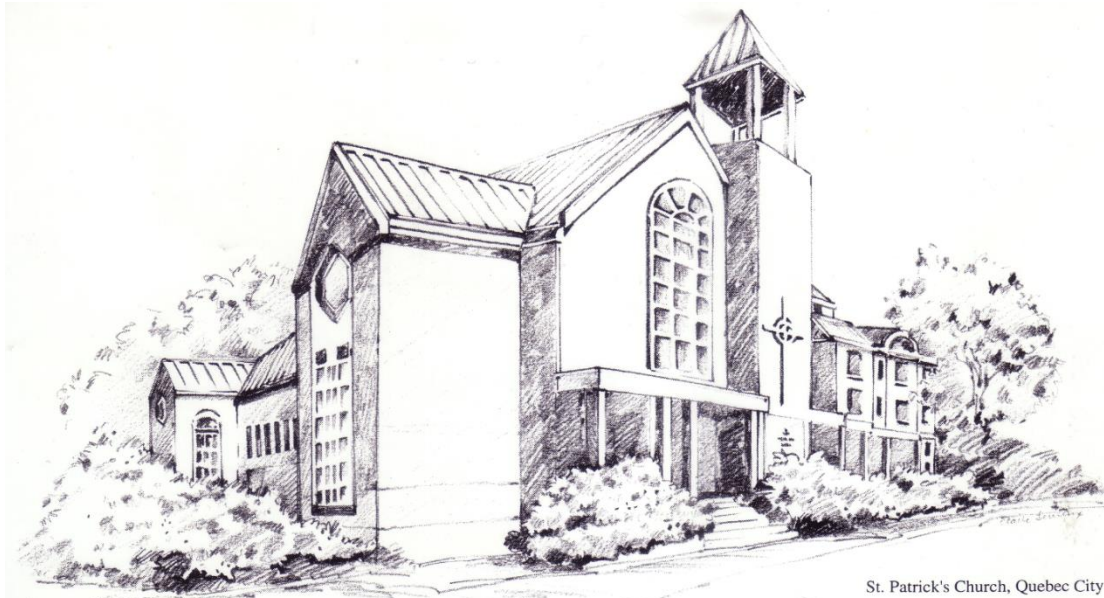


St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

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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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20th Sunday in Ordinary time, August 16th 2020

In the Gospel of today, we are challenged to have the faith of this woman who was not "of the chosen people." May our own faith grow as we reflect on these readings! May we grow in our respect and love for others who do not share our faith. May we find ways to speak about our own faith so that others may understand the incredible power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ!



""Woman, great is your faith! Let be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly."(Matthew 14.22-33)

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Ministers and servers	Saturday August 15 th 16:00	Sunday August 16 th 10:00	Saturday August 22 nd 16:00	Sunday August 23 rd 10:00
READERS +CANTOR	No Mass	Laura Paladino	No Mass	Laura Paladino
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OFFERTORY COLLECTION	No Mass		No Mass	
COFFEE ASSISTANCE	No coffee	No coffee	No coffee	No coffee



The collection total for Sunday August 9th was \$1,172.60. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	August 15 th (16:00)	20 th Sunday in ordinary time (St Dominic)	No mass	No mass
Sunday	August 16 th (10:00)	20 th Sunday in ordinary time	Joan Holton	Helen Pichard
Monday	August 17 th (11:30)		Dana & Ambre Nastazi	Rita B. Whitt
Tuesday	August 18 th (11:30)		Line Filion	Claude & Françoise Gravel
Wednesday	August 19 th (11:30)	St John Eudes	Pauline Morais McCauley	Helen & Family
Thursday	August 20 th	St Bernard Abbot	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	August 21 st (11:30)		No mass	No mass
Saturday	August 22 nd (16:00)	21 st Sunday in ordinary time (St Dominic)	No mass	No mass
Sunday	August 23 rd (10:00)	21 st Sunday in ordinary time	O'Donnell McCauley Families	Constance O'Donnell

Concerning Wearing Masks

You are allowed to remove your mask while sitting in the pew. However, to enter into the church and anytime you move around or go to communion, you have to wear a mask. Please do not sing with the cantor sings since you are not wearing a mask during mass. Thank you.

«Sir, even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their master's table»

Today, we are given to contemplate the scene of the Canaanite woman: a pagan woman —not an Israeli one— whose daughter was very sick, possessed by the demon, and who had heard of Jesus. She comes to meet him and starts crying out: «Lord, Son of David, have pity on me! My daughter is tormented by a demon» (Mt 15:22). She is not asking for anything, she is only telling him of her daughter's sickness hoping Jesus will decide what to do.

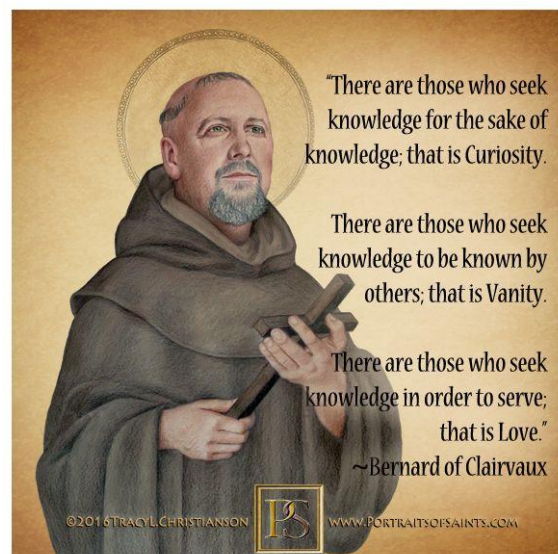
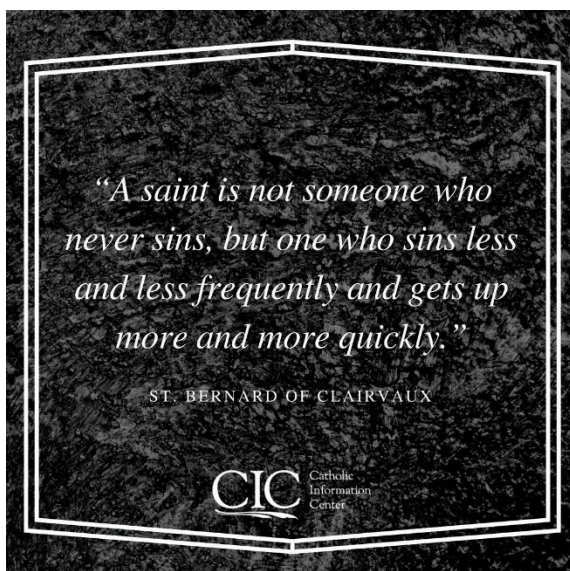
But Jesus does not answer her. Why? Perhaps He had already realized the faith of that woman and wanted it to grow still further. And she keeps on begging, so that the disciples ask Jesus to send her away. This woman's faith is evidenced, above all, through her humble insistence, emphasized by his disciples' words: «Send her away: see how she is shouting after us» (Mt 15:23).

The woman keeps on insisting; she does not get tired. Jesus' silence is explained by the fact He has only been sent to look after the lost sheep of the nation of Israel. Yet, after his resurrection, He will tell his disciples: «Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature» (Mk 16:15).

At times, God's silence torments us. We have often complained of such silence, haven't we? But the Canaanite woman kneels before Jesus. It is the worshipping position. He replies that it is not right to take the bread from the children to throw it to the dogs. And she answers: «It is true, Sir, but even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their master's table» (Mt 15:26-27).

This woman is very shrewd. She does not get angry, nor she loses her temper, but she actually admits that He is right. «It is true, Sir». And she places Him by her side. It looks like if she would be telling Him: —I am a dog, but the dog is under its master's protection.

The Canaanite woman offers us a great lesson: she acknowledges the Lord is right, He who is always right. —Do not pretend to be right when you appear before the Lord. Do not ever complaint but, if you do, end up your prayer by saying: «O Lord, let your will be done».



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