

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

February 18th & 19 2023

Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time



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

Holy Hour – St. Patrick:

After mass on the
3rd Sunday of each month

Message from our Pastor

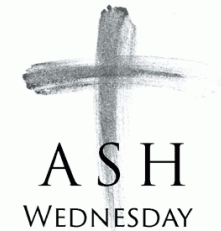
Folks, coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, a day of universal fast, abstinence and repentance in the church in which ashes are blessed and a cross sign is traced on the foreheads of the faithful by the priest, pronouncing the words; "Remember you are dust and into dust you shall return." (Gen 3:19) or "Repent and believe in the Gospel (Mk. 1:15).

Ash Wednesday begins the Lenten season, which is an observation of 40 days fasting, prayer and abstinence (self-sacrifice) reminiscent of Christ's withdrawal into the desert for 40 days of fasting and prayer before his public ministry. Hence, it is a period of expressing grief in the sense of mourning for our sins and a gesture of repentance.

These 40 days of fasting and abstinence is a means of giving up particular treat which could be giving up something like candies, alcohol, bad habits generally, or going to church regularly or saying extra prayer everyday using scripture or volunteering in the church's ministries etc. In a way it can be a method of confronting your own sinfulness and renouncing them so as to prepare yourself adequately for the paschal mystery at Easter.

Let us all begin Lent penitently as the ashes are administered on our foreheads on this day.

*Praised be Jesus Christ
- Fr. Maxwell*



St. Patrick Ash Wednesday Mass will be held at 6pm.



Stations of the Cross –
Will be held at noon on Thursdays during Lent starting 2/23 – 3/30

Irish  Festival 2023

It is that time of year again!

Irish Festival Planning time. Planning meetings have begun! We hope to see you all there! Your taking part in the planning and volunteering for the festival is what makes it a success.

See you Sunday after mass!

News & Announcements

IRISH FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERING:

Calling all volunteers! Please sign up after mass on our signup sheets or contact our volunteer coordinator at

Jennifer M at Irishfestival@yahoo.com.

It is important to sign up to volunteer, so we have an accurate account of where we need people! **Thank you for your time!**

Nursery Interest? We had a nice nursery going before COVID and would like to restart if there is interest. Of course, we want parental involvement, but anyone can volunteer their time during Mass. We will hold Vertus training which is required by the Diocese. Please meet downstairs after mass at the round table to discuss with Jane Murphy - today - and we'll repeat next week, as well, to try to reach everyone.

MASS JOURNAL - This lent we are providing you a Mass Journal to write down the one thing you sense God is saying to you that week, and date your entry. Then use your Mass Journal in daily prayer and allow it to stimulate your conversation with God. Please take a Mass Journal for FREE during this LENTEN season.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: The spring campaign for 40 Days for Life will begin on February 22 and run through April 2. Please consider giving an hour to pray for an end to abortion.

Cluster Community Garden - This is to officially advise that our **1st meeting will be this coming Monday, February 20th (Presidents' Day) at St. John's @ 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.** We will meet directly outside by the religious ed bldg (connected to and left of the social hall) to view the space and amenities it has to offer. So far, forecast is acceptable: partly cloudy and a high of 62! Following our "tour" we will meet in a religious ed classroom(s) for discussion and preliminary planning. (Light refreshments will be provided.) Thank you again for your interest and enthusiasm. I am looking so forward to seeing, meeting and working with all of you! **As stated earlier, all ages, levels of experience, (or none) are welcomed and encouraged!!!** I know God's blessings will be upon us, **Sharon Lucas** - Cluster Community Garden Coordinator (Cell #804-737-4595)

PANKACE SUPPER—FAT TUESDAY- AT ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - the social hall. \$12 per person, \$6 kids 4-12, 3 and under free. **A family of 4 or more \$35. SEE YOU TUESDAY!**

WEEKLY COLLECTION – February 11th & 12th 2023

Weekly

Actual \$1,969.55

Budget \$4,139.00
(\$2,169.45)

Year to date

Actual \$113,206.99

Budget \$136,587.00
(\$23,380.01)

Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving

MASS ATTENDANCE: 2/11: 24 2/12: 110



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your Generosity.



Saint Patrick depends upon your generosity. These walls, built by generations past, now need you to nurture them. Give what you can. No amount is too small. E-Giving makes it easy go to our website at saintpatrickchurchhill.org and click the e giving link

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SPC Emergency # 804-402-1221: If someone is dying or has died & you would like to talk to a Priest, please call.

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