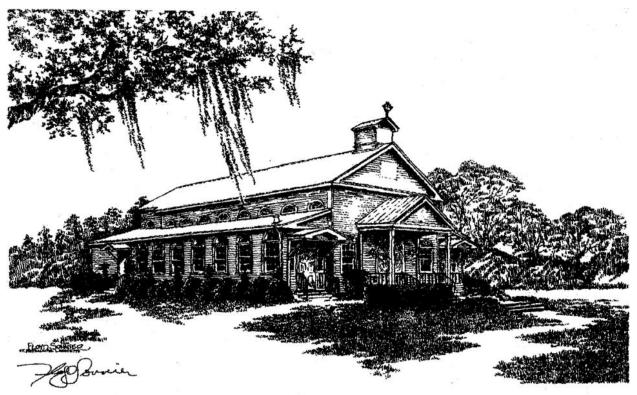


March 31, 2024 – Easter Sunday



Office Hours Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m. Fri: closed L'Église St. Patrick

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.

Fr Joshua Guillory Pastor Anna Walker Secretary Sharon Savoie Sacristan

Natalie Connor Faye Drobnic Shana Sampia Mickie Sibley *Musicians*

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 30

8 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; John P Zagar; Bonnie Dues; Marguerite Montagnet; Oscar "Bo" Phillips; Louis & Ruby Delahoussaye
Sunday, March 31
8:30 a.m.: Brett Walker; Shelly Romero; Willis & Viola Dore'; Ronald Lege family
10 a.m.: For Parishioners

Monday, April 1

7:30 a.m.: Mrs. Mary Mineo Tuesday, April 2 7:30 a.m.: Sheldon Blue Wednesday, April 3 7:30 a.m.: Ken Dugas Thursday, April 4 7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family Friday, April 5 7:30 a.m.: Brett Walker

Lost and Found

Forgot something in church? Can't find those glasses, prayer books, gloves, hats, scarves, rosaries, etc.? Be sure to check the lost and found basket, located in the back of the church under the table. Personal items left behind are placed there for you to reclaim.

Al-Anon Meetings

Al-Anon meetings are held weekly on Tuesday at 10 a.m. and Thursday at 10:30 a.m., at St Patrick's parish hall. Open to anyone wishing to attend.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at St Patrick's parish hall at 6:45 a.m., Monday through Friday (open), and at 8 a.m. on Saturday (closed).

Louisiana Black Advocates for Life

LBAL is a committed prolife group working to promote a culture of life in Louisiana's black community. More details and information on LBAL can be found at *lablackadvocates.com*.

Financial Report Fiscal Year 2022-2023

As per diocesan regulations, St Patrick Parish hereby publishes a summary of its financial activity for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023. A regular meeting of the Parish Finance Council, consisting of Michael Doumit, Geneva Phillips, Brenda Demette, Todd Schoeffler, and Oren Spruill, was held on March 21, 2024, during which Fr Guillory presented a detailed report on Parish income and expenses. The report was reviewed and approved. The appropriate documents were then signed and filed with the competent diocesan authority. Here is a summary of that report:

Total income \$821,041.35 Total expenses \$411,176.56 Income over expenses \$409,864.79.

> This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. ~ Psalm 118:1

Mission of Truth with Jim Caviezel

Saturday, April 13, 6 p.m. at the Cajundome. An evening with actor Jim Caviezel who will speak about what it means to seek truth in today's world by sharing his own life experiences. Go to *jpgacademy.org* for more information and tickets.

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.

Family Promise of Acadiana

"Dining Under the Stars," a fundraiser to support families experiencing homelessness, will be held at the home of Sarah and Harold Schoeffler on May 3rd, 6 p.m. To become a sponsor, assist with the event, or purchase tickets, call 337-233-3447 or go to *familypromiseacadiana.org* for more information.

Let us pray for:

Harry DeMette, who celebrated his birthday on March 30.

Russell and Julie Shirley, who are traveling to visit their son in Switzerland.

Suzanne Lavergne, Ed Roy, Doug Nicko, and Dickie Bell for their health concerns.

Jan Judice, who is recovering from surgery at home.

Vincent Gil and Michelle Simon, who will be married at St Patrick's on April 6.

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

Collect for Easter Sunday

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life.

From the Jerusalem Catecheses of St Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop († 386)

You were led down to the font of holy baptism. You made the profession of faith that brings salvation. You were plunged into the water, and three times you rose again. This symbolized the three days Christ spent in the tomb. When you were immersed in the water it was like night for you, and you could not see, but when you rose again it was like coming into broad daylight. In the same instant you died and were born again; the saving water was both your tomb and your mother. This is something amazing and unheard of! It was not we who actually died, were buried, and rose again. We did these things only symbolically, but we have been saved in actual fact. It is Christ who was crucified, who was buried, and who rose again, and all this has been attributed to us. We share in his sufferings symbolically and gain salvation in reality. What boundless love for the human race! Christ's undefiled hands were pierced by the nails; he suffered the pain. I experience no pain, no anguish, vet by the share that I have in his sufferings he freely grants me salvation.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$4,428

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

From the Pastor's Desk

Now Lent is over, and the Church rejoices in the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus!

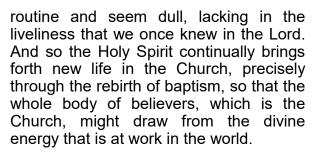
At the Easter Vigil, across the world, thousands of people received the sacrament of baptism, whereby their sins were washed away and they were made members of the body of Christ. This points to the mystical vision of St John, who wrote in the book of Revelation: "I

had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands" (Rev 7:9). In virtually every country of the world, men and women languages of all and ethnicities, of all states and social statuses were added to the body of believers and were made new

disciples, followers of the Lord Jesus.

These new Christians now join the rest of us in the Body of Christ as we reverently commemorate and celebrate of the dying and rising of the Lord Jesus, which is what we do each time we gather for the holy Eucharist.

The fervor of these new Christians serves as an inspiration for all of us. As "old" Christians, sometimes our zeal can diminish and our life of prayer, discipleship, and service can become



And so Easter is not a time for discouragement, but for rejoicing in Christ the Lord, who will never and can never abandon his people. Not even the darkness of death could separate Christ

from us. This is God's love for us, to destroy even death, so that he could be with us and we with him forever and ever. Amen. Alleluia! Happy Easter!

Fr Guillory

Holy Hour for Vocations

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to will be held Monday, April 8, 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.

Scripture, song, and sign language

An evening of music and praise here at St Patrick Church, Wednesday, April 17, 6-7:30 p.m. Featuring Grammy-nominated musician Laura Huval, with Nancy Nicholson, sign interpreter. Register online at *laurahuval.com*.

