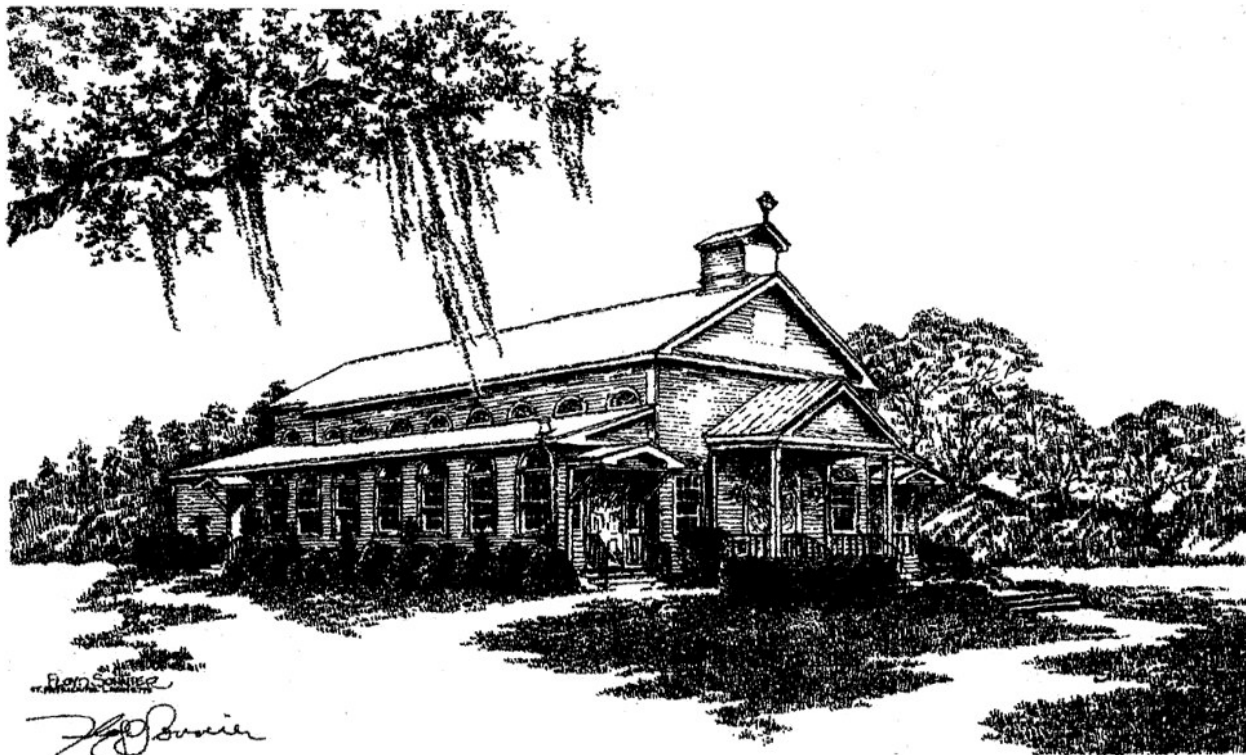


St. Patrick Catholic Church

April 20, 2025 – Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection



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, April 19

4 p.m.: Dr. & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Dayna Foreman; Ron, Wallace & Romaine Venable; Bart, Jules & Isola LeJeune

Sunday, April 20

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar; Ronald Lege family; Ashlie Comeaux; Jude Comeaux; Emma Broussard; Charlie Castille; Louis & Ruby Delahoussaye; Huey Falgoust family; Chaisson family; Dayna Foreman

10 a.m.: For parishioners

Monday, April 21

7:30 a.m.: Dickie Bell

Tuesday, April 22

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

Wednesday, April 23

7:30 a.m.: Elizabeth Schnur *living*

Thursday, April 24

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, April 25

7:30 a.m.: Shirley Stinton

Office closure

St Patrick's office will be closed on Monday, April 21 (Easter Monday).

Good Friday cross

St Patrick's has a new cross that was venerated on Good Friday. Thanks to Merrick Stelly, who commissioned the piece from Larry Dupont, a Breaux Bridge-based woodworker. The wood of this new cross was salvaged from the Louisiana cypress sill beams that were replaced a few years ago during our church renovations. These cypress beams, before they were used to build St Patrick's in 1946, were salvaged from a Catholic school in Grand Coteau, torn down in the late 1930s. This wood has had a long history of serving the Church and her mission. It is fitting, then, that this wood, now shaped into a cross, becomes a sign of hope and salvation.

Retrouvaille weekend

Hope and renewal for struggling marriages. Contact Bill & Missie at 985-232-5963 or visit helpourmarriage.org.

Pro-Life Summit

Saturday, May 31, join pro-life people from across the state at Bethany Church in Baton Rouge to learn actionable steps we can take to help moms and babies in their communities. The Pro-Life Summit Prayer Breakfast will begin at 8 a.m. and conference check-in will begin at 9 a.m. Register at www.thepro Lifesummit.org.

St Joseph the Worker Prayer Breakfast

4th Annual Louisiana St. Joseph the Worker Prayer Breakfast is being held Thursday, May 1, from 7 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. at Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Church Hall. Lean more at www.saintjosephtheworker.com

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. Call 337-232-1234 for more information.

***This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.
~ Psalm 118:1***

Sing His Glory

A celebration of Easter and the life and legacy of Francis Leblanc. Sunday, April 27, 3 p.m. at the UL Lafayette Student Union Bayou Bijou Theater. For more information, contact Stephanie Bernard at the Diocese's Office of Black Catholic Ministries: 337-261-5694.

Fr Guillory's homilies

The text of Fr Guillory's recent Sunday homilies can be found on the parish website, stpat.org, where they can be consulted and downloaded for prayer or further reflection.

Holy Week and Easter decorations

Fr Guillory extends his thanks and appreciation for those who helped with the decorations this past week. Their dedication and help made our Triduum celebrations beautiful and reverent.

Let us pray for:

Parishioner Mickey Jung, who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Merrick and Jan Stelly, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 16.

Mike and Kathleen Larson, who celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on April 20.

Joyce Stelly, Harold Schoeffler, Brian David, Merrick Stelly, Gail Roetker, and Brenda Simon for their health concerns.

*Please let us know of your intentions, birthdays, anniversaries, and other prayer-worthy occasions.
Email us at office@stpat.org.*

Online giving at St Patrick's

If you would like to contribute to St Patrick's online, please visit our website (stpat.org) and click Give Online at the top, where you will be directed to Give 52. Fill out the information and select St Patrick Church from the drop-down menu.

Collect for Easter Sunday

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 648-649.

Christ's Resurrection is an object of faith in that it is a transcendent intervention of God himself in creation and history. In it the three divine Persons act together as one, and manifest their own proper characteristics. The Father's power "raised up" Christ his Son and by doing so perfectly introduced his Son's humanity, including his body, into the Trinity. Jesus is conclusively revealed as "Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his Resurrection from the dead" (Rom 1:3-4). St. Paul insists on the manifestation of God's power through the working of the Spirit who gave life to Jesus' dead humanity and called it to the glorious state of Lordship. As for the Son, he effects his own Resurrection by virtue of his divine power. Jesus announces that the Son of man will have to suffer much, die, and then rise. Elsewhere he affirms explicitly: "I lay down my life, that I may take it again. . . I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again" (Jn 10:17-18). "We believe that Jesus died and rose again" (1 Th 4:14).

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$4,835

The second collection next Sunday is for Catholic Home Missions.

From the Pastor's Desk

The Easter Sequence is a hymn, used only on Easter Sunday and throughout Easter week. Its Latin title is *Victimae paschali laudes*. Liturgically, it follows the second reading and comes right before the alleluia and gospel. Scholars are divided as to the author and date of the sequence. It could be as early as the late 800 or as late as the mid 1100s. The hymn "Christ the Lord is risen today," composed in the second half of the 1800s, is a loose translation of the Latin text. We will sing that hymn here at St Patrick's in a couple of weeks, on the third Sunday of Easter.

Here below is the text of the sequence that you will hear chanted at Mass on Easter Sunday:

*Christians, to the Paschal Victim
Offer your thankful praises!
A Lamb the sheep redeems:
Christ, who only is sinless,
Reconciles sinners to the Father.
Death and life have contended in that
combat stupendous:
The Prince of life, who died, reigns
immortal.
Speak, Mary, declaring
What you saw, wayfaring.
"The tomb of Christ, who is living,
The glory of Jesus' resurrection;
Bright angels attesting,
The shroud and napkin resting.
Yes, my Christ my hope is arisen:
To Galilee he goes before you."
Christ indeed from death is risen, our
new life obtaining.
Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!
Amen. Alleluia.*



With these and other joyful Easter songs, we leave behind the forty days of Lent to revel in the fifty days of the Easter season, which extends from Easter Sunday through Pentecost Sunday.

It is the Lord's resurrection from the dead that sheds light on all the rest of his teachings, his works and miracles, his suffering and death. Had Jesus not risen from the dead, he would have been remembered, perhaps, as a prophet, a teacher, a healer. But his resurrection changed everything, and the reality and truth of the resurrection demanded a new understanding of the Hebrew scriptures, a new way of seeing the world and being in it. It is no wonder, then, that St Paul, speaking of the resurrected Christ, would write: "whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold new things have come" (2 Cor 5:17). New things, indeed. He makes all things new! Alleluia! Amen!

Fr Guillory