

St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

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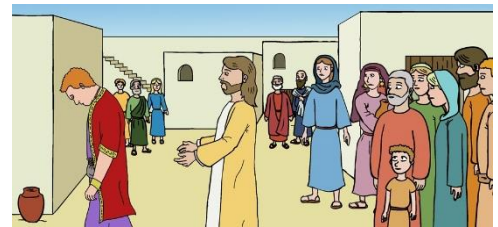
While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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28th Sunday of Ordinary Time; October 13th, 2024

**The rich young man:
True wealth is not found
in material possessions,
but in following Jesus!**



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|   | Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation: Please contact the lay Pastoral Assistant at pastoral.assistant@stpatricksquebec.com . |
|   | Marriage and Wedding Anniversary Mass: Please contact the Pastor. Confessions: They are heard before Mass upon request. |
| Cantor | Helen McCauley |
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| Organist | Bruce Gaulin |
| Holy Hour (First Friday of the month, 7PM to 8PM) Priest available for the Sacrament of reconciliation | |

| Mass | | | Mass Intentions | |
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| Day | Date | Liturgy | For | From |
| Saturday | October 12th 4:00 pm | 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time | John-Louis Fournier/Claire Bédard | France Fournier |
| Sunday | October 13th 10:00 am | 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time | O'Donnell/McCauley families Jean Cannone Rio Gapate delos Santos | Constance O'Donnell Claude/Francoise Gravel Rhea Gapate |
| Monday | October 14th | | No Mass | |
| Tuesday | October 15th 11:30 am | Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (11:15) | | |
| Wednesday | October 16th 11:30 am | | Propulo Mass | |
| Thursday | October 17th | | No Mass | |
| Friday | October 18th | | No Mass | |
| Saturday | October 19th 4:00 pm | 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time | | |
| Sunday | October 20th 10:00am | 29th Sunday of Ordinary time | Lorraine Robitaille | Anniversary Mass |

The total collection for last Sunday was approximately \$1175.00. Thank you for helping our parish.

BOX FOR THE NEEDY

I would like to bring your attention to the fact that we still have a box in the back near the glass doors for donations for the needy who are knocking at our door for some help. Right now, we have no more funds for this. We always have some people who need help even though it is not Christmas time. Thank you for helping out. Father Réjean Lussier

News from The Catholic Women's League Quebec City Council

ALL Parishioners are invited to gather after Mass Sunday, October 27th for our annual Soup and Desert Fundraiser. We are raising funds for our annual bursary to a deserving student and towards the celebration of our council's 100th anniversary celebration this spring. Additionally, a speaker from the Jeffrey Hale will provide a workshop on Mental Health from 12 to 2:00 PM for all who would like to participate.

RESILIENCE

The Catholic Women's League celebrated 100 years of service in 2020. The resilience over the next 100 is in your hands. Come and be a part of the journey.

Contact us or Donate at cwlstpatrickscwl@gmail.com . Also visit www.cwl.ca often for news and information.

Reflection for this Sunday's Gospel
"He went away sad, for he had many possessions"

Today, we see how Jesus — who loves us — wants everyone to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Hence, this severe warning to the "rich." They too are called to enter the Kingdom, but their situation makes it more challenging to open up to God. Wealth can lead them to believe they have everything; they may be tempted to place their security and trust in their own resources and riches, without realizing that trust and security must be placed in God. But not just in words: it's easy to say, "Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in You," but it's much harder to live it out. If we are wealthy, when we say this prayer sincerely, we should strive to use our riches for the good of others and see ourselves as stewards of the blessings God has given us.

I often travel on mission trips, and there, amidst the poverty and lack of human security, people realize that life hangs by a thread, and their existence is fragile. This situation makes it easier for them to see that God gives them their foundation, that their lives are in His hands. On the other hand, here — in our consumerist world — we have so much that we might fall into the temptation of believing that these things grant us security, that we are held up by a strong rope. But in reality — just like the "poor" — we are hanging by a thread. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said: "Even God cannot fill what is full already. We must empty ourselves so that God can fill us." There is a danger of having God as just one more element in our lives, one more book on the shelf —important, yes, but just another book. And thus, we fail to truly consider Him as our Savior.

But whether rich or poor, no one can save themselves: "Then who can be saved?" (Mk 10:26), the disciples exclaim. "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." (Mk 10:27), Jesus replies. Let us all fully trust in Jesus, and may this trust be reflected in our lives.

When and why has Thanksgiving been observed in Canada?

The first national Thanksgiving in Canada was celebrated in 1859. It was organized at the behest of leaders of the Protestant clergy, who appropriated the holiday of American Thanksgiving, which was first observed in 1777 and established as a national day of "public thanksgiving and prayer" in 1789. In Canada, the holiday was intended for the "public and solemn" recognition of God's mercies. Some citizens "objected to this government request, saying it blurred the distinction between church and state that was so important to many Canadians."

The first Thanksgiving after Confederation was observed on 5 April 1872. A national civic holiday rather than a religious one, it was held to celebrate the recovery of the Prince of Wales (later King Edward VII) from an illness. Thanksgiving was first observed as an annual event in Canada on 6 November 1879. The date for each of the following years, as well as a unifying theme for which to give thanks (usually concerning the harvest, though anniversaries related to the British monarchy were also common), was determined annually by Parliament. The holiday occurred as late in the year as 6 December and even coincided several times with American Thanksgiving. The most popular date to observe Thanksgiving was the third Monday in October, when the fall weather is generally still amenable to outdoor activities.

Beginning in 1921, Thanksgiving and Armistice Day (introduced in 1919) were celebrated on the same day — the first Monday in the week of 11 November. In order to give more recognition to veterans, 11 November was set solely as Remembrance Day in 1931. Thanksgiving was again proclaimed annually and typically observed on the second Monday in October. It was not until 31 January 1957 that Parliament proclaimed the observance of the second Monday in October as "a day of General Thanksgiving to Almighty God for the bountiful harvest with which Canada has been blessed." **Happy Thanksgiving!**

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