

# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

March 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Palm  
Sunday



## Mass Times:

Saturdays at 5:30pm

&

Sundays at 10:45am



## Holy Week Schedule The Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday

April 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm

Good Friday

April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm

Easter Vigil

April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8pm.

Easter Sunday

April 4<sup>th</sup> at 9 and 10:45am

## Message from our Pastor:

*For my pastor message today, I want to encourage a return to Mass for those who have been away.*

*Specifically, I am speaking to those people who have not come to Mass because of the pandemic, but now have received the vaccine. If you are in this boat, then I encourage you to start coming back to Mass.*

*Next weekend is Easter Weekend. It is a great time for starting a new beginning and coming back to Mass.*

*Many people have already come back and that is great. They tell me they have received the vaccine and are happy to be back. But there are some people who are still missing in action. While the obligation to attend is still lifted and not yet reimposed, nevertheless, for many it is time to come back to Mass.*

*We are all human and can have mixed motives. We need to be honest with ourselves as to the reason why, if we continue to not attend. Only you and your conscience and God can sort that out. But I encourage you to take a look at it and consider if it is time. For many it is time to come back. We only fool ourselves when we are dishonest with ourselves and we hurt ourselves when we do not follow God's will.*

*We are privileged to receive at Mass the greatest gift every given to humanity, the Body and Blood of the Savior of the World. While spiritual Communion and internet Mass have been used by many this past year, it is ABSOLUTELY NOT the same thing as coming to Mass in person and actually consuming the Holy Eucharist.*

*Christ conquered sin, sickness, and death on Easter morning. It is a perfect day to come back to Mass after being away for a year because of the pandemic.*

- Father Rossi



## 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:

## Easter Flowers:

If you would like to donate for Easter Flowers now is the time. There are envelopes in the pews and where the collection basket it. You can put donation in envelope and put in basket. You can also donate online for Easter Flowers via our website.

## Outreach for St. Francis Home

As we prepare to celebrate the joy of Easter in our parish community please consider donating a ham to the St. Francis Home. Easter dinner will be provided for the residents, caring staff and their visiting families. Please drop off your donations before or after Mass on Sunday March 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> in the St.

Patrick Church Hall, they can be placed in the refrigerator on left leading into the kitchen. Thanks so much. If you have any questions, please contact Eddie Baird at 804.986.2898 (voice or text)

## 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.

## Sharing Sunday!

Our next Sharing Sunday is April 4<sup>th</sup>!

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



## 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/>

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

