

St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

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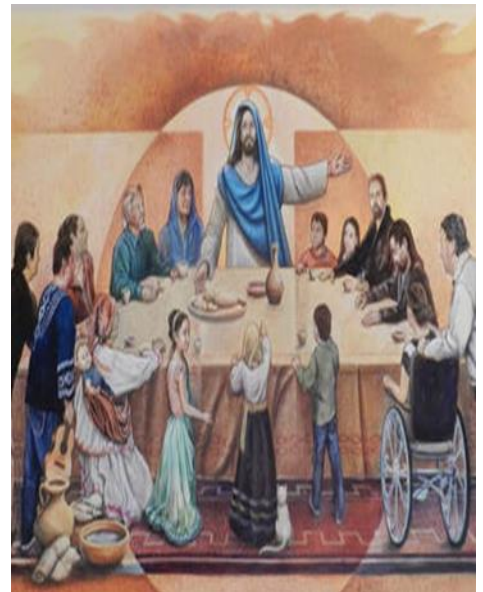
While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 28th, 2022

In today's Gospel, Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found. In these sayings, the Gospel gives us not only advice on how to approach the end times but also on how to live according to Jesus' vision of a good society..



Jesus said also to the Pharisee who had invited him, "But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." (Luke 14.7-14)

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The collection total for last week's Masses is \$741.50. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	August 27 th 4:00 pm	22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Monique O'Connor	Teresa Dubois
Sunday	August 28 th 10:00 am	22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jeannette & Jean-Yves Boulanger	Diane Pleasance
Monday	August 29 th		No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	August 30 th 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)		
Wednesday	August 31 st 11:30 am		Pro Populo	
Thursday	September 1 st		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	September 2 nd		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	September 3 rd 4:00 pm	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sunday	September 4 th 10:00 am	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Edmond Monaghan (Anniv. Mass)	

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

We hope you're enjoying a blessed summer. Joining the Catholic Women's League is about uniting together as Catholic Women. We are Catholic and Living It! Please contact our President Christie Mitchell at capgrad1983@gmail.com or 418-573-5648 for prayer requests. We're always accepting new members.

Donations for Ukrainians in need

Since the invasion of their country in February 2022, many Ukrainian families, mostly women with young children, have sought refuge in Quebec.

There is now a donation box on the left side in the back of the church with the inscription "Donations for the Ukrainians in need". If you wish to contribute, special envelopes are available for this purpose in your pews. Please do not use them for the regular collection for the parish during Mass. They are only for donations for Ukrainians in need. Receipts for charitable donations can be issued for those who provide their parishioner number or their full name and address on the envelope. Your financial offering is important. Please, give generously and thank you for the donations we have already received.

N.B. If you make a check, it must be made out to « St. Patrick's Parish »

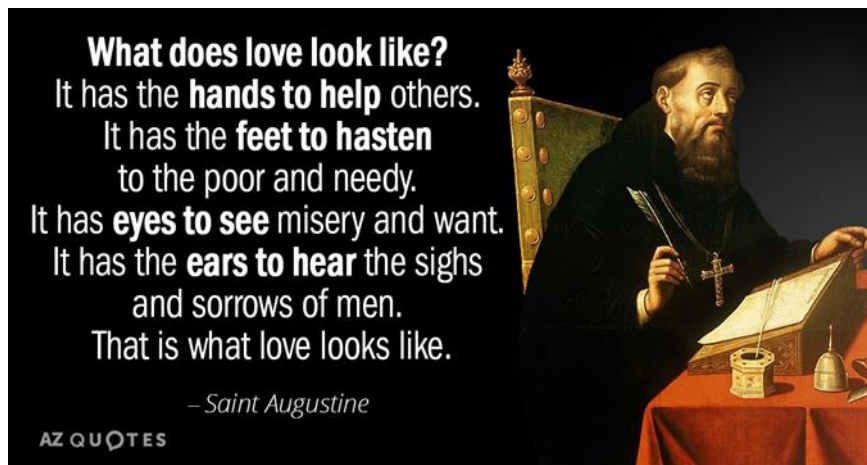
“Noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table.”

Today, Jesus teaches us a masterly lesson: do not choose the best seat: “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor” (Lk 14:8). Jesus knows we like to look for the best places: in official acts, informal gatherings, at home, at the table. He knows our trend to overrate ourselves out of vanity, or worse still, out of a poorly hidden pride. So let us therefore be careful with honors, for “the heart remains chained where it finds the possibility of delight” (Saint Leo the Great).

Haven't we ever been told that there were no colleagues with more merit or better personal values than us? It is not, therefore, a question of a sporadic feat, but of an assumed attitude of considering ourselves the smarter, the most important, the most deserving, the always rightful ones; an aspiration supposing a narrow vision of ourselves and of those around us. In fact, Jesus invites us to practice the perfect humility, consisting in not judging ourselves or the others, and to be conscious of our individual insignificance, in the global cosmic and of life concert.

Thus, Jesus, proposes us, by precaution, to always choose the lowest seat, because, while we may not know the intimate reality of the others, we are fully aware that in the great show of the Universe we are totally irrelevant. Therefore, to place us in the last position is to be on the safe side. Lest the Lord, that knows us well intimately, did not have to tell us: “Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place” (Lk 14:9).

In the same line of thought, the Master invites us to place ourselves with humility beside those chosen by God: the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind, and to be at the same level than them to find ourselves amidst those God loves with special tenderness, and to overcome the repugnance and shame to share with them table and friendship.



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