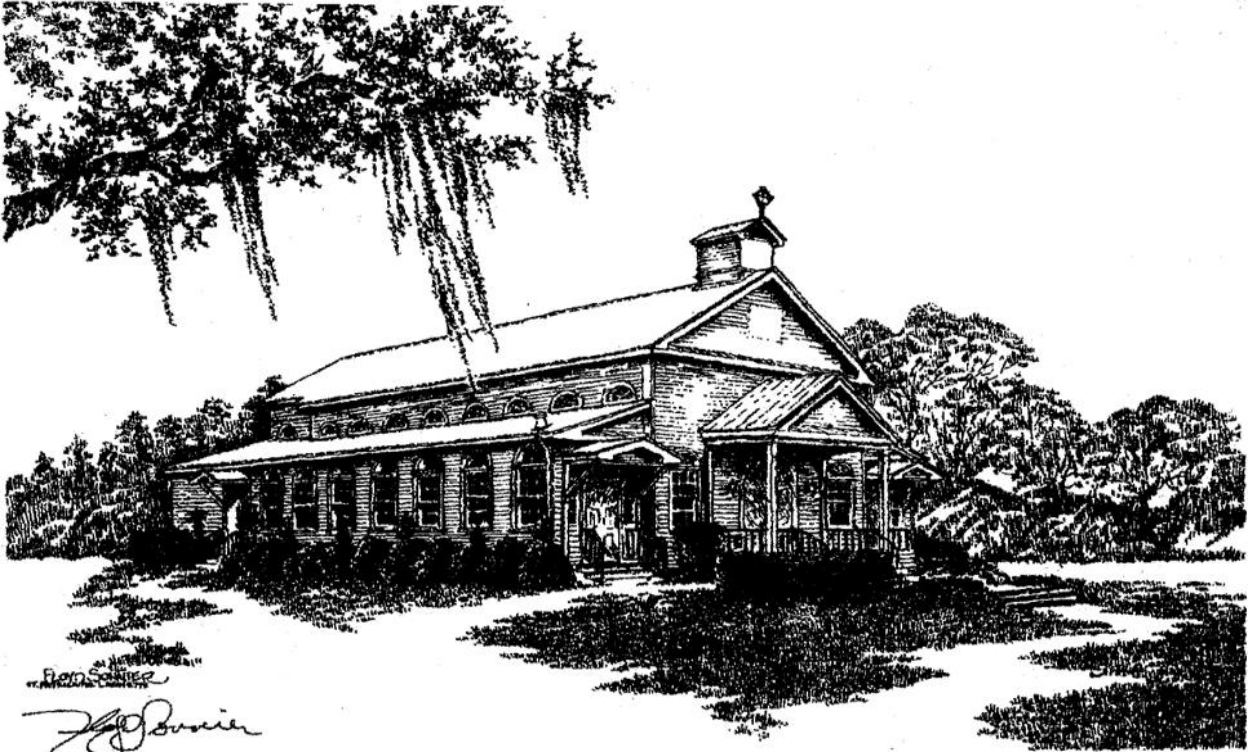


St. Patrick Catholic Church

March 30, 2025 – Fourth Sunday of Lent



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, March 29

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Alaina Bouvier (*living*)

Sunday, March 30

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar

10 .m.: For parishioners

Monday, March 31

7:30 a.m.: Jon & Elisa Schnur (*living*)

Tuesday, April 1

7:30 a.m.: Kathy Snelson

Wednesday, April 2

7:30 a.m.: Dickie Bell

Thursday, April 3

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, April 4

7:30 a.m.:



Love and Responsibility

Learn more about St John Paul II's teaching, offered by the Theology of the Body Community of Acadiana. Thursdays in Lent, March 13, 20, 27, April 3, and 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. at DesOrmeaux Foundation Learning Center (located adjacent to the Women's Center) 1321 Jefferson Street. Register online at desormeauxfoundation.org. For questions, email Becki Landry at beckilandry08.15@gmail.com.

The Shroud of Turin: Mystery & History

Explore the mysteries of the Shroud of Turin, followed by "Behold" Adoration at Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist on Monday, April 7. Dr Cheryl White's talk begins at 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Adoration will follow from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Day of reflection for bereaved mothers

Bereaved mother's day of reflection is a supportive sanctuary for bereaved mothers seeking comfort after child loss. Held Saturday, April 5 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at Cathedral Hall, 848 St John St, Lafayette.

Mary of Guadalupe, Mother of Hope

A presentation by Msgr Eduardo Chavez, canon of the Basilica of Guadalupe and postulator for the canonization cause of St Juan Diego. Friday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. at St Mary Church in Lafayette.

WCI marriage retreat

A three-day retreat for spouses, July 18-20, at St Charles College in Grand Coteau sponsored by the Wojtyła Community and Institute. See wojtylaci.com to register.

Catholic in Recovery

Meets at 7 p.m. on Thursdays at St Peter Room of St Pius X Church. Also online meetings. For more information contact Marcelo at cirstpiusx@gmail.com or visit the website catholicinrecovery.com.

Couples retreat

Al and Susan Cain will be leading a couples retreat, September 5-7 at St Charles College in Grand Coteau. gcretreats.org for more information.

Lenten Way of the Cross

Friday mornings during Lent, beginning at 7:05 a.m. in church.

Holy Hour for Vocations

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to be held Monday, April 7, from 6-7 p.m. here at St Patrick's. Recitation of the Rosary begins at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in prayer for vocations and perseverance of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. Sponsored by the Serra Club of Lafayette.

Good Friday Children's Way of the Cross

On Good Friday, April 18, at 10 a.m., Sr Mary Peter will host an outdoor Stations of the Cross at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. The stations will be led by children. If you have a child who would like to participate, please email Sister at srmarypeter.shj@gmail.com. All are invited to attend the Stations that morning.

Strive (for Catholic Men)

A resource and community for men who wish to break away from pornography use. Visit strive21.com.

Let us pray for:

Harry DeMette, who celebrates his birthday on March 30.

Shirley Vincent, who died on March 25.

Raymond Garry, who had surgery on March 28.

Joyce Stelly, Harold Schoeffler, Kathy, Arceneaux, Merrick Stelly, Gail Roetker, and Brenda Simon 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 Fourth Sunday of Lent

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come.

From the treatise on Flight from the World, by St Ambrose, bishop (†397)

Where your heart is, there is your treasure also. God is not accustomed to refusing a good gift to those who ask for one. Since God is good, and especially to those who are faithful to him, let us hold fast to him with all our soul, our heart, our strength, and so enjoy his light and see his glory and possess the grace of supernatural joy. Let us reach out with our hearts to possess that good, let us exist in it and live in it, let us hold fast to it, that good which is beyond all we can know or see and is marked by perpetual peace and tranquility, a peace which is beyond all we can know or understand. This is the good that permeates creation. In it we all live, on it we all depend. It has nothing above it; it is divine. *No one is good but God alone.* What is good is therefore divine, what is divine is therefore good. Scripture says: *When you open your hand all things will be filled with goodness.* It is through God's goodness that all that is truly good is given us, and in it there is no admixture of evil. These good things are promised by Scripture to those who are faithful: *The good things of the land will be your food.*

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$3,756

Next week's second collection is for St. Patrick's building and maintenance fund.

From the Pastor's Desk

The fourth Sunday of Lent is sometimes called *Laetare Sunday*, from the entrance antiphon of the Mass, which begins, *Laetare, Jerusalem...* Rejoice, Jerusalem. In the midst of Lent, the Church gives a hint at the joy that is to come. On this Sunday, there is an option to use rose (pink) as the liturgical color instead of purple (violet), to express the joy that we anticipate as we dedicate ourselves even more steadfastly to the demands of our Lenten disciplines: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

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The last week of Lent, following Palm Sunday, is commonly called Holy Week. On Thursday of Holy week (April 17), the only Mass permitted, except for the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral, is the Mass of the Lord's Supper, when we relive and reenact the Institution of the Holy Eucharist and the washing of the feet. At the end of this Mass, we accompany Jesus into the Garden of Gethsemane as the holy Eucharist is removed from the church in procession to the adoration chapel.

On Friday of Holy Week (April 18), commonly called Good Friday, Mass is not celebrated at all. Rather, Holy Communion is distributed during the Good Friday Service, where we read the

Passion account from St John's Gospel, venerate the wood of the cross, and pray to God with special intercessory prayers.

Finally, on Saturday of Holy Week (April 19), the Easter Vigil begins after dusk, at 8 p.m., with the blessing of the Easter fire. At this ancient and lengthy liturgy, seven readings from the Old Testament and two from the New Testament recall all of salvation history, leading up to the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. At this liturgy, the faithful renew their baptismal vows, are sprinkled with water, and experience the joy and wonder of the empty tomb.



These ancient liturgical celebrations are called the Holy Triduum. *Triduum* is a Latin word meaning a three-day period. In the Triduum we commemorate the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus by reverently celebrating these solemn liturgies.

The Triduum is a special time, and the liturgies of the Triduum are ancient, unique, and spiritually moving. I want to encourage all St Patricians to make the effort to attend as many of the Triduum liturgies as possible. It is a wonderful capstone of the Lenten season that leads us into a more joyful and faith-filled celebration of the great mystery of the Lord's resurrection.

In Quillory