

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS Tuesday, September 18, 2018

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### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

*Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful song. (Psalm 100:1-2)*

Every weekend, hundreds of millions of Catholics around the world gather to celebrate Mass. They come from different backgrounds and ages, and they bring countless gifts, burdens, hopes, and needs with them. Together they form the body of Christ that Paul describes in the first reading. And together they embrace the call to worship contained in today's psalm.

*Sing joyfully to the Lord.* The psalm starts out as the people gather in joy and gladness. Everyone is invited to sing and celebrate. When you're at Mass, and you see the cross coming down the aisle, be sure to sing that opening hymn! Imagine yourself joining brothers and sisters of every race in praising and glorifying the Lord.

*Know that the Lord is God.* What better way to know the Lord is God than through the Liturgy of the Word? Listen as God reveals himself through the Old and New Testaments. Imagine that Jesus is saying these words to you, and let the message of his goodness and faithfulness

lift your heart up to heaven.

Give thanks to him; bless his name. You aren't entering the Temple in Jerusalem, but you are entering the courts of heaven itself. From the offertory procession through the Eucharistic prayer, imagine that the angels are coming down to accept your gifts and prayers and to give you God's choicest blessings in return.

*For he is good.* The psalm ends by proclaiming how good, faithful, and kind God is. It's this goodness that you are receiving in Communion, and it's this goodness that you can now take with you as you leave church. Hold onto that goodness. Savor it, and let it change your heart.

Mass is never meant to be routine. How can it be when the body of Christ gathers and the angels and saints join in worship? With a little bit of imagination and a lively faith, you can be caught up in this beautiful prayer. You can be caught up to heaven, where Jesus, your great high priest, is offering himself to you.

*"Thank you, Lord, for drawing us together as one body to worship you!"*

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### Today's Announcements:

- ★ Happy Birthday to Andrea Huguenin and William Reid!
  
- ★ Senior baby pictures are due Friday, September 21, you can email those to Ms. Farragut, and the senior college t-shirt picture will be September 21 during lunch. Senior quotes are due Friday, September 28 to Marie Seicshnaydre. If quotes are not approved, students have three days to submit a new quote, or a bible verse will be chosen for them!

- ★ Any student in grades 9th-12th in athletics, band, dance and cheer may sign up for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Chapter in room 108, to sign up you must have your yearly dues of \$5.00 and you will be able to vote for FCA Officers!
- ★ Chess club will have a meeting this Wednesday at 7:45 in room 104.
- ★ Juniors and Seniors, please remember to remind your parents that financial aid night is this Wednesday, September 19, at 6 p.m. Please make plans to attend with your parents.
- ★ The representative from Balfour will be on campus this Wednesday during lunch to take orders for letterman jackets and sweaters. Students in grades 10 - 12 who have participated in at least 25% of their sports varsity quarters/periods are eligible to receive their letterman jackets/sweaters this fall. We will have another fitting this Spring for our Winter and Spring season athletes.
- ★ Anyone interested in the sailing team there will be a meeting Wednesday at 5pm at the Gulfport Yacht Club to meet the coach and discuss practice days. If you have any questions please see Mallory Edwards.
- ★ Ocean Springs Knights of Columbus is seeking students to help with serving breakfast the first and third Sunday of each month. This would be a great opportunity for service hours; for more information see Mrs. Collier at the front office.
- ★ Applications for the 2018-2019 Science Olympiad Teams are available in Ms. Moon's room. They are due by Friday, September 28, at 3:00 p.m.
- ★ Cross Country team members will need to meet at the track concession stand at 3:20 for a 35 minute run today.
- ★ There will be a brief meeting of the arts and craft club this afternoon in room 101.
- ★ Students are encouraged to submit their poetry, short stories, photos, and artwork to the Aisling. The theme for the upcoming edition is "Adventure."
- ★ All current NJHS members will receive an email for voting for officers today. Please vote by 3:30 today.