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St. Monica 6th Grade Boys do it again

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After winning the 2018-19 regular season CYO West Diablo League title, the St. Monica sixth grade basketball American boys team unexpectedly lost in the playoff final. Undeterred by this setback, the now No. 2 seed rebounded in a strong fashion and won the Oakland Diocese Championship for the third year in a row. To accomplish this, the boys had to vanquish a very tough Immaculate Heart team from Brentwood in the first round and then had to face two teams from Hayward, All Saints in the semi-finals and then St. Bede in the finals. The last game was a defensive battle and won by St Monica's 28-26, only after Kai Van Olst hit two free throws with 1.3 seconds left to go in the game.

Back row, from left: coach Mark Robeson, Anthony Sanguinetti, Jack Quinnild, Luke Devine, Kai Van Olst, Max Robeson, Joe Revelos, coach Shawn Clancy; front row: Blaise Clancy, Luke Bonardi, Gaetan Avicolli Photo Dave Sanguinetti

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