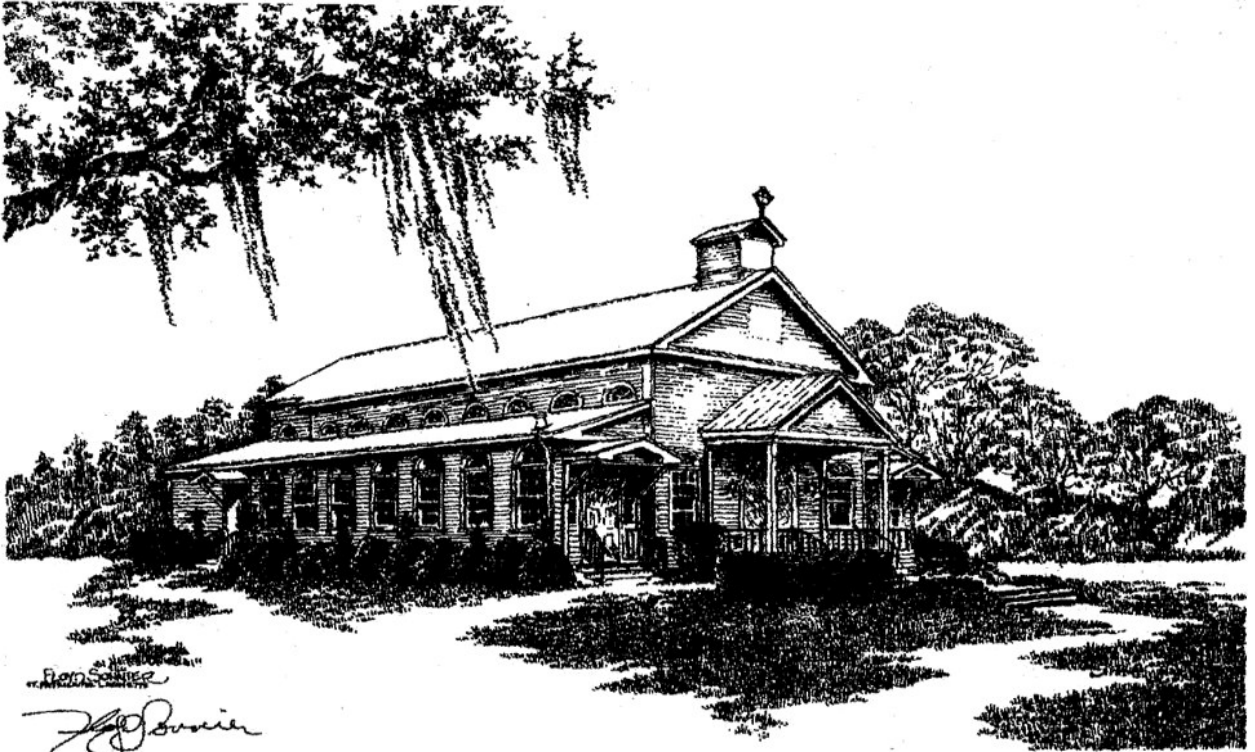


St. Patrick Catholic Church

October 29, 2023 – Thirtieth 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 28

4 p.m.: John P Zagar; Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Dr & Mrs Walter Comeaux, Jr; Kevin Vincent; Bart, Jules & Isola LeJeune; Kreamer family; Junuis & Cecilia Ledet; Arthur Julia Phillips; Dovic & Leanna Babineaux; Elnora Jordan; Christopher James Alexander & Cecelia Benjamin family; George E. Eaton

Sunday, October 29

8:30 a.m.: Fr Rex Broussard; Conner West; Clara Bell & E. F. Marin

10 a.m.: For Parishioners

Monday, October 30

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Tuesday, October 31

7:30 a.m.: For Parishioners

Wednesday, November 1

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

Thursday, November 2

7:30 a.m.: Deborah Jean Matthews; Ashton Petitjean family; Stutes family; Credeur family

Friday, November 3

7:30 a.m.: Ruby Delahoussaye

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.

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.

November 1, All Saints' Day

Wednesday, November 1 is a holy day of obligation, when Catholics must attend Mass. Mass at St Patrick is scheduled at the regular daily Mass time: 7:30 a.m.

Maronite Mass

This Sunday, October 29, Fr Alex Harb will celebrate Mass in the Maronite liturgy at 5:30 p.m. here at St Patrick.

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.

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.

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.

Holy Hour for Vocations

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" will be held Monday, November 6, 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.

Let us pray for:

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

Hester Sparrow, mother of parishioner Jerrol Sparrow, who died at age 94.

Alfred Thomas, who celebrates his 87th birthday on October 30.

Oscar Phillips, brother of parishioner Ken Phillips, for his heart health concerns.

Shelby Graciana, daughter of parishioners Joey and Melinda Dufrene, who has successfully completed cancer treatments.

Please let us know of your prayer intentions, birthdays, anniversaries, and other prayer-worthy occasions.

Email us at office@stpat.org.

Collect for the Thirtieth Sunday

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise.

From a letter to Proba, by St Augustine, bishop (†430)

Let us always desire the happy life from the Lord God and always pray for it. But for this very reason we turn our mind to the task of prayer at appointed hours, since that desire grows lukewarm, so to speak, from our involvement in other concerns and occupations. We remind ourselves through the words of prayer to focus our attention on the object of our desire; otherwise, the desire that began to grow lukewarm may grow chill altogether and may be totally extinguished unless it is repeatedly stirred into flame. Since this is the case, it is not wrong or useless to pray for a long time when there is the opportunity. To pray for a longer time is not the same as to pray by multiplying words. Lengthy talk is one thing, a prayerful disposition which lasts a long time is another. Excessive talking should be kept out of prayer but that does not mean that one should not spend much time in prayer so long as a fervent attitude continues to accompany one's prayer. To talk at length in prayer is to perform a necessary action with an excess of words. To spend much time in prayer is to knock with a persistent and holy fervor at the door of the one whom we beseech.

Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....\$3,859

Next week's second collection is for St Patrick's building and maintenance concerns.

From the Pastor's Desk

If you're reading this, then you've likely noticed that I was away last weekend and am away this weekend as well. In my place is my dear friend, Fr Kevin Bordelon, to whom I am grateful for his willingness to cover at St Patrick's in my absence.

Last weekend was a special occasion for my family, as we celebrated the long-awaited and long hoped-for wedding of my brother. He and his wife were married here at St Patrick's last Saturday evening. It was truly a joyful moment for both families, and it was an honor and a joy for me personally to be able to preside at my brother's wedding. We are three children in my family, and now all of us are settled in our vocations: me as a priest; my sister, who has been married for nearly 19 years; and now my brother, who has just married.

As for this weekend, I've managed to take some time away (the last of my vacation allotment for the year), to travel to southern New Mexico, where I will spend some time exploring hiking trails, catching up on my theological reading, and resting. After hiking up Guadalupe Mountain in Texas, I'll be based in Las Cruces for about a week. It's a part of the world I've never visited or traveled in before, and so I'm looking forward to exploring the American Southwest. While I'm sure to enjoy my time away, I'm looking forward to seeing you all again when return to St Patrick's on November 1. *Adios* until then!

Fr Guillory

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.

Come and See

For men ages 16+ who may be considering or discerning the priesthood. Held November 3-5 at St Joseph's Seminary College in Covington. For more information, see lafayettevocations.com/retreats. Free registration. Meals and lodging provided.

African American Catholic Youth Congress

Held Saturday, November 18, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at St Thomas More High School. Sponsored by the Diocese of Lafayette. Call 337-261-5694 or email obcm@diolaf.org for more information and registration.

Parish Pilgrimage to Italy, June 2024

Through Magnificat Travel, St Patrick's is sponsoring a parish pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, and other places in Italy, June 17-24, 2024. If you're interested, please call Magnificat Travels at 337-291-1933 or visit their website at www.holytravels.org/FrGuilloryItaly.