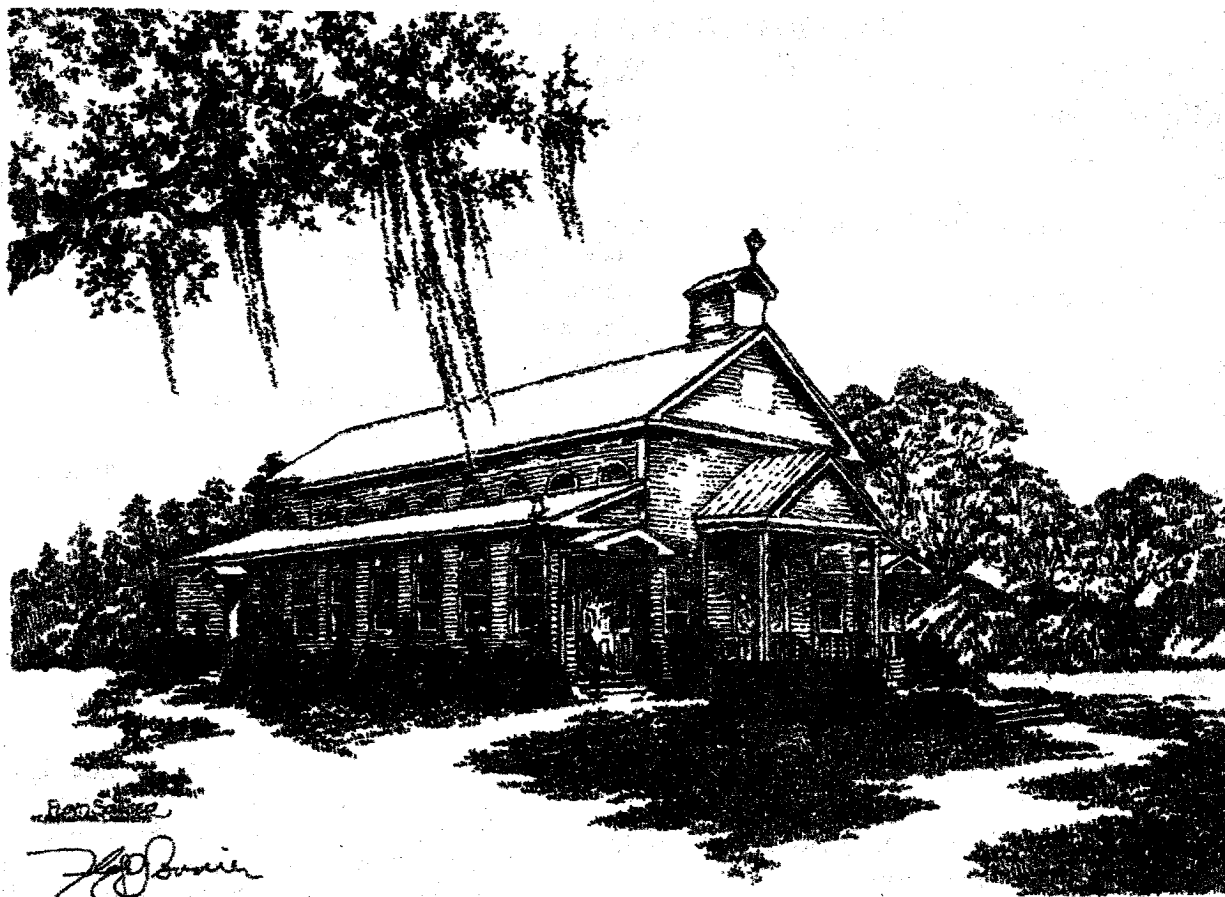


St. Patrick Catholic Church

October 30, 2011 - Thirty-First 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

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 30, 2011

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 29 - Vigil of The Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Edna Parker; August Lanclos;

Mary J. LeBlanc

Sunday, October 30-- Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Jodi; Betty Rolfes;

Lionel Pitre

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

Monday, October 31-- Weekday

7:30 AM: Guidry Family

Tuesday, November 1-- All Saints

7:30 AM: Eddy Knight

Wednesday, November 2-- The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls) (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

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

Clark Comeaux & Catherine (living); Col. Kimberly Fedele (living); Mildred Maraist; Edna Parker;

Velma Bernard

Thursday, November 3-- St. Martin de Porres, religious

7:30 AM: Bernice & Mona Broussard;

Rachel Wickman (living)

Friday, November 4-- St. Charles Borromeo, bishop

7:30 AM: Howard Blessing, Sr.

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 7:00 a.m.

Altar Flowers

In Loving Memory of

Eddy Knight



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.

Bishop Maurice Shexnayder

Shamrocks—Friday, November 4: Dee Boudreaux; Andre Arceneaux; Anne Meleton; Betty Fournet.

"On this day let us revive in ourselves an attraction toward heaven that calls us to carry in on our earthly pilgrimage. Let us lift in our hearts the desire to always unite ourselves to the family of the saints, of which we already have the grace to be a part."

Pope Benedict XVI

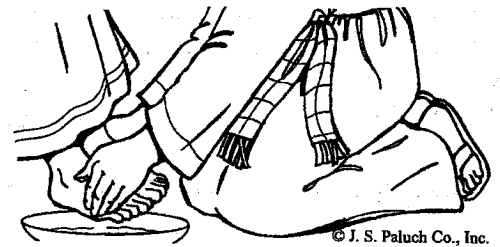
"It is a loving act to show sadness when our dear ones are torn from us, but it is a holy act to be joyful through hope and trust in God's promises."

St. Paulinus of Nola

ALL SOULS



Next Sunday



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Roman Missal – Third Edition

Words that may be unfamiliar:

Consubstantial: The belief, articulated in the Nicene Creed, about the relationship of the Father and the Son: that “in the Father and with the Father, the Son is one and the same God” (CCC, no. 262).

Homage: The honor, respect, and reverence due to another. Homage is especially due to God, for he is eternal, all good, all holy, and all loving.

Implore: To plead, beseech, or ask with humility. This is an example of the self-deprecatory language in the *Roman Missal* that helps to express our dependence on God. We humbly beg the Father to hear and answer our prayers, for we ask them in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of Jesus.

Ineffable: That which cannot be conceived or expressed fully (see 1 Cor 2:6-9). One cannot, for example, adequately describe in concepts and words the mystery of the Trinity or the mystery of the Incarnation.

Teurlings Catholic High School Open House

All parents and students who are considering Teurlings Catholic High School for the 2012-2013 school year are invited to the “TCH Open House” Thursday, **November 10th.**, in the school gym. Continuous tours will begin at 6:00 p.m. The last tour will begin at 7:30. If you have any questions, please contact Maria Hanes in the Admissions Office at 235-5711, ext. 1, or mhanes@tchs.net

“The Moving Vietnam Wall—The Wall That Heals”

The local Chapter 504 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, along with the VA Coalition and Chapter 141 of the Vietnam Veterans Association, are sponsoring **The Moving Vietnam Wall** exhibition in Lafayette on **November 17-20** at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens, 2300 N. University Ave., Lafayette. Also known as “The Wall That Heals”, this traveling wall is a half-scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial that touches Americans with its message of honor and healing. Twenty-four hour viewing begins with the Opening Ceremony on Thursday, November 17, at 12 noon, along with continuous reading of 58,272 names of deceased Veterans inscribed on the Wall. For additional information or to volunteer to help, please call Tom Grote (226-7136 or 984-5876) or email twgrote@cox.net.

The greatest among you must be your servant.

— Matthew 23:11

Feast of All Saints

We remind you that this **Tuesday, November 1st**, is the Feast of All Saints, and a holyday of obligation. We will have Mass at 7:30 a.m. that day, as usual.

Food for the Journey

The Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette presents “Food for the Journey”, a monthly lunch-time speaker series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. The speaker will be **Rev. Robert Seay, OFM**, Pastor of St Paul The Apostle Church, Lafayette. “Food for the Journey” will be held on **Tuesday, November 1**, at Crown Plaza Hotel, 1801 W. Pinhook Rd., beginning just after 12:00 noon. An optional buffet lunch is available at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$12.00 and includes meal, drink and tip. All are welcome—come “eat and be fed”. Pre-registration is not required. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron (654-8682)

Grief Workshop

Sarah Brabant, Ph. D. will speak on death and grief issues at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Maurice from 6:30—8:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, November 15, 2011**. Dr. Brabant is the author of the book, “**Mending the Torn Fabric: For those Who Grieve and Those Who Want to Help Them**”. This presentation is suitable for both those who are grieving and those wishing to help them. No registration and no fees. For information, please contact Janeth Harrington (337-258-0078 or JHarrington@diolaf.org).

Married Couples: Look at the Calendar

It’s time for that 5 year tune-up! We would never expect a car to run smoothly forever without a tune-up, so why do we expect our marriage relationship to keep running smoothly without a little maintenance? The World Marriage Encounter weekend gives married couples the tools to keep their relationship in top running condition. The next weekend is **November 11-13, 2011** at the Bishop Tracy Center in Baton Rouge. Call (800) 586-5469 or 225-752-5084 or go on-line registration at www.wwme-nogl.com

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God’s Generosity to Us
Offeritory.....\$ 2,456.38
World Missions.....\$ 498.58

Thank You!

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

Liturgical Roles for November 2011

| Date | Saturday, November 5 4:00 p.m. | Sunday, November 6 8:30 a.m. | Sunday, November 6 10:00 a.m. |
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| Lectors | Geri Fuselier | Melinda Voorhies | Linda Garber |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Candis Thompson George Eaton Peggy Spruill | Sandra LaGrange Larry Lewis Judy LeBlanc | Jerry Boudreaux Dee Boudreaux Debra Carroll |
| Server | Alockie Noel | Glenn LaGrange | Phyllis Roy |
| Ushers | Harold Guilbeau Oren Spruill | Keith Toups Anne Pitre | Jenny Feehan Lionel Jeanmard |

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14
 Tuesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24, 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
 Wednesday: Suggested: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or
 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40
 Thursday: Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10
 Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8
 Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15
 Sunday: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63; 1 Thes 4:13-18
 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

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From the Pastor's Desk

It's a Wednesday, probably not that different from any other Wednesday. You get up in the morning and set about preparing for the day. Get the kids off to school, get the dog to the vet. Go to work. Show up for that doctor's appointment. Pick up the dry cleaning, and stop for groceries. Maybe have coffee with a friend, or make plans to finally finish up that big project at work. Busy, busy, busy, lots to do. Finally, you're home. Maybe there's a game on, maybe the laundry has piled up, maybe the kids are coming over for supper, maybe the grass needs cutting. It's a day not that different from any other Wednesday.

So. Where was God in all this? Did he get a fleeting thought? Hopefully there were at least a few minutes in prayer to start the day. Perhaps there was a fleeting moment of gratitude, when you noticed the sky was blue, or the breeze was cool. Or, perhaps at the end of the day, it was more about self-congratulation at having accomplished so much and survived the day?

Precisely in that scenario of daily life, or whatever your daily life looks like, do we discover the importance of Sunday Mass. It is precisely with a view toward those ordinary, often busy days that we gather for just an hour or so, at least once a week, to celebrate the Eucharist.

We go to great lengths to stress the sacramental presence of God in the celebration of the Eucharist, and rightly so. That four-fold presence in priest and people, Word and Sacrament is a unique and special way that our God comes to us week after week. It becomes a school of God's presence and power in our lives, as we gather with the community of faith to celebrate our salvation in Christ.

But if we leave God at the church door, and proceed to go about our lives as if God barely existed, then we've missed the boat. God desires to dwell in our hearts, not just for that hour on Sunday, but throughout the week, in every hour of every day.

But that's hard. When our thoughts are occupied with all the tasks of daily life, it is so easy to let God slide into the background. The fact is that we need a time, on at least a weekly basis, when we put everything else aside, and focus our hearts on his presence and his love. And yet some times, even setting aside that single hour seems difficult for us. Or if we do show up, we don't bother to stay until the end, because obviously we've got more important things to do.

The goal is to make Wednesday more like Sunday, rather than make Sunday more like Wednesday.

Fr. Keith