

# Team Preview: Iona Prep - Gaels

2017 In Review: The Gaels finished with a 6-4 record in CHSFL AAA losing to St. Anthony's in the Semi-Finals.

Departures: Derek Ferraro Rice Football, Malkeim Morrison Army Football, Jack Doty Brown Football, Joe Colaio-Coppola Elon Football, Ki'Shyne Pace Football, JR Freeman Trinity Football and Mike DeGasperis Football

Offense: The Gaels run Spread offense and have the following player returning; Derek Robertson senior QB 6'2 185 threw for 2800 yards/26 td passes, Sean Fleming senior TE 6'4 230 had 42 catches/6 td's committed to Monmouth for Football, Anthony Bonavita senior OL 6'3 300 was All-League as a junior and Jayden Lambert senior WR 5'9 175. Newcomers are Camari Glasgow senior WR/RB 6'0 190 tore his ACL week 2, Frankie McFadden sophomore RB 5'9 195 was a late season call up to varsity as a freshmen and Alex Williams sophomore WR 6'3 185.

Defense: they play a 3-4=4 defense and have the following players returning; Joe Rodda senior DE 6'0 220, Jayden Lambert senior DB 5'9 175 was All-League as a junior had 39 tackles/2 interceptions and Keshawn McDowdell junior OLB/DE 5'11 220 had 64 tackles/4 sacks. A newcomer is Jordan Dunbar CB 6'1 185.

Special Teams: Will be decided in camp.

Schedule:

Saturday, 9/08, Bishop Hendrickson (RI), 3:00PM  
Saturday, 9/15, Archbishop Stepinac, 1:30PM  
Saturday, 9/22, Cardinal Hayes, 1:30PM  
Friday, 9/28, @ Hamden Hall (CT), 7:00PM  
Saturday, 10/06, @ Monsignor Farrell, 7:00PM  
Saturday, 10/13, Christ the King, 1:30PM  
Friday, 10/19, @ St. Anthony's, 7:00PM  
Sunday, 10/28, @ Chaminade, 1:00PM

Schedule is courtesy of [www.nychsfl.org](http://www.nychsfl.org)

Question Marks: The Gaels must replace 3 players who committed to DI Colleges. They must avoid the injury bug which hurt them last year.

Recruiting: Senior Sean Fleming has already committed to Monmouth for football, while seniors Derek Robertson, Anthony Bonavita, Joe Rodda and Jayden Lambert should play somewhere in college. Senior Camari Glasgow if recovered from his ACL injury is at least a DII prospect. Junior Jordan Dunbar has a DI offer from FAU.

Coach's Comments: We have experience at offensive skill positions and the defensive line but we must stay healthy. Coach Joe Spagnolo now in his 3<sup>rd</sup> season