

Saint Patrick Catholic Church



August 11th & 12th, 2018
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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:

We recently sent our seminarian back to seminary. Deacon Cassidy Stinson finished his summer assignment last week and now heads off to retreat and then back to seminary for one more year of school before ordination to the priesthood. The summer went by fast. He will be back to serve in our parishes over the Christmas and Easter holidays in the up-coming year.

Please continue to pray for him and for all the seminarians as they pursue God's call to follow Him. It is a very counter-cultural commitment and

supernatural vocation. It takes tons of grace (help from God).

Now that he has left I can comment on him and the other seminarians and not be an occasion towards tempting them to pride.

We have had three seminarians in recent years and it is encouraging to witness their faith and love for the Church. There was a time in our Diocese and in many places that vocations to the priesthood was not pursued and even discouraged, and the effects were detrimental.

But slowly and surely, God has been inspiring young men to sacrifice their lives for His Bride the Church.

It can be terribly discouraging to hear of bad things done by members of the clergy and hierarchy. There has recently been a story in the news about this and if it is true, it is a wicked and evil thing.

But God continues to call young men (and women) to serve the Church and lay down their lives in priestly and religious vocations.

None of them are perfect, except your humble pastor, but they are serious and committed to the truth as given by God to the Catholic Church. And they know it is the path to happiness and holiness and to make present the Kingdom of God on earth.

Again, please pray for them and for more open hearts among young men and women who God is calling to follow Him in this special way. For those whom He calls, there is no path more fulfilling.

Fr Rossi

Church Support as of 8/5/18

Not available at the time of this writing.

News & Announcements:

Kroger Community Awards Program: Receiving a charitable donation from the Kroger Company for our Saint Patrick parish is so easy! It only depends on you enrolling your Kroger Plus Card and then shopping with your card. To enroll, visit www.kroger.com/communityrewards and follow the prompts. If you would rather enroll by telephone, call 800 576-4377, select option 3 and explain that you want to enroll your card with Saint Patrick Catholic Church (213 N 25th Street, Richmond, VA 23223) **organization # 89764**. Thank you so much for taking your time to enroll and for the rewards we can achieve together.

Religious Education 2018/2019: It's time to enroll children grades kindergarten through Confirmation in St. Patrick Religious Education Program. **Children must be enrolled by 9/2 in order to ensure the purchase of the correct educational material.** Classes will begin on Sunday, 9/9, from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. We will have class the first three Sundays each month. Please see Donna Baird about registration & if you have questions, contact her at 804-888-3470 or donnahbaird@yahoo.com.

The Knights of Columbus: For the month of August our K of C. at St. Patrick will be collecting school supplies for All Saints Catholic School. There will be a collection box in the social hall for the month of August. Please consider donating items such as paper, pencils, pens, glue sticks, crayons, tissues, hand sanitizer, and Clorox wipes. Thank you!

Sharing Sunday: Mark your calendars now for the next Sharing Sunday which is **September 5th**. Remember your non-perishable food items. A Sharing Sunday table will be in the basement for collection.

Reminder: Just a friendly reminder. There is no off-street parking behind the church. We have been notified that some people have been parking in spaces that are reserved for our neighbors that live behind us. The building behind us only has 11 residences and 11 spaces. Please help us be a good neighbor and refrain from parking in the back.

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. **One more class will be held during 2018.** The next date is 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.**

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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.

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.

