

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

October 16th & 17th,
2021

Twenty-Ninth
Sunday
in Ordinary Time



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

Please join us for the
Rosary before
Sunday mass at 10am.

Join us after
10:45 mass for
refreshments and
fellowship

The Parochial Vicar's Point of View – The PVPV

Dear parishioners,

I am writing this Parochial Vicar's Point of View (PVPV) from Harrisonburg as I attend our annual diocesan Priest Convocation. It has been a great blessing to be here with my fellow priests. By the time you read this, I will, God willing, be back in Richmond with many of you. Our speaker during this convocation is an excellent presenter and theologian, Dr. Ralph Martin, who is inspiring me to write a few words about what *all this* is all about. By "all this" I am referring to going to church, listening to the scriptures, receiving the Sacraments, living out the faith, etc. What is the point? What is *all this* about?

Well, I think in a very real way, *all this* is meant to help strengthen you, to help prepare you for the realities of life. Life out there is tough. Life out there includes all sorts of good and bad things. And some of those bad things are really, really bad! It includes the stuff I hear about each week – marriage crises, illnesses, injuries, family trouble, personal issues of finances, sexuality, work, and relationships, political strife, disasters, terrible wounds... It includes the fact that many people out there, including those close to us, despise the faith, despise Christ, despise God. Others are simply ambivalent. And each day we face those challenges and we face those people and are called to love in the midst of it all. And that is hard! And *all this* is meant to prepare you for it, to help you through it, to help you to not just survive, but to be healed, to love and be loved, and to thrive. And *all this* is meant to get you to heaven.

The world out there wants to crush us, and it certainly can... and it certainly will if we seek to do it all on our own. We need each other, and we need Jesus Christ. We need Him in prayer, in scripture, and in His sacraments. He is our strength to withstand the crush of the world. And He is the means of our thriving, because He conquered death.

Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever!

God bless you!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Nick Redmond".

Fr. Nick Redmond
Parochial Vicar

News & Announcements:

Special Thanks:

Have you noticed the railings up front look especially nice and shiny? Special thanks to our Knight of Columbus who on the weekend of 9/18 scrapped and painted our railings. So, if you see a K of C member give them a special thank you! We thank you all for making our church look beautiful!

Adult Bible Study

The adult bible study group (coed) has just started a new year and would love to welcome new members. We are beginning to study the books of Tobit, Judith, and Esther. Please join us on Thursday mornings downstairs at 10:30am. Any questions, contact Jane Murphy at 804-441-4075.

Kroger Rewards:

Are you a Kroger Shopper? You know the easiest way to give back to our community is to sign up for the Kroger Rewards Program.

Our # is St. Patrick's 89764.

We just received a check in the amount of \$80.45. Thanks to all of you who have signed up for us to receive this extra benefit.

Holy Hour - St. Patrick's Church Hill

Will be scheduled the 2nd Wednesday of each month

with 6pm Holy Hour and 7pm Mass

***Please note, that this month, due to the priest convocation, St.**

Patrick's will have the Holy Hour and Mass on the 4th Wednesday, October 27, 2021.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY. Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday.

Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. You can find the envelopes for World Mission Sunday in your sets of envelopes, through E-giving, or on the table outside the worship area.

Sharing Sunday:

Mark your calendars our next **Sharing Sunday is November 7th.** There is a table in the parish hall for collection.



WEEKLY COLLECTION 10/9-10

	<u>Weekly</u>
Actual	\$3,104.55
Budget	<u>\$3,750.00</u>
	(\$645.455)
	<u>Year to date</u>
Actual	\$51,801.02
Budget	<u>\$56,250.00</u>
	(\$4,448.98)

Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving

MASS ATTENDANCE:

Saturday 10/9: 39

Sunday 10/10: 92

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