

CRUSADER CHAPLAIN CHATTER

WEEK OF MAY 27 - 31, 2024

WE PAUSE TO HONOUR THE LAND
ON WHICH WE LIVE, WORK AND LEARN.
THIS LAND IS SACRED:
IT IS THE LAND OF MANY FIRST NATIONS
AND THE METIS;
FROM THE LANDS OF THE ANISHINABE
TO THE ATTAWANDARON,
THE HAUDENOSAUNEE AND THE METIS,
WHO LIVED, WORKED AND LEARNED
ON THIS LAND
AND KEPT A PEACEFUL BALANCE
WITH THE LAND
AND ITS CREATURES AND INHABITANTS
AND CONTINUE TO DO SO.

AS WE BEGIN OUR WEEK,
LET US HONOUR THIS LAND, ITS RICH HISTORY,
THE MANY FIRST NATIONS AND THE METIS
AND COMMIT TO CONTINUE LEARNING
HOW TO KEEP A PEACEFUL BALANCE
WITH THIS LAND AND WITH ALL THOSE
WHO CALL THIS LAND HOME.

WE ARE ONLY AS HEALTHY
AS THIS LAND IS HEALTHY.

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IMPORTANT DATES

MAY = ARMENIAN HERITAGE MONTH
MAY = ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH
MAY = DUTCH HERITAGE MONTH
MAY = JEWISH HERITAGE MONTH
MAY = POLISH HERITAGE MONTH
MAY = SOUTH ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH
MAY 29: RED SHIRT DAY
MAY 29: BATTLE OF THE BANDS
MAY 30: GRADE 8 BBQ
MAY 31: GRAD DINNER/DANCE
JUNE 5: CLOSING PRAYER SERVICES
JUNE 6: LIFE SKILLS TRACK MEET
JUNE 6: ATHELETIC BANQUET
JUNE 7: CARNIVAL DAY ON LUNCHES
JUNE 17-20: GRADE 12 EXAMS
JUNE 20-26: REGULAR EXAM TIME
JUNE 27: EXAM REVIEW DAY
JUNE 27: GRADUATION
JUNE 28: PD DAY

I love the culture of grilling. It creates an atmosphere that is festive but casual.

Bobby Flay

BrainyQuote



DAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

If sweet dreams are made of cheese...

who am I to dis-a-brie?

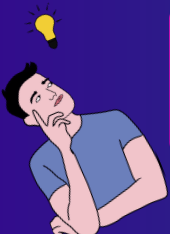


Quote for the week

“EXPECT LITTLE FROM PEOPLE. EXPECT A LOT FROM YOURSELF. THAT’S THE SECRET OF A HAPPY LIFE.”

-@JAYSHETTY

UPCOMING EVENTS



For More Information

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Irish woman feeds her taxi driver's crow 'friend' out of car window

After a day from "literal hell," one woman in Ireland had a good laugh when she found herself feeding her taxi driver's crow on the way home from work.

Abbie Cashman tells TODAY.com that earlier in the day, her car had a flat tire. As she was trying to get home, no passing taxi drivers would take her and the bus was full. In a final effort, she called a taxi car through a ride-share app on her phone and was met with a wild surprise.

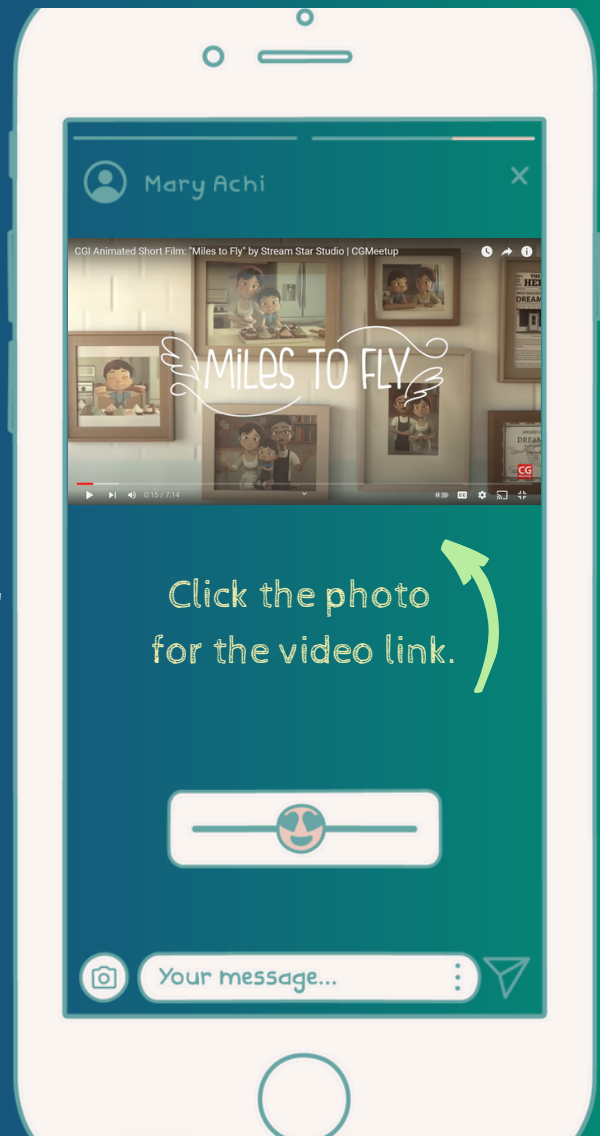
"It's like it's meant to be," Cashman says. "Like that was such a bad day and so, so many things went wrong to end up in that taxi."

At first, the 20-year-old says she noticed a crow sitting atop the cab driver's outside mirror, but the bird briefly flew away as the vehicle started moving.

In the video, Cashman is seen reaching her hand out the window to feed the crow a snack, which she tells TODAY.com was a digestive biscuit.

"The taxi driver, he's so nice. He always has sweets and jellies for everyone in the car that he brings in. So then when the crow came, he was like, 'You know, I only have a biscuit for him,'" she says.

For the full story, click [this link](#).



PRAYER



*Loving God,
You are the God who shows us the way
to truth in your Son, Jesus.
There are a lot of lies out there in the world—
some people talk and have no idea what they are
really saying and some of us just follow along,
not even thinking about who or what
we are really following.
Help us, God, to find the truth,
to stand confidently in the truth
and to always speak the truth.
The truth will set us free—give us
the encouragement to always
live in the truth.*

*Our Lady of the Assumption,
pray for us!*

*If you need support, please remember
we are here for you:*

- Mr. McDougall (Principal)*
- Ms. Davison (VP)*
- Mr. Laurin (VP)*
- Ms. Rerecich (Chaplain)*
- Devin Misener (CYC)*
- Bailey Jones (SW)*
- Guidance Counselors*
- and your teachers*



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In this world where we can be anything, be humble and kind.

Mark your calendars for Battle of the Bands! Happening THIS Wed. May 29th @ Assumption's small gym! Assumption, STA and CtK will be battling it out on the stage! Admission is \$5 on School Cash Online. It's going to be quite the show! See you there!

The Athletic Banquet is June 6th—come out and celebrate the achievements of our sports' teams! Tickets can be purchased on school cash online! It's a great night for coaches and athletes to celebrate our teams and teammates! It's at the Holiday Inn and the festivities begin at 6 p.m.! Hope to see you there!

Attention ALL Graduates - if you have taken 5 business courses you are eligible for the Business Certificate! All you have to do is print off your transcript, highlight your business courses, and give it to any business teacher. Deadline is June 7th.

Senior School Reach Players are to meet Tuesday after school for pictures for yearbook and a pizza party.

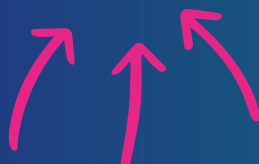
Our summer food drive to "Fill a bus" with food donations has been extended to this week! The stocks are low in the food banks and they need our donations to help them through the summer months. Drop off donations in the big grey container outside the main office. We have until Thursday to bring in donations. Let's fill this bus to overflowing!

To any Arts Council members who ordered a hoodie: Please see Mrs. Bedford in the Student Success office (in the piazza) during periods 1, 4 or 5.

Are you interested in student leadership? Are you an outgoing student? If you are, applications for Student Council are now open for executive positions and grade representative positions until May 31st. You can find the link to apply under the "Announcements" highlight on the Instagram. Any eligible candidates will be contacted before elections.

Check the TV outside of Phys. Ed. for all updates and information regarding sports and athletic news!

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MONDAY

Student Council meets in rm 214

DECA meets in rm 210.

Best Buddies --please check the google classroom!

Chess Club in rm 304

Model UN in rm 306

TUESDAY

Rosary Group in the Chapel per. 2

Peer Tutoring on lunches

Crochet Club in rm 109 on 3rd lunch

Concert Band in the music room

Sr. Reach, rm 224

Latin American Club rm 107

Islamic Heritage event taking place during both lunches in the piazza!

Come join us on Tuesday!

Wednesday

Wellness Wednesday in the Piazza over lunches

Math Madness: before school (rm 302); after school (rm 304).

Student Athletic Council in rm 118

"Assumption Reads" Book Club, in rm 222 -every other week

Construction Club, rm 106

Debate Club, rm 206

Black Student Association - rm 107

Robotics - rm 223

Intermediate Reach, rm 224

Gardening Club - rm 210

THURSDAY

Peer Tutoring on lunches

Art Club in rm 108!

Dungeons and Dragons - rm 209B

Assumption & the World, rm 107



Friday

Rock Band in the music room

Sr. Reach, rm 224

Wishing You

A great start on Monday.
No obstacle for Tuesday.
No stress on Wednesday.
No troubles on Thursday.
Many smiles on Friday.
A relaxing Saturday.
And a beautiful Sunday.

INSPIRED BY GRATITUDE

HAVE a BLESSED NEW WEEK!

NURTURING OUR FAITH

CLICK THE ITEM AND IT WILL TAKE YOU TO THE SITE/ARTICLE.

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#DAILYJOLT
MAY 25, 2024

Empathy requires us to understand that even people who disagree with us have a lived experience as deep as our own.

-- JAMIL ZAKI, PSYCHOLOGIST

TODAY'S #MICROCHALLENGE

AVOID MAKING ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT SOMEONE ELSE TODAY. ASK QUESTIONS AND BE CURIOUS ABOUT ANOTHER PERSON'S EXPERIENCE.

MATTHEW WEST

THE GOD WHO STAYS

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Feast of Holy Trinity Sunday (May 26, 2024)

By Fr. Mark Gatto

I do not understand the Trinity.

It is a mystery that is beyond my ability to grasp or explain. But, I am not just going to sit down and say nothing. Though I cannot say that I understand the Trinity, I can say "I love the Trinity." A person does not say that he/she/they understands the one they love, their love remains a mystery beyond the ability to grasp or explain. In the same way, with the mystery of God, it is better not to say that I understand the mystery of God. It is better to say, I love the mystery of God. So, what does that mean for us when we discuss the Dogma of the Holy Trinity, one of the most important and central teachings of Christianity?

For 2000 years, the great thinkers and theologians of Christianity have tried to understand and provide good explanations for the Trinity. They have used many images, words, concepts. Some have been helpful, but they all fall short and fail to capture the full mystery.

St. Thomas Aquinas was one of the greatest thinkers in human history and one of the greatest theologians in our Catholic tradition. He wrote enormous volumes to explain the faith, including the Trinity. But, there is a story about Aquinas that near the end of his life, he stopped all his writing. In prayer he had a profound experience of the mystery of God so far beyond anything he could write. On his deathbed he is reported to have pointed to all of his books and said, "After what I have experienced, all that is just straw." He could write no more because the distance between our world of words and the mystery of God overwhelmed him."

It is good and important for us to study, read, learn, meditate on our faith. Use your minds, use your reason. But, in the end, it is not knowing about God or about our faith that is most important. What you must do is fall in love. The Trinity is about a God with whom we can fall in love. St. Paul reminds us that in Jesus we are sons and daughters of God. He says we cry out, "Abba." Fall in love with the God who is Trinity.

The Catholic faith is not primarily a set of ideas, or teachings, or a philosophy. Our Catholic faith is about falling in love with God, to be embraced in the communion of God, the Holy Trinity. We do not understand the mystery of the Trinity, we experience and know it deep inside. Just as we do not understand any deep love with someone in a purely rational way, rather we experience it and know it deep inside.

So, what does that mean for how we approach the dogma of the Trinity? First of all, it is best seen in poetry, in artwork, in liturgy. It remains beyond our rational minds, but is experienced in our hearts. Think of our traditional prayers. The Sign of the Cross. The Glory be. The Doxology at the end of the Eucharistic prayer at Mass *"Through him, and with him, and in him, O God almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever."* Our Liturgy does not explain the Trinity but leads us into the centre of this mystery.

There was a brother monk who went to see Abba Moses, who was a wise and experienced monk. He begged him for a word. The Old Man said, "Go and sit in your cell, and your cell will teach you everything." I could spend some time teaching and speaking about the Trinity, and some of it might be useful to you. But, the most effective thing that I could do is convince each of you to go home and sit in quiet room by yourself for some time. There you might experience and meet the mystery of God, the Holy Trinity, in silence. You probably will not discover some intelligent explanation of the Trinity. But you might find yourself falling in love with the Trinity, the mystery of God.

The final words of Jesus to his disciples in the Gospel of Matthew were, "I am with you always, to the end of the age." These are the words of God spoken to our hearts, they are the words of a lover.