

CARDINAL KUNG ACADEMY

A DIVISION OF TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter

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948 Newfield Avenue, Stamford CT 06905

NEW LOCATION

Cardinal Kung Academy has moved

Our new campus is located at St. Gabriel's property at 948 Newfield Avenue, Stamford. The property formerly housed Catholic Academy of Stamford, which has now moved to the lower floor of Trinity Catholic High School.

The new facilities offer additional classrooms, office space, science lab, and a gymnasium. The proximity to Trinity Catholic High School allows students to easily participate in the sports and after school programs offered at both campuses.

Come visit the new facilities at our Open House on July 30th, 6:30-8:30 pm.



The new home for Cardinal Kung Academy

MATCHING GRANT

Donor offers \$100,000 grant for financial aid



An anonymous foundation granted to the school \$100,000 in matching funds for financial aid at Cardinal Kung Academy. Any individual donation made towards the school's financial aid fund will be matched, up to \$100,000.

More than half of the student population receives financial aid at the school and financial aid is funded entirely by private donations. This generous grant will allow many more students to access the excellent education at Cardinal Kung

Academy. For more information or to donate, please visit www.cardinalkungacademy.org/donate

FACULTY NEWS

New additions to faculty

We are delighted to announce new additions to our faculty staff:

Kristjana Underhill joins us as a 20 year veteran teacher of history, having taught at New Canaan High School and Regina Pacis Academy. Mrs. Underhill will be teaching Renaissance History in junior year.

Dr. Jennifer Donelson comes to us as an acclaimed music teacher who is currently teaching at St. Joseph Seminary and at parishes and workshops across the country. Jennifer will lead the student body in choral music and music theory.

We are delighted that all our faculty will be returning this year and we offer a warm welcome to Mrs. Underhill and Dr. Donelson!

NOTA BENE: UPCOMING DATES

July 30, 2019 : Open House at new campus
August 24, 2019: Scholarship Fund Dinner
August 29, 2019: Student Orientation
September 3, 2019: First full day of school

DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR NOTE

Dear Friends,

I wish I could go back in time and attend Cardinal Kung Academy myself as a high school student. The faculty, curriculum, and community make for an exceptional Catholic education.

Our excellent teachers continually impress me: they devote tremendous energy to the spiritual, intellectual, social, and emotional formation of the students and they constantly assess and improve their own abilities. The students, meanwhile, take on a rigorous honors program. The freshmen students encounter the ancients through the likes of Virgil, St. Augustine, Sophocles, and Homer, while the sophomores are introduced to the medieval world of Dante, Chaucer, Malory and others. We look forward to our Renaissance studies for the junior class this fall. The students examine the humanities subjects (literature, history, Latin, drama, sacred music, and art) through the lens of each time period while also studying theology, mathematics, and the sciences. I am grateful to the parents of our community, for entrusting their children to us: we have a student body that strives for excellence and encourages one another to persevere in the most difficult subjects.

Fostering the Catholic imagination through this traditional education is as relevant today as ever. Please come take a look at the education and our new location at the July 30 Open House. Once you meet our teachers and look through our curriculum, you too might wish to be back in high school!

In Jesus and Mary,

Barbara Logsdail

2018/2019 SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS



A medieval History student presents to her class a research project on the Hagia Sophia, complete with her mosaic of Christ and its Muslim iconoclastic cover



Students sing for mass



The CKA student body participates in the CFR's Christmas dinner for the needy in Patterson NJ.



Drama class students presents excerpts from Sophocles' *Oedipus Rex*

HIGHLIGHTS (CONT.)



A CKA student sketches a bust at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, during the school field trip.



Students greet staff at St. Bridget's rectory with carols and Christmas cheer



Students perform a fetal pig dissection under the guidance of science teacher Mr. Jennings

WISH LIST

- Vacuum
- Handyman services
- Signage (wooden sign for entrance)
- Seminar tables and chairs

TESTIMONIALS

-As a 30-year veteran educator, I am so impressed with Cardinal Kung Academy. It is so needed for our community and for our culture. I am thrilled for my grandson to be able to attend this school. - M. Knag, grandmother to CKA student

-The classes were tough and the teachers asked a lot of us, but, after all that hard work, I find I have a deep understanding of the medieval time period. I would say that, at the end of the year, the most demanding class ended up being my favorite. - E, CKA student

FROM THE BOARD

Dear friends,

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for Cardinal Kung Academy. The school began in September 2018 with the blessing of the Bishop, to answer the need for a vibrantly Catholic and classical school. The Bishop's one condition was that we were not to run a deficit. Thanks to our enrollment, to our generous teachers and school volunteers, and to the school's friends and donors, it appears we will keep that promise.

Our new campus at St. Gabriel is a wonderful gift. Volunteers are busy cleaning and freshening up the space to welcome students in late August. We still have a few needs, as listed on the Wishlist above, but 2019-2020 promises to be a wonderful academic year as additional students and faculty join our community.

We are grateful also for the recent \$100,000 matching grant, which enables us to remain faithful to our mission of providing a rigorous classical education in the diocese to all who desire it. If you can, please consider in prayer whether you can assist a student to attend Cardinal Kung Academy. We keep the intentions of the school's supporters in our prayers. Please keep Cardinal Kung Academy in your prayers as well.

In Christ,

Nancy Grimm



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