

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS Thursday, September 22, 2016

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

Nothing is new under the sun. (Ecclesiastes 1:9)

Sixty years ago, the song "Que Sera, Sera" burst onto the scene: "Whatever will be, will be." It's the same note that the writer of Ecclesiastes originally sounded centuries ago as he contemplated the same old sameness of human existence.

Don't you sometimes feel that way too? Nothing new happens; it's the same old routine. We see new technologies and new discoveries all around us, but nothing changes. We may have the latest smartphone or the newest television, but it doesn't make a dent in who we are or how we relate to other people.

What we sometimes fail to see, is that there really is something new "under the sun" (Ecclesiastes 1:9). All because of Jesus!

Because of his resurrection, we can start each day in hope. Matthew was collecting taxes, and Nathanael was lying under a tree when Jesus called them and changed their lives forever. As he did for them, so he does for you. He is calling you out of the dullness of a life that ends with death and inviting you into a new life with far wider horizons, a life that offers you greater and greater transformation into his image.

The resurrection changes everything. It's not just an article of our faith; it is a promise that can become the foundation of our hope and joy. It's also something we can begin to experience here and now as we ask the Holy Spirit to give us a taste of Jesus' love.

Today may look like every other Thursday of your life, but in God's eyes, it is brimming with potential. Jesus has new things he wants to show you. He has new areas of your life in which you can experience his love and compassion, wisdom and joy. Every day brings new opportunities—because every day brings new challenges. Every day, there absolutely is something new under the sun!

"Jesus, thank you for the resurrection. Help me find joy in knowing that I belong to you forever."

Today's Announcements:

- We are on liturgy schedule today and will celebrate mass this morning at 9:40. We are excited to have Fr. Dominic here on campus this morning to celebrate mass.
- NHS members, remember you will stuff bags for the homeless after school today and tomorrow in room 107.

- Senior men who are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please submit your application to Mr. Creel or Ms. Previto by Friday, September 23.
- The Lady Irish volleyball team plays Resurrection at home tonight. Come out and support your team!
- Seniors, Herff Jones will be taking graduation orders next Wednesday, September 28, during lunch. Please bring your deposit of \$60 at this time.
- Senior yearbook ads are due to Mrs. Farragut in room 214 by October 21. Everything must be turned in together; this includes the form, pictures, and money.
- Drama guild members who wish to help with the Nativity haunted house, please see Mrs. Trahan today or tomorrow. Nativity's carnival is October 15.