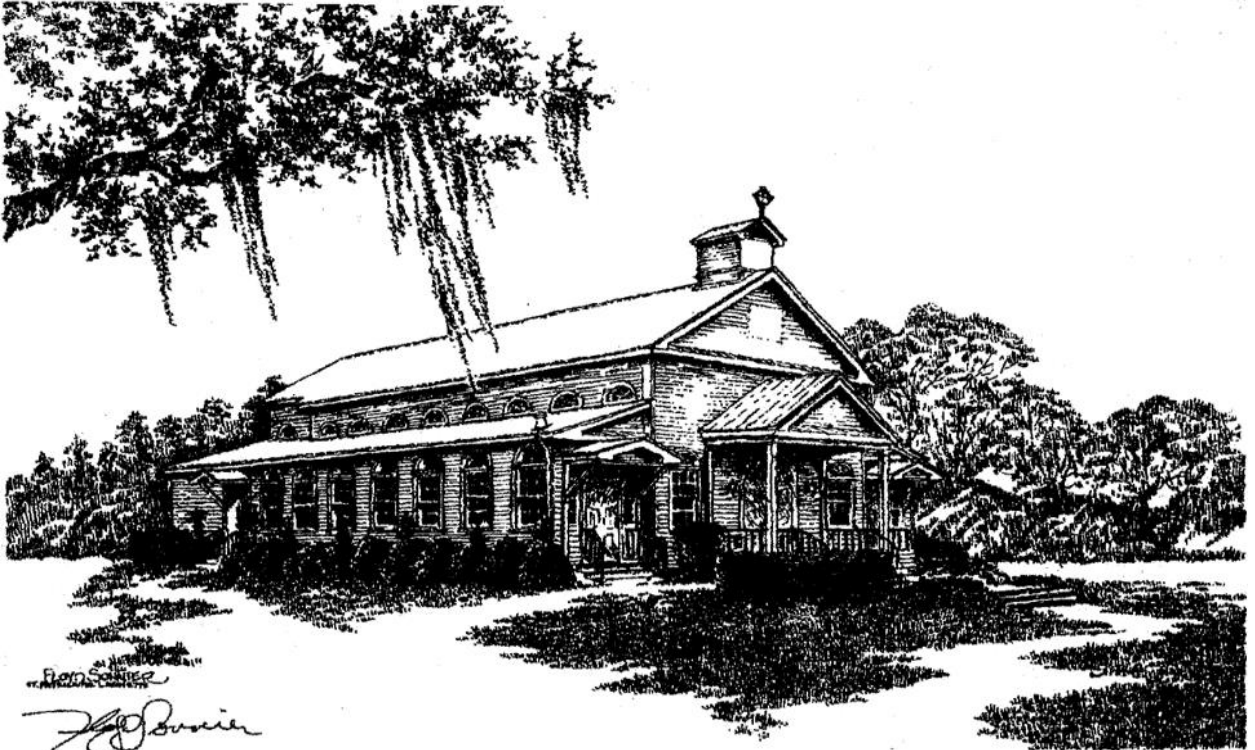


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

April 23, 2023 – Third Sunday of Easter



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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## **April 23, 2023**

### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

#### **Saturday, April 22**

**4 p.m.:** John P. Zagar; Dr. & Mrs. Leonard Rolfes; Dr. & Mrs. Walter Comeaux, Sr.; Ron, Wallace & Romaine Venable; Bart, Jules & Isola LeJeune; Deborah Jean Matthews

#### **Sunday, April 23**

**8:30 a.m.:** Fr Rex Broussard

**10 a.m.:** For Parishioners

#### **Monday, April 24**

**7:30 a.m.:** T.A. (*living*)

#### **Tuesday, April 25**

**7:30 a.m.:** Kreamer family

#### **Wednesday, April 26**

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

#### **Thursday, April 28**

**7:30 a.m.:** Marilyn Scott; Jackie & Don Hines; Sally & Bobby Bourgeois

#### **Friday, April 28,**

**7:30 a.m.:** T.A. (*living*)



**Alleluia!**  
**Christ**  
**is**  
**risen!**

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#### **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.

#### **Maronite Mass**

Fr Alex Harb will celebrate the Maronite Mass at St Patrick's on Sunday, April 30 at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend and experience the Mass in another Catholic rite. One's obligation to attend Mass is certainly fulfilled by attending this Mass.

#### **Mother's Day of Reflection**

The Annual Mothers' Day of Reflection will be held on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at the Immaculata Center (1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette). The day will begin promptly at 9 a.m. and end at 2 p.m. The cost is \$25, which includes lunch and materials for the day. **Pre-registration is required no later than May 5th.** Please visit [diolaf.org/marriage](http://diolaf.org/marriage) to register. For more information, please call the Office of Marriage and Family Life 337-261-5653.

#### **Redbird Ministries**

Faith, grief, bereavement support for parents who are suffering the loss of a child. See [www.redbird.love](http://www.redbird.love) for more information, meetings, and events.

*You will show me the path to life,  
abounding joy in your presence . ~ Ps 16:11*

## Holy Hour for Vocations

You are invited to the monthly eucharistic "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to be held Monday, May 1 from 6-7 p.m. here at St Patrick's. Recitation of the Rosary begins at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in prayer for vocations and perseverance of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. Sponsored by the Serra Club of Lafayette.

## For Your Marriage

The website [foryourmarriage.org](http://foryourmarriage.org) was created by the US Bishops' National Pastoral Initiative for Marriage. It is a resource for all who share in or are preparing for the sacrament of holy matrimony, from the newly engaged to those in the later years of marriage.

### Let us pray for:

Parishioner Bobbie Touns, who has been hospitalized.

Sharon Savoie, our sacristan, who will undergo heart surgery in early May.

Parishioner Merrick Stelly, who asks for prayers, especially for his eye troubles.

Parishioners Nolan and Theresa Guidry, who celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary on April 18.

Fr Guillory, as he travels to Amarillo this coming week, for safe travels during his time of rest and recreation.

*Please let us know  
of your prayer intentions.*

## Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter

May your people exult forever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.

## From the Jerusalem Catecheses of St Cyril (347)

On the night he was betrayed our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples and said: "*Take, eat: this is my body.*" He took the cup, gave thanks and said: "*Take, drink: this is my blood.*" Since Christ himself has declared the bread to be his body, who can have any further doubt? Since he himself has said quite categorically, *this is my blood*, who would dare to question it and say that it is not his blood? Therefore, it is with complete assurance that we receive the bread and wine as the body and blood of Christ. Do not, then, regard the eucharistic elements as ordinary bread and wine: they are in fact the body and blood of the Lord, as he himself has declared. You have been taught and you are firmly convinced that what looks and tastes like bread and wine is not bread and wine but the body and the blood of Christ. Strengthen your heart, then, by receiving this bread as spiritual bread, and bring joy to your soul.

## Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....\$4,009

*Second collection next week:  
Catholic Home Missions*

## From the Pastor's Desk

Spring is a time of renewal, when the earth wakes from the cold of winter and begins to grow. New life is abundant, and new energy, new vigor. Easter has that same effect on all the Church. After the desert days of Lent, Easter is a time of spiritual renewal and new growth as the Church receives the gift of water and the Spirit, especially in the sacrament of baptism, which brings about new life, abundant life.

Likewise, our parish, too, should seize the moment to renew itself and to call forth new energy and new vigor from our parishioners. With that in mind, I want to invite you, the parishioners of St Patrick's, to consider how you might serve God and your parish community (and your pastor, too) when we gather to celebrate the holy Eucharist at Mass.

Here are the different ways to serve at Mass: as a reader, an usher, a communion minister, an altar server. I will speak about this more soon, but I wanted you to begin to think about which of these ministries might appeal to you and how you might offer your time and your talent to your parish.

This renewal will also touch upon our Pastoral Council, the renewal of which is overdue. Currently, the following are members of the Pastoral Council: Susan Cain, Coty Eastin, Oren Spruill, and Merrick Stelly. The Pastoral Council meets with me between two and four times a year to discuss the pastoral aspects of our parish: *kerygma*

(evangelization/education); *leitourgia* (liturgy/sacraments/worship); *koinonia* (fellowship/community); *diakonia* (service/outreach). I will speak about this, too, in the coming weeks, but I invite you now to think about nominating someone (even yourself, perhaps) to serve in this capacity.

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This coming week and next weekend I will be away for a post-Easter time of rest and renewal. I'll be traveling to Amarillo, Texas, to hike in the Palo Duro Canyon, while I also catch up on my theological and pastoral reading. Please keep me in your prayers as I travel, enjoy nature, read, rest, and pray.



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In my absence, please welcome Fr Kevin Bordelon, who will celebrate Mass next weekend. During the week Fr Bordelon, Fr Gil Dutel, and Fr Jude Halphen will celebrate the daily Masses.

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With the upcoming retirement of our long-time parish secretary, Monica Mullins, it was necessary to seek out a new parish secretary/office manager. I am pleased to announce that Anna Walker will be joining us at St Patrick's. Anna comes to us with a great deal of experience in parish life and management, as she has worked in almost every aspect of parish life, from catechetics to cemetery management to parish finances and bookkeeping. Anna will begin at St Patrick's on Monday, May 15, working with Monica for about two weeks until Monica retires on May 31. Anna is excited to join us at St Patrick's, and we are glad to welcome her.

*Fr. Guillory*