

St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

Mission Statement

While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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3rd Sunday of Easter, April 25th & April 26th 2020

In this story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.



“Lord Jesus, open the scripture to us; make our hearts burn with love when you speak. “

(Luke 24. 13-35)

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Ministers and servers	Saturday April 25 th 16:00	Sunday April 26 th 10:00	Saturday May 2 nd 16:00	Sunday May 3 rd 10:00
READERS	-----	-----	-----	-----
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER				
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USHERS				
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There was no collection for the weekend of April 18th and April 19th.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	April 25 th (16:00)	Saint Mark, Evangelist	Patricia O'Doherty-Fleury (1 st Anniv.) Our Lady of Good Counsel	CWL 95 th counsel anniversary
Sunday	April 26 th (10:00)	3 rd Sunday of Easter	O'Donnell McCauley families	Constance O'Donnell
Monday	April 27 th (11:30)			
Tuesday	April 28 th (11:30)	Saint Peter Chanel Saint Louis Grignon de Montfort		
Wednesday	April 29 th (11:30)	Sainte Catherine of Sienna		
Thursday	April 30 th (11:30)	Saint Pius V		
Friday	May 1 st (11:30)	Saint Joseph the worker	Propulo	
Saturday	May 2 nd (16:00)	4 th Sunday of Easter	Gemma (Louise) Walsh	Ellen Walsh
Sunday	May 3 rd (10:00)	4 th Sunday of Easter	O'Donnell McCauley families	Constance O'Donnell
ALL LITURGY CELEBRATIONS ARE PRESIDED BY THE PRIEST WITH NO PARISHIONERS IN ATTENDANCE				



Celebration of a Mass before the Funeral Mass can be held in the Church

Because of the coronavirus, we cannot celebrate any Funeral Mass. Father Lussier will celebrate a Mass without people in attendance for the deceased, his or her family and friends. It is a way for him to accompany spiritually the family members who are mourning. We pray that God will bring consolation and hope to all the people touched by this difficult situation.



Mass offerings

As you know, I, Father Lussier am still celebrating Mass everyday alone without parishioners during the confinement which I hope will end as soon as possible. It is still possible for you to offer Mass intentions. You may offer Mass intentions for different reasons; for example in thanksgiving or for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday) or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. You may also offer a Mass intention to any particular Saints who can intercede for us during this pandemic. You can **phone the office on Monday or Thursday** if you want to pay with a credit card or you may send a check by mail.

Also, you may still pay your dues if it has not been done already. Some parishioners are asking me on the phone if they can still send their Mass offerings. You may send to the parish your Mass offerings which you usually give when you come to church. You may send a check or call the office if you want to use your credit card. Be sure to give us your personal number which is on your envelopes.

God bless! Father Lussier

«That very same day, the first day after the Sabbath»

Today, we start proclaiming the Gospel with the expression: «That very same day after the Sabbath» (Lk 24:13). Yes, the day after Sabbath, Sunday. Easter—it has been said—is like a great Sunday lasting fifty days. O, if we would only knew how important this day is for our life as Christians! «There are reasons to say, as suggested in the homily of an author of the 4th century (Eusebius of Alexandria), that the ‘the holy day of Sunday is the commemoration of the Lord. It is called the Lord's because it is the Lord of all days’ (...). This is, in fact, for all Christians a “paramount holiday”» (St. John Paul II). For us Sunday should be the motherly embrace, cradle, delectation, home and also missionary halitus. O, if we could only have a glimpse of the depth and poetry it may transmit! We could then affirm, along with those martyrs of the first centuries: «We cannot live without the Sunday».

But when the Lord's day loses its importance in our existence the “Lord of all days” also evanesces, and we become so pragmatic and “earnest” that we only accord any credit to our projects and foresight, to our plans and strategies; then, even the very freedom God behaves with, can be a motive of trouble and withdrawal. By ignoring the amazement we close ourselves off from the most luminous manifestation of God's glory, and everything becomes an evening of disappointment, prelude of an endless night, when life seems doomed to perennial insomnia.

But, the Gospel proclaimed in the middle of Sunday gatherings, is always an angelic announcement of a refulgence addressed to minds and hearts so foolish and slow to believe (cf. Lk 24:25), and, accordingly, it is a soft one, not stunning, as otherwise, rather than throwing light upon us it would dazzle us. It is the Resurrected Life the Holy Spirit transmits us with the Word and broken Bread, while respecting our treading made out of not always properly oriented short steps.

Every Sunday we recollect that Jesus «went in to stay with them» (Lk 24:29), with us. Have you recognized Him, today, you Christian?

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