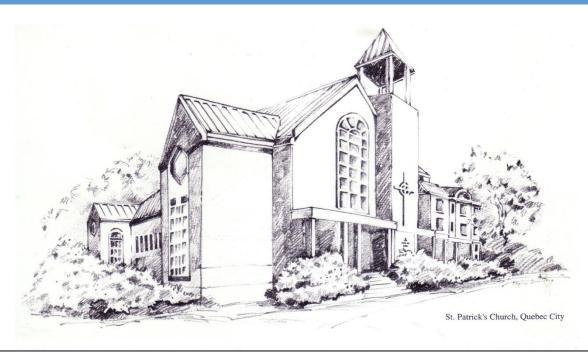
## St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



#### **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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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, November 26th, 2023

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones—the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones. Jesus tells us that whenever we have served these least ones, we have served Christ himself. (Loyola Press)



"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me."

(Matthew 25.31-46)

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|                         | Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation: Please |                |  |  |
|-------------------------|---|----------------|--|--|
|                         | contact the lay Pastoral Assistant at                                   |                |  |  |
|                         | <pre>pastoral.assistant@stpatricksquebec.com.</pre>                     |                |  |  |
|                         | Marriage and Wedding Anniversary  |                |  |  |
|                         | Mass: Please contact the Pastor.  |                |  |  |
|                         | <b>Confessions</b> : They are heard before Mass                         |                |  |  |
|                         | upon request.   |                |  |  |
| Cantor                  |   | Helen McCauley |  |  |
| Cantor & Choir Director |   | Laura Paladino |  |  |
| Organist                |   | Bruce Gaulin   |  |  |

| Mass      |                                    |   | Mass Intentions                    |               |
|-----------|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Day       | Date                               | Liturgy   | For                                | From          |
| Saturday  | November 25 <sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm  | Jesus Christ, King of the Universe                | Tim O'Connor                       | Edward Murphy |
| Sunday    | November 26 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 am | Jesus Christ, King of the Universe                | David Cannon                       | Edward Murphy |
| Monday    | November 27 <sup>th</sup>          |   | No Mass                            | No Mass       |
| Tuesday   | November 28 <sup>th</sup> 11:30 am | Devotion to Our Lady of<br>Perpetual Help (11:15) | Alice Bleau                        | Edward Murphy |
| Wednesday | November 29 <sup>th</sup> 11:30 am |   | Pro Populo                         |               |
| Thursday  | November 30 <sup>th</sup>          |   | No Mass                            | No Mass       |
| Friday    | December 1 <sup>st</sup>           |   | No Mass                            | No Mass       |
| Saturday  | December 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4:00 pm   | 1st Sunday of Advent                              | Helen Martin Haberlin              | Joan Kane     |
| Sunday    | December 3 <sup>rd</sup> 10:00 am  | 1st Sunday of Advent                              | Donald Quinn<br>(Anniversary Mass) |               |

The collection total for last week's Masses was \$535.05. Thank you for your generosity

#### **Holy Hour**

On Friday December 1<sup>st</sup>, we will have Holy Hour from 7PM until 8PM. We will expose the Blessed Sacrament and have some prayers and moments of silence. Also, you will be able to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

#### **Community Christmas Hamper Campaign**

We will have a special collection during the Masses on December 2nd and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks to your thoughtful generosity; families in need will receive food at Christmas. To make a donation this year, please make out your cheque to St. Patrick's Church and at the bottom write: Community Christmas Hamper Campaign in order to receive a tax receipt. If not, you may drop your cheque or money off at the rectory in the letter box.. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Filipino Community Mass

On Saturday, December 2nd, at 7:00 pm, we will have a Mass organised by the Filipino Community. All are welcome.

#### Service of Advent and Christmas Carols.

Our Pastoral Committee is inviting you to attend a special service. On Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 2PM, our cantors Helen Mc Cauley and Laura Palladino along the parish choir will lead us in song. We will also have some readings from the Scriptures. The event will take place in the church. Hopefully, many of you will join us for this first-time event. Father Rejean Lussier

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

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. Our Christmas Wine Basket, Lamp, and children's Nativity set raffles have begun! Please see a member for tickets. The drawings will be held after Mass December 10th. You do not need to be present to win. **Are you ready to transform your spiritual life, serve others and act on social justice issues? Change is possible. Join us today.** Yearly Membership dues of \$35 are being collected. Visit <a href="www.cwl.ca">www.cwl.ca</a> for National updates and inspiration. You may also contact our president Christie Mitchell with prayer requests at <a href="majorage-capprad1983@gmail.com">capprad1983@gmail.com</a>.

#### "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me"

Today, Jesus speaks to us about the final judgment. And with that metaphorical image of sheep and goats, He shows us that it will be a judgment of love. Saint John of the Cross tells us: "In the evening of life, we will be judged on love alone."

Saint Ignatius of Loyola, says in his meditation "Contemplation to Attain the Love of God." "love is shown more in deeds than in words." And today's Gospel is very illustrative. Every act of charity we do, we do it truly to Christ: "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." (Mt 25:34-36) Even more so: "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Mt 25:40).

This Gospel passage, which grounds us in reality, sets the feast of the judgment of Christ the King in its place. The kingship of Christ is something quite different from dominance; it is simply the fundamental reality of existence: love will have the last word.

Jesus shows us that the meaning of kingship - or authority - is serving others. He declared Himself as Teacher and Master (cf. Jn 13:13), and also as King (cf. Jn 18:37), but He exercised His mastery by washing the disciples' feet (cf. Jn 13:4 ff.), and reigned, by giving His life. Jesus Christ reigns, first, from a humble cradle (a manger!) and then, from a very uncomfortable throne, that is, the Cross.

On the Cross there was an inscription that said "Jesus the Nazorean, the King of the Jews" (Jn 19:19): what appearances denied was confirmed by the deep reality of the mystery of God, for Jesus reigns from his Cross and He judges us in love. "We will be judged on love alone."

#### MASS SCHEDULE DURING THE HOLIDAYS

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent, on Saturday December 23<sup>rd</sup>: 16:00

Sunday December 24th: No 10:00 am Mass

Christmas Eve on Sunday, December 24th: 16:00 and 20:00 Nativity of our Lord on Monday, December 25th: 10:00 am

December 26th to 29th: No Mass

Holy Family Sunday on Saturday, December 30th: 16:00 ---

Holy Family on Sunday, December 31st: 10:00 am

Holy Mother of God on Monday, January1st: 10:00 am

January  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$ : No 11:30 am Mass



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