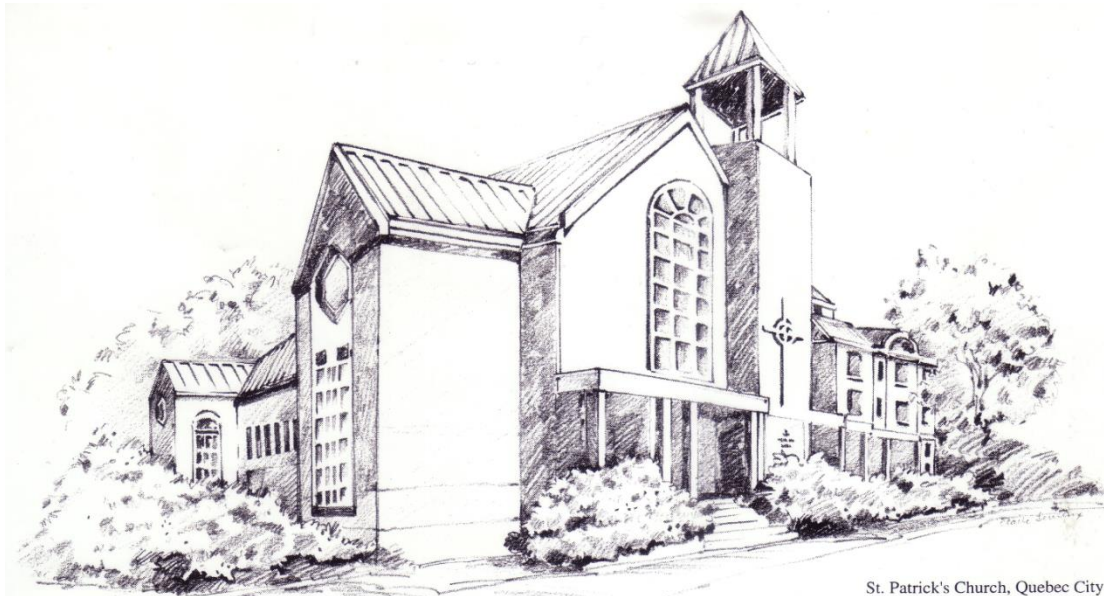


St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 10th, 2023

Today's Gospel is sometimes called the "discourse on the Church" or the "church order" discourse. In this text Jesus does not discourage disagreement within the community of the Church; he acknowledges the reality of conflict and error and offers his disciples a means for addressing such matters. It is in the conclusion to this teaching that the message of hope is found: Jesus is present with the community and will guide the community in its relations. If decisions are taken in prayer, then the community can be assured of God's assistance. (Loyola Press)



Jesus spoke to his disciple. "If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If he or she listens to you, you have regained your brother or sister." (Matthew 18.15-20)

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St. John Chrysostom: “Prayer is the place of refuge for every worry, a foundation for cheerfulness, a source of constant happiness, a protection against sadness.”



The collection total for last week's Masses was \$703.20. Thank you for your generosity

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	September 9 th 4:00 pm	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary time	Fred Pichard	Helen Pichard
Sunday	September 10 th 10:00 am	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary time		
Monday	September 11 th		No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	September 12 th 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	Pro Populo	
Wednesday	September 13 th 11:30 am			
Thursday	September 14 th		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	September 15 th		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	September 16 th 4:00 pm	24 th Sunday in Ordinary time	O'Donnell and McCauley Families	Constance O'Donnell
Sunday	September 17 th 10:00 am	24 th Sunday in Ordinary time	André Bouchard (Anniversary Mass)	

Donations for Ukrainians in Need

If you wish to contribute, you can put your donations in the wooden box where it is written: Donations for Ukrainians in Need located in the church near the Holy Water Font and special envelopes are available for this purpose on the stand, in the atrium of the church. Donations by cheque must be made out to St-Patrick's Parish.

Donations using QR Code

It is now possible to give donations to the parish by using a QR Code with your cell phones. By scanning it, it will indicate what you should do in order to give your donations. The QR Code is on the table in the atrium of the church. Thankyou for your generosity.

News of The Catholic Women's League Quebec City Council

The new theme for The Catholic Women's League is "Here I am Lord, send me." Isaiah. We will be holding a Book and Bake Sale at this year's Fall Festival, September 23rd from 11am-3pm at St. Vincent's School. There are many ways for members (and parishioners) to get involved: We welcome new members. Please contact Christie Mitchell at capgrad1983@gmail.com or call 418-573-5648. You can also visit www.cwl.ca for information and inspiration.

Memorial Mass September 17th at Saint-Patrick's Church.

On September 17th, during the regular Sunday Mass at 10AM, we will pray for the deceased who had a burial at our cemetery during the last 12 months. We will name each one of them.

After Mass, we will invite all of you and members of the deceased's families to go to the cemetery for a prayer prepared by Richard Drouin, our lay pastoral assistant.

We will give to each family a flower to place on the tombstone. Helen Mc Cauley will sing a hymn. Then, refreshments will be served in the garage. Father Réjean Lussier

“Go and tell him his fault between you and him alone”

Today, the Gospel suggests that we consider some of Jesus' recommendations to His disciples, both from those times and for all times. Even in the community of the early Christians, there were faults and behaviors contrary to God's will. The final verse provides the framework for resolving problems that arise within the Church throughout history: “For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” (Mt 18:20). Jesus is present in every period of the life of His Church, His "Mystical Body", invigorated by the unceasing action of the Holy Spirit. We are always brothers and sisters, whether the community is large or small.

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.” (Mt 18:15). How beautiful and loyal is the fraternal relationship about which Jesus teaches us! When faced with an offense against me or someone else, I must ask the Lord for His grace to forgive, to understand, and ultimately, to try to correct my brother or sister.

Today, things are not as simple as when the Church was less numerous. But if we ponder our relationships in dialogue with our Heavenly Father, He will enlighten us to find the time, place, and appropriate words to fulfill our duty to help one another in a spirit of familial charity. It's crucial to purify our hearts. Accordingly, St. Paul encourages us to correct our neighbor with a righteous intent: “Brothers, even if a person is caught in some transgression, you who are spiritual should correct that one in a gentle spirit, looking to yourself, so that you also may not be tempted.” (Gal 6:1).

Our deep affection and humility will make us seek gentleness. “Go with a motherly hand, with the almost infinite tenderness shown by our own mothers, when they were treating the hurts and injuries, big or little, resulting from our childhood games and falls.” (Saint Josemaría Escrivá). This is how the Mother of Jesus, and our Mother too, corrects us: with inspirations to love God and our brothers and sisters more deeply.

Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows (September 15th)

Our mother of sorrows, with strength from above you stood by the cross, sharing in the sufferings of Jesus, and with tender care you bore Him in your arms, mourning and weeping.

We praise you for your faith, which accepted the life God planned for you. We praise you for your hope, which trusted that God would do great things in you. We praise you for your love in bearing with Jesus the sorrows of His passion.

Holy Mary, may we follow your example, and stand by all your children who need comfort and love. Mother of God, stand by us in our trials and care for us in our many needs. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death.

Amen!.

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