

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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23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time; September 8th, 2024

**Jesus makes the
deaf hear and the
mute speak!**



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 	Marriage and Wedding Anniversary Mass: Please contact the Pastor. Confessions: They are heard before Mass upon request.
Cantor	Helen McCauley
Cantor & Choir Director	Laura Palladino
Organist	Bruce Gaulin
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	September 7th 4:00 pm	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Charlotte/Fred Pichard Germaine Falardeau	Helen Pichard
Sunday	September 8th 10:00 am	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	O'Doherty/Fleury deceased family members	Barbara Fleury
Monday	September 9th		No Mass	
Tuesday	September 10 th 11:30 am	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15)		
Wednesday	September 11 th 11:30 am		Propulo Mass	
Thursday	September 12 th		No Mass	
Friday	September 13 th		No Mass	
Saturday	September 14 th 4:00 pm	24 th Sunday of Ordinary Time		
Sunday	September 15 th 10:00 am	24 th Sunday of Ordinary time	Germaine Falardeau O'Donnell/McCauley families	Constance O'Donnell

The total collection for last Sunday was \$673.00. Thank you for your donations which is helping our parish.

Memorial Mass

On September 15th, during the regular Sunday Mass at 10AM, we will pray for the deceased who had a burial at our cemetery during the last 12 months. We will name each one of them. After Mass, we will invite all of you and members of the deceased's families to go to the cemetery for a prayer which is going to be bilingual. We will give to each family a flower to place on the tombstone even if you did not have a burial during the last 12 months. Helen Mc Cauley will sing two hymns. Then, refreshments will be served in the garage. Father Réjean Lussier

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Funeral Mass

On Friday September 6th, we celebrated the Funeral Mass of MaryAnn Kelly in our parish church. Our condolences to her family. Let us pray for the repose of her soul.

FALL FEST

On Saturday September 21st, it will be the annual Fall Fest. This year, the event will take place at Quebec High School between 11:00am and 3:00pm. Our parish will be represented by some parishioners. Join the Fall Fest if you would like to meet other people from the English-Speaking Community.

Reflection for this Sunday's Gospel

Today, the liturgy takes us to contemplate the healing of a "deaf man who had a speech impediment" (Mk 7:32). As in other cases (the Bethsaida and Jerusalem blind men, etc.), the Lord surrounds the miracle with a series of outward motions. In such miracles, the Fathers of the Church see the overemphasized harmonic involvement of the Humanity of Christ. An involvement developed in a double way: one, the "abasement" and the closeness to us of the Verb incarnated (the touch of his fingers, the depth of his gaze, his sweet and intimate voice); on the other hand, the attempt to awaken in man the confidence, the faith and the conversion of his heart.

The cures of the sick Jesus carries through mean indeed much more than merely relieving the pain or recovering the health. They are meant to achieve that those He loves overcome their blindness, their deafness or their stagnant immobility of the spirit. And, ultimately, a true communion of faith and love.

At the same time, we can see how the grateful reaction of the recipients of this divine gift is to proclaim God's mercy: "the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it" (Mk 7:36). They bear witness of the divine gift, they deeply experience his mercy and are full of a deep and genuine gratitude.

For all of us it is also of crucial importance to know and feel that we are loved by God, the certitude we are the object of his infinite mercy. This is the driving force of generosity and the love God is requesting from us. Many are the ways that will carry us to make this discovery. Sometimes, it will be the intense and sudden experience of the miracle and, quite often too, the gradual discovery that all our life is nothing but a miracle of love. In any case, it is necessary we first realize our own indigence, with a true humility and the capacity to listen reflexively to God's voice.

POPE FRANCIS

Pope Francis' prayer intention for the month of September is for the cry of the Earth. "Let us pray for the cry of the Earth," Pope Francis urged the faithful in a video released Aug. 30. "If we took the planet's temperature, it would tell us that the Earth has a fever. And it is sick, just like anyone who's sick," he said. The Holy Father asked individuals to consider two questions: "Are we listening to this pain? Do we hear the pain of the millions of victims of environmental catastrophes?" "The ones suffering most from the consequences of these disasters are the poor, those who are forced to leave their homes because of floods, heat waves, or drought," the pope said.

"Dealing with the environmental crisis caused by humans, such as climate change, pollution, or the loss of biodiversity, begs responses that are not only ecological but are also social, economic, and political. "The pope emphasized the need to "commit ourselves to the fight against poverty and the protection of nature, changing our personal and community habits."

Pope Francis concluded with a prayer: "Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and climate change, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit."

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