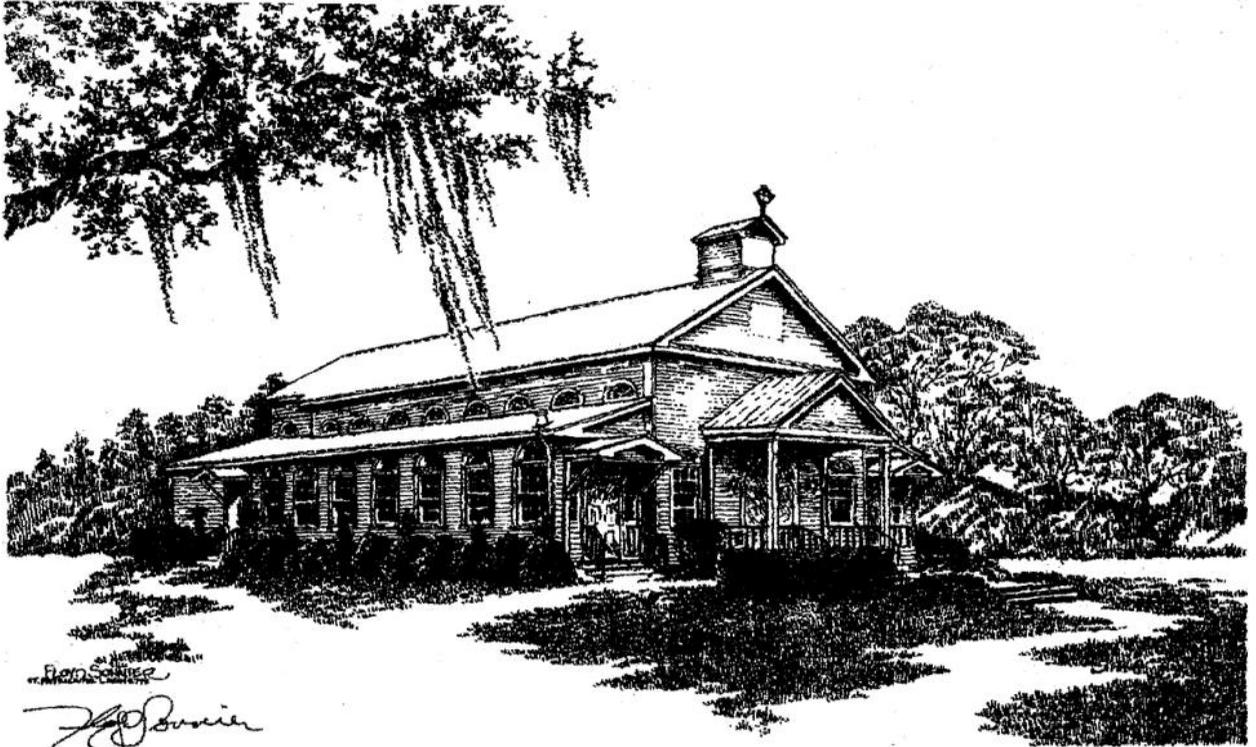


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

March 8, 2026  
Third Sunday of Lent



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, March 7**

**4 p.m.:** Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Nanette & Jerry Bouvier *living*; Anna Mae Caillier; Louis & Ruby Delahoussaye

**Sunday, March 8**

**8:30 a.m.:** John P Zagar; Eileen Guillory; Dulan & Sally Fontenot; Delta Guillory; Raymond Garry; Jerry Collins; Ed Roy; Ron Dartez

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

**Monday, March 9**

**7:30 a.m.:** Fr Keith LaBove (7th ann.)

**Tuesday, March 10**

**7:30 a.m.:** Raymond Garry

**Wednesday, March 11**

**7:30 a.m.:** Steven Bellard; Marliene Bellard; Kaylin Thevis

**Thursday, March 12**

**7:30 a.m.:** Raymond Garry

**Friday, March 13**

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



**Lenten Mission: I Confess**

March 9-10, 6 p.m. at Cathedral of St John the Evangelist. Speaker is Fr Aquinas Guilbeau, O.P., a Carencro native who currently serves as the university chaplain and vice president for ministry and mission at Catholic University of America.

**Angola Bus Trip**

The Diocese of Lafayette Office of Justice and Peace is offering free transportation to anyone who has a loved one at Angola and would like to visit with them. The trip is scheduled for Sunday, March 29. Bus departures: 7 a.m. St. Edward Church in New Iberia; 7:30 a.m. St. Paul Church in Lafayette. Please note, there are important visitor guidelines. To reserve your seat, for more information regarding the trip, including the guidelines, call Stephanie Bernard, prison ministry coordinator, at 337-264-5694.

**Lenten Mission: Holy Cross**

Holy Cross is holding it's annual Lenten Mission Wednesday, March 18 beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by a talk from Fr J Patrick Hough on "Triumph of Grace over Tribulation" and Eucharistic Adoration. Fr Hough is the Retreat Director at the Jesuit Spirituality Center and Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau.

**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](http://lafayettevocations.com/retreats).

**Daylight savings begins Sunday, March 8. Set your clocks forward an hour.**

## Lenten Way of the Cross

Friday mornings during Lent, beginning at 7:05 a.m. in church.

## Cemetery plots for sale

Parishioner Chad Williams has two cemetery plots for sale at Lafayette Memorial Park. For more information, please contact him directly at 337-849-5936.

## 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:

Shelly Roy, who celebrates her birthday on March 9, and Jack McElligott who celebrates his birthday on March 13.

Debbie Slaughter Conque, who is recuperating well after being struck by a vehicle.

Sarah Brabant, Kathy Delahoussaye, Joyce Stelly, Harold Schoeffler, Bryan Lege, Harry DeMette, Jarrell Sparrow, Jackie Bourgeois, 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 third Sunday of Lent

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy.

## From the Catechism, on prayer in the Christian life, nn. 2562-2564

### *Prayer as covenant*

Where does prayer come from? Whether prayer is expressed in words or gestures, it is the whole person who prays. But in naming the source of prayer, Scripture speaks sometimes of the soul or the spirit, but most often of the heart (more than a thousand times). According to Scripture, it is the heart that prays. If our heart is far from God, the words of prayer are in vain. The heart is the dwelling-place where I am, where I live; according to the Semitic or Biblical expression, the heart is the place "to which I withdraw." The heart is our hidden center, beyond the grasp of our reason and of others; only the Spirit of God can fathom the human heart and know it fully. The heart is the place of decision, deeper than our psychic drives. It is the place of truth, where we choose life or death. It is the place of encounter, because as image of God we live in relation: it is the place of covenant. Christian prayer is a covenant relationship between God and man in Christ. It is the action of God and of man, springing forth from both the Holy Spirit and ourselves, wholly directed to the Father, in union with the human will of the Son of God made man.

## Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....	\$6,248
Building Fund.....	\$4,046

*Next week's second collection is for Catholic Relief Services*

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

On Monday we remember in a special way the former pastor of St Patrick's, Fr Keith LaBove, who died seven years ago on March 9. If you'd like, take a look at our parish website, under the "About our Parish" tab, and you'll see a list of all the former pastors of St Patrick's, the dates of their tenure, and when they died. Including myself, there have been thirteen pastors of St Patrick's in its 74 years as a parish, five of whom are still alive.

As we pray for the repose of Fr Keith's soul, let us remember to pray for all those priests, living and dead, who have ministered to us in any way. May God bless them and continue to raise up shepherds after his own heart!

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As a reminder, our St Patrick's breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, March 14, beginning at 8 a.m., at City Club in River Ranch. Please sign up if you plan to attend. There is no cost. This event is simply about time together in fellowship, to meet fellow St Patricians in a casual and relaxed atmosphere. I encourage you to get to know people you don't already know. We may see each other at Mass, but we don't know each other. Our

parish socials are just the right occasion to slow down and visit with familiar faces. We already have a lot in common: our Catholic faith, our love of St Patrick's!

Toward the end of the breakfast, there is a drawing for door prizes. If you'd like to, I encourage you to bring a small gift as a door prize. It is a way of contributing to the fun of the parish breakfast celebration.

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The renovation of our parish hall is coming very soon. This coming Wednesday, on March 11, the four contractors who are bidding on the project will submit their bids to our architect. Once the bids are opened, we'll begin to work with the lowest bidder. It's at that time that we'll know for sure what the actual cost of the planned renovations will be.

The parish hall and the adoration chapel will be closed beginning on April 1.

The groups that regularly use our hall have already been notified and have found other accommodations for now. When the renovations are complete (they are expected to take several months), the hall and chapel will be reopened. More details to come. In the meantime, let's pray for the success of this important project in the life of our parish!

*Fr Guillory*