

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, August 12, 2016

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

Faith is the realization of what is hoped for. (Hebrews 11:1)

Famous people who excel in their field can also be considered authors. People like Frederick Taylor and Peter Drucker “wrote the book” on modern management. People like Bach, Beethoven, and Mozart “wrote the book” on classical music. People like Abraham Lincoln and Václav Havel “wrote the book” on leadership in government.

In his own way, Jesus “wrote the book” on life with God. Scripture tells us, “We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all” (Hebrews 10:10). On the cross, Jesus gave us everything we need—once and for all. Still, we will grow in faith only to the extent that we continue to embrace that “offering of the body of Jesus Christ.”

When the author of Hebrews calls faith the “realization of what is hoped for,” he is talking about an ongoing, ever deepening realization of all that Jesus has won for us (Hebrews 11:1). Our faith is meant to be living and active, capable of growing as we welcome the Lord into our lives.

Every Mass presents us with an opportunity to do just that. When we receive the Eucharist, we are asking Jesus to open our eyes to his love and his wisdom in a new and deeper way. We are asking him to help us realize his mysteries more fully. And loving Savior that he is, he does just that.

At the same time, our response to Jesus should extend past the moment when we receive Communion. It should move us to follow him throughout the day, trying our best to stay close to him in good times and in bad.

So how should we respond to God's grace today? By looking at the cross during Mass and saying, “Thank you, Jesus.” By asking Jesus for the faith to help you enjoy life's blessings and get through its demands. By telling Jesus, “I trust that you have prepared a heavenly city for me.”

“Jesus, help me to put my faith in you each day, every day.”

Today's Announcements:

- Team tempest robotics will have its initial sign up meeting on Monday, August 15, after school in Mrs. Worrel's room 202. At this meeting, all students in grades 7-12 who are interested in first tech challenge or first robotics competition are asked to attend. You will receive an application which will describe each area of robotics which you might be interested in. The meeting will last approximately twenty minutes and will explain more information about this organization. There is something for everyone in robotics, so we hope to see you there!

- Seniors who did not take senior portraits during the summer will have make-up portraits made on Thursday, August 18, at 11:00. Parents of seniors are invited to come to the senior make up session and order photos that day.
- Registration for cross country is still open, any student interested should talk to Ms. Alexander in room 206 before the end of the day today for details.
- Seventh and eighth grade students who are interested in playing junior high soccer, please sign up with Coach Camps in room 208.
- Today is the last day for a parking permit in order to park on campus. Registration forms and parking decals may be picked up from Ms. Dapremont in the front office. There is no charge for a parking decal.
- The Science club and Science Honor Society will have a sign up meeting on Tuesday, August 23, in room 202. Students interested in running for office in grades 10-12 for Science Honor Society should sign up with Mrs. Worrel or Mrs. Lawson by Friday, August 19. Nominations will close that day and the elections will take place at the meeting on August 23.
- Just a reminder that the volleyball intramural game will start at 3:15 in the gym. The varsity volleyball team is playing in a tournament at Pass Christian tomorrow. The first game is at 8:00 a.m., the next is at 10:00 a.m.. There are several games in the afternoon. Come out and support your Fighting Irish volleyball team.
- Today is the last day textbooks will be available for immediate checkout. All requests after today will require a twenty-four hour notice.
- Interact Club sign ups are still going on. Grades 9-12, see Mrs. Lawson in room 201; grades 7-8, see Ms. Moon in room 215.