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# *St Patrick's Parish Bulletin*

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 25<sup>th</sup> & January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.



*"Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of people"*  
(Matthew 4. 12-23)

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	<b>Marriage:</b> 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 January 25 <sup>th</sup> 16:00	Sunday January 26 <sup>th</sup> 10:00	Saturday February 1 <sup>st</sup> 16:00	Sunday February 2 <sup>nd</sup> 10:00
READERS	Aileen Rose Ruane	Tom Brzozowski	Steven Neatt	Pierre Gagnon
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SERVERS	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family
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OFFERTORY COLLECTION	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
COFFEE ASSISTANCE	N/A	Volunteers Needed	N/A	Volunteers Needed



The collection total for the weekend of January 18<sup>th</sup> and January 19<sup>th</sup>, including the collection from St. Brigid's Home, was \$905.05. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	January 25 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT	Joseph Sutcliffe (1st A.)  Cecilia Martin Desmeules	Kane Family
Sunday	January 26 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT		
Monday	January 27 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		For today's youth	Beaulé Family
Tuesday	January 28 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)			
Wednesday	January 29 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)			
Thursday	January 30 <sup>th</sup>		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	January 31 <sup>st</sup> (11:30)		<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Saturday	February 1 <sup>st</sup> (16:00)	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	Barry, Kosta & Stella  Patricia O'Doherty & Adrien Fleury	Maria Konstantinidis  Barbara Fleury
Sunday	February 2 <sup>nd</sup> (10:00)	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	Hamid Shakibajan	Maria Chalupa



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.



Thanks to all who attended our AGM on Friday, Jan 24 at 7 p.m. We appreciate your participation and support. Annual dues of \$25 are being collected by Marie White or Maureen Martineau. Many thanks to those who have submitted already. Visit [cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca) for information about upcoming conventions, our 100th anniversary in 2020 and communiques. For prayer requests, information or to join, please contact Marie White at [418-254-0510](tel:418-254-0510) or [mariewhite.qc@gmail.com](mailto:mariewhite.qc@gmail.com) ♥



We wish to thank Bruce Gaulin for his service as parish organist. This is his tenth year as he continues in this role. We also wish to thank Laura Paladino and the choir for their great work at the Sunday mass as well as Helen McCauley for her singing at the Saturday mass.

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### «Jesus went around all Galilee»

Today, Jesus teaches us a lesson of “holy prudence”, totally congenial with boldness and courage. Certainly, He—who is not afraid of promulgating the truth—decides to pull away when realizing that his enemies—as they had already done with John the Baptist—also want to kill him: «Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you» (Lk 13:31). —If his slanderers, whom He had spent his life doing well to, were trying to kill him, you should not be surprised if you, eventually, also suffer maltreatment, as the Lord already warned us.

«When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, He withdrew into Galilee» (Mt 4:12). It would be foolish to challenge danger without a commensurate reason. Only through prayer can we make out whether silence or abeyance or letting time go by, are symptoms of wisdom or of cowardice and lack of fortitude. Forbearance, the science of peace, will help making up serenely our mind in the difficult moments, provided we do not lose the supernatural vision.

«Jesus went around all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the Kingdom, and curing all kinds of sickness and disease among the people» (Mt 4:23). Neither threats nor fear of what others may say can force us to retreat from doing good. Those of us who are called to become salt and light, workers of goodness and truth, cannot yield before extortion and threats that, more often than not, will be nothing but hypothetical or merely oral dangers.

Unwavering, fearlessly, without looking for any excuses to postpone for “to-morrow” our apostolic action. They say, «“to-morrow” is the adverb of the defeated». This is why St. Josemaría recommended «Here is a recipe to make your apostolic spirit effective: make definite plans, not for the whole week but for the day ahead, for this moment and the next».

To enthusiastically carry out God's will; to be righteous in any environment and to follow the ruling of our well shaped conscience, calls for a strength and might we have to request for all of us, because the danger of cravenness is great. —Let us beg our Holy Mother in Heaven to help us always, and in all instances, to abide by God's will, by imitating her heroic fortitude at the foot of the Cross.

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