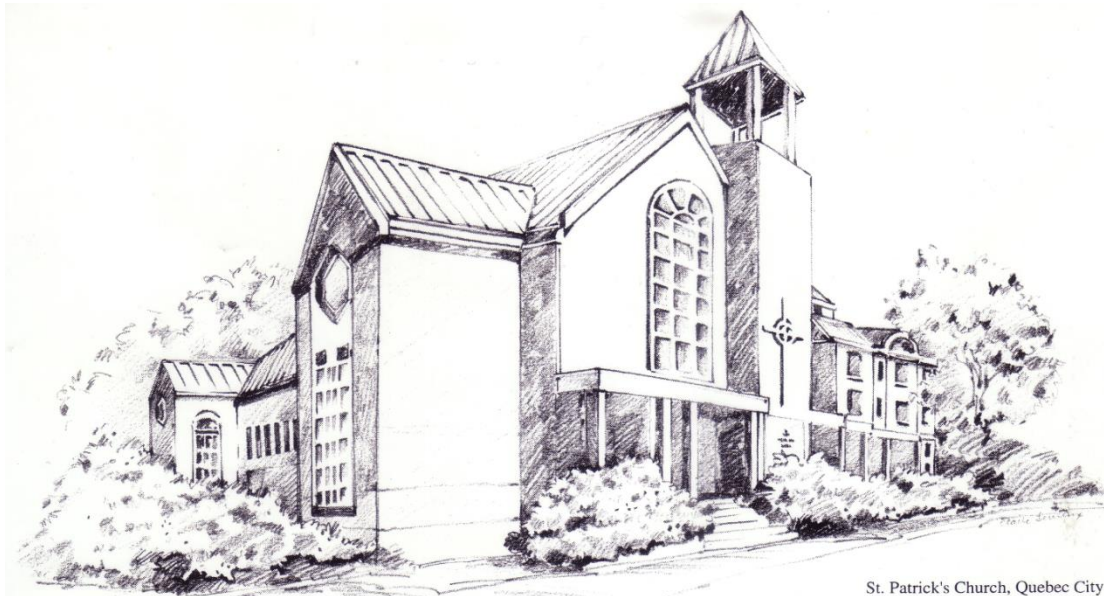


# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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**Third Sunday of Lent, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

The high point of the conversation is when Jesus reveals himself to the Samaritan woman as the Messiah. His answer to her questions about worship is meant to predict a time when worshiping in truth and spirit will become the way to worship. After the conversation, the Samaritan woman becomes a disciple. Even though she is an outcast and not a Jew, she returns to her town to lead others to Jesus and tell them she has founded the Messiah. The Samaritan townspeople return with her to meet Jesus for themselves, and many become believers. (Loyola Press)



"The Woman said to him, 'I know that the Messiah is coming' (who is called the Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'"(John 4.5-42)

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**Lenten prayer:** Jesus, prepare our hearts to receive you more fully. Help us to welcome others into our lives and into your Church. Grant us the grace we need to repent of our sins and turn to your love and mercy.



The collection total for last week's Masses was \$813.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	March 11 <sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm	Third Sunday of Lent	Marylou O'Grady Murphy Brenda O'Connor	Edward Murphy & Family CWL
Sunday	March 12 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 am	Third Sunday of Lent	O'Donnell & McCauley Families Brenda O'Connor Lemieux	Constance O'Donnell Maureen Martineau
Monday	March 13 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday	March 14 <sup>th</sup> 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	Florence Walsh	Jean Saville
Wednesday	March 15 <sup>th</sup> 11:30 am		<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Thursday	March 16 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Friday	<b>March 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm</b>		Souls of the Purgatory	Jean Saville
Saturday	March 18 <sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Florence & David Walsh Harry Griffin	Madeleine Byrne Stewart Lise & Pat McKenna
Sunday	March 19 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 am	Fourth Sunday of Lent	David Cannon Jane Healy Nobrega Robert Brochu	Edward Murphy & Family Elizabeth Healy Jean Saville

### 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 »

### Come Participate in St Patick's Parade on March 25<sup>th</sup> !

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](mailto:pastoral.assistant@stpatricksquebec.com) .

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

There will be a General Members meeting on Saturday, April 1st at 2 pm in the church hall. A special Lenten presentation is anticipated! Members are kindly reminded to turn in their Member Survey. This is for all members to complete, old and new. Lenten and Easter items are now available for purchase at our gift and card table in the hall after Sunday Mass. Hand made 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](mailto:capgrad1983@gmail.com) or 418-573-5648 with questions, for prayer requests, or to join ♥. You can also visit [www.cwl.ca](http://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.

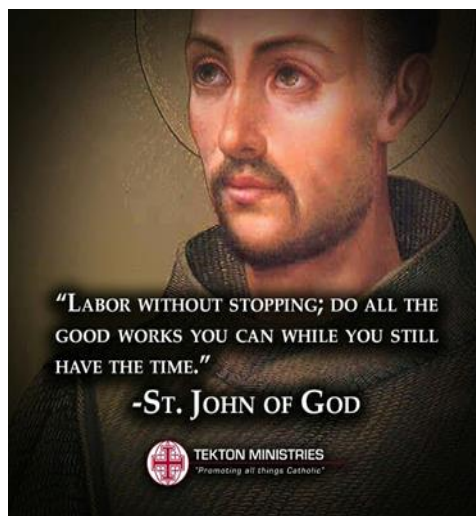
### "Give me a drink."

Today, just as in that Samaritan afternoon, Jesus comes into our live, halfway through our Lenten journey, telling us, as He did to the Samaritan woman: "Give me a drink" (Jn 4:7). Saint John Paul II said: "His material thirst symbolizes a far deeper reality: it expresses His ardent desire that His dialogue partner and her fellow-citizens will open themselves to faith."

The Preface of today's Eucharistic celebration speaks to us of this dialogue that ends up in a salvific barter where the Lord... "so deeply thirsted" for the salvation of the Samaritan woman that "he set on fire in her the flame of God's love."

Even today Jesus continues to "thirst," namely, to desire humanity's "thirst" for our faith and love, "thirst" for our response of faith before so many Lenten invitations to conversion, to change, to reconciliation with God and our brothers, to prepare ourselves, as much as we can, to receive a new life of resurrection in the nearing Easter.

"I am he, the one who is speaking with you." (Jn 4:26): this direct and clear acknowledgment by Jesus of His mission, which He had never done before with anybody else, shows likewise God's love, a love that undergoes more in quest for the sinner and promise of salvation, that will abundantly satiate the human desire for true Life. This is why, further down in this same Gospel, Jesus will proclaim: "Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as scripture says: 'Rivers of living water\* will flow from within him.'" (Jn 7:37b-38). So, your commitment today, is to go out of yourself and tell all men: "Come see a man who told me..." (Jn 4:29).





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