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Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Mondays: 12:15 p.m.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays: 7:30 a.m.

1st Fridays: 12:15 p.m. followed by Adoration and Reconciliation from 1:00 — 2:00 p.m.

All other Fridays: 12:15 p.m.

Weekend Masses

1st Saturdays: 8:30 a.m.

Saturdays: Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:55 p.m.

(and privately by appointment)

1st Fridays: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

1st Saturdays: 9:15 - 10:00 a.m.

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The Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation, and Marriage all have formal preparation of differing types and lengths. Parish registration precedes preparation for the Sacraments.

**Low gluten hosts are available. Please inform the Director of Service of your need at least 10 minutes before the start of Mass.*



July 3 — 11, 2021

**The Sanctuary Lamp is lit
in memory of †Mike Yoemans.**

Saturday, July 3

8:30 AM †Mary Ann DeLuca by Rita Poranski
5:00 PM †Chase Prasnicki

Sunday, July 4

8:00 AM †Mike Yoemans by Pat and Ken Seelig
10:30 AM †Pat Rafferty by Irene Condie

Monday, July 5

12:15 PM Hector Guerrero by John and Reyna Cerkey

Tuesday, July 6

7:30 AM †Charles Post by Rita Poranski

Wednesday, July 7

7:30 AM †Mary Ann DeLuca by Maggie Davies

Thursday, July 8 — No Mass

Friday, July 9

12:15 PM †Ted Duffy by Rita Duffy

Saturday, July 10

5:00 PM †Mike Yoemans by Nancy and Marshall Davis

Sunday, July 11

8:00 AM †Adele Burleigh by the Rappold Family
10:30 AM People of St. Patrick's

Dear Parishioners,

This is the last brief letter and article that I will write to you. Please welcome and be kind and supportive to your new Pastor, Fr. Stefan Migac. He's a wonderful priest.



I borrow my final comments to you from Matthew 5:16, "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

It's been an honor and privilege to serve you the last sixteen years as your servant leader and pastor. Thanks for the memories!

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Joe

Thank you, Father Joe, for your support and endorsement of our parish programs and offerings in Religious Education, Adult Faith Formation, and New Evangelization. May the Good Lord bless and keep you always! ~ Kathleen Nowacki-Correia, DRE

Baptism: Congratulations to Preston and Victoria Perry on the recent Baptism of their second son, Ryan Christopher. May he and his older brother, Landon, continue to grow tall and strong in the love and grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.



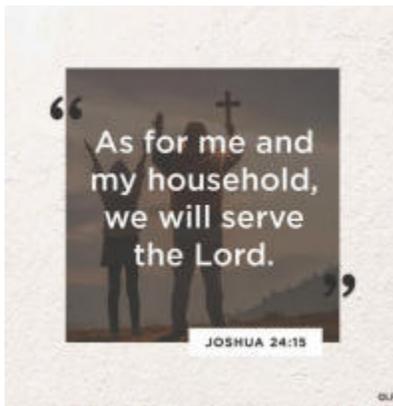
Transitional Mass: You are cordially invited to a special Mass on Monday, July 5 at 12:15 p.m. Fr. Joe and Fr. Stefan will be concelebrating. Come, pray and give our outgoing and incoming pastors the love and support that they need.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions will not be heard here at St. Patrick's on July 2 and 3. They will resume on July 10 at 4:00 p.m.



Scripture Readings: July 4: Ezekiel 2:2-5; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6a. July 11: Amos 7:12-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13.

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Are you ready to serve? We have been advertising for new Liturgical Ministers for months. Some former volunteers are not able to return to service at this time. Many of you have never served any role during Mass. Now is the time to step up! Consider these excerpts from the *Ministries and Roles within the Liturgical Assembly at Mass* on the **USCCB website** (emphasis added): "In addition to the ordained ministries there are roles in the liturgy which are exercised by lay people *who place their time and talent at the service of the liturgical assembly* as acolytes (altar servers), lectors, extraordinary

ministers of Holy Communion, cantors, choir members, instrumentalists, leaders of song and ushers. Others contribute their time and talent to planning and organizing the liturgy, to keeping the church and the vestments, vessels, and appointments clean and well-ordered or to providing decorations that reflect the spirit of the liturgical feast or season. **The General Instruction makes it very clear that this variety of offices and roles is desirable and should be maintained.**

All the baptized need to understand that part of their duty regarding liturgy is to accept some responsibility for the liturgy, to place themselves and their God-given talents at the service of the liturgical community whenever possible. *If liturgy is a duty as well as a right, then part of that duty for those able to undertake these tasks is the responsibility to assume such key roles as those of lector, server or acolyte, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, usher, choir member, etc... Whether one brings up the gifts at the Presentation, reads the Word of God, assists with the distribution of Communion and brings the Eucharist to those unable to be present at Mass, serves at the altar, provides music that augments the joy, solemnity and festivity of the celebration or serves the assembled community as an usher, he or she is contributing to the worship of the community and fulfilling the responsibility that comes with Baptism... What is important is that all understand that the celebration of liturgy is not just the responsibility of the pastor, although he is delegated by the Bishop to oversee the liturgical life of the parish. Pastors need the help of their people, the people who are serious about living out their baptismal right and responsibility to worship." Are you fulfilling your duty to God and your parish? Please prayerfully consider how you would best serve in our liturgy. Contact Cindy Bither at the Parish Office, 463-3533 or cindy@stpatrikslexington.com to volunteer.*

The Catholic Virginian envelope for this weekend offsets the cost to the parish of providing a subscription to the Catholic Virginian for each registered family. A suggested donation of \$25 per year per family will cover the cost.

Religious Education, Christian Formation, & New Evangelization

"He was amazed at their lack of faith."

Today's Gospel from the Evangelist Mark continues with his theme, "Who is Jesus?" Mark places us in Jesus' hometown of Nazareth, where He is teaching in the synagogue after becoming renowned throughout the region for His preaching and miracles. Yet, His former neighbors cannot see Him as more than "Mary's son," and, blinded by envy, they question, "What kind of wisdom has been given to Him?" Pope Benedict XVI explains that, despite their need for His miraculous healing, Jesus could do no mighty deed there, except by laying hands on a few of the sick, "because His miracles are a sign of God's love, brought into being wherever it encounters reciprocal human faith" (Angelus, 2012). May we strive to truly recognize Mary's Son for who He really is — God's Word Made Flesh, the Messiah, the Son of the Living God. With Mary, the Mother of God, may we truly recognize her Son as the perfect revelation of the Father's love. ~K.N.-C.

Monday, July 5 — Office Closed

11:45 AM Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers
 12:15 PM Transitional Mass

Tuesday, July 6 — Office Closed

7:30 AM Mass followed by Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers

Wednesday, July 7

7:30 AM Mass followed by Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers
 8:00 AM Adoration
 8:00 AM Rosary

Thursday, July 8 — No Mass

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus — Church Hall

Friday, July 9

11:45 AM Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers
 12:15 PM Mass

Saturday, July 10

4:00 PM Reconciliation
 4:15 PM Cantor Rehearsal
 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

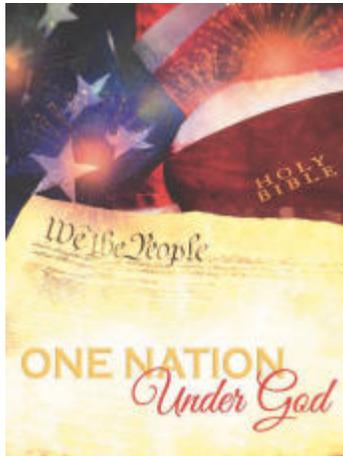
Sunday, July 11

7:15 AM Cantor Rehearsal
 8:00 AM Mass
 8:30 AM "Kindle My Fire" Radio Program on 96.7-3WZ
 9:45 AM Choir Rehearsal
 10:30 AM Mass



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: We are in need of someone to Adore from 12:30-1:30 p.m. on Wednesday Adoration. Contact: Maggie Davies 819-6426.

RARA Food of the Month: Peanut Butter



Music & Liturgy



On this Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, our biblical texts present the figure of the prophet whose message is not necessarily well received. In the first reading, God commissions Ezekiel to preach to the wayward Israelites of his time. Saint Paul boasts to the Corinthians of his weaknesses that he endures with the strength of Christ's grace. And in the Gospel, Jesus preaches in the synagogue in his hometown, eliciting astonishment and incredulity from his hearers.

"With what spirit do I think? With the spirit of the Lord or with my own mind, the spirit of the community to which I belong or the small group or social class to which I belong, or the political party to which I belong?... And to seek if I really think with the spirit of God. And ask grace to discern when I think with the spirit of the world, and when I think with the spirit of God. And ask for the grace of the conversion of thought" (Pope Francis, Homily, 3/5/18). As we celebrate our nation's Independence Day in a radically secularized cultural environment, may our prophetic words and actions uphold the great truths that our rights and liberties come from our Creator and that we are truly free when we love and serve God and neighbor.

**** A Musical Note:** We need additional cantors for weekend Masses. Please contact Justin Soutar if you would like to serve as a cantor. ***

Prayer Net: Alberta McGrogan; Helen Hogel; Raymond, Angie, & Noel MacDermott; Brian Valley; Rita Kantrim; Warren Browning; Marilyn Rom; Laura Lowe; John Rafferty; Chris Hugo; Allen J. Chittum, Sr.; Margaret Mitchell; Eileen Roth; Mack Sharp; Mitchell King; Irene Pouliot; Allan Perkins; Paul Freeman; Matt Hemp; Carol Melvin; Wendell Tucker; Stephanie Batterman; Deborah Soutar; Tanya Lalley; Shawn Hamric; Patricia Browning; Coen Deschambault; Virginia Mitchell; Amanda Soutar; Patricia Burch; Knox Thomas; Mary Lou Olszewski; Antoinette Warzinski; Tom Greenwood; Jerry Beckley; our parishioners in nursing homes and those who are homebound; those addicted to alcohol & drugs; the underemployed and unemployed; and our military and their families. (For Prayer Net requests, contact Cher McCoy at chergrindlemccoy@gmail.com or 540-570-2111.)



Inspiration for the Year of St. Joseph

"With the exception of our loving Mother, St. Joseph stands above all the saints."
 — St. Maximilian Kolbe

Holy Father's Prayer Intention: We pray that, in social, economic, and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



Dear Patricia and St. Patrick's Committee,

The pleasure is mine to inform you about the sea container. Everything arrived safely at the parish. I was not obliged to Port au Prince to pick them up. We have paid for the transportation. I have received all the boxes. Allow us to take advantage of opportunity to thank the whole St. Patrick's community and each parishioner, the Committee for Haiti, and all those who cooperated to make those services true.

Thanks a lot,
 Fr. Polinice Daisma
 Pastor, Fond Pierre, Haiti

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Parish Finances:

Collection for 6/20/2021	\$	3,946
Collection for 6/27/2021	\$	5,939
Weekly Budgeted Need	\$	7,461
Operating Income YTD	\$	403,054
Budgeted Operating Income YTD	\$	387,972
Over YTD Budgeted Income	\$	15,082
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Maintenance Reserve	\$	465
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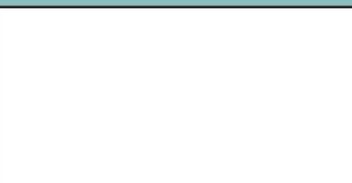
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Sunday Mornings at 8:30 For
"Kindle My Fire"
on Classic 96.7 3WZ FM



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