Saint Patrick Catholic Church

April 30-May 1, 2016

Mass times: Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 10:45am

Confession: Saturday at 4:30pm

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Nursery: Available at 10:45 mass

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.

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 the SPC office or email Fred Powell: fmpjr2009@aol.com or Ryland Paxton: paxtonrl8229@mbc.edu.

Baptisms: Baptisms are held the first Sunday of the month during Mass. Baptism class for new parents is held at 1 p.m. in the parish hall. The next class will be held on July 10 and remaining classes this year will be the second Sunday of September and November. If you are interested in attending a class and scheduling your child's Baptism, contact Kathy Buttner. Baptism information is on our website under the Sacraments tab. If you have additional questions, please contact the office.

Message from our Pastor:

Hello all,

This week I want to let you know how our first Wednesday evening meal at St Peter turned out. GREAT!

It was excellent. We have never done an evening meal before, so it was a big and new endevour. We had a good number of individuals whom we fed. We expect the number to grow. We had a great group of volunteers from St Patrick who did the work (as well as a few other folks from St Peter, St. John and elsewhere). St Patrick will be covering the third Wednesday of each month. It went smooth and was calm and peaceful and a good time. I consider this an absolute confirmation that it is according to God's will. This is a good sign of Him leading and guiding this.

If you would like to get involved, please email John Glynn at St Patrick at john@leadminepond.com. We would love to put you to work for God. But if you email, please be patient for a response as there is still tons of coordinating going on. We especially need leaders who will help with coordinating and taking responsibility over a certain night. Think about it. Better yet, pray about it. Hope you are enjoying the wonderful weather. I love it.

One final thing I thought of...as spring and summer approaches, we look forward to vacations and time to be with family and relax. Remember, there is no such thing as a complete vacation without regular Mass attendance. I am nearly certain wherever we might go for vacation there is a Catholic Church. We are not excused from Sunday/Holy Day Mass attendance because we are in Nags Head, Florida, Canada, Mexico, or wherever we travel. In fact, vacation should be a time when we have a little MORE time to pray and worship God and give Him thanks for giving us so much luxury that we can in fact go on vacation. He spoils us. So we should at least say thank you. "Eucharist" means thanksgiving... remember?!?

Fr Rossi

Community Life - Michelle Dawson

Town Hall Meeting on Finances: on Sunday, May 1st Mass we will have a town hall meeting in the basement to discuss the budget for the upcoming year. All are invited to attend. Some have asked to understand more about how the parish is doing financially. I invite all who consider this your home to attend. If this is our home, then we must find a way to come up with a plan for spending for the next year. The preliminary budget shows a deficit of approximately \$43k (i.e. we are in the hole \$43k). Copies of the budget will be provided at the meeting."

Celebrating 30 Years: Father Frank Wiggins our Parochial Vicar at St. Patrick's, will be celebrating his 30th anniversary of his ordination this month. Please join us on Sunday, May 15, 2016 after 10.45 mass in the church hall as we celebrate his 30 years of service and dedication to the church. Please contact Donna or Eddie Baird at 804.346.9476 or at donnahbaird@yahoo.com for additional info.

<u>May: the month of Mary, our Blessed Mother</u>. You are invited to honor her by placing flowers from your garden on St. Patrick's Mary altar throughout the month.

Mother's Day Bruch: Join us after mass on 5/8/16 for our annual Mother's Day Bruch.

<u>Thank You</u>: Neither of us are fond of making speeches so we want to take this opportunity to say a big THANK YOU to Jane Murphy & all the people that helped her to put on a great dinner and all the people that came to it. It was a beautiful evening spent with good friends.

Thank You! Mike & Tobie

Outreach & Social Ministry - Heather Coleman

MCV Hospital Ministry: I am very excited to see that we have 15 parishioners signing up for this new Ministry at MCV. A few parishioners have talked to me about this new ministry and are very excited in helping out. We will gather for a workshop at St. Patrick's on Saturday May 21 at 11:00am. This meeting will be about an hour. I will introduce you to the following: The Communion Rite of the Sick, proper manners involving entering into a patient's room, introduction to MCV and questions and answers. Please let me know if you are planning to come or if you can't make it. My email is padreop@verizon.net or you can could call the office at 1-804-8028. Thanks you for volunteering in this much needed Ministry.

St. Peter's Food Pantry Needs Our Help: The food pantry over at St. Peter's Church is in need of non-perishables for their food pantry. Please bring items to the parish hall a table will set up a table for collection.

Faith Formation - Kathy Buttner

Bible Study: Meets on Thursdays at 10:30 am in the Social Hall downstairs.

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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.

Year to date budgeted: \$190,307.00 Year to date actual income: \$144,882.35

Current loss: \$45,424.65

March 19-20 attendance: 33/165