# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

February 16th & 17th, 2019 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Mass times:

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

Nursery is available during 10:45 mass.

**Rosary:** Sunday at 10:10am

**Confession:** Saturday at4:30 pm or by appointment.



## <u>essage from </u>our Pastor

In a few weeks you will be receiving in the mail the Bishop's annual appeal. In a few weeks we will show a video at Mass to show you what the money will be used for. I wanted to give you a heads up with this message and am asking you to be generous.

Each year we ask for money to support the work of the diocese. The money you give each week at the parish is for the parish. A small portion goes to the diocese to support the work that they do. But it is not enough to pay for all the big activities that they do.

Just a week ago we had a youth convention here in Richmond. We had over 1200 teenagers and over 400 college students at the event. It is a significant spiritual experience in their lives at a time when they need it most. This conference is put on by the Office of Evangelization which is supported in the work they do by the Bishop's annual appeal.

Many poor and medically-in-need folks across our diocese and especially in the poorest areas of southwest Virginia are helped through your donations to the Bishop's annual appeal. There are volunteer dentists and doctors and nurses who go out there every year and provide free care for folks. Your donations pay for gas and supplies. Have you ever had a toothache? I hope you were blessed enough to have a dentist to go to. Many folks out there do not. Your gift makes that possible.

Our seminarians are giving their entire lives in order to discern if they are being called to a life of simplicity, celibacy, and obedience in service to the Kingdom of God. Your donations to the Bishop's annual appeal allows them to go to seminary and pray and discern without having to accrue a ton of debt. If you love priests, if you love the Eucharist, if you love having your sins forgiven, then please support our seminarians and give to the Bishop's annual appeal.

When our priests get old, they deserve to have health care and a reasonable place to live. Many of them end up at the Little Sisters of the Poor or at one of the nursing homes in our diocese. Your gift to the Bishop's annual appeal makes sure they have health care and food and shelter when they retire. Most work until they are absolutely physically unable to even say Mass anymore. Some of our local pastors here in Richmond are running large parishes and are well into their 70's!!! Don't you think they should be taken care of when they finally decide to step down. Please be generous to the Bishop's annual appeal.

Finally, it should be noted that a good portion of the gifts made to the Bishop's annual appeal are given right back to us here at our parish. And we stretch those dollars. These are just a few of the good causes that are taken of by the Bishop's annual appeal. So I ask you to please be generous to the Bishop's annual appeal. If you can give \$100 that would be great. If you can give more than that I would be very grateful.

Please pray and ask God to open your heart to be generous to this Bishop's annual appeal. This is our family. This is our faith. There is nothing else more important. - Fr Rossi



## <u> Church Support as of 2/10/19</u>

#### **Weekly**

Actual \$2,194.31 Budgeted \$3,981.00 - \$1,786.69 Difference

#### **Year to Date**

Actual \$94,601.64 Budgeted \$131.373.00 Difference -\$36,771.36

#### **Attendance:**

**2/9/19** = 34 **2/10/19** = 140

**Total: 174** 

### News & Announcements:

<u>Irish Festival</u>: Our 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Irish Festival will be held the weekend of **March 23-24**<sup>th</sup>. We are having planning meetings after Sunday mass in the basement. **Please join us!** A great way to meet people in the parish especially for our new parishioners! <u>We will also have signup sheets for volunteering</u> downstairs after mass. Please consider giving your time for this great cause!

**BAKERS**: Calling all bakers in our parish, please consider makings something for the SPC bake sale table! Festival Goers look forward to our home-made treats so please consider making something! As well if you can't come volunteer for the festival great way to still be involved! They can be dropped off Thursday & Friday the week of the festival. (Contact person Kathy Buttner)

Volunteer Opportunity as SPC: The St. Patrick's Nursery needs a few more volunteers. Working in the nursery is a fun way to spend your Sunday morning especially if you enjoy children & a wonderful way to give back to our growing parish. Two volunteers are needed each week, and currently we do not have enough people to keep it staffed every Sunday of the month. If you are interested in helping or would like more information on the commitment, please contact Melanie Tazza. (Text 843-693-0975 / email at tazzamk@hotmail.com)

Message from Father Frank: I have been approached by several parishioners to lead a Bereavement Group at St. John's. A Bereavement group is helpful & therapeutic in working through the death & dying of a loved one. If you have experienced a death either in your family or know of someone who is dying; this group would be very helpful to you. Sessions will be held Thursdays at 10 am in the conference at St. Johns. They will start March 7th & continuing for 8 weeks. The last session will be 5/9. A signup sheet will be in the meeting hall and if you have any questions please call Fr. Frank at 1-804-737-8028.

**Social Ministry:** Thank you to everyone who came out to St. Francis Home for the Valentine's Day visit. Another visit for Easter will be planned so keep your eye out for more information and plan on coming!

<u>Mark your Calendars:</u> The next Sharing Sunday which is **March 3**<sup>rd</sup>. Remember your non-perishable food items. <u>Table in basement for drop off.</u>

**Pope Francis-A man of his word:** After this Sunday's mass 2/17 at 12:45 in the Social Hall there will be a special showing of the film. All are encouraged to attend the viewing of this highly acclaimed film on the Holy Father. Refreshments will be provided.

Brunswick Stew: The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Brunswick Stew sale on Saturday 3/2/19. Stew is \$8.00 a quart being sold on a first come first serve basis. A sign-up sheet will be in the social hall beginning 2/17. Those who sign up will be assured of getting the Stew in the event of an early sell out. If it isn't sold out extras will be available after mass on 3/3. For additional details or to reserve stew you can email Eddie Baird. Thank you for your support.

**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 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.

A Year of Prayer for Our Priests: Knights of Columbus Council 6936 has committed to a year of prayer in solidarity with our priests. Individual masses will be said for Father Rossi, Father Ernest and Father Frank. We would like to ask the members of our parishes to join with us & commit to praying a rosary, or other form of prayer at least once each month for our priests. Please pray for our priests and let's let them know we stand with them.



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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.

