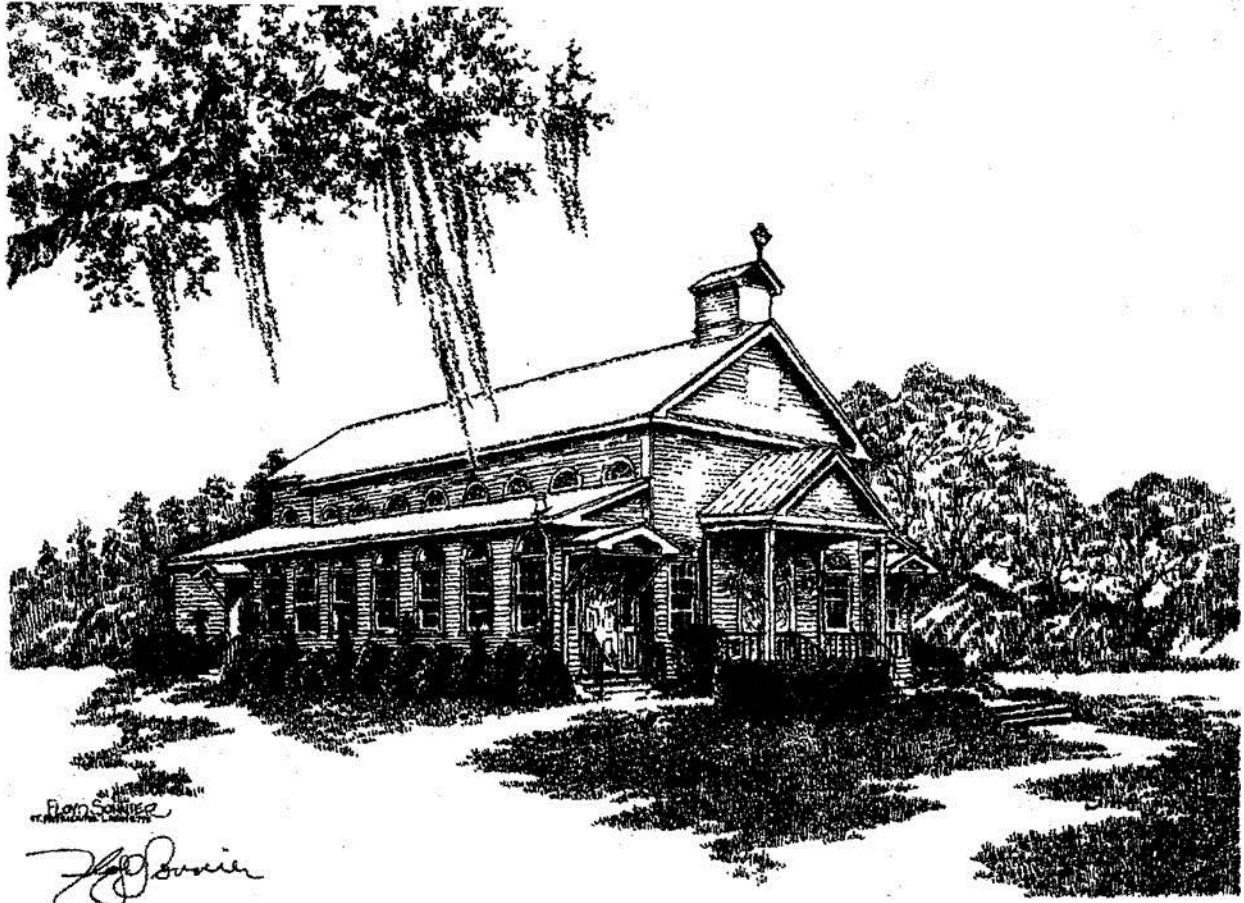


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

*July 28, 2013 - Seventeenth 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

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 28, 2013

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Saturday, July 27--Vigil of the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Curtis Prejean & Family;  
Dr. Edward Burleigh, Jr.; Dr. Richard Bourgeois;  
Joseph Citizen; Pam Hebert (living); Hebert & Benoit Families; Jules, Isola & Bart LeJeune;  
Mike Guilbeau; Clarence B. Champagne

#### Sunday, July 28-- Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Lionel Pitre  
10:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Patrick's

#### Monday, July 29--St. Martha

7:30 AM: Clifford, Lucy & Stephen Courvillion; Marilyn Bordelon

#### Tuesday, July 30-- St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 AM: Lois D. Domingue



#### 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 a.m.

**Shamrocks—Friday, July 26:** No cleaning



**Next First Friday:**

August 2nd, 2013

**Topic:**

Baptismal and Ministerial Priesthood

#### Wednesday, July 31-- St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

#### Thursday, August 1-- St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 AM: Mike Guilbeau

#### Friday, August 2 -- St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



#### Altar Flowers

In Memory of:

**Monty & O. P. Montagnet**

You were buried with him in baptism,  
In which you were also raised with him  
through faith in the power of God,  
who raised him from the dead.

— Colossians 2:12

#### Acadiana Catholic

Beginning in August, only paid subscribers will continue to receive the Acadiana Catholic mailed directly to their homes. A limited number of free copies of the August issue are available near the main entrance of the Church. If you have not yet subscribed to the Acadiana Catholic, you may do so by sending a check in the amount of \$24 (good for one year, 10 issues) to: Office of Acadiana Catholic, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, LA 70501. There are subscription forms available near the magazines for your convenience. Thank you for your continued support.



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### First Fridays—A Year of Faith

Mark your calendars now, and join us for our First Fridays for a Year of Faith. The next gathering is on **Friday, August 2nd, at 6 pm.** Fr. Keith will lead us in a Holy Hour of Adoration, which will include silent prayer, readings, and homily. The topic for this month will be *“Baptismal & Ministerial Priesthood”*. Flyers on the entire series are still available at the entrance of the Church.

### Holy Hour for Vocations

Please join us for our monthly “Holy Hour for Vocations and the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests” on **Monday, August 5th**, from 6:00—7:00 p.m., at St. Patrick Church. Recitation of the Rosary begins 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. Our speaker is **Rev. Glen Meaux**, SOLT Haiti Mission, Kobonal, Haiti. “Food for the Journey” will be held on **Tuesday, August 6**, at Hotel Acadiana, 1801 W. Pinhook Road, beginning at 12:00 noon. An optional lunch buffet is available beginning at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$12.00 and includes meal, drink, dessert and tip. All are welcome to come “eat and be fed”- please bring a friend! Pre-registration is not required. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron (654-8682).

### The Great Adventure Bible Study

This coming fall, Holy Cross Catholic Church will be offering three different studies from the Great Adventure Bible Study.

Beginning **August 13, on Tuesdays, 9-11:00 a.m.**, a study on the **Book of Acts** (20 weeks).

Beginning **August 14, on Wednesdays, 9—11:00 a.m.** a Study on the **Letter of James** (11 weeks).

Beginning **September 4, on Wednesdays, 6:30—8:30 p.m.** a study of the **Book of Acts** (20 weeks).

Beginning **September 5, Thursdays 6-8:00p.m.**, a study on the **Gospel of Matthew** (24 weeks).

There will also be a 10 week session study on

**Fr. Robert Barron’s Catholicism, Thursdays, 9-11a.m.** consisting of 10 DVD’s 55 minutes long with a discussion to follow.

Please call the Holy Cross office at 337-984-9636 or Adult Faith Formation 337-654-9671 to register for the sessions.

### Registration

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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. Registration begins **July 22nd. until August 11, 2012**; in the Immaculate Heart Cafeteria: Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.—12 noon and 1 — 4:00 p.m. Wednesdays: 8:30—12 noon. No registrations on Fridays. There will be one Sunday registration, August 11th. at 8:30 am to 12 noon in IMH School Cafeteria, and it is the last day of registration. Students will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. All new students must have their baptismal record on the day of registration. For additional information please call: 235-6323.

### “Faith of our Fathers” – Session 5 – July 29, 30, 31 (6:30-8:00 p.m.) at St. Elizabeth Seton, Lafayette

Please join the Central Region in celebrating the “Year of Faith” with “**Faith of our Fathers**”, a series three-night sessions featuring Priests of the Central Region as speakers each night. Our next session will be held on **July 29, 30, 31** from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 610 Raintree Trail, Lafayette. Our speakers are **Rev. Harold Trahan (Monday, July 29)**; **Rev. Thomas Voorhies (Tuesday, July 30)**; and **Rev. Gary Schexnayder (Wednesday, July 31)**. Each night will begin with an Opening Prayer led by **Very Rev. Thomas James, SVD, VE**, Episcopal Vicar for the Central Region. Please join us as “**our Fathers**” share their witness of faith with us – all are welcome!!! Pre-registration is not required, and there is no fee to attend. For more information on “**Faith of our Fathers**”, please contact Mary Bergeron (654-8682).

### Pastoral Care Volunteers — UHC

Pastoral Care Volunteers are needed at **University Hospital and Clinics** (formerly “UMC”). If you are a Eucharistic Minister or if you would like to volunteer to help visit patients, please contact Father Richard Kalinowski, SVD, in the Pastoral office (261-6454). Please leave a message with your name and telephone number clearly stated and Father Richard will contact you.

### STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God’s Generosity to Us  
Offertory.....\$ 3,293.98  
Catholic Communications.....\$ 341.00

*Thank You!*

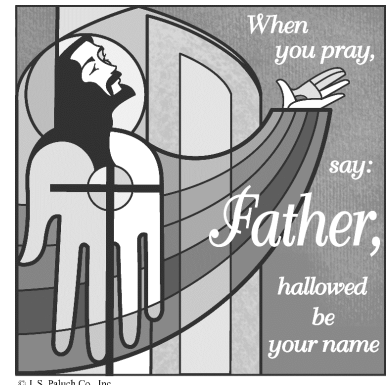
The second collection next weekend will be for our **Building Fund.**

### Liturgical Roles for August 2013

Date	Saturday, August 3 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, August 4 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, August 4 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Janell Venable	Anne Pitre	Brenda DeMette
Eucharistic Ministers	Joy Borel George Eaton Rosalind Allen	Sarah Hamsher Patsy Robicheaux Geneva Phillips	Kenneth Broussard Madeline Simon Tami Petre
Altar Servers	Harold Guilbeau	Jacob Hamsher	Harry DeMette
Ushers	Oren Spruill Joyce Stelly	Rachelle Trahan Keith Toups	Lionel Jeanmard Jenny Feehan

### Readings for the Week

Monday	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23 or Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:29-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Tuesday	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-11; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday	Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8, 11; Mt 13:47-53
Friday	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday	Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday	Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21



### *From the Pastor's Desk*

Controversy continues to swirl over the Trayvon Martin – George Zimmerman case. Reactions are all over the map, though I remain grateful that there has not been more violence. Without going into detail, personally I continue to find the case deeply disturbing. One thing that came out of the case for me was more awareness of the co-called “stand your ground” version of self-defense law. While I’m sure the details vary in the 22 states that have such laws, the essence is that they make it legal to kill an attacker without any responsibility to retreat if that is possible. This led me to grab the Catechism and take another look at Catholic teaching on self-defense. Here’s a quote:

*“Love toward oneself remains a fundamental principle of morality. Therefore it is legitimate to insist on respect for one’s own right to life. Someone who defends his life is not guilty of murder even if he is forced to deal his aggressor a lethal blow.”* (n. 2264) The text then goes on to quote St. Thomas Aquinas who taught that *“If a man in self-defense uses more than necessary violence, it will be unlawful: whereas if he repels force with moderation, his defense will be lawful.”*

In summary, one is permitted by the moral law to use what force is necessary to defend one’s own life, even if that means, tragically, ending the life of the attacker. What is intended here is never the death of the other, but rather the saving of one’s own life. Note, however, the word “necessary”.

The Church’s teaching about self-defense, like the teaching on just war and capital punishment, begins with a presumption in favor of preserving life, including the life of the attacker, the enemy and the criminal. The death of the attacker is always a last resort, and one kills legitimately only when one is forced to do so. Committing homicide (the killing of a human being) in any of these situations where it is not necessary turns that homicide into murder.

“Stand your ground” laws assume that there are situations where a) one is being attacked; b) one is in fear of one’s life; and c) that one is able to withdraw to safety. In other words, these laws address situations where one who is actually in danger of being killed can save his or her life simply by not “standing one’s ground”. Therefore, not killing the attacker is an option. These laws state, even if you don’t have to kill your attacker, you can choose not to retreat and just kill him or her. That is legal.

Since standing one’s ground and killing the attacker is a choice, and clearly not necessary (to save one’s life), then “stand your ground” laws are immoral. The killing is not necessary. Just because something is legal doesn’t make it right.

*M. Keith*

