

Saint Patrick

Catholic Church

June 24-25, 2017

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass times: Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 10:45am

Confession: Saturday: 4:30 pm or by
appointment.

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Nursery: Available at 10:45 mass

Message from our Pastor:

Good day all! Question for you today: have you ever heard someone say "they really speak from the heart?" Or have you known someone who you could say "they are all heart"?

What does that mean when we say that?

Usually when we say someone speaks from the heart, we mean they speak with a certain amount of 'down-to-earth-ness'. They speak with a great deal of realness. It means they speak with transparency. It means you can really see what is really going on inside of them when they speak because what they say really reveals what is 'in their heart'.

And when we say someone is 'all heart'...so and so does something with all his heart...it means we think they do it with everything they have and are.

We love people who speak from the heart and who are all heart. I think in a world were too many people can wear masks because of fear of the consequences of

being who they are, it is refreshing when we encounter people who are all heart or who speak from the heart.

Well Friday was a special feast day in our Church, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

You know why we love Jesus so much? Many reasons...i.e. He died on the cross for us so we could be forgiven of our sins and go to Heaven...etc....but in addition to that, one of those reasons is because Jesus always speaks from the heart and is always all heart in whatever he does.

Jesus perfectly and purely reveals the depths of his thinking and feeling in his actions at every moment and in every word. There is no duplicity in him. His words reflect his thoughts and his thoughts reflect his feelings and all these are reflected in his actions.

Unfortunately, we as humans still have the effects of original sin and so these things get out of balance with us. We say what we don't mean. We think differently that we say. We have to force ourselves to do things because our feelings tell us to do something bad. But once in a while, in our lives, our feelings, these things line up perfectly, our thoughts, feelings and actions, and we at that moment 'speak from the heart' and are 'all heart.' We love good actors in movies because they are so good at being actors that they actually sort of trick us.

We are drawn to the heart of Jesus because it is so pure. And we are blessed because Jesus is so transparent in what is in his heart that he will freely show it to whoever asks him to reveal it. And when we gaze upon it, it makes us feel wonderful.

And it also helps us to become more integrated. When we pray, which is what is happening when we are gazing into the heart of Jesus, Jesus helps us to have a better symmetry between our thoughts, feelings and actions. They become better and purer, and more integrated. And our heart starts to look more like His.

Say your prayers. God Bless - Fr Rossi

News & Announcements:

Dogs for adoption - Hello all. I wanted to let you know that we as a parish recently inherited 2 dogs from a parishioner who died and left them to the parish. They are both approximately 5 years old and look like a yellow lab mix. We are currently looking for homes for them. If you are interested or know someone who might be please email the office for more info. Thank you! - Fr Rossi.

Welcome: Welcome to our new members Zachary Gonzalez and Helen Walkup.

Sharing Sunday: Please mark your calendars for **the next Sharing Sunday which will be July 2nd**. Please bring nonperishable foods to be donated.

Nursery Workers: As our parish grows we need more nursery workers during the 10:45 mass. You do not have to have young children to help out. Even though we have moms and grandmas helping in our nursery those who love children are encouraged to volunteer! Please consider this important ministry. Contact Jane Murphy (804) 267-1935.

Join us on Sunday July 2nd: after mass to celebrate the 65th Birthday of Father Frank! If you would like to help please contact Eddie & Donna Baird at 804.346.9476.

Ministers Needed: As we grow as a parish we find ourselves in need of several ministers to ensure weekend Masses are celebrated seamlessly. Duties are easy to learn and you will be scheduled only once a month. Please reach out to Billie Keating with your interest and for details on becoming a Greeter/Usher, Altar Server or Sacristan. 804 347-7919; bjk6269@comcast.net

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): The RCIA is the process where the Catholic Church welcomes new adult members into the Church. Adults wishing to learn more should please contact Fred Powell or Ryland Paxton.

Baptisms: Baptisms are held at mass the first Sunday of the month. Baptism class is required prior to Baptizing your first child. **The next class will be held on 9/3/17 at 1pm in the parish hall.** If you are interested in attending a class & scheduling your child's Baptism, contact Kathy Buttner.

Visitation to the sick and homebound – If you or someone you know would like a visit and Holy Communion at their home. Please call the office at 737-8028. Office staff will ensure the information will be relayed to Visitation Ministry individuals.

Church Support as of 6/18/17

Weekly

Actual	\$2,688.95
Budgeted	<u>\$4,107.00</u>
Difference	(\$1,418.05)

Year to Date

Actual	\$200,218.21
Budgeted	<u>\$205,413.00</u>
Difference	(\$5,194.79)

Attendance for 6/17& 18/2017: 23/182

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SPC Emergency #: 804-402-1221 - If someone is dying or has died and you would like to talk with a priest, please call the emergency number at any time.

Bulletin: All bulletin submissions must be emailed to Michelle Dawson the Tuesday prior by noon.