

Explorers Basketball Boys Notch Seventh Win Of Season Over Christ Our Rock Lutheran

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ALTON - Marquette Catholic's boys basketball team notched its seventh win of the season Tuesday night and dominated Centralia Christ Our Rock Lutheran 56-42 in a GMC game at Marquette Family Arena.

The host Explorers took the first-quarter lead and didn't look back in the win over COR.

Braden Kline and Jaden Rochester led Marquette with 16 points each, with Brody Bechtold and Sean Williams scoring nine points each and Jaylen Cawthon had six points.

"We started strong but then we got a little lazy on defense and it went downhill for the second and third quarter," Marquette Catholic head boys coach Cody Best said. "Our experience made us back up for a strong finish for the fourth quarter."

Marquette led 20-7 after one, but Christ Our Rock slowly, but surely chipped away at a comeback.

The Explorers led 26-18 at halftime before being outscored 17-8 in the third quarter. It was enough for the Silver Stallions to grab the lead at 35-34 after three.

Marquette immediately flipped the script and outscored Christ Our Rock 22-7 in the final frame en route to its seventh win of the season. This result follows a 65-55 loss to MICDS at McKendree University on Saturday.

"We must figure out how to play 32 minutes of good basketball," Coach Best said.

The Explorers are now 7-2, while the Silver Stallions go to 1-6.