# SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC

# **CHURCH**

May 20-21, 2017 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass times: Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 10:45am

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Nursery: Available at 10:45 mass

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<u>The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</u> (RCIA): The RCIA is the process where the Catholic Church welcomes new adult members into the Church. Adults wishing to learn more should please contact Fred Powell or Ryland Paxton.

<u>Baptisms</u>: Baptisms are held the first Sunday of the month during Mass. Baptism class is required prior to Baptizing your first child. Classes are held at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall. The next class will be held on 6/4/17. If you are interested in attending a class & scheduling your child's Baptism, contact Kathy Buttner.

<u>Visitation to the sick and homebound</u> – If you or someone you know would like a visit and Holy Communion at their home. Please call the office at 737-8028. Office staff will ensure the information will be relayed to Visitation Ministry individuals.

## MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR:

Good day all! I hope everyone enjoyed the week of beautiful weather. I once spent a summer in Medellin, Colombia and it was like that every day. In fact it's like that every day there all year. Only to be rivaled by the weather in Heaven...

I would like to use this pastor message to ask for something. It is something I will have to continue to ask for because we need to be continually reminded of things...just our nature...

I ask that please, before Mass, when inside the sanctuary, please do not talk. Please before Mass, when in the church proper (the worship space), be quiet so as to allow and encourage an environment of prayer.

I once heard a priest from our Diocese say "talk to God before Mass, talk to Jesus during Mass, and talk to your friends after Mass" That is a good way to look at things. Talk to God before Mass so that He might open our hearts to what we are about to experience.

I don't want an environment that is cold or rigid (that may be hard to believe coming from me...). I love the community and fellowship at our parishes. But socializing before Mass should be in the basement or commons area.

Please do not scold anyone should they be talking in Church, but please do give them good example by yourself praying before Mass, and if it's out of control, you can ask an usher to politely ask them to take their conversation to the commons/basement.

Whispering to someone "hello" or a quick thought is fine...but a 10 minute discussion about what Judge Judy said on TV the day before at full voice (with laughing) is a little too much. Make sense?

Thank you to everyone who makes our parishes so special. After being here about 2 years now, I have been able to think about and see much more the exceptionally sacrificial hearts of so many folks in our parishes who do so much to make them great. They do it without recognition and without pay. It is a wonderful thing to witness and be a part of. While the leadership of the parish (me) may not offer enough recognition, I can at least promise that it is very very pleasing to God, who knows and sees.

Please keep it up. God Bless. -Fr Rossi

# **NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Youth Mass: A Votive Mass for the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held on Monday, 5/22/17 at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Father Brian Capuano will be the celebrant & music will be provided by the Ward Centre of Richmond Youth Choirs. The Ward Centre of Richmond Schola was featured at Catholic University of America in Washington, DC in 2013, the Church Music Association of America Colloquium in Saint Louis in 2016, and the conference, "Gregorian Chant in Pastoral Ministry and Religious Education," this past March at St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, NY. For more information on the Ward Centre, please visit www.grsm.net/programs/wardcentre.

Ordination Card: Deacon Miguel Melendez will be ordained into the priesthood on 6/3/17 @ 10:45 at the Cathedral. Please stop by the church hall and sign a card of congratulations for him. You may remember he was with us last summer & has visited us a few times through this year.

**Box Tops for Education**: Please continue to collect box tops for education. The K of C will continue to collect them for All Saints Catholic School. The is a small box in the basement where they can be dropped off.

BLOOMING NOW! Irises, Peonies, Roses, Lilies, Astillbe, Azaleas, Rhododendrons, and Aromatic Herbs. Please consider sharing your beautiful blooms with St. Patrick's so that we may decorate our altars each week for Mass! Timing is all important and your cut flowers may be dropped off in the basement before each weekend mass between (5:00-5:20pm) on Saturday and (10:15-10:35am) on Sunday. Thank you for adding to our worship celebration!

<u>Thank you</u>: Thanks to those members who donated items & assembled gift bags for Mother's Day. They were distributed at the Salvation Army Family Shelter. Was a nice way to brighten their day.

# CHURCH SUPPORT AS OF 5/14/17

### Weekly

 Actual
 \$4,591.00

 Budgeted
 \$4,107.00

 Difference
 \$484.00

### Year to Date

Actual \$181,081.26 Budgeted \$188,985.00 Difference (\$7,903.74)

**Attendance for 5/13 & 14/2017:** 48/183

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**SPC Emergency #:** 804-402-1221 - If someone is dying or has died and you would like to talk with a priest, please call the emergency number at any time.

<u>Bulletin</u>: All bulletin submissions must be emailed to Michelle Dawson the <u>Tuesday prior by noon</u>.



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