

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, August 21, 2018

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the Kingdom of God. (Matthew 19:24)

Why do you think Jesus made such a strange, disquieting statement about the wealthy? Did he disdain the prosperous and abhor their affluence? No, Jesus had wealthy friends like Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus, along with a group of wealthy women who supported his ministry (Luke 8:1-3). He didn't think that the rich are inherently more sinful. He was warning that money and possessions can be significant obstacles to living life in his kingdom.

Jesus knew that having the wrong mindset toward money and possessions can lead us to deny God his rightful place in our lives. We may become self-serving and think only of our comfort and our desire for greater and greater financial security. Or we may be easily distracted by the cares and responsibilities that come with greater wealth. For instance, we may spend all our time and energy worrying about our bank accounts and trying to protect all that we have. Or we can get a false sense of security that leads to a greater sense of pride and self-sufficiency. No wonder Jesus gave such a

strong word of warning!

For those who are well-off financially, they should take Jesus' caution to heart. Do the best you can to keep money in the proper perspective. Be grateful for all he has blessed you with, and try to be a good steward of these blessings. Remember too that where much is given, much is expected. So use your resources wisely, not only for your own good, but for the good of others. Be generous to the Church and the needy. Set your heart on the Lord and seek to give him glory with everything you own.

For those who struggle just to make ends meet, they shouldn't let anxiety or cares weigh you down. Keep following the Lord! Trust his love and provision for you, even as you work to strengthen your finances. Ask him to give you a generous heart as well, so that you can give to other people in a way that's in-line with your means. The Lord will shower blessings on you according to his unlimited resources!

"Jesus, give me a generous heart that is free from worldly attachments. You are my greatest treasure."

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Today's Announcements:

- ★ Happy Birthday to Maria Puig Garcia today!
- ★ Seventh grade class officer applications are due today at the campaign meeting at 3:05pm in room 200.
- ★ Interact Club sign ups and voting for officers for grades 9-12 will take place tomorrow at 3pm in the Auditorium. Any seventh or eighth graders who want to sign up need to do so in Ms. Moon's or Ms. Lawson's rooms through tomorrow.

- ★ Seniors, Mrs. Shelby Rae Hamel will be in the auditorium during lunch today. She will have dessert for you. Please see her as soon as you eat your lunch.
- ★ Cross Country team members need to meet at the concession stand at 3:20 p.m. today for a 40 minute run. If you have any questions or conflicts, please see Mrs. Rosetti.
- ★ There will be a Mu Alpha Theta Meeting after school today in Ms. Tavel's classroom. If anyone is unsure if they qualified for Mu Alpha Theta membership, please see Ms. Tavel before the meeting. The nomination and election of officers will take place at the meeting. Available officer positions for seniors are secretary and treasurer the office of vice president is available to juniors. If anyone plans to run, please have a short speech prepared about why you want to run.
- ★ Any robotics member who is planning on attending Red Stick Rumble Competition this weekend must see Mrs. Worrel today.