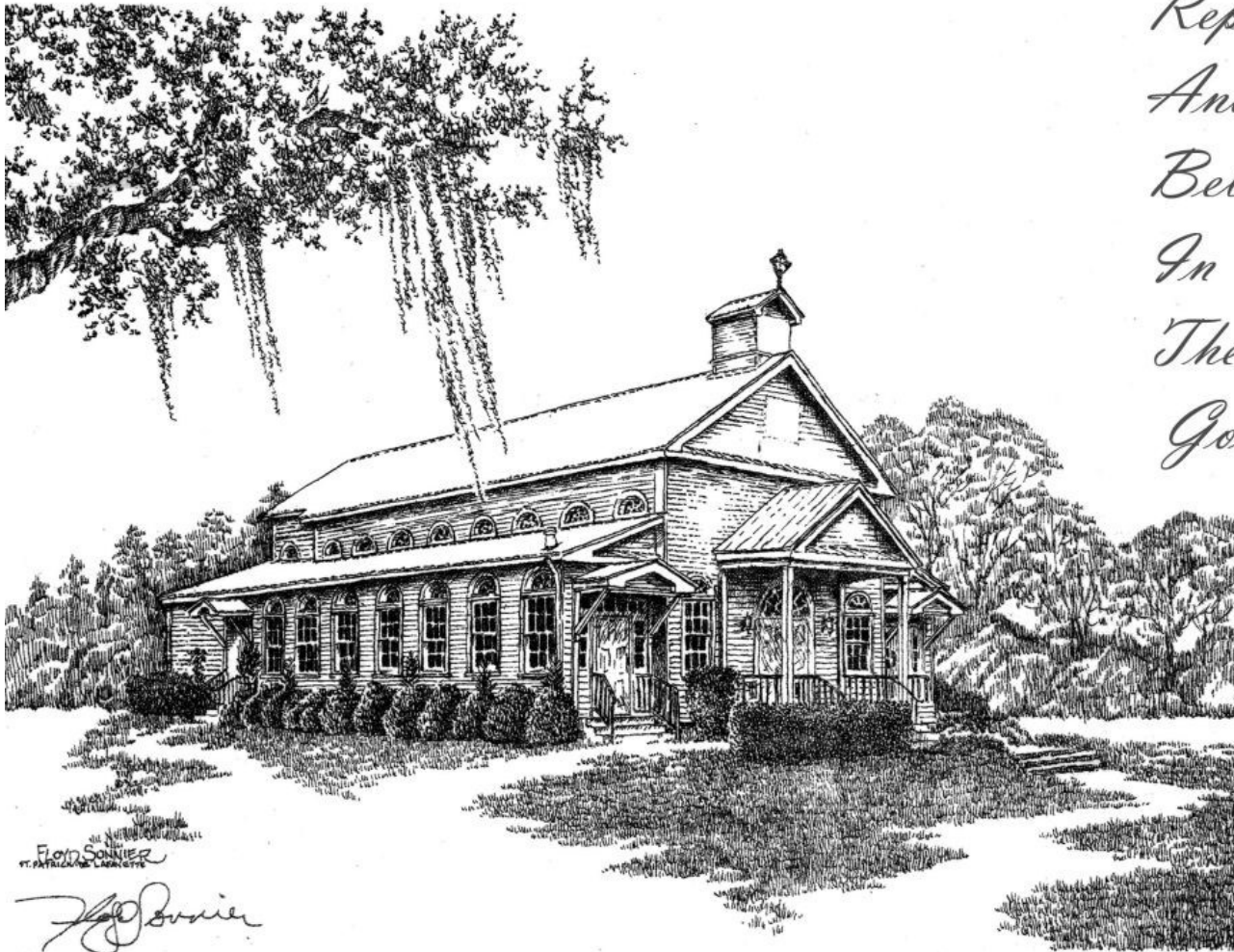


St. Patrick Catholic Church

March 4, 2012 - Second Sunday of Lent

Lent 2012

*Repent
And
Believe
In
The
Gospel*



L'Église St. Patrick

Office Hours

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

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

Second Sunday of Lent

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 3-- Vigil of the Second Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM: August Lanclos; Edna & Melba Parker; M/M Charles Bachus; Janell Thomas

Sunday, March 4-- Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM: Joseph & Eldie Woods; Sue Langlinais; Verna Marks; Edna Armentor; Dovic Babineaux

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

Monday, March 5--Lenten Weekday

7:30 AM: Bella Hernandez; Clifton Cormier; Adam Hernandez

Tuesday, March 6-- Lenten Weekday

7:30 AM: Eric Combe

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—March 9: Gloria Boudreaux; Maggie Sonnier; Stephanie Bacque; Josette Delahousaye



Fr. Keith!!!

(Monday, March 5th.)

Wednesday, March 7--Saints Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Thursday, March 8--St. John of God, Religious

7:30 AM: Suzanne Lavergne (living); Janell Thomas (living); Joseph Guidroz (living)

Friday, March 9--St. Frances of Rome, Religious

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart

Friday—7:10 a.m.



Daily Mass for Lent

Our diocesan web site, <http://www.diolaf.org/>, has a new feature which makes finding a daily Mass quick and easy, especially for this Lenten season. While on Sundays and Holydays, we make a determined effort to celebrate in our own parish, many people need to find a daily Mass which works with their schedule for work and/or school. To go the new Mass Finder, or click on Mass Times on the diocesan home page, choose your City and Day from the drop-down lists, click Search, and get a listing of mass times available for that town and day. Zoom in on the map to find your way there. Click on the little red church to get more details about that parish. There is also a link to the site under Recommended Destinations on our parish web site, <http://stpat.org>.

Circle of Friends

Single adults in Acadiana, ages 30 and up, can find a venue of fellowship and speakers every Tuesday, except the third Tuesday of the month, at 7 p.m. Supper Club provides a monthly social at a local restaurant on the 3rd. Tuesday of every month. For more information or about the meetings or to be added to the email list, please call the Office of Marriage and Family Life at 261-5653 or www.catholiclifefellowshipnetwork.webs.com

St. Patrick's Day Breakfast

Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Breakfast will be celebrated on **Saturday, March 17th., at Abacus, 530 W. Pinhook Rd., at 8:00 a.m.** This year, our Saturday gathering falls on the actual feast day of St. Patrick. Once again the cooks, artisans, craftsmen, seamstress, gardeners, etc., who wish to provide a door prize are encouraged to begin their project. Gift certificates from store owners are also accepted. Please **NOTE: it is not necessary to provide a door prize.** Rather this is a way to share one's gifts and talents with the members of our church community. Please sign the tablet at the back of the church if you are planning to attend as we need to know how many to prepare for.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Please join us for our monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" on **Monday, March 5,** from 6:00—7:00 p.m., at St. Patrick Church. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

Food for the Journey

The Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette presents "Food for the Journey", a monthly lunchtime speaker series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. The speaker will be **Rev. Paul LaFleur,** Pastor of St. Bernard Catholic Church, Breaux Bridge. "Food for the Journey" will be held on **Tuesday, March 6,** at Crown Plaza Hotel, 1801 W. Pinhook Rd., beginning at about 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. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron (654-8682).

"HOPEFEST"

All are invited to attend "HOPEFEST" on Saturday, **March 10,** from 12 noon—7:00 p.m. at Parc de International in Downtown Lafayette. Benefiting the poor and special needs teens, "HOPEFEST" will include boiled crawfish, BBQ, Family Friendly Music, and more. This Charity Festival will feature Wayne Touns and the ZyDeCajuns along with the Andy Smith Band and other South Louisiana bands. Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. For more information, please contact Lance Strother at lance.strother@stmcougars.net



Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic Church and Catholic Student Center at UL— Lafayette

501 East St. Mary Boulevard, Lafayette
"WDJD: What Did Jesus Do? Look to the Gospels...", presented by Fr. Anthony Stephens, C.P.M., Congregation of the Fathers of Mercy, on **March 5, 6 & 7** from 6:30—8:00 p.m. in Church. For more information, please call John Pagan, 337-232-8741.

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

326 S. Washington St., Lafayette (Corner of St. John & Simcoe). "Lenten Revival", presented by Deacon Ignatius Joseph, Revivalist, of St. Francis of Assisi, Houston, Texas, on **March 5, 6 & 7** at 7:00 p.m. in Church. For more information please call the Church Office, 337-235-0272.

Holy Cross Catholic Church

415 Robley Drive, Lafayette. "Rhythms of the Spiritual Journey", presented by Tom Zanzig, Writer, Speaker, Publisher & Consultant in Adult Spirituality and Faith Formation, on **March 5, 6 & 7** from 10:00-11:30 a.m. and 7:00—8:30 p.m. in Church. Topics are different in morning and evening. For more information, please call the Church Office, 337-984-9636.

Opportunities for Confession

In preparation for Easter Sunday, the Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette will host five regional Opportunities for Confession. This coming week, several priests will be present to hear Confessions at:

St. Bernard Catholic Church, 204 North Main St., Breaux Bridge, Wednesday, March 7, - 6:45-8:00 p.m. For more information, please visit www.centralregiononline.org

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God's Generosity to Us
Offertory.....\$4,825.29
Ash Wednesday.....\$1,140.19

Thank You!

Next Sunday

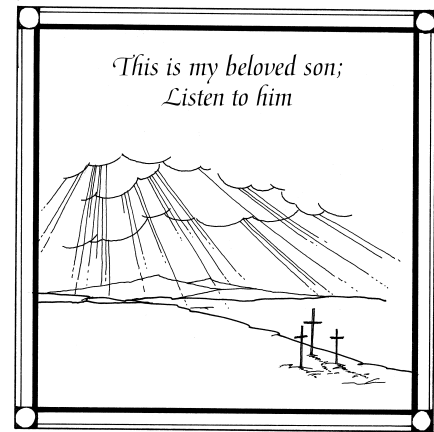


Liturgical Roles for March 2012

Date	Saturday, March 10 4 p.m.	Sunday, March 11 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, March 11 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Geraldine Fuselier	Kenneth Phillips	Robert Andrus
Eucharistic Ministers	Peggy Spruill Candis Thompson Janelle Venable	Geneva Phillips Kathy Kalweit Gerrie McGovern	Jerry Boudreaux Dee Boudreaux Monica Mullins
Server	Alockie Noel	Mary Kramer	Debra Carroll
Ushers	Oren Spruill Harold Guilbeau	William & Stephanie Bacque	Lionel Jeanmard

Readings for the Week

- Monday Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
- Friday Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19;
1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25



From the Pastor's Desk

This last week, we had our annual Clergy Study Days here in Lafayette. The days covered two different topics, the second of which was the ceremonies of Holy Week – Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion, The Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper (Holy Thursday), the Commemoration of the Lord’s Passion (Good Friday), the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (Holy Saturday night), and Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord. Celebrating these ceremonies is always something of a challenge, because they are different, and are done only once a year. In addition, the new translation of the Roman Missal brought with it changes in the ways in which some things are done, beyond the new words and chants for these feasts.

Some might find it strange that we would spend almost an entire day on a handful of liturgical celebrations. It was hours of digging into the details of the “rubrics”, the instructions on how to celebrate contained in the Roman Missal, as well as in other documents. Yet when one considers the importance of these feasts, it should not be surprising. Holy Week is the holiest week of the year, and the celebrations of the Triduum (three days) on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and at the Easter Vigil are the most important of Holy Week.

It left me wondering. How many Catholics have never experienced these celebrations? How many have never gathered to remember the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the priesthood, as well as the Lord’s example of charity in the washing of the feet? How many have never experienced the adoration of the wood of the cross, on which was hung the Savior of the world? How many have never experienced the service of light, when we bless new fire and sing the Lord’s praises in the Exultet, sung only once a year?

Yet these are the feasts for which the entire season of Lent exists. The whole forty days of self-denial and prayer and acts of charity are to prepare us to celebrate these three days – the Triduum. Keeping the entire season of Lent and skipping the Triduum is kind of like buying tickets for the Super Bowl and then skipping the game.

Can you fulfill your obligation by just getting your palms on Palm Sunday, and then showing up on Easter Sunday morning? Yes, you can, if obligation is all one is concerned about. There is no obligation to attend these services. There is only missed opportunity if one does not. The great mystery of our salvation is celebrated most powerfully on those three days. The Triduum is the Feast for which we prepare during these forty days of Lent.

Fr. Keith