PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

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WEEKLY REFLECTION!

In this weeks Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus, a blind man, "What do you want me to do for you?" In last weeks Gospel, Jesus responds to James and John in a similar way, "What do you wish for me to do for you?"

When Jesus responds to James and John, He informs them, in order to fulfill their request, they will need to suffer and eventually be martyred. Our suffering may look different, nevertheless, suffering should be redemptive, united with Jesus as a path to holiness.

Saint Pope John Paul knew what is was to suffer. His mother and siblings died while he was young. He lived during the oppression of the Nazis and the Russians. There was an attempted assassination on his life, and as he got older, he suffered from Parkinson's disease, yet he had this joyful presence about him, like Bartimaeus. Jesus fulfills Bartimaeus' request and heals him, and he embraces this new life given to him by Jesus.

What will you ask of Jesus and what will your response to His answer be?

Important Items

- October 23: Rosary Night
- October 25: Barros Fundraiser
- October 30: Relics of St. Padre Pio at St. Simon and Jude Cathedral
- November 1: All Saints Day– Holy day of obligation

Curriculum

- Band students received a special training with Richard Bass, a trombonist with the Phoenix Symphony.

Saint of the Week:

"It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives, the will to follow an ideal, the refusal to allow yourselves to be ground by mediocrity, the courage to commit yourselves humbly and patiently to improving yourselves and society, making the world more human and more fraternal."

- Saint Pope John Paul II

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