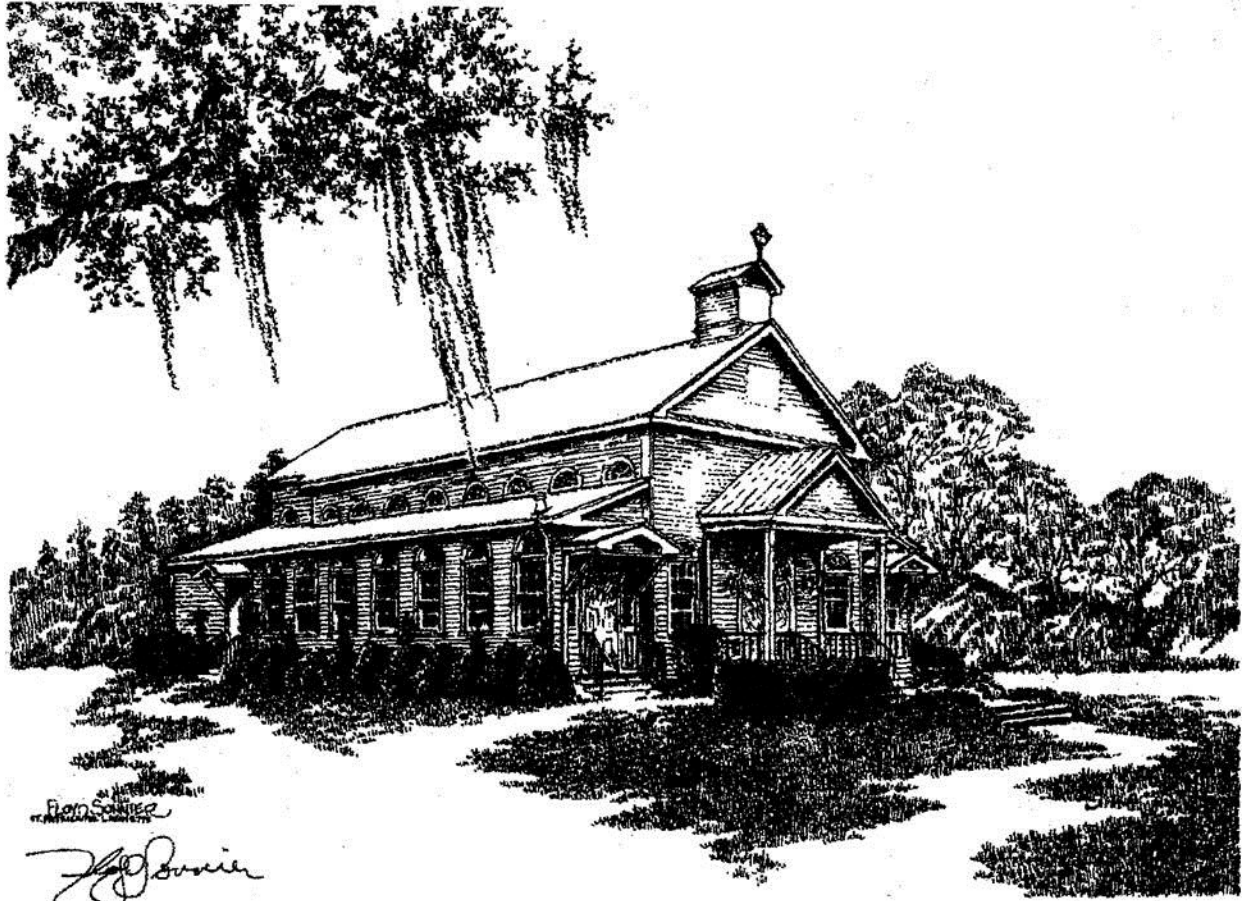


St. Patrick Catholic Church

November 24, 2013 - Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King



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

Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 23--Vigil of the Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King

4:00 PM: David Dias; Robert & Hazel Chiasson; Gustavo & Herselle Medina; Gussie & Valsin Benoit; Janell Thomas; Mike Guilbeau; Clarence Begnaud Champagne; Hebert & Benoit Families ; Mary Lou Broussard

Sunday, November 24--Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King

8:30 AM: Doris Becker Petre; John R. Boyle

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

Monday, November 25--St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

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

Tuesday, November 26-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Sick of the Parish



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—Wednesday, November 27: Andre Arceneaux; Jerry & Dee Boudreaux; Anne Meleton; Betty Fournet; Charlotte Privat

Wednesday, November 27--Weekday (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Thursday, November 28-- Thanksgiving Day

7:30 AM: Debra Carroll (living); Gerrie McGovern (living); Joseph Guidroz (living)

Friday, November 29--Weekday

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



Altar Flowers

In Memory of:

Pierre & Monty Montagnet

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Pizza at St. Pat's

Our Youth Team will hold its next Pizza at St. Pat's on **Sunday, December 1st.**, from 4:00—5:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall. Young people 10 to 16 are invited to attend an afternoon of fun, food and faith-building.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Please join us for our monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" on **Monday, December 2**, 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

Mark your calendar and plan to attend our parish Christmas Party on **Sunday, December 15th**, after the 10 a.m. Mass.

Thanksgiving Day

Our **Thanksgiving Day Mass** will be on **Thursday, November 28**, at **7:30 a.m.** We will have a collection for United Christian Outreach.

2013 Parish Advent Missions—Central Region

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 818 12th. St., Lafayette, LA 70501. “Faith That Conquers ANYTHING!”, **December 2, 3 & 4** — 7:00-8:00 p.m. in Church (Musical Prelude at 6:45 p.m.). Presenter: Rev. Maurice J. Nutt, C..Ss. R., D.Min. For more information, please call the Church Office (235-4618) or visit ihmchurchlafayette.com

St. Genevieve Catholic Church, 417 East Simcoe St., Lafayette, LA 70501. “Evenings with St. Louis de Montfort” (“Love of Eternal Wisdom”; “Secret of Mary”; “Friends of the Cross”; “True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin”), **December 2, 3, 4 & 5** — 6:00 p.m. Rosary; 6:30 p.m. Mission Talks begin in Church. Presenter: Deacon Coy Miller, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Milton. For more information, please contact Janell Durio (234-5147 or jdurio@stgens.net)

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 145 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Lafayette, LA 70501. “The Biblical Basis of Our Catholic Faith”, **December 3 and December 10** — 6:30-8:00 p.m. in Church. Presenter: Rev. Mario Romero, Associate Pastor Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Scott. Please bring your Bibles and friends. For additional information, please call the Church office (233-1591).

St. Peter Catholic Church, 102 N. Church Street, Carencro, LA 70520. “Preparing for Christmas Through a a Deeper Prayer Life”, **December 9-12**. Mission preached twice a day: After 6:30 a.m. Mass; During 5:30 p.m. Mass (Sacrament of Reconciliation before each Mass and following the Mission). Presenter: Rev. Brian Mullady, O.P. For more information, please visit sprcc.org or call St. Peter Parish Office (896-9408).

St. Bernard Catholic Church, 204 N. Main Street, Breaux Bridge, LA 70517. “Parish Advent Mission”, **December 16-17** — 7:00—8:15 p.m. in Church. Presenter: Rev. Mark Thibodeaux, S. J. For more information, please call Nadine Cain (332-1237)

Mass for Survivors of Violence

A special Mass will be held on **Sunday, December 1**, 2013 at 2:00 p.m., at the Immaculata Chapel, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, Louisiana. Bishop Michael Jarrell will be the celebrant. All are invited to the Mass and the reception that follows.

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 November, is Rev. Anselm Ofodum, Chaplin, Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center. “Food for the Journey” will be held on **Tuesday, December 3**, 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).

Bishop’s Services Appeal

Generous donations to the Bishop's Services Appeal have helped to shine the Light of Christ upon:

- Poorer parishes allowing them to remain open.
- Children from all walks of life who receive Catholic teachings in a Christ-centered environment.
- Chaplains who care for the ill, the elderly, the lonely, the dying, the grieving and those in prison.
- Families so that they can be kept active and engaged in their faith.
- Elderly priests so they can enjoy a peaceful and dignified retirement.
- Our seminarians so they can be well educated to serve God's people.
- Those who protect the sanctity of life from conception to death.
- Those who are home bound and rely upon the radio/tv ministry to receive the word of God.

These are but a few examples of how your generous pledges will be used to shine the light of Jesus Christ. The parish goal is to have every family participate to the best of their ability. If you have not yet taken the opportunity to respond, we ask that you do so now. Please respond to Bishop Jarrell's letter, by using a pledge envelope found here in church, by giving online @ www.diolaf.org (click on online giving) or by calling 337-261-5641.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God’s Generosity to Us
Offertory.....\$ 3,938.65
Catholic Campaign Human Dev..\$ 808.00

Thank You!

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

Liturgical Roles for December 2013

Date	Saturday, November 30 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, December 1 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, December 1 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Angie Kovacs	Kenneth Phillips	Andre Arceneaux
Eucharistic Ministers	Joy Borel Merrick Stelly Harold Guilbeau	Sandra LaGrange Kay Hampton Geneva Phillips	Leroy Abshire Barbara Abshire Tami Petre
Altar Servers	Janell Venable	Glenn LaGrange	Phyllis Roy
Ushers	Oren Spruill Joyce Stelly	Rachelle Trahan Keith Toups	Joyce Stelly Lionel Jeanmard

Readings for the Week

Monday Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
 Tuesday Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
 Wednesday Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
 Thursday Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
 Friday Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
 Saturday Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
 Sunday Is 2:1-5; PS 122:1-9;
 Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

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From the Pastor's Desk

You're waiting for the light to change, and it refuses to cooperate. You wait for the train to finish passing, and then further down the road you wait again for the same train, as the road crosses the tracks again. (That happened to my friend yesterday!) You wait for the person ahead of you to have explained every item on the coffee shop menu. You wait for your paycheck. You wait for the doctor. You wait for the cat to decide whether to go out or stay in. You wait for Mass to finally end. You wait for the baby to come. You wait. And wait. And wait.

As I look at the week ahead, I see two major events: Thanksgiving Day, and the First Sunday of Advent. Gratitude for what is already received, and waiting for what is to come. Might we benefit from gratitude for waiting?

Now if you're looking for guidance and direction on how to wait, we suggest that you not look to the retail sector of our society. They are all about doing whatever it takes to have it all, now. It seems that even waiting for so-called "Black Friday" has been cancelled, as the sales and come-ons attempt to drag us away from family and friends on Thanksgiving Day as well.

So what is there about waiting that might lead us to gratitude? During Advent we are waiting for all kinds of things. We are reminded that we wait for the redemption of all creation in Christ's second coming. We wait at the Jordan for the Messiah to make his appearance. We wait with Mary for the birth of her child, the Savior of the world. We wait for our celebration of the Incarnation, which no matter what we do, will not take place until December 25th.

Now that's a lot of waiting. And there is one thing that all of those things have in common. Neither you nor I can make those things happen before their time. We can scream and shout (and play Christmas carols on Halloween) all we want, and we will still not be able to "do it now!" And it is precisely in that inability to make these things happen that we discover a moment of grace. We are confronted with the fact that we are not God. We come face to face with our own nature as creatures, rather than the Creator. We cannot save ourselves. We must wait upon the good pleasure of God to save us. Christ will come, the Messiah will appear, the baby will be born — and maybe the light will even change, but not in my time. I simply have to wait.

This basic limitation of our power then becomes an opportunity to surrender. We must open our arms, our minds and our hearts, and say, "Please God, come". "O Come O Come Emmanuel." We need you, we desire you, we are filled with longing for you. Please God, come.

When our waiting awakens us to our fundamental need for God in our lives, it has fulfilled its task, making us ready to welcome a Savior. And for that, we can truly be grateful.

Keith