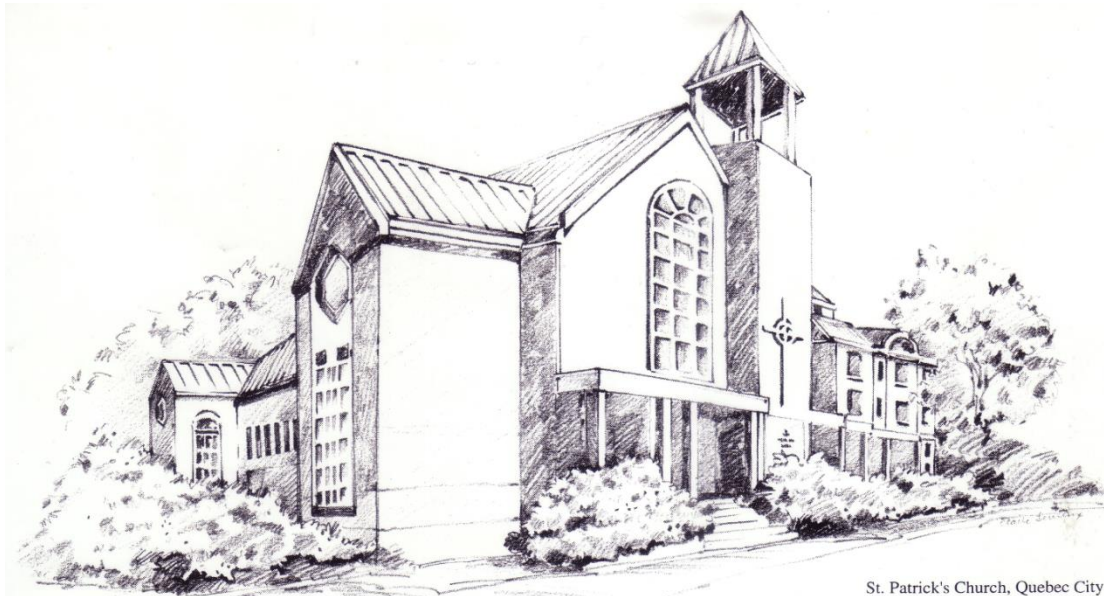


St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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 in Ordinary Time, January 21st, 2024

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus preaches the Kingdom of God. Like John the Baptist, Jesus' pronouncement of the kingdom is a call to repentance. Yet Jesus' preaching is greater than John's. Jesus begins the time of fulfillment; the Kingdom of God is already here. This will be demonstrated again and again, both in Jesus' words and in the actions that follow. Jesus' healings and forgiveness of sins are signs of the Kingdom of God that he announces in his teaching. The Kingdom of God is here and now. How might our lives be different if we more fully shared this sense of the immediacy of God's kingdom? (Loyola Press)




Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." (Mark 1.14-20)

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Mass				Mass Intentions	
Day	Date		Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	January 20 th	16:00 pm	3 rd Sunday Ordinary time		
Sunday	January 21 st	10:00 am	3 rd Sunday Ordinary time	Mary Johnston	Alain Fortin
Monday	January 22 nd			No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	January 23 rd	11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)		
Wednesday	January 24 th	11:30 am		Pro Populo	
Thursday	January 25 th			No Mass	No Mass
Friday	January 26 th			No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	January 27 th	16:00 pm	3 rd Sunday Ordinary time	Florence McGarrety & Dan Black	Karen McGarrety
Sunday	January 28 th	10:00 am	3 rd Sunday Ordinary time	Rejean Moreau Dan Black	Pierre Gagnon Robert McGarrety

 The total collection for last week's Masses is \$524.15. Thank you for your generosity

News of The Catholic Women's League Quebec City Council

ALL MEMBERS: Please make attending our AGM on January 20th at 2pm a priority. The meeting takes place in the church hall and includes: annual reports from a number of executive members, in person voting if required, election results, and the installation of our new executive by Father Lussier. The importance of your attendance can not be overstated. Hope To See You There!!

Prayer to Saint Angela Merici

(St. Angela Merici was an Italian saint who lived in the 1400s-1500s and she founded the Ursuline Order)

Saint Angela Merici, You were generous and joyful in answering God's call, and you happily shared the gifts you had been given. When you recognized the need for education, you overcame obstacles and prejudice by your prayer and your commitment to those living in poverty. Open our eyes to the needs of others; remind us that Jesus calls us to serve our sisters and brothers, and to bring joy to those around us.

Thank you from the 2023 Community Christmas Hamper Campaign Organizing Committee

"On behalf of the organizing committee of the 28th annual Community Christmas Hamper Campaign, I would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for your organization's continued support of this heartwarming community initiative.

Thanks to the generosity of our community, once again, we reached our fundraising objective of \$50,000. As a result, together, we were able to serve over 250 households in need during the holiday season!"

Shirley Nadeau, Chairwoman

"Change your ways and believe the Good News"

Today, the Church invites us to change our ways and, through Jesus, is telling us: "Change your ways and believe the Good News." (Mk 1:15). We will, therefore, have to pay attention to what Jesus Christ is saying, while correcting and improving what is needed.

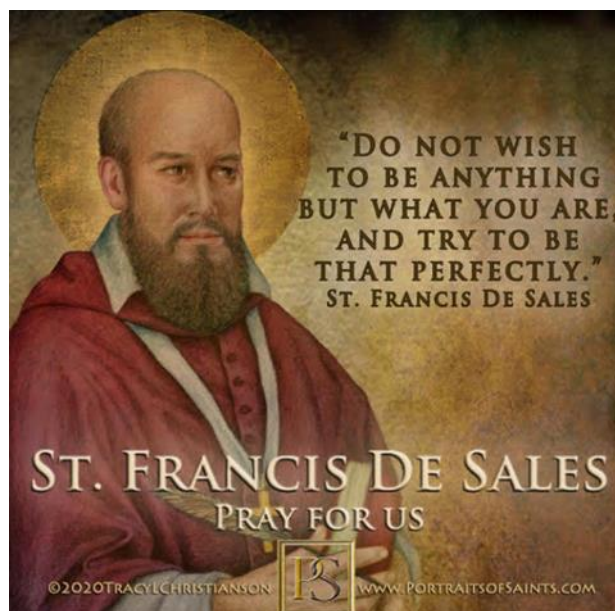
Any human action connects with God's eternal designs about us and with the vocation to listen to Jesus, to follow Him in everything and to proclaim Him, just as the first disciples did, as millions of persons have done and as we try to do, too.

We now have the opportunity to find God through Jesus Christ; it is now, therefore, the moment of our life to connect us to either a happy or miserable eternity; it is also now, the time God provides us with, to meet Him, to live as his sons and to make our daily events to become loaded with the divine transcendence Jesus Christ — with his life through time— has poured on them.

We cannot miss this opportunity!: our life may be more or less lengthy in time, but will always be too short, "for the world in its present form is passing away." (1Co 7:31). And afterwards, the eternity; with God and His faithful followers, in a life full of happiness and glory, or far away from God —with those unfaithful to Him— in a life of total darkness.

The hours, days, months and years, are not for us to waste, nor to spend in relaxation while letting them go by almost unnoticed with a futile "not too bad". They are rather for us to live up —here and now— following what Jesus Christ has proclaimed in the saving Gospel: live in God, by loving everything and everybody. This is why, those who have loved —Mary, Mother of God and our Mother too; the saints; and those who have remained faithful till the very end of their earthly life— have been able to hear that: "Well done, my good and faithful servant (...). Come, share your master's joy." (Mt 25:23).

Let us be converted! It is worth our while!: we shall love, and we shall be happy, starting right now!



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