

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

June 25-26, 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

Community Life - Michelle Dawson

Graduate Students: Are a graduate student in the area trying to stay connected with your faith as you navigate the insane waters of a graduate program? Looking for other Catholics who understand what you're going through? If so, we invite you to connect with the Catholic Graduate Student Organization (CGSO) at VCU/MCV. For more information, contact Mario Dance (medance@vcu.edu) or MaryRebecca Anderson (maryranderson31@gmail.com) For more information or find us online at "Catholic Graduate Student Organization @ VCU"

First Friday Adoration and Confessions at St. Patrick: Friday, July 1, 7-8pm: Join Dcn. Miguel and Fr. Danny for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick this coming Friday. Come spend some time with the Lord, and there will be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Holiness is always in season!

Children's Religious Education - Donna Baird

SUMMMER TIME: Though our classes are over for the year, we will be making materials available to all children and their families in the parish to continue their Catholic studies through the summer. Our second set of materials in our series will be "Pope Francis' Five Finger Prayer" Please stop by today in the social hall to pick up a copy for your child

Faith Formation - Kathy Butner

Bible Study: For the summer Bible Study meets every other Thursday during the summer at 10:30 am in the Social Hall. We are discussing Pope Francis' Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation on Love in The Family. The books are available for \$12.00. The dates are June 30th, July 14th and 28, and Aug. 11th and 25th. All are welcome!

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: fmpir2009@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.

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.

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Message from our Pastor:

Hello all!

As you all know, our own Father Danny is being transferred August 1. I am very happy for him, although I will miss him. I joked in my homily last week, as I was talking about all the little things that people we live with do that annoy us: I said living with Fr Danny is sort of like living with a saint...he never does anything annoying!

I am very grateful for his work this past year. Father Danny has been very helpful in serving the needs of these parishes. He is faithful and reverent in administering the Sacraments, reliable when given an important responsibility, and never beyond helping with even trivial/mundane but necessary tasks. I know he will make a great pastor. But pray for him, because he will have a great deal of responsibility.

We were going to have a 1-year anniversary party for him at St Peter on June 30th at St Peter at 6:30pm. BUT, since he is moving we are going to make it a COMBINED ANNIVERSARY/GOING AWAY PARTY. Please join us to celebrate his one-year anniversary as well as wish him well as he moves to this new assignment. PLEASE RSVP with a simple email to the office at St Peter (stpeterchurch2@aol.com) or call the office (804-643-4315).

Also, one thing about today. Today, had it fallen on a weekday, is the feast day of St Josemaria Escriva, an amazing saint who in 1928 founded a group called Opus Dei (meaning 'work of God'). It is a personal prelature in the Church, a religious organization with over 90,000 members. 98% of its members are lay and 2% are priests.

It is a wonderful organization that has as its special focus the sanctification of our daily labors. Whether it be washing dishes, cleaning toilets, performing brain surgery, typing at a computer...its tenets hold that holiness and sanctification can be found through these tasks, when done in the right spirit and for the right reasons. This is not a new concept in the Church, but it is one that this group has wonderfully highlighted.

St Josemaria wrote a great book called "The Way." It's full of excellent quotes. He was tough but truthful. I leave you with a few quotes of his.

"Understand this well: there is something holy, something divine hidden in the most ordinary situations, and it is up to each one of you to discover it"

"I assure you, my children, that when a Christian carries out with love the most insignificant everyday action, that action overflows with the transcendence of God. That is why I have told you so often, and hammered away at it, that the

Christian vocation consists in making heroic verse out of the prose of each day. Heaven and earth seem to merge, my children, on the horizon. But where they really meet is in your hearts, when you sanctify your everyday lives..."

"Either we learn to find the Lord in the ordinary everyday life or else we shall never find him"

"Don't say, 'That person bothers me.' Think: 'That person sanctifies me'."

"To defend his purity, Saint Francis of Assisi rolled in the snow, Saint Benedict threw himself into a thorn bush, and Saint Bernard plunged into an icy pond... You - what have you done?"

"You always leave the Rosary for later, and you end up not saying it at all because you are sleepy. If there is no other time, say it in the street without letting anybody notice it. It will, moreover, help you to have presence of God."

"You don't know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, 'Lord, I don't know how to pray!' you can be sure you have already begun."

"You're bored? That's because you keep your senses awake and your soul asleep."

"Compromise is a word found only in the vocabulary of those who have no will to fight."

"You need a heart which is in love, not an easy life, to achieve happiness."

"All the things that are now worrying you can be put into a smile which shows your love of God."

"Put your heart aside. Duty comes first. But when fulfilling your duty, put your heart into it. It helps."

"Temptation is necessary to make us realize that we are nothing in ourselves"

Have a great week! - Fr Rossi

Weekly Budget: \$4,866.00

Collection week of 6/19/16: \$2,672.76

(includes E-giving for the week)

Weekly Loss/Gain 6/19/16: \$2,193.24

Year to date budgeted: \$229,235.00

Year to date actual income: \$174,459.93

Current loss: \$54,775.07

Attendance June 18-19: 32/180