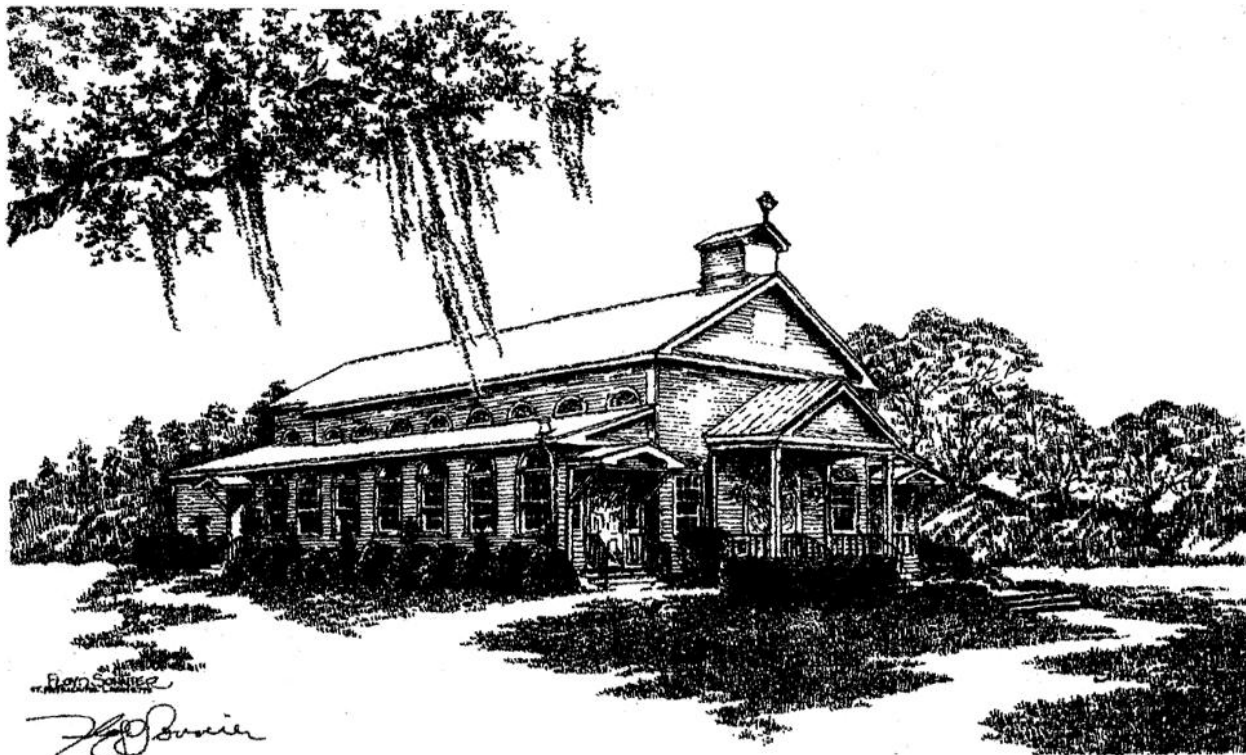


St. Patrick Catholic Church

May 18, 2025 – Fifth Sunday of Easter



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, May 17

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

Sunday, May 18

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

10 a.m.: For parishioners

Monday, May 19

7:30 a.m.:

Tuesday, May 20

7:30 a.m.:

Wednesday, May 21

7:30 a.m.:

Thursday, May 22

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, May 23

7:30 a.m.: Shirley Stinton

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.theprolifesummit.org.

Lifeguards-Pulse Leadership Institute

High school and college students join us June 3-7, 2025 for an inspirational week long pro-life retreat where you will be educated and empowered to be the NOW generation of pro-life leaders! For more information and to register go to: prolifelouisiana.org/pli.

Introduction to Theology of the Body

Theology of the Body Community of Acadiana is offering this level I class on Thursday evenings June 5, 12, 19 and 26, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the new DesOrmeaux Foundation Learning Center (located adjacent to the Women's Center) 1321 Jefferson Street. For course material resources and to register visit <https://tinyurl.com/3r9s574f>.

Diocese of Lafayette, Quo Vadis Days

Community of Jesus Crucified is hosting Quo Vadis 2025, June 10-12, in St Martinville. A time of recollection to reflect on where you are going in your own life. We will explore that question through prayer, fraternity, recreation and talks on discernment. For more information call (337) 261-5690.

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.

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 for more information.

He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

~ 1 Peter 2:24

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.

Let us pray for:

Pope Leo XIV, who was elected to the See of Rome on May 8, 2025.

Matt and Sally Yocham, who celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary on May 8.

Ray and Kathy Arceneaux, who celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary on May 17.

Brent Prather, who celebrates his birthday on May 23. And Jackson McElligott, who turns three on May 23.

Brent and Patty Prather, who are traveling in Spain.

Toni Icard, who will be confirmed at St Patrick's on May 18.

Paul Sellers who died on May 9.

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 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 638-639.

Mary Magdalene and the holy women who came to finish anointing the body of Jesus were the first to encounter the Risen One. Thus the women were the first messengers of Christ's Resurrection for the apostles themselves. They were the next to whom Jesus appears: first Peter, then the Twelve. Everything that happened during those Paschal days involves each of the apostles – and Peter in particular – in the building of the new era begun on Easter morning. As witnesses of the Risen One, they remain the foundation stones of his Church. The faith of the first community of believers is based on the witness of concrete men known to the Christians and for the most part still living among them. Peter and the Twelve are the primary “witnesses to his Resurrection”, but they are not the only ones – Paul speaks clearly of more than five hundred persons to whom Jesus appeared on a single occasion and also of James and of all the apostles. Given all these testimonies, Christ's Resurrection cannot be interpreted as something outside the physical order, and it is impossible not to acknowledge it as a historical fact.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$4,759

From the Pastor's Desk

Maintenance is always a challenge in older building, like our beloved St Patrick's. Since January, we have experienced three small water leaks from the roof on the east side of the church building. I've notified the contractors who worked on the exterior of the church during our renovations a couple of years ago, and they have responded very quickly to remediate the problems discovered. By next week the issues will have been addressed, and we can hope for no water seepage during rainstorms.

In a similar vein, I will be meeting with our architect and his team next week to discuss the plans that are being drawn up to renovate the parish hall. The hall was built in 1982, and since then, it has received little attention. The hall, and the hall parking lot, is in need of repair, improvement, and refreshing – as anyone who has visited it recently can attest.

I've been consulting with our parish pastoral and finance council on this, and it is our desire for the hall to be brought up to date so that it can be a place that our parish is proud of and so that it can continue to host the various groups that

use it and serve our parish well. As the plans for this project develop, I will keep you informed.

Next Thursday I will have the privilege of saying Mass for a small group of employees, volunteers, and residents at the DesOrmeaux foundation's Women's Center of Lafayette, located on the corner of Jefferson St and Lamar St, in walking distance from St Patrick's. Our parish has long supported the work of the Women's Center by sending financial contributions each month. The Women's Center is an important local pro-life service that has helped thousands of women who have experienced the hardship of dealing with an unplanned pregnancy.

Last Wednesday, May 7, our parish was supposed to host the Central Deanery meeting for the priests and deacons serving in Lafayette and St Martin Parishes. Unfortunately, that meeting was canceled due to the heavy rains that fell that week. I suppose we'll try again another time. My sincere thanks to out to the little team of volunteers who helped with the organization of that event.

Fr Guillory

