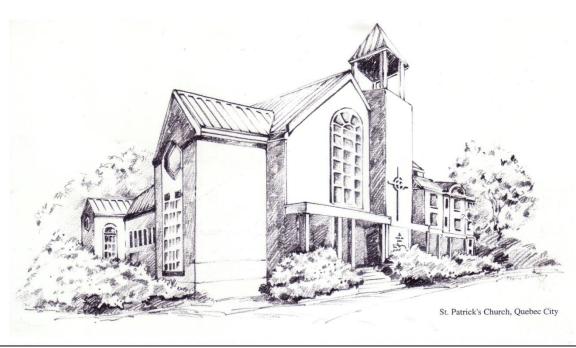
# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



#### **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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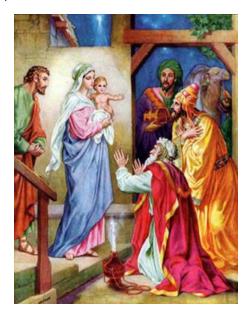
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### Epiphany of the Lord, January 2nd, 2022

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." We believe the meaning of the gifts of the Magi to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death. We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation



"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. They offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." (Matthew 2, 1-12)

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| <b>3</b>   | Marriage: Please contact the Pastor.   |  |  |  |  |
|            | Confessions: They are heard before Mass upon request.  |  |  |  |  |

| Ministers and<br>Servers | Saturday<br>January 1 <sup>st</sup><br>4:00 pm | Sunday<br>January 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>10:00 am | Saturday<br>January 8 <sup>th</sup><br>4:00 pm | Sunday<br>January 9 <sup>th</sup><br>10:00 am |
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#### **Celebration of the Mass intentions**

Father Lussier is presiding Mass every day in the church alone without parishioners for all the intentions.

| Mass      |                         |          |                      | Mass Intentions                      |                    |
|-----------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Day       | Date                    |          | Liturgy              | For                                  | From               |
| Saturday  | January 1st             | 10:00 am | Epiphany of the Lord |                                      |                    |
| Sunday    | January 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 10:00 am | Epiphany of the Lord | Joan Holton                          | Helen Pichard      |
|           |                         |          |                      | Sheila Ann Kennedy &<br>Adrian Leger | Terry and family   |
| Monday    | January 3 <sup>rd</sup> |          |                      | No Mass                              | No Mass            |
| Tuesday   | January 4 <sup>th</sup> |          |                      | No Mass                              | No Mass            |
| Wednesday | January 5 <sup>th</sup> |          |                      | No Mass                              | No Mass            |
| Thursday  | January 6 <sup>th</sup> |          |                      | No Mass                              | No Mass            |
| Friday    | January 7 <sup>th</sup> |          |                      | No Mass                              | No Mass            |
| Saturday  | January 8 <sup>th</sup> | 4:00 pm  | Baptism of the Lord  | Timothy Francis<br>O'Connor          | Teresa Dubois      |
| Sunday    | January 9 <sup>th</sup> | 10:00 am | Baptism of the Lord  | Sheila Nellis                        | Joan Kane & family |

#### **Thoughts from Pope Francis**

"Peace," he said, "requires the force of meekness, the force of nonviolence of truth and of love." And he prayed that "the Gospel of fraternity, proclaimed and witnessed by the Church, will speak to every conscience and break down the walls that prevent enemies from recognizing each other as brothers."

Through the most difficult and trying times, Mary's "sorrowing heart was enlarged to make room for all men and women, whether good or bad," the Pope said, and she communicates "her maternal affection to each and every person ... a source of hope and true joy."

#### **CWL Wishes for the New Year**

A Happy and blessed New Year to all our members, their families and friends through the intercession of our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel to her son, Jesus.

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## "They went into the house and when they saw the child with Mary his mother, they knelt and worshipped him."

Today, the prophet Isaiah encourages us: "Arise, shine, for your light has come. The glory of Yahweh rises upon you" (Is 60:1). The light the prophet has seen is the star which the Three Wise Men see in the East, like many other men. The Magi discover its meaning. Others consider it as something admirable, but that does not affect them. And, so, they do not react. The Three Wise Men realize the fact that, with the star, God is sending them an important message for which it is worthwhile leaving comfort and safety to take on the risks of an uncertain journey: the hope of finding the King leads them to follow the star, which the prophets had spoken of and which the people of Israel had been waiting for centuries.

They arrive in Jerusalem, the capital city of the Jews. They are sure that there they will be shown where the King has been born. Indeed, they will be told: "In the town of Bethlehem in Judea, for this is what the prophet wrote" (Mt 2:5). The news of the arrival of the Magi and their inquiry spreads around Jerusalem in a very short time: Jerusalem was, at that time, a small city and the presence of the Magi with their escort must have been noticed by all its inhabitants, thus "when Herod heard this he was greatlyly disturbed and with him all Jerusalem" (Mt 2:3), the Gospel tells us.

Jesus Christ crosses the paths of the lives of many people who are not interested in Him. A little effort would have changed their lives; they would have found the King of Joy and Peace. This requires a willingness to look for Him, to move around, to ask without losing heart —like the Three Wise Men— to leave our comfort, our routine. It requires an effort to appreciate the immense value of finding Christ. If we do not find Him, we have not found anything in life, because only He is the Savior: finding Jesus is to find the Path that leads us to know the Truth that gives us Life. And without Him, nothing is worthwhile.

#### **New Year's Prayer**

As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health, our family and our friends.

Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains. Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way. Let us serve all who are in need, regardless of race, color or creed.

Let us keep God of our own understanding in our hearts and to chant God's name each day. Let us lead the world from darkness to light, from falsehood to truth and from wrong to right.

Let us remember that we are all one, embracing all, walking together side by side.

May your year be filled with peace, prosperity and love. May God's blessings shower upon you and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful new year.



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