# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

March 14<sup>th</sup>-15th, 2020 Third Sunday of Lent



## Mass Times:

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

Nursery is available during 10:45 mass.

## Stations of the Cross:

Every Thursday at noon during Lent.

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Confession: Saturdays at 4:30 pm or by appointment.

# Message from our Pastor:

Happy Lent! I pray all are enjoying this wonderful season of extra graces!!!

I want to remind you today to PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE remember to make a generous gift to our Annual Appeal. You recently received the pamphlet during Mass. If you did not receive one, please ask for one or simply put your donation in the collection basket with a note in the memo saying, "Annual Appeal."

The Annual appeal pays for seminarians of our diocese, retired priest's care, university chaplains, and grants that support ministry to the poor and needy. Please be generous.

I am praying and hoping that everyone can contribute at least \$50 to the Annual Appeal. But if you cannot contribute \$50 then you can probably contribute \$100. We really need your help. I know you love seminarians, our retired priests, the good work done by our campus ministers, and the many ways we support the poor and those in need. So please be generous.

Also remember, the only money we get to take with us into eternal life is the money we give away during our life on earth. In fact, we get to keep it x100.

Also, a couple things regarding the coronavirus.

I have not, as of writing this, decided whether to remove the chalice from all parishes. I am waiting to see if things become worse in Virginia.

I encourage everyone to do the following.

Take care of yourself! Eat well. Exercise. Live a healthy lifestyle. Your best defense against this or any other illness is a strong immune system.

Wash your hands. Cover your mouth with your elbow when you cough.

Regarding Mass, you do not have to shake hands with folks at any time, simply nod your head to show affection or waive, and that is enough. You also are not supposed to hold hands during the Our Father so no need to spread any potential germs that way.

On consuming from the Chalice, remember your catechism teaching which says it is not required for you to receive both from the Chalice and the Host. Jesus is fully present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity as both the Host and in the Chalice. So, you receive all the graces just by receiving the Host at Mass. Especially if you may be sick, do NOT receive from the Chalice.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

We should not live in fear, but these commonsense practices should be embraced all the time.

Fr Rossi



### News & Announcements:

IRISH FESTIVAL: Only a week away. Please join us in our last planning meetings after 10:45 mass. We need a lot of help the weekend of the festival. Volunteer sign up sheet's downstairs. Please sign up so we know we have shifts covered.

Also, if you are looking for other ways to help on March 15<sup>th,</sup> we will need many hands as we will be going to our storage and bringing everything that makes our festival a success over. So please plan on that.

Many hands makes light work!

Easter Visit to St. Francis Home: The parish will be visiting for Easter on 4/11/20, more details to follow but in the meantime please consider making Easter cards for the residents, this a great family activity to prepare for Easter. The cards can be dropped off in basket in the social hall

200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Coffee Table Book: Shine Like Starts – 200<sup>th</sup> 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 April 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.

<u>Baptisms</u> – 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.

Saint Patrick Bake Sale: During the festival we have a baked goods sale. Please consider making a baked good item. They can be dropped off starting Thursday 3/19 in the parish hall. Contact is Kathy Buttner.

Dear all - we are in the process of re-keying the parish. This is supposed to be done on occasion for security purposes. We will be installing key fobs which will be personalized for all who need one and can be easily deleted in case it is lost. If you currently have a key and need one because of some service, you do at the parish we will provide you with a fob. Please contact John Lore if you have not already been in contact with him to let him know you need a key (his email is in this bulletin). Thank you for all you do in service to Christ and His Church here at St Patrick. -



Church Support as of 3/8/20

#### Weekly

Actual 3,282.75

Budgeted \$3,748.00

Difference -\$465.25

#### Year to Date

Actual \$99,786.34
Budgeted \$134,918.00
Difference -\$35,131.66

#### Attendance:

3/7/20: 40 3/8/20: 148

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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.