

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, September 1, 2017

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

God . . . gives his Holy Spirit to you. (1 Thessalonians 4:8)

For many of us, the Holy Spirit is the most puzzling member of the Trinity. Sure, we can't fully grasp the Father or Son either, but it seems hardest to relate to the Spirit. Why might this be?

Well, for one, the Father and Son have names we can easily connect with. "Holy Spirit," on the other hand, sounds rather mysterious! Still, the Church teaches that the Spirit is the third Person of the Blessed Trinity. So it makes sense that the Spirit would want to relate to us in a personal way.

First, the Holy Spirit teaches us. He teaches us to pray and helps us keep in mind what Jesus has done for us. He takes what belongs to Jesus and makes it known to us. Like a devoted mentor, he walks beside us and guides us in how to live.

The Spirit also helps us in our weakness. Like a good friend, he prays for us; he even prays with us. He helps us grasp the truth of Scripture and gives us the grace to live it out, especially when we feel weak or inadequate.

Finally, the Spirit loves us. Scripture tells us that God is love, and it's the Spirit who helps us feel this love in our hearts. He comforts us by reminding us that we are God's children, that God loves us so much that he has adopted us into his family. He fills us with love so that we can bear fruit by loving one another.

Yes, the Holy Spirit is a mysterious Person. He will always boggle our minds. But he's not distant. He lives in us. The infinite God has come to live in such a tiny home! He is always with you. He is always ready to shower his love and wisdom on you. Just like the Father and the Son, he is always happy to spend time just with you.

"Come, Holy Spirit. Teach me, help me, and fill me with your love."

Today's Announcements:

- Today we are on the pep rally bell schedule. We will have our first pep rally this afternoon at 2:30.
- Happy Birthday to Chase Vivian today! Also, Christian McKee, Jacob Ngo, Luke Deroche, and Nurse Cathy will be celebrating their birthdays this weekend.
- Monday is our Labor Day Holiday. Classes will resume Tuesday morning.
- First quarter progress reports will be issued next Friday.
- Please keep the victims of Hurricane Harvey in your prayers. Nativity's disaster relief group will be traveling to Rockport, Texas (the former home of Bishop Kihneman) next Wednesday. Items needed are cleaning supplies,

mops, bleach, Walmart gift cards, and all hygiene products. You may drop any donations off at the front office. These will be picked up on Tuesday, September 5.

Also, all of the Catholic schools within the Diocese of Biloxi are working together to adopt Sacred Heart Catholic School in Rockport, Texas. We will be collecting donations next week for Sacred Heart Catholic School.

- Congratulations to the junior high football team on their win last night 14 to 8 against Perry Central! The Irish defense performed well last night holding the Bulldogs to eight points. Kaleb Chatman got his first interception of the year. SrDrick Taylor rushed for over 100 yards and scored two touchdowns. Blake Gollott, Nick Krass and Charlie Olsen added yards throughout the game in poor field conditions to help advance the ball and keep the Bulldog offense off the field. The Irish are now 2 and 0 heading into next week's home game vs. Sand Hill. The junior high football program has earned their eleventh win in a row.
- Congratulations to the Lady Irish volleyball team! Both Junior Varsity and Varsity won their first district game against Lumberton last night. Mary Tubb had 8 aces and 5 kills, Raven Gonsoulin had 19 aces, Carly Loftis had 3 aces, Sydney Biggs had 10 aces and 3 kills, Hallie Ladner had 2 aces and 4 kills, and Makenzie Stenum had 9 kills! Congratulations Lady Irish and don't forget to come out and support your Lady Irish volleyball team next Thursday night against Sacred Heart!
- Everyone come out tonight and support the varsity Fighting Irish football team in our first home game of the season. Game time is 7:00.