

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, November 13, 2017

### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

*When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them. (1 Thessalonians 5:3)*

This passage might remind us of the old Boy Scout motto: "Be prepared." Be always ready because you never know what might come your way. Be always ready so that you aren't just reacting to situations when they arrive. Be proactive, never idle, but always prepared to do whatever good deed you can.

In this verse, St. Paul tells us that there will never be perfect peace or absolute security in this world. Wars will rage. Families and friends will suffer divisions. Poverty, disease, and suffering will persist until the end of time. So that means there will always be opportunities to reach out and help!

This passage also tells us to be ready to care for the people around us. When we hear the parable of the talents, we usually focus our attention on developing our skills, but let's take it one step further and focus on the mission at hand. Jesus is asking us to join him in

building his kingdom here on earth. He is asking us to take all that he has given us and put it to good use, and not just for ourselves and our families. The world is in such deep need of peace and security. Our contributions—of intercession, of mercy, of generosity, and of love—can make a significant difference. We can see dramatic returns on our investment if we partner with the Lord.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if, when Jesus came back, he could say to each of us, "Well done, my good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:21)? Wouldn't it be great to know we can come with him and share in his joy?

We can do great things for God. We can use our talents to help make this world a better place. So let's pray today for all who are suffering in the world. Let's pray for an end to war and to poverty. And let's join Jesus in bringing his peace and security to everyone.

*"Lord, please take what little I have and multiply it for the sake of your people."*

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### Today's Announcements:

- The junior high Lady Irish soccer team won over Bayou View last Wednesday by a score of 5 to 0 and over Bay Middle this past Saturday 2 to 1. Congratulations!
- The Varsity Boys Soccer team Played Bay high this weekend with a score of 0 to 0.
- There will be an Interact Club meeting Wednesday at 3pm in the auditorium. Christmas activities will be discussed.

- The National Science Honor Society meeting will take place tomorrow before and after school in room 201 with Ms. Lawson.
- The 58th Youth Legislature conference was a success! St. Patrick's students totaled only 8% of the attendees and held over 40% of the leadership positions. After four days of intense debate and networking, House Bill 45, led by Will McMackin was signed into law by the Youth Governor.

Other accomplishments included the recognition of Matthew Bisner as an Outstanding Senate Member and Chris Alley as Outstanding Representative. Next year, St. Patrick will again lead the conference with Honorable Youth Governor Max Grill, Lieutenant Governor Hayden Miller, and Speaker of the House Clayton Stoddard.

Thank you to all participants... we look forward to the Junior Youth Conference for students in grades 7-9 this spring!