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'Comeback Kids' Wow Their Fans

The St. Mary's Fifth Grade Gaels finished their 1996-97 regular season with an impressive 20 wins and 8 losses, finishing in second place in the "A" division of the CYO League and third place in the "A" division of the Super League.

The team handily achieved the three objectives that Coaches Spencer Young and John Adamovich set at the outset of the season, namely: (1) practice unselfish teamwork; (2) demonstrate respect and good sportsmanship in victory and defeat; and (3) strive to have more wins than losses. This in turn led to achieving the ultimate goal of Having Fun!

Throughout the season, the team utilized a "run and gun" offense that was capable of putting up 30 points in a 7-minute quarter, and a tenacious pressing defense that regularly frustrated opponents.

This year's squad was comprised of 12 outstanding athletes who provided a balanced attack that eventually wore down



1996-97 St. Mary's Fifth Grade Blue Gaels - front row: Patrick Kelly, Anthony McLean, Timmy Miller, Jay Soley. Back row: Coach Spencer Young, Matt Horne, Michael Young, Anthony Figlia, Danny D'Agnes, Johnny Adamovich, Coach John Adamovich. Not pictured: Collin Finnerty, Brandon Perkins and Kendell Williams.

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