

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

March 13th & 14th, 2021

Forth Sunday
of Lent



Mass Times:

Saturdays at 5:30pm

&

Sundays at 10:45am

Message from our Pastor:

Today's gospel contains probably the most popular scripture passage of the New Testament, "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." John 3:16. It is popular for a reason. It concisely summarizes Christianity. If you want to understand what Christianity is about, it is this passage.

God loves the world. He does not hate anything in the world except sin and its effects.

He loves it so much that He was willing to send His Son into the world, risking and ultimately giving His own Son's life, in order to save it.

The way those in the world are saved is through the Son.

To be saved is to be given eternal life.

When we boil everything down, it is all about these few simple and yet very important points.

That is why the passage is so popular, because it is such a condense and concise summarization of our Christian faith.

- Father Rossi

Holy Week Schedule The Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday
April 1st at 7pm

Good Friday
April 2nd at 7pm

Easter Vigil
April 3rd at 8pm.

Easter Sunday
April 4th at 10:45am



Confessions:

We as Catholics must go to confession at least once per year to receive Holy Communion. We have confession 30 minutes before and after every weekend Mass at each parish and at 11:45am daily at St Peter.

News & Announcements:

Saint Patrick's Children's Religious Education

will be having **Stations of the Cross at St. Patrick's Church** on Friday, March 26th at 7pm.

All are welcome!

Annual Appeal:

Please remember to give alms this Lent. That feeling that we feel, the feeling of insecurity, especially about finances, can be overcome through almsgiving. When we give, we directly confront our fear of not having enough and are led into a place of greater freedom in our spirits. God wants us to trust and depend on Him. And we show our trust in Him when, in spite of our worry and concern of financial things, we give.

A great way to give is to support the Annual Appeal. It supports seminarians, retired priests, university chaplains and especially the poor in the diocese. When we give, we immediately realize there are a lot of folks worse off than us, and we immediately appreciate much more the things that we have, things that God has given us. To give you can go to

<https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/>



Sharing Sunday!

Our next Sharing Sunday is April 4th!

Please give if you can the need has increased during these times. Drop non-perishable food items at the table in basement. Thank you.

Lenten Dinners:

Lenten Dinners at St. John's are back! \$8.00 a plate you can pick between breaded whiting filet or baked tilapia filet. Curbside only on Fridays from 5-7pm. St. John's is also hosting Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6pm.



40 Days for Life: Ash Wednesday began our Lenten season, the **40 Days for Life** campaign begins as well. It is a time for praying and fasting for an end to abortion in the world. Many people gather on the sidewalk at **201 N. Hamilton Street** in Richmond's near West End to peacefully pray for those men and women entering the building that they may change their minds and for the workers, too, to have a change of heart. We also pray and grieve for the little souls killed there every day.

St. Patrick has selected Tuesday, March 23rd from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Fr. Rossi plans to be there at 3:00 p.m. and Bill and I will be there several hours during the day. We try to go at least once a week during the 40 Days. If you would like to come & be sure some others are there for that hour, please contact Jane at **804-267-1935** or jhmurphy1953@yahoo.com.

You are asked to wear your mask and social distance on the sidewalk.

Thanks so much for remembering this very important mission of our Catholic church. Please continue to pray and fast at home each day for the most vulnerable in our society. Peace and Love,
Jane

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