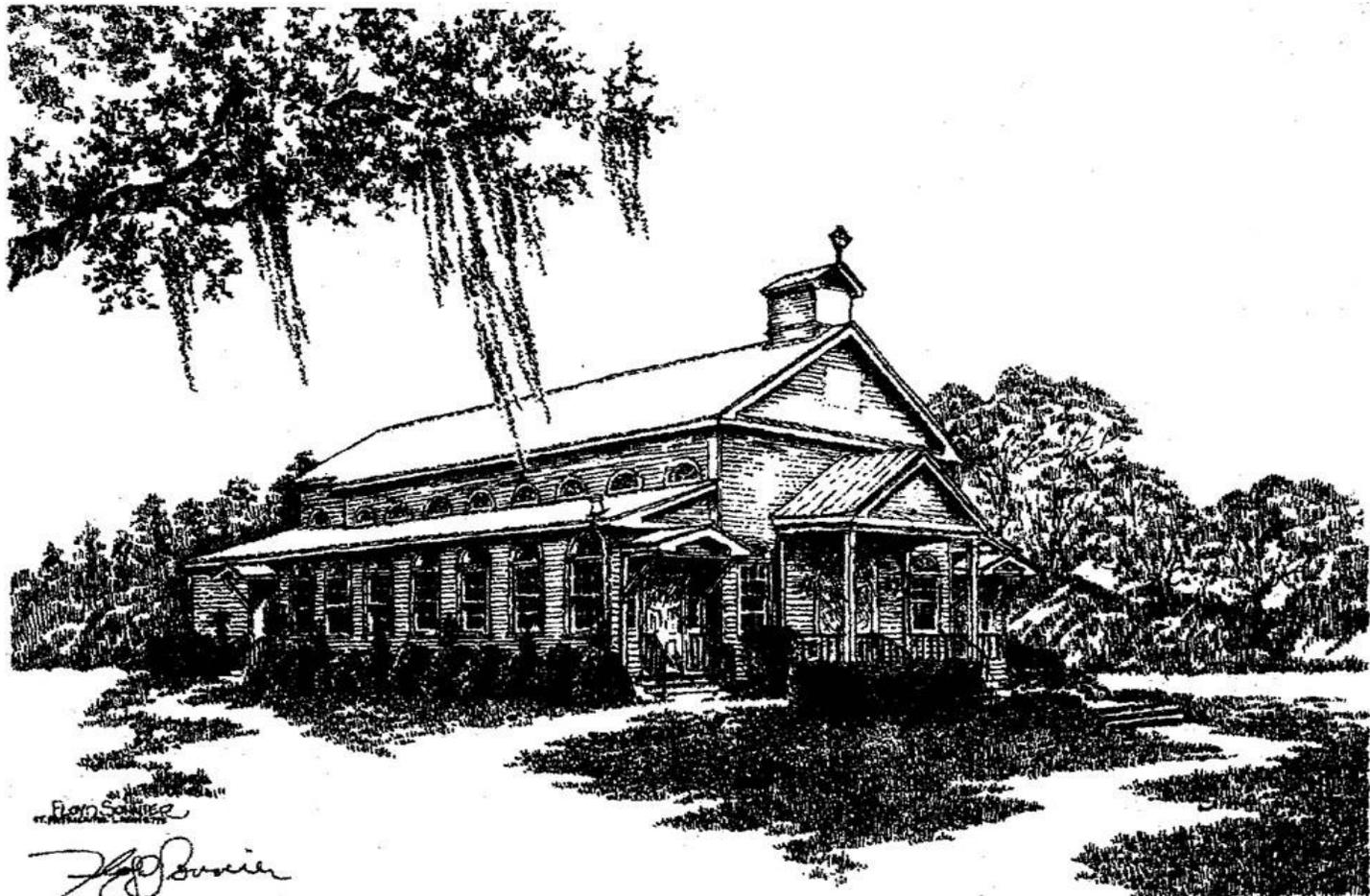


St. Patrick Catholic Church

April 18, 2021 — Third Sunday of Easter



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: 3:20-3:50 p.m. and Weekdays: 7-7:25 a.m. (and by appointment)

Baptisms	Anointing of the Sick	Weddings
<p>To schedule a baptism, please call the parish office. One or more meetings with the pastor will be necessary.</p>	<p>This sacrament is for those who are gravely ill or in danger of death. Call a priest to arrange a visit.</p>	<p>Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance to allow time for preparation and planning.</p>

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Welcome to St. Patrick Church

Third Sunday of Easter

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 17--Third Sunday of Easter

4 p.m.: Dr. & Mrs. Walter Comeaux, Sr.;
Dr. Leonard & Betty Rolfes; Ron, Wallace &
Romaine Venable; Bart, Jules & Isola LeJeune;
Jimmy Kramer; C. J. Breaux

Sunday, April 18--Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m.: Terry Pellerin, Sr.; Michelle
Vallot; Frederick Vallot, Jr. (living); Fr. Joe
Breaux; Fr. Keith LaBove

10 a.m.: Parishioners of St. Patrick

Monday, April 19--Easter Weekday

7:30 a.m.: George Crane, Jr.

Tuesday, April 20--Easter Weekday

7:30 a.m.: Jimmy Kreamer

You alone, O LORD,
bring security to my dwelling.
— Psalm 4:9

Wednesday, April 21--Easter Weekday

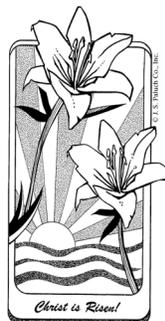
7:30 a.m.: Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne; Col.
Clark Comeaux & Catherine (living); Col. Kimberly
Fedele (living)

Thursday, April 22--Easter Weekday

7:30 a.m.: Larry Kreamer; Melanie Boudreaux
Spano

Friday, April 23--Easter Weekday

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



Easter Flowers

In Loving Memory of:

Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne
Pierre & Monty Montagnet
M/M Joseph Landry
Drozda Family

Requirement to Wear Masks

The State of Louisiana still 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 should wear the recommended face covering.

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 under the table. Personal items left behind are placed there for you to reclaim.



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 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.

NATURE'S LESSONS

Believe one who has tried, you shall find a fuller satisfaction in the woods than in books. The trees and the rocks will teach you that which you cannot hear from the masters.

~ St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Mother's Day of Reflection

The Annual Mother's Day of Reflection will be held on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at the Immaculata Center (1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette 70501). Join us as Laura Huval, founder of Joyful Noise Ministries, discusses "Scripture & Song" and "Overwhelmed: How to Let Go." The day will begin promptly at 9 a.m. and end at 2 p.m. The cost for the day is \$25.00, which includes your lunch and materials for the day. Pre-registration is required no later than April 30. For more information call 337-261-5653 Pre-registration required by April 30th.

Not What Was Expected

Have you ever waited for something for so long you began to think it might never happen? Your graduation day, or the day of your marriage, or the birth of a child, perhaps. The Israelites had waited for centuries for the coming of the Messiah. Yet when Jesus, the long-awaited Anointed One came, many failed to believe in him. He wasn't what they expected. The Messiah was supposed to be a strong, powerful commander of armies, not humble, compassionate, and suffering. After his resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples and explained all that he had said in his time with them, opening their minds to what had been written in the scriptures so that they could accept his suffering and death and rejoice in his resurrection.

Remember Me Not

Support group for caregivers, family, and friends of individuals with dementia/Alzheimer's. Meetings are held three times a month; two in-person and one teleconference. Covid safety protocols are followed for the in-person sessions. Masks and social distancing are mandatory. Second Tuesdays of each month are in-person; 10 a.m. at Hospice of Acadiana (337-232-1234 for more information) and 6:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Church (235-1483 for more information). The third Monday of each month will be a teleconference at 6:30 p.m. Dial toll free: 617-675-4444, Pin # 113 330 623 0504#, Simply hang up when you are finished.

Martyrdom

It is not the suffering but the cause that makes the martyr.

—English proverb

April Mass Schedule

Our weekend Mass schedule will resume as usual: **Saturday at 4 p.m.** and **Sunday at 8:30 and 10 a.m.**

Saturday Confession Times

Confession times on Saturday afternoons are changing. Effective Saturday, April 10, confessions will be from 3:20-3:50 p.m.

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 16, 2020 until May 1, 2021.**

Prayer to St. Joseph by St. Francis de Sales

Glorious St. Joseph, spouse of the Virgin Mary, we beseech you through the Heart of Jesus Christ, grant to us your fatherly protection. O you whose power reaches all our necessities and who knows how to make possible the most impossible things, open your fatherly eyes to the needs of your children. In the confusion and pain which press upon us, we have recourse to you with confidence. Deign to take beneath your charitable guidance this important and difficult affair, the cause of our worries, and make that its happy outcome serve for the glory of God and the good of his devoted servants. Amen.

Second Collection Next Weekend

Next week, we will take up the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Stewardship of the Past Week

The offertory collection for last weekend will be published in next week's bulletin.

The second collection this weekend is for:
Bishop's Services Appeal (BSA).

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Patricians! *Happy Easter!*

Next Sunday, April 25, is the fourth Sunday of Easter, commonly called *Good Shepherd Sunday*, since the Gospel for that Sunday is taken from the tenth chapter of St. John's Gospel, where Jesus reveals Himself to be the good shepherd: "I am the good shepherd ... and I will lay down my life for the sheep ... and there will be one flock, one shepherd."

I hope you won't hold it against me, as shepherd of the little flock of St. Patrick's, if I am away from you for a few days over Good Shepherd Sunday, to take some time for rest and relaxation. If my plans hold, I'll be enjoying the out-of-doors for a week or so, driving north to Toledo Bend and then into Arkansas, to breathe in the pleasant spring air of April, before the heat of summer is upon us in earnest. In my stead, some other good shepherds will come to St. Patrick's to offer Mass during my time away. Fr. Jude Halphen, Fr. Gil Dutel, Fr. Kevin Bordelon, and Fr. Jared Suire will be here on different days.

Good Shepherd Sunday is always a good time to reflect on how the Lord has given us the sacrament of holy orders, and specifically the priesthood, to ensure His presence to His flock and to feed them with the food of life, the holy Eucharist. It is through the ministry of faithful priests that the Lord Jesus speaks to His flock, who hear His voice and follow Him.

Personally, I am very thankful for the good priests whom God has sent into my life, men of faith and prayer, real shepherds, who inspired and encouraged my vocation to the priesthood. I am blessed now to call these same men my friends, my brother priests. I think, too, of the good shepherds who first gave me the sacraments: the priest who baptized me; the one who heard my first confession; the priest who gave me my first holy communion; the bishop who confirmed me. All of these men have since gone to their reward, and I pray the Lord to show His mercy to them who once were ministers of His mercy.

So on this Good Shepherd Sunday, I ask your prayers for me and for all priests, that we may remain faithful to call we have received from the Lord Jesus to be His priests and to shepherd His flock along the ways of truth, holiness, and righteousness that lead to the kingdom of God, for the Lord has promised to give us shepherds after His own heart, to feed His people with knowledge and understanding (Jer 3:15).

Fr. Guillory



Loving God, you have blessed your people through all generations. Continue to bless us as we lift our needs to you. Listen to our prayers and grant our needs through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord.