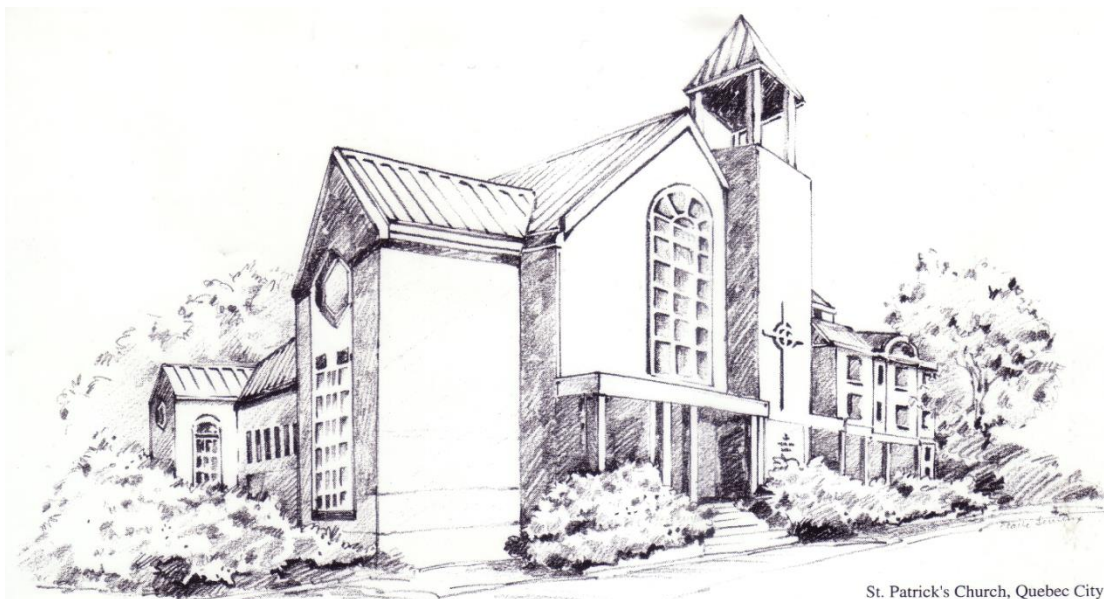


St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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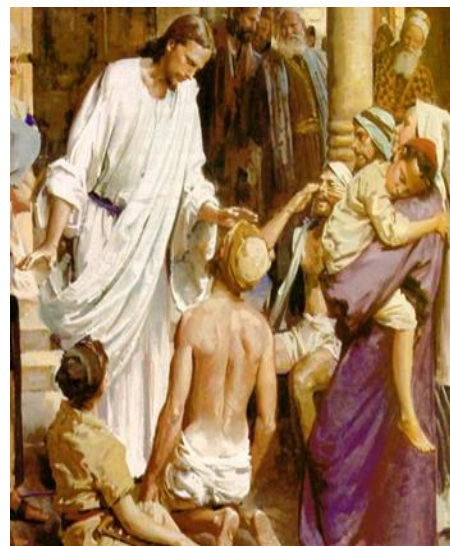
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5th Sunday in ordinary time, February 7th 2021

In today's Gospel, Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness. Also as Jesus did, we are called to bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance.



And Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons, and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. (Mark 1.29-39)

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Ministers and servers	Saturday February 6 th 16:00	Sunday February 7 th 10:00	Saturday February 13 th 16:00	Sunday February 14 th 10:00
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The collection total for Saturday January 30th and Sunday January 31st was \$902.00.
We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	February 6 th (14:30) (16:00)	5 th Sunday Ordinary Time	Verda Rochon	Timothy O'Connor
Sunday	February 7 th (9:30) (11:00)	5 th Sunday Ordinary Time	The O'Donnell McCauley Families	Constance O'Donnell
Monday	February 8 th (11:30)	St Jerome Emiliani & St Josephine Bakhita	Frederick O'Connor	Timothy O'Connor
Tuesday	February 9 th (11:30)		Propulo Mass	
Wednesday	February 10 th (11:30)	St Scholastica		
Thursday	February 11 th	Our Lady of Lourdes	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	February 12 th		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	February 13 th (14:30) (16:00)	6 th Sunday Ordinary Time	Thérèse Bergeron Halpin 1 st Anniv.	
Sunday	February 14 th (9:30) (11:00)	6 th Sunday Ordinary Time	Charlotte & Alfred Pichard Rolland Gosselin Dorothy McNeil O'Gallagher 1 st Anniv.	Helen Pichard Bridget O'Connor & André Gosselin

Year of St Joseph proclaimed by Pope Francis

A father who teaches the value, dignity and joy of work

“A carpenter who earned an honest living to provide for his family,” St Joseph also teaches us “the value, the dignity and the joy of what it means to eat bread that is the fruit of one’s own labour.” This aspect of Joseph’s character provides Pope Francis the opportunity to launch an appeal in favour of work, which has become “a burning social issue” even in countries with a certain level of well-being. “there is a renewed need to appreciate the importance of dignified work, of which Saint Joseph is an exemplary patron,” the Pope writes.

Work, he says, “is a means of participating in the work of salvation, an opportunity to hasten the coming of the Kingdom, to develop our talents and abilities, and to put them at the service of society and fraternal communion.” Those who work, he explains, “are cooperating with God himself, and in some way become creators of the world around us.” Pope Francis encourages everyone “to rediscover the value, the importance and the necessity of work for bringing about a new ‘normal’ from which no one is excluded.” Especially in light of rising unemployment due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Pope calls everyone to “review our priorities” and to express our firm conviction that no young person, no person at all, no family should be without work!”.

«Everyone is looking for you»

Today, we are given to contemplate Jesus at Capernaum, in the midst of His ministry, and more precisely, in Simon Peter's family home: «On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went to the home of Simon and Andrew» (Mk 1:29). There, He met his family, those who hear the word of God and do it (cf. Lk 8:21). Simon's mother-in-law is sick in bed and He, with a gesture that goes far beyond any anecdote, takes her by the hand, raises her up and allows her to wait on them.

The poor and ailing people are brought to him and Jesus heals them with the simple touch of his hand, which is a source of life. They are free and saved.

We are all looking for Christ, some quite willingly and disposed; others perhaps not being quite conscious as «You have made us, O Lord, for yourself, and our heart is restless until it rests in you» (St. Augustine).

But, just as we look for him, for we need him to deliver us from evil and the Malign, He also comes close to us to help us accomplish what we could never attain by ourselves. He became feeble to join us who are feeble, «I have become all things to all, to save at least some» (1Cor 9:22).

His hands are stretched out towards us that are lying overwhelmed by so much evil; we only have to stretch out ours and we shall find ourselves standing up and ready to reassume our service. We can “open” our hands by means of prayer, while following the example set up by the Lord: «Very early in the morning, before daylight, Jesus went off to a lonely place where He prayed» (Mk 1:35).

In addition, every Sunday Eucharist is our meeting with the Lord who comes to raise us from our routine and dejection sins and makes out of us the living testimonies of an encounter that constantly renew us, and truly sets us free in the grace of Jesus Christ.

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