

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

Whoever sees me sees the one who sent me. (John 12:45)

You have probably heard someone say, "There's more to that person than meets the eye." Perhaps you assume someone at the hospital is a medical student but discover that she is a top-notch surgeon. Or perhaps someone in a meeting listens quietly until everyone else has spoken—and then proposes a solution that answers everyone's concerns. Some people just go beyond our initial expectations!

The Gospels are full of examples of people whose expectations were turned upside down by Jesus. He always seemed to surprise them.

They came to him as a teacher, but rather than giving a theological exposition, he offered parables. These everyday examples allowed each person to find himself in the stories. They came to him weighed down by sin, but his words of forgiveness were not just empty platitudes. They carried the power to heal both spiritual and physical illnesses. They came to him with a simple request or need and were surprised by how his response drew them closer to his side. Instead of just getting an answer to their prayer, they began to love Jesus and sought to put aside their former way of life to follow him.

When someone stayed with Jesus long enough and got to know him better, they saw beyond his unassuming appearance. They saw someone more than a teacher or a healer or a prophet. They began to see God alive in Jesus in a unique way. His words of teaching, healing, and mercy bore God's own inspiration and went straight to their hearts. When they saw Jesus, they saw the Father.

Jesus is ready today to surprise you and reveal the Father to you. So as you read today's Scripture passages, invite him to exceed your expectations. Ask him to show you something new. It doesn't have to be momentous. Usually, it's just a small insight or application you haven't seen before. Or maybe one verse will strike you in a new way. If you stick with this day after day, you'll discover over time that God has revealed far more than you expected. And that revelation will fill you with joy!

"Lord, surprise me! Help me find your presence today."

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Today's Announcements:

- Attention First Period Teachers, please check your email for a list of students who are eligible to attend the Margaritaville Field Trip this Friday. Please ask the students from the list if they will be attending the field trip. Send your count to Vicki Saucier today.

- We look forward to seeing everyone tonight at our academic awards night. The dress code for tonight is nice dress clothes - you do not need to wear your uniform.
- Tomorrow we will celebrate the class of 2017 at our Senior Farewell Mass. Tomorrow, we will follow the liturgy dress code with blazers and ties. Seniors, you may wear modest dress clothes for tomorrow's ceremony.

All seniors will be checked by the administration during first or second period. Anyone not in compliance will be required to change into a school uniform – there will be no second chance to change into a non-uniform outfit.

- Senior Guys – must wear suit or jacket/blazer with nice slacks. Must have an oxford button-up shirt with a tie. No jeans.
 - Senior Girls – must wear a nice pantsuit, dress, or skirt. All dresses/skirts must be no more than three inches above the knee in both front and back. Blouses should be modest (nothing low-cut), straps on blouses must be no less than three inches wide or girls should have a jacket or sweater to cover their sleeves.
- Seniors, if you would like to be considered for exemptions, be sure you finalize all assignments today. Many of you still need to turn in service hour forms.
- 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.
- Seniors may begin returning their textbooks to the library. 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 16.
- 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.
- Senior Mu Alpha Theta Members: In order for you to receive your Mu Alpha Theta cords for graduation, you must have completed the four tutoring sessions that were required. If you have not done so, or if you do not know if you have done so, you must see Mrs. Tavel this week. There will be a requirement from you to compensate for not fulfilling this obligation.
- At 2:45 p.m. today, the varsity boys soccer team should report to the auditorium.
- Your Fighting Irish boys golf team represented St. Patrick in courageous fashion at the State Championships over the past 2 days. In a field of 16 teams and over 50 players, we finished 6th overall. Robby Waltz finished 16th among all 3A golfers in Mississippi and Jacob Futch is 18th. Coach Hewes is very proud of the entire team.
- Please congratulate our Lady Irish golf team on a great State Tournament. Each of the Lady Irish improved round over round and jumped from 8th place after day one to 7th place overall. There were 12 teams represented and 42 girls battling for their chance at the State Title. Individual performances shined as well as St. Patrick Catholic High School is now home to the 15th, 16th, and 27th ranked girls in the State for Class I. Please Congratulate Andrea Huguenin 15th place, Paige Gibson 16th place and Isabel Alexander 27th place in the State Tournament.

