

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

May 4th & 5th, 2019

Third Sunday of Easter



Mass times:

Saturdays at 5:30pm
& Sundays at 10:45am

Nursery is available during 10:45 mass.

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Confession:

Saturday at 4:30 pm or by appointment.

**Please welcome our newest members
celebrating the sacrament of Baptism
Christopher William, Parker White, and
Lilah Elizabeth.**

Message from our Pastor:

Happy Easter!!!

*I hope everyone is wonderfully enjoying the amazing
graces and joys of this beautiful Easter season. Life is in
the air everywhere!!!*

*For the pastor message I just want to say a word on the
renovations that have been completed to the sanctuary at
St John. As you all know we three parishes are a cluster
and so I want to invite folks from St Patrick and St Peter
to take a weekend at some point and come for Mass at St
John.*

*I want to comment on something we realized there. We
did not plan this but realized it during the Easter
Triduum (I will explain why this is significant).*

*First let me say that folks really stepped up in an amazing
way. We raised over our goal and I am completely blown
away at how generous folks were to the capital campaign.
I am blown away by the generosity at our parishes
whenever there is a need. Whether it be St Patrick, St
Peter or St John, I am amazed at how serious folks are
about their faith and taking care of their parishes.*

*So let me describe what we realized about the sanctuary
renovation at St John.*

*Directly behind the main altar is a beautiful rear altar in
the middle where the tabernacle is located. It is nice and
high and prominent as it should be, like a throne for our
King. Inside the tabernacle is the Real Presence the Body
of Christ, the Eucharist, which we know is from Mass and
was first celebrated by Jesus on Holy Thursday the day
before He died on the cross.*

*Above the tabernacle is a beautiful crucifix. I have been
told it is the crucifix from the old St John. Either way it is
beautiful and is hanging right above the tabernacle in the
middle. As you know, on Friday, Good Friday, Jesus died
on the cross which is depicted in every crucifix that we as
Catholics wear around our necks and on all the crucifixes
in our homes and on this beautiful one hanging right
above the tabernacle.*

*Lastly, above the crucifix, is a large mosaic of the
resurrected Christ. This large mosaic was installed in St
John during its construction and during our renovations
we intentionally designed the renovation of the sanctuary
so that it would not block but only highlight this large
mosaic. As you know, Christ rose from the dead on Easter.*

Do you see what I'm getting at???

*The entire Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the
events of Holy Saturday/Easter Sunday are depicted right
there in the middle of the Church for all to see. These
events are the central events of our faith. These events
are the reason we follow Christ as Catholics!!! And they
are all perfectly ordered, in order, ascending upward,
right in the middle of the Church.*

How cool is that?!?!?!?!?!?!?!?!!!!!!!!

*So I invite our folks from St Peter and St Patrick to stop by
and see the Church sometime. I also encourage the folks
from St John to stop by and see St Patrick and St Peter
sometime as well. I know that I often see folks move
between the three parishes which I think is good and
healthy. We are a family and I appreciate that we all act
accordingly. Hope you are still enjoying this wonderful
season!!! Happy Easter!!!!*

- Fr Rossi

News & Announcements:

THANK YOU: To our priests, deacon, altar servers, readers, and Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion for the wonderful and impeccable Easter Tridium. Thank you as well to the volunteers who beautify the church with all the beautiful flowers and decorations. We all appreciate your time and talent.

Join us on **May 12th** as we celebrate not only Mother's Day but First Communion Sunday. We will have a reception in the hall to celebrate the children receiving their first communion as well as honoring all our Mothers.

Sharing Sunday: **Mark your calendars the next Sharing Sunday is June 2nd.** Remember your non-perishable food items. Table in basement for drop off.

2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal: *Building Our Family of Faith* Over the past couple of months, many of our parishioners have contributed their support to the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. To date, we have raised **\$8,890** on a target of **\$9,580**. If you have already made your 2019 Appeal gift, please accept our gratitude for your commitment. If you are praying about your decision, we ask you to think about the ways the Appeal is making an impact right now in our Catholic Church. For instance, did you know - This year the Appeal, for the first time, is providing funding to Saint Francis Home which is a ministry serving seniors and disabled adults who have little or no means of income. The cost to educate one seminarian is approximately \$50,000 per year which includes room & board, tuition and health insurance. A significant portion of this cost is funded by the Annual Appeal. The Appeal is helping to move evangelization forward across our Diocese by providing training, materials and resources. If you have not had the opportunity to contribute, please pick up a pledge envelope from our parish office. You can also donate securely online, as well as learn more about the ministries the Appeal supports, by visiting richmondcatholicfoundation.org/giving/ann

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 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

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If someone is dying or has died & you would like to talk with a priest, please call the emergency number at any time.



Church Support as of 4/28/19

Weekly

Actual \$3,009.20

Budgeted **\$3,981.00**

Difference -\$971.80

Year to Date

Actual \$145,710.74

Budgeted **\$171,173.08**

Difference (\$25,462.34)

Attendance for

4/27/19 = 30 and 4/28/19 = 140