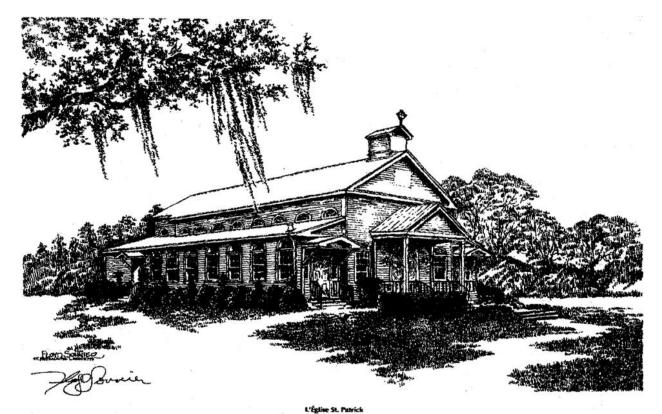








September 15, 2024 – Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.

Fr Joshua Guillory Pastor

Anna Walker Secretary **Sharon Savoie**

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Adoration Chapel

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 14

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; John P Zagar; Marliene Bellard; Ludden Bellard;

Gerald Beasley

Sunday, September 15

8:30 a.m.: Peter Hays; Helen Vallot; Vivian Boudreaux; James Leger

10 a.m.: For Parishioners Monday, September 16

7:30 a.m.: Jon & Elisa Schnur

Tuesday, September 17

7:30 a.m.: Jon & Elisa Schnur Wednesday, September 18

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

Dorinne; Col Clark Comeaux & Catherine

& Col Kimberley Fedele (*living*) Thursday, September 19

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family Friday, September 20

7:30 a.m.: Amy Breaud

Remember: A Conversation for Healing & Hope after Loss to Suicide
Join a Zoom conference featuring Sr
Kathryn Maney and Tom Korta on
September 18, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. To
register, go to tinyurl.com/txwpmkxu.

Come to the Well

A day of hope for those suffering the loss of a loved one. November 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Held at Immaculata Center in Lafayette. For information and to register, go to *diolaf.org/cttw* or call 337-261-5607.

Women's Bible Study

A 22-week bible study beginning on Tuesday, September 17 (8:15-9:30 a.m.) here in the office building conference room, using the book *Keeping in Balance* by Lisa Brenninkmeyer, which can be purchased on online at *walkingwith purpose.com* or on Amazon. Contact Judi Dugas (337-247-5789), Stephanie Bacque (337-278-9303) or Penny Spizale (337-296-0346) for any and all questions, information, and registration.

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 (*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.

Want to donate online to Hurricane Francine relief efforts or to Catholic Charities of Acadiana's sheltering and outreach programs? Do so easily by visiting *linktr.ee/ccacadiana*.

Whatever you did for the least of these... ~ Matthew 25:40

Grand Coteau Retreats

If you are looking for a 3, 5, or 8-day individual silent retreat, these are offered at Grand Coteau. See *gcretreats.org* for more information.

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. For more information: 337-232-1234.

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.

Find 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* for useful information.

Let us pray for:

All who were adversely affected by Hurricane Francine and for those who are involved in the recovery efforts.

Janell Degeyter, daughter of Joyce Stelly, who is recovering from hip surgery.

Doug & Karen Nicko, Merrick Stelly, Gail Roetker, Brenda Simon, Jan Judice, 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.

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

Collect for the Twenty-fourth Sunday

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart.

From a letter by St Cyprian, bishop and martyr, to Pope Cornelius, recently martyred (ca. 253)

My very dear brother, we have heard of the glorious witness given by your courageous faith. On learning of the honor you had won by your witness, we were filled with such joy that we felt ourselves sharers and companions in your praiseworthy achievements. Words cannot express how great was the exultation and delight here when we heard of your good fortune and brave deeds: how you stood out as a leader of your brothers in their declaration of their faith. You led the way to glory, but you gained many companions in that glory; being foremost in your readiness to bear witness on behalf of all, you prevailed on your people to become a single witness. We cannot decide which we ought to praise, your own ready and unshaken faith or the love of your brothers who would not leave you. While the courage of the bishop who thus led the way has been demonstrated, at the same time the unity of the brotherhood who followed has been manifested. Since you have one heart and one voice, it is the Roman Church as a whole that has thus borne witness. Divine providence has now prepared us. God's merciful design has warned us that the day of our own struggle, our own contest, is at hand. Let us then remember one another, united in mind and heart. Let us pray without ceasing, you for us, we for you; by the love we share we shall thus relieve the strain of these great trials.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings......\$4,439

From the Pastor's Desk

A few weeks ago, I challenged our parishioners to a greater participation in the annual Bishop's Services Appeal, not so much in the amount given, but in the participation rate. I told you at that time that there were 43 individuals/households supporting the various ministries and outreach efforts funded by the BSA. I asked you to consider contributing if you weren't already doing so. And St Patrick's, as always, did not disappoint.

I checked in with the BSA office last week and learned that we've had a 25% increase in the number of participants. We're now at 57 individuals/households! Thank you for your generous support of seminarians/vocations, services to the poor and needy, communications and media efforts, specialized ministries such as outreach to Hispanic, Vietnamese, Black, deaf Catholics, the office of family life, the tribunal, and many others.

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On Monday of this past week, I was finally able to *begin* moving in to the new rectory, as the contractors finished up a few little details. With the upcoming arrival of furnishings, interrupted by this past week's storm, it will probably be another week or so before I can spend my first night in the rectory. I'm surely looking forward to this, as anyone might imagine. This is the biggest project our parish has undertaken since the building of our parish hall in 1982. Now, five years since we began this particular project, it is coming to completion. What a proud moment in the life of St Patrick's!

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I want to inform you of an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic faith that we're sponsoring here at St Patrick's for adult faith formation.

On Tuesday evenings, from 6:30 to about 8 p.m., beginning September 17 and concluding on November 12, we will begin a 9-part series that covers the sacraments in three sessions, the Church in three sessions, and the classic disagreements between Catholicism and Protestantism in three sessions. These will be taught by two local lay theologians, Myles Creek and Gabriel Connor.

The three sessions on the sacraments will cover sacramental theology in general, with a special emphasis on the Scriptural foundations for each of the sacraments (Sept 17, 24, Oct 1).

The three sessions on the Church will focus on early Church history and the Scriptural and historical foundations of ecclesial hierarchy, including the papacy and the teaching office of the Church, called the Magisterium (Oct 8, 15, 22).

The three sessions on the classic disagreements with Protestantism will cover the questions of justification, the use of Scripture/Tradition, and the role of Mary and the Saints (Oct 29, Nov 5, 12).

There is room enough for twenty (20) participants, since the conference room in the parish office building holds that many. So please be sure to sign up right away to ensure you have a spot. You may sign up for one or more of the three-session courses.

Fr Guillory