

# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

## December 19-20, 2015

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Mass times:** Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 10:45am

**Confession:** Saturday at 4:30pm

**Rosary:** Sunday at 10:10am

**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](mailto:fmpir2009@aol.com) or Ryland Paxton: [paxtonrl8229@mbc.edu](mailto:paxtonrl8229@mbc.edu).

**Baptisms:** Baptisms are held the first Sunday of the month during Mass. Baptism class for new parents is held the second Sunday every other month at 1 p.m. in the basement. The next class is January 10. Please contact Kathy Buttner if you are interested in attending the class and for scheduling your child's Baptism. Baptism information is on our website under the Sacraments tab. If you have additional questions, please contact the office.

**Nursery:** is available at our Sunday 10:45am mass every week downstairs in the social hall.

**Rosary:** Please join in saying the rosary each Sunday at 10:10am. There is also a need for more rosary leaders if interested. Contact Kathy Butner.

**Confessions:** Are offered each Saturday at 4:30pm in the confessional located at the front of the Church to the left...just come on in.

**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.

## Message from our Pastor:

*Hello everyone! Well? Are you ready?*

*The most significant event that ever happened to humankind is going to be occurring this Friday.*

*The Birth of the Savior of the World.*

*Do you know what that means?*

*If Friday does not happen, no one can go to heaven.*

*If Friday does not happen, when we die we turn to dust and that's it.*

*If Friday does not happen, we will never see our loved ones again who have died.*

*If Friday does not happen, and you are poor, sick, lonely, afraid, angry, cynical, frustrated or sad, then there is no hope for a relief from those feelings.*

*We owe everything to God for the risk He took in becoming a man; in becoming a little child. Even the joys of this world would be meaningless unless they are situated within the context of a greater destiny that humanity has because of what God does on Friday.*

*A little boy. A little infant, will change the eternal destiny of mankind.*

*Get ready. It's going to be glorious. - Fr. Rossi*

## **Today's Music:**

**Gathering: 331 – God of All People**

**Psalm: Psalm 80 “Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.”**

**Gifts: 783 – Sing of Mary**

**Communion 1: 323 – Come O Long Expected Jesus**

**Communion 2: 328 – My Soul in Stillness**

**Sending Forth: 486 – The King of Glory**

## **Community Life - Michelle Dawson**

**Special Thank you:** Did you notice? The brass has been polished, pews & floors were dusted & cleaned and how wonderful Savior's House looks for celebrating his birth. A special thank you to the Bible Study class for all the hard work & time given in getting our church ready for our celebration. Thank you!

**Thank you:** Thank you to all the hard work put in by those for the Santa Breakfast it was a great time for wonderful food and fellowship! Thank you!

**Thank you:** From the St. Francis home to the members of our Bible study as well as members of our choir who entertained residents with Christmas music as well as some treats! Was a nice celebration of Christmas and resident's birthdays!

**PRAYER REQUEST:** Please pray for the health of Father Alistair McKay who has been diagnosed with liver and lung cancer Fr. McKay appreciates your prayers on his behalf. Cards may be sent to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 314 Turner Road Salem Virginia 24153

**From the Office of Vocations:** "It is by God's will that we have been sanctified." How is God calling you to grow in holiness? If He may be inviting you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Father Michael G. Boehling, Vicar for Vocations, (804) 359-5661, or write: mboehling@richmonddiocese.org.

## **Faith Formation - Kathy Buttner**

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

## **Outreach & Social Ministry - Heather Coleman**

**FOOD DRIVE:** We will be collecting food items for Commonwealth Catholic Charities Food Pantry now through Epiphany Sunday. There are some list still in the church hall and all donations can be left down there as well!

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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:** \$97,853.00

**Year to date actual income:** \$81,607.75

**Current loss:** \$16,245.25

**December 12-13 attendance:** 34-216