

SEASON PREVIEW: ST. JOSEPH'S (CHSAA)

St. Joseph's (Buffalo), always been a force in the Monsignor Martin Association, finished last season 16-10. Recently we had a chance to talk with Coach Cooper Calzonetti about his views of the coming season.

All his key players are back, led by Jay'Meir Goosby (17 ppg.), Mehki Gidney (13 ppg.), and Gionni Zelasko (9 ppg.), all Monsignor Martin All-Star selections. In addition, Nate Blenman, a 6'8" Junior transfer, Gary Alexander, Freshman PG, and Elijah Jones, a 6'3" Sophomore, are expected to have an instant impact.

Not shying away from a challenge, St. Joe's opens at LuHi, last season's #1 team in NY and # 4 Nationally by SBLIVE, on 11/30, and has games at Niagara Falls, Albany Academy, and Aquinas Institute not to mention a tough league schedule.

In Coach Calzonetti's own words,

"A very talented, veteran team that returns all players from last season and has strengthened with the addition of Nate (transfer) and freshman Gary. Likely facing the toughest non-conference schedule in WNY to prepare for league play".

We look for St. Joe's to be a top contender in Western NY and quite possibly beyond.