# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



#### **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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## Third Sunday of Advent, December $13^{th}\ 2020$

In this third Sunday of Advent, John announces to the Jews that the savior they seek is already among them, but as yet unrecognized. John's response highlights for us an important Advent theme: Jesus has already come into the world as our savior. During Advent, we pray that we will be able to recognize Jesus' presence in our midst. Advent also reminds us that Jesus will come again to fulfill the promise of salvation. We pray that we will continue to be watchful as we anticipate that great day.



He said, "I am the voice of the one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord" (John 1, 19-28)

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<b>3</b>	Marriage: Please contact the Pastor.			
	<b>Confessions</b> : They are heard before Mass upon request.			

Ministers and servers	Saturday December 12 <sup>th</sup> 16:00	Sunday December 13 <sup>th</sup> 10:00	Saturday December 19 <sup>th</sup> 16:00	Sunday December 20 <sup>th</sup> 10:00
READERS & CANTOR	Helen McCauley	Laura Paladino	Helen McCauley	Laura Paladino
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COFFEE ASSISTANCE	No coffee	No coffee	No coffee	No coffee



The collection total for Saturday December  $5^{th}$  and Sunday December  $6^{th}$  was \$913.05. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	December 12 <sup>th</sup> (16:00)	Third Sunday of Advent	Marina Grant	Maureen Martineau
			Denis Gibson	His wife Viviane
Sunday	December 13 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	Third Sunday of Advent	Marguerite Chouinard & Lucie Deschênes	Marie-Andrée Deschênes
Monday	December 14 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)	St John of the Cross	Medardo Gomez	Rita B. Whitt
Tuesday	December 15 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		Richard Dansereau	The family
Wednesday	December 16 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		Propulo Mass	
Thursday	December 17 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	December 18 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		No mass	No mass
Saturday	December 19 <sup>th</sup> (16:00)	Fourth Sunday of Advent	Imelda Hearn	Timothy O'Connor
			Mary Lou Murphy	Ed Murphy The family
Sunday	December 20 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	Fourth Sunday of Advent	Gerry Kenny & Evelyn Luckman	THE Idillily
			Marguerite Chouinard & Lucie Deschênes	Marie-André Deschênes

#### Christmas Hampers, CWL



"May you have the gladness of Christmas which is hope; the spirit of Christmas which is peace; the heart of Christmas which is love." (Ada V. Hendricks). The CWL of St. Patrick's Parish has a 95-year legacy of caring, kindness and commitment to helping our community through numerous charities, one of which is the annual Community Christmas Hamper Campaign to help the many

needy among us this season. Since canned goods cannot be collected in these times, monetary donations are necessary so that hampers can be distributed. Cheques should be addressed to *St Patrick's Parish* AND have the message: *Christmas Hampers, CWL* written on the message line. Donations over \$10 will receive a tax receipt. There will also be a special Community Christmas Hamper collection in December. Thank you for your generosity and caring spirit. *We make a living by what we get but we make a life by what we give.* 

#### Winston Churchill



#### Christmas Mass Registration during the Covid 19 restrictions

Since we are only allowed 25 parishioners at a Mass, you have to register for a place by phone (418-524-3544) or by email (pastoral.assistant@stpatricksquebec.com). You are only allowed to reserve for one of the Masses on the 24<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> of December 2020.

Registration will begin on December 15th.

#### Here is the schedule:

Thursday, December 24th: Mass at 16:00 and 20:00

Friday, December 25th: Mass at 10:00

Thank you for your collaboration and my best wishes for Christmas Time Father Réjean Lussier.

«Among you stands one whom you do not know; although he comes after me» (Fr. Joaquim MESEGUER)

Today, right in the midst of Advent, we receive an invitation to joy and hope: «Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks» (1Thess 5:16-18). The Lord is near: «My daughter, know your heart is Heaven for Me», Jesus said to St. Faustina Kowalska (and, certainly, the Lord would like to extend it to each one of his children). It is a good time to think of everything He has done for us and thank Him for it.

Joy is an essential characteristic of the life of Faith. To feel loved and saved by God is a great elation; to feel conscious we are brothers of Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us, is the basic motivation of our Christian joy. A Christian who surrenders to grief and sadness will have nothing but a bleak and desolated spiritual life, he will not be able to see what God has done for him and, therefore, he will not be able to transmit it to others. Christian happiness stems from thanksgiving, basically because of the Love our Lord radiates over us; every Sunday, through the Eucharist, we do so in communion with Christ.

The Gospel has introduced us to the figure of John the Baptist, the precursor. John enjoyed great popularity amid plain people; but, when they ask him, he humbly answers: «I am not the Messiah…» (cf. Jn 1:21); «I baptize you with water, but among you stands one whom you do not know; although he comes after me» (Jn 1:26-27). Jesus Christ is the long-awaited Messiah; He is the Light of the world. The Gospel is not a strange message, nor another doctrine, but The Word that bestows meaning upon our human life, for it has been communicated by the eternal God incarnated as a man. All Christians are called to acknowledge Jesus Christ and bear witness of his Faith. As Christ's disciples, we are called to contribute with the gift of Light. Beyond the scope of these words, the best testimony, is and will always be the example of a faithful life.



We have a new child of God; his name is Manuel Alexandre Vaillancourt Leuterio. He is the son of Earl James Leuterio and Myra Garant Vaillancourt..



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