Saint Patrick Catholic Church April 22nd & 23rd 2023



Third Sunday of Easter

Mass Times:

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

Holy Hour - St. Patrick:

After mass on the 3rd Sunday

of each month

Sharing Sunday

Mark your calendars – our next Sharing Sunday is May 7th. Bring your nonperishable goods to the table in the church hall.

Message from our Pastor

Dear People of God,

The Emmaus story after Jesus' resurrection always told, clearly shows how he is able to transform failure into success, sorrow to joy, tragedy/suffering into glory, hopelessness to hopefulness and non-recognition to recognition.

It is indeed the reversal of the garden of Eden; just as God walked with Adam and Eve and opened their eyes to the sin they committed in eating the forbidden fruit, Jesus also walks with the two disciples (supposedly the couple, Cleopas and Mary) traveling from Jerusalem to Emmaus and opened their eyes to see him in the breaking of bread, food for life, by nourishing their faith to an extent that they could see his real presence.

It shows how Jesus walks with us and opens our eyes to see him and come to him anytime we encounter him in the Holy Eucharist. Do you really recognize him in the Holy Species after speaking to you in the scriptures in the Mass each time, like the two disciples recognized him in the breaking of bread after opening their eyes to the Scriptures?

Praised be Jesus Christ. - Fr. Maxwell

News & Announcements

<u>Annual Diocesan Appeal 2023 – Sharing His Love with Others:</u>

In today's Gospel, Jesus reveals himself "through the breaking of the bread" (Luke 24:35). He chose to become the bread of life for us. Please support our Annual Diocesan Appeal so we can reveal Him on our parish altar. He showed us in the Gospel that He wishes to multiply our gifts with his immense power.

Special Mass Intentions - Have you ever thought of having a Saturday or Sunday Mass said at St.

Patrick's Church in honor of or in memory of a special person in your life? Please call St. Patrick's office at (804) 737-8028 with the person's name to be remembered and the requested date of the Mass.

A small donation may be given at your discretion.

IT'S PICTURE TIME: St. Patrick's Family Directory SAVE THE DATE – SUNDAY APRIL 30th after Mass.

Be included in our new family directory. Please sign up and fill out a form at the church or online. We are taking pictures of those who sign up after church on Sunday, April 30. They can also send their photo via email to AnneM43@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunity for Gift Bearers –

Beginning this Sunday, April 23, you will have the opportunity to sign up each Sunday to bring bread and wine to the altar during Mass. Singles, couples and families are encouraged to sign up as Gift Bearers. Sacristans will help you identify when to leave your pew during Mass, walk to the back of the Church to get the bread and wine from the Sacristan, and when to take up the gifts to the celebrant.

A clipboard with Sunday dates through 2023 and a space to sign your names can be found on the tables at the entrance to the Church.

A TIME TO SOW... Our Cluster Community Garden

is ready to begin its growing season! Raised beds have been made and placed, lined and filled with topsoil and amendments! Plants will be available on site ready to fill the beds. We will meet at the garden (St. John's Catholic Church) this Thursday, April 27th, at 5-5:30 P.M. Please bring your garden tools if you have. All ages and levels of experience welcomed, or no experience whatsoever! Let us all learn and grow together with God's gift of His abundant creation!



WEEKLY COLLECTION – APRIL 14th & 15th, 2023

Weekly

Actual \$3,394.55 Budget \$4,139.00 (\$744.45)

Year to date

Actual \$146,662.50 Budget \$173,838.00 (\$27.175.50)

Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving

MASS ATTENDENCE:

Saturday: 20 Sunday: 113

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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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