

# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

August 5 & 6<sup>th</sup> 2023

## The Transfiguration of the Lord



### Mass Times:

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

Holy Hour: After mass on  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month

### Masses for The Assumption of the Blessed Virginia Mary are Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup>.

St. Patrick – 6pm,  
St. Peter- 12:05pm,  
and St. John 9am & 7pm (bilingual)

## Message from Our Pastor

**\*I am interested in expanding the members of the pastoral council over the next few months, if you have an interest in representing the parish in the area of pastoral action, please contact me directly: [bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org). Maybe a gathering over a meal might facilitate some conversation and reflection, as I take time to get to know the communities.\***

We're in the midst of updating the parish websites and hoping to promote unity among the parishes and diversity of history and culture. To that end, I would like to begin to archive some of the history of the parishes and scan photos of the parishes for use on the websites. Photos of the exterior of the churches, interior of the sanctuaries down through the years and general action shots of parish activities. Some of these photos may be used on the parish websites. Feel free to email me directly with any *exterior* or *interior* photos of the various churches ([bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org)). Additionally, we are exploring the integration of our communication system. We have acquired use of the addresses: [richmondcluster.org](http://richmondcluster.org) and [richmonddiocese.com](http://richmonddiocese.com) for our exclusive use and hope to be rolling out updates to the website and email communication/ calendaring over the next few weeks/ months.

What does God the Father look like? We know of course that the Father doesn't have a physical form, and yet we receive a unique picture from the Book of the Prophet Daniel: "...the Ancient One took his throne. His clothing was bring as snow, and the hair on his head as white as wool..." What kind of image does that generate in yourmind?

What struck me in considering this week's readings was an image that comes soon after the lines above: "A surging stream of fire flowed out from where he sat." That has never been an image in my imagination when I think about heaven.

What attributes do you consider when you think about God? Who is He to you? Who should He be? The image presented by Daniel shows God seated on His Throne. It is the image depicting the center, the heart and fire surges forth. His Heart is a aflame for you. This week, what might you say to Him?

Please be assured of my prayers this week. - Fr. Capuano



St. Patrick  
Catholic Church – Scan &  
Give. Thank you for 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.

# News & Announcements

## Donations for Veterans

Thank you from the Inpatient Polytrauma Unit at the Central VA Veterans Healthcare System for your generous donations. We brought many boxes of coffees, teas, hot chocolates, cups, sugars, and some other treats. They were so thankful to all of you who took the time to donate. Thankyou!

## Religious Education for 2023/2024

### Deadline to Sign up is August 20th.

It's time to register your children for Religious Education for 2023/2024. Classes are for students from kindergarten through high school. If your child is preparing for **First Reconciliation/First Eucharist or Confirmation**, full participation in St.

Patrick's Religious Education is required including attendance at all scheduled classes and as well as weekly mass. Classes will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 on Sunday mornings before 10:45 mass. Please contact Donna at [donnabaird@yahoo.com](mailto:donnabaird@yahoo.com) or speak with her after Sunday mass. If you are interested in teaching, please contact Donna as well. Looking forward to another great year!

## SHARING SUNDAY

Our next Sharing Sunday will be September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please drop off your non-perishable food donations at the parish hall before or after mass on Saturday or Sunday.

Thank you!

## The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey for Welcoming Adult newcomers (inquires) into the Roman Catholic Church. RCIA is for adults who, after having their hearts opened to conversion and faith by the Holy Spirit, seek to become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church. The RCIA process assists them in becoming full, conscious, active, and ongoing participants in a life with Christ and His Church. RCIA welcomes those who are not baptized, those who are baptized in another Christian tradition and those who are baptized Catholic but never received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. An RCIA class will be starting at SPC on September 10th. Anyone interested is welcome to join the class. Adults wishing to learn more should contact Fred Powell or Ryland Paxton before September 10<sup>th</sup>.

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## WEEKLY COLLECTION –

### July 29 & 30th, 2023

	<u>Weekly</u>
Actual	\$2,905.55
Budget	<u>\$3,747.00</u> (\$841.45)
	<u>Year to date</u>
Actual	\$16,829.70
Budget	<u>\$18,735.00</u> (\$1,905.30)

Note: Actual totals include weekly collection and E-giving

**MASS ATTENDANCE: 7/29: 31 7/30: 106**

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If someone is dying or has died & you would like to talk to a Priest, please call.

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