

St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

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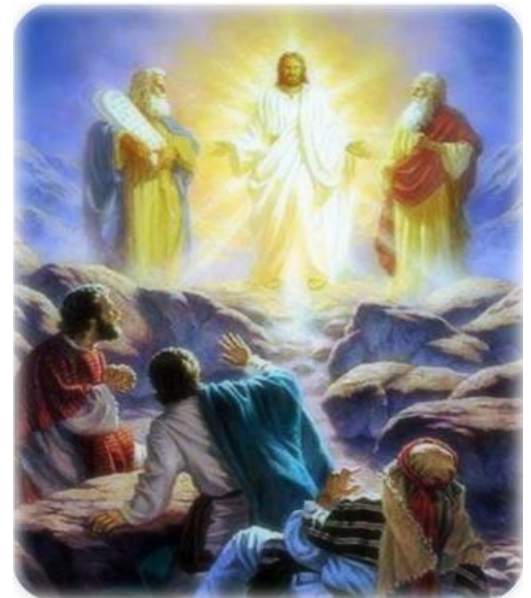
While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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Second Sunday of Lent, March 5th, 2023

In today's reading about the Transfiguration, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Also, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection. (Loyola Press)



"As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'" (Matthew 17.1-9)

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Cantor	Helen McCauley
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Reflection for Lent: God exists and is truly active in our lives. Lent is a time to return to what is essential and thus a time to turn our minds towards God.



The collection total for last week's Masses was \$667.15. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	March 4 th 4:00 pm	Second Sunday of Lent	Denis William Egan (Anniversary Mass)	
Sunday	March 5 th 10:00 am	Second Sunday of Lent	Byrne Stewart Families Florence Walsh	Madeleine Byrne Stewart Rita Whitt
Monday	March 6 th		No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	March 7 th 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	Brenda O'Connor Patricia O'Doherty Fleury	Jean Saville Barbara Fleury
Wednesday	March 8 th 11:30 am		Pro Populo	
Thursday	March 9 th		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	March 10 th		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	March 11 th 4:00 pm	Third Sunday of Lent	Marylou O'Grady Murphy Brenda O'Connor	Edward Murphy & Family CWL
Sunday	March 12 th 10:00 am	Third Sunday of Lent	O'Donnell & McCauley Families Brenda O'Connor Lemieux	Constance O'Donnell 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 »

Filipino Community Mass

On Saturday, March 11th, at 7:00 pm, we will have a Mass organised by the Filipino Community. All are welcome.

Come Participate in St Patick's Parade on March 25th !

All parishioners, their families and friends are invited to participate in the St. Patrick's Parade! Come have a great time and support St. Patrick's Parish! If you are interested in participating, please contact Richard Drouin as soon as possible at 418-808-3745 or email pastoral.assistant@stpatricksquebec.com.

Visit of Father Marcel Caron to our Parish

Father Marcel Caron will be here March 11th and 12th. He will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Mass. He is the Priest who translated Pope Francis' homilies and speeches last summer during his visit in Canada. You might have seen him on Internet or on television. Also, during Mass, he will give the homily and talk about his experience with the Pope.

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

Members are kindly reminded to turn in their Member Survey. This is for all members to complete, long-time members and new. Please find copies of our Winter and Provincial newsletters in the atrium. Lenten and Easter items are now available for purchase at our gift and card table in the hall after Sunday Mass. Handmade donations are always appreciated. Please put aside any items you are ready to part with for a silent auction and garage sale fundraiser this spring for our Provincial Convention to be held here June 2-4! Our theme is, Catholic and Living It! Please contact Christie Mitchell at either capgrad1983@gmail.com or 418-573-5648 with questions, for prayer requests, or to join ♥. You can also visit www.cwl.ca for information and inspiration.

St Patrick's Day

On Friday, March 17th, we will celebrate Saint Patrick's Day beginning with Mass at 5:30 pm. Afterwards we will have a special smoked meat buffet in the Hall. This is a family gathering and we have tried to make it affordable for all families and also older people. The price is 25 dollars each and it is free for children under 10 years of age. You may pay with a credit card, debit card or in cash. You can reserve a place after Mass during the first two weekends of March or you can call the office (418-524-3544). We are using this simplified formula because of the changed circumstances we find ourselves in after Covid and inflation. All the parishes are experiencing the same circumstances.

“And he was transfigured before them.”

Today on our journey to Easter Time, the liturgy of the word shows us the transfiguration of Jesus Christ. Although there is a liturgical day in our calendar reserved for this celebration (August 6th), we are now invited to contemplate the very same scene intimately linked to the Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord.

The Passion of Jesus was indeed getting close and six days before His ascent to Mount Tabor, He clearly announced it: He had told them that “he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.” (Mt 16:21).

But the disciples were not yet ready to see the suffering of their Lord and Master. He, who had always been merciful towards the defenseless, who had healed many a skin marred by leprosy, who had given light to so many blind eyes, who had given back motion to so many paralyzed limbs, it could just not be that his body was to be blemished by the thrashing and flogging. And, in spite of everything, He asserts without any concessions: “I had to suffer.” Incomprehensible! Impossible!

But despite all this incomprehension, Jesus knows what He has come to this world for. He knows He has to assume all the feebleness and pain overwhelming humanity to be able to divinize it and, thus, redeem it from the vicious circle of sin and death, so that the latter defeated —death—, it cannot anymore hold man in bondage; man, who God had created in His own image.

This is why the Transfiguration is a splendid icon of our redemption, where the Lord's flesh appears in a glimpse of His resurrection. Thus, if with the announcement of His Passion He kindles the anguish of the Apostles, with the glow of His divinity He strengthens their hope while anticipating for them the Paschal Joy, even though neither Peter, James nor John could understand very well what it means... to be raised from the dead (cf. Mt 17:9). They will eventually find out!

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