

Friday, August 22, 2014

GOOD MORNING. TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL FOLLOW OUR DAILY PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. PLEASE STAND.

As we end our first week of school, we pray that our dance tomorrow will be a meaningful, fun and community inspired event. We also pray for the freshmen who are on retreat today. May they grow in a sense of unity as they make friends and work to eliminate gossip, cliques, rumors, and bullying.

Today we celebrate the feast of the Queenship of Mary, the mother of God. It is most appropriate that as we begin our school year here at Saint Mary Catholic Central we mark a feast of Mary, the first follower of Jesus. St. Mary is a model Christian in giving all that she had in service of God in bearing the Son of God in her womb. May we be inspired by her example and say "yes" to what God asks of us.

Today's Bible verse is from the Gospel of Luke – Mary replied, "I am the servant of the Lord, let it be done to me according to your Word."

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

Dear Lord,

We thank you today for the gift of life and all of the other gifts that we so often take for granted. May we use those gifts at your service. Guide the staff, teachers and administrators as they form the next generation of believers. Bless our student body with all of their concerns. Give courage and wisdom to the upper classmen as they seek to be role models. And bless the freshmen and all of our transfer and international students in their time of transition. Please make this a school year filled with love, wisdom, and faith. And lastly, help us to follow the example set by Saint Mary that we may say "yes" to you in what you ask of us.

We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

"LET US BRING THESE PRAYERS TOGETHER WITH THE PRAYER THAT OUR LORD HAS TAUGHT US TO PRAY:"

OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME; THY KINGDOM COME; THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN. GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD, AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US; AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL. FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, THE POWER, AND THE GLORY NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN.

Mary Queen of Wisdom, pray for us.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

THE PLEDGE: I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

Please be seated for the announcements.