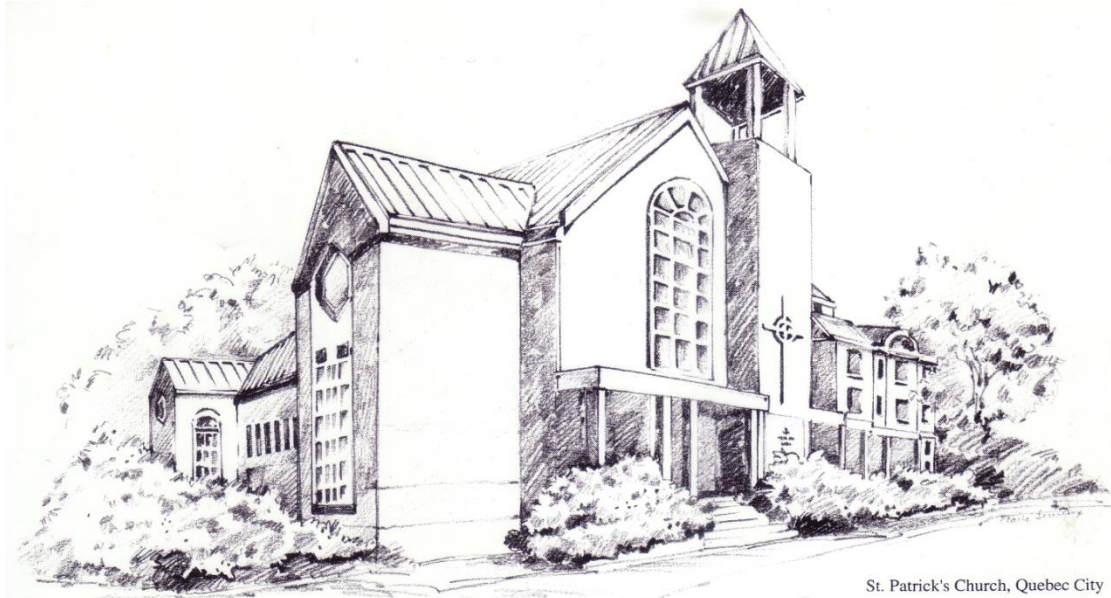


# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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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19th Sunday of Ordinary Time; August 11th, 2024


The Jews murmured about Jesus because He said, "I am the bread that came down from Heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? (...) Then how can He say, 'I have come down from Heaven'?"



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Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	August 10th 16:00 pm	19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	Patricia Kelly Lefebvre	Anniversary Mass
Sunday	August 11th 10:00 am	19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	O'Donnell/McCauley families	Constance O'Donnell
Monday	August 12th		<b>No Mass</b>	
Tuesday	August 13th 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)		
Wednesday	August 14th 11:30 am		Propulo Mass	
Thursday	August 15th		<b>No Mass</b>	
Friday	August 16th		<b>No Mass</b>	
Saturday	August 17th 16:00 pm	20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	Francois Dussault	Pat McKenna
Sunday	August 18th 10:00 am	20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary time	Mary Johnston	Alain Fortin

 The total collection for last Sunday was approximately \$1681.60 Thank you for your generosity.

### Catholic Women's League information

Members are invited to a special Spiritual Retreat Summer Picnic at Joan of Arc Garden (Jardin Jeanne-d'Arc), on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. Bring food and faith to share through a question or spiritual thought if possible. We will follow this by attending the 4:00 PM Mass together. In case of inclement weather, we will meet at the church.

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## Choir from Philadelphia

On Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup>, a choir is going to sing during Mass at 4:PM. It would be nice if you could attend Mass and join us. Father Rejean Lussier

### Reflection for this Sunday's Gospel

*«No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him»*

Today, the Gospel shows how disconcerted Jesus' countrymen were when in his presence: "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" (Jn 6:42). The life of Jesus amongst his own people had been so normal that, when He began to proclaim the Kingdom, those who knew him were shocked at what He was saying.

What Father was Jesus referring to, whom nobody had ever seen before? Which could be that living bread coming from heaven that those who eat of it would live forever? He denied it was the manna in the desert because those who ate it also died. "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (Jn 6:51). Could his flesh be food for us? The baffling doubts Jesus was spreading amongst the Jews could also embarrass us should we not be able to answer a question basic for our Christian life: Who is Jesus?

Many men and women before us have asked themselves the same question, have personally answered it, have gone to Jesus, have followed Him and now they enjoy an endless life full of love. And those who now may come to Jesus, He will raise them up on the last day. (cf. Jn 6:44). John Cassian exhorted his monks by telling them: "Come close to God, and He will come close to you", because 'nobody can come to Jesus unless he is drawn by the Father who sent Him' (...). In the Gospel we listen to the Lord inviting us to join Him: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Let us embrace the Word of the Gospel that brings us near Jesus every day; let us welcome the invitation of the very Gospel to enter into communion with Him by eating his flesh, because "This is the true food, Christ's flesh, which being Word has become flesh, as it is said 'And the Word became flesh'" (Origen).

### Vatican deplores Olympic 'offense done to many Christians'

In response to the July 26 Paris Olympics opening ceremony that mocked the Last Supper — and after the [French bishops](#) and [other Catholic](#) and [world leaders](#) decried the display — the Vatican on Saturday issued a statement denouncing the scene.

In a brief statement emailed to journalists in France, the Holy See said it "was saddened by certain scenes at the opening ceremony of the Paris Olympic Games and cannot but join the voices raised in recent days to deplore the offense done to many Christians and believers of other religions."

"In a prestigious event where the whole world comes together around common values, there should not be allusions ridiculing the religious convictions of many people," the statement continued.

The controversial scene, part of the 1.5-billion-euro (about \$1.62 billion) spectacle to kick off the 2024 Summer Olympics, featured drag queens portraying the apostles and a self-proclaimed lesbian DJ as Jesus in what appeared to be part of a fashion show — apparently mocking Leonardo da Vinci's famous painting.

"Freedom of expression, which is obviously not called into question, finds its limit in respect for others," the Holy See concluded in its statement.

Saturday's statement comes in the wake of an [open letter issued by Catholic cardinals and bishops](#) from around the world on Friday calling on the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to "repudiate" and "apologize" for the "intentionally hateful mockery" of the Last Supper.

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