

We are the champions again!

State championships are a tradition for the football teams at Bishop Chatard High School and Cathedral High School in Indianapolis. That success continued on Nov. 27 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis as both schools earned Indiana High School Athletic Association state championship trophies.

The Trojans of Bishop Chatard High School—the archdiocesan high school for the Indianapolis North Deanery—achieved a record 10th state title in football when they defeated St. Joseph High School in South Bend 28-14 for the Class 3A championship.

The Irish of Cathedral High School—a private Catholic high school—earned their eighth state football title by beating Bishop Dwenger High School of Fort Wayne 31-20 for the Class 4A championship.

This photo essay celebrates the success of the championship teams. †

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The football players from Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis are all smiles as they celebrate the school's 10th state championship in football—a state record.



Photo courtesy Cathedral High School

The football team from Cathedral High School in Indianapolis poses for a team photo after the school earns its eighth state title in football.



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Bishop Chatard running back Sean Parsons breaks through the line, part of the Trojans' dominating running game, during the team's 28-14 victory for the Class 3A state championship on Nov. 27. Bishop Chatard running back Ryan Kleinschmidt rushed for 247 yards on 41 carries, both records in Class 3A championship games.



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Cathedral High School quarterback Connor Barthel tries to elude two players from Bishop Dwenger High School in Fort Wayne during the Class 4A state championship game at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis on Nov. 27. Barthel threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score as the Irish won 31-20.



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Bishop Chatard High School wide receiver Teddy Guzek battles a player from St. Joseph High School in South Bend for a pass during the Trojans' 28-14 win for the Class 3A state championship at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis on Nov. 27. Guzek scored a touchdown in the game on a pass from quarterback Stephen DeSchryver.



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Alec Bitar of Cathedral High School holds onto the ball as he is tackled during the Class 4A state championship game at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis on Nov. 27.