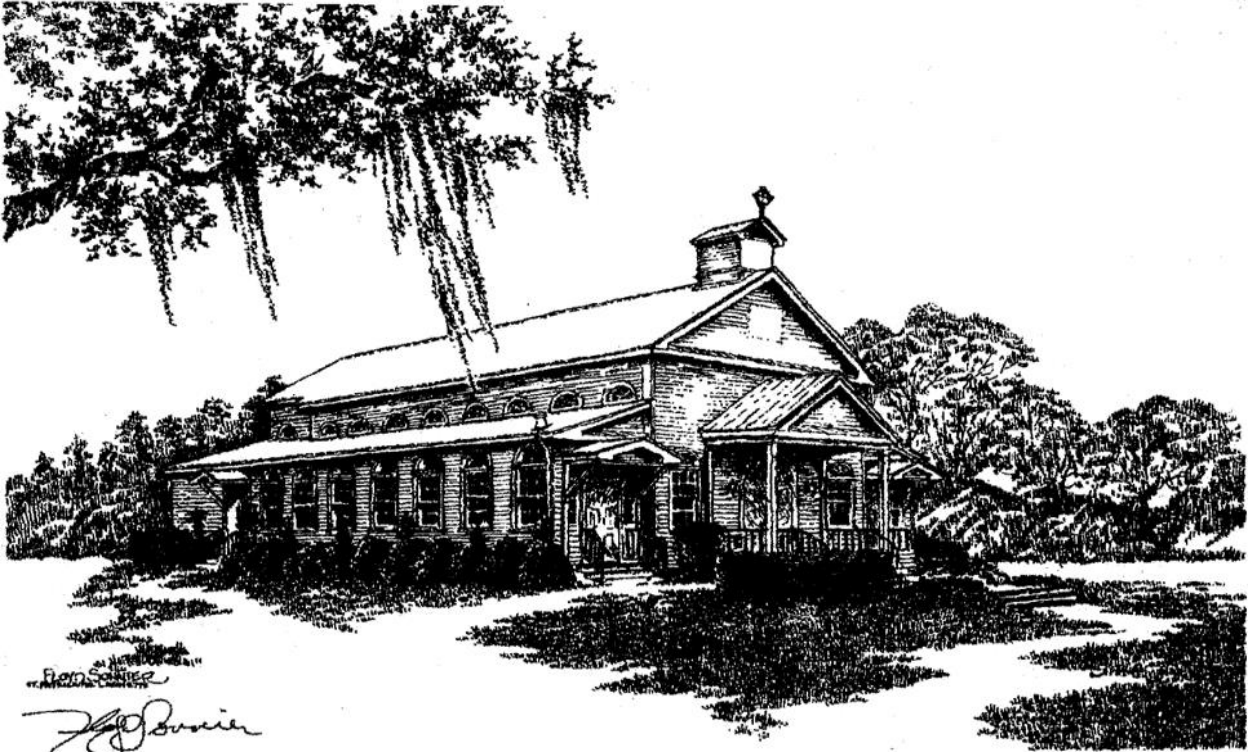


St. Patrick Catholic Church

September 3, 2023 – Twenty-second 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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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 2

4 p.m.: John P Zagar; Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Dr & Mrs Walter Comeaux, Jr; Deacon Julian & Karen Judice; Kreamer families; Jack Boudreaux; Louis Delahoussaye; Joy & Lee J Guillory; Donie Balusek; Ruby Delahoussaye

Sunday, September 3

8:30 a.m.: Fr Rex Broussard; Conner West; Jeremy & Megan Dean

10 a.m.: For Parishioners

Monday, September 4

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Tuesday, September 5

7:30 a.m.: John P. Zagar (first anniv.)

Wednesday, September 6

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

Thursday, September 7

7:30 a.m.: Dr. Steve Breaud

Friday, September 8

Labor Day office closure

St Patrick's parish office will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day.

Advocates for Immigrants in Detention

LAAID is volunteer organization helping immigrants released from detention, by providing transportation, meals, and overnight hosting as they travel to their family/sponsor. See laaid.org for more information.

Catholic in Recovery

Meets at 7 p.m. on Thursdays at St Peter Room of St Pius X Church. Also online meetings. For more information contact Marcelo at cirstpiusx@gmail.com or visit the website catholicinrecovery.com.

Retreat for grieving fathers

Held December 1-3 at the Theriot House in Theriot, La. For men who have experienced the death of a child. Register by November 15 at redbird.love/dadsretreat.

Altar flowers

Are donated in memory of Dr Tommy Comeaux and Dorinne.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic Charities of Acadiana needs volunteers. Here is how you can help:

St. Joseph Diner: sign up to serve during the most needed shifts: breakfast and dinner.

Food Net Bank: emergency food bags need to be filled; often they have no one to help.

Check the online calendar and sign up where there are vacancies (catholiccharitiesacadiana.org). For questions contact Sarah Baquet at 337-235-4972 or sarahb@catholiccharitiesacadiana.org.

United Christian Outreach, 422 Carmel Dr., is also in need of volunteers. Please contact parishioner Geneva Phillips at 337-280-2065 for more information.

Retrouvaille weekend

Hope and renewal for struggling marriages. Contact Bill & Missie at 985-232-5963 or visit helpourmarriage.org.

For Your Marriage

The website 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.

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.

Let us pray for:

Anna Walker, who celebrates her 50th birthday on September 6.

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

Parishioners Adelia Sparrow and Cordero Henry, who were married on August 26.

Bobbie Toups, who is being admitted to nursing home care.

Dickie Bell, who is suffering with pulmonary disease.

Nolan Guidry, who celebrated his 80th birthday on August 29.

Jeff Drozda, who turned 56 on August 30.

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

Collect for the Twenty-second Sunday

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured.

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

The holy Scriptures do not promise us peace, security, and rest. On the contrary, the Gospel makes no secret of the troubles and temptations that await us, but it also says that the one who perseveres to the end will be saved. Is there any affliction now endured by mankind that was not endured by our forefathers? What sufferings of ours even bear comparison with what we know of their sufferings? And yet you hear people complaining about this present day and age because things were so much better in former times. I wonder what would happen if they could be taken back to the days of their ancestors – would we not still hear them complaining? You may think past ages were good, but it is only because you are not living in them. How can you think that past ages were better than your own? From the time of that first Adam to the time of his descendants today, man's lot has been labor and sweat, thorns and thistles. Have we forgotten the flood and the calamitous times of famine and war whose history has been recorded precisely in order to keep us from complaining to God on account of our own times? Far from justifying complaints about our own time, they teach us how much we have to be thankful for.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$4,753

From the Pastor's Desk

As part of the Eucharistic Revival, the Diocese of Lafayette is hosting a diocesan Eucharistic rally that will be held on Thursday, October 5 at the Cajundome Convention Center from 6-9:30 p.m. The evening includes Mass celebrated by Bishop Deshotel, a dinner with a keynote address by Dr Ralph Martin, and adoration and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Admission is free, and I heartily encourage all to attend this event.

Our parish photo directory project is underway. Please take note of the informational posters around the church. Over the next several weeks, you will be able to sign up at church or even online. There will be a table in the back of church after Mass where volunteers will help you sign up for a photo session. There is no cost to participate, and each session receives a free 8x10 portrait and a free parish photo directory. After your session, you will have the option to purchase various photo prints, including framed options. However, there is no obligation to buy. The great benefit of a project like this to our parish is the production of the photo directory, which will include photos of all

parishioners. The great benefit to participants is the opportunity for a professional, studio-grade portrait, which can be used for all sorts of purposes.

Finally, it seems I'll be returning to Italy next year. But only for a 10-day pilgrimage. Do you want to come along? I hope you do. Through Magnificat Travels, St Patrick's is planning a pilgrimage to Rome, the Vatican City, Assisi, and more. The pilgrimage dates are set for June 17-24, 2024. If you're interested, then we've scheduled an orientation meeting on Wednesday, October 4 at 6 p.m. at our parish hall. Please RSVP for the orientation meeting by calling Magnificat Travels at 337-291-1933 or online at www.holytravels.org/FrGuilloryItaly.

By the time of the pilgrimage next year, it will have been five years since I've been back to Italy, where I lived on and off for nearly twelve years for theological studies and for work in the Roman Curia. To be truthful, I'm a little "Rome-sick" and am very glad to be going back to Italy with a group from St Patrick's! I hope you'll consider making this pilgrimage with us! *Arrivederci!*

Fr. Guillory

