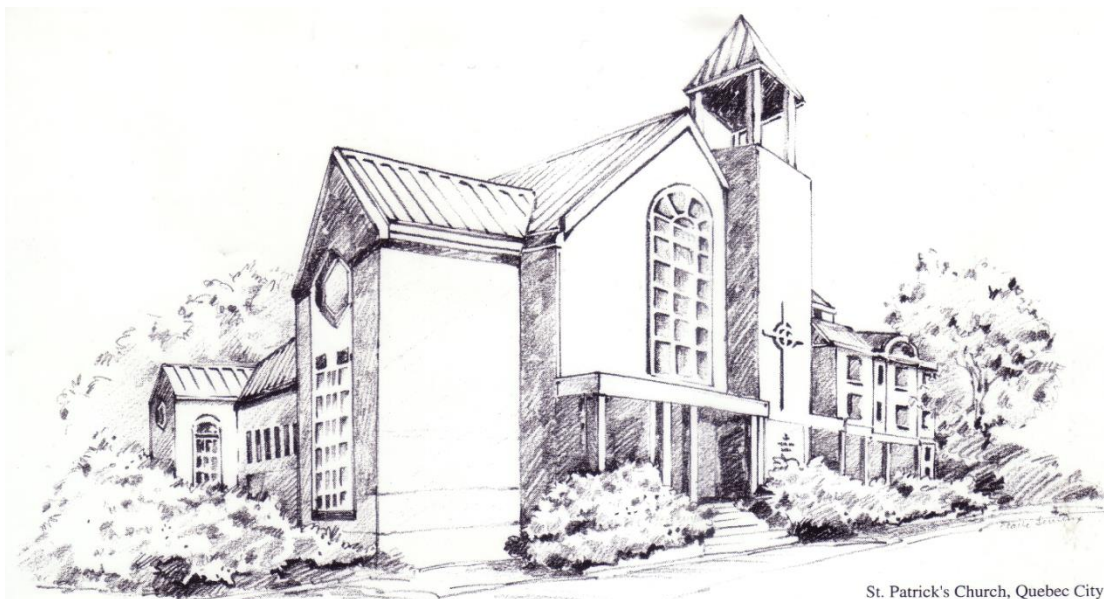


St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 24th, 2021

In today's Gospel, once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith—"Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept because instead of being powerful he chooses to be weak and go through suffering and death.



"What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." (Mark 10, 46-52)

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The amount for last week's collection for Mass and Funeral Mass is \$936.00. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	October 23 rd (4:00)	30 th Sunday Ordinary Time	John Paul Harny	Jean Saville
Sunday	October 24 th (10:00)	30 th Sunday Ordinary Time	Liette Deschênes Walker	Maureen Marsin
Monday	October 25 ^h		No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	October 26 th (11:30)		David Walsh	Ronald Charest
Wednesday	October 27 th (11:30)		Rosemary Bowless	Helen & Steve Kack
Thursday	October 28 th		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	October 29 th		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	October 30 th (4:00)	31 st Sunday Ordinary Time	Mary O'Farrell	O'Farrell family
Sunday	October 31 st (10:00)	31 st Sunday Ordinary Time	Philippe Hudon	Maria Yeung

Needy Box

We still have a box in the back of the church to receive your donations for the needy. Thank you

Funeral Announcements

We celebrated the funeral of Timothy O'Connor on Friday, October 15th in our church. Our sincere condolences to the family and friends.

CWL Information

St. Patrick's Council will hold a General Meeting on October 23 from 1:30-3:00 in the church to discuss and move motions on a resolution proposal and two commemorative plaque projects as well as to discuss the Amendments to be voted on this January. Please bring your blue AGM duo-tang.

“What do you want me to do for you?”. The blind man said, ‘Master, let me see again!’”

Today, we can see a man who, amidst his own aches and pains, finds his true happiness thanks to Jesus Christ. It is a person with two shortcomings: he cannot see and he is unable to work for a living, which forces him to beg. He needs help and he is sitting by the roadside, outside Jericho, where a lot of people pass by.

He is lucky to be there when Jesus is leaving Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd. Obviously, that blind man has heard about Jesus; he must have been told about the miracles He made, so when hearing He is passing by, he starts to call out: “Son of David, have mercy on me!” (Mk 10:47). The people who were going along with the Master tell the man to be quiet; they do not think of his sad personal situation, they are being selfish; but Jesus does care about the mendicant and tells them to call him. Immediately, the blind man jumps up and goes to the Son of David beginning their dialogue with a question and an answer: “Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said, “Master, let me see again!” (Mk 10:51). And Jesus grants him the gift of a double sight: the corporeal sight and most important, the faith which is the inner vision of God. St. Clement of Alexandria, says: “Let us put an end to the oblivion of the truth; let us unclothe our heart and dispel the ignorance and darkness that, as a cloud, darkens our eyes, and let us contemplate he who is really God.”

We often complain when we say: —I do not know how to pray. Let us then follow the example of the blind man in the Gospel: He insists on calling Jesus, and he tells him what he needs with just three words. We need more faith? Let us just say: —O Lord, increase my faith. We have relatives or friends who have ceased to practice their Catholic faith? Let us make this prayer: “O Lord, let them see again.”. Is faith so important? What shall we say if we compare it with the physical sight? The blind man’s condition was very sad, but much sadder is the life of the unbelievers. Let us tell them: —The Master calls you, place your needs before him and Jesus will generously reward you.

**Prayer to prepare us to celebrate the special year which Pope Francis has dedicated to
“The Joy of Love” in the family, the title of this day five is: Saint Joseph the Migrant**

Our reflection today is on Saint Joseph the migrant. We remember Saint Patrick, who heard the call to come among us as a stranger. May we be attentive to the voice of the Lord in our own lives.

We pray for families in our world who face the devastating reality that their best option is to flee to another country seeking refuge. May we always be a parish offering welcome to those in need.

In Scripture we read: “For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me.” (Matthew 25:35)

We conclude this day five of prayer for this special Year on the Family, by offering you this short reflection from Pope Francis from “The Joy of Love:”

**“The Church is a family of families, constantly enriched by the lives of all those domestic churches.”
(Amoris Laetitia, 87)**

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