# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

May 12-13, 2018 **The Ascension of the Lord.** 

## **Mass times:**

Saturday at 5:30pm & Sunday at 10:45am **Nursery:** Available at 10:45 mass

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

## **Confession:**

Saturday at 4:30 pm or by appointment.



# Message from our Pastor:

Dear all.

I have some unfortunate news. We did not meet our goal for the Bishop's Annual Appeal for St. Patrick and St. John. Fortunately, we did meet our goal at St. Peter. We conducted the annual appear a few weeks ago. Remember we made everyone get a card in the pews and fold it up and put it in their pockets? Did you leave it in your pocket?

Please consider making a donation to the annual appeal. We are not far from our goal and I know we can make it. The Appeal supports seminarians, retired priests, Hispanic ministry, ministry to the poor in Appalachia and many other good causes across the Diocese. It is a very good cause to support. If you are reading this then please make a donation to the Annual appeal, at least something. I know we can reach our goal, we usually do. I was surprised to find out that we did not this year. But I believe there are many generous people in our parish who step up when necessary, so I hope you can find a way to do that for this cause. Thank you for your generosity. God has given us plenty and we show the effect of faith in our hearts when we give back generously.

Also, I want to say a very special Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers in our parishes. Moms, Grand moms, Godmoms, and all who play a motherly role in the lives of others. Especially we all say Happy Mother's Day to our spiritual Mother in Heaven who loves and intercedes for us and the whole world.

Mothers play such an important role in the development of young people. They work long hours (whether in the home or outside of it), sacrifice much and are paid little or nothing. It can often be a thankless job.

So it is good and important that we as a society take a day to thank mother's for the important role they play in our individual lives and in society at large. If we individually do a better job of thanking mothers and honoring their sacrifice, we can encourage society to appropriately revere the vocation of being a mother and place it in its proper context, which is above any given career that the culture says women must attain in order to be successful. The vocation of mother is more critical than doctors, executives, senators, even presidents. In fact, there's a slim chance of attaining any of those titles without first receiving the blessings and sacrifices made by a good and loving mom. Moms change the world. They nurture the heart that leads to greatness in the next generation.

So thank you mom. Please keep doing what you're doing. God said it is not the tasks and titles that everyone exalts which show the Christian ideal, but rather the hidden and humble actions done with great love and devotion. Moms exemplify that for us all.

Fr Rossi



## Church Support as of 4/29/18

## **Weekly**

 Actual
 \$4,019.00

 Budgeted
 \$4.221.00

 Difference
 -\$202.00

#### Year to Date

 Actual
 \$168,483.00

 Budgeted
 \$189,945.00

 Difference
 (\$21,462.00)

Attendance for 5/5/18 = 23 and 5/6/18 = 215

## **News & Announcements:**

**Thank you:** Thanks to everyone who made our May Procession last Sunday a wonderful event honoring the Blessed Mother. Special thanks to Donna Baird who pulled it all together.

Mother's Day Brunch: Please join us in celebrating this special day for all our mothers with brunch after 10:45 mass in our social hall.

**Volunteers:** Please consider volunteering to help with assisting with set-up & clean-up following our Sunday after mass refreshments. If interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact Eddie Baird at 986.2898.

**Sharing Sunday**: Mark your calendars.....the next Sharing Sunday is June 3rd. Please bring nonperishable food items. A table will be in the basement for collection.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): An RCIA class will be starting at SPC. Anyone interested is welcome to join the class. Adults wishing to learn more should contact Fred Powell or Ryland Paxton

**Baptisms** - Baptisms are held during the Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Baptism class is required prior to baptizing your first child. **Two more classes** will be held during 2018. The dates are as follows: July 1 and October 7. If you are interested in attending a class and scheduling your child's Baptism, contact Kathy Buttner. Please note you may attend class prior to the birth of your baby.

#### 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.



## **Mailing address:** St. Patrick's Church,

813 West Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs, VA 23075

**Office Phone number:** 804-737-8028

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

## **Communion Meditation Song**

## "Revelation Song"

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Holy, holy is Thee Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat

#### **Refrain**:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty Who was and is and is to come With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings You are my everything and I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows of living color Flashes of lighting rolls of thunder Blessing and honor strength and glory and power be To You the only wise King

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder At the mention of Your name Jesus Your name is power, breath and living water Such a marvelous mystery



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