

Martin Luther King Jr.

A Man with a Dream

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Who was Martin Luther King Jr.? He wasn't only an African-American citizen of Georgia, but a person who fought to put an end to injustice and cruelty between black and white people. He worked to narrow this vast boundary by telling people his visions and his dreams. Dr. King said, "Faith is taking the first step, even if you don't see the whole staircase." Our faith life is based on this, as we believe in things we can't see. We just keep climbing the staircase. As Catholics, we trust in God and Jesus even though we've not seen them. We are putting our faith and trust in what we can't see, but what we feel in our heart and our soul. Many African-Americans had no faith in seeing a brighter, happier future, but Martin Luther King led them to observe a larger hope and faith. The Anti-Bully Committee follows his lead by giving bullying victims faith and hope for a better time here at school and by taking power away from bullies. In 2010, Saint Monica's and their students will strive for a better school year, and a happier future, as well.

Martin Luther King Jr. also said, "Don't hate, it's too big a burden to bear."

Hate can be overpowering and people can begin to focus on the hate and not on working for love. It can also weigh you down while love lightens your load.

Teenagers who hate become adults who hate and the cycle keeps repeating. If people let the words of Martin Luther King Jr. into their hearts and try to live by his ideas, the world would be a kinder and happier place. Martin Luther King's commitment to his dream inspires all of us to listen to his message and make an impact on our own lives. Tightening the boundaries of racism and widening the boundaries of freedom and hope should be our goals for the future. Martin Luther King Jr. was an inspiration to not only African-Americans, but a role model, a leader, and a hope for the future for all of us, and we have to follow in his footsteps. By doing this, we can all help accomplish his dreams.