

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

May 14-15, 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

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.

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: fmpjr2009@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.

Message from our Pastor:

Today is the birthday of the Holy Catholic Church! Did you know that!!!

Today God founded the Church when He gave the power for people to offer their lives in sacrifice for its glorification. Today God gave the Holy Spirit to the Apostles over 2,000 years ago...and He still gives it every single day.

The Holy Spirit has many, many, many functions. It gives us power to overcome adversity in the name of God. It gives us fearlessness to speak the truth in spite of persecution. The Spirit makes us joyful when most would be sad. The Spirit heals our bodies from sickness and our minds from mental sickness. The Spirit helps us forgive those who have hurt us. It also reminds us of when we have hurt other and gets us to be sure we reconcile and say "I'm sorry." The Spirit gives us spiritual knowledge and insight. It helps us to discern the truth in difficult situations...beyond just what our feelings tell us. The Spirit helps us to have an interior passion and zeal for God and pleasing Him (the opposite is apathy). The Spirit also helps us to take delight in prayer and worship of God (prayer feels good, and is not drudgery). The Spirit even does seemingly strange things (seemingly) like help people to pray in tongues!!! I have seen the Spirit change someone's voice...they couldn't carry a tune in a bucket but prayed to God and God gave them a special outpouring of the Spirit and now that person has an amazing voice for God and uses it continually to glorify God in the Church and lead people in music.

This is just a small list. Miracles are performed through the Spirit every day. The more we pray, the more we see them.

Give thanks to God for the Spirit. And ask Him to be even more generous with it so that our Christian lives and the yoke we carry after our Lord will be as he said "easy and light."

Fr. Rossi

Community Life - Michelle Dawson

Thank you: Dear all - I wanted to say thank you for all who came to the town hall meeting. It was a very good discussion. There will be some changes in future months in how we present financial data, in how we receive and welcome and record new parishioners, and in our discussion of giving. Please stay tuned and please pray for our parish. God Bless. Fr Rossi.

Thanks: The Knight of Columbus would like to thank everyone for their generosity during last week's collection to support God's Special People that supports people suffering with mental disabilities.

Celebrating 30 Years: Please join us after 10:45 mass to celebrate Father Wiggins and the 30th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

May: the month of Mary, our Blessed Mother. You are invited to honor her by placing flowers from your garden on St. Patrick's Mary altar throughout the month.

Outreach & Social Ministry - Heather Coleman

MCV Hospital Ministry: I am very excited to see that we have 15 parishioners signing up for this new Ministry at MCV. A few parishioners have talked to me about this new ministry and are very excited in helping out. We will gather for a workshop at St. Patrick's on Saturday May 21 at 11:00am. This meeting will be about an hour. I will introduce you to the following: The Communion Rite of the Sick, proper manners involving entering into a patient's room, introduction to MCV and questions and answers. Please let me know if you are planning to come or if you can't make it. My email is padreop@verizon.net or you can call the office at 1-804-8028. Thanks you for volunteering in this much needed Ministry.

Volunteers Needed: The St Patrick's Social Ministry also support a homeless veterans shelter, Liberation Family Service, by preparing and serving a meal for their 25 residents the 5th Sunday of the Month. We need few volunteers on Sunday May 29th to cook and serve. If available to volunteer please contact Heather Coleman heatherscolem@yahoo.com

St. Peter's Food Pantry Needs Our Help: The food pantry over at St. Peter's Church is in need of non-perishables for their food pantry. Please bring items to the parish hall a table will set up a table for collection.

Faith Formation - Kathy Buttner

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

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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: \$200,039.00
Year to date actual income: \$154,416.35
Current loss: \$45,622.25
April 2-3 attendance: 29/225