

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, September 29, 2017

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

Today we celebrate the Feast Day of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels.

I saw you under the fig tree. (John 1:48)

What was going through Nathanael's mind as he sat under that fig tree? Being familiar with Scripture, he may have recalled the words of Micah, where the prophet promises that "they shall all sit . . . under their own fig trees, undisturbed" (4:4). Perhaps Nathanael prayed, "Lord, hasten that day!"

In the midst of these musings, Philip summoned Nathanael to meet Jesus, who looked into his heart. Seeing Nathanael, Jesus promised him an open heaven and "greater things than this," even visions of angels (John 1:50).

Just as Jesus saw Nathanael under the fig tree, he sees each of us. Just as he could read Nathanael's heart, he knows our thoughts intimately. He sees us both when we pray and when prayer is the furthest thing from our

minds. He knows the deepest longings of our hearts, and he wants to fulfill them. Just as he did for Nathanael, Jesus promises to open heaven for us so that we, too, can see "greater things" than we ever imagined.

So today, as we celebrate the feast of the Archangels, remember that Jesus sees you. He knows when you sit and when you stand; he knows your thoughts "from afar" (Psalm 139:2). He knows your fondest hopes and your deepest fears. And he offers you grace and divine help today. He will strengthen you in your vocation, just as he sent the archangel Gabriel to Mary, when he told her she would be the Mother of God (Luke 1:28). He will open your eyes to see him more clearly, as he sent Raphael to cure Tobit's blindness (Tobit 11). And he will fight alongside you in your battles with sin, as he sent Michael to oppose Satan and defend God's people (Revelation 12:7; Daniel 12:1). Whether you're under a fig tree, in a classroom, or in your car, know that Jesus is near.

"Jesus, thank you for knowing me, loving me, and walking beside me every day."

Today's Announcements:

- Happy Birthday to Windfield Swetman and Zachary Trotter today! Also, Ian Jackson, Garrett Brochard, Kelsey Descher, Logan Stegall, and Mrs. Sutherlin will be celebrating their birthdays this weekend.
- The WINGS Performing Arts and Education Center presents the remaking of *The Raiders of the Lost Ark*. This is a Film Festival workshop open to students and parents who are interested in creating a film. The workshop will be held Saturday, October 21, at 10:00 a.m. For more information, see Mrs. Collier at the front desk.
- Volunteer opportunities are needed for the OLF Halloween Carnival on October 21. Contact Ashley Ross at 228-424-5540 or ashleyross2016@yahoo.com to sign up or for more information.

- Volunteer opportunities are available for St. Patrick students to help at the St. James Fall Festival on October 7-8.

St. James Cafe': Prefer those with fast-food/restaurant experience, but we will train. Work preparing po-boys and serving other food. Contact John Fitzhugh at 228-860-8270 (okay to text) or jcfitzhugh@bellsouth.net. Please contact ASAP to schedule times.

Sweet Booth: Help set up Saturday and Sunday mornings and man the booth during the day. Contact Rachelle Cleveland at 228-731-0085 or rachelle.cleveland@yahoo.com.

St. James is also in need to volunteers to assist with miscellaneous services. Contact Justin Skinner at 228-313-5828 or justinskinner@yahoo.com.

- Today is the last day to sign up for St. Patrick chapter of FCA. Students who are interested should see Coach Dellenger to sign up and pay yearly dues of \$5.
- Attention Interact Club members, Cruisin' the Coast will take place this Sunday! Those who signed up to work need to wear their spirit shirt. You may wear jeans, crops, or shorts with your shirt. It should be a fun day with beautiful weather!
- The Interact Club participation in the Heart Walk for tomorrow has been cancelled.
- That there will be an NJHS meeting Wednesday, October 4, at 7:45 in the auditorium. All NJHS members must attend.
- Any students who would like to join with Key Club tomorrow for the St. Vincent de Paul Walk for the Poor need to sign in with Mrs. Sutherlin by 7:00 tomorrow morning on the Ocean Springs side of the Ocean Springs bridge. Please bring a couple of dollars or a couple of canned goods to donate.
- The junior high Fighting Irish defeated South Forrest 37 to 6 last night advancing to 6 wins and 0 losses on the season. SrDrick Taylor led the way with three rushing touchdowns, quarterback Nick Krass connected with Kaleb Chatman for two passing touchdowns, and Chatman added an interception on defense. The Irish face Sacred Heart Tuesday Night at home for the battle of the Principal's Cup. GO IRISH!
- We had top runners in the Newman Cross Country Invitational in New Orleans on Wednesday. Jordan Pete placed third in the varsity girls and Cade Meyers placed ninth in the varsity boys. This was a very large race with over 200 varsity boys and 145 varsity girls running. Our team members all did well!