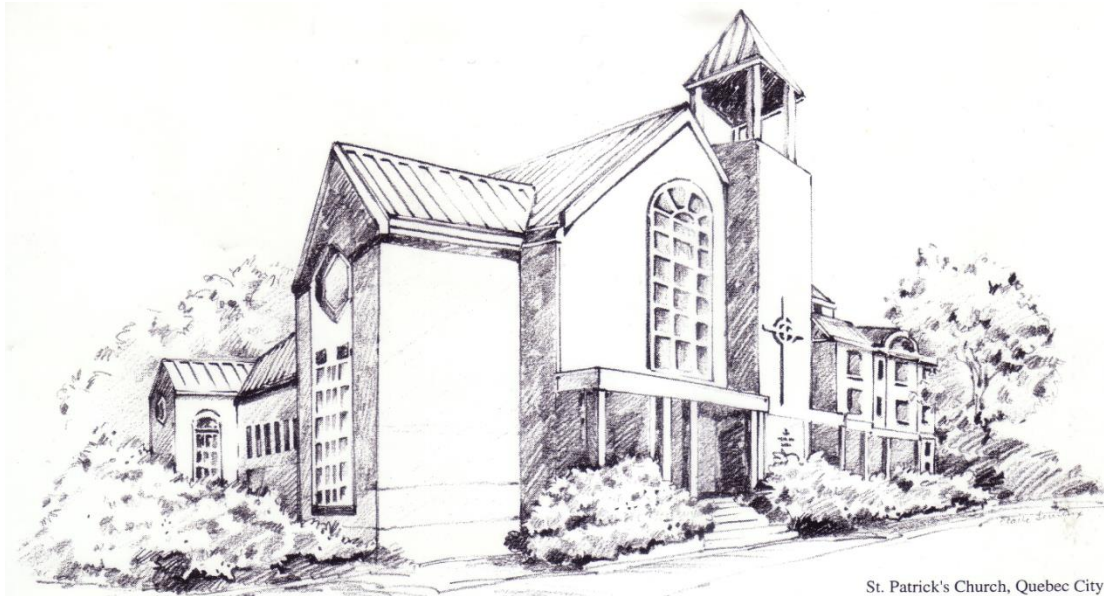


St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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21st Sunday in Ordinary time, August 23rd 2020

Simon Peter identified Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God. Jesus commends him for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.



“You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church; the gates of hades will not prevail against it.”(Matthew 16.18)

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Ministers and servers	Saturday August 22 nd 16:00	Sunday August 23 rd 10:00	Saturday August 29 th 16:00	Sunday August 30 th 10:00
READERS & CANTOR	No Mass	Laura Paladino	No Mass	Laura Paladino
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	No Mass		No Mass	
SERVERS	No Mass		No Mass	
USHERS	No Mass		No Mass	
OFFERTORY COLLECTION	No Mass		No Mass	
COFFEE ASSISTANCE	No coffee	No coffee	No coffee	No coffee



The collection total for Sunday August 16th was \$625.25. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
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
Monday	August 24 th (11:30)	St Bartholomew	Anthony Raspa	Rita B. Whitt
Tuesday	August 25 th (11:30)	St Louis, St Joseph Calasanz		
Wednesday	August 26 th (11:30)		<i>Propulo</i>	
Thursday	August 27 th	St Monica	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	August 28 th (11:30)	St Augustine	No mass	No mass
Saturday	August 29 th (16:00)	22 nd Sunday in ordinary time (St Dominic)	No mass	No mass
Sunday	August 30 th (10:00)	22 nd Sunday in ordinary time	Don Petzel	Rita B. Whitt

For those who do not know me, my name is Steven Neatt and I am one of the co-leaders of our COVID-19 committee along with Father Lussier.

All these measures and rules that you see us implementing come from the protocol between the provincial government and our diocese. Steven and Father did or do not make them up, we just implement them and they are non-negotiable. These measures and rules are in place to allow us to worship safely.



I would like to bring to your attention a few friendly reminders about our rules :

- 1) We have to respect the 2m physical distancing while sitting, entering, leaving and moving about the church including communion;
- 2) We have to wear our masks when entering, leaving or moving about the church. The mask is required for receiving Holy Communion;
- 3) You have to register for Sunday Mass but not for weekday Mass. After your registration, the parish will contact you to confirm your place at Sunday Mass. If you cannot attend, we would appreciate that you advise us.

Just for your information, there were inspectors present at the Basilica of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré in the last few weeks. As well, the fines for breaking the rules are between \$400.00 & \$6000.00.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the group of people who have worked hard to open the church and are working hard to keep it open : Father Lussier, Kim Perry, Ben Walsh, Colleen Bilodeau, Steve Kack, Helen Kack & Richard Drouin.

In closing, I would like to thank our parishioners for their cooperation over the past month and look forward to the same in the future.

«What do people say of the Son of Man? Who do they say I am?»

Today, Peter's profession of faith at Caesarea Philippi opens the last stage of the public ministry of Jesus and prepares us for the supreme occurrence of His death and resurrection. After the multiplication of breads and fishes, Jesus decides to retire with the apostles for a while to deepen in their formation; in them, the Church, seed of the Kingdom of God sown in us, starts becoming visible.

Two Sundays ago, when we were watching Peter walking on the sea and beginning to sink, we saw Jesus reprimand him: «You of little faith! Why did you doubt?» (Mt 14:31). Today, the scolding is changed to praise: «It is well for you, Simon Barjona» (Mt 16:17). Lucky of Peter because he has managed to open his heart to the divine revelation and has recognized in Jesus Christ the Son of God, our Savior.

Throughout history, the same questions have been asked time and again: «What do people say of the Son of Man? (...). But you, who do you say I am?» (Mt 16:13-15). At one time or other, we also have had to explain who is Jesus for me and what do I recognize in Him; through the faith received from testimonies (parents, catechists, priests, teachers, friends...) we have moved into a personalized faith in Jesus Christ, which we also have become testimonies of, because this is what the essential core of Christian vocation consists of.

Only from our faith and communion in Jesus Christ shall we prevail over the power of evil. The Kingdom of Death is manifested amongst us, it makes us suffer and opens up many question marks; but, at the same time, the Kingdom of God is also made available to us and it unveils the hope; and the Church, sacrament of the Kingdom of God in the world, built on the rock of the faith Peter confessed, allows us to expect the hope and the joy of eternal life. While mankind lives in this world, we shall have to bestow hope, and while it may be necessary to impart hope, the Church's mission will be necessary; this is why. the gates of the Kingdom of Death will never overcome it, as Christ, quite present amidst his people, guaranteed us (cf. Mt 16:18).

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