

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

December 24-25, 2019
Christmas



Mass Times:

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

Nursery is available during 10:45 mass.

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Confession:

Saturdays at 4:30 pm or by appointment.

Message from our Pastor:

Merry Christmas!!! We are so glad you decided to join us as we celebrate the birth of the Savior of the World!

No other event in history so changed the destiny of humanity as did the birth of God as a man, Jesus Christ. He is greatest gift humanity has ever received!

Today I specifically want to offer a word of welcome to any guests who may be new to our parish or who may have been away from the parish and are joining us today. Welcome!

Please know that you are welcome here each week as we offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no other weekly practice that can stimulate the spiritual life of an individual as much as regular and worthy participation in the Mass every week. If you are a parent, there is nothing better you can do for your children than bringing them to Mass so they can receive the graces God wants to give them at Mass. If you are married, there is nothing you can do to help strengthen your marriage than participating in the Mass as a couple each week. If you are single, there is nowhere you will receive direction from God as to what He wants for your life than at Mass. And if you are older, there is nothing better you can do to prepare your heart and soul to meet God than regularly participating in Mass.

Additionally, we are happy to help you with any other spiritual need you may have as you seek to make God a more significant part of your life.

Has it been a while since you have been to confession? Catholics are supposed to receive the Sacrament of Confession (reconciliation) at least once per year. Well we can help you with that.

Especially if you have been away for a while, it is a 100% guarantee you will feel great if you can muster up the courage to go to confession. Confession times are listed in this bulletin.

Do you have a marriage that is not recognized by the Church? Catholics must be married in the Catholic Church in order to be able to receive Holy Communion. If you have a marriage that is not recognized by the Church and would like to see how your situation might be rectified, all you need to do is email one of the priests (our email is in this bulletin) and we will walk with you through the process.

Do you have kids or grandkids who are not yet baptized? We can help with that. Depriving a child of baptism is depriving them of all the graces that comes with being an adopted child of God. There is possibly no other gift you can give your child that will help them in life as much as baptism. Just email the office for more information.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? The Catholic Church is the Church founded by Christ when He said, "You are Peter and, on this rock, I will build my Church." St Peter was our first Pope and the lineage of the Catholic Church goes directly to the Apostles and to Christ. All the treasures of God's gifts and graces are to be found in the Catholic Church. We have free classes where you can learn about the Catholic faith. Just email us to get dates and times.

Whatever your spiritual need, we can help. Christ found the Catholic Church as His body on earth. You can touch Christ through participation in the Catholic faith. Please let us know how we can help you. We are here for you. Blessed Christmas!!! - Fr Rossi

News & Announcements:

To all who make our parish great, THANK YOU!!!! I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and very happy and blessed New Year!

Especially I want to say a word of thanks to the so many people who make our parish great by their hard work and the sacrifices they make. There are so many people to thank: lectors, extraordinary ministers, servers, cantors, sacristans, musicians, fundraisers, financial contributors, social ministers, volunteers who help serve the poor and homeless, those who fight to defend life, catechists, ushers, and so many others. I know I am forgetting many.

Also, a very very big thank you to the wonderful staff who work so tirelessly for our parishes. For the work of our priests, our deacon and all our staff who come to work and serve - these parishes run because of your great efforts and the gift of your talent. Your work often goes unnoticed, but God does see and is very pleased with your gifts!

Thank you!

2020 is going to be a great year for the Kingdom of God!!! See you then!

Fr Rossi



Resource: To keep up to date with the daily readings in the often-fast paced world, go to this URL www.usccb.org/bible/readings-audio.cfm on your computer or phone and you can listen to the daily readings each day. Enjoy.

2020 offering envelopes: Envelopes are now ready for you to pick up. If you do not see a set with your name and you would like to use envelopes, please call the office; they will be happy to furnish you with a set. Please note that your number may not be the same as your current set.

Free Lighthouse CDs: Lighthouse CDs covering topics that relate to our Catholic faith and other subjects relevant to how we live as Catholics are now available. Topics covered include many on Mary, Confession, Eucharist, etc. You are welcome to pick up and listen to these and then share them with friends and family. During the rush of preparing for Christmas when finding time to sit and read is difficult, slip a CD into a home or car CD player.

Baptisms - Baptisms are held during the Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Baptism class is required prior to baptizing your first child. Classes for 2020 are 1/6, 4/7, 7/7, 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



NEXT Sharing Sunday:

Mark your calendars the next Sharing Sunday is **January 5th**. Please give if you can these next coming months the need tends to rise! Drop non-perishable food items at the table in basement. Thank you.

Holiday Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve 12/24

St Patrick at 4:30 PM - Fr. Rossi
St John at 6:15 PM (English)
8:30 PM (Bilingual) - Fr. Ernest
St Peter 5:00 PM - Fr. Frank

Christmas Day, December 25th

St John 9:00 Am - Fr. Ernest
St Patrick 10:45 AM - Fr. Rossi
St Peter 10:00 Am - Fr. Frank

Solemnity of Mary, December 31

St Patrick 5:00 PM - Fr. Ernest

January 1, 2020

St John 10:00 AM - Fr. Frank
St Peter 12:05 PM - Fr. Ernest

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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.