

June 18-19, 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

Message from our Pastor:

Dear all,

Couple things.

First, thank you very very much to all who organized a great lunch and party for Father Mike Boehling last weekend at St Patrick. It went wonderful and was lastminute decision to have the party. People pulled together and worked hard. Thank you very much. Secondly, we are going to have a dinner at St Peter on Thursday June 30 at 6:30pm for Fr Danny as he celebrates the big 1-year anniversary to ordination. Please join us. Thirdly, this past Friday we had a wonderful Mass and celebration for Father Frank's 30th anniversary as a priest. For 30 years he has labored in the vineyard, made himself available to be used by God, served at the altar, forgiven sins through the Church's absolution, prepared people to meet God at the end of their lives, supported families who have lost love ones, helped couples to make the lifelong commitment of marriage, washed away the original sin of many through baptism, as well as many, many other occasions of being used by God as a vessel of grace.

I am thankful to God for Fr Frank and his vocation, for Fr Danny and his vocation and for Fr Mike and his vocation. These men have laid down their lives in service to God and others.

When I think about how many lives a priest touches in a single day, how many moments when a priest is present for some very significant event in the life of a person, and how many moments I cannot even remember from the last three years of priesthood because there are so many, I can only imagine what it will be like after 10, 20, 30 or 50 years.

Priesthood is an amazing life. God uses priests in supernatural ways.

The other thing I am noticing about being a priest, now that I am becoming such a veteran (at 3 years), is that priesthood gets better every year. I would confess that my hardest year as a priest was probably the first year. But it has become more fulfilling, enjoyable and exciting with each passing day...and that is not an exaggeration. This past year I have spent at these parishes in Richmond has been amazing. What it will be like in 30 years, I can only imagine.

I wonder if marriage is like that? I think that it is supposed to be like that. All good things only get better with age.

Let me say one final thing as a side: I am sure you are also aware concerning your priests that although Jesus is perfect and never makes a mistake, we his priest are not. We make many mistakes and have many limitations. We his priests are very human. We speak too humanly sometimes and act too humanly sometimes in spite of being called to a lofty vocation. We offer what we have, as imperfectly as we are, hoping that God might use it for something to His glory. Nevertheless, we are here for you and for whatever need you may have. Do not hesitate to approach us with your thoughts, needs or concerns. And always please support us with your prayers. We promise to do the same for you and all your loves ones. - Fr Rossi

Weekly Budget: \$4,866.00 Collection week of 6/12/16: \$3,573,50 (includes E-giving for the week) Weekly Loss/Gain 6/12/16: \$1,292.505 Year to date budgeted: \$224,369.00 Year to date actual income: \$169,907.17 Current loss: \$54,461.83 Attendance June 11-12: 33/189

Community Life - Michelle Dawson

Funeral Ministry: We are in search of a new lead of St. Patrick's funeral ministry, i.e., altar set up and break down for funeral masses. Generally, there is less than one funeral mass each month and your volunteer time is very minimal. Notification is usually three days in advance of the morning mass. Training is easy and includes practice and shadowing. Please reach out to Billie Keating @(804) 347-7919 or <u>bjk6269@comcast.net</u> to chat about this important and necessary ministry.

Fr. Danny will celebrate his first anniversary of

ordination this month: There will be a reception on Thursday, June 30, 6:30 pm, at St. Peter's Church. All are invited to celebrate with Fr. Danny. RSVP is requested by June 23, 2016. Please call the office, 804-643-4315 or email: <u>stpeterchurch2@aol.com</u>.

<u>Father's Day</u>: Please join us in a picnic luncheon after 10:45 mass today.

Children's Religious Education - Donna Baird

Religious Education Volunteers

Adult volunteers are needed to make Religious Education a success at St. Patrick! Please consider giving of your time and talent to the children of our Parish. No experience is necessary. See Donna Baird for more information or you can contact her at 804.888.3470 or <u>donnahbaird@yahoo.com</u>. Classes will begin in the fall.

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 16th and 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: <u>fmpjr2009@aol.com</u> or Ryland Paxton: <u>paxtonrl8229@mbc.edu</u>.

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.

<u>Visitation to the sick and homebound</u> – 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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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.