

# 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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Rectory: (504) 564-6792

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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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[portsulphurcatholics.com](http://portsulphurcatholics.com)



### **Parish Support Staff:**

**Director of Religious Education** Clara Frelich

**Secretary**

Jane Frierson



## **Readings** Week of August 23, 2009

### **Sunday**

Joshua 24.1-2, 15-17, 18; Ephesians 4.32-5.2, 21-32; John 6.53, 60-69

### **Monday**

Revelation 21.9-14; John 1.45-51

### **Tuesday**

1 Thessalonians 2.1-8; Matthew 23.23-26

### **Wednesday**

1 Thessalonians 2.9-13; Matthew 23.27-32

### **Thursday**

1 Thessalonians 3.7-13; Matthew 24.42-51

### **Friday**

1 Thessalonians 4.1-8; Matthew 25.1-13

### **Saturday**

Jeremiah 1.17-19; Mark 6.17-29

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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.

*August 23, 2009*

*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*



*Don't let your worries get the best of you, remember, Moses started out as a basket case.*



**Mass Intentions**

|        |         |                                     |
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| Aug 22 | 4:30pm  | M/M P Jo Parker                     |
| Aug 23 | 8:00am  | For the People                      |
|        | 10:00am | M/M P Jo Parker<br>Vivian Granich   |
| Aug 29 | 4:30pm  | For the People                      |
| Aug 30 | 8:00am  | M/M P Jo Parker<br>Saunida Lorraine |
|        | 10:00am | Vincent Ancar                       |



**Announcements & Upcoming Events**

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| Aug 24 | 6:30pm | Rosary at Ms Earline's house Diamond |
| Aug 26 | 9:00am | Rosary at "Just Next Door"           |
| Aug 31 | 6:30pm | Rosary at Ms Earline's house Diamond |
| Sept 1 | 7:00pm | BINGO                                |
| Sept 2 | 9:00am | Rosary at "Just Next Door"           |



A six year old comes crying to his Mother because his little sister pulled his hair. "Don't be angry," the Mother says, "Your little sister doesn't realize that pulling hair hurts."

A short while later, there's more crying, and the Mother goes to investigate. This time the sister is bawling and her brother says... "Now she knows."



If anyone has information or pictures you would like to share with our church community, please visit the St Patrick website @portsulphurcatholics.com.

St Patrick's choir would like new members. Please call Danny Fremin at 504-912-3779, or come to practice at 9:15 on Sunday mornings before 10 o'clock Mass.



We also are very much in need of an organ player—please let us know if you are interested. Joining the choir is an excellent way for you to share one of the gifts our Lord has endowed you with.

**Thanks to all workers and donors for supporting the Empire Tarpon Rodeo. St Patrick Church received a donation of \$800.00.**

**2 Single Crypts are for sale in St Patrick Mausoleum. Please call: (504) 393-2118 for more information.**

**CCD Classes**

Registration began last week for Catechism Classes. Classes resume Sunday, Sept 06 at 8:45am and 9:45am. Please register soon.



If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory of a loved one or friend, please call the rectory.

**The Year for Priests  
June 2009-June 2010**



**Prayer for Vocations**

Good and gracious God hear our prayers for an increase in Priestly vocations. Touch the hearts of young men in our world today. Instill in them a burning desire to serve You. Give them the courage to answer Your call with generous hearts.

Reveal to them a vision of Your Kingdom. Help them to see the joy of Priestly Ministry, Lead them in the footsteps of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

We ask You to bless our Seminarians and guide them on the path toward Priesthood. Strengthen them as they are educated and formed in the duties and responsibilities of the Priesthood. Help them to become faithful servants and leaders in the Church today.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

**Our Sacrificial Offerings**

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

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| Last Week's Collection ..... | \$2119.60 |
| Assumption Collection.....   | 535.00    |

**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.