

Saint Patrick Catholic Church



December 15th-16th, 2018
Third Sunday of Advent

Mass times:

Saturday at 5:30pm & Sunday at 10:45am

Christmas Eve 12/24 at 6pm.
Christmas Day 12/25 at 10am.
Solemnity of Mary 1/1 at 10am

Nursery is available during 10:45 mass.

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Confession: 30 minutes before & after mass



Church Support as of 12/9/18

Weekly

Actual	\$4,258.00
Budgeted	<u>\$3,981.00</u>
Difference	-\$277.00

Year to Date

Actual	\$68,665.59
Budgeted	<u>\$95,544.00</u>
Difference	(\$26,878.41)

Count: 12/8: 54 and 12/9: 90

Message from our Pastor:

Hello all,

Today for the pastor's message I want to draw your attention to our budget deficit that we are currently in at St Patrick. Remember last year how we had we had an increased offertory campaign and folks filled out pledge cards committing to increased weekly giving? We were doing great after that. But what happened? Why is giving down so significantly this year? We are on track to be in the red by \$60K by the end of the year. That is not good. The theme of our increased offertory campaign was 'honor the Lord with your wealth.'

This Advent season I encourage you to do just that. Especially if you've had a good year financially, I encourage you to show your thanks to God by giving Him a Christmas bonus at St Patrick. This will help us meet the financial needs of the parish and pay our bills.

You can never outdo God in generosity. If you are generous to Him, He promises a 100-fold return on your gift. I promise you there is not another investment that will give you a return like that!

Fr Rossi



Don't forget Santa Breakfast!

Join us Sunday after mass for

breakfast

and a special visitor!

News & Announcements:

JOIN US: Come join us on our annual Christmas visit with the residents of the St Francis Home on Saturday Dec 22 at 10 am. We will be delivering cards & candy that will be provided however handmade cards and treats are encouraged! What a wonderful Christmas event that your whole family can participate in. Contact Eddie Baird at 804.986.2898 and let him know if you can attend or if you have questions. We will meet at 10am at St. Francis Home located at 65 West Clopton Street, Richmond 23225.

Diocesan News: Following the listening sessions held throughout the diocese in October, Bishop Knestout renewed his commitment to leading the Diocese with transparency, faith and direct action. A webpage has been created to help the faithful stay informed of the diocese's response to the present crisis in the Church. A video interview with Bishop as he answers the faithful's most frequently asked questions, a timeline of actions taken within the diocese to address the crisis, and resources to learn how Bishop Knestout is answering the call for accountability is available at www.richmonddiocese.org/dioceseresponse.

Offertory Envelopes: The 2019 sets of offering envelopes with your name in alphabetical order are and you wish to use envelopes, please call the office and they will gladly furnish you a set.

Sharing Sunday: Mark your calendars now for the next Sharing Sunday which is **January 6th**. Remember your non-perishable food items.

Baptisms - Baptisms are held during the Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Baptism class is required prior to baptizing your first child. Upcoming class dates are 1/6,3/31,7/7, and 10/6. If you are interested in attending a class or scheduling your child's Baptism, contact Kathy Buttner. Please note you may attend class prior to the birth of your baby.

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus: First we want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas. We also want to take this time to thank everyone who participated in the Appalachian Christmas Project and bought gifts. They were delivered this past week to the families they benefited. Again, thank you & Merry Christmas.



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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.