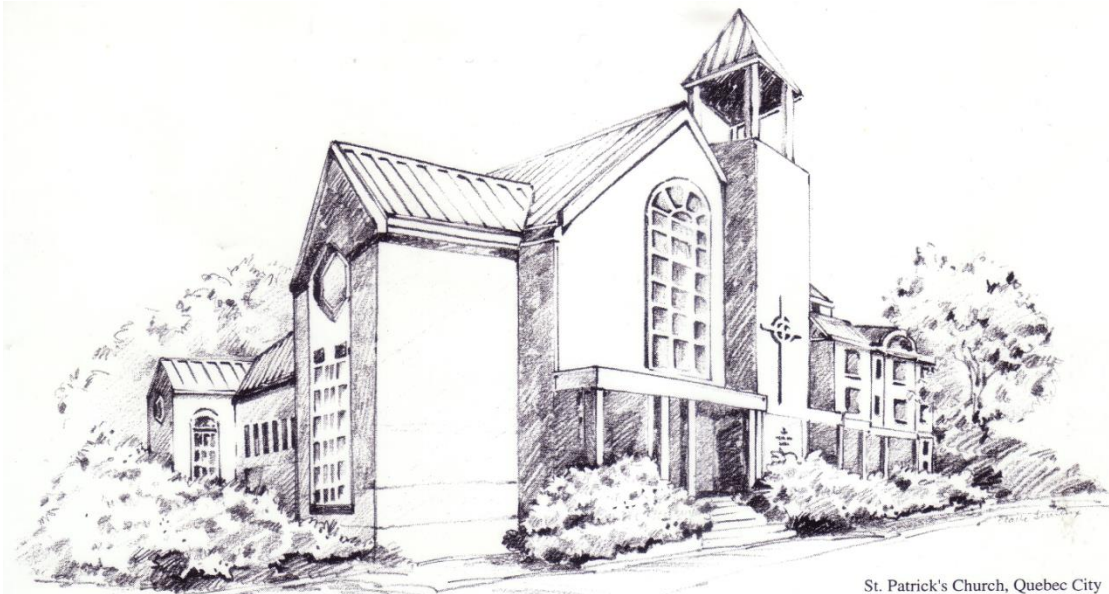


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St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

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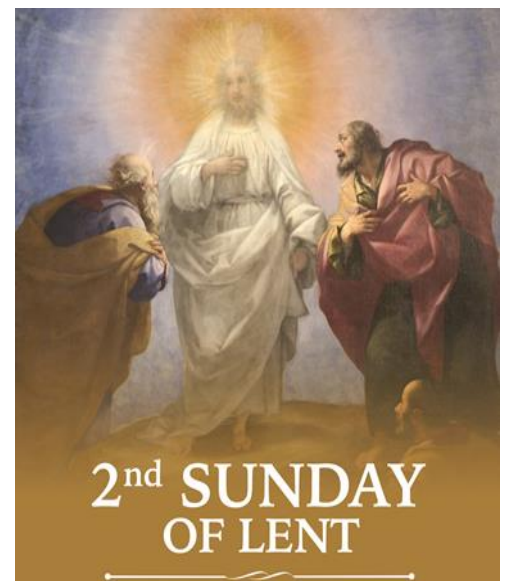
While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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Second Sunday of Lent, February 25th, 2024





In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. It is also where Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' death.




Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. (Mark 9.2-10)

(Mark 1.12-15)

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Holy Hour (First Friday of the month, 7PM to 8PM) Priest available for the Sacrament of reconciliation	

Mass				Mass Intentions	
Day	Date		Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	February 24 th	16:00 pm	Second Sunday Of Lent		
Sunday	February 25 th	10:00 am	Second Sunday of Lent	M. Jacques Plante	Laura Palladino & Pierre Gagnon
Monday	February 26 th			No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	February 27 th	11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)		
Wednesday	February 28 th	11:30 am		Pro Populo	
Thursday	February 29 th			No Mass	No Mass
Friday	March 1 st			No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	March 2 nd	16:00 pm	Third Sunday Of Lent	Cecile O'Doherty	Barbara Fleury
Sunday	March 3 rd	10:00 am	Third Sunday of Lent		

 The total collection for last week's Masses is \$601.45. Thank you for your generosity

St Patrick's Day (2024)

On Sunday, March 17th, we will celebrate Saint Patrick's Day beginning with Mass at 10:00. Afterwards we will have a brunch in the Hall. This is a family gathering and we have tried to make it affordable for all families and also older people. The price is 30 dollars each and it is free for children under 10 years of age. You may pay with a credit card, debit card or in cash. You can reserve a place after Mass during the first two weekends of March or you can call the office and we will send you your ticket by email. (418-524-3544).

Father Réjean Lussier

Filipino Community Mass

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

Holy Hour

On Friday March 1st, 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.



"Lenten penance is a commitment, sustained by grace, to overcoming our lack of faith and our resistance to following Jesus on the way of the cross."

– Pope Francis

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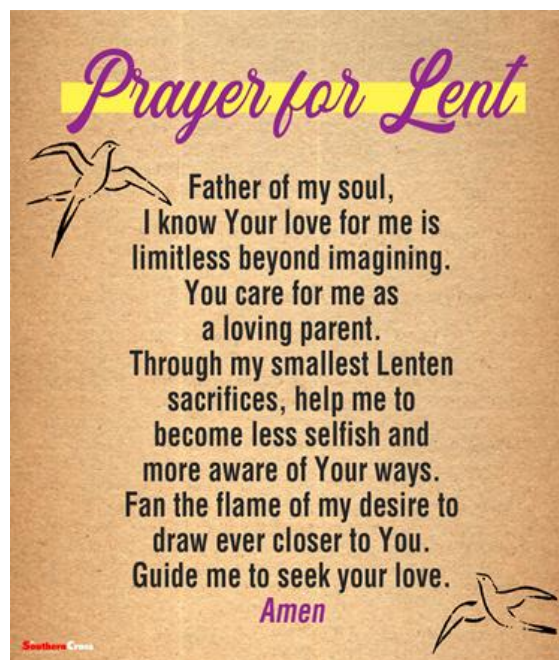
“Jesus went up the mountain to pray”

Today we contemplate the scene "in which the three Apostles Peter, James and John appear entranced by the beauty of the Redeemer." (Saint John Paul II): "He was transfigured before them, and His clothes became dazzling white." (Mk 9:2-3). As far as we are concerned, we can draw out a message from the words of Saint Paul, when he assures his disciple Timothy that "Christ Jesus destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel." (2 Tim 1:10). This is what we contemplate with amazement in this episode of the second Sunday of Lent, just like the three beloved Apostles at that time: the Transfiguration.

It is good that in our Lenten practice, we welcome this burst of sun and light emanating from Jesus' face and clothes. This is a wonderful icon of redeemed humanity, which no longer appears in the ugliness of sin, but in all the beauty that divinity imparts to our flesh. Peter's reaction is an expression of what we feel when overwhelmed by divine grace.

The Holy Spirit also transfigures the senses of the Apostles, and thanks to this, they can witness the divine glory of the Man Jesus. Transfigured eyes to see what shines brighter; transfigured ears to hear the most sublime and true voice: that of the Father who rejoices in his Son. All of this is too astonishing for us, accustomed as we are to the greyness of mediocrity. Only if we let Our Lord touch us with his Grace, will our senses be able to see and hear what is most beautiful and joyful, in God, and in holy men and women divinized by the One who rose from the dead.

Saint John Paul II wrote: "Christian spirituality is distinguished by the disciple's commitment to become conformed ever more fully to his Master," in such a way that - through an attentiveness "which could be described in terms of friendship." - we come to the point to "share his deepest feelings." Let us place in the hands of Saint Mary the goal of our true "transfiguration" into her Son, Jesus Christ.



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