

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS Thursday, November 29, 2018

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

Blessed are those who have been called to the wedding feast of the Lamb. (Revelation 19:9)

Doesn't it feel wonderful to receive a wedding invitation? The couple wants you to share in their big day! So you put the date on your calendar. You start thinking about what you will wear. You make travel arrangements and begin to look for an appropriate gift. As the event gets closer, you might even begin counting down the days.

Today's first reading tells us that God is inviting us to a wedding—the “wedding feast of the Lamb” (Revelation 19:9). This is no ordinary ceremony. Scripture often uses marriage as a metaphor to describe God's covenant relationship with his people, and the actual feast is seen as a description of the joy and celebration that await us in heaven. This is the biggest invitation you could possibly receive: an eternal celebration with God and all the saints and angels! So how will you respond?

Just as you would make arrangements for an earthly wedding, there are some preparations you'll need to make for this one as well.

You might think that one of the biggest questions is what to

wear. Well, don't worry about that one; God has it taken care of. Scripture tells us that he wants to clothe us with “gladness” and the “garments of salvation” (Psalm 30:12; Isaiah 61:10). It says that he offers us “a bright, clean linen garment” of righteous deeds (Revelation 19:8). And importantly, it warns us to make sure we come to his feast properly dressed (Matthew 22:11-12).

So how do you get hold of this outfit? Believe it or not, you already have it! At your baptism, your parents put a white robe on you as a symbol of how God had washed away original sin and clothed you with Christ. You were then told that this robe was “the outward sign of your Christian dignity,” and you were exhorted: “With your family and friends to help you by word and example, bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven” (Rite of Baptism).

So there you have it: an invitation to a never-ending wedding banquet, with your wardrobe already provided! Just make sure you keep that robe as clean as possible.

*“Jesus, thank you for inviting me to your wedding feast!
Help me to be ready.”*

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Today's Announcements:

- ★ Happy Birthday to Holden Hewes today!
- ★ We are on the testing bell schedule today. Lunch will be during fifth period today.
- ★ St. Patrick will hold its annual ACT Workshop from November 30 through December 2. If you are interested in attending, please see Mrs. Tavel in room 100 to register.

- ★ We would like to congratulate the eighth grade girls basketball team on their victory last night against OLA. We won 24-8. Players of the game were Mia Sharp, Alex Taggart and Julianna Sabagh. Congratulations girls!
- ★ We would also like to congratulate the varsity girls basketball team on their victory last night against OLA. They won 56-15. Players of the game were Savannah Smith, Gabby Patino, Emily Nolte and Alayna Miller, Great job ladies!
- ★ Fr. Carver is asking any athletes to assist this Friday after school to move chairs from the Sacred Heart Center to the Nativity Cathedral Church - it will only take 30 minutes. If you can help, see Coach Dellenger.
- ★ Ninth grade students, your Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Leadership packet is due today. If you did not mail it, you need to make sure you take it to the Commerce this afternoon. Please see your packet for more information.
- ★ All Science Honor Society/Science Club dues is due by Friday, November 30. This deadline will verify all students who will be eligible for science honor society cords as seniors. Please see Ricardo Quintana to make sure your dues is paid.
- ★ Service hours are due by December 14. Because of calculation for senior exemptions, seniors your service hours are due by December 12.
- ★ If you would like to write a letter to a senior for their retreat please see Mrs. Collier and she will direct you to the envelopes. You will have to place it in the correct person's envelope. You may do this before or after school. You may not leave class to do so. All letters should be in by the end of school this Tuesday, December 4th.
- ★ Final payments and notarized permission forms for March for Life are due next Friday. There are a few openings that have become available. If you are interested in attending, please see Ms. Cloud for an application as soon as possible. Students who have a C average for the semester and are in good standing without excessive absences are eligible to attend.