



REFLECTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS NOVEMBER 2, 2022

SUBMITTED BY	ANNOUNCEMENT-SCHOOL RELATED
Ma Mag	Boys' varsity basketball – tryouts will continue Thursday and Friday this week for the boys whose names are listed outside the Phys. Ed. workroom.
Albano	Drama Club and 'Don't Trust Anyone Actors". You have a practice today. Be prepared to work today. If you have brought a change of clothes, you are more than welcome to change prior to the start of practice. Meet outside the cafeteria doors at 2:32 p.m. Thank you.
Albano	The Malibu Blue Club, an all-girls club, will be starting. Here at Ascension, get ready for some of our amazing arts, sports, and activities. To our first members, spread the word and remember, sign-up sheets are in the library. Thank you and have a nice day!

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 John

“Jesus said to His disciples, ‘Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will be my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.’”

In the Catholic tradition, November 2 is a very intimate and blessed day. It is the day we remember those who have passed away and we pray with pure and hopeful hearts to meet them again. We remember how those we loved have changed our lives and continue to find inspiration to live our lives faithful to God in prayer and service. Today, I remember my godfather who passed away almost two weeks ago.

When I attended his Visitation at the funeral home and the funeral mass, what I experienced was an outpouring of love for him in the way he lived his life, especially when he lost all ability to eat, talk, and walk on his own. Even though his body could not do everything he used to do, like ballroom dancing, picking up his grand kids at the bus stop, walking around his block, and singing at mass, the same joy he had in life and his faithfulness to Christ never wavered. See, in every picture on display, to his daughters' eulogy and the priest's

homily, you saw and heard about a man who enjoyed the simple things in life, worked hard to provide for his family, but most importantly in how he was present to all he encountered daily. In short, he was faithful to God in how he praised and worshiped him in prayer and in every person he encountered.

For all of us who have lost that one person who has inspired us, take comfort on this day. It is the day the Church gathers to not mourn but celebrate those lives. We cling to the hope Christ proclaims to us every day that those faithful to Him will have Eternal life. May they continue to be a model of faith for you, for it is never in the great things they did or making it to the milestones of your life, but in the way they made God's love present to you by celebrating your achievements, crying with you in your sorrows, and holding your hand when you needed to remember someone loved you in this world. May our loved one's souls rest in peace and let perpetual light always shine upon them until we meet again. For peace in Ukraine. I pray that as you live you this day, to remember Jesus' words at the Ascension, "I am with you always." Amen. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.