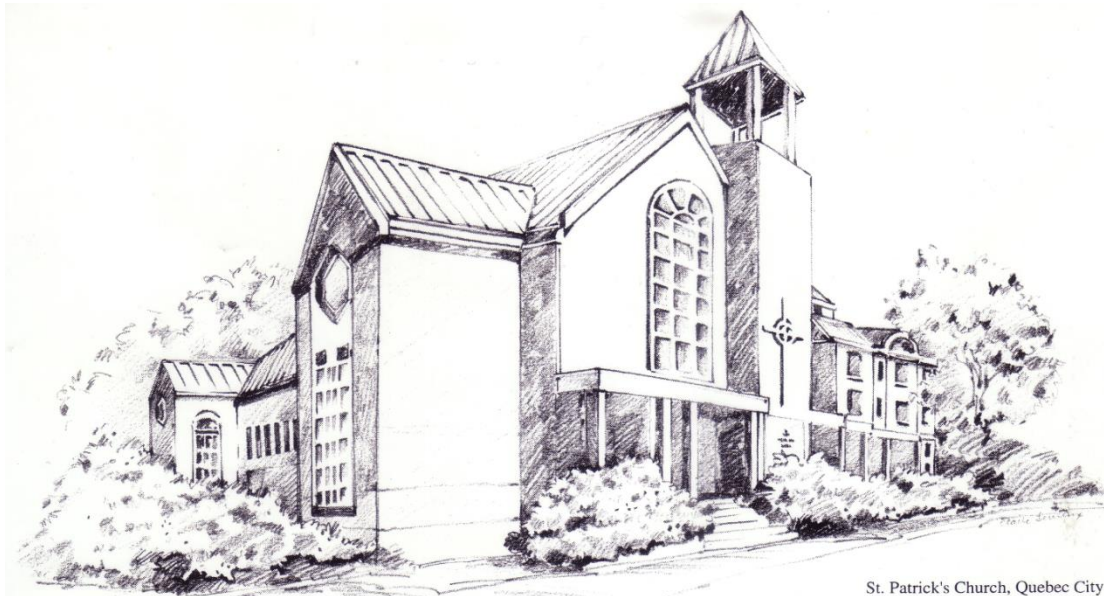


# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

## Mission Statement

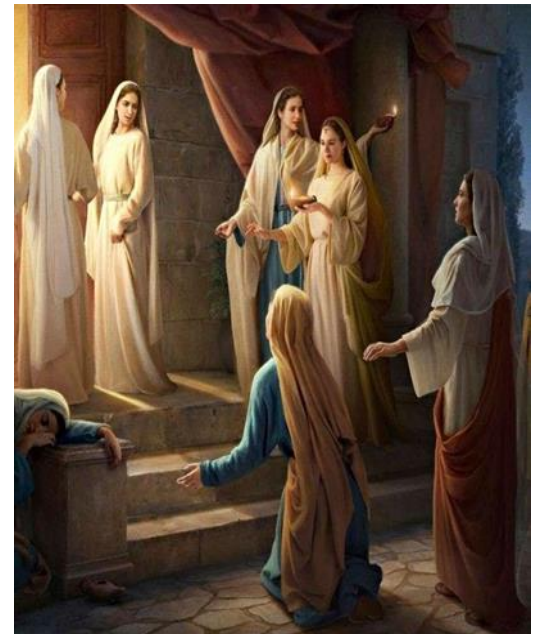
While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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**32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. Today's parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. In the Gospel this interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The first Christian community was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, Are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?



“Later the other Bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open to us,’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you,’ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” (Matthew 25.1-13)

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Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	November 11 <sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm	32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time	John Louis Fournier & Claire Bédard John O'Connor	France Fournier Edward Murphy
Sunday	November 12 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 am	32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time	Charlotte & Fred Pichard Cecile O'Doherty	Helen Pichard Barbara Fleury
Monday	November 13 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday	November 14 <sup>th</sup> 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)	Helen Martin Haberlin	Edward Murphy
Wednesday	November 15 <sup>th</sup> 11:30 am		<b>Pro Populo</b>	
Thursday	November 16 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Friday	November 17 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Saturday	November 18 <sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time	William Donnely (Anniversary Mass)	
Sunday	November 19 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 am	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time	Brenda O'Connor Samuel McIntosh	Edward Murphy Madeline B. Stewart



The collection total for last week's Masses was \$806,35. Thank you for your generosity

### Remembrance Day Service

Our annual Remembrance Day Service will be held on Sunday, November 12 beginning at 9:55 a.m. As the actual Remembrance Day is just the day before, you can still wear your poppy for this activity. Please join us in remembering our fallen soldiers and honouring our veterans.

### 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.

### Collection for the Great North and the diocesan of Québec's missions

On Sunday November 19th, we will collect money for Diocese's missions and for the missions in the Great North. Together, through financial support and our prayers, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable Catholics who live in many missions and in the Great North.

## News of The Catholic Women's League Quebec City Council


Warm thanks to everyone who assisted and donated to The Catholic Women's League at our soup and dessert social last Sunday. The funds collected will go towards our various charitable works and functions. Please check your closets and drawers for extra winter clothing. We are collecting for the Patro Roc-Amadour until Christmas. There will be a box in the downstairs coat room. Be on the lookout for raffle tickets for our Christmas Wine Basket and other items soon. The CWL is an organization that promotes individual and collective growth especially in the areas of faith, service, and social justice. You can join us today by contacting our President Christie Mitchell at [capgrad1983@gmail.com](mailto:capgrad1983@gmail.com). visit the National website at [www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca) for news and inspiration.

### **“Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!”**

Today, we are invited to mull over the purpose of our existence; it is a warning from the Good God about our ultimate end; let's not, therefore, play with life. "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom." (Mt 25:1). The end of each person will depend on the path chosen; death is a consequence of the life —wise or foolish— that they've lived in this world. Foolish maidens are those who have heard Jesus' message but have not put it into practice. Wise maidens are those who have incorporated it into their lives and that's why they enter at the wedding feast of the Kingdom.

The parable is a very serious wake-up call. "Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Mt 25:13). Never let the lamp of faith go out because any moment could be the last. The Kingdom is already here. Light your lamps with the oil of faith, fraternity, and mutual charity. Our hearts, full of light, will allow us to experience true joy here and now. Those around us will also be enlightened and will know the joy of the presence of the long-awaited Bridegroom. Jesus asks us to always have that oil in our lamps.


That's why, when the Second Vatican Council, choosing from the Bible the images of the Church, refers to this comparison of the bridegroom and the bride, it proclaims these words: "The Church is also described as the spotless spouse of the spotless Lamb, whom Christ “loved and for whom he delivered Himself up that He might sanctify her.”, whom He united to Himself by an unbreakable covenant, and whom He unceasingly "nourishes and cherishes." and whom, once purified, He willed to be cleansed and joined to Himself, subject to Him in love and fidelity. "



## PRAYER TO SAINT JOSAPHAT

Stir up in your Church,  
we pray, O Lord,  
the Spirit that filled Saint Josaphat  
as he laid down his life for the sheep,  
so that through his intercession  
we, too, may be strengthened by the  
same Spirit and not be afraid to lay  
down our life for others.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your  
Son, who lives and reigns with you in  
the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



November 12th  
**SAINT JOSAPHAT**  
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