

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, March 13, 2020

Today's Prayer and Reflection:

Israel loved Joseph best of all his sons. (Genesis 37:3)

Since its earliest days, the Church has recognized a harmony between the Old and New Testaments. The apostles sought to understand how the ancient Hebrew Scriptures pointed to Jesus as the Messiah. The early Church Fathers then recognized that the mystery of Christ that is hidden in the Old Testament comes fully alive in the New.

Saints and scholars alike have seen that many elements of the Old Testament—people, events, and places—anticipate realities fully revealed in the New. They call them “types,” or prefigurements, of Christ.

The Old Testament story of Joseph gives us one of the most stirring Old Testament types of Jesus. Joseph, a favorite son of Jacob, was despised by his brothers, who decided to sell him into slavery in Egypt. But Joseph eventually became the instrument God used to save his family from famine: “Even though you meant harm to me,” Joseph later told his brothers, “God meant it for good” (Genesis 50:20).

It's not hard to see why many Church Fathers read Joseph's story as a foreshadowing of Jesus' life and

God's plan of salvation. Just look at the many parallels between the two. Both were favored sons of a loving father. Both experienced rejection from some of their own people. Both were sold for silver. Both were falsely accused and imprisoned. Both were unexpectedly exalted—Joseph to Pharaoh's right hand and Jesus to the throne of God. And both provided salvation for the Jewish people as well as the Gentiles around them.

Learning how people, prophecies, and events in the Old Testament find fulfillment in Jesus can help us come to a clearer understanding of the marvelous plan of God. It can also help us come to a deeper grasp of the salvation he has won for us and the love that moved him to save us.

As you continue to pray through the Scriptures this Lent, look for Jesus' “footprints” in the Old Testament readings. As you do, you'll see how much God loves his people—including you. You'll see that God has planned glorious things for you. Your life is secure in him!

“Jesus, you are Lord of history. Thank you for opening my eyes to your wonderful plan of salvation!”

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Today's Announcements:

- Happy birthday to Andrew Ritter! Celebrating birthdays this weekend are Matthew Chouest, Kalin Cibene, Taryn Miller, Anna Tran and Mr. Orin Eleuterius!
- Today is day 2 of the advisement schedule.
- The junior class officers and the junior class sponsors have been preparing to have our elegant and distinguished formal junior/senior prom on April 4!

Tickets will go on sale online from March 18-26. Tickets are \$50 per person which includes your dinner.

Prom t-shirts will go on sale soon. They are \$15 each.

Both tickets and t-shirts may be ordered through the spirit store on the school website.

If you would like to invite a student who does not attend St. Patrick, you must collect an "Out of School Guest" form from Mrs. Collier or Mrs. Edwards in the front office area or from the “Campus Life” page of the website. Out of school guests must be in tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grades, or they may be a 2019 graduate from St. Patrick. These forms are due to Dr. Buckley for approval no later than March 27. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Tavel in room 100.

- St. James is seeking volunteers for their Fun Glow Run on March 20. Students can earn service hours helping set up and breakdown, face painting and handing out drinks. Please see Mrs. Collier in the front office if you are interested.
- The State Science Olympiad Competition scheduled for Friday, April 3, at USM in Hattiesburg has been cancelled. The events from this year will be used again for next year's competition.
- The Fighting Irish Tennis Team won against East Marion in last night's meet 7-0.
- Junior high baseball B team lost to Bay 7-4 last night while the A team won 5-0 behind the pitching of Jack Hewes. The Irish scored 5 runs in 4 innings and played well defensively.
- Math Fans - Pi Day is an annual celebration of the mathematical constant. Pi Day is observed on March 14 since 3, 1, and 4 are the first three significant digits of Pi. Today our cafeteria will serve chocolate, key lime, and pecan pies for dessert as a sweet way to honor Pi Day. Enjoy your sweets and practice some extra math!