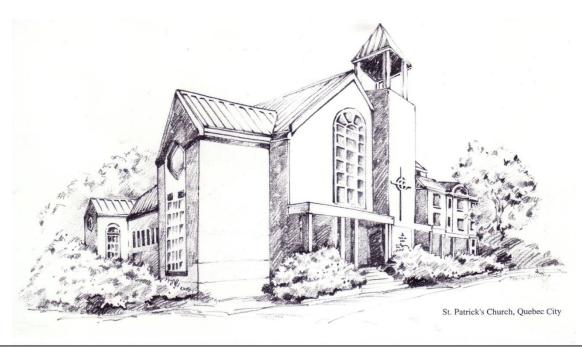
St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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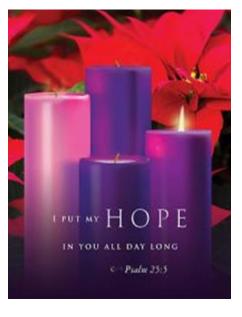
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First Sunday of Advent, November 28th, 2021

In today's Gospel, Jesus' predictions about the end times may sound dire, but in the next paragraph Luke tells us that people woke early to listen to Jesus' teaching in the Temple area. In his person and in his message, those who heard Jesus found strength and consolation. Like the first Christians, we may encounter events and circumstances that could lead us to despair. Through prayer, however, we find strength and consolation in Jesus' words and in his continuing presence with us to endure all things and to witness to the action of God in our world.



"Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man." (Luke 21.25-28, 34-36)

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Ministers and Servers	Saturday November 27 th 4:00 pm	Sunday November 28 th 10:00 am	Saturday December 4 th 4:00 pm	Sunday December 5 th 10:00 am
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The amount for last week's collection for Mass on November 20th and on November 21st was \$525.25. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass		Mass Intentions		
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	November 27 th (4:00)	First Sunday of Advent	The O'Donnell McCauley Families	Constance O'Donnell
			Mary O'Farrell	O'Farrell Families
Sunday	November 28 th (10:00)	First Sunday of Advent	John Paul Harnie	Jean Saville
Monday	November 29 th		No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	November 30 th (11:30)	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	Pro populo	
Wednesday	December 1 st (11:30)		Timothy Francis O'Connor	Teresa Dubois
Thursday	December 2 nd		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	December 3 rd		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	December 4 th (4:00)	First Sunday of Advent	Gaston & Doreen Bechette	Ann Perreault & Sylvain Voyer
			Kenneth Wilson	Bob & Mamie Stewart
Sunday	December 5 th (10:00)	First Sunday of Advent	Cecile O'Doherty	Barbara Fleury
			Samuel McIntosh	Maureen Martineau

CWL

On December 4 in the church from 1:30-3:00 will be the CWL Elections for the new executive, Membership Renewal and a talk entitled: *Who was Freida O'Connell?* followed by a motion. All members are encouraged to attend. Completed Nominations Forms must be received by November 25. Thank you.

CWL Christmas Craft Sale

In our tradition of raising funds for charitable causes, St. Patrick's council is holding a virtual fundraising Christmas Craft Sale of unique handcrafted gifts. There is a selection of floral Bible frames at \$10 each as well as beaded and thematic earrings ranging from \$10 to \$25. Please call Marie at 418-254-0510 or mariewhite.qc@gmail.com. Thank you for your generous support.

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Every Tuesday at 11:15 in our church, we have devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help followed by a Mass at 11:30. Our organist, Bruce Gaulin, adds a touch of solemnity and peace to our celebration with a special selection of music. All are encouraged and welcome to attend. Joan Millar parishioner.

"Pray, that you may be able to stand before the son of Man"

Today, as we start a new liturgical year, we renew our zeal and our personal struggle with our sights set on sanctity, ours and that of everybody else. The Church itself calls on us to do so, reminding us in today's Gospel, of the need to be always at the ready, always "in love with" our Lord: "Be on your guard; let not your hearts be weighed down with a life of pleasure, drunkenness and worldly cares lest that day catch you suddenly as a trap." (Lk 21:34)

We mustn't overlook a very important detail for those who are in love: this attitude of being alert —of being ready— cannot be intermittent, but has to become a permanent way of life. This is why, our Lord says to us: "But watch at all times and pray." (Lk 21:36) At all times!: this is the right measure of love. Fidelity is not made on the basis of "sometimes yes, sometimes no." It is, therefore, very important that the pace of our pious and spiritual formation be regular (day by day and week by week). If only we could live every day of our life with a new "first time" mentality; if only, every morning —when waking up— we would manage to say: —Today, I'm born again (thanks be to God!); today, I'm Christened again; today, I'm making my First Communion again; today, I'm getting married again... To persevere cheerfully, one has to "restart all over again," to renew oneself.

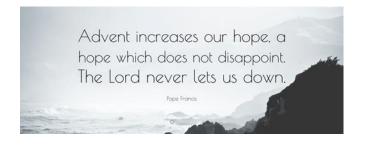
In this life we're not here forever. There will come a day when "the forces of the universe will be shaken," (Lk 25:26). Good reason to be alert! But, in Advent, the Church gives us a lovely basis for joyous preparation: unquestionably, one day, men "will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory," (Lk 25:27), but meanwhile, God arrives on Earth meekly and with discretion; as a new-born child, to the point that "Christ could be seen, wrapped in swaddling clothes, in a feeding trough." (Saint Cyril of Jerusalem) Only an alert spirit could discover in this Infant the magnitude of God's love and salvation. (cf. Ps 84:8)

Community Christmas Hamper Campaign

Thanks to your thoughtful generosity, families in need receive food at Christmas. To make a donation this year, please make out your cheque to St. Patrick's Church and at the bottom write: **Community Christmas Hamper Campaign** in order to receive a tax receipt. You may drop your cheques or money off at the rectory in the letter box. There will also be a special collection during the masses on December 4 and 5. Thank you for your generosity.

Filipino Community Mass

Saturday, November 27th at 7:00 pm, will be a Mass organised by the Filipino Community. All are welcome.





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