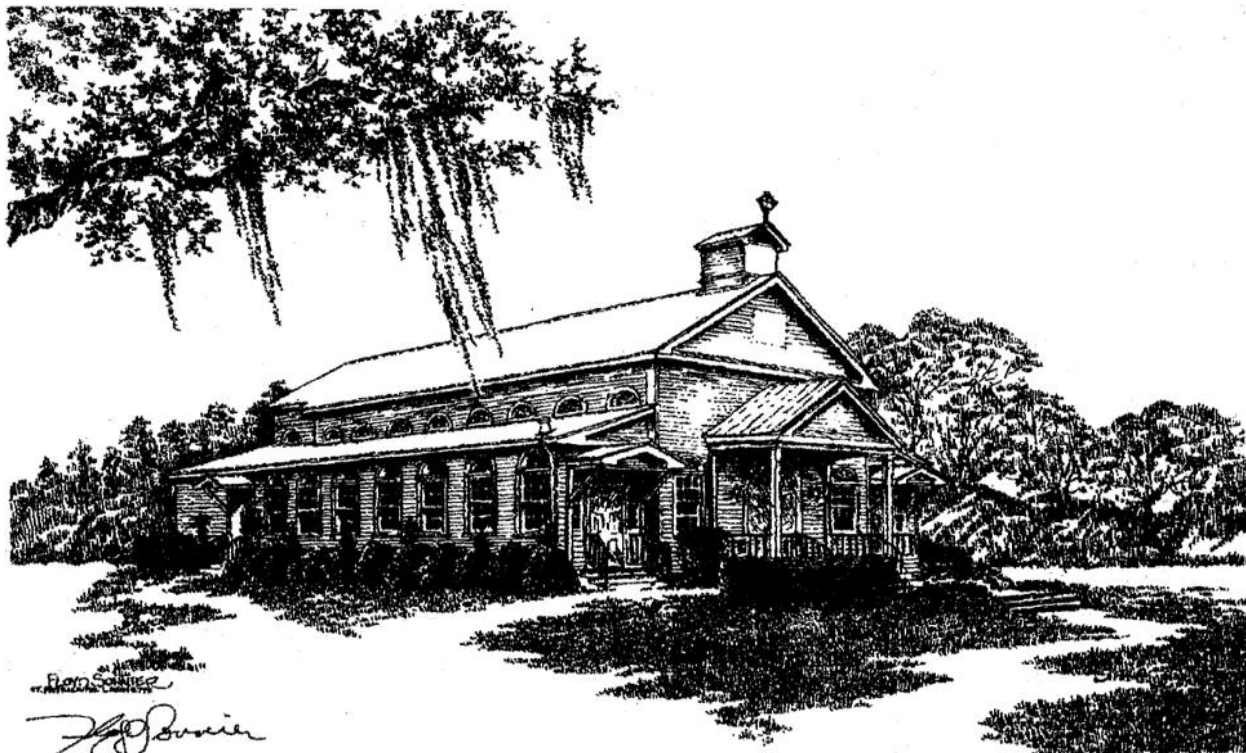


St. Patrick Catholic Church

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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, June 28

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Mickey Jung; Mike Guilbeau

Sunday, June 29

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar; Charles, Leodius & Emma Vallot

10 a.m.: For parishioners

Monday, June 30

7:30 a.m.:

Tuesday, July 1

7:30 a.m.: Peyton Lege *living*

Wednesday, July 2

7:30 a.m.:

Thursday, July 3

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, July 4

7:30 a.m.: Ashton Petitjean family

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.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel 2025 Novena, Pilgrims of Hope

July 8-16 every evening, beginning with adoration and confession at 5:15 p.m., followed by Novena Mass at 6 p.m. with Fr. Michael Richard at Monastery of Mary, Mother of Grace, 1250 Carmel Drive, Lafayette.

Come and See

Sister Servants of Jesus Crucified is hosting a Come & See weekend, July 18-21 at Community of Jesus Crucified in St. Martinville. Retreat is open too young women 19-34 years of age discerning religious life. Registration is required. For more information, and to register, email cjcpbsvocationdirectress@gmail.com or call 337-394-6550.

Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name; make known among the peoples his deeds!

~Psalm 105:1

Couples retreat

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

Come, Lord Jesus!

This weekly study/support group focuses on the upcoming Sunday readings in a small group setting. A group meets at St Patrick on Thursdays, at 5:30 p.m., in the office building conference room. For all interested in Scripture and deepening their faith in connection with the holy Eucharist. For more information please call Mike Samson at 337-257-7888 or email: michaelsamson@bellsouth.net.

Holy Hour for Vocations

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to be held Monday, July 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.

Studium to Studio

Each week, the Lafayette chapter of Lay Dominicans records a 30-minute program on various topics of interest to a Catholic audience, hosted by St Patrick parishioners Jeff and Cheryl Drozda. All the episodes (so far, over 100 of them) can be found on the YouTube channel "Studium to Studio." Episodes are aired on Thursdays at 4 p.m. on Christ our King Radio, 90.5 AM, KLFT.

Let us pray for:

Fr Joshua Guillory, who celebrates his 18th priesthood anniversary on June 30.

Sandy Guilbeau, sister of parishioner Harry DeMette, who has pancreatic cancer.

Fr Raymond Ssebina, stationed at St Pius Church, who has been diagnosed with a serious kidney cancer. Deacon Sammy Russo, also of St Pius, who has had a lower leg amputation.

Joyce Stelly, Harold Schoeffler, Merrick Stelly, Monica Mullins, Gail Roetker, Charles Mire, Ed Roy, 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.

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. Thank you for your support of our parish and its mission.

Collect for Sts Peter and Paul

O God, who on the Solemnity of the Apostles Peter and Paul give us the noble and holy joy of this day, grant, we pray, that your Church may in all things follow the teaching of those through whom she received the beginnings of right religion.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, on the Holy Spirit, n. 689-690.

The One whom the Father has sent into our hearts, the Spirit of his Son, is truly God. Consubstantial with the Father and the Son, the Spirit is inseparable from them, in both the inner life of the Trinity and his gift of love for the world. In adoring the Holy Trinity, life-giving, consubstantial, and indivisible, the Church's faith also professes the distinction of persons. When the Father sends his Word, he always sends his Breath. In their joint mission, the Son and the Holy Spirit are distinct but inseparable. To be sure, it is Christ who is seen, the visible image of the invisible God, but it is the Spirit who reveals him. Jesus is Christ, "anointed," because the Spirit is his anointing, and everything that occurs from the Incarnation on derives from this fullness. When Christ is finally glorified, he can in turn send the Spirit from his place with the Father to those who believe in him: he communicates to them his glory, that is, the Holy Spirit who glorifies him. From that time on, this joint mission will be manifested in the children adopted by the Father in the Body of his Son: the mission of the Spirit of adoption is to unite them to Christ and make them live in him.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$4,598

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

From the Pastor's Desk

Today, June 29, the Church celebrates the great solemn feast of the Apostles Peter and Paul. At the end of this coming week, our nation will celebrate its premier national holiday, July 4.

Independence Day is historically linked to the United States' birth as a new sovereign nation, in which political authority passed from the crown of England to the people of the thirteen original states. The preamble to the US constitution, penned roughly a decade after the Declaration of Independence, gives voice to the aspirations of a just and free political society: *"We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."*

Political authority, though, must exist and be exercised within a framework of moral uprightness. And so, reflecting on the moral dimensions of political authority, the Catechism of the Catholic Church (nn. 2235-2237) teaches faithfully about the duties of civic authorities and the responsibilities they bear for exercising the authority entrusted to them. For your consideration, then, as faithful citizens:



2235 Those who exercise authority should do so as a service. "Whoever would be great among you must be your servant." The exercise of authority is measured morally in terms of its divine origin, its reasonable nature and its specific object. No one can command or establish what is contrary to the dignity of persons and the natural law.

2236 The exercise of authority is meant to give outward expression to a just hierarchy of values in order to facilitate the exercise of freedom and responsibility by all. Those in authority should practice distributive justice wisely, taking account of the needs and contribution of each, with a view to harmony and peace. They should take care that the regulations and measures they adopt are not a source of temptation by setting personal interest against that of the community.

2237 Political authorities are obliged to respect the fundamental rights of the human person. They will dispense justice humanely by respecting the rights of everyone, especially of families and the disadvantaged. The political rights attached to citizenship can and should be granted according to the requirements of the common good. They cannot be suspended by public authorities without legitimate and proportionate reasons. Political rights are meant to be exercised for the common good of the nation and the human community.

Fr. Guillory