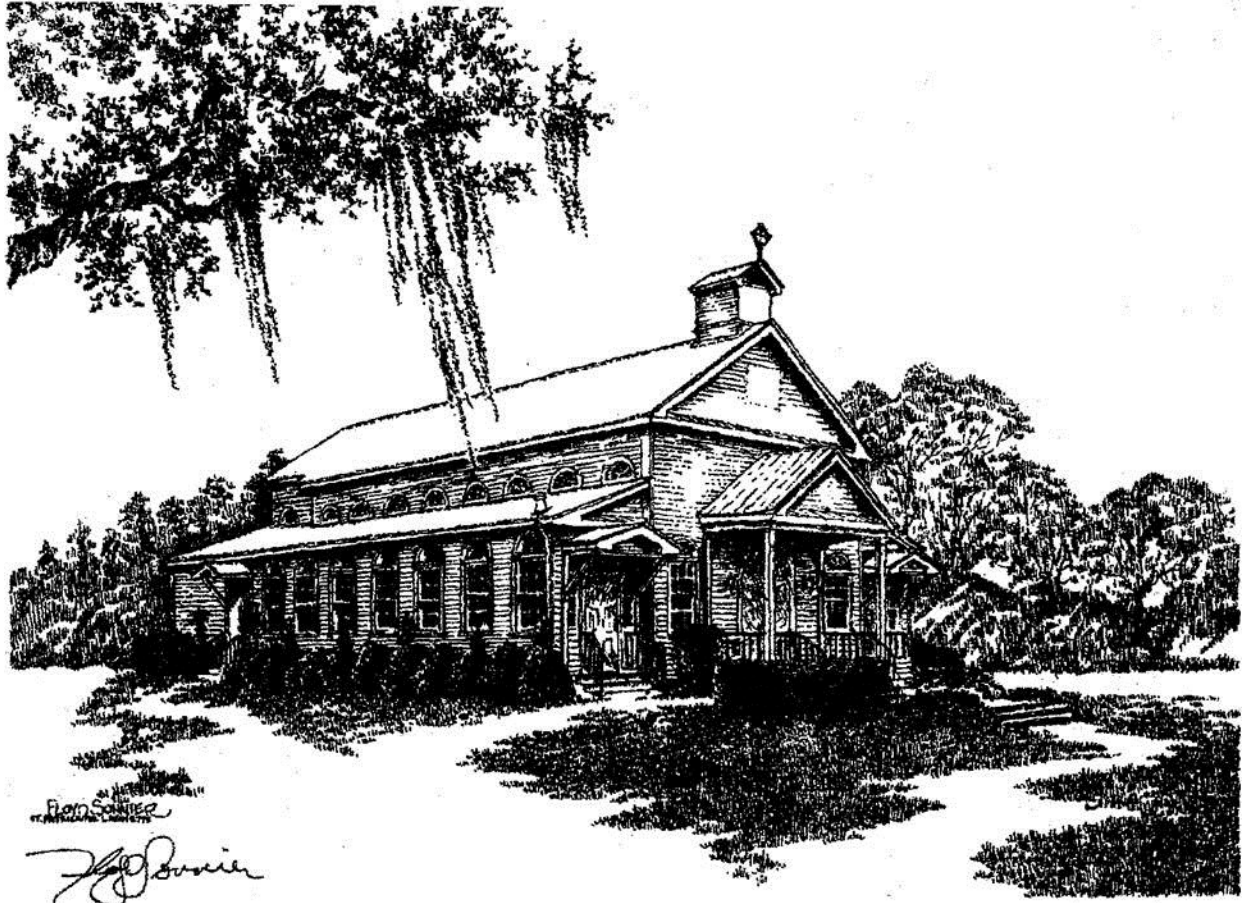


St. Patrick Catholic Church

September 8, 2013 - Twenty-Third 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-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 7--Vigil of the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Anna Mae Pavy; Rudy Borel;
Janell Thomas; Patricia Andrus

Sunday, September 8-- Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Elvina (Nina) Begnaud; Doris Petre
10:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Monday, September 9-- St. Peter Claver, Priest

7:30 AM: Msgr. Charles Mallet (living);

Tuesday, September 10-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Mike Guilbeau

Wednesday, September 11--Weekday (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Thursday, September 12-- The Most Holy Name of Mary

7:30 AM: Janell Thomas

Friday, September 13--St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



*Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
That we may shout for joy and gladness
all our days.
— Psalm 90:14*

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, September 13: No cleaning.



Next First Friday:

October 4th, 2013

Topic:

The Role of the Laity in
the World



Altar Flowers

In Memory of:

***Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne
Elvina (Nina) Begnaud***

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.

Pizza at St. Pat's

All ten to sixteen year olds are invited to our next Pizza at St. Pat's gathering on Sunday, **September 8th**, from 4 to 5:30 in the afternoon. Come and join us for fun, food and God's message of love for you!

Prayer for Peace

The Holy Father has asked Catholic around the world to fast and pray for peace in Syria. Consider joining Catholics around the world in this effort for peace and justice in our world.

Christ Our King Catholic Radio—90.5 KLFT—FM

This is Acadiana's only local Catholic, weekday morning show. Hosted by Adam Conque, we will have discussion on local events in the Diocese of Lafayette, and interviews with our priests and laity. Start your day with our inspiring and uplifting morning show from 7-8. Mass can now be heard from the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Lafayette at 12:05 each weekday. If you can't make it to Mass on your lunch hour, tune-in to listen. The 11 am Sunday Mass will begin airing in September.

Joyful Cause for a Restoration

A restoration project for Our Lady of Wisdom Convent, home of the Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows (OLS), is now underway. The convent is located on University Avenue, just across from the central gates of UL Lafayette. The project scope includes adding housing quarters for new aspirants and bringing safety and integrity to the Convent's electrical and plumbing systems and overall structure, originally built in 1935. Submit a gift on-line and learn more at www.ragincajun Catholics.org/convent

"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.

Acts Retreat

Holy Cross is accepting applications for our Men's ACTS Retreat to be held Oct. 24-27. Space is limited so do not hesitate! Call John Schexnaildre at 654-9671 to register.. Looking forward to having you with us.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Please join us for our monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" on **Monday, September 9th** (due to Labor Day), 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.

Save the Date—Faith of our Fathers—Session 6—October 7, 8, & 9

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 final session will be held on **October 7, 8, & 9** from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Lafayette. Our speakers are **Rev. Howard Blessing (Monday, October 7); Rev. Gilbert Dutel (Tuesday, October 8); and Rev. Steven LeBlanc (Wednesday, October 9)**. 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).

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: bottles; sippy cups; nipples; pacifiers; clothing infant, toddler, kids sizes 4-20. The kindness of your donations help this ministry. Thank you!

Second Collection Next Weekend

The second collection next weekend will be for **The Catholic University of America (CUA)**, located in Washington D.C. and the national university for the Catholic Church. Founded in 1887, the CUA offers students an excellent education in a faith-filled atmosphere that is grounded in the Catholic intellectual tradition. The collection for the Catholic University of America underwrites scholarships to assist financially deserving students in completing their education at CUA in over 50 disciplines. Please be generous.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God's Generosity to Us
Offertory.....\$3613.21
Building Fund.....\$993.00

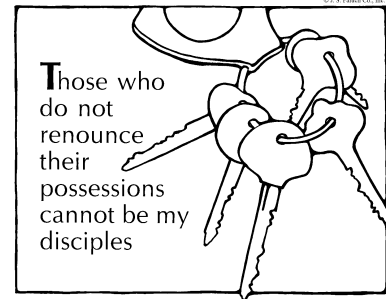
Thank You!

Liturgical Roles for September 2013

Date	Saturday, September 14 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, September 15 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, September 15 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Dana Guidry	Gerrie McGovern	Brenda DeMette
Eucharistic Ministers	Peggy Spruill Candis Thompson Joy Borel	Kay Hampton Patsy Robicheaux Sarah Hamsher	Michael Doumit Janeth Harrington Debra Carroll
Altar Servers	Janell Venable	Jacob Hamsher	Harry DeMette
Ushers	Oren Spruill Joyce Stelly	Keith Toups Rachelle Trahan	Robin Roy Lionel Jeanmard

Readings for the Week

Monday Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
 Tuesday Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
 Wednesday Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
 Thursday Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38
 Friday 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42
 Saturday Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
 Sunday Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19;
 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]



From the Pastor's Desk

A few trips back, I was browsing a little alternative gift shop in Santa Fe which carries t-shirts and mugs and posters and such. Among the bumper stickers was one which read: "I'm already against the next war". I almost bought it, but left the shop empty handed. Since then, I've found a source online which offers the same bumper sticker, for all of \$2.50 (plus shipping). I still haven't bought it. Like most bumper stickers, it says too much and not enough at the same time. "What about the last war?" "Or the one before that?" "All war?" "And what about the troops?" Etc.

But the fact is, I'm already against the next war, even as we balance on the brink of exactly that, starting with Syria, and leading who knows where after that. I know the Catholic Church has a tradition that does allow for a "just war" to be waged. But this "just war" teaching includes certain conditions that must be met, as well as rules about how war is to be waged. The conditions include a declaration of war, last resort, reasonable hope of success and more. The current situation in the Middle East doesn't even come close to meeting those conditions.

Yes, the trigger event here was horrific. The use of chemical weapons is against international law, as well as a crime against humanity. Finding a suitable response is a complex and complicated task — which is now being entrusted to Congress, when they get back from vacation. (Are you sleeping better?)

Here are the words of Pope Francis during last Sunday's Angelus address, where he echoed the message of Pope Paul VI to the United Nations back in 1965: 'No more war, never war again':

"Today, dear brothers and sisters, I wish to make add my voice to the cry which rises up with increasing anguish from every part of the world, from every people, from the heart of each person, from the one great family which is humanity: it is the cry for peace! It is a cry which declares with force: we want a peaceful world, we want to be men and women of peace, and we want in our society, torn apart by divisions and conflict, that peace break out! War never again! Never again war! Peace is a precious gift, which must be promoted and protected."

Maybe, just maybe, Congress will put aside their partisan posturing just long enough to seek out and choose to do the right thing for our nation, for our world, and for the countless innocent and vulnerable ones who suffer so much when we have recourse to violence. So, do you believe in miracles?

Pope Francis, in his call for prayer for peace said, *"I repeat forcefully: it is neither a culture of confrontation nor a culture of conflict which builds harmony within and between peoples, but rather a culture of encounter and a culture of dialogue; this is the only way to peace."*

Pray for peace.

Keith