

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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6th Sunday of Easter, May 16th & May 17th 2020

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known. With this gift of God, the disciples participate in the communion between the Father and the Son.



"All who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them." (John 14.23)

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Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	May 16 th (16:00)	6 th Sunday of Easter	Murphy & O'Grady families	Marylou & Edward Murphy
Sunday	May 17 th (10:00)	6 th Sunday of Easter	Félicien Rousseau	Rita B. Whitt
Monday	May 18 th (11:30)	Saints John 1	Lise Dansereau	The family
Tuesday	May 19 ^h (11:30)			
Wednesday	May 20 th (11:30)	Saint Bernardine		
Thursday	May 21 st (11:30)	Saint Christopher		
Friday	May 22 nd (11:30)	Saint Rita	Propulo	
Saturday	May 23 rd (16:00)	6 th Sunday of Easter	Patricia O'Doherty Fleury	Fleury family
Sunday	May 24 th (10:00)	6 th Sunday of Easter	Raymond Marie Gagnon	Pierre Gagnon & family
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

Prolongation of the diocesan mandate of Lay Pastoral Assistant for Richard Drouin

The Archbishop of Quebec, His Eminence Cardinal Lacroix, has appointed me as the Lay Pastoral Assistant at St Patrick's Parish, until July 2023. I am very happy to continue my pastoral work along with all the parishioners. I feel privileged working in a parish where people are very friendly, dedicated and faithful.
Thanks for your support! Richard

«I too shall love him and show myself clearly to him»

Today, Jesus —as He previously did with his disciples— is leaving us. He is going back to the Father to be glorified. This seemed to sadden his disciples who were always looking at him with that physical, human gaze, that only believes in, accepts and clings to whatever can be seen and touched. This feeling of his followers, that can also be appreciated in many of today's Christians, makes our Lord to avow that «I will not leave you orphans» (Jn 14:18), for He will ask the Father to send us «another Paraclete» (Helper, Intercessor: Jn 14:16), «the Spirit of truth» (Jn 14:17); furthermore, even if the world will not “see” him, «you will see me because I live and you will also live» (Jn 14:19). Thus, trusting and understanding these words of Jesus will, in the true disciple, kindle that kind of love, that will be clearly shown through “keeping his commandments” and “observing them” (cf. Jn 14:21). Even more so: whoever lives this way, will also be loved by the Father, and He —the Son— shall love his steadfast disciple and will show himself clearly to him (cf. Jn 14:21).

How many words of fostering, trust and promise reach out this Sunday to us! In the midst of our daily worries —when our Heart is overwhelmed by the shadows of doubt, of despair and of weariness for all those things that seem to have no solution at all or that have reached a blind alley— Jesus urges us on to feel that He is always present and to realize that He is alive and loves us, while, at the same time, He guarantees to whoever firmly decides to live and abide by His commandments, to show himself in the plenitude of the new and resurrected life.

Today, He appears alive and present before us, in the teachings of the Scriptures that we listen to, and in the Eucharist that we shall receive. —Make your response to be that of a new life that surrenders to the appalling reality of his commandments, in particular that of loving.

Pope Francis' Rosary Prayers for the Month of May

It is a Catholic tradition to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary during May, with churches and homes erecting a May Altar with a statue of Mary, flowers, a candle and a picture of Mary. In a short pastoral letter, Pope Francis is encouraging families to rediscover the Rosary at home. For more details, find the document at: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-04/letter-on-the-month-of-may-full-text.html>

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection,
implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence,

I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.

To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer. Amen.

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