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Padua Franciscan High School

Press Release

Padua to Celebrate 60th Anniversary with Outdoor Mass & Fireworks

PARMA, Ohio – (August 5, 2021) Padua Franciscan High School is celebrating its 60th Jubilee from August 2021 through July 2022. Throughout the year, we will be celebrating the impact that Padua has made on more than 12,500 young men and women since 1961. Padua families, alumni and supporters will be joining us throughout this milestone year. Our kickoff event is an Outdoor Mass & Fireworks display on our campus. Details are as follows:

WHAT: Outdoor Mass & Fireworks
WHEN: Saturday, August 14, 2021
7:30 pm (Mass)
Fireworks display to follow (at dusk)
WHERE: Padua Stadium (6740 State Road, Parma)
RAIN DATE: Sunday, August 15, 2021

NOTE: The Outdoor Mass & Fireworks display is a private event. It is not open to the general public. Roughly 1,000 members of the Padua community have RSVPed to attend this event.

MORE DETAILS: The Mass presider will be Fr. Thomas Nairn, OFM, provincial minister of the Sacred Heart Province of Franciscans (from St. Louis, Missouri). The homilist will be Padua alumnus Fr. Joe Mamich '97, who serves as pastor of St. Joseph Church in Strongsville. More than a dozen priests from around the Diocese will be participating in the Mass. Dozens of Padua alumni will be singing in the church choir.

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School Background: Padua Franciscan High School is located at 6740 State Road in Parma, Ohio. Padua is a college-preparatory, co-educational school with 760 students. Padua was founded by Franciscans in 1961 and bases its educational philosophy on the life and spirituality of Saint Francis of Assisi. The school's mission is to develop the unique talents of each student, while giving them the skills they need to succeed in college and beyond.