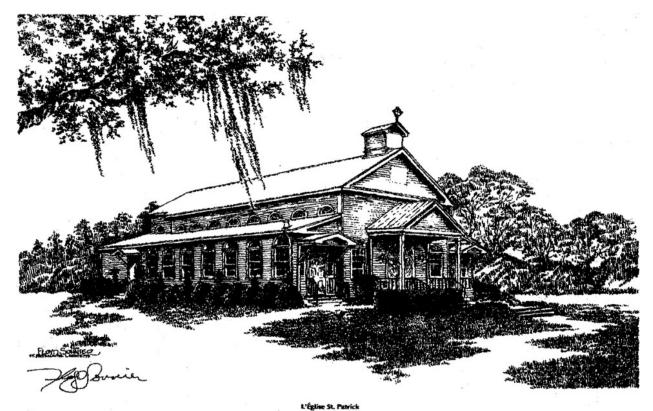








May 6, 2025 – Third Sunday of Easter



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, May 3

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Dayna Foreman; Louis & Ruby Delahoussaye

Sunday, May 4

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar; Dayna

Foreman; Jeremy & Megan Dean

10 a.m.: For parishioners

Monday, May 5

7:30 a.m.: Red Lerille; Kathy Snelson

Tuesday, May 6

7:30 a.m.:

Wednesday, May 7 7:30 a.m.: Dickie Bell Thursday, May 8

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, May 9

7:30 a.m.: Shirley Stinton

Byzantine Catholic Outreach of Acadiana

Byzantine Catholics will next gather at St Patrick Church on Sunday, May 11 at 5 p.m. to celebrate the Divine Liturgy. All Catholics are invited to attend these celebrations of the holy Eucharist and to experience the beauty and wonder of the Byzantine expression of the Catholic faith.

Annual "Hit the Road with Hospice of Acadiana" Raffle

Your purchase will provide patients with the care they need, regardless of the cost or their ability to pay. As Acadiana's only non-profit hospice, Hospice Acadiana. also offers several free programs and services to the community at large, including grief counseling, loss and transition workshops, Camp Brave Hearts, the We Honor Veterans program, and much more. A \$20 ticket purchase gives a chance to win a car, a camper, or a trip for two. For more information or to purchase a ticket, please visit our hospiceacadiana.com. website at Hospice of Acadiana will be selling raffle tickets at St Patrick's on the weekend of May 10-11.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic Charities of Acadiana needs volunteers. Here is how you can help:

St. Joseph Diner: sign up to serve during the most needed shifts: breakfast and dinner.

Food Net Bank: emergency food bags need to be filled; often they have no one to help.

Check the online calendar and sign up where there are vacancies (*catholic charitiesacadiana.org*). For questions contact Sarah Baquet at 337-235-4972 or sarahb@catholiccharitiesacadiana.org.

United Christian Outreach, 422 Carmel Dr, is also in need of volunteers. Please contact parishioner Geneva Phillips at 337-280-2065 for more information.

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.

Holy Hour for Vocations

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" will be held Monday, May 5, 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.

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.

~ Blessed are they whose way is blameless (Ps 119:1)

Let us pray for:

Pope Francis (88), who died on Monday, April 21, having been pope for 12 years, 39 days.

The Cardinals of the Church, who will begin the Conclave to elect a new Pope on Wednesday, May 7.

Faye Drobnic, who celebrates her 80th birthday on May 4, and is currently traveling in Italy with her daughter.

Parishioner Mickey Jung (91), who died on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27.

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 Third Sunday of Easter

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 654-655.

The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all iustification that reinstates us in God's grace, "so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace. It brings about filial adoption so that we become Christ's brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: "Go and tell my brethren." We are brethren not by nature, but by the gift of grace, because that adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the only Son, which was fully revealed in his Resurrection. Christ's Resurrection - and the risen Christ himself - is the principle and source of our future resurrection: "Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. . . For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive." The risen Christ lives in the hearts of his faithful while they await that fulfillment.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings......\$4,619 Catholic Home Missions......\$731

From the Pastor's Desk

The Conclave of Cardinals who will elect the new Pope will begin this coming Wednesday, May 7. Once it begins, the eyes of the world will turned to rooftop of the Sistine Chapel with great anticipation as the Cardinals retreat into St Peter's with no contact with the outside world to pray together, to speak together, and to choose the next Bishop of Rome and Pope, Successor to St Peter.

What a wonderful moment in the life of the Church! In recent memory, the last few Popes were elected in relatively few ballots, the Conclave lasting only a couple of days. But historically, this has not always been the case, and some Conclaves have gone on for much longer. In the past 200 years, the longest Conclave lasted 51 days! I'm sure as you watch news on the Conclave, you'll learn a lot about the history, the procedures, and the circumstances around papal elections. It will fascinating, to be sure.

But I hope that you will also live this moment prayerfully and spiritually. We Catholics are not mere spectators and tourists who are captivated by pageantry of color and ceremony. As a Church, we are participants in the mystery that is the mystical Body of Christ, and we are preparing to greet the man who will be our universal pastor and head of the visible Church. In this role, we can and must participate in the papal election by our prayers – for the Cardinals and for the newly-elected Pope – and by our devotion and loyalty to the Church and to the Successor of Peter. As faithful

Catholics all, this is not only our duty, but also our joy and our pride. Who knows, but next time we meet to celebrate the Sunday Eucharist together, we may already have a new pope, whose name will be spoken in the Eucharistic prayer!

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On the same date as the Conclave begins, but on a *much* humbler level, St Patrick's will be hosting a meeting for the Central Deanery of the Diocese of Lafayette. The Diocese is divided into four pastoral districts called deaneries: central, which comprises Lafayette and St Martin Parishes; southern, Iberia and St Mary Parishes; western, Acadia and Vermilion Parishes; and northern, St Landry and Evangeline Parishes. The clergy of each deanery meet about six times a year, roughly every other month, to discuss various matters that pertain to pastoral ministry or Church life in our Diocese, and in particular in each deanery. The meeting, presided over by the dean (in this case Fr Chester Arceneaux of St John the Evangelist Cathedral) is typically hosted by different parishes around the deanery. And on May 7, St Patrick's has the honor of welcoming the clergy - priests and deacons - of the Central Deanery from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in our parish hall. A small group of volunteers from St Patrick's has been invaluable in organizing this event, and for their help and support, I am truly arateful.

By way of reminder, next Sunday, May 11, is Mother's Day.

Fr Guillory