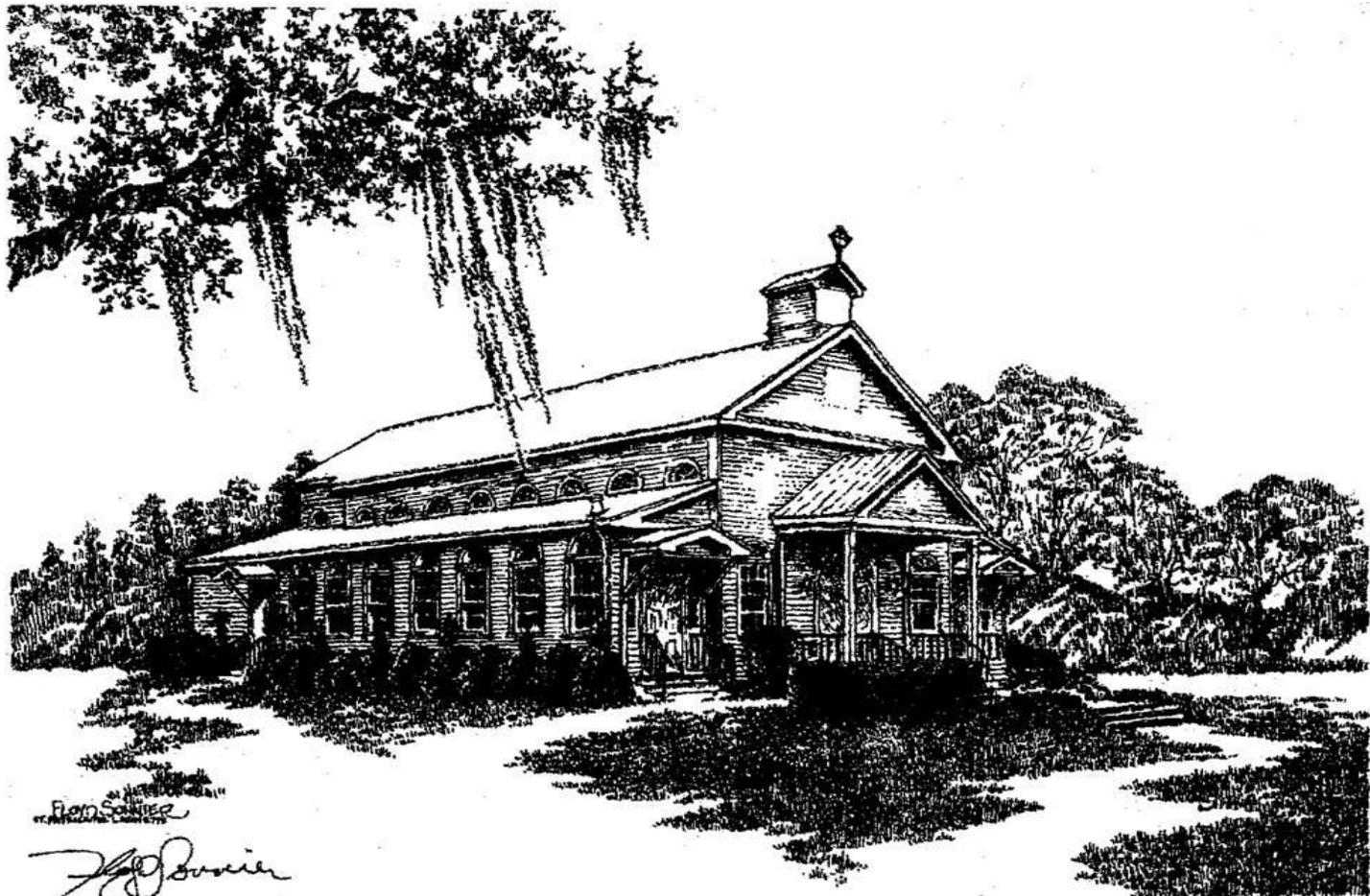


# St. Patrick Catholic Church

*February 28, 2021—Second Sunday of Lent*



L'Église St. Patrick

### Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m. – 12 noon

### Holy Mass

Saturday: 4 p.m. – Sunday: 8:30 & 10 a.m.

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.

Holydays of Obligation: 7:30 a.m. only

### Confessions

Saturday: 3– 3:30 p.m. and Weekdays: 7-7:25 a.m. (and by appointment)

#### Baptisms

To schedule a baptism, please call the parish office. One or more meetings with the pastor will be necessary.

#### Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is for those who are gravely ill or in danger of death. Call a priest to arrange a visit.

#### Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance to allow time for preparation and planning.

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# Welcome to St. Patrick Church

## Second Sunday of Lent

February 28, 2021

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Saturday, February 27--Second Sunday of Lent

**4 p.m.:** Dr. & Mrs. Walter Comeaux, Sr.; Dr. Leonard & Betty Rolfes; Rachel Broussard Stevens; M/M Eugene Montagnet; M/M J. Hitter; M/M J.S. Brown

#### Sunday, February 28--Second Sunday of Lent

**7:30 a.m.:** Terry Pellerin, Sr.

**8:30 a.m.:** Glen & Cathy Stutes; Joseph Boudreaux; Michelle Vallot; Frederick Vallot, Jr. (living)

**10 a.m.:** Parishioners of St. Patrick

#### Monday, March 1--Lenten Weekday

**7:30 a.m.:** Deaney Nezat

#### Tuesday, March 2--Lenten Weekday

**7:30 a.m.:** Rachel Broussard Stevens



#### A Lenten Day of Prayer for Women

At Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat Center

#### “Fasting, Almsgiving, Prayer”

Presented by Fr. Lou McCabe, S.J.

**Tuesday, March 9, 2021** from 8:30 a.m.; concluding with Mass at 2:15 p.m.

Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House, Grand Coteau, LA Cost: \$25.00

Limited Capacity—Masks are required.

Pre-registration is required

To register, please fill out a reservation form and mail it in with the \$25.00 fee or register on line at: [www.ourladyoftheoaks.com](http://www.ourladyoftheoaks.com)

For more information, call the office at (337) 662-5410 x 200.

#### A NEW IDEA

Everybody thinks of changing humanity; nobody thinks of changing themselves.

—Leo Tolstoy

#### Wednesday, March 3--St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

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

#### Thursday, March 4--St. Casimir

**7:30 p.m.:** Larry Kreamer; Melanie Boudreaux Spano

#### Friday, March 5--Lenten Weekday

**7:30 a.m.:** Dr. Charles Stewart

Friday—7:05 a.m.



If God is for us, who can be against us?  
—Romans 8:31b

#### Online giving at St. Patrick's

For your convenience, you may give to St Patrick's – a one-time gift or set up recurring giving – through an online giving service called Parish Give 52. Go to our parish website at [stpat.org](http://stpat.org) and look for the link (in green): Give to St. Patrick's Online. Clicking on it will take you to a secure website, where you can set up your giving. Be sure to select “170 – St. Patrick, Lafayette” as your affiliated church parish, then enter your payment information to set up your online giving. Thank you for supporting our parish with the gift of your time, your talent, and your treasure.

#### THE ART OF LISTENING

If you want God to listen to you when you pray, shouldn't you listen to God when God speaks to you?

—Anonymous



*The Lenten Schedule of Masses is:*

**Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m.**  
**Way of the Cross: Fridays 7:05 a.m.**

**Living Lent: A Living Grace**

A Lenten mini-mission entitled Living Lent: A Living Grace will be held at St. Patrick’s Church in Lafayette on **Tuesday evening, March 16 from 6-7:30 p.m.** A repeat session will be held on **Thursday morning, March 18 from 9-10:30 a.m.** The three presenters – Dr. Brent Prather, Al and Susan Cain – are all retreat directors at Our Lady of the Oaks in Grand Coteau and members of St. Patrick’s Parish. The session will consist of three presentations, followed by time for quiet reflection, on the topics of prayer, sacrifice, and works of charity, and how the graces of these traditional Lenten practices contribute to the building up of the Kingdom of God. St. Patrick’s pastor, Fr. Joshua Guillory, invites you to join us for light refreshments and conversation at the close of the session.

**Prayer in a Time of Pandemic**

O God of compassion,  
your people are anxious  
in this time of pandemic.

Send your Holy Spirit among us  
to dispel our fears.

We cry out to you in our confusion;  
comfort us in our affliction.

Grant our leaders wisdom to guide us.  
Strengthen and sustain those who are ill,  
and be with those who care for them.

Help us to travel this road  
in solidarity with our neighbors,  
with our eyes fixed on the salvation  
promised us through the death and resurrection  
of your Son,  
who is Lord forever and ever.  
Amen.

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**Holy Hour for Vocations**

You are invited to the monthly “Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests” on **Monday, March 2**, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 406 E. Pinhook Road. Recitation of the Rosary begins at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in these prayers for vocations and perseverance of vocations to the priesthood and religious life sponsored by the Serra Club of Lafayette.

**February Mass Schedule**

There will be no changes in our weekend Mass schedule through the month of February. Masses are on **Saturday at 4 p.m.** and **Sunday at 7:30, 8:30, and 10 a.m.** Please bear in mind that the Sunday morning 7:30 a.m. Mass is a *temporary* accommodation during this period.

**Requirement to Wear Masks**

Since the State of Louisiana now requires the use of face coverings in public gatherings, and in light of the Bishop of Lafayette’s appeal to use masks, those who attend Mass are to wear the recommended face covering. If you attend Mass, you must wear a mask.

**Year of St. Joseph—Diocese of Lafayette**

One hundred and fifty years ago, Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph as the Universal Patron of the Church. In light of this anniversary, Bishop Deshotel has established a year of St. Joseph in the Diocese of Lafayette from **August 16th, 2020 until May 1st, 2021.**

**Retrouvaille**

Marriage Help—*Retrouvaille* has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on **March 5-7**, call 985-232-5963 or visit: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

**Lost and Found**

Forgot something in church? Can't find those glasses, prayer books, gloves, hats, scarves, rosaries, etc.? Be sure to check the lost and found basket, located in the back of the church near the stairs. Personal items left behind are placed there for you to reclaim them.

**Stewardship of the Past Week**

Our response to God’s generosity to us  
Offerings .....\$ 3,508.00  
Black & Indian Missions \$ 696.00

*Thank You!!*

The second collection next weekend will be for **St. Patrick’s Building and Maintenance Fund.**

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

This year, 2021, St. Patrick Church celebrates its diamond anniversary: our church building, built in 1946, will be 75 years old. Faithful to my promise of monthly updates about our parish projects and reminders about how you might contribute to them, here's the second project update and reminder:

You may have noticed the arrival of a huge piece of machinery near our parking lot, where the rectory used to be. Weather permitting, cleanup of the our parish properties should begin very soon, thanks to the generosity of our parishioner, Mr. Pat Talley, of Le Talley-Ho Construction. I'm very grateful to Pat for his kind service, which brings our parish significant savings.

Another small improvement: one of the broken windows on the Pinhook side of the church (in the back) has been repaired and replaced. The one in the center of the church is proving more difficult, since the wooden mullions were damaged, and we've got to find a carpenter who can repair/rebuild these fine pieces. Any ideas?

I met with our architect and general contractor this past Tuesday, and we're making good progress on refining the scope of the work to be done on the church and the parish office, identifying where we can save money while still doing what needs to be done. I'm encouraged by their hard work and professionalism. I'll be reviewing these matters with our parish finance council in short order.

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I'll repeat here what I've mentioned before about your financial support of our parish projects and how you can contribute to these worthwhile efforts:

Please bear in mind that the first collection at every weekend Mass is the primary way that our parish has to meet its expenses and ensure that its mission is stable and secure. So I ask that you continue to commit to the regular first collection as you always have in the past.

On the first Sunday of each month, the second collection is dedicated to St. Patrick's building and maintenance concerns. It is *this collection* that I am asking you to support *in a special way*. By that, I mean by giving more or extra to this particular collection over the next two years. The next opportunity is next Sunday, March 7.

Now, since we are celebrating St. Patrick's 75th anniversary in 2021 and 2022, you may wish to think in terms of 75, maybe contributing an additional \$75 per month to the second collection for our building fund. Or maybe you'll discern prayerfully making a gift of \$750 or \$7,500 or \$75,000 ... as a single gift or divided up over the next year or two.

Whatever you decide to give our parish in support of our projects will be received with gratitude and appreciation. I repeat my offer to discuss in person with anyone how you or your household might contribute to this necessary and important work for the life of our parish.

Let us pray that St. Patrick's 75th anniversary will mark a new era of faith and grace in the life of our city, our diocese, and our parish.

*Fr. Guillory*

