

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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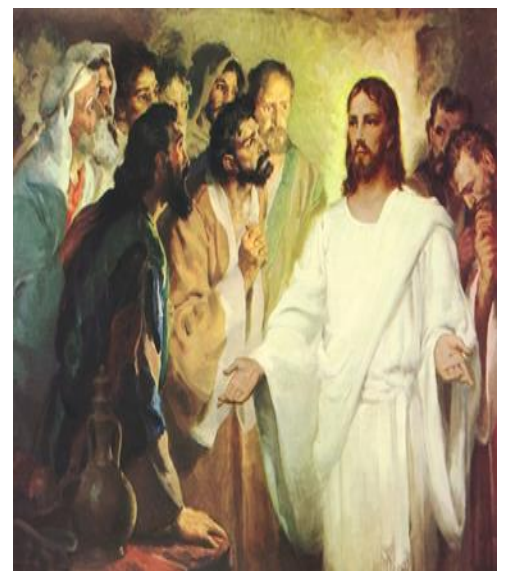
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Third Sunday of Easter, April 18th 2021

In this Gospel the Last Supper that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As the disciples are called to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist calls us to do the same. We are then sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.



“Thus it is written, that the Christ is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed to all nations” (Lk 24, 35-48)

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Ministers and servers	Saturday April 17 th 16:00	Sunday April 18 th 10:00	Saturday April 24 th 16:00	Sunday April 25 th 10:00
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Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	April 17 th (16:00)	3 rd Sunday of Easter		
Sunday	(9:30)	3 rd Sunday of Easter	The O'Donnell McCauley families	Constance O'Donnell
	April 18 th (11:00)		Sheila Sexton-Nellis	Bridget O'Connor and André Gosselin
			Henriette Robichaud (McGarrety)	Robert McGarrety
Monday	April 19 th (11:30)		Rosemary Bowles	Colleen Bilodeau
Tuesday	April 20 th (11:30)			
Wednesday	April 21 st (11:30)	St Anselm	Wolf-Peter Funk	Rita Whitt
Thursday	April 22 nd		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	April 23 rd	St George St Adalbert	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	April 24 th (16:00)	4 th Sunday of Easter	Mary O'Farrell	O'Farrell Family
Sunday	(9:30)	4 th Sunday of Easter	Patricia O'Doherty Fleury	Barbara Fleury
	April 25 th (11:00)			



CWL information

All members are invited on April 24 from 2-3:00 for our fourth Virtual Tea on zoom by using this link: <https://zoom.us/my/cam3502>. The CWL is in the process of implementing its new national Strategic Plan. Each parish council will have to vote on nine important Amendments that, if accepted, would modify the CWL Constitution. All members are invited to read the Amendments documents. Members with email will receive them electronically. Print copies are also available upon request. For a print copy, contact Carol in person or at 418-686-2006. These Amendments will be presented and discussed at our AGM as soon as that becomes possible then voted on this fall. Meanwhile, please enjoy making crafts for our fall fundraising plans, thank you!

Year of St Joseph: A beloved, tender and obedient Father

Saint Joseph, in fact, “concretely expressed his fatherhood” by making an offering of himself in love “a love placed at the service of the Messiah who was growing to maturity in his home,” writes Pope Francis, quoting his predecessor St Paul VI.

And because of his role at “the crossroads between the Old and New Testament,” St Joseph “has always been venerated as a father by the Christian people” (PC, 1). In him, “Jesus saw the tender love of God,” the one that helps us accept our weakness, because “it is through” and despite “our fears, our frailties, and our weakness” that most divine designs are realized. “Only tender love will save us from the snares of the accuser,” emphasizes the Pontiff, and it is by encountering God’s mercy especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation that we “experience His truth and tenderness,” – because “we know that God’s truth does not condemn us, but instead welcomes, embraces, sustains and forgives us” (2)

Joseph is also a father in obedience to God: with his ‘fiat’ he protects Mary and Jesus and teaches his Son to “do the will of the Father.” Called by God to serve the mission of Jesus, he “cooperated... in the great mystery of Redemption,” as St John Paul II said, “and is truly a minister of salvation” (3)..

«Look at my hands and feet and see that it is I myself»

Today, the Gospel still refers us to the Resurrection of the Lord, when the two disciples of Emmaus are going to Jerusalem and, once there, while explaining how the Lord made himself known to them, the Resurrected appears in their midst. But his presence is disconcerting. On the one hand, it provokes a great fright on them, to the point «they thought they were seeing a ghost» (Lk 24:37) but, on the other, his body pierced by the nails and the spear, is an eloquent testimony that he was the very Jesus, the Crucified one: «Look at my hands and feet and see that it is I myself. Touch me and see for yourselves that a ghost has no flesh and bones as I have» (Lk 24:39).

«Lord, show us the light of your face!», sings the psalm of today's liturgy. Yes, for Jesus «then opened their minds to understand the Scriptures» (Lk 24:45). It is quite urgent. It is absolutely necessary the disciples have a clear and profound understanding of the Scriptures, for as St. Jerome tells us, «Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ».

But understanding the word of God is not something we can manage privately, or within a gathering of friends or acquaintances. The Lord revealed the meaning of the Scriptures to the Church gathered in that Paschal community presided over by Peter and the other Apostles, who had been appointed by the Master so that «repentance and forgiveness in his name would be proclaimed to all the nations» (Lk 24:47).

Therefore, to be witnesses to the real Christ it is urgent that —in the first place— the disciples learn how to recognize his Passion scarred Body. An ancient author makes the following recommendation to us: «He, who understands that our Pasch has been sacrificed for him, has also to understand that his life starts when Christ died to redeem us». Furthermore, the apostle has to intelligently understand the Scriptures, read under the light of the Spirit of truth spilled over into the Church.

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