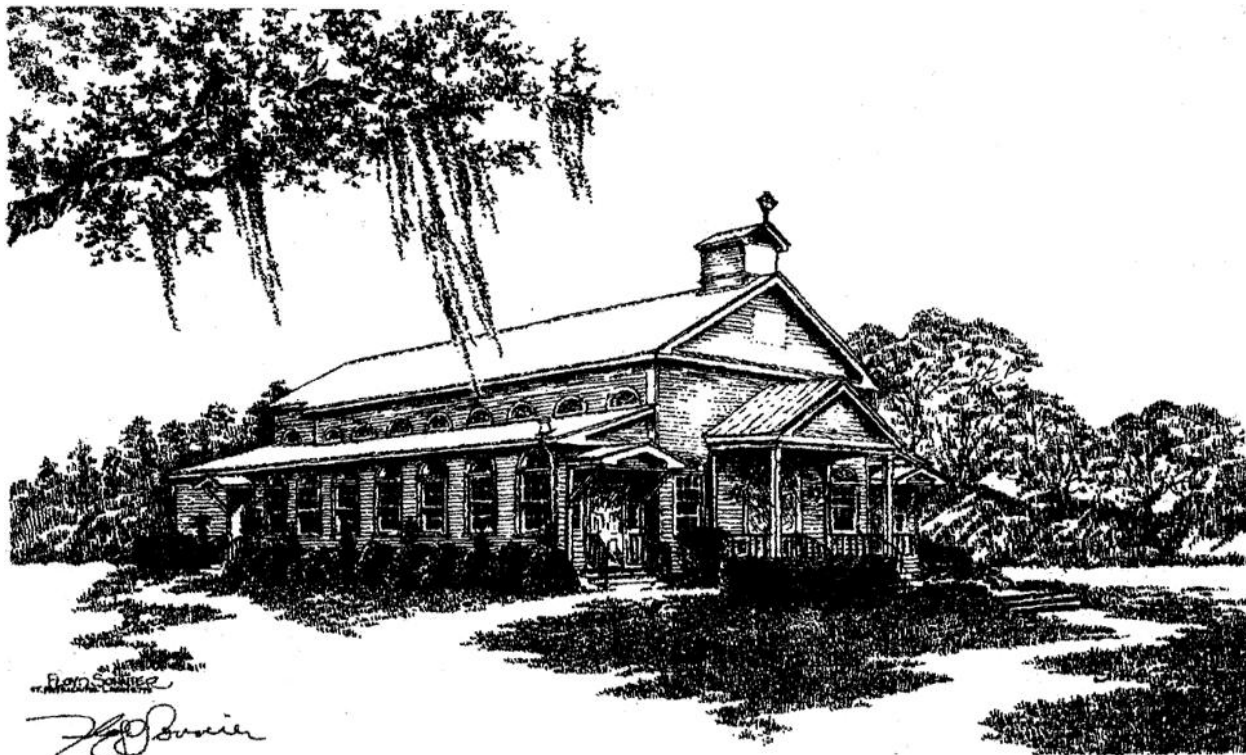


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

July 27, 2025  
Seventeenth 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 26**

**4 p.m.:** Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Nanette Bouvier *living*; Charles Brevell *living*; Kathy Snelson; Junius Ledet

#### **Sunday, July 27**

**8:30 a.m.:** John P Zagar

**10 a.m.:** For parishioners

#### **Monday, July 28**

**7:30 a.m.:** Geri P. Kreamer

#### **Tuesday, July 29**

**7:30 a.m.:** Camp Mystic Girls & Counselors

#### **Wednesday, July 30**

**7:30 a.m.:** Beau Lege (*living*)

#### **Thursday, July 31**

**7:30 a.m.:** Kreamer family

#### **Friday, August 1**

**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 [fetedieuduteche@gmail.com](mailto:fetedieuduteche@gmail.com) or visit [fetedieuduteche.org](http://fetedieuduteche.org).

### **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](mailto:setonrememberme@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Awaken to God's Presence: A Couples Retreat for Medical Professionals and their Spouses**

A couples retreat designed to offer rest, relief, and spiritual strength with Bishop Deshotel, Fr Brent Smith and the Jesuits of St Charles College. Friday, August 29 thru Sunday, August 31. For more information and to register visit [gcretreats.org](http://gcretreats.org).

### **Holy Hour for Vocations**

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to be held Monday, August 4, 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.

### **Parish website**

On our parish website, [stpat.org](http://stpat.org), can be found both the current and past bulletins as well as the texts of some of Fr Guillory's recent homilies.

## 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](http://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](http://masstimes.org) for useful information.

### Let us pray for:

Raymond Garry, who celebrates his 64th birthday on July 29.

Kevin Phillips, who celebrates his 51st birthday on August 1.

Jennifer McElligott (69), who died on July 18 and whose funeral was celebrated at the Cathedral on July 21.

Molly Frances Cole, daughter of Anderson and Elizabeth Cole, who was baptized on July 26.

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](mailto: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](http://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 Seventeenth Sunday

O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure.

## From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, on the symbols of the Holy Spirit, n. 697

Cloud and light. These two images occur together in the manifestations of the Holy Spirit. In the theophanies of the Old Testament, the cloud, now obscure, now luminous, reveals the living and saving God, while veiling the transcendence of his glory – with Moses on Mount Sinai, at the tent of meeting, and during the wandering in the desert, and with Solomon at the dedication of the Temple. In the Holy Spirit, Christ fulfills these figures. The Spirit comes upon the Virgin Mary and “overshadows” her, so that she might conceive and give birth to Jesus. On the mountain of Transfiguration, the Spirit in the “cloud came and overshadowed” Jesus, Moses and Elijah, Peter, James and John, and “a voice came out of the cloud, saying, ‘This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!’” Finally, the cloud took Jesus out of the sight of the disciples on the day of his ascension and will reveal him as Son of man in glory on the day of his final coming.

## Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....\$3,567

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

*Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have;  
God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.  
~Hebrews 13:16*

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

Last Sunday, the gospel passage that we reflected on was Jesus being welcomed into the home of Martha and Mary and their brother Lazarus. This week, on Tuesday, July 29, the Church celebrates the liturgical memorial of these three saints.

Each of them had a special relationship with the Lord Jesus. In John 11 we read how "Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus" and how Jesus called Lazarus "our friend" and wept at his tomb before he raised him from the dead. In Luke's gospel, we learn how Mary chose "the better part," sitting at the feet of Jesus and listening to his words. Martha, though "worried and anxious about many things," nonetheless had incredible faith and trust in Jesus. When Jesus was arriving at their home in Bethany upon learning of Lazarus's death, Martha went out to meet him, telling him that if he had been there, her brother would not have died. Jesus comforted her by telling her that Lazarus would rise, to which Martha responded: "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Martha's profession of faith prompted Jesus to reveal himself more fully to her, and immediately he told her, "I am the resurrection and the life."

We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Martha for drawing from Jesus these words of revelation, words that continue to comfort and console us, especially in

times of grief, sorrow, and mourning. By them we are reminded that we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

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While we're on the theme of being together in the company of friends, as Jesus was with Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, I will be taking some time away next week to be in the company of eight of my priest friends, men with whom I lived and prayed and studied during my seminary years at the Pontifical North

American College in Rome. Since our ordination in 2007, we have made time to visit each other each summer, to spend a week together – a time to rest, to catch up, to pray, to recreate. A priestly *vacation* to recharge our priestly *vocation*. Our group hails from the states of Washington, New York, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, North Dakota, Nebraska, and Louisiana. Typically, each year one of us assumes the Martha role

and is responsible for hosting and organizing. This year our brother from the Diocese of Bismarck is organizing our stay in California, which I am very much looking forward to, as I've not visited California before except very briefly. I leave on Tuesday, July 29 – the feast day of Martha, Mary, and Lazarus – and will be back the following Tuesday, in time to celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord with you on Wednesday, August 6. I ask your prayers for safe travels and restful days.

*Fr Guillory*

