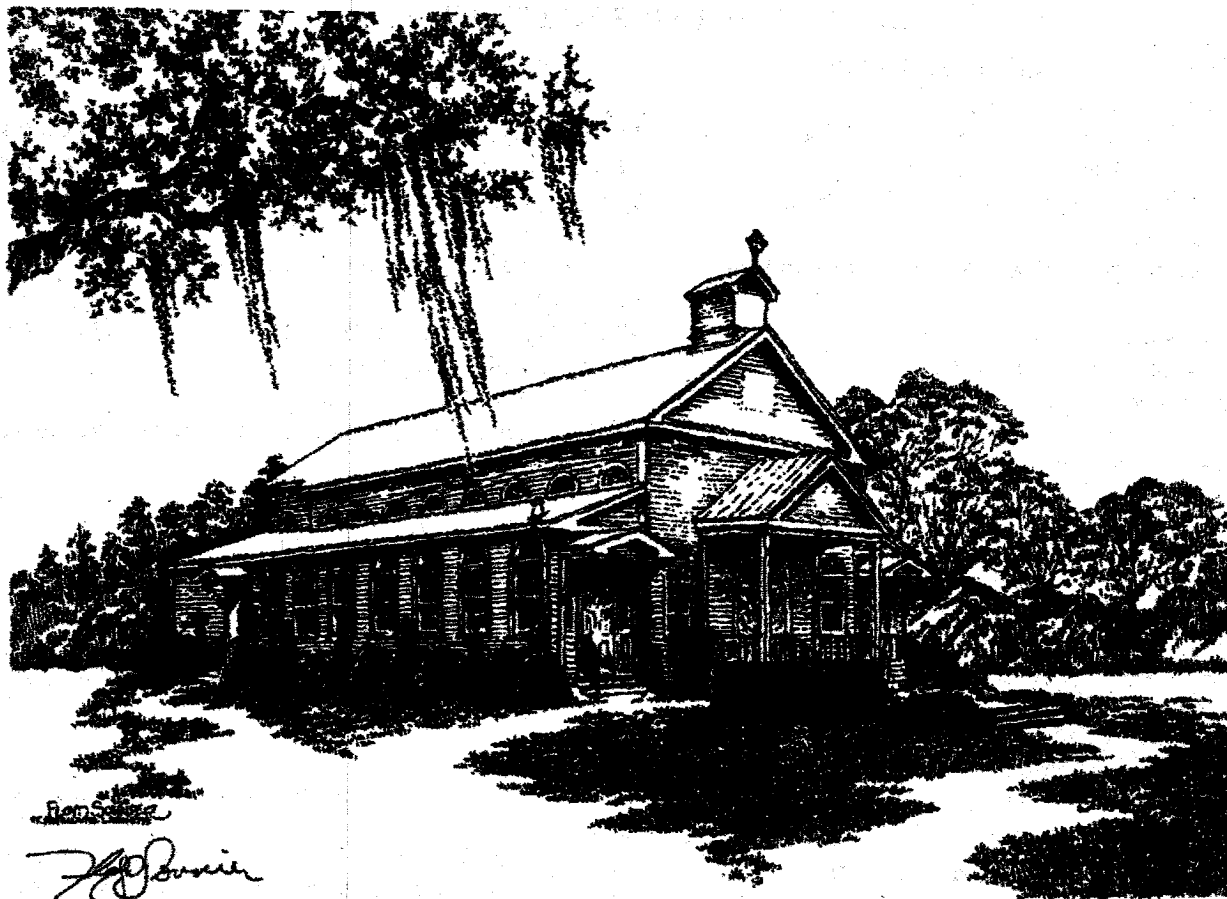


St. Patrick Catholic Church

September 25, 2011 - Twenty-Sixth 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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 24- Vigil of The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Curtis Prejean and family; Edna Parker; Dr. Francis Laborde; Mr. John Foreman, Jr.; Ursula & Pam Hebert (living) Simone Rick (living); Gene Jefferson (living)

Sunday, September 25-- Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Howard J. Blessing, Sr.; Cecelia & Junius Ledet; Mary J. LeBlanc; Rev. Msgr. Charles Mallet, (living)

10:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Monday, September 26-- St. Cosmas & St. Damian, martyrs

7:30 AM: Guidry Family

Tuesday, September 27-- St. Vincent de Paul, priest

7:30 AM: Eddy Knight

Wednesday, September 28-- St. Wenceslaus, martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz, martyr, and his companions, martyrs (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Thursday, September 29-- St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael, archangels

7:30 AM: Fred Melancon

Friday, September 30-- St. Jerome, priest and doctor of the Church

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

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 23: Dee Boudreaux; Andre Arceneaux; Anne Meleton; Betty Fournet

Blessing of Pets—Saturday, October 8th.

Holy Cross Church Parking Lot (please gather on Fire Station side) beginning at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Andy Plauche, local veterinarian, will be present. Please join in on this fall morning for friendship and fun. Fr. Blessing will offer a blessing to all pets. Visit with pets available for adoption through ARF-LA (Animal Rescue Foundation of Louisiana).

Altar Plants

In Loving Memory of

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

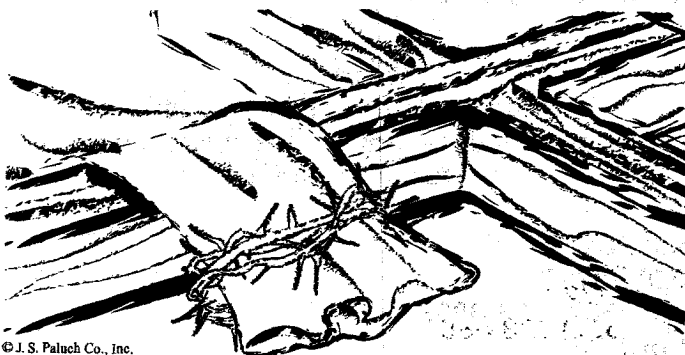
Prayer for Hurricane Season

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

Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

— *Philippians 2:5*



Roman Missal – Third Edition

This week we will continue on series of talks after Communion, expanded upon by the insert in the bulletin. In so doing we begin to look at the specific changes that will be starting in the months ahead. We do have extra copies of the booklet, "Understanding the Revised Mass Texts", which we began distributing last week. If you or someone you know will benefit from the booklet (i.e., actually read it!) please feel free to pick one up. We do want to make this information available.

Workshops this week: We particularly want to call your attention to the two workshops being offered this week by Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen, head of our Office of Worship for the Diocese. We announced these at the beginning of September, and copies of the flier are available at the back of Church. Word is that the content of these workshops is different from what we have been doing and that they are worth attending. They are both at Our Lady of Fatima Church on Johnston St., on Thursday, Sept. 29, from 6:30 – 8:30 pm, and on Saturday, Oct. 1, from 9:30-11:30 am. If you plan to attend either of these workshops, please call our office and let us know, so that we can inform the Diocese.

Life in the Spirit Seminar

The Seminar will be offered on **Sat. Oct 1st and Sun. Oct 2nd** at St. Pius X Church in Lafayette. Presenters are Frank & Genie Summers & Family Missions Company. For more information contact Judy Hoffmann at 337-993-0212 or the Charismatic Renewal Office at 337-265-3773.

Bishop's Services Appeal Campaign

In the coming weeks Catholics in every parish in the Diocese of Lafayette will hear about the Bishop's Services Appeal. Our local Diocesan Church is comprised of 121 church parishes and missions serving 350,000 Catholics from all walks of life in 8 civil parishes. Supporting the Bishop's Services Appeal is a vital sign of our unity in Christ as we reach out in faith to love one another in Jesus' name. Supporting this special Appeal is also a meaningful way of expressing our gratitude to God for his many blessings, by fulfilling our stewardship responsibility to share our gifts in justice and love with others. **Please respond to this vital appeal.**

Parish Website

We are pleased to announce the availability of a web site for St. Patrick Church. To date the site has fundamental information about our parish, including the ability to "find us" aimed at visitors to our church. As time goes on, we will be adding more information about our parish and our Catholic faith. Already you can access our parish bulletin, and the pastor's bulletin articles, photos of our church and some parish events, as well links to other resources. The pastor's pages include a link to "Crooked Lines", which includes reflections on the mass readings for the day. The address (now on the front of the bulletin) is easy: www.stpat.org.

Regarding Priests for Life

We inform you of the following at the request of Bishop Jarrell: His Excellency, the Most Reverend Patrick Zurek, Bishop of Amarillo, has suspended Father Frank Pavone, Director of the Priests for Life organization, from public ministry outside the Diocese of Amarillo. In his announcement of this action, Bishop Zurek refers to persistent questions by clergy and laity regarding financial stewardship and the lack of clear and adequate answers. Bishop Zurek recommends that people consider withholding donations to Priests for Life until the situation is clarified. Father Pavone and the organization have done much good work in opposing the practice of abortion and in promoting the dignity of human life. Still, the stewardship issues must be clarified before donations to the organization can be encouraged. I ask prayers for a favorable outcome to this situation and for an end to the practice of abortion.

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, October 3**, from 6:00—7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God's Generosity to Us
Offertory.....\$ 3,438.25
Catholic University.....\$ 548.00

Thank You!

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

Liturgical Roles for October 2011

Date	Saturday, October 1 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, October 2 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, October 2 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Marguerite Montagnet	Dana Phillips	Jessica Hamsher
Eucharistic Ministers	Lois Delahoussaye George Eaton Janelle Venable	Kathy Kalweit Susan Cain Sandra LaGrange	Jerry Boudreaux Dee Boudreaux Michael Doumit
Server	Joy Borel	Glenn LaGrange	Phyllis Roy
Ushers	Harold Guilbeau Oren Spruill	Donald Vallot Helen Vallot	Robin Roy Joyce Stelly

Readings for the Week

- Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Lk 9:46-50
- Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Lk 9:51-56
- Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Lk 9:57-62
- Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51
- Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Lk 10:13-16
- Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 17-29; Lk 10:17-24
- Sunday: Is 5:1-7; Ps 80; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Which of the two did his father's will?



From the Pastor's Desk

This week I had the opportunity to attend an all-day seminar on the new Roman Missal. The workshop was offered for all the priests of our diocese, as we work to prepare for this transition. The presenter was Fr. Paul Turner, the author of the booklet you picked up last week on "Understanding the Revised Mass Texts". All in all, it was a day well spent.

There was one thing that struck me, among many, that I think speaks to the question many people have, "Why are we doing this." One of the reasons the texts of the Mass will sound very different is that the translators are working with a different set of rules for translation than they did before. When the first and second editions of the Missal were translated, they used a principle called "dynamic equivalence", which calls for the translator to first derive the meaning of the Latin text, and then to find the best words and expressions in English (or whatever language) to convey that meaning. This meant that oftentimes the translated text did not sound much like the original in structure, and that sometimes things were left out or added to the prayer, in that attempt to convey the meaning.

This Third Edition of the Roman Missal has been translated according to what is called "formal equivalence". These new rules call for a much closer adherence to the structure and word order of the original text. It is not exactly a "word for word" translation, but it is much closer to that than what was done before. The goal is to preserve as much as possible the integrity of the original text.

Now back to the "why". This is not about the Latin, as if Latin were some kind of magical, mystical language. The original texts simply happen to be in that language. Many of the prayers of the Mass are very ancient, going back to the sixth and seventh and eighth centuries and even earlier. These prayers are our inheritance, and a valuable one. By translating these prayers in a more strict fashion, the hope is that more of the feel and substance of those ancient original prayers will be preserved, in order that they might nurture the faith of the Church today. Why not just pray them in Latin, you say? Well, then no one would understand them, and that would be rather silly.

There is a value here that goes even beyond the value of the prayers themselves. Once again we are reminded that our faith is not something that was made up out of whole cloth just last week. Quite to the contrary, our Scriptures and our traditions and yes, even our prayers of the Mass date back literally centuries. In celebrating the Mass, we celebrate the faith the Apostles, our ancestors in the faith.

M. Keith