# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time September 14 & September 15, 2019

"You had learnt by what went before not to be occupied by the business of this world, not to prefer transitory things to eternal. But because the frailty of man can not keep a firm step in so slippery a world, the good Physician has shown you a remedy even after falling; the merciful Judge has not denied the hope of pardon; hence it is added, then drew near to him all the publicans."

(St Ambrose of Milan, bishop, Doctor of the Church)



"There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who repents."

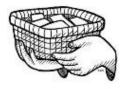
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	Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation: Please contact the lay Pastoral Assistant at pastoral.assistant@stpatricksquebec.com.				
<b>3</b>	Marriage: Please contact the Pastor.				
-	<b>Confessions</b> : They are heard before Mass upon request. The Pastor is also available to hear you every Saturday from 14:30-15:30.				

Ministers and servers	Saturday September 14 <sup>th</sup> 16:00	Sunday September 15 <sup>th</sup> 10:00	Saturday September 21 <sup>st</sup> 16:00	Sunday September 22 <sup>nd</sup> 10:00
READERS	Aileen Rose Ruane	Louise Turcot	Alleen Rose Ruane	Pierre Gagnon
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	N/A	Ron Charest	N/A	Bibianne Lessard
SERVERS	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon Family	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon Family
USHERS	Mary McPeak	Volunteers Needed	Mary McPeak	Volunteers Needed
OFFERTORY COLLECTION	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
COFFEE ASSISTANCE	N/A	No coffee	N/A	Volunteers Needed

Mass			Mass 1	Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From	
Saturday	September 14 <sup>th</sup> (16:00)	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT			
Sunday	September 15 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	Charles Pleasance John C. Kane	Diane Pleasance J. Kane	
Monday	September 16 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)				
Tuesday	September 17 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)				
Wednesday	September 18 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)				
Thursday	September 19 <sup>th</sup> (11:00)		Commemorative Mass of the 1889 landslide on Champlain Street		
Friday	September 20 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		Pro Populo		
Saturday	September 21 <sup>st</sup> (16:00)	25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	Yvette Cloutier, 1st Anniv. Hugh W. Martin	Family and Friends	
Sunday	September 22 <sup>nd</sup> (10:00)	25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	Bernard & Minerva Thériault Family George Laviolette	J. Kane  Jean Margaret Saville	

The Collections for the weekend of August 31<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup> and from St. Brigid's Home were \$760.80.



We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Please note that we have a donation box for the needy in the rear of the church. The annual Cemetery Memorial Mass will be on September 15<sup>th</sup> at the church at 2:00 PM. The Mass will be followed by a time of prayer at the cemetery. Coffee will be served at the cemetery.

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Our Parish serves the English-speaking Catholic Community of the Archdiocese of Quebec. We wish to be a welcoming community to all in need of one, to open our doors to all who need a family or the brotherly love of Christ. For more information, please contact the Office.



We have the **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** before the Saturday Mass. Between 14:30 and 15:30, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and Father Lussier will be available to hear **Confessions** or for private consultations. **Confessions** are also heard before each Mass upon request. Our families and our Congregation are in great need of prayer; please come and join our Pastor for Adoration.





Catholic Women's League: We are back in swing with plans for an enjoyable and productive fall season ahead. September 15th will be St Patrick's Memorial Mass held at 2:00 followed by a visit to the cemetery at 3:00 PM. We will be serving refreshments there. Please save the date of Oct. 5th from

1-4 PM for our CWL fall harvest event. Please bring some root vegetables to decorate the alter. More details to come.

There are 5 ways to join and participate in CWL with varying degrees of responsibility. Please contact our President, Marie White, at 418-254-0510 or mariewhite.qc@gmail.com to join or with any questions or prayer requests.







First Reconciliation & First Communion, Confirmation and RCIA (Adult Baptism & Confirmation) programs will start again in September. It is possible to register online on our website or by calling the Office.



On September 19, 1889, a landslide on Champlain Street claimed the lives of 45 victims. The majority of them were Irish and all of them English-speaking. Thirty-two of the victims were members of St. Patrick's Parish and are buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery. We will hold a commemorative Mass in this church on September 19 at 11:00. On display will be the harp-shaped core of a floral arrangement presented by Honoré Mercier, Premier of Quebec, in the wake of the disaster. You are invited to attend. The diocese will hold a commemorative Mass for the victims at Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde church on September 18 at 10:00 and all are welcome to attend.

#### «There will be (...) rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner»

Today, we are to consider one of the most celebrated parables of the Gospel: the parable of the prodigal son, who, while realizing the gravity of his offense to his father, goes back to him and is received with immense joy.

To see the circumstances driving Jesus Christ to disclose this parable, we can move up to the beginning of this Gospel. According to the Scripture, «Tax collectors and sinners were seeking the company of Jesus, all of them eager to hear what He had to say» (Lk 15:1), and this made Pharisees and scribes frown and mutter: «This man welcomes sinners and eats with them» (Lk 15:2). They thought the Lord was not to share his time and his friendship with persons of such dubious lives. They could not care less about those who, far from God, needed to be converted.

But, while this parable proves that nobody is meant to be lost for God, and encourages sinners by fostering their self-assurance and by showing them his goodness, it also includes a very important lesson for those who, apparently, do not feel the need of a spiritual rebirth: so, let us not decide that someone is "wicked" or do away with anyone; rather, let us always behave generously as a father accepting his lost son. The elder son's distrust, pointed out at the end of the parable, coincides with the initial malicious gossip of the Pharisees.

In this parable, not only is invited he who most certainly needs conversion, but also who thinks he does not need it. Its beneficiaries are not only publicans and sinners, but also the Pharisees and scribes; not only those who decidedly live by turning their back to God, but, maybe, all of us, who, having been blessed by him, in spite of everything, conform ourselves to what little we give him in exchange, and skimp our generosity either with him or with our fellow men. At the Vatican Council II we are told that by presenting us to the mystery of God's love, we have been called to establish a personal relationship with him, to set out on a spiritual path that will change us from the old man we are into the new perfect man after Christ. The conversion we may need could perhaps be less noisy, but more radical and deep, and more constant and preserved: God is asking us to convert ourselves to love.





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