



St Patrick Catholic Church

December 25, 2025

Nativity of the Lord



Daily Mass Schedule

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Tues, Wed, Fri

8:00 a.m.

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Thurs 5:00 p.m.

Followed by Adoration

5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

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### Weekend Mass

#### St Patrick

Saturday

4:00 p.m.

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

#### St Ann

1st Saturday of Month Only

Mass & Rosary 9:30 a.m.

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Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses

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Second Collection 1st

Sunday of Month

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Facebook listed as **St Patrick Catholic Church Port Sulphur**

## Pastor's Christmas Message

Dear St. Patrick's Parishioners,

We have come again to the feast of the Nativity of the Lord, a feast that reminds us of the central reality of existence. Christmas reminds us that Jesus came in human form, yet divine, to accomplish what no one else could, to make our lives meaningful. In the tenderness of God revealed in the Manger, divinity met humility, and God's love came down to bring us hope in our weary world. May the love of God shining on the Manger keep touching our lives and add meaning and purpose through gifts of peace and joy. Within our families and as a parish family, in our liturgies, may we live to share and celebrate these beautiful gifts from the newborn child and be empowered to make disciples of the newborn King who are rooted in faith and the Gospel.

## Merry Christmas!

Fr. Lawrence





## Welcome & Announcements

Good (Evening/morning), and welcome! We are glad you are with us today as we gather as one for the

holy sacrifice of the Mass on the Feast of the Nativity of the Lord. If you are new to St. Patrick's and would like to become a parishioner, registration forms are at the back of the church, or call the parish office, or email us.

**Church Office Closed:** The church office will be closed from December 19 through January 2nd in observance of Christmas and New Year's.

**Religious Education:** Classes will resume the weekend of January 3rd. Beginning in January, the 7th-12th-grade religious education classes will meet after the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. If you would like to attend on Sunday, students are welcome to join the 5th and 6th-grade classes.

**Music Ministry:** Choir practice is every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. New members are invited to join our choir.

**Bible Study:** The Bible study group meets every Wednesday from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. New members are invited to join.

### 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.

### Vision Statement

To be a loving and united parish community of fishers of men and women, to make disciples of the Lord, rooted in faith and the Gospel.

### Parish Support Staff

#### Directors of Religious Education

Clara Frelich      Jessica Cognevich

**Administrator** Destinee Turner

**Music Director** Hunter Galmiche

### Christmas & New Year Schedule

**Christmas Eve** Wednesday, Dec 24  
Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

**Christmas Day** Thursday Dec 25  
Mass at 9:00 a.m.

**New Year's Day** Thursday Jan 1



### December Monthly Finances

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Collections/Donations:</b> | <b>Expenses: CCD Building</b> | <b>\$19,650</b> |
| \$2,377                       | A/C                           | 25,000          |
| <b>Deficit: \$ 9,749</b>      | <b>Monthly Bills</b>          | <b>6,000</b>    |



The **Sanctuary Light** will burn this week in loving memory of **Emelda Lafrance Williams.**

**Sanctuary Lights** burn by the Tabernacle to show the real presence of Jesus (Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity) in the Eucharist. You may request that a sanctuary light burn in memory of a deceased loved one, in honor of a birthday, anniversary or any special event. The light burns for a 7 day period (Saturday-Friday) and a donation of \$10.00 is suggested.



The **Sacrament of the Mass** is a beautiful prayer that can be offered up for a deceased loved one or friend. For more information, please contact the church office.



**Christmas Eve Mass is offered for the Parishioners of St Patrick and St Ann.**

**Christmas Day and New Year's Mass Intentions are on a separate sheet.**

### A CHRISTMAS LETTER FROM JESUS

If you look for me at Christmas,  
You won't need a special star.  
I'm no longer just in Bethlelem,  
I'm right there where you are.

You may not be aware of me  
Amid the celebrations.  
You'll have to look beyond the stores  
And all the decorations.

But if you take a moment  
From your list of things to do  
And listen to your heart, you'll find  
I'm waiting there for you.

You're the one I want to be with,  
You're the reason that I came,  
And you'll find me in the stillness  
As I'm whispering your name.

Love, Jesus

Author Unknown

### 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 @504-564-6792.

**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. We wish to accommodate everyone and welcome all ministers. All family members and ministers must address the family prior to the start of mass.

**Cemetery:** Proper license, insurance, permits and contracts needed prior to