

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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Fr Gerry's Cell Phone

(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 13, 2009

Sunday	Zephaniah 3.14-18; Philippians 4.4-7; Luke 3.10-18
Monday	Numbers 24.2-7, 15-17; Matthew 21.23-27
Tuesday	Zephaniah 3.1-2, 9-13; Matthew 21.28-32
Wednesday	Isaiah 45.6-8 18, 21-25; Luke 7.19-23
Thursday	Genesis 49.2, 8-10; Matthew 1.1-17
Friday	Jeremiah 23.5-8; Matthew 1.18-24
Saturday	Judges 13.2-7, 24-25; Luke 1.5-25

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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.

December 13, 2009
Third Sunday of Advent



As we clean and prepare our homes this Christmas season, let us also prepare our hearts in anticipation of the Lord's coming. Christ, our most honored and eagerly anticipated guest, desires to meet with us in a heart prepared for His arrival. So eager is He to meet with us that He offers to help us with our spiritual housecleaning, working with us; creating a resting place for Himself within our hearts.—Katherine Walden



Mass Intentions

Dec 12	4:30pm	Bonnie Brandon
Dec 13	8:00am	For the People
	10:00am	Terry Verdin Dinky Hingle Leola & Charles Smith Jr. Tammy Matte Adam
Dec 19	4:30pm	For the People
Dec 20	8:00am	Marcella Ancar Thomas Ancar Sr Rochon Barthelemy Romel Barthelemy
	10:00am	Harry & Eunice Griener Harry Gallet Tammy Matte Adam



Announcements & Upcoming Events

Dec 14	6:30pm	Rosary at Ms Earline's house Diamond
Dec 15		NO BINGO
Dec 16	9:00am	Rosary at Just Next Door
Dec 16		KC's Meeting
Dec 21	6:30pm	Rosary at Ms Earline's house Diamond
Dec 23	9:00am	Rosary at Just Next Door

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass	5pm
Midnight Mass	12am
Christmas Day	8am & 10am

New Year's Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve	6pm
New Year's Day	10am & 6pm

Peace starts with a Smile.

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



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.



Third Week of Advent

Prayer:

Lord God,

may we your people,

who look forward to the birthday of Christ

experience the joy of salvation

and celebrate that feast with love and thanksgiving.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your

Son,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection: What are some of the gifts in my life I can be joyful about?

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.

Our Sacrificial Offerings

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

Last Week's Collection\$2391.50

Dec. 8.....708.33

Thank you for your generosity!