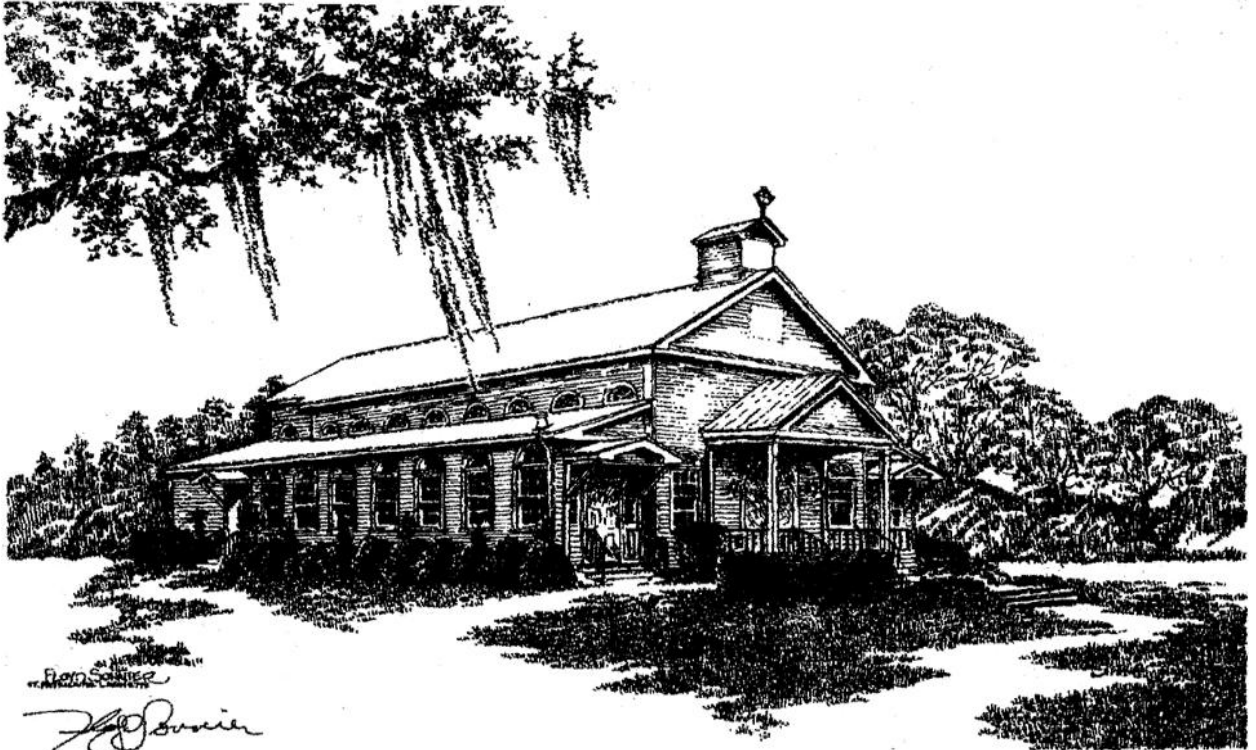


St. Patrick Catholic Church

July 5, 2026

Fourteenth 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 4

4 p.m.: Ashton Petitjean family; Louis & Ruby Delahoussaye; Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; Angie Redrick; Brian Poindexter

Sunday, July 5

8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar

10 a.m.: For parishioners

Monday, July 6

7:30 a.m.: Martha T. Odom

Tuesday, July 7

7:30 a.m.: Elizabeth, Matthew & Philip Schnur

Wednesday, July 8

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Thursday, July 9

7:30 a.m.: Ruby Delahoussaye

Friday, July 10

7:30 a.m.: Vergie Albarado; Mitzi Bronzoulis

Come and See

Sister Servants of Jesus Crucified is hosting a Come & See weekend, July 10-13 at Community of Jesus Crucified in St. Martinville. Retreat is open to young women 18-36 years of age discerning a vocation to the religious life. Registration is required. For more information, and to register, call 337-254-1632 or email cjcpbsvocationdirectress@gmail.com.

Women's Silent Retreat

Digging Deeper, a women's silent retreat reflecting on the "Woman at the Well" will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center, beginning Friday, October 9, at 6 p.m. until Sunday at 2 p.m. Conferences given by members of the Community of Jesus Crucified. This retreat is free of charge. To register or for more information contact Cheryl Moss at 337-654-0936.

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.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel 2026 Novena, Pilgrims of Hope

July 8-16 every evening, beginning with adoration and confession at 5:15 p.m., followed by Novena Mass at 6 p.m. with Fr Thomas Reeves, OCD at Monastery of Mary, Mother of Grace, 1250 Carmel Drive, Lafayette.

Veritas Catholic Teen Conference

All high school youth are invited to join in a shared encounter with Jesus Christ, Saturday, September 26, from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at the Diocese of Lafayette's Fusilier Auditorium, located at 1408 Carmel Drive. This event is intended to unite young people from across our Diocese. Mass will be celebrated with Bishop Douglas Deshotel. There will be two keynote speakers, as well as a breakout session. Lunch will be provided. Cost is \$20 per person. Contact the Diocese for families of 3 or more children. Registration deadline is Friday, September 11 at 4:30 p.m. and limited to 200 high school teens. For more information or to register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/48k4kdtm>.

Holy Hour for Vocations

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

Let us pray for:

Charlotte Marie, daughter of Gabriel and Natalie Connor, who was baptized last Saturday at St Patrick's.

Kathleen Larson, who celebrates her birthday on July 8.

Joseph "Buzzy" Joy, who has been admitted to the hospital, and Rita LeDoux who is recovering in the hospital.

Louise Stelly, Forrest Blanton, Sr., Kathy Cormier, Sarah Brabant, Brandon Boudreaux, Joyce Stelly, Brenda King, Bryan Lege, Ashlie Comeaux, Pat Low, Harry DeMette, Jerrol Sparrow, Jackie Bourgeois, Wayne Bernard, Janell Degeyter, Thomas Sands, Ronald Wiltz, 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

We are in the process of changing online giving service providers. Please stand by for future updates which should be forthcoming in the next couple of weeks. For those currently signed up through Give52, we will soon contact you with guidance on how to change services. Thank you for your support and patience.

Collect, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin, you bestow eternal gladness.

From the Catechism, on prayer in the Christian life, nn. 2705-2708

Meditation is above all a quest. The mind seeks to understand the why and how of the Christian life in order to adhere and respond to what the Lord is asking. The required attentiveness is difficult to sustain. We are usually helped by books: the Sacred Scriptures, particularly the Gospels ... writings of the spiritual fathers, works of spirituality... To meditate on what we read helps us to make it our own by confronting it with ourselves. Here, another book is opened: the book of life. To the extent that we are humble and faithful, we discover in meditation the movements that stir the heart, and we are able to discern them. It is a question of acting truthfully in order to come into the light: "Lord, what do you want me to do?" There are as many and varied methods of meditation as there are spiritual masters. But a method is only a guide; the important thing is to advance, with the Holy Spirit, along the one way of prayer: Christ Jesus. Meditation engages thought, imagination, emotion, and desire. This mobilization of faculties is necessary in order to deepen our convictions of faith, prompt the conversion of our heart, and strengthen our will to follow Christ.

Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings.....\$4,553
Peter's Pence.....\$1,069

*Next week's second collection is for
Catholic Communications.*

From the Pastor's Desk

As our nation celebrates the 250th anniversary of its founding, we rightly rejoice in the freedoms and prosperity that the American experiment in democratic self-government have produced. We look back to those momentous early days in 1776 when the Declaration of Independence was drafted, signed, and distributed. We reflect on the subsequent years of growth, strife, and peace. We recall the violent convulsions of the Civil War era and the triumphs and promise of the Civil Rights era.

We Americans recognize the glories and triumphs of our nation, but we also acknowledge her faults and shortcomings. We love America, but like all things human, we love her with something of a broken heart.

In celebrating this great country of ours on the 250th anniversary of its founding, we have much to be proud of. But as faithful citizens of a nation that professes such lofty ideals as life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, we know that we must be ever vigilant and ever at work to secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity.

"With liberty and justice for all" cannot simply be the final tag line recited by rote when we honor the American flag. It must be our frame of reference as we continue to carry out and to live the American experience. Freedom and justice, not just for some, but for all. For all who find

themselves on these shores, in these lands that we call America. America must not only stand for freedom and justice, but must also act in freedom and justice. America must be more than a set of ideals; those ideals must be made real in the here and now.

I myself am a bicentennial baby, born in 1976. What a blessing then for me to turn 50 as the country of my birth turns 250!

In my life I've been privileged to live in two other countries for extended periods of time. After college, I lived in Fribourg, Switzerland for a year (1999-2000) and then in Rome, Italy for nearly 12 years, on and off between 2003 to 2019.

In each place, I was immersed in its language and culture, which led me to see and understand America from afar, to experience it from the outside, to see it afresh, from a new vantage point. In all that I learned about my country from

these experiences, whether good or bad, whether inspiring or disappointing, whether ordinary or sublime, I always and only ever wanted to come back home. Grateful for the opportunities afforded to me as an American, my time abroad inspired in me a deeper love of my country and made me want to contribute to her authentic growth in virtue – *till all success be nobleness*. May God continue to shed his grace on America, mend her every flaw, and grant her another 250 years!



Fr Guillory