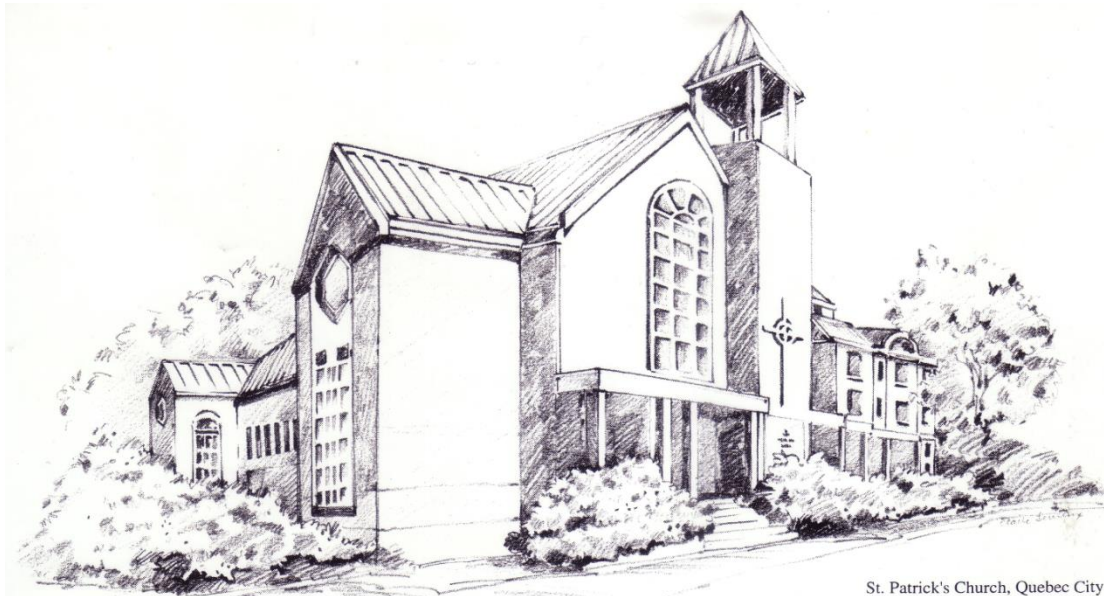


St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 15th, 2023



In today's parable, the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation. Yet he asks us to repent for our sins. Also, God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy (Loyola Press).



“The Kingdom of Heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He send his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come.”

(Matthew 22.1-14)

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Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher: “Let us extend a hand to one another, to help surmount the difficulties, which occur. Never forget to meet with God in prayer.”

 The collection total for last week's Masses and Funeral was \$1479.35. Thank you for your generosity

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	October 14 th 4:00 pm	27 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Florence & David Walsh	Edward Murphy & family
Sunday	October 15 th 10:00 am	27 th Sunday in Ordinary time	O'Donnell & McCauley families	Constance O'Donnell
Monday	October 16 th		No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	October 17 th 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	Jean Canonne	Françoise Gravel
Wednesday	October 18 th 11:30 am		Pro Populo	
Thursday	October 19 th		No Mass	No Mass
Friday	October 20 th		No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	October 21 st 4:00 pm	28 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Brendan & Terry O'Gallagher	Edward Murphy & Family
Sunday	October 22 nd 10:00 am	28 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Izora Cameron Healy	Elizabeth Healy

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. 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.

Funeral Announcement

On Saturday, October 7th, there was a Funeral Mass for the repose of the soul of Gilbert Cashman. May he rest in peace and our sincere condolences to the family and friends

News of The Catholic Women's League Quebec City Council

We hope to host a soup and pie meet and greet after Sunday Mass at the start of November. Our card and gift table has reopened! We have many useful items and art donations. "Canada Needs Our Lady", has asked women from coast to coast to pray the rosary on Saturday October 14th at noon. Provincial President Alice Noble and Spiritual Life chair Susan Kaller have planned a very important workshop on Changes for 9am on October 21st at the Shannon Community Center. Carpooling is available. Lunch will be provided. Elections are coming soon. It's time to start considering who you would want to serve on next year's executive. We are transitioning to the new organizational plan. May our Lady of Good Counsel direct us in this matter. We are accepting new members! Please contact our President Christie Mitchell at capgrad1983@gmail.com.

"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find"

Today, Jesus presents to us the king (the Father), inviting — through his "servants" (the prophets) — to the banquet of the covenant of his Son with humanity (salvation). First, He did it with Israel, "but they refused to come." (Mt 22:3). In the face of this refusal, the Father continues to insist: "I have prepared my banquet... and everything is ready; come to the feast." (Mt 22:4). But such disdain, mockery, and death of the servants lead to the sending of troops, the death of those murderers, and the burning of "their" city (cf. Mt 22:6-7): Jerusalem.

So, other "servants" (the apostles) — were sent to go to the "the main roads" (Mt 22:9): "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them...", the Lord Jesus would say later in Mt 28:19 — and thus we, the rest of humanity, were invited: "all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall were filled with guests." (Mt 22:10), meaning the Church.

Even so, the issue is not just being at the wedding hall due to the invitation, but it also has a lot to do with the dignity with which one is present (the "wedding garment," cf. Mt 22:12). St. Jerome commented on this: "The festive garments are the Lord's commandments and the works accomplished according to the Law and the Gospel, which are the garments of the new man." In other words, acts of charity that should accompany faith.

We know that Mother Teresa of Calcutta would go out every night to the streets of Calcutta to gather the dying, to give them, love, a good death: clean, well-clothed, and if possible, baptized. Once she commented, "I am not afraid of dying because when I stand before the Father, there will be so many poor people I gave Him in wedding garments who will know help to defend me." Blessed be she! — Let us learn the lesson.

Please pray for an end to all wars, violence, injustice and famine

Strong and merciful God, You crush wars and overthrow the proud;

banish violence from all areas of conflict and wipe away the tears of those who suffer.

May all men and women, made in Your image and likeness, find in Your love and mercy, a pattern for their lives.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever, Amen

(Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta)

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