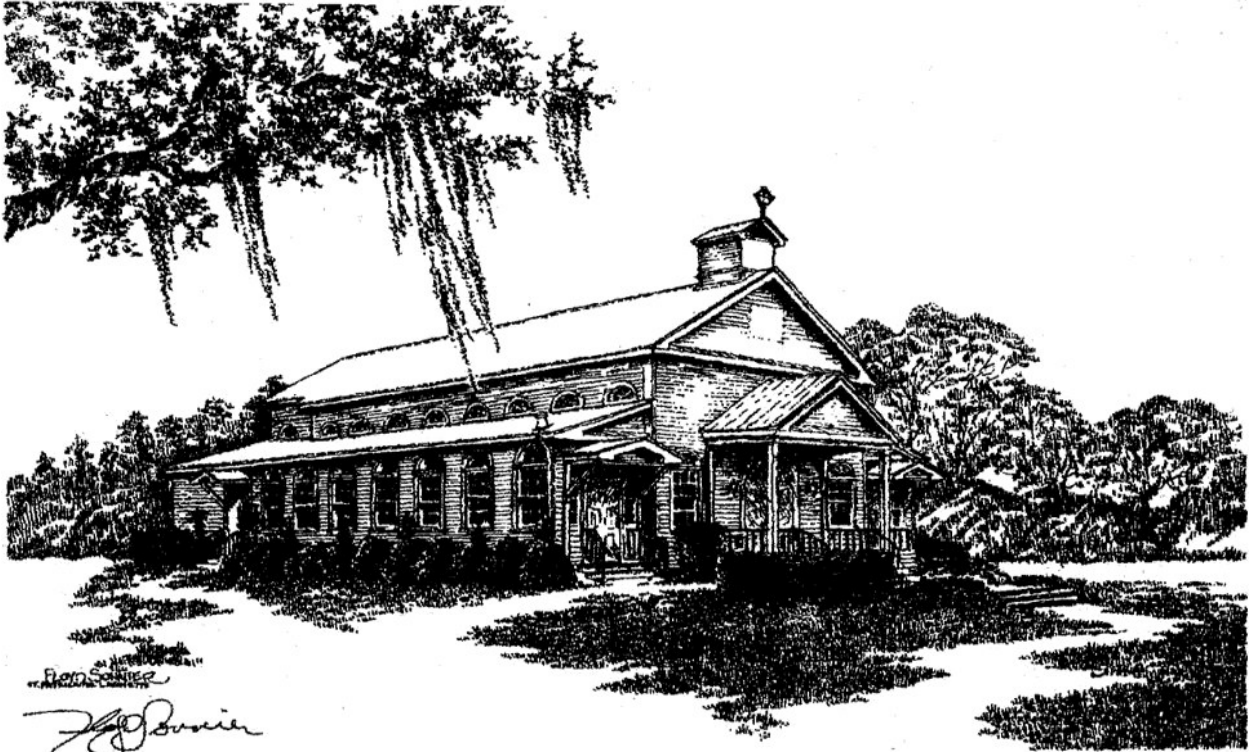


St. Patrick Catholic Church

February 1, 2026
Fourth 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, January 31

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Alania Bouvier *living*; Norbert LeBlanc; Jarrod Landry

Sunday, February 1

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar

10 a.m.: For parishioners

Monday, February 2

7:30 a.m.: Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, February 3

7:30 a.m.:

Wednesday, February 4

7:30 a.m.:

Thursday, February 5

7:30 a.m.: Cheryl Lynn Cormier

Friday, February 6

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Sign Language Classes

Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. St Patrick Church classroom. Taught by Nancy Nicholson. Sign up by scanning the QR code below or emailing Nancy at signlanguagespecialties@gmail.com.

Classes are \$10 per person or \$25 per family.



Lenten Day of Reflection

Praying through the Eyes of the Saints, The School of Prayer, presented by the Diocese of Lafayette Office of Catechetics, will be held at the Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Drive, on Saturday, February 21, from 8:15 a.m. until 12 noon. Guest speaker is Fr John Dugas, Parochial Vicar of St Anthony of Padua and St Mathilda in Eunice. Registration fee is \$20. Seating is limited. To register or for more information, go to <https://tinyurl.com/praysaints>.

Come & See

Have you thought about the priesthood lately? Want to learn how to discern God's will for your life? Join other men ages 16+ for a weekend of prayer and fellowship with the seminarians of St Joseph Seminary College in St Benedict, La. March 27 through 29. Meals and lodging provided. For registration and retreat forms see lafayettevocations.com/retreats.

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.

Retrouvaille weekend

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

Save the date

Our annual St Patrick's breakfast social will be held on Saturday, March 14 at City Club. Mark your calendars!

Holy Hour for Vocations

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to will be held Monday, February 2, 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.

Let us pray for:

Raymond Garry (64), who died on January 24, and whose funeral will be at St Patrick's on February 7 at 11 a.m.

Sandra Bernard, sister of Wayne Bernard (Joanie), whose funeral will be at St Patrick's on February 10 at 10 a.m.

Robert Sonnier, son of Maggie Hernandez, whose funeral will be at St Patrick's on February 13 at 1 p.m.

Brandon Boudreaux, grandson of Gloria Boudreaux, who is fighting cancer and who had surgery this past Friday.

Gabriel Connor, who celebrates his birthday on February 2 and Ken Phillips who celebrates his birthday on February 3.

Sarah Brabant, Kathy Delahoussaye, Joyce Stelly, Harold Schoeffler, Bob Guidry, Bryan Lege, Harry DeMette, Jarrell Sparrow, 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.

Collect for the Fourth Sunday

Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honor you with all our mind and love everyone in truth of heart.

From the Catechism, on the Beatitudes, nn. 1716, 1718-1721, 1723

The Beatitudes are at the heart of Jesus' preaching. They take up the promises made to the chosen people since Abraham. The Beatitudes fulfill the promises by ordering them no longer merely to the possession of a territory, but to the Kingdom of heaven. The Beatitudes respond to the natural desire for happiness. This desire is of divine origin: God has placed it in the human heart in order to draw man to the One who alone can fulfill it. The Beatitudes reveal the goal of human existence, the ultimate end of human acts: God calls us to his own beatitude. This vocation is addressed to each individual personally, but also to the Church as a whole, the new people made up of those who have accepted the promise and live from it in faith. God put us in the world to know, to love, and to serve him, and so to come to paradise. Beatitude makes us "partakers of the divine nature" and of eternal life. The beatitude we are promised confronts us with decisive moral choices. It invites us to purify our hearts of bad instincts and to seek the love of God above all else. It teaches us that true happiness is not found in riches or well-being, in human fame or power, or in any human achievement ... or indeed in any creature, but in God alone, the source of every good and of all love.

Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....\$3,555
Church in Latin America.....\$652

From the Pastor's Desk

As real cold descended upon the country this past week, many people were driven into the warmth of their homes. What a blessing that is, to have a home! Somewhere warm and safe and comfortable. Somewhere where you can go to get away from the elements, from the noise of the world, from the stress of work. What a blessing, indeed!

When we are struck by cold weather here in Louisiana, the plight of those without

seems to be a real reluctance on the part of local or state governments to take serious action to help their citizens in need. There is a temptation to hand off responsibility to churches and non-profits. This is unacceptable.

Widespread societal problems need to be dealt across all segments of society. How is it consistent with a Christian ethic to spend public funds to build recreational sports parks – which are nice, but totally optional, and not necessary for human survival – while refusing to fund housing



homes becomes rather dire, as we are generally not well equipped to handle such cold for such long periods. Homelessness is a societal problem, one that must be addressed societally.

It is true that churches and non-profits who work with the unhoused are often on the forefront of dealing with the needs of those who have no permanent housing. Housing programs, men's and women's shelters, emergency warming shelters: all these are part of the solution. But only a small part. In some places, though, there

for the poorest and most disadvantaged? Which to you seems more in line with what Jesus taught and expects of his disciples: spending billions upon billions on waging foreign wars or spending a fraction of that so that our own people can have homes and food and medical care? And yet...

The priorities of the kingdom of heaven are not the priorities of the world and its empires. Which shall be our priorities? Which we serve, God or mammon?

Fr. Guillory