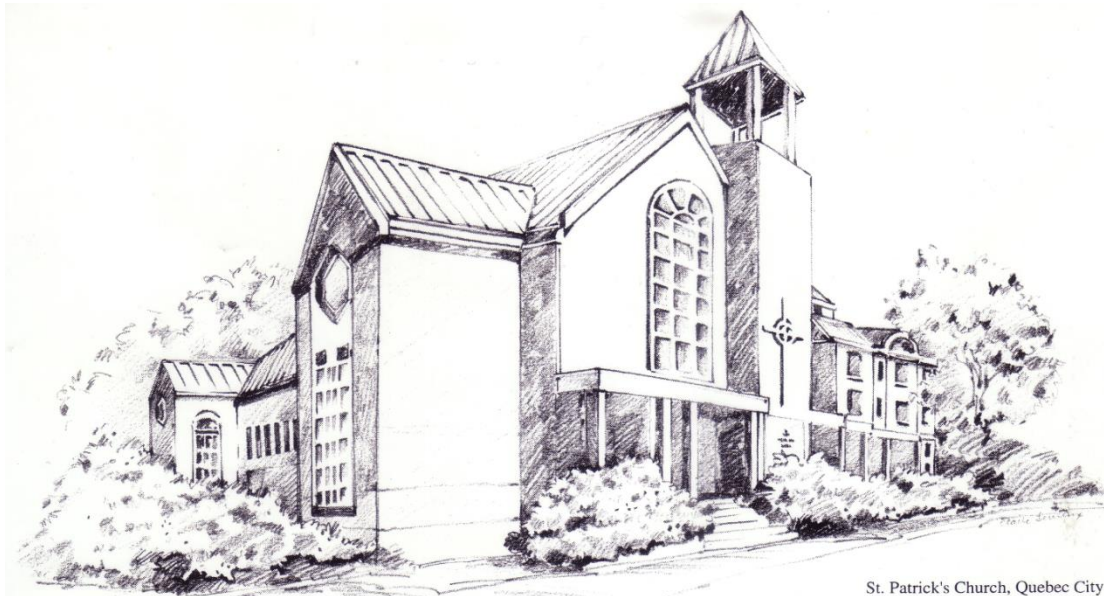


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St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

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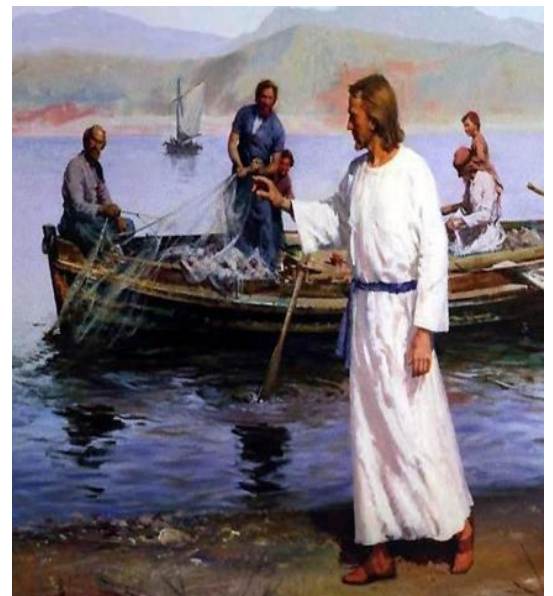
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 22nd, 2023

Today, Jesus called his first disciples. The Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit such an immediate response. Also, by doing all those actions, preaching and healing, Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God. (Loyola Press)



"Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the Kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people." (Matthew 4.12-23)

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The collection total for last week's Masses was \$479.50. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass				Mass Intentions	
Day	Date		Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	January 21 st	4:00 pm	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary time	Bill Donnelly James Murphy	Lise & Pat Mckenna Russel Murphy
Sunday	January 22 nd	10:00 am	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary time	Vincent Saraza Lucille Murphy	Vincent Saraza Russell Murphy
Monday	January 23 rd			No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	January 24 th	11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	For her family members	Mme Chalupa
Wednesday	January 25 th	11:30 am		Pro Populo	
Thursday	January 26 th			No Mass	No Mass
Friday	January 27 th			No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	January 28 th	4:00 pm	4 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Karim Ouellet (Anniversary Mass)	
Sunday	January 29 th	10:00 am	4 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Connie Manning Angers Florence Walsh	CWL Maureen Martineau

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

Our AGM will be Saturday January 21st from 2-3:30pm in the church hall. We anticipate welcoming three new members! Dues (\$25.00) are being collected between now and the 15th of February. We are near 100%! Please find copies of our council and provincial newsletters in the atrium. To join or for prayer requests please contact Christie Mitchell at 418-573-5648 or email capgrad1983@gmail.com. You can also visit 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 25th, 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.

“Jesus went around all Galilee.”


Today, Jesus teaches us a lesson of “holy prudence,” totally congenial with boldness and courage. Certainly, He—who is not afraid of promulgating the truth—decides to pull away when realizing that his enemies—as they had already done with John the Baptist—also want to kill him: “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” (Lk 13:31). —If his slanderers, whom He had spent his life treating well to, were trying to kill him, you should not be surprised if you, eventually, also suffer maltreatment, as the Lord already warned us.

“When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, He withdrew into Galilee.” (Mt 4:12). It would be foolish to challenge danger without a commensurate reason. Only through prayer can we make out whether silence or abeyance or letting time go by, are symptoms of wisdom or of cowardice and lack of fortitude. Forbearance, the science of peace, will help us serenely make up our minds in difficult moments, provided that we do not lose the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

“Jesus went around all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the Kingdom, and curing all kinds of sickness and disease among the people.” (Mt 4:23). Neither threats nor fear of what others may say can force us to retreat from doing good. Those of us who are called to become salt and light, workers of goodness and truth, cannot yield before extortion and threats that, more often than not, will be nothing but hypothetical or merely oral dangers.

Unwavering, fearlessly, without looking for any excuses to postpone for “tomorrow” is to do our apostolic action. They say, “tomorrow” is the adverb of the defeated. This is why St. Josemaría recommended “Here is a recipe to make your apostolic spirit effective: make definite plans, not for the whole week but for the day ahead, for this moment and the next.”

To enthusiastically carry out God's will, to be righteous in any environment and to follow the ruling of our well shaped conscience, calls for a strength and might we have to request for all of us, because the danger of cowardice is great. —Let us beg our Holy Mother in Heaven to help us always, and in all instances, to abide by God's will, by imitating her heroic fortitude at the foot of the Cross.



Do not wish to be
anything but what
you are, and try to
be that perfectly.

St. Frances de Sales

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