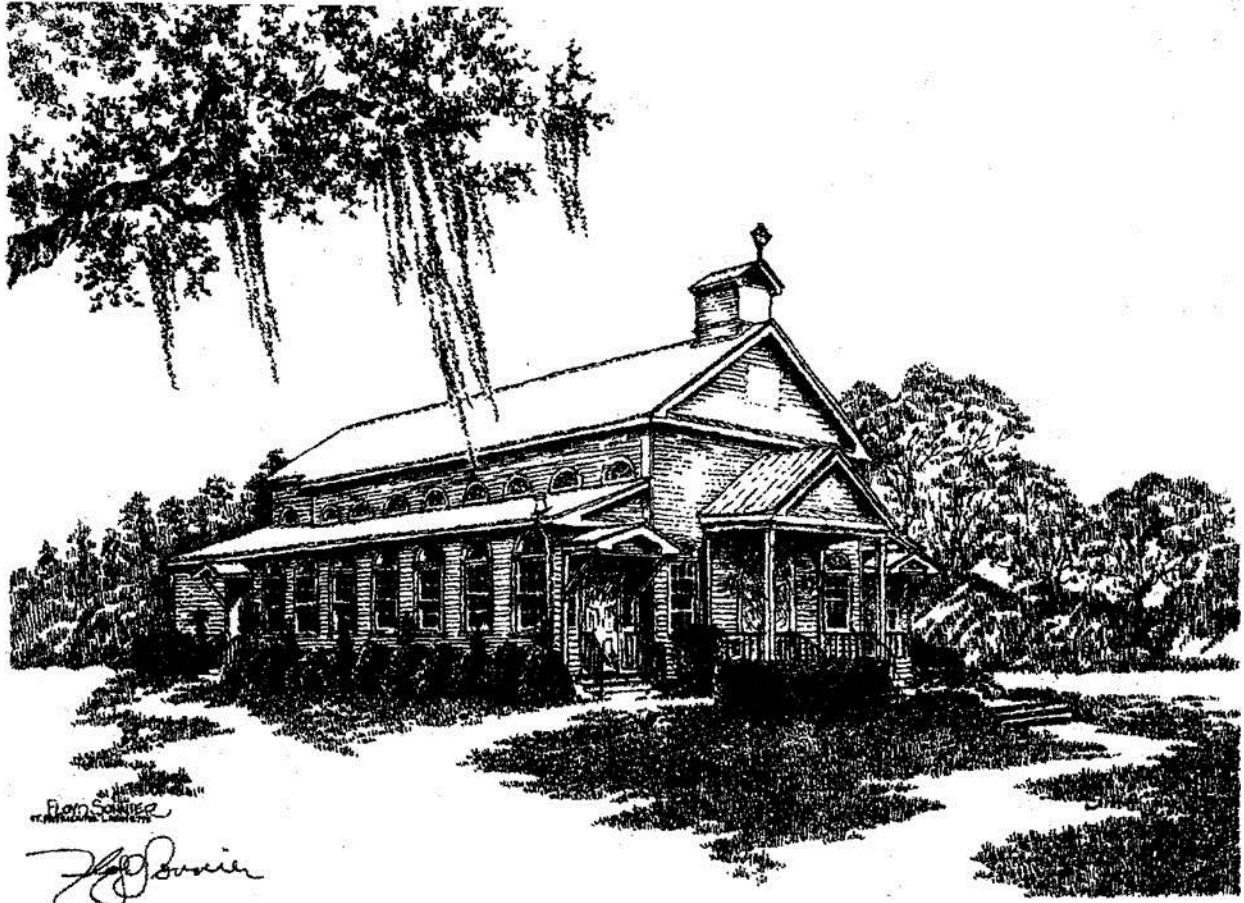


St. Patrick Catholic Church

September 22, 2013 - Twenty-Fifth 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
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Welcome to St. Patrick Church
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 22, 2013

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 21--Vigil of the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Anna Mae Pavy; Janell Thomas;
Curtis Prejean Family; Benoit & Hebert Families
Sunday, September 22--Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Doris Petre; Steve Huter (living)

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

Monday, September 23--Pio, Priest of Petrelcina

7:30 AM: Mike Guilbeau

Tuesday, September 24--Weekday

7:30 AM: Leroy Joseph

Faith enables us to recognize Christ, whose love impels us to assist him whenever he "becomes our neighbor" along the journey of life. Supported by faith, we are filled with hope as we recommit ourselves to bear witness in the world, awaiting "new heavens and a new earth" in which righteousness dwells (2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:1) (see Benedict XVI, Door of Faith, 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 am

Shamrocks—Friday, September 27: No cleaning.



Next First Friday:

October 4th, 2013

Topic:

The Role of the Laity in the World

Wednesday, September 25--Weekday (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Col. Clark Comeaux & Catherine (living);

Col. Kimberly Fedele (living)

Thursday, September 26--Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

7:30 AM: Sick of the Parish

Friday, September 27--St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



Altar Plants

In Memory of:

Len & Yvonne Courcier



God...wills everyone to be saved
and to come to knowledge of the truth.
— 1 Timothy 2:4

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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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 for **October** is **Rev. Bryce Sibley**, Pastor of Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic Church & Catholic Student Center. “Food for the Journey” will be held on **Tuesday, October 1**, 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).

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!

Pope Francis’ Encyclical “Light of Faith” Lecture by Deacon Travis Abadie

St. John’s Cathedral Men’s Group, the Holy Goats is inviting all of the Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette to a lecture discussing Pope Francis’ along with Emeritus Pope Benedict encyclical “**Light of Faith**” on **October 15** from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral Center. **Deacon Travis Abadie**, who is in residence at the Cathedral and will be ordained in June 2014, will be our speaker. Fellowship and refreshments will follow. All adult men and women are invited to attend. For more information, please call 232-1322.

The Questions Jesus Asked—Finding Great Answers for Ourselves—Fall Six Weeks Bible Study

This six week study will be presented by Susan Castille, Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:30 am, **October 12-November 21** at Holy Cross Church, 415 Robley Drive, Lafayette. Please call 337-981-1455 to register by **October 14th**. A \$15.00 donation is appreciated for Study supplies. This study will not be about finding all the “right” answers, it *will* be about learning to deal with the questions on a personal level.

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.....\$ 3,207.91

Catholic University of America.....\$1,638.06

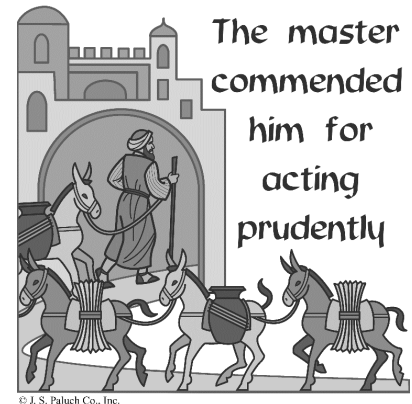
Thank You!

Liturgical Roles for September 2013

Date	Saturday, September 28 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, September 29 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, September 29 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Angie Kovacs	Anne Pitre	Phyllis Roy
Eucharistic Ministers	Peggy Spruill Candis Thompson Joy Borel	Suzanne Lavergne Larry Lewis Sarah Hamsher	Jerry Boudreaux Dee Boudreaux Janeth Harrington
Altar Servers	George Eaton	Jacob Hamsher	Andre Arceneaux
Ushers	Oren Spruill Joyce Stelly	Keith Toups Rachelle Trahan	Jenny Feehan Lionel Jeanmard

Readings for the Week

Monday	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday	Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31



From the Pastor's Desk

Last Sunday we heard three parables of mercy — the lost sheep, coin and son. I preached about our surrender that opens the door to accepting God's mercy. Pope Francis, in his 9/15 Angelus, reflected on these same parables, and spoke of the nature of that mercy, and it's necessity for our salvation. He said:

"All three parables speak of God's joy. God is joyful! That is something interesting. What is God's joy? Forgiveness. God's joy is forgiveness! It is the joy of the shepherd who finds his sheep; the joy of the woman who finds her coin; it is the joy of the father who welcomes home a son who was lost, who was as good as dead, but is alive again, back home. This is the whole Gospel. This is the whole of Christianity!"

"Yet, there is nothing sentimental about it, nor a sense of 'doing good'! On the contrary, mercy is the true force that can save man and the world from the 'cancer' of sin, of moral and spiritual evil. Only love fills the emptiness, the negative chasms that evil opens in hearts and history. Only love can do this and this is God's joy."

"Jesus is all mercy, all love. He is God made man. Everyone here is the lost sheep, the lost coin, and each of us is the son who has wasted his freedom following false idols, the illusions of happiness, and lost everything. He is a patient father. He respects our freedom, but remains loyal. And when we return to Him, he welcomes us as children, into his house, because he never stops, not even for a moment, to wait for us, with love. And his heart celebrates every child who comes back. He celebrates because it is joy. He celebrates when one of us sinners comes back."

"What is the danger? To think that we are just; that we can judge others; that we can judge God because we think he should punish sinners; condemn them to death, instead of forgiving them. That is when we risk remaining outside of our Father's house! Like the older brother in the parable, who instead of being happy because his brother was back, got angry with his father who welcomes him and celebrates. ..."

"Only God's justice can save us! And God's justice revealed itself on the Cross. The Cross is God's judgment on all of us and on this world. But how does God judge us? By giving his life for us. Behold the supreme act of justice that defeated once and for all the Prince of this world. This supreme act of justice is also one of mercy. Jesus called us all to follow this path. "Be merciful," he said, "just as [. . .] your Father is merciful" (Lk,6:36).

"I ask you one thing. Let each one of you think about a person with whom you do not get along, with whom you are angry. In silence, think about this person, pray for this person and let yourself become merciful towards this person."

Fr. Keith