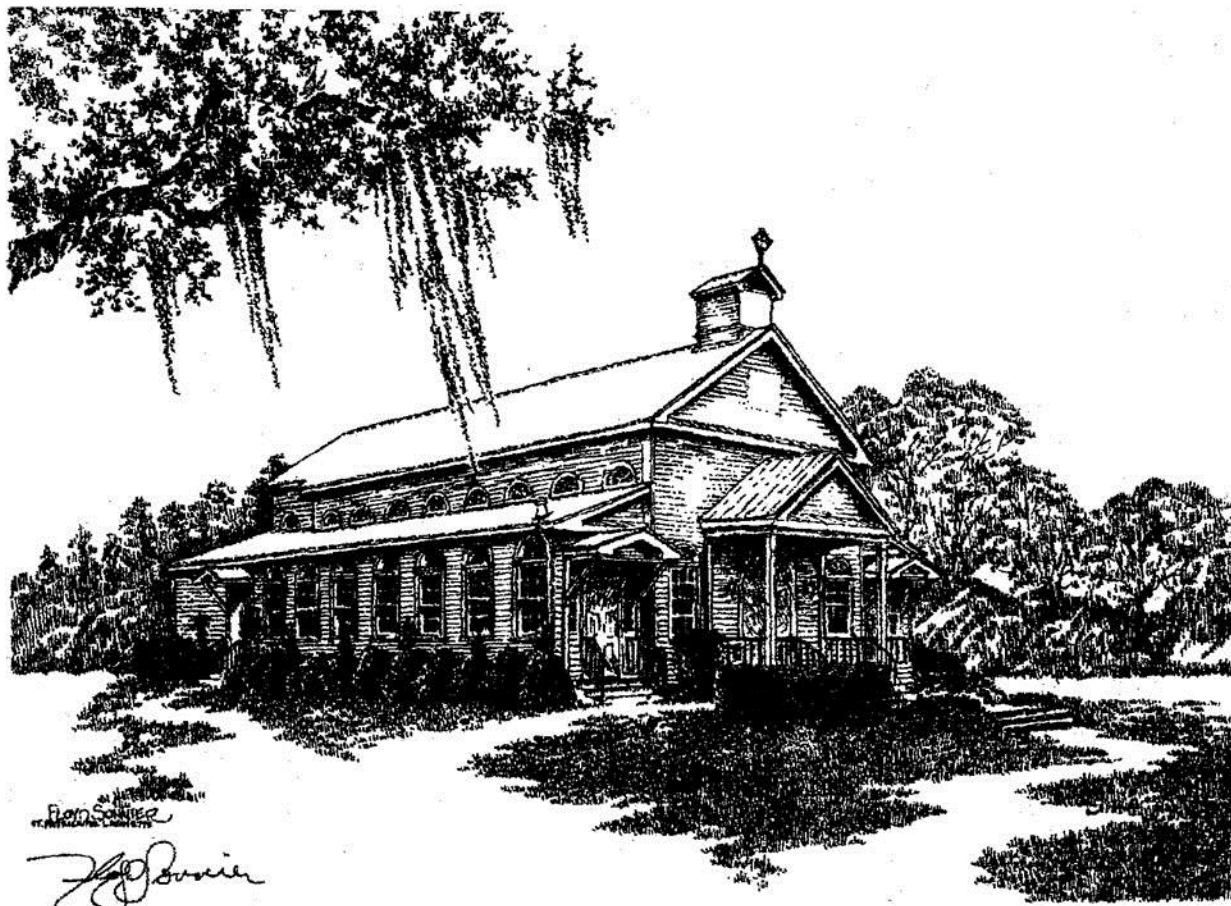


St. Patrick Catholic Church

August 11, 2013 - Nineteenth 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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 10--Vigil of the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Fred Melancon; Dr. Edward Burleigh, Jr.; Annie Bourgeois; Joseph Citizen; Hebert & Benoit Families; Jules, Isola & Bart LeJeune; Mike Guilbeau; Anna Mae Pavy

Sunday, August 11-- Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Hazel Mayard; Catherine Purslow

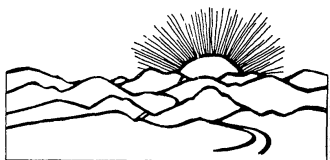
10:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Monday, August 12--St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

7:30 AM: Clifford, Lucy, Stephen Couvillion; Marilyn Bordelon

Tuesday, August 13--Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

7:30 AM: Mike Guilbeau



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, August 16: No cleaning



Next First Friday:

September 6th, 2013

Topic:

The Church's Mission in The World

Wednesday, August 14--St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Thursday, August 15--The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 AM: David Womack; Beth Dupuy; Julie Abendroth

Friday, August 16--St. Stephen of Hungary

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



Altar Plants

In Memory of:

Len & Yvonne Courcier

Our soul waits for the LORD,
who is our help and our shield.
— *Psalm 33:20*

Pizza at St. Pat's

Our St. Patrick's Youth Outreach begins again **Sunday, August 11th. from 4:00 to 6:00 at the Parish Hall.** We are having a Back to School kick-off with food, door prizes and free school supplies. We invite all young people ages 10 to 16 to join us in growing closer to God and richer in what matters to our Lord! We also want to extend an invitation to our adult parishioners to join our youth ministry team. "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." If you think God might be calling you to reach out to His children and you would like more information about our ministry and its needs, call the office. Many thanks.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday, **August 15th.**, is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation; mass will be at 7:30 a.m.

Reminder—Baby Items

Next weekend is time to bring baby items to be given away to those mothers who choose life for their babies. **Immediate need: diapers for infants and sizes 3, 4 & 5; wipes; body wash; baby lotion, diaper bags.** Also needed: bedding for bassinets, cradles and cribs; infant formula and baby food. The kindness of your donations help this ministry. Thank you!

“Gently Worn” School Uniforms Needed

“School Uniform Outreach” will continue to collect and process used uniforms. Various agencies will distribute the uniforms to the needy children in the Lafayette Parish Schools. Please bring your children’s outgrown uniforms to church ASAP. **Uniforms are being processed for the 2013-14 school year.** The need is great! **Sizes 4-20 and all adult sizes are needed.** Shirts: red, white and navy blue, black and green. Pants/Shorts: navy blue, black and khaki-traditional style.

“Voice of the Voiceless” Golf Tournament

Father Glenn Meaux and Cross Catholic Outreach announce the annual **“Voice of the Voiceless” Golf Tournament on Saturday, August 24,** at Abbeville Country Club. Proceeds from this event will benefit Father Glenn’s Kobonal Haiti Mission and provide food for the destitute elderly in Kobonal, Haiti. Individuals, twosomes and sponsors are being sought for the Golf Tournament. Prizes will be awarded! To register or for sponsor information, please contact Veria Samaroo, Special Events Director for Cross Catholic Outreach (800-914-2420 ext. 235; VSaroo@CrossCatholic.org).

Cathedral’s The Woman at the Well: You are the Woman” Conference

The Women’s Ministry of the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist is hosting a Catholic Women’s Conference for any woman out of high school. The conference will be held on **Saturday, September 7,** at Cathedral Carmel School on St. John Street. Check in begins at 8:00 am. A 4:00 pm Closing Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Chester Arceneaux, Pastor. Speakers are Tommy DeBlieux, Genie Summers, Martha Gaynoe, and “The Younger Women at the Well” - Kristen Dunbar, Sarah Clement, Jillian Billeaudeau, and Melissa LaCour. Due to limited seating, only 100 registrations are available. Lunch will be provided. Please register and pay non-refundable fee (\$40.00) online at <http://www.saintjohncathedral.org/>. Catechist Certification information is available. For more information, please contact Laura LaHaye (232-1322).

2013-2014 CCD Registration —This Sunday is the Deadline to Register.

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, 2013;** 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.

Acadiana Catholic

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, 70501. There are subscription forms available near the magazines for your convenience. Thank you for your continued support.

“Spirituality of Vatican II”

Do you know the differences Vatican II made in the Sunday Mass celebration...Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, the other Sacraments...and traditional devotions? Perhaps the greatest message of Vatican II was that WE, all the baptized, are the church! All are invited to attend a series of three presentations on **Thursdays, September 12, 19 & 26,** from 6:30-8:00 pm at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church (Father LaFleur Family Center), 610 Rain Tree Trail, Lafayette . Sessions will be conducted by Bob Guidry, a parishioner of St. Elizabeth Seton and long- time Adult Christian Formation educator. For more information for the entire program please call 235-1483.

Annulments: What They are and How to Go about it

What the Church means by a Declaration of Nullity and how to petition for one. This workshop will be presented by Very Rev. Msgr. Robie Robichaux, JCL, VJ, on **Thursday, September 5, at 6:00 p.m.** at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church (Jeanmard Hall), 310 West Vine Street, Eunice. For information , please contact Jackie Griffin (831-2621; jgriffin@diolaf.org).

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God’s Generosity to Us
Offertory.....\$ 3,783.00
Building Fund.....\$ 1,160.60

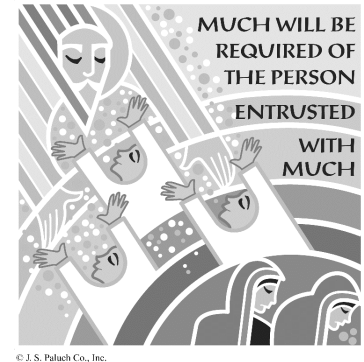
Thank You!

Liturgical Roles for August 2013

Date	Saturday, August 17 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, August 18 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, August 18 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Angie Kovacs	Patsy Robicheaux	Andre Arceneaux
Eucharistic Ministers	Harold Guilbeau Peggy Spruill Joy Borel	Maggie Sonnier Suzanne Laverne Larry Lewis	Leroy Abshire Barbara Abshire Robin Roy
Altar Servers	Rosalind Allen	Glenn LaGrange	Debra Carroll
Ushers	Oren Spruill Janell Venable	William & Stephanie Bacque	Jenny Feehan Lionel Jeanmard

Readings for the Week

Monday	Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday	Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:34ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday	Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday	Rv 11:19a; 12: 1-6a, 10 ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Friday	Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53



From the Pastor's Desk

Sometime back, in dinner conversation, a friend mentioned that she had recently discovered the richness of praying for mercy. Something she had read suggested praying specifically and repeatedly for God's mercy. She said she had never really thought about doing that, and asked me if I every prayed for mercy. My immediate response was "Yes", which is true. But since that conversation, somehow I've been more aware of our praying for mercy, and the richness of this concept.

Probably the most frequent prayer for mercy that I began to notice more is in the Mass. There is of course in the Penitential Act at the beginning of Mass an explicit plea for mercy. The 'Kyrie, Eleison', the only remnant of the early Greek liturgy, means, 'Lord have mercy'. There is also a prayer to Christ for mercy in the Gloria: 'You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us'. And in the Communion Rite, we pray the Lamb of God, once more explicitly asking that Christ have mercy on us.

The first thing that comes to mind in connection with mercy is probably forgiveness of sin. Only because of his mercy does God forgive. Frequently in the Scriptures, mercy is granted to evildoers, and in the Mass itself, it is directly connected to seeking forgiveness in the face of our own unworthiness.

But when I think of mercy, I think of a quality of God that goes far beyond just the forgiveness of sin. In the Scriptures, mercy is often spoken of in connection with the covenant, because 'his mercy endures forever'. Oftentimes in the Old Testament, mercy is invoked in sparing someone's life. And it is often connected with grace, since "grace and mercy are with his elect". It can also be the source of a favor that is granted, as in when Elizabeth conceived a child in her old age. I suppose if I had to speak of mercy in just a few words, it would be "loving kindness".

But the central quality of God's mercy that stands out for me, and for which I am eternally grateful, is that His mercy is undeserved. It cannot be earned, we cannot deserve mercy, and it is never something to which we are entitled. Mercy is an expression of God's providence, reminding us of our abject poverty, so that any riches bestowed upon us are pure gift.

That is the mercy for which I was grateful as, this past week, I marked 32 years as a priest. Priesthood is a mission, a privilege, a life that is undeserved, and that has enriched me in countless ways, far beyond my reckoning. I am grateful to all of you for your kindness and generosity on the occasion of this anniversary. But most of all, I give thanks for mercy. Only in mercy is there faith, and hope, and love, and life.

M. Keith

