# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

March 25<sup>th</sup> & 26th 2023



<u>Mass Times</u>: Saturdays at 5:30pm & Sundays at 10:45am

Holy Hour - St. Patrick: After mass on the <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</u> of each month

<u>Stations of the Cross</u> - Thursdays at Noon during Lent.

<u>Saturday Evening Mass</u> <u>During the Festival –</u> Mass on Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> will be held at 7pm.

### Message from our Pastor

In a couple of days, the Church will be entering into the Holy week, the final preparation for the celebration of the paschal feast beginning from Palm Sunday through the Easter Triduum. Bishop Knestout, is inviting all the faithful in the Diocese to celebrate the Annual Mass of the Oils also called Chrism Mass, on Monday of Holy week at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, the Episcopal See of the bishop of Richmond at 6pm.

Mass of the Oils is a special mass in which the bishop joined by his priests across the length and breadth of the diocese, gather at his Cathedral as a sign of unity and communion between them, to manifest this publicly, and renew their commitment to their vocation to the priesthood. It again reminds us of our oneness in Christ and its holy anointing made possible by the mystery of the bishop and his priests as presbyterate, when Oils are blessed for the lay faithful to be used in various sacraments in the church's sacramental life throughout the year, to deepen their understanding of their use and effects. Three Oils are thus blessed; Oil of Catechumen for baptism, Oil of the infirm, anointing of sick for healing and Holy Chrism for baptism, confirmation and Holy orders, as well as for the dedication of a church in which the altar and walls are anointed. The symbolism of the oils is for sanctification, healing, strengthening, consecration and dedication.

As we join the bishop for this annual event, may our hearts turn to our gracious Lord who bestows His infinite love and mercy to us, as we pray for the bishop and his priests, ministers of the sacraments, that they may be humble and generous servants of the Lord.

Praised be Jesus Christ! - Fr. Maxwell

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# News & Announcements

Easter Flowers: 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 <u>E-giving</u>.

<u>40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN:</u> Huge THANK YOU to all the prayer warriors at Planned Parenthood that participated in the 40 days for Life Campaign. Please don't forget to keep praying.

#### Annual Diocesan Appeal 2023 –

Sharing His Love with Others: In today's Gospel, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead. In doing so, he forecasts two events: his return from the dead and ours. Death, and the events that follow, are challenging and often hide at the edge of our consciousness. It drives us to avoid aggressive drivers, work harder, or hold close the ones we love at goodbyes. As difficult as death is, the Resurrection is our hope and Lent is our time to pray, give and spread the word! "I am the Resurrection and the Life," says Jesus (John 11:25). When you support our Annual Diocesan Appeal, you enable us to deliver this same hope and mercy to those in need.

#### WANTED TOOLS FOR CLUSTER COMMUNITY GARDEN

Do you have "retired garden tools" taking up space and collecting dust? If so, our Cluster Community Garden ministry would love to have them & put them to use. We are accepting hand tools, hoes, rakes, shovel (all sizes), watering cans & the like. You may bring them to St. Johns and put in the Conference Room (1st room to the left as you enter the west side of the church) or basement of St. Patrick. Also, some parishioners have asked about giving monetary donations to help support our garden's construction. Please put your donation of cash or check into an envelope marked on the outside: **FOR CLUSTER COMMUNITY GARDEN** and include it in the weekend collection. We thank you for your most generous help in "cultivating" our new cluster ministry!!!

#### Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter Sunday Schedule

PALM SUNDAY AND DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS | April 1 & 2 Saturday | 5:30 PM Sunday | 10:45 AM

> MONDAY | April 3 Chrism Mass | 6:00 PM at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart (823 Cathedral Place, Richmond)

HOLY THURSDAY | April 6 Mass of the Lord's Supper | 7:00 PM The church will remain open until 10:00 PM for Adoration.

> GOOD FRIDAY | April 7 Good Friday of the Lord's Passion | 7:00 PM

\*Confession 12pm—3pm at St. Peter

HOLY SATURDAY | April 8 Easter Vigil | 8:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY | April 9 Sunday | 10:45 AM



#### WEEKLY COLLECTION – March 18 & 19, 2023

 Weekly

 Actual
 \$3,409.55

 Budget
 \$4,139.00

 (\$729.45)

 Year to date

 Actual
 \$130,976.74

 Budget
 \$157,282.00

 (\$26,305.26)

Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving <u>MASS ATTENDENCE:</u> 3/18: 38 3/19: 136

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