
St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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**3rd Sunday of Lent
March 14th & March 15th 2020**

The significance of the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman has many levels. The first is personal: the woman is herself converted to belief in Jesus as Messiah because he knows her sin but speaks with her just the same. The second is social: having come to know Jesus as the Messiah, the Samaritan woman becomes an evangelist to her own people. The third level of the story is educational: Jesus uses his encounter with the Samaritan woman to teach his disciples that God has infinite Mercy.



"Many Samaritans from that city believed in Jesus (because of the woman's testimony)."
(John 4.5-42)

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	Marriage: Please contact the Pastor.
	Confessions: 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 March 14 th 16:00	Sunday March 15 th 10:00	Saturday March 21 th 16:00	Sunday March 22 th 10:00
READERS	Steven Neatt	Joan Millar	Aileen Rose Ruane	Maria Di Giovani
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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 March 7th and March 8th, including the collection from St. Brigid's Home, was \$623.15. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	March 14 th (16:00)	NO MASS IN THE CHURCH	Terence Kerwin Maurice Alleyn	Mary Lou & Edward Murphy The Family
Sunday	March 15 th (10:00)	NO MASS IN THE CHURCH	Terry O'Gallagher Terence Kerwin Arthur Lussier (10 th Anniv.)	Roger Potvin & Lucie Laramée Maureen Rowan Liliane Lussier
Monday	March 16 th (11:30)			
Tuesday	March 17 th (11:30)	Saint Patrick	Iris Murphy & Rita Murphy	Karen
Wednesday	March 18 th (11:30)	Saint Cyril of Jerusalem	Paule Mathieu	Drouin Family
Thursday	March 19 th	Saint Joseph	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	March 20 th (11:30)		<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Saturday	March 21 st (16:00)	NO MASS IN THE CHURCH	Jeanine Dumas	Succession Jeanine Dumas
Sunday	March 22 nd (10:00)	NO MASS IN THE CHURCH	O'Donnell McCauley Families Terence Kerwin	Constance O'Donnell Maureen Rowan



Please note that the meeting for the Alpha Course, to renew your faith, will be held every Wednesday during Lent, at 19:00 in McMahon Hall. Everyone is welcome.



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.



All CWL members and supporters are invited to join us on April 25 for the 16:00 mass for our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel, which will be followed by a catered supper in McMahon Hall to celebrate the **95th anniversary of our St. Patrick's council**, starting at 17:30. Tickets are \$35 and may be purchased in the atrium after mass. For more information please contact our president Marie White at mariewhite.qc@gmail.com or 418-254-0510 or call Colleen Bilodeau to give names for our Prayer Chain at 418-657-2434 or colleenb2@videotron.ca.



CANCELLATION OF ST PATRICK'S DAY BANQUET

Dear Parishioners,

It is with great regret that we inform you that our annual St. Patrick's Day Banquet which was to be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 in McMahon Hall has been cancelled.

We do this out of an abundance of caution and with great regards for the well-being of our parishioners.



CANCELLATION OF ST PATRICK'S PARADE

There won't be any St Patrick's Parade due to the Premier of Quebec announcing yesterday several preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19. Thank you for your cooperation.

«Give me a drink»

Today, just as in that Samaritan afternoon, Jesus comes into our life, halfway through our Lenten journey, telling us, as He did to the Samaritan woman: «Give me a drink» (Jn 4:7). «His material thirst —says John Paul II— symbolizes a far deeper reality: it expresses his ardent desire that his dialogue partner and her fellow-citizens will open themselves to faith».

The Preface of today's Eucharist celebration speaks to us of this dialogue that ends up in a salvific barter where the Lord, «(...) “so deeply thirsted” for the salvation of the Samaritan woman “he set on fire in her the flame of God's love”».

Even today Jesus continues to “thirst”, namely, to desire humanity “thirst” for our faith and love, “thirst” for our response of faith before so many Lenten invitations to conversion, to change, to reconcile to God and our brothers, to prepare ourselves, as much as we can, to receive a new life of resurrection in the nearing Easter.

«I who am talking to you, I am he» (Jn 4:26): this direct and clear acknowledgment by Jesus of his mission, which He had never done before with anybody else, shows likewise God's love, a love that undergoes more in quest for the sinner and promise of salvation, that will abundantly satiate the human desire for true Life. This is why, further down in this same Gospel, Jesus will proclaim: «If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water» (Jn 7:37b-38). So, your commitment today, is to go out of yourself and tell all men: «Come and see a man who told me...» (Jn 4:29).

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