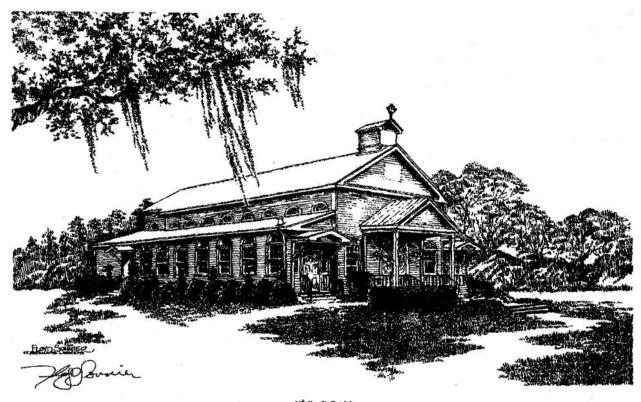








September 22, 2024 – Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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, September 21

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; John P

Zagar; Cecil Lavergne Sunday, September 22 8:30 a.m.: Peter Hays 10 a.m.: For Parishioners Monday, September 23

7:30 a.m.: Elisa Cenni Tuesday, September 24

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

Dorinne; Col Clark Comeaux & Catherine

& Col Kimberley Fedele (living)

Wednesday, September 25 7:30 a.m.: Wanda Bergeron

Thursday, September 26 7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family Friday, September 27 7:30 a.m.: Elisa Cenni

I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will

~ John 11:25-26

Annual "Blue Mass"

On Wednesday, October 2, Feast of the Guardian Angels, the Diocese of Lafayette will hold its annual "Blue Mass" at 12:05 p.m. in Cathedral Hall at Cathedral of St John the Evangelist.

Annual "White Coat Mass"

On October 15, at 6 p.m. the "White Coat Mass" will be celebrated at St Pius X Church. All medical professionals are asked to wear their white coats as a sign of unity and connection with the intention of this special Mass. Reception to follow.

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.

Parish Photo Directories

There are a number of extra parish photo directories. Any parishioner who would like one should contact the parish office.

Fight the New Drug

never die.

Fight the New Drug (FTND) is a non-religious, education-focused organization that seeks to give visibility to the harm of pornography. Visit *fightthenewdrug.org* for articles, videos, podcasts, and more.

Integrity Restored

Integrity Restored is a Catholic organization that offers education and resources to combat pornography use. Visit them at integrityrestored.com.

Truth about Porn

The website *truthaboutporn.org* contains articles of scientific research concerning pornography use, as well as some short informative videos by researchers who explain, in brief, their scientific findings.

Healing Hearts

A Catholic support group for women whose relationships have been affected by the pornography/sexual addiction of a spouse or loved one. Strict confidentiality is observed by all. Call 337-441-2517 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.

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.

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.

Lois Delahoussaye, who turns 95 on September 22, and Rose Moss who celebrates her 92nd birthday on September 24!

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

Collect for the Twenty-fifth Sunday

O God, who founded all the commands of our sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life.

From a writing of St Vincent de Paul, priest (†1660)

Even though the poor are often rough and unrefined, we must not judge them from external appearances nor from the mental gifts they seem to have received. On the contrary, if you consider the poor in the light of faith, then you will observe that they are taking the place of the Son of God who chose to be poor. Although in his passion he nearly lost the appearance of a man and was considered a fool by the Gentiles and a stumbling block by the Jews, he showed them that his mission was to preach to the poor. We also ought to have this same spirit and imitate Christ's actions, that is, we must take care of the poor, console them, help them, support their cause. Since Christ willed to be born poor, he chose for himself disciples who were poor. He made himself the servant of the poor and shared their poverty. He went so far as to say that he would consider every deed which either helps or harms the poor as done for or against himself. Since God surely loves the poor, he also loves those who love the poor. So when we visit the poor and needy, we try to understanding where they are concerned. It is our duty to prefer the service of the poor to everything else and to offer such service as quickly as possible.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$4,726

From our Bishop, the Most Reverend J Douglas Deshotel

September 10, 2024

Message to the Faithful of the Diocese of Lafayette

On Faithful Citizenship

In a short time, our country will be entering an important election season. As faithful citizens of our country all of us are called to contribute and participate in the country we live in. The catechism of the Catholic Church teaches, "As far as possible, citizens should take an active part in public life." The Second Vatican Council in Gaudium et Spes declares, "One must pay tribute to those nations whose system permits largest the possible number of citizens to take part in public life in a climate of genuine freedom."

As citizens of the United States, we enjoy many benefits from the land we live in. Benefits that have been won by the sacrifices and hard work of those who have gone before us. We contribute to our society locally and nationally by actively participating in the public life of our society. The right to vote and freely elect those in authority should move us to work for the common good as much as we can. As the elections draw near, it is important for all of us to inform ourselves on the issues and candidates who are seeking office. The founding fathers of our nation stated many times that the greatest danger to a democracy is an uninformed citizenry.

As Catholics, we should vote for good laws and good lawmakers who contribute to the common good of our society. Our society is improved when laws protect the sanctity of the family, the building block of any stable country. Human life must be protected at all stages from conception to natural death. Resources should be available for those who are without the basics of human dignity; food, clothing, shelter, and education. A legal and humane pathway should be provided for those who immigrate to our country to escape oppression in their country. Our leaders should work to ensure a stable economy which provides employment and decent wages.

With the election season approaching, I urge all of us as faithful citizens to inform ourselves of the issues and candidates. Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance as you work for the common good of our society.

Faithfully yours,

+ J Douglas Deshotel Bishop of Lafayette

