

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS Tuesday, February 27, 2018

### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

*Come now, let us set things right, says the Lord. (Isaiah 1:18)*

Isaiah spoke the cry of God's heart. As God looked at his people, he saw "misdeeds," "evil," and the desolation that such attitudes bring upon any people (Isaiah 1:16). Moved by what he saw, he called the prophet Isaiah to speak: "Let us set things right!" (1:18). Come and be cleansed, he pleaded; come and receive healing, restoration, freedom.

Let us set things right. This was the refrain even when our first parents fell into sin. God did not give up on them. Instead, he promised salvation. And from that moment on, in human suffering and war, in faithlessness and rebellion, in exile and slavery, God's call remained constant: Return to me. Allow me to remove the walls that separate us. Let me forgive and wash you clean.

God's desire remains the same today. In fact, you don't have to wait for a special time to reconcile with the Lord. You can come to him every day and set things right. All you need to do is take time each evening to review your day

and seek the Lord's forgiveness for any sins you may have committed. Before you go to bed, reflect on your thoughts and actions that day and bring to the Lord any ways in which you have missed the mark. If something serious comes up, you can tell the Lord about it and make sure you get to Confession as soon as possible. It is a freeing experience to clear the decks every evening. It can even help you get a good night's sleep!

There's no time like the present to start. Quiet your heart, and listen closely. You will hear the Lord calling you, urging you, Come, let us set things right.

Sometimes we think that Lent is all about our turning back to the Lord in repentance. But Lent is also about God reaching out to us, offering us a torrent of healing love and merciful grace. It's about God doing everything in his power to set things right with us. Remember this when you examine your conscience: God is seeking you, always ready to heal and forgive.

*"Father, I stand in wonder at your desire to welcome us home! Your love truly is amazing!"*

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### Today's Announcements:

- ★ Happy Birthday to Tayler Ibele and to Ms. Norton today!
- ★ We will be administering the ACT today to all sophomores and juniors. We wish these students good luck on the ACT this morning. We will follow the testing bell schedule today and lunch will be during fifth period.
  - 1st lunch - all seventh and eighth graders
  - 2nd lunch - all ninth and twelfth graders
  - 3rd lunch - all sophomores and juniors (after everyone has completed the ACT)

- ★ Student Council is hosting a movie night on tomorrow evening for all St. Patrick students and their families. Make sure to bring your lawn chairs and blankets to the south courtyard at 6:30 to watch *The Sandlot* and snack on popcorn and drinks. The event is free!
- ★ The French Club will extend its Mardi Gras bead drive until Friday. Please bring in Mardi Gras beads to Ms. Alexander's room.
- ★ There will be an FCA meeting this Friday morning at 7:50.
- ★ Cheer tryouts will be held March 9 and the clinic will be March 6 and March 7. Packets for tryouts are available at the front desk, on the website, and in Ms. Hebert's or Ms. Norton's room (room 102, room 104). Please reach out to Ms. Hebert if you have any additional questions.
- ★ Junior high track practice will be held today. Information about this Saturday's track meet will be given out at today's practice.