Saint Patrick Catholic Church

February 15th & 16th, 2020

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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:

So much contradiction!!!

I was watching the Super Bowl (I only watched the commercials) and then came the half-time show. I watched part of it before turning it off.

How scandalous!!! What a disgusting display of nearly naked almost pornographic dancing around on a regular TV channel!

What most amazes me is that there were a number of commercials during the Superbowl that were considered "pro-woman" commercials, commercials showing that women can be astronauts, women can be mathematicians and scientists, and other commercials that all sought to highlight the ability of women to succeed and gain respect in the world with their intellectual ability. And then, right in the middle of the Superbowl, the half time show was nothing more than the selling and commercialization of women's bodies as those two and all those dancers danced around nearly naked.

What a contradiction!!! The commercials sought to inspire young girls to achieve greatness and strive to use study and use their minds to overcome traditional areas where men dominate in numbers or where women are not given

appropriate respect. And then the half time show completed boiled women down to their bodies, to be flashed around before yelling fans...it was totally degrading.

And even worse, when women are exposed and sold as in the half-time show, it encourages young women to inspire to be like that and act like that with their bodies in order to gain fame and fortune, instead of using their minds and internal fortitude.

Next year, for the half time show, instead of dancing half naked women, they should have a team of women scientists, mathematicians and philosophers have an academic debate – that would show off what is right to highlight in women, their minds.

- Fr Rossi



Church Support as of February 9, 2020

<u>Weekly</u>

Actual \$2,438.00
Budgeted \$3,748.00
Difference -\$1,310.00

Year to Date

Actual \$87,870.87

Budgeted \$119,926.00

Difference -\$32,055.13

<u>Attendance:</u>

2/8/2020: 15 **2/9/2020**: 159

News & Announcements:

Clothes Closet at St. Peters:

The Saint Peter's clothes closet I in need of clothing. Especially men's clothing - long pants, belts, t-shirts, and sweaters. Also, Men and Women's warms socks and coats. Your donations may be dropped off at the St. Peter's Church basement.

2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal: **Building Our Family of Faith:** Welcome to the 2020 Annual

Diocesan Appeal! The 2020 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas of our Diocesan Church: Advancing Social Ministries, Cultivating Catholic Leadership and Empowering Parish Communities. In addition, our parish receives back a portion of the funds collected. This year, the funds returned will be used to support the various ministries we perform on behalf of our parish community. In complement to the funds returned to our parish through the parish sharing formula, the 2020 Appeal also benefits us through the various grants and support we receive from the Diocese, such as the Fuel and Hunger grant that makes available emergency assistance to those in need and the Mission Parish grant that helps our smaller parishes with special capital projects.

200th Anniversary **Coffee Table Book:**

Shine Like Starts – 200th Anniversary if the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. Get your copy today in the vestibule or parish hall. Books are \$40 each and checks can be made payable to St. Patrick Church.

The next Sharing Sunday!

Mark your calendars the next Sharing Sunday is March 1st. Please give if you can these next coming months the need tends to rise! Drop nonperishable food items at the table in basement. Thank you.

IRISH FESTIVAL: It is that time of year again. Time to start the planning for the Irish Festival. Meetings are happening after mass on Sunday downstairs please join us. As well we need a lot of help the weekend of the festival. There are sign up sheet's downstairs. Please sign up so we know we have shift covered.

Church Cleaning:

We have teams of two or more parishioners who volunteer to clean the church each month. The work is easy, takes about an hour each week and can be done whenever you have time to do it. If interested, please contact John Lo Re at 804-513-7173 or johnjlore@gmail.com.

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 3/29,7/12, and 10/4. 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.

40 Days for Life:

Christians throughout Richmond are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life effort from February 26 through April 5. We will be dedicating 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. A peaceful vigil of prayer will also be held outside of Planned Parenthood's new construction at 1122 N. 25th Street in Church Hill, from 7 am to 7 pm each of these 40 Days. Please sign up to pray for an hour at the vigil. Spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. For more information visit www.40DaysforLife.com - email atniermeyer@aol.com - or call Ann at (804) 714-5170.

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If someone is dying or has died & you would like to talk with a priest, please call.