

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Tuesday, May 9, 2017**

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### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

*Show us the Father, and that will be enough for us. (John 14:8)*

No matter who you are or where you come from, one thing is true about you: you long to see and know your heavenly Father. It's a deep craving—so deep, in fact, that some of us don't even know it's there. But that's how God has made us: with a built-in desire for him, so that we would feel moved to try to find him.

For many people, though, God seems too otherworldly to get to know. His throne is in heaven, and we live on earth. His thoughts are so high, and ours seem so earthbound. We perceive clues about him through scientific discoveries or through the beauty of art, but these are just observations—not a relationship. Can we really know him who stretched out the universe?

The answer is yes. We can, and we already do know him because we know Jesus. As we proclaim every Sunday at Mass, Jesus is “God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God” (Nicene Creed).

The disciples didn't know that yet. That's why Philip asked Jesus to show them the Father. Maybe they thought Jesus would give them some new insight or, even better, a brief glimpse of his glory. They didn't realize that the Father was already revealing himself through Jesus. How happy they must have been when they finally understood that God had been with them all the time through his Son!

We do know the Father, because we know Jesus. And as it is with anyone else, we can grow to know him deeper still. This doesn't mean that we always have to discover something brand-new about our Father—although that could happen. He has a way of challenging our assumptions about things. Usually it means that he shows us something we already know about him—like how much he loves us or how glorious he is—but he lets us experience it in a deeper way.

Isn't it amazing? No matter how close to God we grow over the years, there's always more to learn. There's always more to experience.

May the prayer of Philip echo in our own hearts.

*“Lord Jesus, show me the Father in a deeper way.”*

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### Today's Announcements:

- Track uniforms need to be turned in ASAP to Coach Dellenger in room 108 or during lunch.

- Soccer tryouts for both boys and girls are today after school from 3:15 until 4:30 p.m.
- This Saturday is our Spring Blood Drive from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. The theme is "Hope Begins with You." We encourage students to make an appointment and come donate blood. Students who are sixteen years old and older may donate. We encourage you to speak with family and friends about making a blood donation. Every pint of blood is able to help save three lives. Let's give hope and save lives. Please see Baylee Hodge, Mrs. Lawson or Mrs. Worrel to make an appointment.
- Good luck to the boys golf team on their final round of State Championships today. After one round, Robby Waltz is tied for fifth out of all players, and the team is also in fifth place among all teams in 3A.
- Seniors may begin returning their textbooks to the library today. Please return textbooks after you have completed the preparation for exams. Textbooks may be returned before school, after school, during lunch or between classes without excused tardy. All Senior textbooks must be returned by Tuesday May 16th..
- Student Council elected class officers and representatives will meet on Thursday, May 11, at 7:30 a.m. in room 211. Student council representatives who are interested in running for an executive office should speak with Ms. Gryder by Wednesday afternoon.
- Anyone interested in running cross country for the fall 2017 season should sign up in Ms. Alexander's room, 206. An informational meeting will be held next week for all who sign up.
- The French class students want to thank everyone who voted in the SPC French election Friday. On Sunday, France elected Emmanuel Macron as the new president of the republic. In our election, Emmanuel Macron won 60% of the vote and Marine Le Pen won 40% of the vote, closely mirroring the actual results Sunday, in which Macron won 66% of the vote and Le Pen 34%.
- Science Honor Society will meet today after school in room 202. This is the last meeting before the blood drive on Saturday. All committees will report.
- National Honor Society Juniors, if anyone wants to run for an office, you need to see Ms. Wilkinson today. Also, please remember there is a food drive. Each member is expected to bring at least three cans.
- We would like to wish Mrs. Fountain a Happy Birthday, and we ask you to keep her in your prayers.