

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

September 16th & 17th 2023

Twenty Fourth
Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Times:

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

Holy Hour:

After mass on the 3rd Sunday
of each month

Sharing Sunday ~

Our next Sharing Sunday
is October 1st.



WEEKLY COLLECTION September 9 & 10, 2023

	<u>Weekly</u>
Actual	\$4,087.55
Budget	<u>\$3,747.00</u>
	\$340.55
	<u>Year to date</u>
Actual	\$37,879.45
Budget	<u>\$41,217.00</u>
	(\$3,337.55)

Note: Actual totals include weekly
collection and E-giving

MASS ATTENDANCE: 9/9: 39 9/10: 133

Message from Our Pastor

...the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants... (Sunday's Gospel: Mt 18:21-35)

One of the "excuses" I use when I'm not able or willing to focus and work on my weaknesses and tendency to be a "workaholic" is the line: "I have a lot to make up for." Meaning, I'm doing too much because I've messed a lot up and I'm trying to "make up" the fact that I have sinned, missed the mark, not done what I think others are expecting of me, etc.

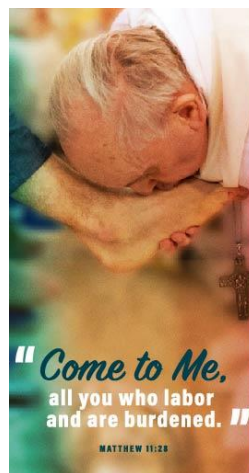
I'm reminded regularly, and I remind myself, all-the-time..., that I cannot *earn* my salvation. I can't completely and thoroughly "make up" for my sin. Our Lord does all that on the Cross. He extends his grace to us in the sacrament of Reconciliation and provides the means for us to offer a penance appropriate to the sins integrally confessed.

Fine, but the *feeling* of "debt" is still there. I'm reminded that the Master, in His parable of the king, is "moved by compassion" for me, for you, for all. Will I receive that compassion, or just try and make up for things myself? One is me being receptive to grace, the other is heresy. Which one will you choose?

Please be assured of my prayers this week.

Fr. Capuano

News & Announcements



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2023

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 17, 2023, and the theme is: "**Come to me all you who labor and are burdened**" Those who the parish community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. This year our catechists are: Donna Baird, Amber Reitz, Shannon Davidson, Linda Aspinall, Anne McMillian, Ian Gaines, Fred Powell, Ryland Paxton, Valerie Smith, Mitzi Mead and Jane Murphy.

Bethlehem Christians – September 23-24

Olive wood carvings and crafts from Christian artists in the Holy Land will be offered for sale after each Mass on the weekend of September 23-24. Sales of olive wood carvings support Christian families who rely on this as their primary sources of income. Did you know that Christians make less than 2% of the population in the Holy Land? Your support helps keep these native Christians rooted in their homeland. Thank you for your support. www.bethlehemcrafts.biz

GIVING DAY FOR SAINT FRANCIS

Saint Francis – Manchester will hold its 3rd annual **Giving Day on Wednesday, October 4, 2023** (the Feast of Saint Francis). We hope you will consider making a gift AND **becoming a Peer-to-Peer Fundraiser!** As a P2P Fundraiser, you will play a vital role in ensuring a successful Giving Day by inviting your family, friends, and colleagues to join you in **helping low-income seniors receive the care they need.** Sign up at givingday.saintfrancisva.org or **scan the QR code.** And, in the spirit of friendly competition, there will be a prize for the Peer-to-Peer Fundraiser who generates the most donations! Questions? – contact cheinen@saintfrancis.org or 804-237-5602.

Thank you!



Community Garden – Family Potluck & Blessing of the Garden: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER. 17th at 2pm

AT Cluster Community Garden @ St. John's Catholic Church (Rain or shine)

Update - St. Patrick Church Directory - Another opportunity for church directory photos! If you have not had your photo taken for the church directory, please come on Saturday, September 23 and Sunday the 24th in St. Patrick's Church Hall. The directory will be published this fall so this is your last chance. Questions: email Anne McMillan annmcmlln@yahoo.com

Pastoral Council additions: A big thank you to all those who reached out about possibly serving on Pastoral Council. Now that I have a few names from each parish, I'll take some time to consider options and dynamics in the Council and who would be a good fit. While the Pastoral Council is a helpful organ for considering the pastoral needs of the parish, parishioners are always welcome to share their hearts about the needs of the communities.

Schedules, Devotions, etc. What do you need, or want? Are you open to, do you want, alternate daily Mass, confession, adoration times? Is there something about the current schedule that works, or does not work? What about formation opportunities for youth and adults? What are we missing in the community? How can we reconnect with folks who have not come back from the health crisis? These are all concerns to be addressed in pastoral council, but I also want to address broadly with you in the parish. Feel free to send me a note: bcapitano@richmonddiocese.org.

St. Peter Block Party Saturday, October 7th. 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. In the church parking lot. Bring a comfortable chair. Food: Hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, various potluck sides and desserts. Events: Heads and Tails, Ring Toss, Corn hole toss, Egg race and more. Themed gift baskets.



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