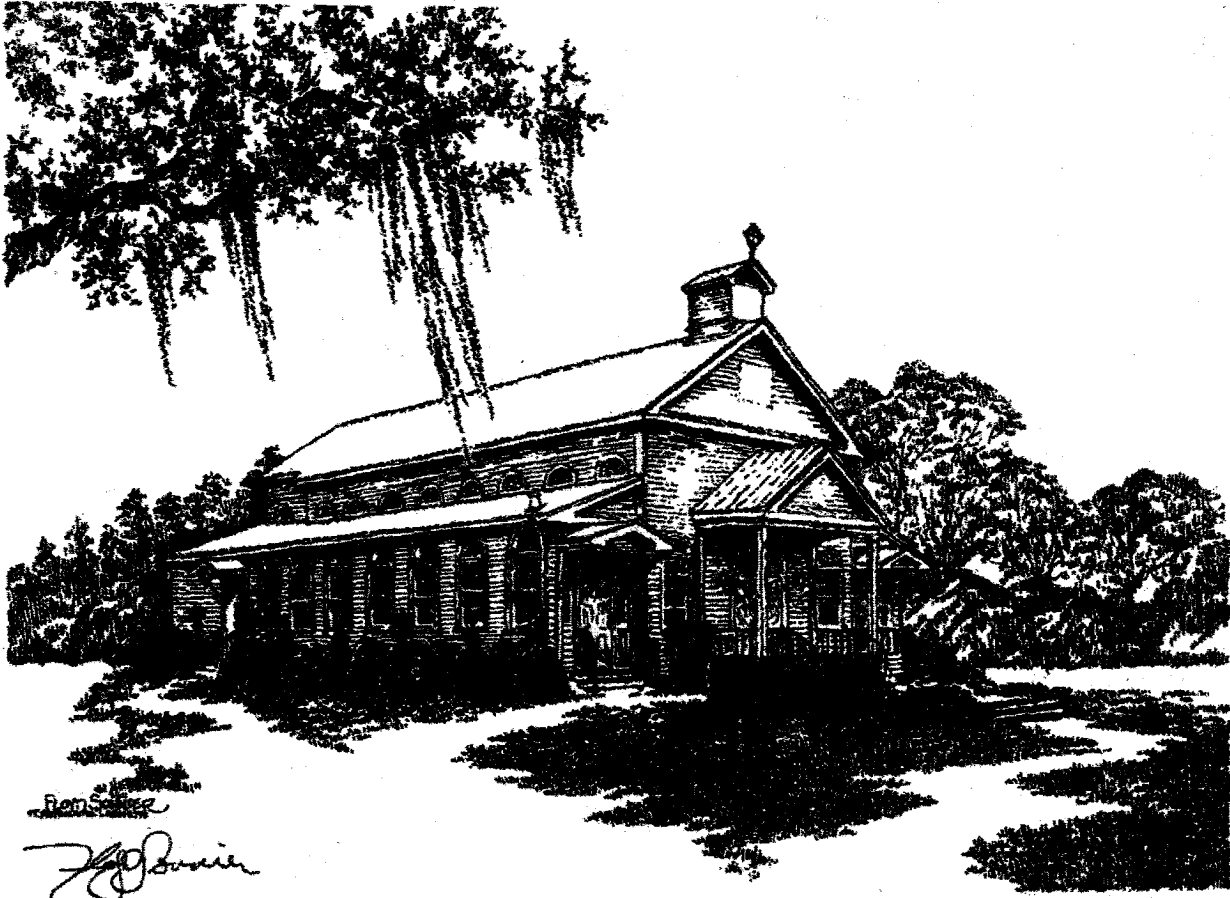


St. Patrick Catholic Church

August 28, 2011 - Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



L'Église St. Patrick

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8:30 am – 3:00 pm; Friday 8:30 am – 12 noon

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday: 4:00 pm – Sunday: 8:30 & 10:00 am

Monday through Friday: 7:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 – 3:30 pm and Weekdays: 7:15 am

Baptisms

Parents are encouraged to call the Church during pregnancy to avoid delays of the sacrament

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance to allow time for preparation

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Welcome to St. Patrick Church

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 27-- Vigil of The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Edna Parker; Joseph Alexander;
Dr. Francis Laborde; M/M Charles Bacus

Sunday, August 28-- Twenty- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Ruben Berman
10:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Monday, August 29--The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist

7:30 AM: Guidry Family

Tuesday, August 30-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Eddy Knight

Wednesday, August 31-- Weekday (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

7:30 AM: Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne; Col. Clark Comeaux & Catherine (living); Col. Kimberly Fedele (living)

Thursday, September 1-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Bernice & Mona Broussard;
Rachel Wickman (living)

Friday, September 2-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Howard J. Blessing

Non-Liturgical Devotions

Daily Rosary: Monday - Friday 6:55 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesday 7:15 a.m.

Rosary for Priests: Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Thursday 7:15 a.m.

Pro-Life Rosary: First Friday of the month 7:00 a.m.

Shamrocks—Friday, September 2: Gloria Boudreaux; Maggie Sonnier; Stephanie Bacque; Josette Delahoussaye

Doors to Distraction

Please try to avoid using the doors at the front of our worship space during Mass, if you should find yourself needing to go in or out. Traffic through these doors during Mass tends to be distracting to people at prayer. In particular, if you are, without necessity, leaving Mass early after Communion, please exit through the rear doors. In this way, your example will be less likely to lead others astray. Thank you – Fr. Keith

Family Life Office Position

The Diocese of Lafayette is advertising for a Program Coordinator in the Office of Marriage and Family Life. This is a full-time position. Interested individuals may contact the parish office for a detailed description of the position.

Be transformed by the renewal of your mind,
that you may discern what is the will of God,
what is good and pleasing and perfect.

— Romans 12:2



Altar Plants

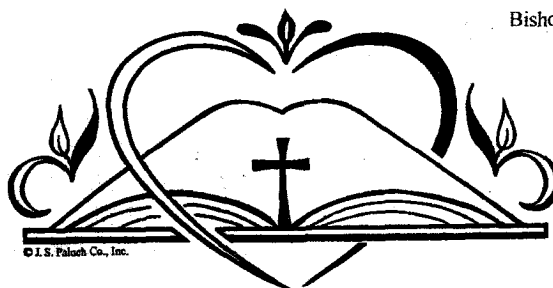
In Loving Memory of

**Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne
Daniel Sonnier**

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to you, loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with you Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

Bishop Maurice Shexnayder



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Roman Missal – Third Edition

I've found myself in recent weeks using the term "Ordinary" in speaking about the Mass, which I think merits a bit of explanation. The Church tends to use the words "ordinary" and "extraordinary" in several different ways that go beyond the more common meanings of routine and rare. For example, when we speak of "Ordinary" time, we are using the term as it is derived from "ordinal numbers" (first, second, third, etc.). "Ordinary Time" then in the liturgical year has Sundays that are simply counted. In the Mass, when we speak of the Ordinary, we mean those parts of the Mass that do not vary from week to week: various greetings, the Gloria and the Holy, the Memorial Acclamation (even though there are several options), the Lamb of God. The Ordinary is distinguished from the Propers, which are the texts assigned for a particular day, so that there is a specific Opening Prayer, or Collect, for the First Sunday of Advent, or Christmas Midnight Mass, which is not ordinary, but proper to that day.

Reporting Child Abuse

The Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services has launched a single toll-free number to report child abuse or neglect. This single number is available statewide and is designed to work with a centralized intake system, providing consistent screening for reports statewide. Make a note of this number, for we never know when we will encounter a child in need of protection: 855-452-5437.

Pro-Life Workshop & Seminar

On **September 10, 2011**, Catholic Leaders from across the state of Louisiana will come together for a one-day organizing meeting and training session with Sr. Helen Prejean to work for a repeal of the death penalty. Sponsored by the Life and Justice Committee of the Louisiana Bishops, the goal is to organize Louisiana Catholics committed to repeal the death penalty. Brochures are available on the back table, and registration is required (\$20.00).

St. Jules Credit Union

Any parishioner of this church parish and their immediate family members are eligible to join St. Jules Credit Union. 1-800-791-9992; www.stjcu.com; 1600 N. Bertrand Drive, Lafayette.

2011—2012 CCD Registration

Students from St. Patrick's who would like to attend CCD Program—all grades, First Communion and Confirmation, need to register at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 818 12th. St., Lafayette. This is the last opportunity to register: **Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 29, 30 & 31, 2011**; in the Immaculate Heart Cafeteria; 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Students will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. All new students must have their baptismal record on the day of registration.

Hour for Vocations

The Serra Club of Lafayette is holding its monthly Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of all priests on **Monday, September 12 (due to Labor Day)**, from 6:00—7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

Food for the Journey—7th Year Anniversary!

The Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette presents "Food for the Journey", a monthly lunch-time speaker series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. The speaker will be Rev. Chester Arceneaux, Pastor of The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Lafayette. "Food for the Journey" will be held on **Tuesday, September 6**, at Crown Plaza Hotel, 1801 W. Pinhook Rd., beginning just after 12:00 noon. An optional buffet lunch is available at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$12.00 and includes meal, drink and tip. All are welcome—come "eat and be fed". Pre-registration is not required and no cost to attend. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron (654-8682) or visit www.centralregiononline.org.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God's Generosity to Us
Offeratory.....\$ 3,571.25
Famine Relief Africa.....\$1,378.00

Thank You!

The second collection next weekend will be for our **Building Fund.**

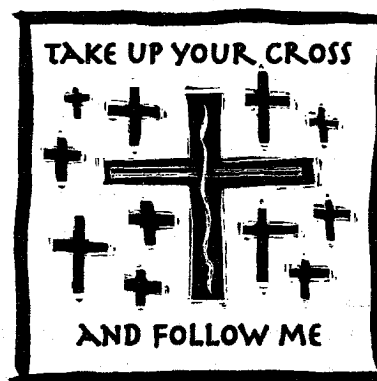
*In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to **total** stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, "...offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."*

Liturgical Roles for September 2011

Date	Saturday, September 3 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, September 4 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, September 4 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Marguerite Montagnet	William Bacque	Jessica Hamsher
Eucharistic Ministers	Lois Delahoussaye Janelle Venable Rosalind Allen	Sandra LaGrange Susan Cain Suzanne Lavergne	Kenneth Broussard Madeline Simon Michael Doumit
Server	Joy Borel	Glenn LaGrange	Phyllis Roy
Ushers	Harold Guilbeau Joyce Stelly	Stephanie Bacque Anne Pitre	Robin Roy Joyce Stelly

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Mk 6:17-29
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
 Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38:44
 Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
 Friday: Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
 Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
 Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95; Rom 13:8-10;
 Mt 18:15-20



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From the Pastor's Desk

What do you do when the unimaginable is imagined, and more? What do we do when the unspeakable crime is spoken in action? Recently, we were shocked, and more, when news broke of the terrible death of a little boy, Jori, at the hands of his own father. Having a disability that made him, in the eyes of his father, more of a burden than a gift, he was brutally murdered. Then he was brutally dismembered. Having been refused the dignity of the living, he was even denied the respect due to the dead.

Shock and outrage, disbelief and calls for justice all characterized the comments and reports. Eventually, this precious child was laid to rest as his short life was remembered and honored by those who loved him and many who did not know him. This is as it should be. But I feel that something more must be said, without in any way diminishing the tragedy of this evil deed that led to Jori's death. What is the context in which this occurred?

You see, as horrible as this act was to behold, the killing and dismemberment of children by their parents is something that takes place every single day. It is done about 7 years earlier, in the privacy of a "health care" clinic. We have an entire industry devoted to making profits from the disposal of these children. These innocents were simply "unplanned", or they were diagnosed as having some disability, as did Jori, or they simply had the misfortune of being of the wrong sex. The only differences between these children and Jori are those of time and location. They were much younger, and they had not yet left their mothers' wombs. Just as Jori's home became a place of danger for him, so these children are living and developing in a place of grave danger, their own mothers' wombs.

Some will object that there is a huge difference between abortion and infanticide. Again I say that the differences are of time and location: how long since the child's conception, and whether the child is still in the womb. Once we have created an entire class of disposable human beings (the unborn), then the question becomes, which children are disposable? The prominent "ethicist" Peter Singer has publicly suggested that parents who give birth to a child with disabilities be given six weeks or so after the child's birth to decide whether or not to dispose of him or her. The dying, the guilty, the enemy, all seem to be disposable.

Without a doubt, laws need to be changed. But more fundamental than laws are attitudes of (dis)respect for life that are deeply flawed. Who is next to be judged, "disposable"?

M. Keith