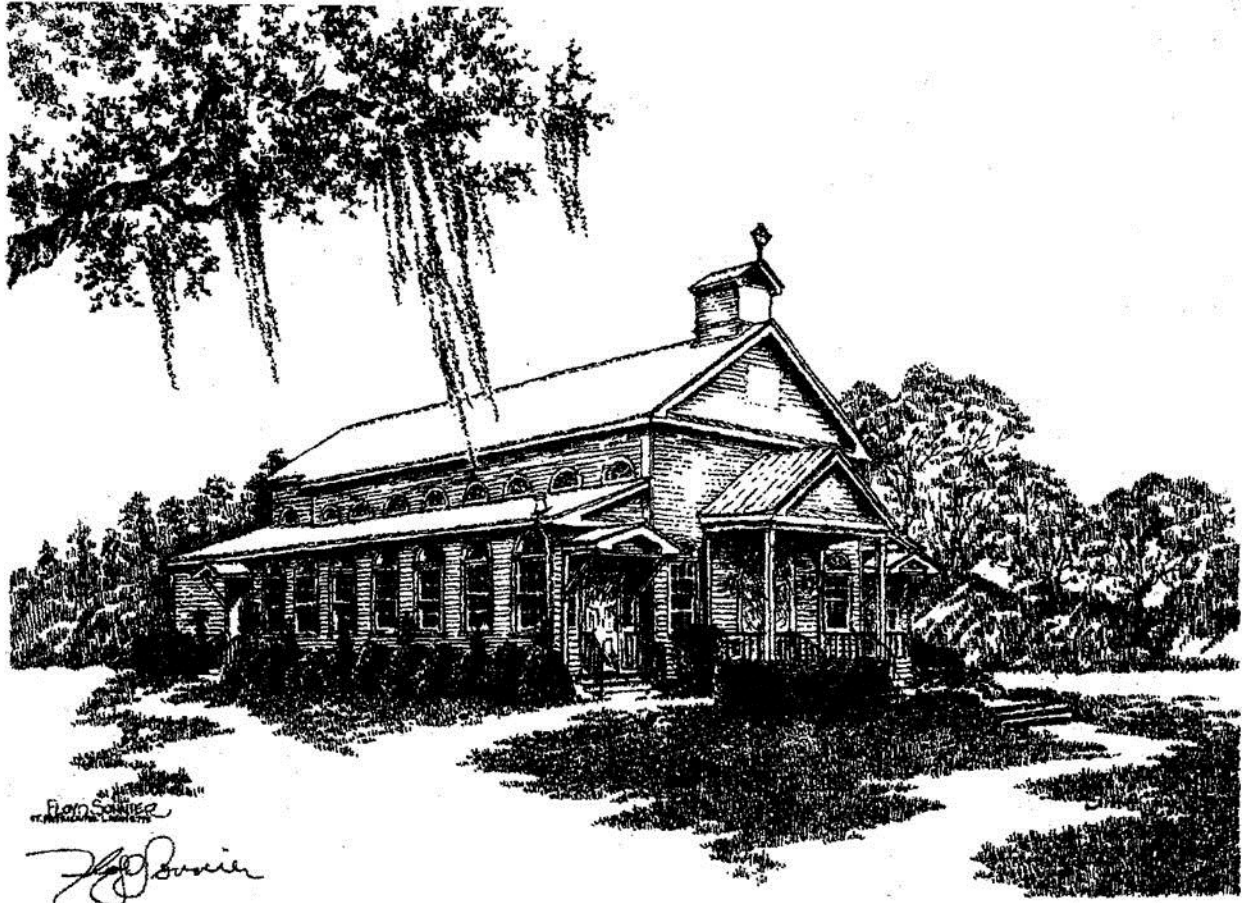


St. Patrick Catholic Church

September 15, 2013 - Twenty-Fourth 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



YEAR OF FAITH 2012-2013

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YEAR OF FAITH 2012-2013

Welcome to St. Patrick Church

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 15, 2013

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 14--Vigil of the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: David Dias;

Robert & Hazel Chiasson; Gustavo & Herselle Medina; Gussie & Valsin Benoit ; Jules, Isola & Bart LeJeune; Anna Mae Pavy; Janell Thomas; Patricia Andrus; Maurice Menard; Clarence Champagne; Robert Benoit; Chuck, Carliss & Chuck Thompson; Chad Thompson (living); Anetra Terry

Sunday, September 15--Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Doris Petre

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

Monday, September 16--Sts Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

7:30 AM: Bella & Gussie Hernandez; Carmen Murillo

Tuesday, September 17--St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

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 am

Shamrocks—Friday, September 20: Gloria; Maggie; Stephanie; Josette; Charlotte.



Next First Friday:

October 4th, 2013

Topic:

The Role of the Laity in the World

Wednesday, September 18--Weekday (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

7:30 AM: Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne;

Col. Clark Comeaux & Catherine (living);

Col. Kimberly Fedele (living)

Thursday, September 19--St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

7:30 AM: Leroy Joseph

Friday, September 20--Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



Altar Plants

In Memory of:

Len & Yvonne Courcier



A clean heart create for me, O God,
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.
— *Psalm 51:12*

Holy Cross Catholic Church

6th Annual

Blessing of Animals

Saturday, October 5th

9 am—11 am

Blessing at 9:30 am

Special Guests: A.R.F. (Animal Rescue Foundation) — will have pets for adoption. LA State Response Team (non-profit) — will place microchips for \$25

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Weekday Masses Cancelled

This week, on Sept. 17-19, the Louisiana Priests Convention is being held in New Orleans, gathering priests from around the state. Bishop Jarrell has asked all priests to attend. With so few priests available in town, Bishop Jarrell has also recommended the cancellation of weekday masses as necessary. As a result, there will be no weekday mass celebrated here at St. Patrick on **Wednesday, Sept. 18 or on Thursday, Sept. 19.** We regret any inconvenience.

Catechism Lecture Series

A series of lectures on the Catechism of the Catholic Church will be offered this October through December marking the Year of Faith. Dates are Oct. 10, 17, 24, Nov. 7, 14, 21, Dec. 12 & 19, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Location is Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center, 420 N. Main St., St. Martinville, LA. Lectures are free, no registration necessary. For more information, call 337-394-6550.

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.**

St. Edmond Parish Hosts Centenary College Choir

St. Edmond Parish in Lafayette will host this well-known choir group (who recently sang at the Vatican) on **Thursday, October 3,** at 7:00 p.m. IN THE CHURCH SANCTUARY! It is free; however, a "love offering" will be taken! If you can host one or more of these college students overnight on October 3rd, please call the parish office (981-0874) to give information (and whether you have a preference for housing male or female students).

St. Edmond Begins "Widowed Person Group"

On **Wednesday, October 2,** at St. Edmond Administration Building (adjacent to the church), Ninette Cormier (a licensed counselor) will facilitate a group session for widowed persons at 10:00 a.m. Please call (981-0874) to let us know that you're planning on coming!

Faith and charity each require the other. Many Christians lovingly dedicate their lives to the lonely, marginalized, or excluded, as those who most deserve our attention and support, for in them the reflection of Christ's own face is seen. (see Benedict XVI, Door of Faith, 14).

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).

Fall 2013 Newman Lecture— Our Lady of Wisdom

The Fall 2013 Newman Lecture will be delivered by **George Weigel,** the biographer of Blessed Pope John Paul II and well-known commentator on topics dealing with Catholicism and culture. He will speak about his new book "Evangelical Catholicism" and the issues that face the Church at the beginning of the 21st century. The lecture will take place in Jeanmard Hall at Our Lady of Wisdom Church and Catholic Student Center beginning at 6:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, September 24.** Everyone is invited and the lecture is free to the public. Before and after the lecture, copies of Mr. Weigel's books will be for sale. In addition, UL Alumni will have the opportunity to register and become a member of the UL Newman Alumni Chapter. For more information, please visit <http://www.ragincajuncatholics.org/>.

A Day of Reflection for Women

"Come Away and Rest a While", a Day of Reflection for Women at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House, Grand Coteau, LA; presented by Lyn Doucet, Tuesday, **October 22, 2013;** from 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **Pre-registration is required.** To register, please fill out a reservation form and mail it in with the \$25.00 fee. Visit online at: www.ourladyoftheoaks.com and click on "retreats" to print a form. For more information, please call (337) 662-5410

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 Schexnaldre at 654-9671 to register. Looking forward to having you with us.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God's Generosity to Us

Offertory.....\$ 3,286.67

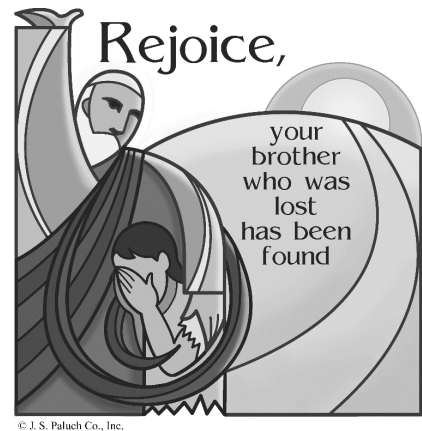
Thank You!

Liturgical Roles for September 2013

Date	Saturday, September 21 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, September 22 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, September 22 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Dana Phillips	Larry Lewis	Karen Begnaud
Eucharistic Ministers	Harold Guilbeau George Eaton Merrick Stelly	Geneva Phillips Sandra LaGrange Susan Cain	Kenneth Broussard Madeline Simon Robin Roy
Altar Servers	Rosalind Allen	Glenn LaGrange	Nicholas Begnaud
Ushers	Janelle Venable Joyce Stelly	Donald Vallot Keith Toups	Jenny Feehan Lionel Jeanmard

Readings for the Week

Monday	1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday	1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday	1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday	1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50
Friday	1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Sunday	Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]



From the Pastor's Desk

This week at daily Mass, we read these words from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians: "Put on . . . heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience." I'm struck by those words, "Put on". We can 'put on' many things—we can put on airs, we can put on a look, but mostly, we put on clothes. Now, putting on certain kinds of clothes might well affect the way we feel about ourselves — looking good leaves us feeling good. The clothes we wear mostly affects the way other people see us. Clothes may not 'make the man', but it certainly creates a definite impression. But what we wear doesn't change who we are. Putting on a uniform, whether it be that of a soldier, a policeman or a fireman, doesn't turn us into those skilled professionals.

So it seems that St. Paul is talking about something that runs a bit deeper when he calls us to live the virtues of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. That said, sometimes that's probably the best we can do. Sometimes we are just not feeling very compassionate, or kind or patient. At those moments, there is something to be said for "acting as if" we did feel those things. Sometimes it is precisely the action that comes first, and the virtues follow. And it is certainly always better to act with kindness and gentleness, whether we are feeling that way or not.

So what does it mean to "put on" these virtues, and is it really possible for us? Later in the same passage, Paul exhorts us to "put on love". Now we all know that love which is merely "put on", for show so to speak, is not really love at all. So Paul's exhortation is not about how we look, but about who and what we are at the very core of our being. Putting on these virtues means really being compassionate and kind. It means being humble, gentle, patient and loving. How can each of us become that kind of person?

Well, sometimes it does begin with the kind of "acting as if" that we spoke of above. It's a good place to start. But ultimately, putting on these virtues is the fruit of God's grace at work in us. When we open our hearts to that grace, literally begging for that kind of spiritual help, then God makes happen within us what we cannot do for ourselves. And when accept that only God's grace can bring this about, we also get a glimpse into why this is even possible.

This grace, which we so desperately need, is the living and loving presence of the same God who created us in his own image and likeness. Therefore when we strive to "put on" spiritual virtues, we are open to becoming quite simply the persons whom God made us to be. He made us for himself, in his image, and it is his compassion and patience and love that we discover within ourselves, etched if you will into our very being. God's transforming grace offered to us today is the same life-giving grace that breathed God's life into us at our creation.

Perhaps this is what it means to "Put on Christ".

Keith