a patron saint of youth.

To learn about the millennial saint, head over to www.carloacutis.com.

MISSION: The Office for Catholic Youth Ministry empowers parishes, schools, and ministries within the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington to serve the Church by equipping and accompanying young people and the adults who walk with them to have authentic encounters with Jesus Christ and become true missionary disciples of the Gospel in the world. We accomplish this mission by hosting dynamic spiritual events, facilitating leadership and formation opportunities for young people and adults, and promoting Christian Values through the CYM Sports program.

