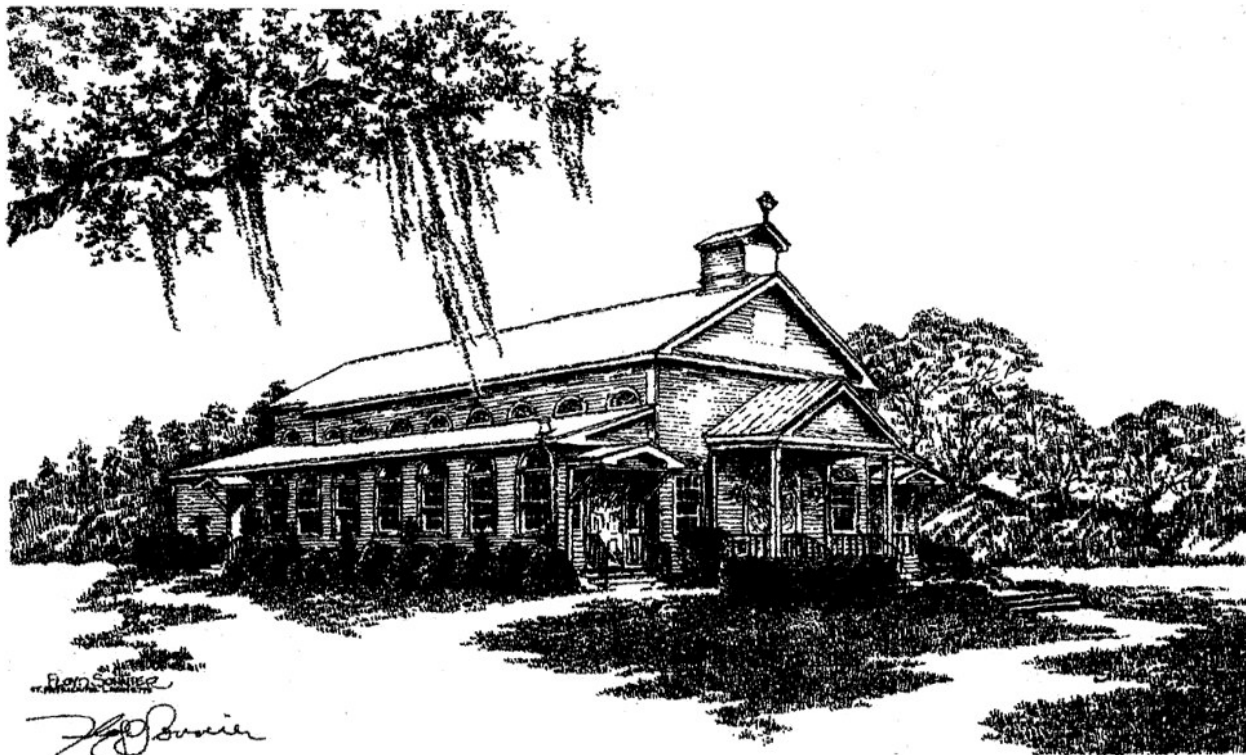


St. Patrick Catholic Church

July 20, 2025
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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, July 19

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Nanette Bouvier *living*; Charles Brevell *living*; George E Eaton, Sr; Jarrod Landry

Sunday, July 20

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar; Bryan Lege *living*

10 a.m.: For parishioners

Monday, July 21

7:30 a.m.: Junius Ledet

Tuesday, July 22

7:30 a.m.: Jerry Romero

Wednesday, July 23

7:30 a.m.: Shirley Stinson

Thursday, July 24

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, July 25

7:30 a.m.: Tom Black

Fête Dieu du Teche: Eucharistic Boat Procession

Commemorating the 260th anniversary of the arrival of the Acadians, the 11th annual Fête-Dieu du Teche will be held on **Monday, August 15**. Festivities begin at 8 a.m. with Mass in French celebrated by Bishop Douglas Deshotel at St Leo's in Leonville. After Mass, the 40-mile Eucharistic boat procession to St Martinville begins, with rosary and benediction stops along the way in Arnaudville, Cecilia, Breau Bridge, and Parks. The final stop is at the Evangeline Oak in St Martinville, followed by processions to Notre Dame, St Martin de Tours, and Our Lady of Sorrows Churches. To participate or for more information call 337-394-6550, email fetiedieuduteche@gmail.com or visit fetiedieuduteche.org.

Grand Coteau Retreats

If you are looking for a 3, 5, or 8-day individual silent retreat, these are offered at Grand Coteau. See gcretreats.org for more information.

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to you, loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with you Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

~ Bishop Maurice Schexnayder,
second Bishop of Lafayette

Women Carrying the Cross of Infertility

A day of prayer and support will be held at St Pius Church, August 16, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost to attend is \$25 (includes lunch and materials). Visit diolaf.org/marriage to register or for more information.

Find Mass when traveling

There are several resources available to help Catholics find Mass when they're away from home or traveling. Check out masstimes.org for useful information.

Retrouvaille weekend

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

Let us pray for:

Dana Shay, for her back surgery.

Barry Guidry, son of parishioners Nolan and Theresa Guidry, who has been admitted to the hospital.

Merrick Stelly, who celebrates his 79th birthday on July 25.

Wes Williams, nephew of parishioner Michael Doumit, who was diagnosed with ALS.

Joyce Stelly, Harold Schoeffler, Merrick Stelly, Monica Mullins, Gail Roetker, Charles Mire, Ed Roy, and Brenda Simon for their health concerns.

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.

Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, on the symbols of the Holy Spirit, n. 695

The symbolism of anointing with oil also signifies the Holy Spirit, to the point of becoming a synonym for the Holy Spirit. In Christian initiation, anointing is the sacramental sign of Confirmation, called "chrismation" in the Churches of the East. Its full force can be grasped only in relation to the primary anointing accomplished by the Holy Spirit, that of Jesus. Christ (in Hebrew "messiah") means the one "anointed" by God's Spirit. There were several anointed ones of the Lord in the Old Covenant, preeminently King David. But Jesus is God's Anointed in a unique way: the humanity the Son assumed was entirely anointed by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit established him as "Christ." The Virgin Mary conceived Christ by the Holy Spirit who, through the angel, proclaimed him the Christ at his birth and prompted Simeon to come to the temple to see the Christ of the Lord. The Spirit filled Christ and the power of the Spirit went out from him in his acts of healing and of saving. Finally, it was the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead. Now, fully established as "Christ" in his humanity victorious over death, Jesus pours out the Holy Spirit abundantly.

Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....\$4,569
Catholic Communications.....\$648
Online offerings for June.....\$7,948

From the Pastor's Desk

I always find it interesting to read about all the important historical events that occurred on a specific day. Such lists abound in books and on the internet and make for fascinating reading. There are those events that we already know about and those that we learn about.

Among the well-known twentieth century events that occurred on July 20 is the moon landing in 1969. On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first human beings to set foot on the moon. I'm sure some of our parishioners have vivid memories of that moment, which they may have watched on television.

Another well-known event: the July 20, 1944, failed attempt to assassinate the dictator Adolf Hitler and overthrow the Nazi regime, sometimes referred to as Operation Valkyrie. This historical moment has been memorialized many times over in documentaries and movies. The leader of Operation Valkyrie was Claus von Stauffenberg, a high-ranking German military officer and a devout Catholic. He was arrested and executed by firing squad the next day. Had the operation succeeded, the war in Europe could have ended about a year earlier and tens of thousands of lives could have been saved.

A much lesser-known event occurred on the same day and year, but in Italy. On July 20, 1994, Italian Catholic priest Fr Giuseppe Beotti was arrested and summarily executed by Nazi troops in the Italian village of Sidolo, along with another priest and a seminarian. Fr Beotti's "crime" was giving aid to Jews,

escaped prisoners, resistance fighters, and any others who were in need of assistance as the Nazis invaded the area. On September 20, 2023, Fr Beotti was beatified, being officially recognized as a martyr, one who died as a witness to faith in Christ and on account of a hatred of that faith.

Related to the witness of Fr Beotti is that of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, an Italian layman who will be canonized on September 7 of this year, together with Blessed Carlo Acutis. Frassati was young, handsome, athletic, intensely devout and

intensely devoted to serving the poor and promoting social reform in line with Catholic teaching. He became a Third Order Dominican and a member of Catholic Action. Frassati's father was a principled anti-fascist newspaperman and politician, and like his father, Pier Giorgio opposed the authoritarian regime of Mussolini, even being arrested in Rome during an anti-fascist youth protest. When Frassati died of polio in 1925 at the age of 24, the

streets of Turin, a major city in northern Italy, were lined with thousands of mourners, a testament to his reputation for holiness and for helping the poor and those in need.

Every day has its events. Some of those enter the history books, and some are all but forgotten. But before the eyes of God, every day, every moment is held as something sacred. What then will I make of this day, this moment before me? For "now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor 6:2).

Fr Guillory

