

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

January 8 & 9th 2022

The Baptism of the Lord

Mass Times:

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

Join us after 10:45 mass for
refreshments and fellowship



Holy Hour – St. Patrick
Hosted at SPC
on the 2nd Wednesday
of each month

with 6pm Holy Hour and 7pm Mass.

Message from the Administrator's Desk:

The Baptism of the Lord is the last Sunday to close the Christmas season in the Western church.

It must be noted that Jesus' baptism was not for moral conversion and change of heart but:

- To give an indication how baptism was a primary condition to enter into the kingdom of God (Jn. 3:3ff)
- To sanctify the waters of baptism so as to open the power of baptism to all Christians to be true children of God.
- To reveal the Trinitarian Mystery (the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit) in which every Christian is to be baptized. That is why immediately the Son was baptized and came out of the water, the Spirit of God descended like a dove on him and the voice of the Father was heard saying; "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased." (Mt. 3:13ff)

We likewise remember our own baptisms, be it infant or adult, when water was poured on us to wash away our sins by Jesus' blood; anointed with Chrism oil as a sign of our

ownership by the Lord; the candle given to us as symbol of Christ's light in us to always guide us and finally the white garment placed on us to signify our new life in Christ Jesus, not to be tainted with dirt (sin). Therefore, by baptism we become God's children obliging us to live lives measuring up to be called children of God.

Let's therefore live by our baptismal promises always.

Happy New Year. - Fr. Maxwell.



St. Patrick
Catholic Church
Scan and Give.
Thank you for
your Generosity.

News & Announcements:

(K)night at the Movies

The Knights of Columbus are hosting (K)Night at the Movies on January 15th at 3:30pm, preceding evening mass, in the basement of St. Patrick's. All are welcome, there will be plenty of free popcorn and we are screening the classic Princess Bride. Please contact Josh Lowry (lowryj62@gmail.com), Eddie Baird (donnaibaird@yahoo.com) or Charles Opalak (charles.opalak@vcuhealth.org) with any questions.

Knights of Columbus Brunswick Stew

The Knights of Columbus will be making Brunswick Stew on Saturday January 29. A preorder reservation sheet will be on the counter in the back of the church. Any extra Brunswick stew will be available on a first come first serve basis after all reservations have been filled. The cost of the stew will be \$9.00 per quart. For more information, please contact Dan Mages danielrmages@yahoo.com or call or text to 804-614-5623.

Church Cleaning Ministry

It is that time of the year again to sign up for the Church Cleaning Ministry. This is a ministry for a team or couple to volunteer to help keep the church cleaned for services. It involves only about one hour each week any time after weekend services that fits your schedule. The job is light dusting and sweeping, checking the holy water & votive candles and general cleaning up. Please contact John Lo Re 804-513-7173 if you have any questions or interest, Thank you.

Sharing Sunday:

Thank you for participating in Sharing Sunday this weekend. Mark your calendars **our next Sharing Sunday is February 6th.** Remember to bring your non-perishable items.

Christmas Concert

Special Thanks to our Music Minister Katie Goodloe who put on a fantastic Christmas Concert. If you missed it.... **Good news!** You can go to tinyurl.com/SJCC2021 to see it! We appreciate all who were able to attend as well as those who brought donations. We hope you all have a joyous holiday season!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

January 1 & 2

	<u>Weekly</u>
Actual	\$6,361.00
Budget	<u>\$3,750.00</u>
	2,611.00
	<u>Year to date</u>
Actual	\$105,003.17
Budget	<u>\$101,2503.50</u>
	\$3,752.67

Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving

MASS ATTENDANCE:

1/1 at 5:30: 31 1/2 at 10:45: 98



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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.

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