

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.

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

Cemetery

Proper license, insurance, permits and contracts needed prior to work performed in cemetery.

The first week of Advent is "Hope"

"Hope is the dream of a soul awake."—French Proverb

"Never let go of hope. One day you will see that it all has finally come together. What you have always wished for has finally come to be. You will look back and laugh at what has passed and you will ask yourself... 'How did I get through all of that?'"—Unknown



Advent, the beginning of the liturgical year in the Catholic Church, is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas. It was historically known as "little Lent," because, like Lent, it is a time of repentance, with prayer, fasting, and Confession.

On the first Sunday of Advent, the first purple (or violet) candle is lit. This is called the "Prophecy Candle" and recalls the prophets, particularly Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Jesus Christ. It represents hope or expectation of the coming Messiah. -Catholic.org

ST PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST ANN MISSION

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1 2019



FATHER GERARD P. STAPLETON, PASTOR

ALGIERS - PLAQUEMINES DEANERY

VERY REVEREND JOHN F. TALAMO V.F.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44
Monday Isaiah 4:2-6; Matthew 8:5-11
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, 5-8

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.

Parish Staff:	Pastor	Father Gerard P. Stapleton
	Director of Religious Education	Clara Frelich
	Administrative Assistant	Doreen Davis
	Secretary	Destinee Turner

Our Sacrificial Offerings

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

Last Week's Collection\$2795.00

Thank you for your generosity.



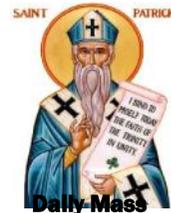
 **Sanctuary Lights** burn by the Tabernacle to show the real presence of Jesus (Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity) in the Eucharist. You may request that a sanctuary light burn in memory of a deceased loved one, in honor of a birthday, anniversary or any special event. The light burns for a 7 day period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

 The Sanctuary Light will burn this week in loving memory of the **Claudie Ancar Sr.**

 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.

 *You need just one spark to light a fire. You need just one break in the clouds for the sun to shine brilliantly through. Hold on to the belief that things will work out in the end. It starts with just a little bit of Hope.—unknown*

Please visit us on the Web at: stpatrickportsulphur.com/



Daily Mass

Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9:30 A.M.

Tuesdays 5:00 P.M.
Mass & Novena to
Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursdays 5:30 P.M.
Mass & Hour of Prayer

Weekend Mass

Saturday

4:30 P.M.

Sunday

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

St Ann Church

Saturday

6:30 P.M.

Confessions 30 minutes before all Masses

Rectory:

(504) 564-6792

Fax: (504) 564-9760

Second Collection
1st

Sunday of every
Month.



MASS INTENTIONS

Nov 30	4:30pm	Claudie Ancar Sr.
	6:30pm	Gaynell & Catherine Hue

Dec 1	8:00am	For the People
	10:00am	Malinda Barthelemy Farrell Barthelemy Joyce Kurtich Maria & Phero Vu Dinh Tien The Alexis Family Brian Bubrig Mark Hebert Sidney Sylve Walker & Marie Solis Evelyn Rose Betty Cosse' Lillian Hebert



- 2nd Collection today for Building Renovations.
- Holy Hour - Thursdays 6pm - 7pm (following the 5:30 Mass). Holy Hour Sundays from 5 - 6pm.
- Rosary/Divine Mercy on Wednesdays at 5:00pm in the Chapel.
- In December, there will be CCD classes on the 1st, 8th, and 15th.
- There will be a Christmas Party for the Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Choir, CCD Teachers, Bingo Workers, Knights of Columbus, Rosary Group, and Spouses on December 19th from 5pm-8pm.

St. Jude Prayer for Advent

Lord Jesus, your power is infinite, your glory, everlasting. Quietly you come, as a tiny baby. Ready my heart for the miracle of your birth. Bring light to this dark world, waiting silently for your warmth in the coldness of the night. Waiting is itself your gift, animating my heart with anticipation.

Bless me with needed patience and faithful discipline to prayerfully prepare to welcome and greet you. St. Jude, eternal hope, let your holiness flow into me.

May Christmas joy and burning love take root in me and grow until they bloom on Christmas Day, to carry joy to the world and inspire hope to renew the face of the earth. Amen