



# St. Norbert College

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### St. Norbert College Green Knights Football Preview

#### St. Norbert College (7-3 in 2011) vs. John Carroll Univ. (5-5 in 2011)

Friday, August 31, 2012 - 7:30 p.m. GMT (1:30 p.m. CDT)  
 Donnybrook Stadium (6,000) - Dublin, Ireland

#### 2012 Midwest Conference Standings

Team	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Beloit	0	0	0	0
Carroll	0	0	0	0
Cornell	0	0	0	0
Grinnell	0	0	0	0
Illinois College	0	0	0	0
Knox	0	0	0	0
Lake Forest	0	0	0	0
Lawrence	0	0	0	0
Monmouth	0	0	0	0
Ripon	0	0	0	0
St. Norbert	0	0	0	0

#### Game on Friday, Aug. 31

St. Norbert vs. John Carroll, 1:30 p.m.

#### Games on Saturday, Sept. 1

Carroll at Lakeland, 1 p.m.

Lake Forest at Concordia-Chicago, 1 p.m.

Monmouth at Coe, 1 p.m.

Hanover at Illinois College, 1 p.m.

Beloit at Chicago, 1 p.m.

Carleton at Grinnell, 1 p.m.

Wisconsin Lutheran at Ripon, 1 p.m.

Eureka at Knox, 1 p.m.

Cornell at Lawrence, 1 p.m. \*

\* - MWC game

#### Game Overview:

St. Norbert opens the 2012 season in a unique venue as the Green Knights take on John Carroll. The game, part of the Global Ireland Football Tournament, marks the first time in 20 years a NCAA Division III regular-season game will be played in Europe.

#### Broadcast:

The game will be videostreamed online for a small fee at <http://www.gift2012.com/watch-live/>

#### The Series:

St. Norbert and John Carroll have never met in football.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Jim Purtill (Miami-Ohio, 1978) is 114-24 entering his 14th season in De Pere.

John Carroll coach Regis Scafe (Case Western Reserve, 1971) is 82-52 entering his 14th season in University Heights. Including five years at Case Western Reserve, Scafe is 98-86 entering his 19th year as a head coach.

#### About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the season coming off a 7-3 overall finish and a third-place mark at 7-2 in the Midwest Conference in 2010. The Green Knights extended their streak of winning at least seven games in a season to 13 straight years.

#### 2012 St. Norbert Football Schedule and Results (0-0, 0-0 MWC)

Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Result	Quick Fact
Aug. 31	John Carroll	Dublin, Ireland	1:30 p.m.	First Division III regular-season game in Europe since 1992
Sept. 8	Knox	De Pere	1 p.m./WACY	SNC holds 13 straight wins in series vs. KC dating to 1999
Sept. 15	Ripon	Ripon	1 p.m.	SNC's last scheduled trip to Ripon until at least 2016 season
Sept. 22	Carroll	De Pere	1 p.m./WACY	SNC has won last 15 meetings against CU dating back to 1996
Sept. 29	Monmouth	Monmouth, Ill.	1 p.m.	Four trips to MC red zone for SNC in 2011 yielded three points
Oct. 6	Cornell	Mt. Vernon, Iowa	2 p.m.	First meeting against the Rams since 1993
Oct. 13	Lawrence (HC)	De Pere	1 p.m./WACY	SNC is 13-0 in homecoming games under Jim Purtill
Oct. 27	Beloit	Beloit	1 p.m.	BC won 34-31 in SNC's last visit to Beloit in 2010
Nov. 3	Grinnell	Grinnell, Iowa	1 p.m.	SNC has won last 13 meetings in the series dating back to 1999
Nov. 10	Lake Forest	De Pere	1 p.m./WACY	SNC is 26-2 all-time in the series with LFC

(rankings) by D3football.com and AFCA

## St. Norbert Quick Facts

**Nickname:** .....Green Knights  
**Location:** .....De Pere, WI 54115  
**Colors:** .....Dartmouth Green & Old Gold  
**Founded:** .....1898  
**Enrollment:** .....2,168  
**President:** .....Thomas Kunkel  
**Athletic Director:** .....Tim Bald  
**Conference:** .....Midwest Conference  
**Facility:** .....Donald J. Schneider Stadium  
**Capacity:** .....2,454  
**Year Opened:** .....2010  
**All-Time Schneider Stadium Record:** .....7-3  
**Head Coach:** .....Jim Purtill  
**Record at St. Norbert:** .....114-24 (14th year)  
**First Season/Seasons of Football:** ....1931/79  
**All-Time Overall Record:** .....404-271-20  
**All-Time MWC Record:** .....162-34-0  
**MWC Championships:** .....13  
 ....(1985,87,88,89,99,2000,01,02,03,04,06,07,10)  
**NCAA Playoff Appearances:** .....9  
 ....(1989,99,2000,01,03,04,06,07,10)

## Head Coach Jim Purtill

### Education:

Bachelor's degree at  
 Miami (Ohio)  
 University (1978);  
 master's degree at  
 Salem (W. Va.)  
 College (1995).

### Coaching

### Experience:

Offensive line coach  
 at Ferris State (1988  
 to 1994); offensive  
 coordinator at  
 Albion (1995 to 1998); head coach at St. Norbert  
 (March 9, 1999 to present).



### Purtill at St. Norbert

Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
1999	9-2	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2000	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2001	8-2	7-1	T1st	First Rd.
2002	9-1	8-1	T1st	
2003	11-1	9-0	1st	Second Rd.
2004	9-2	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2005	8-2	8-1	2nd	
2006	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2007	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2008	7-3	7-2	3rd	
2009	9-1	8-1	2nd	
2010	7-4	7-2	1st	First Rd.
2011	7-3	7-2	3rd	
2012	0-0	0-0		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>114-24</b>	<b>106-10</b>		

### Purtill vs. Midwest Conference

Team	Overall	Home	Away
Beloit	12-1	6-0	6-1
Carroll	12-0	6-0	6-0
Cornell	0-0	0-0	0-0
Grinnell	13-0	6-0	7-0
Illinois College	10-3	5-1	5-2
Knox	13-0	7-0	6-0
Lake Forest	12-1	6-1	6-0
Lawrence	13-0	7-0	6-0
Monmouth	9-4	4-3	5-1
Ripon	12-1	6-0	6-1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>106-10</b>	<b>53-5</b>	<b>53-5</b>

Junior running back Craig Fagan led the team in rushing last season with 718 yards on 140 carries. Senior running back Austin Wililams had 267 yards on 40 carries and four touchdowns before missing the last six games of the year to injury. Senior wide receiver Joe Green had 63 catches for 911 yards and 11 touchdowns. Sophomore quarterback James Tringali is scheduled to make his first collegiate start against John Carroll.

Senior defensive back Josh Vanden Heuvel is the leading returning tackler after posting 57 stops to finish second on the squad. Senior linebacker Adam Nitsche had 56 tackles last season, while sophomore defensive back Justin Johnson had 49 tackles and a team-high five interceptions. Senior defensive lineman Petr Bohacek had six quarterback sacks in seven games last season.

Last season, St. Norbert averaged 413.8 yards and 28.3 points per game, while opponents netted 314.1 yards and 16.1 points per game.

### About the Blue Streaks:

John Carroll enters the 2012 season coming off a 5-5 ledger in 2011. The Blue Streaks opened and closed last season with consecutive losses but went 5-1 in the middle of the season. John Carroll, who was picked to finish fifth (media) and sixth (coaches) in the pre-season Ohio Athletic Conference polls, is looking for its first winning season since going 6-4 in 2007.

Junior running back DaQuan Grobsmith played in just two games last year before suffering an injury, but has 1,306 rushing yards and 11 touchdowns in 18 career games. Senior wide receiver Lane Robilotto led the Blue Streaks in receptions last year with 35, gaining 518 yards with three touchdowns. John Carroll lost standout quarterback Devin O'Brien to graduation but appears to have found an able replacement in sophomore transfer Mark Myers, who spent the last two seasons at the University of Pittsburgh.

Sophomore defensive back Ryan Winchell was third on the team last year with 59 tackles, and is the top returning tackler. Senior defensive lineman Dan Valore was seventh last season with 39 tackles, and had 6.5 tackles-for-loss and 3.5 quarterback sacks. The Blue Streaks posted 22 quarterback sacks as a squad last season and finished with six interceptions.

Last season, John Carroll averaged 406.5 yards and 30.8 points per game, while opponents averaged 399.3 yards and 31.3 points per game.

### Opening Day Observations:

St. Norbert has won seven of its last 12 season openers. The Green Knights lost last year's season opener at St. Thomas 20-7 in St. Paul, Minn.

The first four season-opening wins in the last 12 years all came against Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference foes Hamline University and the University of St. Thomas. The Green Knights defeated the Pipers 34-22 in St. Paul in 2000 and won 26-22 in 2001 in De Pere. St. Norbert then beat St. Thomas 35-31 in 2002 and 21-19 in 2003. St. Norbert topped Wartburg 42-35 in overtime in 2009's lidlifter to earn a split in the two-year series.

The four MIAC games from 2000-03 were the Green Knights' first openers against a non-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference or NCAA Division II foe since 1983, the last time SNC won an opener prior to 2000 (24-14 over Monmouth in 1983). The Green Knights opened against NCAA Division II Michigan Tech from 1984 to 1987, UW-Stevens Point in 1988 and 1989, UW-Oshkosh from 1990 to 1999, UW-Whitewater in 2004 and 2005, Olivet Nazarene in 2006 and 2007, Wartburg in 2008 and 2009 and St. Thomas again in 2010 and 2011.

St. Norbert, entering its 79th year of varsity football, is 37-35-6 in season openers.

The Green Knights have not finalized an opener for 2013, and are scheduled to begin a home-and-

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## Last Time It Happened

### Safety:

By St. Norbert: vs. Lake Forest, 9/27/08 (twice)

By Opponent: Monmouth, 10/2/10

### Overtime Game:

vs. Wartburg, 9/5/09 (St. Norbert 42, Wartburg 35) - 1 OT

### 50 Points in a Game:

By St. Norbert: vs. Grinnell, 10/23/10 (58)

By Opponent: North Central, 11/20/10 (57)

### Punt Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Dan Sjoquist vs. Beloit, 11/1/08 (51 yards)

By Opponent: Todd Steele, Monmouth, 9/22/90 (90 yards)

### Kickoff Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Loren Coleman vs. Ripon, 10/23/04 (93 yards)

By Opponent: D.J. Jackson, Illinois College, 11/8/08 (95 yards)

### Interception Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Austin Prusha vs. Lake Forest, 11/5/11 (61 yards)

By Opponent: Eric Fisher, Illinois College, 10/9/10 (70 yards)

### Fumble Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Mike Lunde vs. Lawrence, 9/19/09 (29 yards)

By Opponent: Chris Albanese, Carroll, 10/18/03 (37 yards)

### 200 Yards Rushing:

By St. Norbert: Casey Meehan vs. Grinnell, 10/30/04 (254 yards)

By Opponent: Justin Berrens, Lawrence, 10/11/03 (215 yards)

### 300 Yards Passing:

By St. Norbert: Kevin Hansen vs. Grinnell, 10/22/11 (329 yards)

By Opponent: Mike McCabe, Grinnell, 10/22/11 (470 yards)

### 150 Yards Receiving:

By St. Norbert: Jeremy Gezella vs. Lawrence, 9/19/09 (157 yards)

By Opponent: Robert Seer, Grinnell, 10/22/11 (204 yards)

### 10 Pass Receptions:

By St. Norbert: Joe Green vs. Grinnell, 10/22/11 (10)

By Opponent: Robert Seer, Grinnell, 10/22/11 (14)

### 40 Yard Field Goal:

By St. Norbert: Sam Mason vs. Beloit, 9/10/11 (42 yards)

By Opponent: Jacob Gahart, Ripon, 10/29/11 (45 yards)

### Defensive Extra Point:

By St. Norbert: Ernest James vs. Monmouth, 10/11/08

By Opponent: Derek Micke, Lawrence, 8/15/07

home series with Carthage in 2014-15.

### Roster Diversity:

St. Norbert has 123 players listed on its roster as of August 23, a decrease of four over the same time last season.

On the 2012 roster, 82 players hail from Wisconsin. Illinois has the second-highest total with 23 players hailing from the Land of Lincoln. Florida is third with six players. Michigan is next with four players, and there is one each from California, Minnesota, Ohio, South Carolina and Texas.

There are three foreign players, one each from Canada (Alberta), Denmark and the Czech Republic.

### Winning Ways:

St. Norbert is seeking its 14th consecutive season with at least seven wins.

Since Jim Purtill became head coach in 1999, St. Norbert has won as few as eight games just four times - 8-2 seasons in 2001 and 2005, 7-3 campaigns in 2008 and 2011, and 7-4 in 2010.

The Green Knights have an all-time record of 404-271-20 in 78 years of intercollegiate football, a winning percentage of .596. In Midwest Conference play, St. Norbert has an all-time league-best record of 162-34, a winning percentage of .827.

### Quick Hitters:

\* - This game is believed to be the first time St. Norbert football has flown to a game since playing at Indiana-Pa. in the 1971 opener.

\* - St. Norbert is 180-12 all-time when scoring 30-or-more points and is 110-2 all-time when scoring 40-or-more points.

\* - During Jim Purtill's 13-year tenure as head coach, St. Norbert has scored 61 defensive and special teams touchdowns. Using available game records, research uncovered St. Norbert had scored just 35 defensive touchdowns from 1956 to 1998. Under Purtill, St. Norbert is 29-2 when scoring a defensive touchdown and has scored multiple defensive scores in a game eight different times.

## MWC Football Coaches With 100 Career Wins

Name, School	Years	Record	Win Pct.
Jerry Clark, Cornell	1959-85, 87 (28)	159-85-1	.651
Ron Ernst, Ripon	1991-present (22)	138-67	.673
Ed DeGeorge, Beloit	1977-2005 (29)	135-136-1	.498
Ron Roberts, Lawrence	1965-83, 92 (20)	121-54-1	.690
<b>Jim Purtill, St. Norbert</b>	<b>1999-present (14)</b>	<b>114-24</b>	<b>.826</b>
Bernie Heselton, Lawrence	1938-64 (27)	111-79-5	.582