



NOTRE DAME

FOOTBALL

GAME 12 POSTGAME NOTES

THE RECORD WHEN...

Stat	Kelly at ND		2021	
	Record (W-L)		Record (W-L)	
Home (Includes Shamrock Series)	66	14	6	1
Away	35	20	4	0
Neutral	10	7	1	0
In overtime	4	3	1	0
Coming off a loss	17	11	1	0
Coming off a win	72	23	8	1
Coming off an open date	10	2	1	0
vs. AP Top 25	23	22	1	1
Both teams are in the AP Top 25	18	19	1	1
Neither team is in the AP Top 25	22	14	0	0
Team is ranked higher	81	11	11	1
Opponent is ranked higher	8	15	0	1
vs. In-State Opponents	6	0	0	0
In August	2	0	0	0
In September	35	12	4	0
In October	35	9	3	1
In November	35	13	4	0
In December	5	3	0	0
In January	1	4	0	0
On TV (except GVSU regular season)	112	40	11	1
On NBC	64	14	5	1
On NBCSN	3	0	0	0
On ABC	24	14	2	0
On ACCN	2	0	1	0
On ESPN	7	6	0	0
On ESPN2	1	0	0	0
On CBS	4	3	0	0
On CBS Sports Network	0	1	0	0
On FOX	4	3	2	0
Morning Games (kicks off before noon)	1	1	1	0
Afternoon Games	69	19	5	1
Night Games (6 p.m. or later)	42	20	5	0
Decided by three points or fewer	15	13	3	0
Decided by seven points or fewer	30	21	0	0
Scoring first	82	21	7	0
Opponent scores first	30	19	4	1
Leading at halftime	93	11	11	0
Tied at halftime	8	1	0	0
Trailing at halftime	10	28	0	1

FIGHTING IRISH

11-1 OVERALL

AP rank: 5 Coaches rank: 5 CFP: 6

Head Coach: Brian Kelly
Record: 284⁺-97-2



vs.



3-9 OVERALL

2-7



AP rank: NR Coaches rank: NR CFP: NR

Head Coach: David Shaw
Record: 93-45

CARDINAL

DATE: November 27, 2021 LOCATION: Stanford, CA
ATTENDANCE: 31,571

STADIUM: Stanford Stadium

NOTRE DAME CAPTAINS: WR Avery Davis, S Kyle Hamilton, DL Kurt Hinish, OL Jarrett Patterson, DL Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa, LB Drew White and RB Kyren Williams

MISCELLANEOUS:

- **Coin Toss:** Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa, Kurt Hinish and Jarrett Patterson represented the Irish for the coin toss. Stanford won the toss and elected to receive. Notre Dame defended the north endzone.
- **Brian Kelly** awarded the game ball to tight end **Michael Mayer**. He set the program record for most receptions by a tight end in a single season and tied the program record for most receptions in a single game by a tight end.

TEAM NOTES:

- Notre Dame reached 11-wins for the ninth time in program history. It is the fourth time under **Brian Kelly** (2012⁺, 2018, 2019), which is the most by any Notre Dame head coach in school history.
 - The Irish set a program record for wins over a five-year span (54) with the win over Stanford. It surpassed the previous record of 53 from 1988-92.
 - The Irish finished the season undefeated on the road (4-0). It is the fourth time under **Kelly** that the Irish finished the season undefeated on the road (2012⁺, 2018 and 2020).
 - He is the first coach since **Lou Holtz** to have back-to-back seasons with undefeated road records (1992 and 1993).
 - The Irish have won 42-straight games against unranked opponents. It is the longest active streak in the FBS.
 - The Irish have won 16-straight games in the month of November dating back to the 2017 season.
 - Notre Dame has won 27-consecutive games when they have scored 40 or more points. The Irish are 41-2 all-time under Kelly when they score 40 or more points.
 - Notre Dame has won 36-straight games when allowing less than 20 points dating back to 2016.
 - It is the first time since at least 1996 that the Irish have held opponents to no points in the first half in three-consecutive games.
 - Notre Dame has won 10-straight road games dating back to 2019.
 - With the win, it is Notre Dame's fourth-straight win in the state of California. It is the longest-streak in the state of California since they won eight-in-a-row between 1984 and 1993.
- ⁺Includes 21 wins vacated under discretionary NCAA penalty.

OFFENSIVE NOTES:

- Tight end **Michael Mayer** set the school record for most receptions (64) by a tight end in a single season with his 34-yard reception in the fourth quarter. He surpassed **Tyler Eifert's** record of 63 from the 2011 season.
- **Mayer** finished the game with nine receptions for 105 yards, tying the record for most receptions by a tight end in a single game in school history. He tied his mark against Florida State and **Cole Kmet** (2019 at Georgia).
- It was **Mayer's** second-career 100-yard receiving game and the eighth game in his career he has had seven or more catches.
- Running back **Kyren Williams** eclipsed the 1,000 yard mark with his second rushing touchdown of the game in the fourth quarter. He is the first Irish running back to have back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons since **Darius Walker** in 2005 and 2006.
- **Williams** is the fifth Notre Dame running back in school history to have back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons (**Walker, Autry Denson, Allen Pinkett and Vagas Ferguson**).
- **Williams** finished the game with two rushing touchdowns for the third straight game and fifth time this season. It was the eighth-straight game with a rushing touchdown for **Williams**.
- **Williams** set his career high with 14 rushing touchdowns on the season. He is tied for seventh all-time for most rushing touchdowns in a single season (**Brandon Wimbush**, 2017 and **Bob Gladieux**, 1968).
- **Williams** also moved into a tie for eighth in program history with **Jerome Bettis** for most rushing touchdowns for a career (27).
- Quarterback **Jack Coan** connected with **Braden Lenzy** for a 16-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter. It was **Coan's** 19th touchdown of the season, setting a career high for him in a single season.
- **Coan** finished with 345 yards and tied a career high with 26 completions. It is his third-career 300-yard game and second with the Irish.
- Wide receiver **Kevin Austin Jr.** led the Irish with 125 receiving yards and tied a career high with six receptions. It is the second time in his last four games he has eclipsed the 100-yard receiving mark.
- **Lenzy** set a career high with four receptions.

DEFENSIVE NOTES:

- Defensive lineman **Justin Ademilola** forced and recovered his first fumble in the second quarter. He finished the game with two fumble recoveries, the first Irish player to have two in a game since **Daelin Hayes** against Georgia Tech in 2020.
- Linebacker **JD Bertrand** tied for the team lead in tackles with five. It is the eighth game this season he has led the team in tackles.
- Cornerback **Cam Hart** set a career high with 2.0 tackles-for-loss.
- The Irish defense allowed just 55 rushing yards to the Cardinal. It was the fewest in a game since they allowed 33 to Clemson in 2020.