

# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

March 26<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> 2022

Fourth Sunday of Lent

## Mass Times:

Saturdays at 5:30pm

& Sundays at 10:45am



**Palm Sunday | Holy Week |  
Easter Sunday | Schedule**

**PALM SUNDAY & DISTRIBUTION OF  
PALMS | April 9 & 10**

Saturday | 5:30 PM

Sunday | 10:45 AM

**HOLY THURSDAY | April 14**

Mass of the Lord's Supper | 7:00 PM

*The church will remain open until  
10:00 PM for Adoration.*

**GOOD FRIDAY | April 15**

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion |  
7:00 PM

**HOLY SATURDAY | April 16**

Easter Vigil | 8:00 PM

**EASTER SUNDAY | April 17**

Sunday | 10:45 AM

## Stations of the Cross

Join our bible study group  
Thursdays during Lent at noon  
for Stations of the Cross.

## Message from the Administrator's Desk:

After the wandering of the people of Israel in the desert for forty years, they finally arrived at Gilgal in the Jericho plain peacefully, and the reproach of Egypt was removed from them. No more were they to depend on manna and the poor products of the desert, but on agriculture and sheep rearing. This accounts to the celebration of a great feast of Passover: eating cakes and parched grain as recounted in the first reading of today.

The History of the Israelites being led out of the land of slavery is an image of Christians also being led out of the state of sin which has enslaved them, to become children of God. Just as the Israelites made a great feast to celebrate their liberation, so do Christians celebrate their salvation in the participation of the Holy Eucharist, the Easter of Christ, his death and resurrection.

This shows why the **theme of reconciliation**, an invitation by St Paul in the second reading, becomes so important in this Lenten season, and the parable of the prodigal son who went wayward in today's gospel, found comfort and peace again in the *loving embrace of his father*. God indeed has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and has given the ministry of reconciliation to the church whenever we go wayward from Him. What it means is that God always guides us to reconciliation with Him through His gratuitous and unlimited love to Himself and to other members of the community through the Sacrament of Penance.

a) How are we using the avenue of the Sacrament of Reconciliation or

Penance to reconcile with God in this Lenten season after offending Him and our neighbor?  
b) Are we seeing the repenting action of the prodigal son in the gospel as a means to promoting peace in the society, or the uncompromising action of his elder brother to work against peace? May we continue to have a fruitful and meaningful Lenten observance.

Fr. Maxwell

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## News & Announcements:

### Easter Flowers

#### Memorialize & Honor Loved Ones

Don't forget to contribute to the Easter Flowers Fund. This fund allows donors to honor the memory of a deceased loved one or to pay tribute to someone living. Easter Flowers envelopes are in your set or at the entrance of the church. You can also contribute through [E-giving](#)

### **Baby Bottle Campaign for East End Pregnancy Center**

Thank you to all those parishioners who picked up a baby bottle for the Baby Bottle Campaign for East End Pregnancy Center. Don't forget to bring them back by April 10th.

### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN.**

Come to pray at Planned Parenthood 201 N. Hamilton Rd, Richmond, VA 23221. Vigil hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. **Prayer warriors needed on Thursday March 31st. Sign-up sheets in the commons area.**

### **2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Together, we bestow His first fruits**

God's mercy transforms our lives, and calls us to gratitude and generosity. Renewed in our gratefulness for the Lord's many gifts, please support our Annual Diocesan Appeal this Lenten season.

### **Bulletin**

If you are a registered parishioner or a regular attendee at St. Patrick Church and aren't already on the church distribution list (sent by Billie Keating), and wish to receive **details on parish activities**, funerals, etc. that sometimes aren't in the weekend bulletin, please submit your email address to Billie at [bjk6269@comcast.net](mailto:bjk6269@comcast.net). Also, if you'd like to receive our **Weekend Bulletins** electronically each week (and aren't already receiving it), please send your email address to our St. Patrick Church office at [office@StPatrickChurchHill.org](mailto:office@StPatrickChurchHill.org)

### **Holy Hour – St. Patrick**

Hosted at SPC on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month with 6:00 pm Mass and Adoration from 6:30 -7:15pm.

### **Sick and Homebound Parishioners**

Fr. Maxwell and Fr. Redmond want to make sure that ALL parishioners, including those who might be sick or homebound, are being cared for spiritually. If you are aware of any parishioners of St. Patrick's who are sick/homebound, even if it has been many years since they have been able to attend, please let us know so that we can make sure we reach out to them. Please email either Fr. Redmond at [frnickredmond@saintpatrickchurchhill.org](mailto:frnickredmond@saintpatrickchurchhill.org) or the Office at [office@saintpatrickchurchhill.org](mailto:office@saintpatrickchurchhill.org). Thank you!

### **Lenten Dinners at St. John's are Back!**

Fridays from 5-7pm at St. John's. Curbside pick-up only.



### **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

#### **March 19th & 20th**

#### **Weekly**

**Actual**     \$2,667.55

**Budget**     **\$3,750.00**

**\$649.77**

#### **Year to date**

**Actual**     \$141,850.23

**Budget**     **\$142,500.00**

**\$1,082.55**

**Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving**

#### **MASS ATTENDANCE:**

**3/19 at 5:30: 47**

**3/20 at 10:45: 132**

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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.