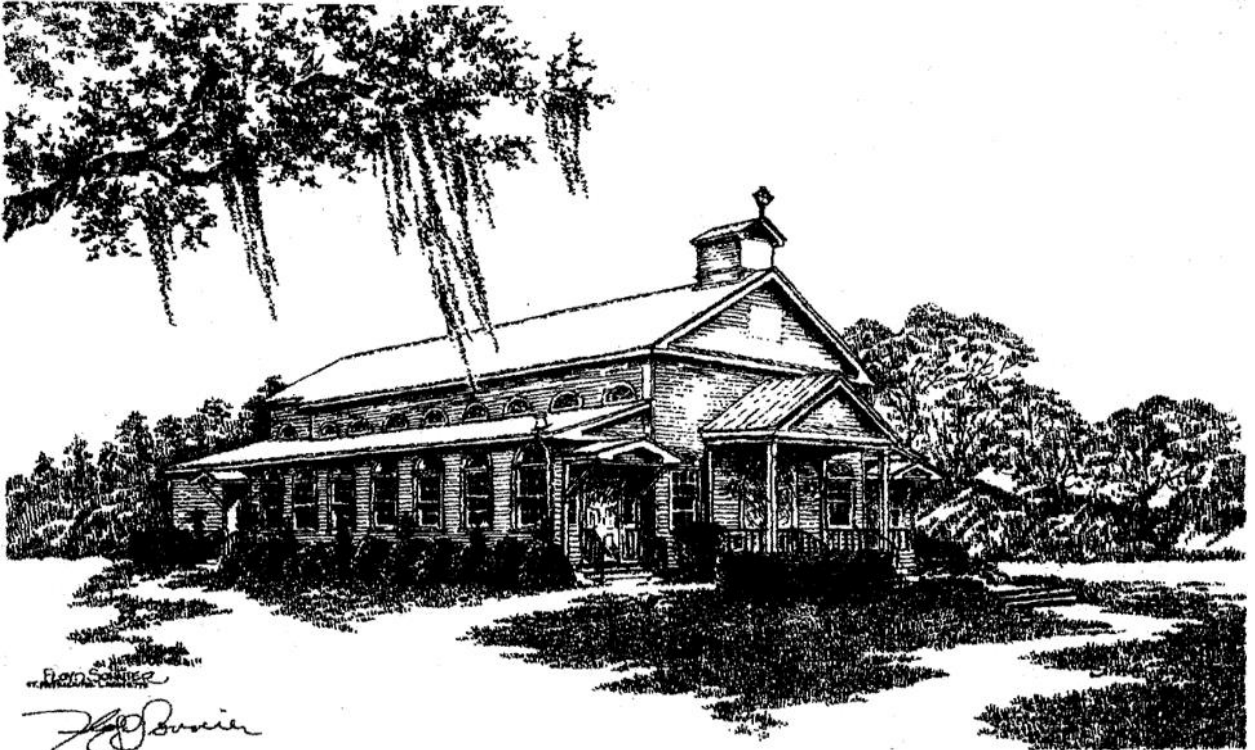


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

October 13, 2024 – Twenty-eighth 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, October 12**

**4 p.m.:** Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; John P Zagar; Cecil Lavergne

### **Sunday, October 13**

**8:30 a.m.:** Jeremy & Meg Dean; Helen Vallot

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

### **Monday, October 14**

**7:30 a.m.:** Michael Legnon

### **Tuesday, October 15**

**7:30 a.m.:** Vida Lege (*living*)

### **Wednesday, October 16**

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

### **Thursday, October 17**

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

### **Friday, October 18**

**7:30 a.m.:** Ron Venable

*Altar flowers are donated in loving  
memory of  
Kerry McGovern*

## **Mass & Luncheon for Widows**

For widowed *women*, a special Mass and luncheon at St Patrick Church, Saturday, October 26, beginning with Mass at 11 a.m. Luncheon to follow in the parish hall with a time of reflection led by the Sisters of the Heart of Jesus. Limited seating, so please RSVP by October 14 to Sr Mary Peter at [smarypeter.shj@gmail.com](mailto:smarypeter.shj@gmail.com) or 337-345-8146. No cost.

## **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](http://diolaf.org/cttw) or call 337-261-5607.

## **Grand Coteau Retreats**

Our Lady of the Oaks Jesuit Retreat House and St Charles College in Grand Coteau offer retreats for men, women, and couples, individually directed and preached retreats. These retreats, directed by Jesuit priests and thoroughly trained lay directors, are based on St Ignatius of Loyola’s famous Spiritual Exercises. Mass, Reconciliation, Way of the Cross, and the Rosary are also featured during the retreat experience. For a calendar of all upcoming retreats, and to register, you may go online to [gcretreats.org](http://gcretreats.org).

## **Friendsgiving in Christ**

Our annual fall social is scheduled for Sunday, November 17 following the 10 a.m. Mass. Please mark your calendars, as sign-up sheets will soon be ready. We’re planning on setting up a tent this year to give us more room for faith, food, and fellowship as we come together as a *growing* parish family.

## 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](http://masstimes.org) for useful information.

## 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).

## 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](mailto:setonrememberme@gmail.com) for more information.

### Let us pray for:

All who are suffering from Hurricane Helene and for those who are involved in the recovery efforts.

Jenny Degeyter, Joyce Stelly's daughter, who is recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Cheryl Drozda, who celebrates her birthday on October 16.

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](mailto:office@stpat.org).*

*Next week's second collection is for the Pontifical Mission Society, to support missionary activity across the world.*

## Collect for the Twenty-eighth Sunday

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works.

## From a treatise by Fulgentius of Ruspe, bishop (†533)

In our offering of the holy sacrifice we fulfill the command of our Savior, as recorded by the apostle Paul: *The Lord Jesus, on the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and after he had given thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way after the supper, he took the cup saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you shall proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.* This sacrifice is offered, then, to proclaim the Lord's death: it is offered in remembrance of him who laid down his life for our sake. As he says: *Greater love than this no one has, that one lay down his life for his friends.* Because Christ died for us out of love, we ask, when we make remembrance of his death at the time of sacrifice, that we too may be granted love through the coming of the Holy Spirit. We pray that by the love which Christ had for us when he braved the cross, we may receive the grace of the Spirit and be crucified to the world, and the world to us. *The death Christ died, he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God.* Let us imitate our Lord's death, and also live a new life. Strengthened with the gift of his love, let us die to sin and live for God.

*The collection from October 5/6 will be reported in next week's bulletin.*

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

This coming Friday, October 18 is the feast day of the evangelist, St Luke. Which also happens to be the birthday of two priests whom we see time to time at St Patrick's when I am away: Fr Gil Dutel and Fr Kevin Bordelon. So happy feast day to all Lukes and happy birthday to these two priests!

I am so grateful to the priests who fill in when I am away. It is good to know that St Patrick's can continue to celebrate the sacraments, especially Mass and confession, all without having to cancel or change our usual schedule. And it also gives you, our parishioners, a chance to get to know some of my brother priests and to hear their wisdom and prayerful reflections. I was particularly delighted that our Bishop was available to cover several Masses while I was away. As chief pastor of the Diocese, our Bishop enjoys visiting the various parishes and seeing the members of his flock. I, too, am sometimes called upon to cover for other priests by hearing confessions or saying Mass in their parishes, and this is always an enjoyable experience for me, to see how our neighboring Catholic parishes are living the sacraments and growing in faith.

Back to St Luke. In Christian art, the four evangelists are often depicted symbolically as winged creatures: Matthew as a man (which some mistake for an angel),

Mark as a lion, Luke as an ox, John as an eagle.

There are various explanations for the choices of these symbols. While it is true that much more could be said about the symbolism behind the historic artistic representation of each evangelist, here is a simple but sufficient explanation: *Matthew*, because he includes a genealogy of Jesus, emphasizes the humanity taken on by God the Son. And so Matthew (and his gospel) is represented as a man. *Mark* is thought to emphasize the majesty and dignity of Christ – even as John the Baptist cried out in the wilderness with a lion's roar that the savior had come – and so is represented as a winged lion. *Luke* is shown as an ox, a sacrificial animal both in Judaism and in Roman culture, and so symbolizes the sacrificial nature of Jesus's life and death. The ox is also associated with the



stable, a connection to Christ being born in a manger as detailed by Luke. Finally for *John*, there is the symbol of the eagle, whose flight and keen eyesight are representative of the lofty and highly spiritual or theological nature of John's gospel, in which the godhead or divinity of Jesus is given emphasis.

From now on when you see these depictions in church art and architecture, you'll remember their significance: a symbolic representation of the four Gospels.

*Fr Guillory*