

SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

PORT SULPHUR, LOUISIANA

Father Gerard P. Stapleton, Pastor

Reverend Patrick Becnel, Deacon

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 A.M.

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Tuesdays 6:00 P.M.

Mass & Novena to Our  
Lady of Perpetual Help

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Thursdays 6 P.M.
Mass & Hour of Prayer

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## Weekend Mass Schedule

### Saturday

4:30 P.M.

### Sunday

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

Confessions 30 minutes be-  
fore all Masses

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(504) 289-3517

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Second Collection 1st

Sunday of every Month.

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Parish Support Staff:

Director of Religious Education Clara Frelich
Secretary Jane Frierson



Readings Week of November 29, 2009

Sunday	Jeremiah 33.14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.2; Luke 21.25-28,34-36
Monday	Romans 10.9-18; Matthew 4.18-22
Tuesday	Isaiah 11.1-10; Luke 10.21-24
Wednesday	Isaiah 25.6-10; Matthew 15.29-37
Thursday	Isaiah 26.1-6; Matthew 7.21, 24-27
Friday	Isaiah 29.17-24; Matthew 9.27-31
Saturday	Isaiah 30.19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9.35-10.1, 5, 6-8

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Mission Statement

We, the Parish Family of St Patrick, which includes former parishioners of St Jude, St Joseph, St Ann, St Anthony, and Our Lady of Good Harbor, joyfully celebrate around the table of the Lord Jesus Christ the love and the beauty of our God and who we are as people on a faith journey. Conscious of our baptismal call, we proclaim God's word, in fidelity to our tradition, to believer and non-believer alike. We seek to give prophetic witness to our faith by striving to be a servant community of welcome and hospitality, of reconciliation and forgiveness, of compassion and hope.

November 29, 2009
First Sunday of Advent



Long ago, God placed a tree in the garden of paradise as his gift to all human beings, a tree of wisdom and knowledge and laden with every good thing. Our Christmas Tree reminds us of that tree. Long ago too, God's kindness appeared in the coming of Christ, who is our hope of eternal life. This tree is a sign of Christ's blessings.



Mass Intentions

**Nov 28 4:30pm Julia Savoy
Charles Woods, Jr**

Nov 29 8:00am For the People

**10:00am Tammy Matte Adam
Elena & Charles Smith Sr**

Dec 5 4:30pm For the People

Dec 6 8:00am For the People

**10:00am Tammy Matte Adam
Herman & Andrew Smith
Rusty Ronquillo**



Announcements & Upcoming Events

Nov 30 6:30pm Rosary at Ms Earline's house Diamond

Dec 1 7:00pm BINGO

Dec 2 9:00am Rosary at Just Next Door

Dec 5 Breakfast with Santa-Tickets \$3.00

Dec 5 4-8pm KC's Blood Drive

Dec 6 11:15am First Communion Meeting

Dec 7 6:30pm Rosary at Ms Earline's house Diamond

Dec 9 9:00am Rosary at Just Next Door

Dec 14 6:30pm Rosary at Ms Earline's house Diamond

Dec 15 7:00pm BINGO

Dec 16 9:00am Rosary at Just Next Door

Dec 16 KC's Meeting

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of **Julia Savoy and Charles Woods, Jr.** during the month of December.



The Altar Flowers this week were donated in loving memory of **Beatrice and Bienville Bartholomew.**



The Mass is a beautiful prayer that can be offered up for a deceased loved one. Please call the rectory for scheduling information.



Flowers are an excellent way to remember a deceased loved one's birthday or anniversary. Please call the rectory for more information.

Administration of the Sacraments

Baptism

To schedule Baptisms, please call the church office. Godparents and parents must attend a Baptismal Seminar prior to the Baptism.

Penance

The Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation is offered before every mass.

Marriage

Arrangements for Christian Marriage should be made at least 6 months prior to the planned date of the wedding, by the couple, in person. Please do not set your date without first checking with the St Patrick Parish Office to be sure that date is available.

Ministry to the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office concerning hospitalized and homebound parishioners wishing to receive sacraments or parish visits. Contact the Rectory @564-6792.

Funerals

Family of the deceased should contact the rectory prior to making any arrangements. We realize that this is a very emotional time for the family, but the time that Church is available for the service must be taken into consideration.

Attend Mass Regularly

Don't wait for 6 strong men to take you to church.



First Week of Advent

All powerful God,
Increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection:

Advent is a season of joyful hope in Christ's coming for us. How can I prepare a peaceful place in my heart for Jesus' birth during this hectic time of year? How can I express my joyful hope in His coming?

CCD Updates

—No Classes on Dec 20th or Dec 27th.
—Parents of the 9th & 10th grade religion students are asked to come to religion class on Dec 6th for a meeting on Confirmation service hours & info.
—Meeting Dec 6th at 11:15am for those interested in making First Communion.

Our Sacrificial Offerings

We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving.

Last Week's Collection\$2345.90

Campaign for Human Development..... \$345.00

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