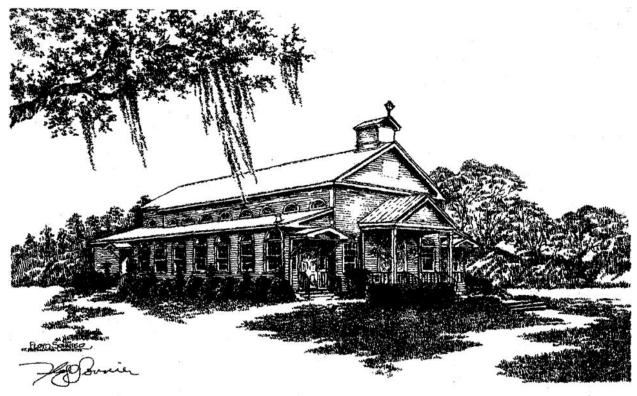








## November 26, 2023 – Christ the King



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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## **Adoration Chapel**

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## Solemn Feast of Christ the King November 26, 2023

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 25

**4 p.m.:** Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Dr and Mrs Walter Comeaux, Jr; John P Zagar;

George Eaton

Sunday, November 26

8:30 a.m.: Fr Rex Broussard; Cecilia &

Henry Bourdier family; Ron Dartez

10 a.m.: For Parishioners Monday, November 27

7:30 a.m.: Victoria Hernandez; Valarie

Hernandez; Marliene Bellard

Tuesday, November 28

7:30 a.m.: Deborah Jean Matthews:

Ashton Petitjean family

Wednesday, November 29

7:30 a.m.: Dr Tommy Comeaux &

Dorinne; Col. Clark Comeaux Thursday, November 30

7:30 a.m.:

Friday, December 1

7:30 a.m.: Brett Walker

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

#### **Child Smile Project**

Put a holiday smile on the face of a child in need. Visit *diolaf.org/smile* or call 337-261-5545 for more information on how and what to donate. Sponsored by the diocesan Office of Justice and Peace.

#### Retrouvaille weekend

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

#### 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*.

#### Comunità Cenacolo

A Catholic community for addiction recovery. Visit *hopereborn.org*.

#### **Healing Hearts Counseling Center**

Healing Hearts: A Catholic support group for *women* whose relationships have been negatively effected by pornography addiction or the sexual addiction of a spouse or loved one. Meetings are held weekly, from 12-1:30pm, or in the evenings by appointment. Strict confidentiality is observed by all members. Contact 337-404-6113 for more information.

### **Healing House**

Free grief support for children age 4-17 who have experienced or are about to experience the death of a sibling or primary caregiver. 160 S Beadle Rd, Lafayette. Visit *healing-house.org* for more information.

#### Parish Pilgrimage to Italy, June 2024

Rome, Assisi, and other places in Italy, June 17- 24, 2024. If you're interested, call Magnificat Travels at 337-291-1933 or visit their website at holytravels.org/FrGuilloryItaly.

#### **Holy Hour for Vocations**

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to will be held Monday, December 4, 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.

#### **Maronite Mass**

On Sunday, November 26, Fr Alex Harb will celebrate Mass in the Maronite liturgy at 5:30 p.m. here at St Patrick.

#### 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

#### Remember Me

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

### Let us pray for:

Suzanne Lavergne, who fell and broke her hip and is now recovering in rehab.

Ed Roy, who has was hospitalized, and is now at home recovering.

Doug Nicko, for his health concerns.

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

Email us at office@stpat.org.

#### Collect for the Thirty-fourth week

Stir up the will of your faithful, we pray, O Lord, that, striving more eagerly to bring your divine work to fruitful completion, they may receive in greater measure the healing remedies your kindness bestows.

# From a homily written in the second century

While in this world we must wholeheartedly repent of sins committed in the body and make it possible for the Lord to save us while there is time. When we will have left this world, we will no longer be able to repent and confess our sins. We must do the will of the Father, keep our bodies pure, and observe the commandments of the Lord, for this is the way to obtain life everlasting. The Lord says in the gospel: If you have not been observant in small matters, who will entrust you with anything important? For I tell you, the one who is faithful in the smallest things is faithful in the greatest things as well. Nor must any of you say that our bodies will not share in the judgment, nor rise again. In what were you saved? In what did you receive your sight? Think for a moment. Was it not in this very body? Our bodies are the temple of God, and as such we must keep them, for even as we were called in the body, so shall we also be judged in the body. Since Christ, our Lord and Savior, who in the beginning was spirit, became flesh and in this way called us, it is in this flesh of ours that we shall also receive our reward. Therefore, let us love one another, so that we may all attain to the kingdom of God.

# Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings......\$5,162 Campaign for human development...\$454

# From the Pastor's Desk

On this last Sunday of Ordinary Time, we reflect on the article in the Creed that we recite each Sunday, a statement of our faith and belief: He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

It is today's Gospel passage in which the Lord himself teaches us on what he will base his judgment: Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me. These are some of Jesus' hardest sayings. They challenge our comfort, our complacency, and our convenience.

What are some ways that ordinary Catholics can carry out acts of service for the least among us? Volunteer opportunities to serve the poor are abundant, if only we will open our eyes to see what is in front of us. We don't have to solve all the problems of society. That is a pretext for inaction. What we have to do is to act, to do what we can in the moment: a word of kindness, a gesture of solidarity, an act of generosity toward others in need, drawing from our own time, talent, and treasure.

There are some St Patricians who give rides to and from church to their fellow parishioners. Others visit the sick and homebound or volunteer in outreach to the disadvantaged, the marginalized, the suffering. This is not always easily done: such service can become sacrificial. But it is necessary for our salvation.

What about becoming a foster parent, even if you've raised your children and have grand-children? Why not find out more about that? What a powerful pro-life witness that is, a service to the little ones, who are powerless to change their situations. Fostering is something with the reach and capabilities of many more people than we imagine.

What about welcoming a stranger, like LAAID does? We don't have to solve the problem of immigration, which is a political difficulty. Jesus won't be judging us on our political positions, but on what we have done or failed to do. One can have reservations about immigration policy and still be committed to welcoming the foreigner in our midst. The two things are not in opposition.

These are just a few examples. The opportunities to serve the least ones are various and abundant. It is time to act. When the Son of Man comes in glory, will he find us full of empty excuses or full of righteous deeds?

Fr Guillory

#### 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 or call our parishioner, Patty Prather, at 337-278-6029.

#### **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 service vacancies (*catholic charitiesacadiana.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.