

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS Friday, November 4, 2016

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### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

*He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified Body. (Philippians 3:21)*

Rummaging through your father's drawer—the one filled with old keepsakes—you discover an unfamiliar photograph. It's he as a teenager, grinning. He's standing on a dock, poised to leap into a serene lake. The photographer must have managed to capture his attention the instant before the plunge. It's hard to peel your eyes away from his vibrant young face.

Photos of our parents in their youth can be riveting. We recognize them because their core features remain—but still, how different they look! Gazing into their eyes in an old snapshot, it's like we're meeting them for the first time.

If it's this much fun to see our parents young, can you imagine how it would feel to see ourselves as we will be, when our lowly bodies are glorified, and we're changed into the very image of Jesus Christ? "Thrilling" is probably a good guess. Paul must have felt this excitement as he wrote to the believers in Philippi. Surely, they would have also been delighted to consider how God's power would, one day, complete their work of transformation.

Take a few moments right now to envision this heavenly snapshot. See the you that will inhabit eternity: your eyes glimmer with light reflected from the Son of God. You are grinning widely because you have been tasting the eternal fruit of years spent trying to follow the Lord. Every burden has been lifted. Every inner hurt has been healed. Your battle against sin is forever won. God's unique imprint of his own personality within yours has, at last, been fully revealed.

Isn't it encouraging to recognize this person is you? It's the you that even right now, the Spirit is working to uncover. Through the storms, trials, stretching, and monotonies of life, the old version of you is peeling away, and Christ in you, the hope of glory, is being revealed. God won't stop until his transforming work is finished.

If this little exercise is stirring up hunger for a spiritual breakthrough of some sort, carry it to the Lord in your prayer. Ask him to help you work on one specific area. And be on the lookout for evidence of the changes taking place.

*"Lord, take me! Melt me, mold me, and use me."*

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### Today's Announcements:

- This Sunday marks the end of Daylights Savings Time. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before going to sleep Saturday night.
- Student drivers are reminded to use caution and drive appropriately in the parking lot and on campus. Failure to do so will result in the loss of your driving privileges.

- St. Patrick will hold an ACT Workshop the weekend of November 12 and 13. If you're interested in attending any of the three sections (math, science, and/or English), see Mrs. Tavel in room 100.
- NHS juniors, please pay your club dues to Ms. Wilkinson; seniors, to Mrs. Sutherlin. All NHS members are reminded to bring at least three cans of food by Monday.
- Attention Seniors: If you registered to vote here at the school, but have not received your voter registration card, don't panic. You are registered to vote in the upcoming Presidential election. Stop by and see Mr. Hewes in room 105 for details and find out what you need to do to confirm and to locate where you go to cast your ballot.
- We would like to wish the seventh grade boys basketball team good luck as they travel to Vancleave on Saturday to compete in the prestigious Vancleave Invitational Tournament.
- Sophomores, remember your applications for Hugh O'Brian are due Monday.
- The library will be closed on Monday.
- I would like to wish our cross country team good luck and safe travels as they compete in their state championship meet tomorrow.