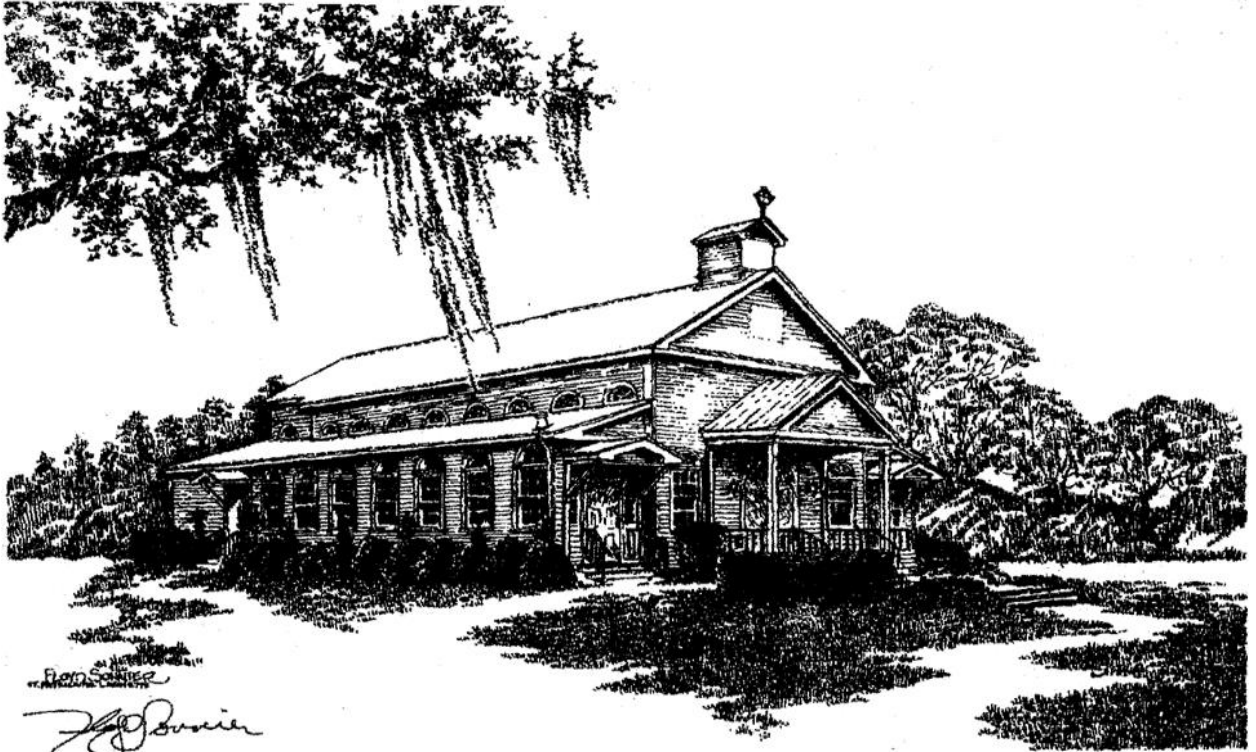


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

October 20, 2024 – Twenty-ninth 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 19**

**4 p.m.:** Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; John P Zagar; Ashton Petitjean; Sarah Parker

### **Sunday, October 20**

**8:30 a.m.:** Elisa Cenni

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

### **Monday, October 21**

**7:30 a.m.:** Peter Hays

### **Tuesday, October 22**

**7:30 a.m.:** Ronald Lege family

### **Wednesday, October 23**

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

### **Thursday, October 24**

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

### **Friday, October 25**

**7:30 a.m.:** Todd Cameron

## **Medjugorje Evening of Prayer**

Fr. Zvonimir Pavicic, Pastor of St. James Catholic Church in Medjugorje, visits the United States, Friday, October 25 at Our Lady of Fatima Church beginning at 4:30 pm. Due to limited seating, please RSVP at [www.fatimalafayette.org](http://www.fatimalafayette.org) or email RSVP to [office@fatimalafayette.org](mailto:office@fatimalafayette.org). Visit [www.centermirmedjugorje.com](http://www.centermirmedjugorje.com) for more information.

## **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.

## **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.

## **Mass of Remembrance**

The Mass of Remembrance is for parents, grandparents, family members and friends of those who have experienced the loss of a child from pregnancy through adulthood. Saturday, October 26, 10 am at St Pius X Church. Reception to follow. For more information contact The Office of Marriage and Family Life at 337-261-5653 or email [bsimon@diolaf.org](mailto:bsimon@diolaf.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.

## Hurricane Helene Relief

Put your faith into action in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene which devastated people in five different states. Your support is urgently needed now by Catholic relief agencies who are on the front lines of response in providing water, food and shelter. The needs are overwhelming and widespread. Hurricane Helene tore through communities in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Tennessee. More than 200 are dead and hundreds are still missing. Homes have been washed away and so have the roads, making access to the hard-hit areas very challenging. The power grid and water systems in many places have been destroyed. Thus, the recovery and re-building process will be a long one. Please help now by donating to any of the Catholic Organizations whose direct link can be found at the Diocese of Lafayette's website, [diolaf.org/hurricane-Helene](http://diolaf.org/hurricane-Helene).

### Let us pray for:

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

Harold Schoeffler, father of Todd Schoeffler, who is recovering from a stroke.

Brenda Simon, who celebrated her 78th birthday on October 16.

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

## Collect for the Twenty-ninth Sunday

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.

### From a treatise by St Ambrose, bishop (†397)

The Lord Jesus urges you to pray earnestly and frequently, not offering long and wearisome prayers, but praying often, and with perseverance. Lengthy prayers are usually filled with empty words, while *neglect of prayer results in indifference to prayer*. Again, Christ urges you, when you ask forgiveness for yourself, to be especially generous to others, so that your actions may commend your prayer. The Apostle, too, teaches you how to pray: you must avoid anger and contentiousness, so that your prayer may be serene and wholesome. He tells you also that every place is a place of prayer, though our Savior says: *Go into your room*. But by "room" you must understand not a room enclosed by walls that imprison your body, but the room that is within you, the room where you hide your thoughts, where you keep your affections. This room of prayer is always with you, wherever you are, and it is always a secret room, where only God can see you.

### Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings for October 5/6.....\$4,866  
Building fund .....\$4,193  
Offerings for October 12/13.....\$4,768  
Online offerings for September....\$2,602

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## *From the Pastor's Desk*

In the liturgical calendar of the Catholic Church, each day has its own particular liturgy. Rightfully preeminent among all days in the Church calendar are Sundays, for Sunday is the day of the Lord's resurrection. It is the first day of the week, the day on which Jesus rose from the dead. And so for us Christians, and especially for us Catholics, Sunday is given pride of place among all the daily celebrations of the Church. Sunday is the feast day, the festival day *par excellence*, the weekly Christian commemoration of the resurrection.

But in the Church there are other feast days as well. This is where the terminology can get a little confusing. Generally, we call all special days dedicated to the saints, or to Mary, or to the Lord Jesus feast days. That's the general or generic term. But there is a hierarchy of feast days. The greatest are 1) the solemnities, then 2) the feasts, 3) the obligatory memorials, 4) the optional memorials, and finally 5) the ferial days.

If you come to Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation, then you are accustomed to the celebration of the highest of the feast days, the solemnities. Every Sunday is celebrated as a solemnity, which is a solemn feast day. Other solemnities, many of which are days of obligation, are All Saints Day (Nov 1), Immaculate Conception (Dec 8), the birth of the Jesus (Dec 25), Mary, Mother of God (Jan 1), Epiphany (Jan 6), St Joseph (March 19), the Annunciation (March 25), the birth of John the Baptist (June 24), Sts Peter and Paul (June 29), the Assumption of Mary (Aug 15).

Now if you come to Mass during the week, you also encounter the other types of feast days. First the feast days proper. These are typically the celebration of the apostles and evangelists and some of the more historically important and venerated saints, and certain Marian celebrations. In October, for instance, we have the feast of St Luke (18) and Sts Simon and Jude (28).

Then there are the obligatory memorials, which are celebrations of the saints, of Mary, or of other special occasions. Again for October, there are the memorials of St Therese of Lisieux (1), the holy Guardian Angels (2), St Francis of Assisi (4), Our Lady of the Rosary (7), St Teresa of Avila (15), St Ignatius of Antioch (17), St John de Brebeuf and companions (19).

Then there are the optional memorials, which are feast days of saints that are optional to commemorate. For October, St Bruno (6), St Denis (9), St Margaret Mary Alacoque (16), St Juan of Capestrano (23), St Anthony Mary Claret (24)

Finally, the ferial days. These are the days in the Church calendar on which no special commemoration is made. Yet each of these days is still assigned its own readings from Scripture.

This is only an introduction to the feast days of the Catholic liturgical calendar, which is a much more complicated and interesting arrangement of times, seasons, and celebrations that allow us to participate sacramentally in the history and in the mysteries of our faith.

*Fr Guillory*