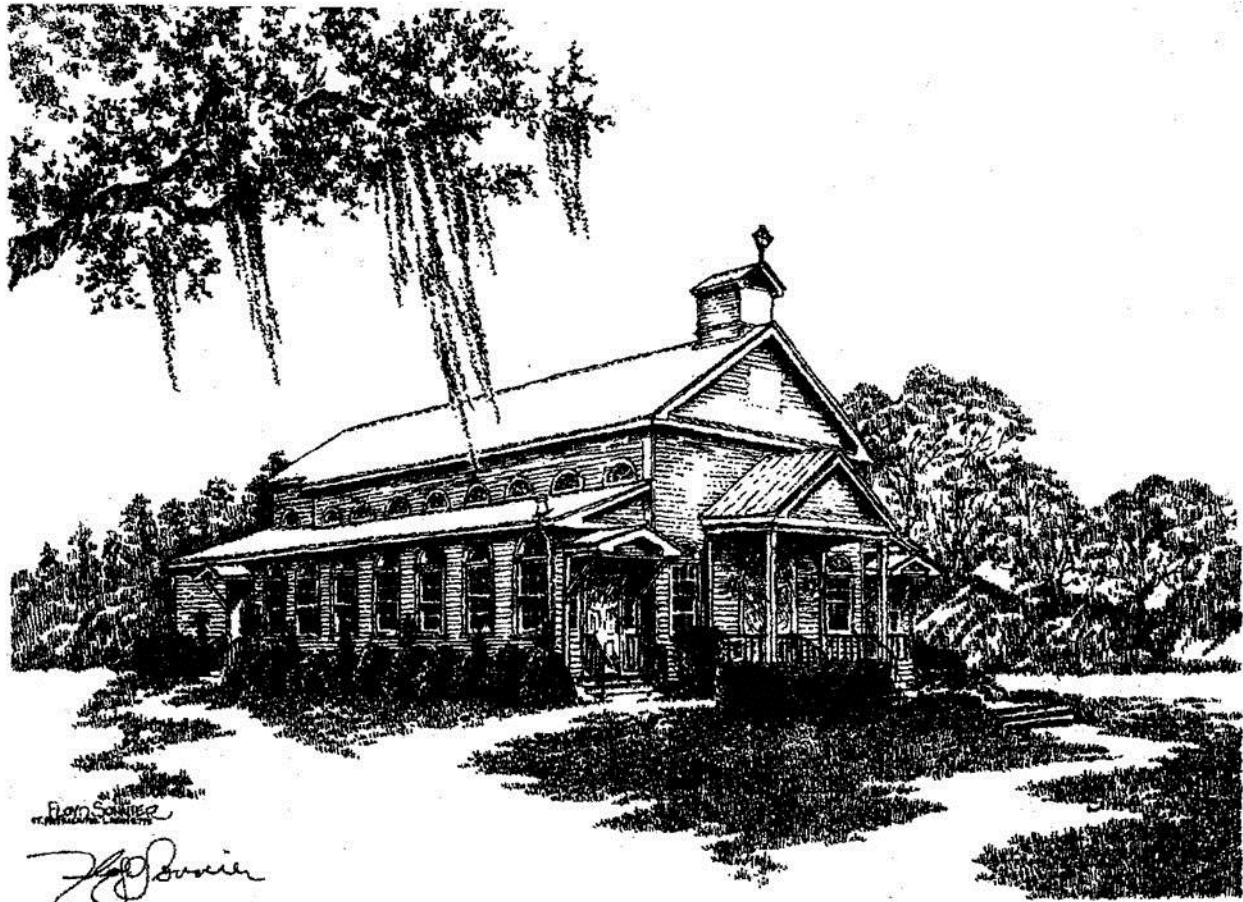


St. Patrick Catholic Church

November 25, 2012 - The Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King



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

The Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 24-- Vigil of the Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King

4:00 PM: Edna & Melba Parker; Mary Eve Alexander; John Van Fossen; Julius Ducote; August & Mildred Lanclos; Cecile M. Veazey; Rudy Borel

Sunday, November 25-- The Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King

8:30 AM: Paulette Thibodeaux
10:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Monday, November 26-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Paulette Thibodeaux

Tuesday, November 27-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Joyce Hadley; Beverly Borcharding; Clifford Weilbaeher, Jr.



Jesus Christ is the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead
and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

— Revelation 1:5

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, November 30: No cleaning.

Wednesday, November 28-- Weekday (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Thursday, November 29-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Paulette Thibodeaux

Friday, November 30-- St. Andrew, Apostle

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



Altar Plants

In memory of:

Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne

November 30: St. Andrew. Andrew was one of Jesus' very first apostles. He and his brother, Simon Peter, worked as fishermen, but gladly put down their rods when Jesus called them to his service, in order to be come fishers of men. Andrew is said to have been put to death on a cross, like Jesus. He suffered for two days on the cross before dying, continuing to preach God's Word to his followers with his last breath.

Youth Outreach

St. Patrick's is happy to be offering a youth program for the **four Sundays of Advent**. Beginning December 2nd "Pizza at St. Pat's" will be held from 4 to 5:30 on Sunday afternoons in the Parish Hall. All young people of our parish, ages 11 through 16, are invited to share in food, fun, and the Word of God! Registration flyers are available at the back of the church. Please complete and return the bottom portion to the church office by November 30th. Also, we are looking for adults 17 and older to become a part of our Youth Ministry team. If you love the Lord and want to help our young people to get to know Him, please call the office at 237-0988. We ask for the prayers of our entire parish.



Next First Friday:

Dec. 7th, 2012

Topic:

Christ Present in His Church



Make this a Meaningful Holiday

Instead of material gifts, choose gifts that help struggling families lift themselves out of poverty. By giving families in need a hand-up, not just a hand-out, they can be empowered to turn a life of hunger and poverty into one of self-reliance and independence. With the gifts of livestock and training, families are helped to improve their nutrition and generate income in sustainable ways. In exchange for receiving their animal and training in its care, each family agrees to give one of its animal's offspring to another family in need. It's called Passing on the Gift and it means the gift you make this Christmas Season to Heifer International will actually multiply many times with every new generation. Our church will be participating in this special endeavor as a **Christmas Project**. Donation sheets are available in the insert in today's bulletin. All donations will be sent to **Heifer International** at the beginning of the year. Heifer International meets the BBB Wise Giving Alliance's Standards for Charity Accountability. For additional information please visit their website: <http://www.heifer.org/>

Holy Hour for Vocations

Please join us for our monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" on **Monday, December 3**, from 6:00—7:00 p.m., at St. Patrick Church. **Bishop Michael Jarrell** will lead the prayers. Bishop Jarrell was installed as Bishop of Lafayette on December 18, 2002, so this year marks his 10th. Anniversary as Bishop of Lafayette. Please join in as we offer prayers of gratitude for his service as Bishop of Lafayette. For those who want extra time in prayer, recitation of the Rosary will begin at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend and pray for vocations and perseverance of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, sponsored by the Serra Club of Lafayette.

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. Floyd Calais**, Retired Priest of the Diocese of Lafayette. "Food for the Journey" will be held on **Tuesday, December 4**, 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"- please bring a friend. Pre-registration is not required. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron (654-8682).

Thanksgiving Outreach

As we do every year, we ask you to please help us replenish **United Christian Outreach Pantry** by bringing non-perishable items to Mass next weekend **December 1-2**.

Annual Christmas Social

Our Christmas Social will take place on Sunday, **December 16th**. Mark your calendars. This is an opportunity to fellowship and enjoy great food; please plan on attending. More information to come soon.

2012 Parish Advent Missions— Central Region

St. Bernard Catholic Church, 204 N. Main St., Breaux Bridge, LA 70517. "Parish Advent Mission", **December 4, 5, 6**—7:00-8:15 p.m. in Church. Presenter: Rev. Jerry Mesley, St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Lafayette. For more information, please call Nadine Cain (337-332-1237).

Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 515 Cathedral St., Lafayette, LA 70501. "The Christ Child is Coming, Is there Room at Your Inn?", **December 9**, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Cathedral; **December 10**, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral. Presenter: Deacon Randy Hyde, St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, Abbeville. For more information, please contact Danielle Huval, 337-232-1322 or info@stjohncathedral.org

Cathedral Museum and Gift Shop

Beautiful Religious Porcelain Art Exhibit by Ms. Joan Hebert Butler—October—December 2012, at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Museum, 515 Cathedral St, Lafayette, 70501; Monday—Thursday, 9:00 a.m.—4 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m.—12 noon.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God's Generosity to Us
Offertory.....\$ 4,668.35
C.C.H.D.....\$ 526.00

Thank You!

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

Today's second reading reminds us that the sacrifice of Christ frees us from sin and makes us a royal nation of priests *in the service of God*. How am I using my gifts of to serve God and others?

Liturgical Roles for December 2012

Date	Saturday, December 1 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, December 2 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, December 2 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Dana Phillips	Jessica Hamsher	Robin Roy
Eucharistic Ministers	Lois Delahoussaye George Eaton Peggy Spruill	Gerrie McGovern Patsy Robicheaux Sarah Hamsher	Kenneth Broussard Madeline Simon Michael Doumit
Server	Rosalind Allen	Jacob Hamsher	Phyllis Roy
Ushers	Oren Spruill Joyce Stelly	Anne Pitre	Jenny Feehan Lionel Jeanmard

Readings for the Week

Monday Rv 14:1-3, 4b5; Lk 21:1-4
 Tuesday Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
 Wednesday Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
 Thursday Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28
 Friday Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
 Saturday Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36
 Sunday Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2;
 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



From the Pastor's Desk

This weekend, as always, marks the end of our liturgical year. We celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, which is always the last Sunday in Ordinary time. Next weekend we begin a new liturgical year, with the First Sunday of Advent. Two topics come to mind, one involving looking back and the other looking forward.

It was one year ago that we put out the pew cards, started learning a new Holy and began using the new responses mandated by the third edition of the Roman Missal. I want to once more commend everyone for the effort you put into this transition, even if it was just a willingness to pick up the card and read the responses, letting go of the words that had become second nature. I hope that you are, a year later, comfortable with the responses. I still read the Gloria and Creed, because I don't yet trust myself not to fall back into the old version. But give me another year, and I think I'll be there. As I mentioned last year, all we've had to do is read the prayers for a time – however long that takes – and these new versions will flow more easily.

In the interests of full disclosure, I wish I could say that I've fallen in love with the new translation. I continue to struggle with the "priest's parts", especially the prayers (Collect, Prefaces, etc.). After a year, I still find the language unwieldy and convoluted, littered with overly long sentences and dependent clauses. I read over the prayers before Mass, and I try to proclaim them in a way that is intelligible. But I have to admit that sometimes I get to the end of a prayer and find myself unsure of what I just prayed for. I share that because I suspect some of you have a similar experience. My hope is that the next edition of the Missal will be better, even as I recognize that I probably won't see it. For now, I simply trust in God to figure out what we're saying.

My second topic is a word of encouragement with regard to the season of Advent. This is a season of hope and expectation, as we long for the coming of Christ, and as we prepare to celebrate Christmas. The Scripture readings for this season are rich and enlightening. The preaching of John the Baptist at the Jordan and the image of a pregnant virgin are powerful indeed. All in all the season of Advent invites us to hope even as we wait for the coming of the One who is our life, our salvation, and our hope.

The challenge in celebrating Advent is that all around us it would seem that Christmas has already come. So I've come to see the Church and liturgy of this season as something of an oasis, where we can fan into flame that desire for Christ to come into our hearts, our lives, our world. We will sing carols, but not until Christmas is actually here. Until then, we will pray, "Come, Lord Jesus".

Fr. Keith