

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, October 24, 2016

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### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

*Teach me wisdom and knowledge. (Psalm 119:66)*

"You know that guy whose house is on the corner?" "Oh yeah, I know him." How often do we say, "I know" when what we mean is "I've heard of him" or "I've seen him a few times"? Actually, we know only the most superficial things about "that guy." It can be a little like that with what we "know" about God, too. That is why Psalm 119:65-66 is so important: "Lord, teach me." However much or little we know about God, there is always more we can learn!

Actually, the best way to know about God is to come to know him personally. Just as there is a big difference between knowing about "that guy" and becoming his friend, the same is true for the Lord. When you know someone personally, you know so much more than the data about her. You know how she feels about things, what makes her sad or happy, and why she likes the kind of music or movies she likes. Probably the biggest difference, however, is that you know what she thinks about you—because you matter to her and because she has shared her heart with you.

Similarly, we can agree that God is all-wise, but how can we know his wisdom unless he gives it to us? How can we know what he treasures unless we ask him to share his heart with us? That's why God invites us every day to sit quietly with him and ponder his word.

The idea of sitting and doing nothing can run contrary to common sense. It seems so wasteful and difficult when there are so many things to do! But this kind of quiet listening—and waiting—is vital. As the German philosopher Josef Pieper famously said, leisure is the basis of culture, for without it, we fall into the trap of "work for work's sake." If we don't take the time to sit in wonder at God and his beautiful creation, we'll never hear his still, small voice whispering words of love, wisdom, and guidance.

So try to sit still today and pursue wisdom. Delight in the Lord, and seek to know him more.

*"Lord, as I sit quietly with you today, give me wisdom. Let me know more of who you are!"*

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### Today's Announcements:

- As we begin to see cooler temperatures, students are reminded about the outerwear policies of the dress code. Remember that only school-approved jackets and sweaters are allowed to be worn at school.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in our Irish Raffle fundraiser! We will have our first Irish Raffle drawing today for the \$1,000 grand prize winner. Students who sold ten or more Irish Raffle tickets will be rewarded with a jean dress day and ice cream social tomorrow. Students who sold ten or more tickets may wear blue jeans with any St. Patrick shirt and closed-toe shoes. Teachers, Mrs. Saucier will send you a list of students this afternoon.

- The National Honor Society will meet this Wednesday morning at 7:45 in the auditorium. It is imperative all members attend.
- St. Patrick is taking a group to March for Life on January 25 through 28. There are ten openings available on the bus. If you are interested in attending, please see Ms. Cloud - deposits are due by October 28.
- Results of last week's drama auditions are posted on Mrs. Trahan's door. The first practice is tomorrow afternoon at 3:15. You should have received an email from Mrs. Trahan about the schedule this week. Lead roles may pick up a temporary script today.
- Junior high baseball tryouts will be held Tuesday, November 1. All seventh and eighth graders are eligible to tryout. Students trying out should bring cleats, a glove, and a bat if possible.
- The lady Irish cross country team placed second at the West Harrison Invitational this past Saturday. Leading the Irish team was second place finisher Isabel Leatherman. She was followed in order by Anna Clare Colson, Gabriela Patino, Amelie Million, and Jordan Pete to round out the top five places.

Varsity Boys were led by Cade Meyers with his eleventh place finish helping the Irish cross country team to an eighth place overall placement. Rounding out the top five finishers for the team were Austin Dossett, Dylan Middleton, Jack Dent, and Griffen Broussard.

In the boys junior high race, the Irish were led by Dominic Patino's third place finish; he was followed by Jameson Thriffley, Robbie Clisby, and Marshall Eleuterius.

- Attention all boys and girls soccer players: you are encouraged to come to practice today because all uniforms will be distributed for Wednesday's winter sports pictures. See you there!
- Boo-grams are now on sale! Send a Halloween goodie bag of candy to your friends - the price is one for \$3 or two for \$5. To order, see Mrs. Whiteside, Mrs. Worrel, Mrs. Tavel, Mrs. Cody, Mrs. Williams, or a junior class officer.
- Students for Life set up this morning to commence the final week of "Life Month." This week's theme is anti-abortion. Students for Life will also be collecting baby items, such as diapers, baby wipes, and blankets for the Morning Star Pregnancy Center this week