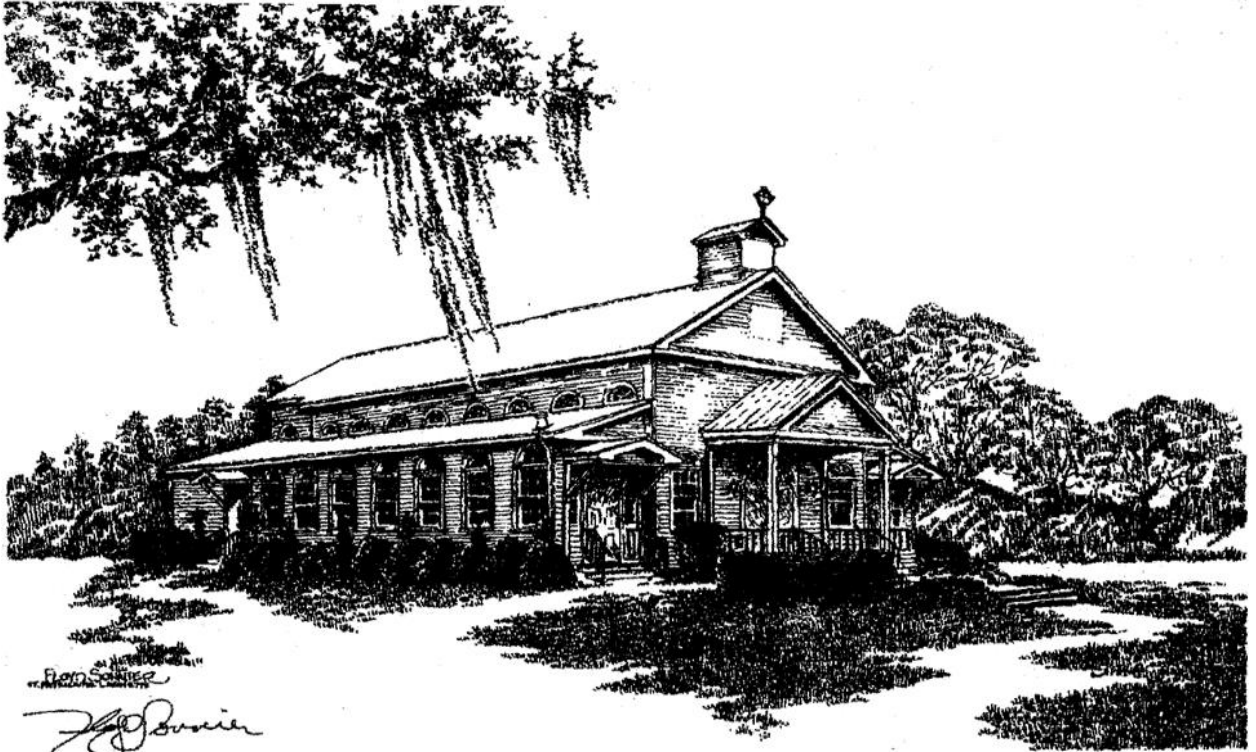


St. Patrick Catholic Church

March 26, 2023 – Fifth Sunday of Lent



L'Église St. Patrick

Office Hours

Mon-Thurs: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Fri 8 a.m.-12 noon

Holy Mass

Saturday: 4 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 & 10 a.m.
Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday: 3:20-3:50 p.m.
Weekdays: 7-7:25 a.m.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 25

4 p.m.: John P. Zagar; Dr. & Mrs. Leonard Rolfes; Dr. & Mrs. Walter Comeaux, Jr.; Carroll Credeur; M/M Thomas Stutes & family; Rachel Menard (*living*); Nicholas & Amanda Clay (*living*); Brad Brosner; Jimmy Thibodeaux; Mike Guilbeau

Sunday, March 26

8:30 a.m.: Fr Rex Broussard; E.F. Marin; Ronald Lege family

10 a.m.: Parishioners of St Patrick

Monday, March 27

7:30 a.m.:

Tuesday, March 28

7 a.m.: Velma Singleton

Wednesday, March 29

7:30 a.m.: Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne; Col. Clark Comeaux & Catherine and Col. Kimberley Fedele (*living*)

Thursday, March 30

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, March 31

7:30 a.m.: Deborah J. Matthews; Ashton Petitjean family

Remember Me

A support group for those with loved ones who suffer from dementia/Alzheimer's. Meetings twice per month at St Elizabeth Seton Church. Call 337-235-1483 or email setonrememberme@gmail.com for more information.

Lost and Found

Forgot something in church? Can't find those glasses, prayer books, gloves, hats, scarves, rosaries, etc.? Be sure to check the lost and found basket, located in the back of the church under the table. Personal items left behind are placed there for you to reclaim.

Comunità Cenacolo

A Catholic community for addiction recovery. Visit hopereborn.org.

*Lord, you are good and forgiving,
most merciful to all who call on you.*

~ Psalm 86:5

Come, Lord Jesus!

This weekly study group focuses on the upcoming Sunday readings in a small group setting. A group meets at St Patrick on Thursdays, at 5:30 p.m., in the office building conference room. For all interested in Scripture and deepening their faith in connection with the holy Eucharist. For more information please call Mike Samson at 337-257-7888 or email: michaelsamson@bellsouth.net.

Strive (for Catholic Men)

A resource and community for men who wish to break away from pornography use. Visit strive21.com.

Bloom for Catholic Women

Bloom provides healing for women affected by their husband's pornography use/addiction. Therapeutic and spiritual online courses to heal the betrayal trauma. Visit online at their website: bloomforcatholicwomen.com.

Stations of the Cross

The Way of the Cross will be recited at St Patrick Church each Friday during Lent at 7:05 a.m.

Local Lenten Missions

St Pius Church. March 30-31, 6:30-8:30 p.m. and April 1, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bart Schuchts, presenter.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, 6 p.m.

Good Friday, 3 p.m.

Easter Vigil, 8 p.m.

Divine Mercy signs

Divine Mercy yard signs will be available to parishioners at the conclusion of Masses next weekend.

Easter flowers

Anyone wishing to donate Easter flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one may contact the parish office.

Let us pray for:

Shelby Graciana, daughter of parishioners Joey and Melinda Dufrene, who recently underwent surgery for cancer.

Sharon Savoie, our parish sacristan, as she recovers from pneumonia.

Parishioner Wanda Prejean, who is recovering from a fall and surgery.

Parishioner Raymond Garry, who will have a surgical procedure on March 29.

Parishioner Bobbie Toups, who celebrated her 86th birthday on March 22.

*Please let us know
of your prayer intentions.*

Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death.

From an Easter letter by St Athanasius, bishop († 373)

The Word who became all things for us is close to us, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promises to remain with us always. He cries out, saying: *See, I am with you all the days of this age.* He is himself the shepherd, the high priest, the way, and the door and has become all things at once for us. In the same way, he has come among us as our feast and holy day as well. True joy, genuine festival, means the casting out of wickedness. To achieve this, one must live a life of perfect goodness, and, in the serenity of the fear of God, practice contemplation in one's heart. This was the way of the holy ones, the saints, who in their lifetime and at every stage of life rejoiced as at a feast. Because of their holy lives they gained freedom and now keep festival in heaven. When we celebrate the feast in our own day, what path are we to take? As we draw near to this feast, who is to be our guide? Beloved, it must be none other than the one whom you will address with me as our Lord Jesus Christ. He says: *I am the way.* As blessed John tells us: it is Christ *who takes away the sin of the world.* It is he who purifies our souls.

Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....\$5,690
Catholic Relief Services.....\$700

*Next week's second collection:
St Patrick's Building and Maintenance*

From the Pastor's Desk

Our St Patrick's parish breakfast was held last Saturday, March 18, at the Petroleum Club with nearly ninety parishioners in attendance. This annual social event for our parish is an opportunity for all St Patricians to visit with each other in a social setting, while enjoying a meal together.

It so often happens in church parishes, even in small ones, that we see each other at Mass, sometimes daily, or at least at our usual Sunday Mass, but fail to get to know each other by name. Events like this give us the chance to make that right, to slow down and talk with the people we see regularly at church, people who share the same faith, pray the same way, and come to the same church as we do. They also provide an opportunity to visit with other parishioners who attend different Masses from the one we do.

So if you missed the St Patrick's breakfast this year, be sure to come next year. It's open to all who come to St Patrick's, whether weekday parishioners or Sunday parishioners!

I want to thank all those who took care of organizing and setting up for this event. It was truly a labor of love and service to our parish. Many thanks to all who brought door prizes and to Betty Mouton, who, again this year, made the charming centerpieces for each table.

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This past weekend I announced that our parish officer manager/bookkeeper/secretary, Monica Mullins, will be retiring at the end of May. Monica has worked for St Patrick's for nearly 24 years, and the number of things she does each day for our parish is truly remarkable.

Her daily presence in the office will certainly be missed, by all of our parishioners, and especially by me, who rely so greatly on Monica's knowledge and willingness to tackle so many of the day-to-day tasks in the life of our parish. But we are gladdened and reassured that Monica's retirement from work does not mean her withdrawal from the life of our parish community! She will still be here with us and among us, but in a new capacity, one I hope she comes to love and enjoy.

When you next see or speak with Monica, please be sure to offer her your appreciation and congratulations. After Easter we will plan a fitting celebration to honor her near quarter-of-a-century service to St Patrick's.

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Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, which begins Holy Week. Inside the bulletin you will find the schedule for Holy Week celebrations: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. These special liturgies are the culmination of Lent as they commemorate the central events of our faith: the Last Supper, the death of the Savior, and his glorious Resurrection.

Fr. Guillory