

Eagle Tales

- VERMILION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL -

2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

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THANKFUL, GRATEFUL, & BLESSED

Being thankful for small things, big things, and everything in between.

To me, Thankfulness means more than just saying “thank you.” Being truly thankful means taking the time to appreciate and focus on the good things in your life. It’s easy to be thankful when life is good and times are happy. Who doesn’t like saying “thank you” when you receive a gift or

Thankfulness for the joys, or even the struggles, is one of the things I hold onto as a way of keeping a positive outlook on my life. Thankfulness is feeling or expressing gratitude for a certain thing whether it be good weather or if someone in your family was healed from a fatal illness. Being thankful is important for the big miracles in life, as well as the small ones. A group of my friends and I

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someone does something nice for you? I believe that being thankful is most important when times are difficult. When times seem rough, or I’ve had a bad day, I try to focus on the things that are good in my life. My family, because it’s the single most important thing in my life. My health and the health of my mom, Dad, and sister. My friends and the amazing support they give me just by being my friends. And my school and faith in God, which go hand in hand. VC is more than the place where I get my education. VC is my extended family and my safe place. I’m acutely aware that not everyone loves their school. I love — and am thankful for — mine.

Ellie Putnam, Class of 2020

were recently talking and one of them said, “Imagine if you woke up with only the things you had thanked God for the day before.” As a person who tries to thank God every day for the blessings in my life, this made me want to thank Him even more. God gives us everything that is good in our lives and the least we can do is show Him our gratitude. I am most thankful for my faith, my family, my friends, and my school. These things make me who I am today and they are the biggest blessings in my life.

Mattie Dartez, Class of 2019

I am most thankful for my family because they always support me in everything that I do. I know that I can count on my family. They always will be by my side, and I know that they will never leave it. I am thankful to be part of a close knit family, and I know that I am very pleased to have them in my life.

Rachel Fontenot, Class of 2022

"Thankful" is a word I can use everyday of my life. I am thankful for each new day and the opportunities that come with it. I am thankful for the Christian environment that I am in and the wonderful people I have gotten to know. I am thankful for my family and friends who have been helping me wholeheartedly these last couple of months with my ankle injury. I am very blessed.
Olivia Romero, Class of 2021

Most people agree that we should be thankful for all that we have, but have you ever given much thought to "why" we should be thankful? Mrs. Reba reminds us every day about the importance of being grateful and explains to us why being grateful is important.. When someone does something for us and we show thankfulness, that person feels appreciated and will more likely help us again in the future. It is important to recognize just how blessed we are, even for the little things in our lives. She explains that it is very important that when we receive something for which we have prayed, we pray in thanksgiving. Although it is difficult, we should also be thankful for the things in our lives that do not go exactly as we might have hoped, because those shortcomings can make us stronger.

As the eldest son of a family of eight, I have much for which I am grateful for. I have been blessed with two brothers and three sisters. I have been able to watch my four younger siblings grow into the people that God has made them to be. I'm always grateful for the memories we share and the time we spend together. My parents have given my siblings and I the opportunity to attend Catholic school and that is certainly something for which we are all thankful. Although it is a crazy life at times, ok... a LOT of the time, we always come together and love each other and are grateful to be part of a family that loves and supports one another. I thank God everyday that I was chosen to be part of such a wonderful family.

Holden Wright, Class of 2019

I am thankful for a lot of things, but I am thankful for my family the most. My family sacrifices so much for me. Allowing me to attend VC was a big sacrifice that they chose to make, but they did it out of the love they have for me. I want my family to know that their love does not go unappreciated. I truly appreciate everything they do for me.

Blair Turner, Class of 2020

What does thankfulness mean to me? To me thankfulness has multiple meanings. In one sense, thankfulness means fully understanding what you have been blessed with and being grateful for it. For instance, I understand that not everyone has the privilege to attend school and get an education. I am truly grateful for being given the opportunity of a Catholic education. That's what thankfulness means to me.

Seth Noegel, Class of 2022

I am thankful for many things in my life. I am thankful for all of the gifts and abilities God has given me. I am thankful that I am able to have all of the things that I have. I am thankful that I am able to go to a Catholic school. I am thankful for a good, healthy life. The thing that I am most thankful for is my family. My family guides me through struggles in my life and helps me excel in anything that I do. Without them I wouldn't be the person I am today.

John Robert Allums, Class of 2021

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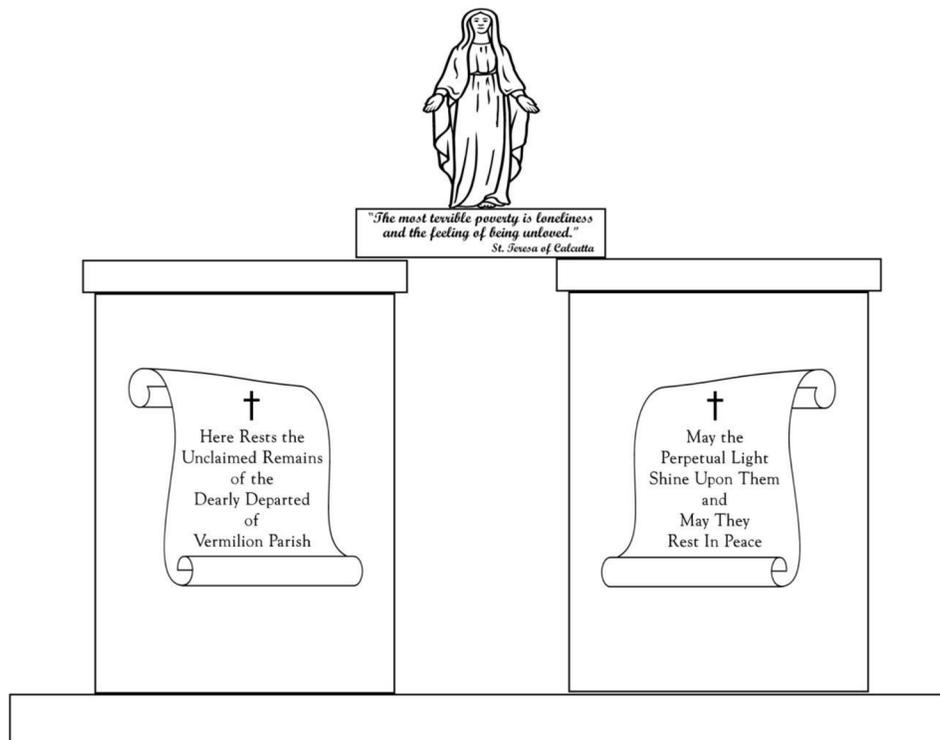


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A Corporal Work of Mercy

As you approach the front doors of Vermilion Catholic High School you will see a two-part school motto displayed above both doors. Upon entering the school building the first part reads, *Enter to Learn Christ* and as you leave the building the second part reads, *Leave to Serve Christ*. This motto is something we strive to instill in the student body on a daily basis. This year our senior class embraced the motto by adopting a new school project called the "Unclaimed Remains Project." Mimicking the project of St. John's Cathedral in Lafayette our seniors began the task of fundraising to bury those unclaimed in Vermilion Parish. As a result, they were able to raise enough money to provide a final resting place for these cremated remains. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place during a weekly school mass on Friday November 9, 2018. The Mass will begin at 7:30 am at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. Burial will follow immediately in the Old Catholic Cemetery behind the church. The public is invited to attend. A mass collection will take place in order to help continue the project on an annual basis.

Below is a picture of the final resting place for the unclaimed of Vermilion Parish.



ILLUMINATION

Jesus calles Himself the light, because we it is through Him that we can live fearlessly.

Imagine you are a young child stuck in the corner of a room. The electricity flashes off.. You panic. You look across the room and see a glimmer of light. You rush towards it to escape the darkness, because light gives us comfort and security. Have you ever heard of a child afraid of the light? No. Children are afraid of the dark because there is fear associated with darkness.

The search for light comes from our need to feel warm and secure. For some this can involve seeing a sunrise or sitting at a bonfire on a cold night. For others, this light could be family or friends. When you experience events that make you feel warm and comfortable, this is how Jesus feels for us when we love others. As we love and accept the people around us, we are growing in love for Him. Whenever we do this, we share our "light" making the world a better place. The kind of light that makes you happy is nothing compared to Christ's light. He can increase your happiness by just being present with you. As stated in Psalm 119:105, "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."

Light is everywhere. From the sun to electricity to candles, light helps us to see. It guides us where we need to go and to do what we need to do. Jesus serves this role in our lives. In the bible,

Jesus is described as "a guiding light, the light of life, and our leading light." Light symbolizes truth and holiness, but why? Because light ILLUMINATES. Jesus and light have many things in common. Jesus and light both leave nothing to hide. Jesus and light both bring hope and comfort. Jesus and light both guide us to our destinations. Jesus calls Himself the light, because it is through Him that we can live fearlessly. He is the true guidance in everything we do and gives us the ability to see when things are dark and do not make sense.

When we do not have that light, we tend to listen to Satan. Satan hides in the darkness. When we fill ourselves with sin, we move away from Jesus and the light. We know sin is shameful, so we hide. We gossip, become judgmental, and we go through our days unable to see life as we should. As we go through rough patches in our lives, Jesus is always there to share His light with us. He gives us the graces to endure the hard times.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness" John 8:12.

When the light of Jesus enters our lives, we see more clearly, we are more loving, and we make better decisions. If you follow the light of Christ, you will be

fulfilling his plan for you. Also, you will be a guide for others, which brings you and the people around you closer to eternal life in heaven with Jesus.

Matthew 5:16 says "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify

your Father in heaven." Don't hide in the darkness. Step into the light. Step closer to Jesus. It's your time.

Gabrielle Davis

Class of 2019

IMPORTANT REMINDER

When you register for the ACT, we strongly encourage you to choose LASFA on the list of places to receive your test score.

SENIOR SHADOW DAY



On Wednesday, October 17, the Senior Class of 2018 had a "Shadow Day" and spent the day on the footsteps of professionals in their chosen field of future study. One group visited Abbeville General in different areas of the medical field and a few were even allowed to witness a surgery! We continue to get positive feedback from mentors that the students shadow and appreciate the time they share with our students and provide them with such a great experience.

IMPORTANT DATES



NOVEMBER 2018

1ST - 8 AM MASS @ VC W/ MCE

2ND - ADORATION

2ND - PEP RALLY 2:20 PM

2ND - SENIOR NIGHT

3RD - KAIROS II BEGINS

5TH - KAIROS II ENDS

6TH - MOCK TRIAL

7TH - \$3 JEAN DAY (BOOSTERS)

9TH - STUDENT MASS

10TH - CHEER REGIONALS

13TH - REN FEST

15TH - \$3 JEAN DAY (STUDENT COUNCIL)

16TH - PROGRESS REPORTS

19TH - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY BEGINS

26TH - CLASSES RESUME

27TH - igivecatholic.org

28TH - ADVISORY MEETING

29TH - 6TH GRADE RETREAT

For additional information, future dates, and athletic schedules, please refer to our web site www.vermilioncatholic.com

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NOVEMBER 2018

Senior

Gabby Davis

Sophomore

Drew Lege

Junior

Andrew Marceaux

Freshmen

Hao Nguyen

SPREADING SCHOOL SPIRIT

Stepping up the UC student section.

Since freshman year, I've always wanted to be involved and get other student involved throughout school. I thought that if a student is more involved, their high school experience would be that much better. Freshman year, our football games were pretty boring because all we did was sit down. I saw a lack in school spirit because if you were not on dance team, football team, water girl, or cheer team, you did not have a way to participate in this school event. Many schools in our area were participating in student sections and I knew I had to step forward and get it started. I was just a freshman so I did not have the courage to step forward and do anything yet. I sat with my idea for two years before I did anything with it. By the start of my junior year, I had enough courage to try getting it started. I sat down with student council

and told them my idea. Within weeks, everything I had been praying and hoping for finally became a reality. The student section has become my happy place. It is a place where I can support my favorite team and have fun with all of my peers. During football season, all I look forward too is Friday. Dressing up and screaming as loud as we can has been so fun for me. No matter what is going on in your life, it is a time to escape and have fun with all of your friends. With my high school career soon ending, it will definitely be something I will miss the most. I hope that once I graduate, someone takes my spot and continues the tradition.

Emma LeBlance, Class of 2019





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