

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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Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time, February 13th, 2022

As we listen to this Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. In the list of "woes," those whom we might ordinarily describe as blessed by God are warned about their peril. Riches, possessions, laughter, reputation . . . these are not things that we can depend upon as sources of eternal happiness. The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God.



Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God, Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. ..." (Luke 6.17, 20-26)

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Ministers and Servers	Saturday February 12 th 4:00 pm	Sunday February 13 th 10:00 am	Saturday February 19 th 4:00 pm	Sunday February 20 th 10:00 am
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Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	February 12 th 4:00 pm	6 th Sunday Ordinary time	Timothy Francis O'Connor Timothy Hacker	Teresa Dubois Tim and Crisca
Sunday	February 13 th 10:00 am	6 th Sunday Ordinary time	Charlotte et Alfred Pichard Mary Johnston	Helen Pichard Steve, Patrick and Alain
Monday	February 14 th		No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	February 15 th 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	Timothy Francis O'Connor	Jean Saville
Wednesday	February 16 th 11:30 am		<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Thursday	February 17 th		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	February 18 th		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	February 19 th 4:00 pm	7 th Sunday Ordinary time	Timothy Francis O'Connor Adrien Fleury	Teresa Dubois Barbara Fleury
Sunday	February 20 th 10:00 am	7 th Sunday Ordinary time	Phyllis Valdez	Rita Whitt

New Covid Rules

GOOD NEWS. In the Province of Quebec, on Monday February 7th, the churches will re-open. Therefore, the first Mass in our parish will be on Tuesday February 8th. You must bring your vaccine passport (QR CODE) every time you come to Mass. We will return to our normal schedule.

This Sunday on February 6th, we will have Mass on Zoom at 10 am. Details are on our website. You may receive Holy Communion around 11:30 am outside in front of the church.

News from the Catholic Women's League of St. Patrick's Parish

All members are reminded to attend the first half of our Annual General Meeting on February 26th via Zoom starting at 1pm. Items on the agenda include: The Nine Amendments and the Frieda O'Connell fund. Part two of our AGM will occur in person as soon as possible. Here's your Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88432718336?pwd=UVpGVTRpRUdHRHVUNmtZU0xuWEF6QT09>

To join by phone call 1-438-809-7799. Mtg ID 884 3271 8336 passcode: 665854. Long distance charges may apply.

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.

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy."

Today, we review again the "beatitudes" and the "misfortunes": "Fortunate are you... when people hate you because of the Son of Man; But, ... alas for you who laugh now for you will mourn and weep". Fidelity to Christ and to his Gospel may make us be rejected, insulted by the media, hated, as Christ was hated by those who crucified him. Some may think this is due to lack of faith, but maybe, after all, it is just a lack of reasoning. Indeed, it seems our world refuses to think or be free. We are immersed in a lust for pleasure and riches; immersed in consumables; blinded by the libertarian indoctrination full of vain and empty words, which darken our personal standards and values and scorns the Church's and Christ's teachings, which is the only line of thinking that, right now, truly goes up stream. But, in spite of this, the Lord Jesus still encourages us: "Fortunate are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Fortunate are you when people hate you, when they reject you and insult you and number you among criminals, because of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for a great reward is kept for you in heaven" (Lk 6:22-23).

John Paul II, in the encyclical *Fides et Ratio*, wrote: "Faith impels reason to leave its isolation and to advocate gladly for what is beautiful, good and true.". The Christian experience, in its saints, show us the truth of the Gospel and of these words from Holy Father. Confronting a world that indulges in vice and selfishness as the only source of happiness, Jesus shows us another way: the happiness of the Kingdom of God, which our world finds so difficult to assume to the point of hating and rejecting it. Christians, in the midst of all temptations that this "easy life" offers, know the only way is the love Christ has shown for us in the Cross, the way of fidelity to the Father. We know that difficulties should not discourage us. If we truly seek our Lord, "Rejoice in that day and leap for joy." (cf. Lk 6:23).

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