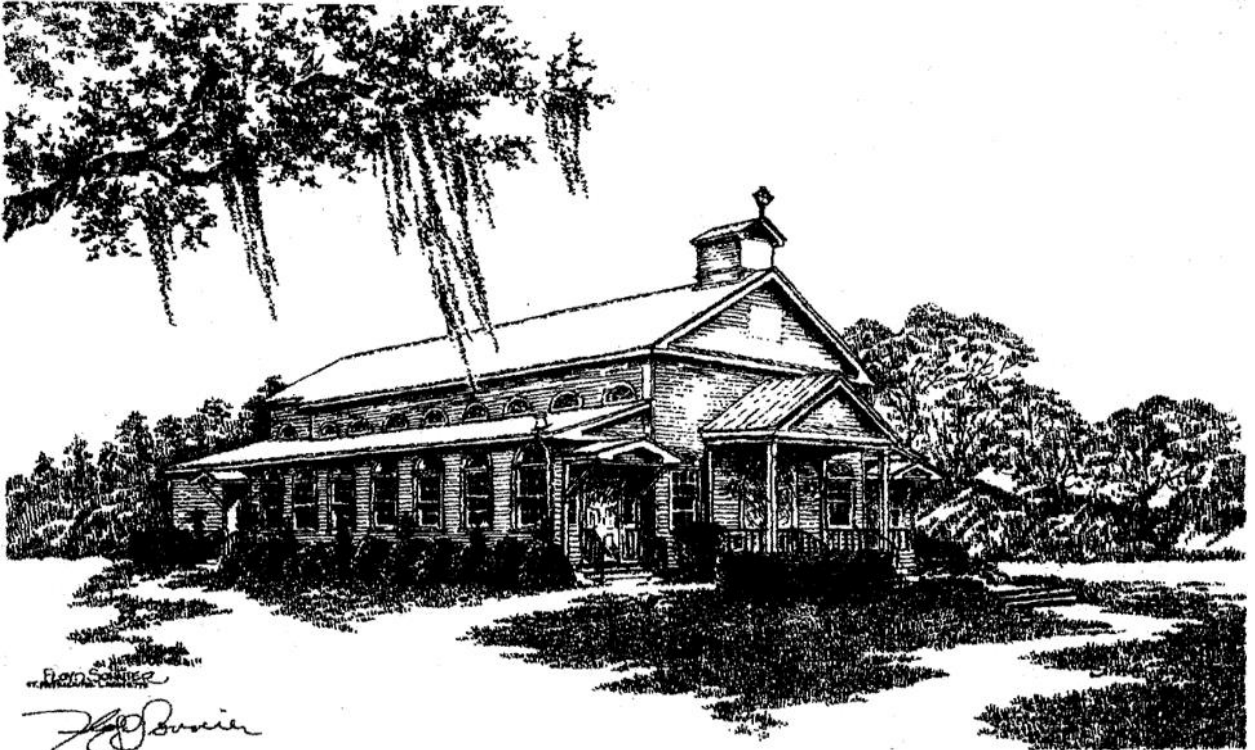


St. Patrick Catholic Church

July 9, 2023 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



L'Église St. Patrick

Office Hours

Mon-Thurs:
9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m.
Fri: closed

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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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 8

4 p.m.: John P Zagar; Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Dr & Mrs Walter Comeaux, Jr; Joy & Lee J Guillory

Sunday, July 9

8:30 a.m.: Fr Rex Broussard; Gregory Mahtook; Conner West

10 a.m.: For Parishioners



Monday, July 10

7:30 a.m.:

Tuesday, July 11

7:30 a.m.: Gregory Mahtook

Wednesday, July 12

7:30 a.m.: Dr Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne; Col. Clark Comeaux

Thursday, July 13

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, July 14

7:30 a.m.:

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. ~ Psalm 118:17

Come, Lord Jesus!

This weekly study/support 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.

Bereavement/grief support

Hospice of Acadiana offers a weekly support group for those who are bereaved or have experienced the death of a loved one. Call 337-232-1234 for more information.

Natural Family Planning Week

July 23-29. Visit online at t.ly/CPcs for details and information.

Retreat: mothers who have lost a child

Held September 8-10 at the Lumen Christi Retreat Center in Schriever, La. Hosted by Redbird Ministries, which offers faith, grief, and bereavement support for parents who are suffering the loss of a child. See www.redbird.love for more information.

Remember Me

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

New office hours

St Patrick will now observe the following public office hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon; 1-3 p.m. Closed on Friday.

Holy Hour for Vocations

You are invited to the monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to be held Monday, July 10 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.

Ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest ~ Mt 9:38

Let us pray for:

Sharon Savoie, our sacristan, who is now recovering at home from heart valve replacement surgery.

Brett Walker, husband of our parish secretary Anna Walker, who is undergoing treatments for cancer.

Stuart and Caleb Moss, son and grandson of parishioner Rose Moss, who are traveling to Thailand for two weeks for a work project.

Shelby Graciana, daughter of parishioners Joey and Melinda Dufrene, who is continuing treatments for cancer.

Raymond Garry, who is beginning radiation treatment for an aneurysm.

Ken Dugas, who has recently had two small strokes and is recovering at home.

Please let us know of your prayer intentions, birthdays, anniversaries, and other prayer-worthy occasions. Email us at stpat.org@gmail.com.

Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness.

From a sermon by St Augustine, bishop (†430)

Let us never assume that if we live good lives we will be without sin; our lives should be praised only when we continue to beg for pardon. But men are hopeless creatures, and the less they concentrate on their own sins, the more interested they become in the sins of others. They seek to criticize, not to correct. Unable to excuse themselves, they are ready to accuse others. This was not the way that David showed us how to pray and make amends to God, when he said: *I acknowledge my transgression, and my sin is ever before me.* He did not concentrate on others' sins; he turned his thoughts on himself. He did not merely stroke the surface but plunged inside and went deep down within himself. He did not spare himself, and therefore was not impudent in asking to be spared. We should be displeased with ourselves when we commit sin, for sin is displeasing to God. Sinful though we are, let us at least be like God in this, that we are displeased at what displeases him. In some measure then you will be in harmony with God's will, because you find displeasing in yourself what is abhorrent to your Creator.

Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....	\$4,764
Building fund.....	\$5,683

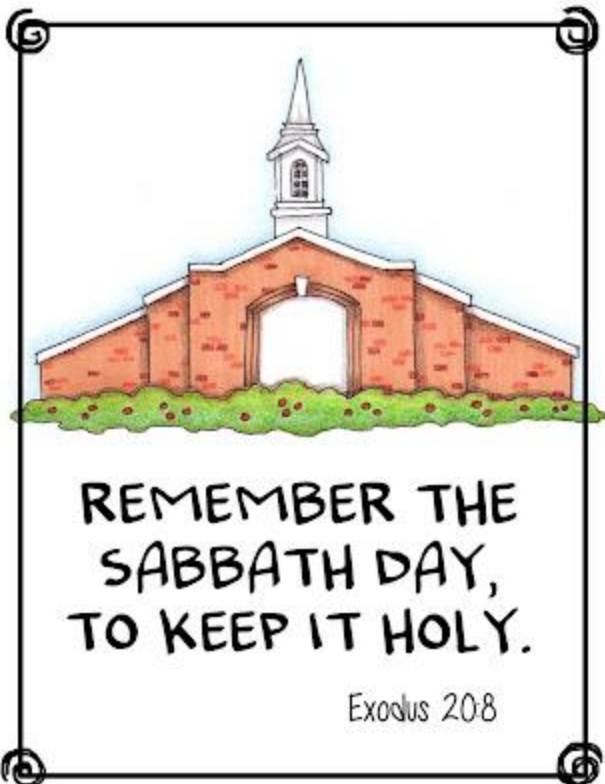
*Next week's second collection:
Catholic Communications*

From the Pastor's Desk

Summertime is typically also vacation time for many families – time away from home, time to rest, to relax, to get away from the ordinary routines and scenes of our everyday lives.

However, vacation's happy "disruption" of our life routines can make it difficult to plan for Sunday Mass while we're away. But this is where the internet really comes in handy. There is a website called *masstimes.org* that can be of great help in finding nearby churches and Mass times while traveling.

Masstimes.org allows users to search their location for the nearest Catholic church. You can refine your search to



look for Masses or even confession on a particular day of the week. The website usually contains links to the individual parish's website as well as driving directions through Google maps.

This is a good place for me to remind everyone that we really do need to find time to be away, to relax and refresh ourselves, especially because our modern way of life does not easily lend itself to wholesome rest and recreation. But when we are "away" from home and work and the routine of everyday life, we must be on our guard *not* be away from the Lord, for he alone is our true rest and our true recreation.

I often remind people that life consists of four overarching activities: we work, rest, pray, and play. Usually I have this conversation when people are struggling to pray or want to develop their prayer life. To facilitate and activate the spiritual life (prayer), it is often useful to make adjustments to work (we work too much), to rest (we rest too little), and to our play (most adults don't play at all, to their detriment).

During vacations, even small or short ones, provided we keep the Lord in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts, we can make effortless headway in our prayer lives, since vacation necessarily means that we stop working for a few days, rest more, and find time to play. The recreation of vacation allows God to re-create a spirit of prayer in us, and we are renewed in Him who makes all things new.

Fr. Guillory