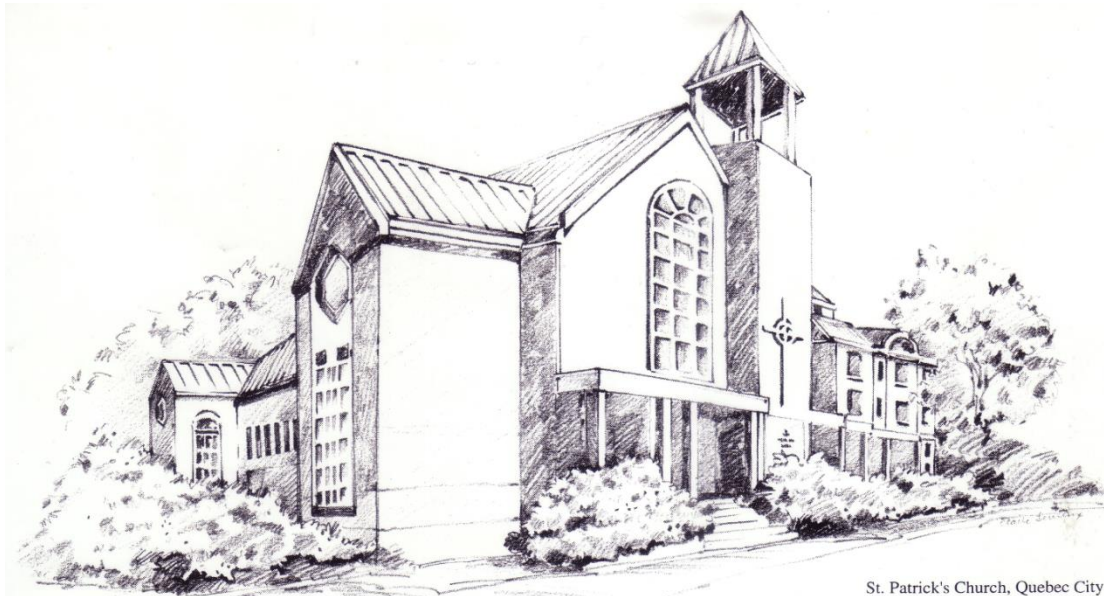


# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

## Mission Statement

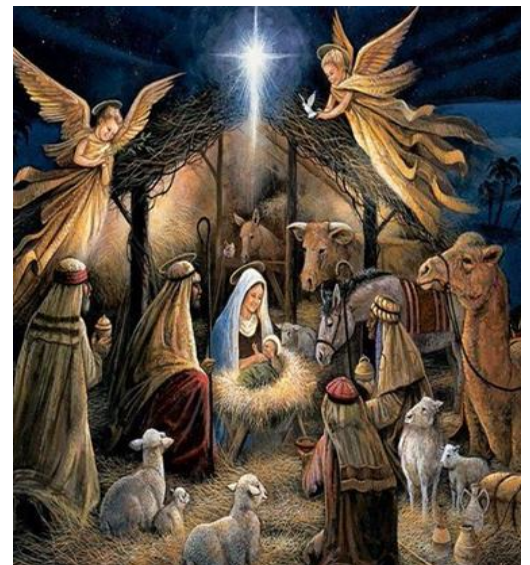
While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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**Epiphany of the Lord, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

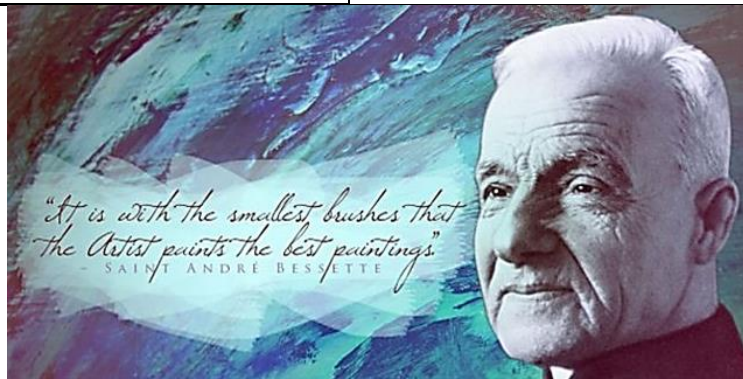
We have to consider the gifts the Magi bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death. The word Epiphany means. "manifestation". The Magi represent the Gentiles' search for a savior, the entire world, and they also represent our search for Jesus. (Loyola Press)



"On entering the house, they (the magi) saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." (Matthew 2.1-12)

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



The collection total for last two week's Masses was \$3,616.05. Thank you for your generosity.

| Mass      |                          |          |  | Mass Intentions                     |   |
|-----------|--------------------------|----------|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| Day       | Date                     |          | Liturgy  | For                                 | From  |
| Saturday  | January 7 <sup>th</sup>  | 4:00 pm  | Epiphany of the Lord                           | Bill Donnelly<br>Marguerita Delaney | Françoise & Claude Gravel<br>Lise & Pat Mckenna |
| Sunday    | January 8 <sup>th</sup>  | 10:00 am | Epiphany of the Lord                           | <b>Pro Populo</b>                   |   |
| Monday    | January 9 <sup>th</sup>  |          |  | <b>No Mass</b>                      | <b>No Mass</b>                                  |
| Tuesday   | January 10 <sup>th</sup> | 11:30 am | Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15) | Mary Neatt                          | Colleen Bilodeau                                |
| Wednesday | January 11 <sup>th</sup> | 11:30 am |  | <b>Pro Populo</b>                   |   |
| Thursday  | January 12 <sup>th</sup> |          |  | <b>No Mass</b>                      | <b>No Mass</b>                                  |
| Friday    | January 13 <sup>th</sup> |          |  | <b>No Mass</b>                      | <b>No Mass</b>                                  |
| Saturday  | January 14 <sup>th</sup> | 4:00 pm  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time        | David Cannon                        | Lise & Pat Mckenna                              |
| Sunday    | January 15 <sup>th</sup> | 10:00 am | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time        | Bill Donnelly                       | Bridget O'Connor & André Gosselin               |

### Donations for Ukrainians in Need

There is 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. Receipts for charitable donations can be issued for those who provide their parishioner number or their full name and address on the envelope. Please, give generously and thank you for the donations we have already received. N.B. If you make a cheque, it must be made out to « St. Patrick's Parish »

### **News from the Catholic Women's League of St. Patrick's Parish (COMING)**

Happy New Year! Please mark your calendar for our AGM, coming up Saturday, January 21st from 2:00-3:30 PM. Membership dues of \$25 are being collected and are due by February 15th, 2023. To join or for prayer requests, please contact Christie Mitchell at 418-573-5648 or [cam3502@hotmail.com](mailto:cam3502@hotmail.com). Also, visit [www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca) for information and inspiration!

### **Friends in Faith Discussion Group**


Welcome! The Pastoral Committee invites you to join the Friends in Faith Discussion Group on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Come explore our inspiring theme: Living a Daily Relationship with Jesus. Participants are encouraged to attend 11:30 mass, bring their lunch then enjoy discussing from 12:40-1:45. Please contact Marie White at 418-254-0510 or Felice Burrascano at 438-995-7207 to let us know that you would like to attend.

### **“Entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.”**

Today, the prophet Isaiah encourages us: “Arise! Shine, for your light has come, the glory of the LORD has dawned upon you.” (Is 60:1). The light the prophet has seen is the star, which the Three Wise Men, like many other men, see in the East. 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 was born. Indeed, they will be told: “In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet” (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 King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him” (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.



**PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH**

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man**

**Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen**



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