

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, November 3, 2017

### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

In order for prayer to be a fruitful experience, it takes time and a great deal of nurturing. While I've gotten to the place where I'm comfortable and confident enough to be real with the Lord, it still takes great effort for me to grow more deeply in prayer.

I once had a friend explain prayer to me in terms of a spiraling staircase. As we grow, our aim is to get to the top – to Heaven – sometimes we climb higher, sometimes we fall back a few steps, sometimes we don't move, but all the while we can see the progress. I often ask myself, am I actually climbing this staircase or am I standing still? Am I nurturing my relationship with God? Am I making space in my day to talk to Him, uninterrupted? Am I surrounding myself with friends

who, in their actions, will remind me of His goodness? Am I drenching myself in the Word? In the Sacraments? Each of these moments should be an extension of my relationship with Him. Each day should offer another encounter with Love Himself.

When I hold fast to these truths, and am patient, remembering that my relationship with God is perfectly my own and no one else's, I am transformed by the simplicity of prayer. It is not about comparing my prayer life to others, although there are many saints and holy people who are inspiring in their pursuit of the Lord. Prayer is about recognizing that our relationship with God a journey, and that each new day is a new opportunity to adventure to even greater heights with the lover of our souls.

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### Today's Announcements:

- Happy Birthday to Aaron Broadus, Anna Broadus, and Bryon Shepard today! Also, Cole Reeves and Cameron Musial will be celebrating their birthdays this weekend.
- Students who purchased a St. Patrick car tag may jeans today. Teachers, please check this list during first period.
- The St. Alphonsus Knights of Columbus are looking for students to assist with Peter Anderson Festival this weekend as well as serving/feeding senior citizens on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Service hours are available for these events - please sign up at the front desk as soon as possible.
- "Pray for Hope" bracelets are being sold in the front office or from Mary Katherine Filipich. They are \$5.00 each, and all proceeds will go to Hope Broadus.
- There will be a brief sophomore class meeting in the auditorium next Tuesday, November 7, at 3:00. All sophomores are asked to attend.

- Someone dropped off two bags of canned goods by Coach Dellenger yesterday after school. In order to receive credit for the FCA project, be sure to see Coach Dellenger sometime today.
- The National Science Honor Society meetings will be both Tuesday mornings and Tuesday afternoons starting next Tuesday. Members will have their choice of attending either the morning meeting or the afternoon meeting on Tuesdays. This will help to accommodate all seniors trying to get their cords.
- The Book Fair begins in the Library on Monday. It will be open from 7:45 until 3:30 all week. It closes after lunch on Friday. All are invited to come by and shop.
- Coach Hewes is very proud of both of our Jr. High Boys Basketball Teams. They both played hard last night against Stone County. The 8th grade team jumped out quickly on Stone County and never trailed the entire game en route to a solid team win. Let's keep it going! We wish the boys luck tomorrow as they compete in the Vancleave tournament vs. Stanislaus in the first round.
- We would like to congratulate our seventh grade girls basketball team on their victory last night against Stone County - we won 15 to 11. Players of the game were Abby Badurak, Caroline Dellenger, and Madison Normand. Congratulations, girls!