# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

May 21 st & 22 nd 2022 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mass Times:

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

Join us after 10:45 mass for refreshments and fellowship.



Holy Hour - St. Patrick

Hosted at SPC on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month with 6pm Holy Hour & 7pm Mass.

## Message from the Administrator's Desk:

#### The Spirit of God is a **Great Unifier**

After Jesus's promise of the Father sending the Holy Spirit through Him with the task of leading, teaching and reminding his disciples, all that he has said (Jn. 14:26), since then the Spirit has ever been at work within the church, as her soul: guiding, inspiring and unifying her even in times of disagreements and misunderstanding. A typical example is the spirit's intervention among the early Christian community, when there seem to be an imminent dissension because of the confusion of a certain group (Jewish-Christian) strictly advocating for salvation through circumcision. The Apostles had to assemble by praying, discussing, and opening their ears and hearts to the voice of the Spirit which gave wonderful conclusions, indicating that the Spirit was and is at work always in the church of God to promote peace through dialogue.

May the same Spirit deeply unite us all the time as one family in the Lord despite our differences in culture, race, color, and language as the Lord's Ascension draws closer.

- Father Maxwell

## News &

## Announcements:

#### From the Office of **Religious Education**

On May 1st, we celebrated the closing of another wonderful Catechetical year. This year we enrolled 17 children who attended in person. Congratulations and thank you to those parents, who brought their children to class every, or almost every, Sunday rain or shine. They are truly fulfilling the obligations that they made at the baptism of their children. During this Easter season, we received three new members into full communion with the Church and seven children received their First Communion. All this amazing work could not have been done without your prayers, your support and, most importantly, our wonderful catechists. A big thank you and endless praise to each one of them, because despite the restrictions and fears of this pandemic, they did an amazing job. If you see one of them around, please thank them for the marvelous job they do to pass along the faith to our children and to every man and woman that is searching for their faith. Our catechists are: Donna Baird (Religious Education Coordinator), Kathryn Gaines (Elementary and Middle School catechist), Ryland Paxton (RCIA Coordinator), Ian Gaines and Fred Powell (RCIA catechists), Mitzi Mead (Baptismal Coordinator), and Jane Murphy (Adult Faith Formation coordinator). I want to personally thank all of them for sharing their time and talents. I also give thanks to the Lord for all of you that make it possible for St. Patrick's to have a Religious Education Program. Paulita Matheny,

Director of Religious Education.

#### Three Week Series on the Eucharist with Father Redmond

Fr. Redmond will be offering a 3-week series on the Eucharist on Tuesdays, May 31, June 7 and June 14, with the sessions starting at 6 pm, lasting until 7 or 7:30 pm each evening. Each session will look at a different aspect of the Eucharist. An email

to Fr. Redmond -

frnickredmond@stpeterchurch1
834.org - will assist him in
knowing about how many
people to expect, but drop-ins
are also welcome! The sessions
will be located as follows:
Tuesday, May 31, at St. John's
Tuesday, June 7, at St. Patrick's
Tuesday, June 14, at St. Peter's

We plan on recording and/or live-streaming the sessions; however, in-person participation is preferred!

#### Saint Patrick Bible Study

The Thursday morning Bible Study will be beginning a series on Revelation by Jeff Cavins. If interested in joining us Thursdays at 10:30 am, please contact Jane Murphy 804-441-4075.

#### **Sick and Homebound**

We 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 the Office at office@saintpatrickchurchhill.org

## WEEKLY COLLECTION May 14th – 15th

#### Weekly

Actual \$2,370.55 Budget \$3,750.00 (\$1,379.45)

#### Year to date

Actual \$174,272.18 Budget \$172,500.00 \$1,772.18

Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving

#### **MASS ATTENDENCE:**

**5/14:** N/R **5/15**:109





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The East End Pregnancy Center extends a big thank you for all the many contributions you have made. About 200 of the baby bottles, we used are unreturned. Empty or full please drop them off at your parish."

Thank you,

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