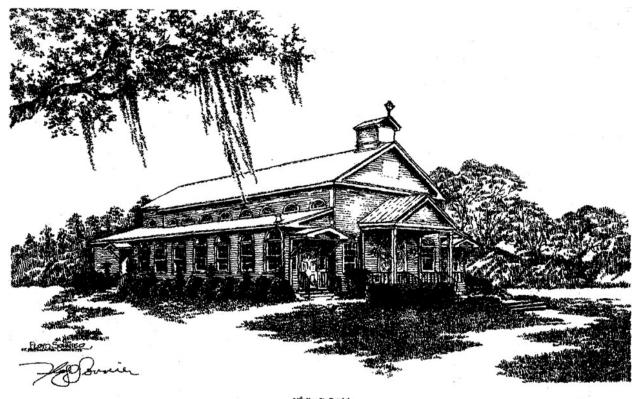








October 26, 2025 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.

Anna Walker

Confessions

Saturday: 3:20-3:50 p.m. Weekdays: 7-7:25 a.m.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 25

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Bouvier family (*living*); Cindy Lavergne; Bart, Jules & Isola LeJeune; Gloria Brevell

Sunday, October 26

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar; Felton Romero

10 a.m.: For parishioners Monday, October 27

7:30 a.m.:

Tuesday, October 28
7:30 a.m.: Brett Walker
Wednesday, October 29
7:30 a.m.: Geri P Kreamer
Thursday, October 30
7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family
Friday, October 31

7:30 a.m.: Garber family

"The One Thing Necessary: Unveiling Your Path to Sainthood"

Hosted by Fullness of Truth-Louisiana, October 31 through November 1 at St Anne's Church in Youngsville. Speakers include Matthew Leonard, Dr Michael Barber, Fr Michael Russo; and Fr Michael Champagne. For tickets, schedule and more information, visit fullnessoftruth.org or call 281-358-9195.

Friendsgiving in Christ

Our annual fall social is scheduled for Sunday, November 16 following the 10 a.m. Mass. To make more room for faith, food, and fellowship as we come together as a growing parish family, this year's event will be held at City Club in River Ranch. Please mark your calendars, as sign-up sheets will soon be ready. As in previous years, St Patrick's will provide the catered main dishes, and attendees are asked to bring their best dish to share – casserole, vegetable, salad, desert, whatever you like.

I will not set before my eyes whatever is base. ~ Psalm 101:3

Holy Hour for Vocations

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to will be held Monday, October 6, 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 to the priesthood and the religious life. Sponsored by the Serra Club of Lafayette.

Catholic Charities of Acadiana

To donate to the homeless shelter, give online at *catholiccharitiesofacadiana.org* or by a check to PO Box 3177, Lafayette, 70502. Write "emergency sheltering" in the memo.

"HOPE" Married Couples Retreat

Community of Jesus is hosting a free Married Couples Silent Retreat (spouses can speak to one another) Friday, November 14, 6 p.m. through Sunday, November 16, 3 p.m. Preached retreat consisting of talks and meditations pertinent to living out the sacrament of Matrimony based on the Beatitudes. To register contact Cheryl Moss at 337-654-0936.

St Therese is coming to Lafayette

Veneration of the relics of St Therese of Lisieux will be held at the Carmelite Monastery on Wednesday, November 5, 6 a.m. until 11 p.m. and Thursday, November 6, 7 a.m. until 1:45 p.m. The relics will then be transported to Cathedral of St John where veneration will continue until solemn Mass and blessing of roses at 6 p.m. Bishop Deshotel will be celebrant, Fr Adam G Gonzales, OCD, homilist. For more information, visit *lafayettecarmelites.org*.

All Saints' Day, Saturday, November 1 This year, All Saints' Day is NOT a day of obligation, since it falls on a Saturday.

Let us pray for:

Ted and Kay Hampton, who celebrate their wedding anniversary on October 20.

Jacob Shay, grandson of parishioners Freddy and Linda Vallot, who is recuperating from a motorcycle accident.

Exie Clare, daughter of Jonathan LeJune and Elizabeth Sandridge, who was born on October 3.

Doug Nicko, Joyce Stelly, Harold Schoeffler, Bob Guidry, Gail Roetker, Charles Mire, Ed Roy, Bryan Lege, 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.

Collect for the Thirtieth Sunday

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope, and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise.

From the Catechism, on the seventh commandment, nn. 2413-2414

Games of chance (card games, etc.) or wagers are not in themselves contrary to iustice. Thev become morally unacceptable deprive when they someone of what is necessary to provide for his needs and those of others. The passion for gambling risks becoming an enslavement. Unfair wagers and cheating at games constitute grave matter, unless the damage inflicted is so slight that the one who suffers it cannot reasonably consider it significant. The commandment forbids acts or enterprises that for any reason selfish or ideological, commercial, or totalitarian lead to the enslavement of human beings, to their being bought, sold and exchanged like merchandise, in disregard for their personal dignity. It is a sin against the dignity of persons and their fundamental rights to reduce them by violence to their productive value or to a source of profit. St Paul directed a Christian master to treat his Christian slave "no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother. . . . both in the flesh and in the Lord."

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings......\$3,751

World Mission Sunday.....\$1,882

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

From the Pastor's Desk

After being away for two weeks – a week of retreat and a week of vacation – it is good be back home at St Patrick's. I thank you all for welcoming so well the priests who stepped in while I was absent. I am particularly grateful for your kind and generous response to Fr Vincent Tuan Vu, who spoke to you about the Church in Vietnam. And of course I am thankful for my brother priests who gave generously of their time to come to St Patrick's in my absence. For those of

you who come to daily Mass, you even got to see our Bishop last Wednesday!

Next Saturday is November 1, All Saints' Day. Since it falls on a Saturday, there is no obligation to attend Mass for All Saints' Day this year. However, you may attend Mass if you wish, at any parish or church were a first Saturday Mass is held. But again, there is no obligation to do so.

Next Sunday, November 2, falls on All Souls' Day, which replaces the regular Mass for that Sunday, the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. The technical name for All Souls' Day is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. There are special readings for that day, and we make a special effort to remember and to pray for those who have died. For that day, I will be wearing black vestments, by which mourning is symbolized. As the priest

dons the colors of mourning, this is a reminder that the Church herself shares in the sorrows of all her members. I encourage all of you to wear dark or subdued colors next Sunday as we pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

It is customary to visit cemeteries during the first week of November. In fact, those who visit a cemetery from November 1 through November 8 and there pray for the dead may obtain an plenary indulgence applicable only to the souls in purgatory.



ln many places, parishes will organize "blessings" of cemeteries during these day, when a priest will go to cemeteries with the parishioners and offer a brief prayer service, praying for the dead sprinkling and the cemetery with holy water. While this is a praiseworthy practice, it is not necessary to attend such a cemetery "blessing" in order to

obtain the indulgence for the souls in purgatory.

As praying for the dead is an act of spiritual mercy, I heartily encourage each of you to visit a cemetery sometime during the first week of November and there to pray for those who have died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Fr Guillory