



# NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL

## GAME FIVE POSTGAME NOTES

### THE RECORD WHEN...

Stat	Kelly at ND		2020	
	Record (W-L)		Record (W-L)	
Home (Includes Shamrock Series)	58	13	4	0
Away	28	20	1	0
In overtime	2	3	0	0
Coming off a loss	16	11	0	0
Coming off a win	59	23	3	0
Coming off an open date	8	1	1	0
vs. AP Top 25	20	20	0	0
Both teams are in the AP Top 25	16	17	0	0
Neither team is in the AP Top 25	22	14	0	0
Team is ranked higher	66	10	5	0
Opponent is ranked higher	7	13	0	0
vs. In-State Opponents	6	0	0	0
In August	2	0	0	0
In September	31	12	2	0
In October	31	8	3	0
In November	28	13	0	0
In December	4	2	0	0
In January	1	3	0	0
On TV (except GVSU regular season)	96	37	5	0
On NBC	57	13	3	0
On NBCSN	3	0	0	0
On ABC	19	12	1	0
On ACCN	1	0	0	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	2	3	0	0
Morning Games (kicks off before noon)	0	1	0	0
Afternoon Games	60	16	4	0
Night Games (6 p.m. or later)	36	20	1	0
Decided by three points or fewer	12	13	0	0
Decided by seven points or fewer	29	21	1	0
Scoring first	71	20	3	0
Opponent scores first	25	17	2	0
Leading at halftime	78	11	5	0
Tied at halftime	7	1	0	0
Trailing at halftime	10	25	0	0
Leading after three quarters	79	9	5	0

FIGHTING IRISH

**5-0** OVERALL **4-0** ACC

AP rank: 3 Coaches rank: 3  
Head Coach: Brian Kelly  
Record: 268-94-2^



**45-3**  
FINAL

**3-4** OVERALL **2-4** ACC

AP rank: Coaches rank:  
Head Coach: Pat Narduzzi  
Record: 39-33

PANTHERS

DATE: Oct. 24, 2020 LOCATION: Pittsburgh, PA STADIUM: Heinz Field

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 45, Pittsburgh 3

NOTRE DAME CAPTAINS: QB Ian Book, S Shaun Crawford, OL Robert Hainsey, DL Daelin Hayes, DL Adetokunbo Ogundeji

#### Miscellaneous:

- **Coin Toss:** **OL Robert Hainsey** represented the Irish in the coin toss. Notre Dame won the toss and elected to receive. Pitt elected to defend the north end zone.

#### TEAM NOTES:

- **WITH THE WIN...**
- Notre Dame owns the longest active win streak in the FBS (11 games).
- The Irish improved to 50-21-1 in the all-time series with Pittsburgh.
- Notre Dame has started the season 5-0 for the fourth time under head coach Brian Kelly.
- With just three points allowed vs. the Panthers, the defense has yielded just 9.8 points per game through the five games of the season.
- Notre Dame has now held 30-of-31 opponents to 30 or fewer points in the Clark Lea era.
- The Irish have held back-to-back opponents to fewer than 10 points for the first time since 2012 (Boston College - 6, Wake Forest - 0). 10 points or fewer, 2013 (Southern Cal - 10, Air Force, 10).
- The last time Notre Dame held a team without a touchdown on the road or at a neutral site was Iowa State in the 2019 Camping World Bowl.
- Notre Dame's two rushing touchdowns against Pitt Saturday mark the first time the Panthers have allowed multiple rushing touchdowns in a single game since October 5, 2019 vs. Duke.
- Notre Dame's 115 rushing yards Saturday are the second-most Pitt has given up in a game this season. Entering today's game, the Panthers were the ACC's top-ranked rushing defense, allowing just 61.5 yards per game.

#### OFFENSIVE NOTES:

- With the three-yard rush early in the first quarter, Ian Book became just the second quarterback in Notre Dame history to eclipse the 8,000 total offensive yards plateau in his career - joining Brady Quinn '07 (11,944).
- Finishing the game with 312 passing yards, Book moved into a tie for third all-time in Irish QB history in career 300-yard passing games (7) with John and Bobbie Arlotta Family offensive coordinator Tommy Rees.
- WR Ben Skowronek recorded his first touchdown in an Irish uniform on a 34-yard reception from QB Ian Book. The score previously marked Notre Dame's longest touchdown pass of the season, before Skowronek hauled in another touchdown, a 73-yard pass from Book, in the second quarter. Skowronek posted eight TD receptions at Northwestern, totaling 10 for his career with the two Saturday.
- With the second TD pass to Skowronek, Book moved into second place in Irish QB history for career touchdown passes (62), passing offensive coordinator Tommy Rees (61).
- Skowronek was the first Irish receiver to record multiple touchdown receptions in one game this season, and the first Notre Dame receiver to have a multi receiving-TD game since Chase Claypool in 2019 at Stanford.
- With the first completion of the game, a 12-yard pass to TE Michael Mayer, Book moved into sole possession of third place all-time among Notre Dame quarterbacks in career pass completions (Book now totals 574-career completions). He was previously tied with associate athletics director for football Ron Powlus.

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## GAME FIVE POSTGAME NOTES (CONTINUED)

### DEFENSIVE NOTES:

- Notre Dame posted three interceptions on the day, the most since the Irish totaled three vs. New Mexico in 2019. LB Bo Bauer snagged his first-career interception, returning it 16 yards, in the second quarter. LB Jeremiah Owusu-Koramoah posted his first-career interception and CB Nick McCloud recorded his first interception in an Irish uniform, both in the third quarter. It marked McCloud's fourth-career interception after posting three while playing at NC State
- The Irish held Pitt to -3 rushing yards in the first quarter, the fewest in a single quarter by an opposing team since Notre Dame held Iowa State to -13 rushing yards in the fourth quarter of the 2019 Camping World Bowl. Notre Dame's rushing defense ranked third in the ACC entering today, allowing just 107.5 yards per game.
- Notre Dame held Pitt to 2 rushing yards in the first half, the fewest in a half since the Irish held Iowa State to 1 rushing yard in the second half of the 2019 Camping World Bowl. Pitt entered the day averaging 107.0 rushing yards per game.
- DL Justin Ademilola posted his first TFL of the season, a two-yard pushback, on the first play of Pitt's last drive in the first quarter. Two plays later, DL Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa posted his first sack of the season, forcing a Pitt punt.
- DB Isaiah Pryor posted his first sack at Notre Dame in the fourth quarter for a loss of seven yards. It makes his second-career sack after recording one while playing at Ohio State.

### SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES:

- DL Isaiah Foskey blocked a Pitt punt with 0:11 remaining in the first half, returning it for a touchdown. It is Foskey's first-career score, and the second touchdown on a blocked punt for the Irish this season (USF). Foskey has previously blocked one punt (Stanford, 2019).