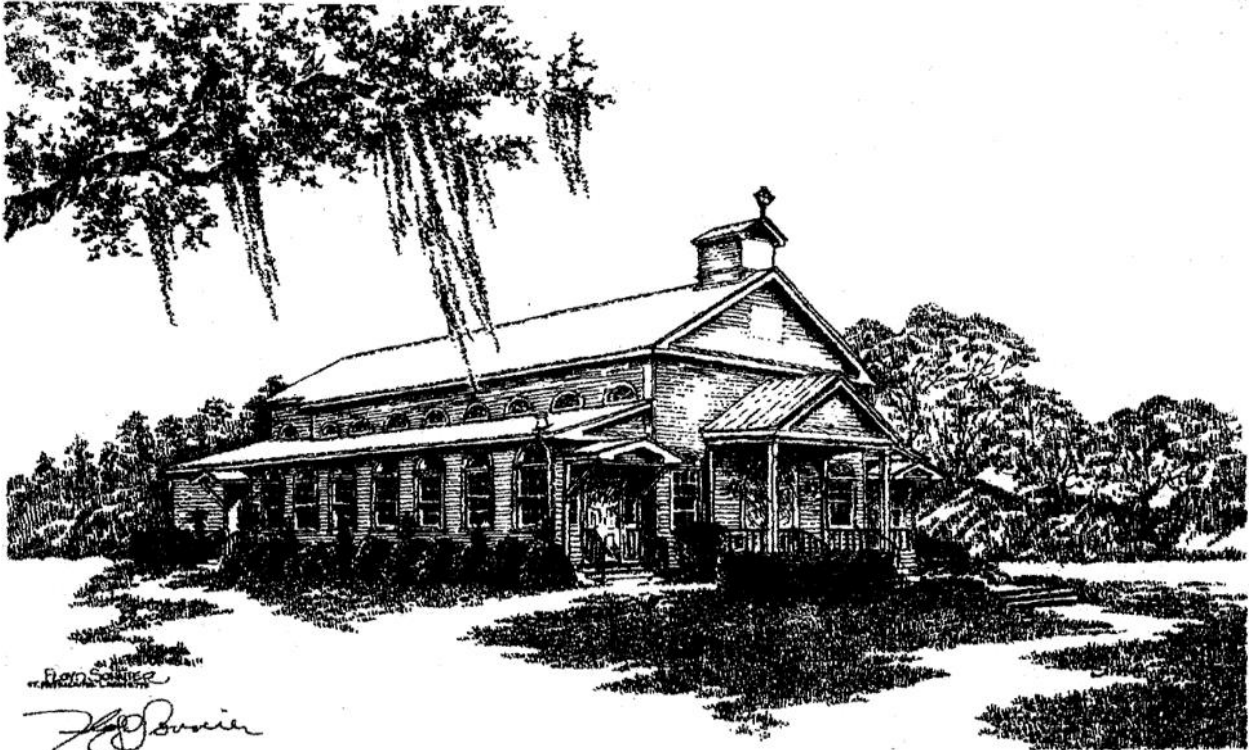


St. Patrick Catholic Church

October 15, 2023 – Twenty-eighth 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, October 14

4 p.m.: John P Zagar; Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Dr & Mrs Walter Comeaux, Jr; Kevin Vincent; Guillermo De La Pena' family; Eloise "Lois" Landry family

Sunday, October 15

8:30 a.m.: Fr Rex Broussard; Conner West; Vida Lege (*living*); Helen Vallot

10 a.m.: For Parishioners

Monday, October 16

7:30 a.m.: Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, October 17

7:30 a.m.: Ruby Delahoussaye

Wednesday, October 18

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

Thursday, October 19

7:30 a.m.: Ron Venable

Friday, October 20

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

*I shall live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life.
~ Psalm 23:6*

Friendsgiving in Christ: fall social

Sunday, November 12 after the 10 a.m. Mass. Please sign up for our annual fall social, held in the parish hall. There is no cost to attend. Every household is encouraged to bring a homemade dish to share – whether salad or vegetable, a casserole or a dessert. St Patrick's will furnish the main meat dishes. We will also be taking up canned and dried goods to be distributed through United Christian Outreach.

Susan Castille Bible Study

A bible study on St Paul's hymn of love in 1 Cor 13 will be held on Thursdays, beginning October 26, at Holy Cross Church, from 9:15-11:30 a.m. To register, email susancastillebiblestudy@gmail.com or call 337-406-8606. A voluntary donation of \$10 is asked.

Teurlings Catholic High open house

For prospective students in the 8th grade and their families. November 7, at 4 and 5:30 p.m. Contact Tiffany Parks at tparks@tchs.net or 337-235-5711 ext. 112.

Come to the Well grief retreat

A day of hope, prayer, and reflection for those suffering the death of a loved one. November 4, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Immaculata Center. The \$35 registration fee covers lunch. To register, you may go online to tinyurl.com/mt2wz3fk or call the Diocese's Office of Pro-life Apostolate at 337-261-5598.

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.

Saint feast days this week:

Tuesday, October 17: St Ignatius, bishop and martyr

Wednesday, October 18: St Luke, evangelist

Thursday, October 19: Sts John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and companions, martyrs

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.

Let us pray for:

Brett Walker, husband of parish secretary Anna Walker, who is being treated for cancer.

Dickie Bell, who is suffering with pulmonary disease.

Cheryl Drozda, who celebrates her birthday on October 16.

Jacob Guillory and Chelsea Poret, who will be married at St Patrick's on October 22.

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

**Pray for one another,
that you may be healed.
~James 5:16**

Collect for the Twenty-eighth Sunday

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works.

From a book on Christian formation by St Gregory Nyssa, bishop (†395)

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation; the old has passed away. By the "new creation" Paul means the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in a heart that is pure and blameless, free of all malice, wickedness, or shamefulness. *When a soul has come to hate sin and has delivered itself as far as it can to the power of virtue, it undergoes a transformation by receiving the grace of the Spirit.* Then is it healed, restored, and made wholly new. Yet the tempter spreads many a snare to trap the soul, and of itself human nature is too weak to defeat him. This is why the Apostle bids us to arm ourselves with heavenly weapons, when he says: *Put on the breastplate of righteousness and have your feet shod with the gospel of peace and have the truth around your waist as a belt.* Can you not see how many forms of salvation the Apostle indicates, all leading to the same path and the same goal? Following them to the heights of God's commandments, we easily complete the race of life. For elsewhere the Apostle says: *Let us run with fidelity the race that has been set before us, with our eyes on Jesus, the origin and the goal of our faith.*

Thank you for last week's stewardship
Offerings.....\$4,642

*Honor the Lord with your wealth ... then
will your barns be filled with plenty.
~ Proverbs 3:9,10*

From the Pastor's Desk

An indispensable part of the Eucharistic revival is a renewal of the priestly office and priestly service. For without our priests, we would not have access to the holy Eucharist. The Church, as the assembly of all the holy ones of God, is nourished by the Eucharist, the living bread from heaven, which is brought to the Church by her priests, who are called to feed the flock of Christ after the example of the Lord, who came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many (Mk 10:45).

According to a recent study of newly ordained priests, the most influential people in their decision to enter the seminary was their parish priest, followed by their parents, followed by friends and other parishioners. Key to promoting vocations to the priesthood is a personal invitation by a priest, a parent, a parishioner, or a friend to consider that vocation. When a young man hears from those he knows and respects that they see in him some Christ-like quality, that word of encouragement or invitation can revolutionize how he views his own calling. It can give him the courage to seriously and prayerfully consider whether God is calling him to be a priest.

Knowing this, how can we not give the young men in our lives encouragement and permission to discern a calling to the priesthood? Since we depend on the Eucharist to sustain us in our Christian journey, then each of us must do our part to promote priestly vocations.

In Guillory

Sign Language Class

Nancy Nicholson, who is the sign language interpreter at our 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays, is offering a sign language class on from 6-7 p.m. on Wednesdays: October 11, 18, 25, and November 1 and 8. There is a \$50 fee for the five classes, which will be held at Wonderland Performing Arts Center, 2807 Johnston St. To register, please email signlanguagespecialties@gmail.com.

White Mass, October 17

On Tuesday, October 17, Bishop Deshotel will preside at the annual "White Coat Mass," held at 6 p.m. at St Pius X Church. All health care professionals are invited to attend, along with family and friends. A reception follows, sponsored by Our Lady of Lourdes Health.

Mass of Hope and Thanksgiving

Held Tuesday, October 17 at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Church. For all who have been affected by cancer in any way: patients, family, friends, etc. All are invited to attend this Mass.

Mass of Remembrance

November 18, 10 a.m. Cathedral of St John the Evangelist. To remember loved ones lost to suicide. See diolaf.org/suicide-survivors or call 337-261-5653 to place the name of a loved one who died by suicide in the Mass program. Bring a small framed picture of your loved one to be displayed during the Mass, if you like.

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.