

REFLECTION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS-SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

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Vu Volleyball	Varsity/Senior Boys Volleyball is back!!! Any boys interested in playing on this year's varsity senior boys volleyball team are asked to sign up on the list posted outside room 318. Also, please go see Mr. Vu during 3C lunch or after school in room 318 for a permission form to participate in tryouts. Tryouts will begin this Tuesday after school in the gym! Remember to return your permission form!
Belfiglio	Ascensions A/V club is calling all previous and new members looking to join our awesome team to head down to room 106 today right after school for a quick meet and greet. If you think you know all there is to operating sound and visual equipment, or, if you're looking to learn all you can know, make sure you come by room 106 today after school. This year, we're looking for new members to be apart of one of the most important teams here at Ascension! There's also a few perks for joining, but you'll have to come by room 106 to find out! See you then!
Rulli	Tennis Team Announcements. Students who have handed in your form, thank you. You have a meeting after school today in the Guidance office.
Cook	Flag Football team. First practice is tomorrow for all those students who have submitted their forms. If you still need one, please come to the guidance office and get a form.
Main Office	Students, you must be in full uniform. If you are not, you will be sent to the cafeteria. Lockers-Remember the school lock is the only one you can use on your lockers. Do not share your combination with others. Outside locks will be removed. Photo Day-September 19, 2022.
Cafeteria	The Cafeteria server is open today, but not tomorrow.

DAILY REFLECTION

Dear God, we acknowledge that the land on which we gather is part of the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. We acknowledge and express gratitude to the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation of the Anishinaabek Peoples who continue to share their ancestral lands with us.



In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen

A reading from the Gospel of St. Luke

Jesus told His disciples a parable, "...what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

Yesterday, marked the 21st year of 9-11. Most of us in the building were not even born. It is so far removed from our present concerns, but the affects of that day are still felt in our lives, such as security checks at the border and the ongoing civil wars in the Middle East. However, on a far deeper level, on the families who still grieve the loss of life on that day or deal with continuous health issues. It is one of those days, for those who lived through each minute, a reference point of what life was like before and after. For those people, how has the world changed? Do we feel safer? Do we hate less? Has your faith in God grown or diminished?

One lesson we can take now from that day is the acts of courage and kindness for those who tried to save lives and provided comfort for those who lost their loved ones or the stranded stranger in a foreign land, such as in Gander Newfoundland. People who reminded us that even in great disaster and chaos, the grace of God still lives. If you were to rewatch videos from that day, yes there is horror and tears on the face of many, but also a resilience in people to be fearless in giving their life so another might live and use one's gift of presence to help others in time of grief. Those moments of bravery and comfort, relief and joy, are a foretaste of what a sinner feels when they experience the mercy of God. Yes, the tears are real and the heartache and the sorrow, but in the end, when one is ready to face their life and their choices, people find God's mercy before one tastes the joys of heaven.

May everyone who shows an act of kindness and courage to a stranger or sees their neighbour as a friend before know that you are the hands and feet of God. See in yourself, the power of kindness leads those struggling in life, with personal demons or bad decisions, to find how God's grace is the only way to experience the joy. Let us also pray for the soul of Queen Elizabeth the Second and anyone else within our community has passed away. For peace in Ukraine. I pray you remember that of course may the word of Jesus at the Ascension, resound in your heart and lips, "remember I am with you always till the end of days. Amen. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.