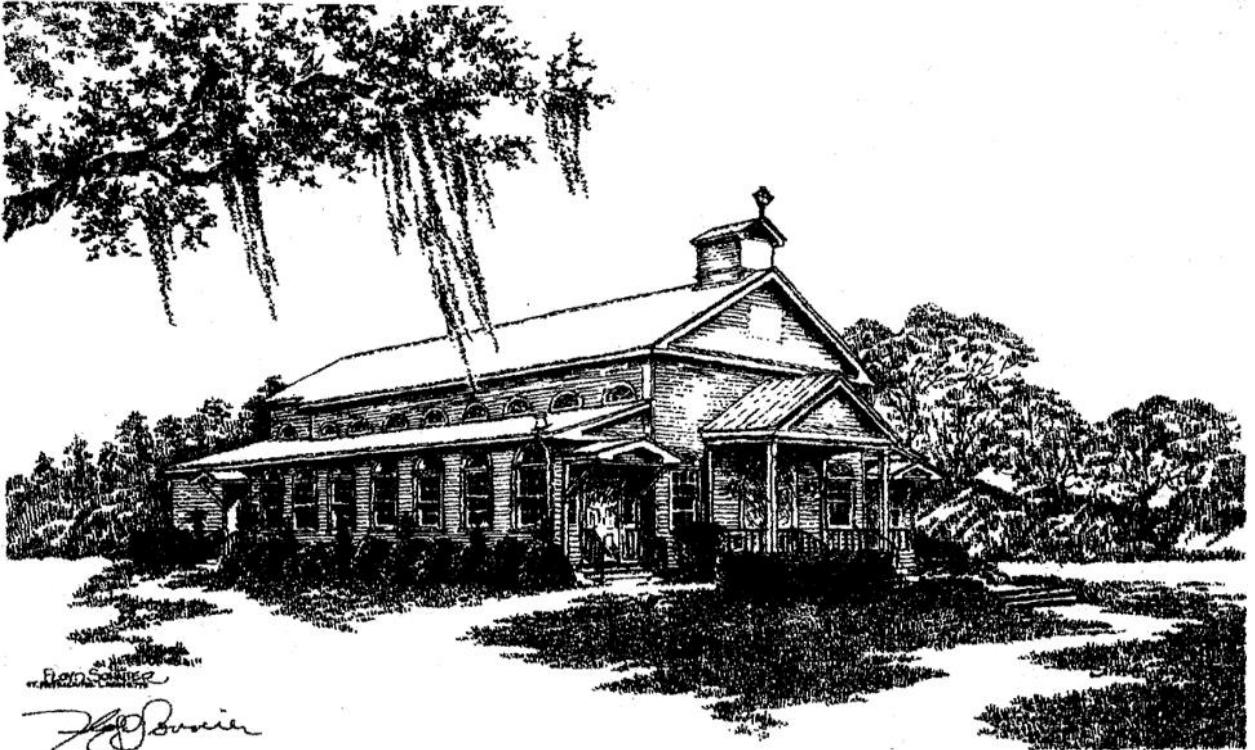


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

May 12, 2024 – The Ascension of the Lord



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, May 11**

**4 p.m.:** Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; John P Zagar; Oscar Phillips; Ron, Wallace & Romaine Venable; Bart, Jules & Isola LeJeune; Jarrod Landry; Ted Latiolais

#### **Sunday, May 12**

**8:30 a.m.:** Viola Doré; Ronald Lege family; Jeremy & Meg Dean; Ashton Petitjean family; Helen Vallot; Julia Phillips; Cecelia Ledet; Elnora Jordan; Leanna Babineaux; Cecelia Benjamin family; Ted Latiolais

**10 a.m.:** For Parishioners

#### **Monday, May 6**

**7:30 a.m.:** Dr Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne; Col Clark Comeaux & Catherine & Col Kimberley Fedele (*living*)

#### **Tuesday, May 14**

**7:30 a.m.:** Sheldon Blue

#### **Wednesday, May 15**

**7:30 a.m.:** Ken Dugas

#### **Thursday, May 16**

**7:30 a.m.:** Ruby Delahoussaye

#### **Friday, May 17**

**7:30 a.m.:** Kreamer family

### **Catholic Missions Company**

Catholic Missions Company is a 501(c)3 non-profit, established in 2016 here in Lafayette, that leads affordable domestic mission trips for college-aged students. Missionary Catherine Richard recently spoke at St Patrick's about the missions she leads to the Dioceses of Gallup (New Mexico) and Fairbanks (Alaska), as well as the local service days throughout Acadiana. To learn more about CMC or to support its missionary work by financial contributions, visit online at [collegemissions.net](http://collegemissions.net).

### **Institute of Catholic Culture (ICC)**

ICC offers free online adult Catholic education programs. Visit the Institute of Catholic Culture online for more information and to register at [instituteofcatholicculture.org](http://instituteofcatholicculture.org).

### **Finding Mass when traveling**

There are several resources available to help Catholics find Mass when they're away from home or traveling. Look at [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org) for useful information.

### **Third annual veterans' retreat**

Come. Relax. Recharge. Held at Our Lady of the Oaks retreat house in Grand Coteau. May 23-26. Not a silent retreat. Call 337-662-5410 for more information and to register.

### **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](http://catholiccharitiesacadiana.org)). For questions contact Sarah Baquet at 337-235-4972 or [sarahb@catholiccharitiesacadiana.org](mailto: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.

### **Survivors of Violence Mass**

Saturday, May 25 at 10 a.m. Immaculata Center Chapel (1408 Carmel Dr, Lafayette). Bishop Deshotel, celebrant. For more information or registration, go to [diolaf.org/survivorsofviolencemass](http://diolaf.org/survivorsofviolencemass).

### **Quo Vadis Days Discernment Retreat**

June 18-20 at the Community of Jesus Crucified in St Martinville. For men ages 15-25 who are thinking about a vocation to the priesthood. Call the parish office or go to [lafayettevocations.org/retreats](http://lafayettevocations.org/retreats) for more information or to register.

### **Scams targeting parishioners**

From time to time it has happened that a parishioner receives a text or an email *purporting* to be from Fr Guillory, asking for some kind of help or financial assistance. These are scams. Please disregard such communications, and report it to Father or to the parish office.

#### **Let us pray for:**

Robbie Savoie, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Bill Ganucheau, Faye Drobnic, and Molly Connor, who celebrated their birthdays last week. Molly just turned one year old!

Janelle Degeyter, daughter of Joyce Stelly, who is recovering from injuries sustained in a fall.

Doug Nicko, Sarah Brabant, Merrick Stelly, and Dickie Bell for their health concerns.

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

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

### **Collect for the Ascension of the Lord**

O God, whose Son today ascended to the heavens as the Apostles looked on, grant, we pray, that, in accordance with his promise, we may be worthy for him to live with us always on earth, and we with him in heaven.

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

Beloved, during the days between the Lord's resurrection and his ascension great mysteries were confirmed, great truths revealed. In those days the fear of death with all its horrors was taken away, and the immortality of both body and soul affirmed. Throughout this whole period God's providence was at work to instill into the hearts of the disciples this one truth, that our Lord Jesus Christ, who was truly born, truly suffered, and truly died, should be recognized as truly risen from the dead. The apostles together with all the others had been shaken by the catastrophe of the cross, and their faith in the resurrection had been uncertain. But now they were so strengthened by the evident truth that when their Lord ascended into heaven, far from feeling any sadness, they were filled with great joy. There was indeed a great and inexpressible cause for joy when they saw man's nature rising above the dignity of the whole heavenly creation, above the ranks of angels and archangels, to where human nature was admitted to a seat at the right hand of the eternal Father, enthroned at last in the glory of him to whose nature it was wedded in the person of the Son.

**Thank you for last week's stewardship**  
Offerings.....\$5,813  
Building fund.....\$5,068

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

This weekend we celebrate the Lord's ascension into heavenly glory after his resurrection from the dead. The Ascension of the Lord completes the Paschal Mystery, which is the suffering and death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus. At every Mass, the Church makes mention of the Paschal mystery in the Eucharistic prayer, in a section called the *anamnesis*, a word that means the *remembrance*, and that occurs immediately after the consecration of the Eucharist.

Think, for instance, of what you hear when the first Eucharist prayer, the Roman canon, is prayed: "O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead, and the glorious Ascension into heaven of Christ, your Son, our Lord..." Or what is prayed in the third Eucharistic prayer: "O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven..."

When we celebrate the Eucharist, we "do this" in memory of the Lord Jesus, whose death, resurrection, and ascension, we call to mind. Some might make a connection of these the Paschal mystery to the three theological virtues, faith, hope, and love.



The death of Jesus is connected with his *love* for us. We believe in his resurrection with the assurance of *faith*. And by his ascension into heaven, we *hope* to follow where Christ, our head, has gone before.

Next weekend the Church celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. Traditionally, the color red is used to represent the Holy Spirit, who is the fire of divine love. I think it would be wonderful if we all honored the Holy Spirit and Pentecost Sunday by wearing red next weekend when we come to Mass. So that's my liturgical challenge to you for next weekend: wear red to express your anointing in the Holy Spirit and your desire to live by the Spirit of love, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

This Sunday, though, is also Mother's Day in the civil calendar. So, if your mother is still alive, visit her, call her, treat her well, forgive her, tell her you love her, treasure her. You won't always have her with you in this life. If your mother, like mine, is no longer alive, then pray for her, thank her for the gift of your life, forgive her, and tell her you love her all the same. Such deeds and such prayers will truly find favor with God, who has commanded us to honor our fathers and our mothers. As disciples of the Lord Jesus, how could we do otherwise?

*In Guillory*