

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, February 1, 2019

### Today's Prayer and Reflection:

*Remember the days past. (Hebrews 10:32)*

Did you know that the Christian life is a lot like rowing a rowboat? Here's how. Anyone who has ever rowed a boat will tell you that it's a little confusing at first. You have to get used to keeping your destination behind you instead of in front of you as you work the oars. That's because our bodies have more muscle power concentrated in our back and shoulders than in the front. Thus, pulling is a more efficient motion than pushing. So you end up propelling yourself "backward" to get to where you want to go.

What does this have to do with the life of faith? Today's first reading explains: "Remember the days past" (Hebrews 10:32). Recall times when you felt especially close to the Lord. Or think back to the days of the early Church or the joy of St. Francis or the humble commitment of Mother Teresa. Casting your mind back, recall how exciting life was, even if it included hardship. You didn't mind because Jesus was with you, and life was full of promise.

In other words, the best way to grow in your faith is to look back at all the good things the Lord has done. Let these memories propel you forward through rough waters. Let the lessons from your past guide you as you encounter new challenges. Take the words of the saints who have gone before you as advice for the future that awaits you. And always—always—keep the ancient teachings and stories of Scripture in the forefront of your mind.

At the Last Supper, Jesus told his disciples, "Do this in memory of me" (Luke 22:19). Nearing the end of his life, St. Paul told Timothy, "Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead" (2 Timothy 2:8). St. Peter too promised that he will "always remind" us about Jesus and his love (2 Peter 1:12). So remember. Remember it all. Except the sin, that is. Even Jesus has forgotten that.

*"Lord, help me to keep looking back so that I can move closer to you."*

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### Today's Announcements:

- ★ Registration is now open for the 2019-20 school year!
- ★ Happy Birthday to Juliana Sabagh!
- ★ We look forward to seeing everyone at the Brandon Green concert tonight! Tickets are \$10.00 each in advance online or you can pay Mrs. Collier in the front office before 3:00 today otherwise they are \$20.00 at the door. All students who purchase a ticket and attend will receive a free jean day.
- ★ The ring fitting for our men's and women's cross country state champions will be held on Monday, February 4, during lunch. A \$60 deposit is required at the time of the fitting. If you have any questions, please see Coach Burger.

- ★ Habitat for Humanity MS Gulf Coast needs eight volunteers to help clear out a warehouse in Pascagoula this Saturday. It starts at 9 a.m. and will be a four or so hour project if we get enough volunteers. Please let Mrs. Rosetti know if you are interested in volunteering.
- ★ Diamond girl applications are available in the front office. The deadline for application submission is February 8th. Sign-up sheets will be located on the door of room 112. If you have any other questions please direct them to Mary Cate Sliman, Alaina Olsen, or Coach Burger.
- ★ National Honor Society, there will be a meeting Wednesday, February 6, at 7:45 in the auditorium.
- ★ Seniors, if you have been accepted to USM and did not receive an email from Ms. Wilkinson, please see her today.
- ★ We would like to congratulate the junior varsity Lady Irish basketball team on their victory last night against Richton. We won 16-14. Players of the game were Olivia Owens, Molly Bowen, Megan Marie, Caroline Dellenger, Alex Taggart, and Ijia Henderson. Congratulations ladies!
- ★ Junior high track members remember to turn in your signed parent team sheet and fill out the track events sheet to Coach Dellenger. Varsity track practice will be held today and end at 4:00.