

SAINT PATRICK'S BASILICA

MONTREAL - QUEBEC

1847-2025



A Welcoming and Reconciling Community



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February 2, 2025

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The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

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First Reading: Malachi 3.1-4 – *The Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple.*
Second Reading: Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18++ – *Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect.*
Gospel: Luke 2.22-32 – *My eyes have seen your salvation.*

For further reflection on the Readings and Gospel, visit:

<https://bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar>

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Please pray for our sick: André Marcil, Jean R. Borjal, Milagros Punzalan, Maria Jesusa Fajardo, Santino Landivar, Gus Settecase, John McGee, Akka, Maria Rodelyn Arellano, Deonarine Seemangal, Bala Doss, Maria Lourdes Fagtanan, Edward Brennan, Marilyn Cantila, Denyse Leclerc, Pierre Pelletier, Daniel Rochette, Patty Emerson Webb, Tania White, Vanessa Gangai, Charles Bouchard, Nelly David, Rose Marie Arellano, Fernand Roy, Guy Belanger, Alyssa Morellato, Peter and Theresa Moon, Enslie Atwood, Andrew Cabana and Sharon Tanguay. Please contact the Parish Office to add the name of someone for whom you would like prayers, 514-866-7379 or info@stpatricksmtl.ca.

WELCOME TO FATHER NATHAN!

We welcome our new associate pastor Fr. Arockianathan Lourdunathan, HGN (Fr. Nathan of the Heralds of the Good News).

AN INVITATION TO OUR YOUNG ADULTS

Are you a young adult? The Saint Patrick's Young Adult Group meets on the First Sunday of the month, the next one being **this Sunday, February 2nd**. Please join us then in the sacristy after the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

BOXED SETS OF SUNDAY ENVELOPES FOR THE YEAR 2025

The boxed sets of donation envelopes for 2025 are available at the west door of the Basilica. ***If you would like to have one, please contact the Parish Office, 514-866-7379 or email: info@stpatricksmtl.ca***

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

On every First Friday of the month beginning **February 7th**, there will be Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The Sacrament will be exposed before the 12:10 p.m. Mass from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Benediction will take place at this time. Please join us and spend some time in prayer with our Lord.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT



Angelica Bernier and Mathieu Boileau will be married here at Saint Patrick's Basilica on February 22nd.

ADVERTISING IN OUR PARISH BULLETIN:

We have many spaces available on the back page of our bulletin for advertising. If you are interested in supporting your parish with this service, please call the Parish Office at 514-866-7379 or email: info@stpatricksmtl.ca.

LATIN MASS (Ordinary Form of the Roman Rite)

St. Patrick's has long had the tradition of offering a sung Latin Mass at 11 o'clock on the third Sunday of every month. The next Latin Mass will take place on Sunday, February 16th.

HELPING YOUR PARISH

Please consider making an offering to Saint Patrick's. Please know that there are many ways to give to Saint Patrick's, through our weekly envelope system, by Credit Card, by internet through our website (Canada Helps) and by Interac transfer (e-transfer) to our email address info@stpatricksmtl.ca. (As well as our new TipTap donation devices – *no receipt*).

Thank you, *Mary McGovern & Rachael Egbe*

ST. BRIGID OF IRELAND

Brigid was probably born at Faughart near Dundalk, Louth, Ireland. Her parents were baptized by St. Patrick, with whom she developed a close friendship. According to legend, her father was Dubhthach, an Irish chieftain of Leinster, and her mother, Brocca, was a slave at his court. Even as a young girl she evinced an interest for a religious life and took the veil in her youth from St. Macaille at Croghan and probably was professed by St. Mel of Armagh, who is believed to have conferred abbatial authority on her. She settled with seven others at the foot of Croghan Hill for a time, and about the year 468, followed Mel to Meath. About the year 470 she founded a double monastery at Cill-Dara (Kildare) and was Abbess of the convent, the first in Ireland. The foundation developed into a center of learning and spirituality, and around it grew up the Cathedral city of Kildare. She founded a school of art at Kildare and its illuminated manuscripts became famous, notably the Book of Kildare, which was praised as one of the finest of all illuminated Irish manuscripts before its disappearance three centuries ago. Brigid was one of the most remarkable women of her times, and despite the numerous legendary, extravagant, and even fantastic miracles attributed to her, there is no doubt that her extraordinary spirituality, boundless charity, and compassion for those in distress were real. She died at Kildare on February 1. The Mary of the Gael, she is buried at Downpatrick with St. Columba and St. Patrick, with whom she is the patron of Ireland. Her name is sometimes Bridget and Bride. ***Her feast day is February 1.***



PEWS

The pews of St. Patrick's were installed during Fr. Quinlivan's renovations in the 1890s. The pews are made of hand carved Red Indiana Oak and were described as comfortable and commodious. All the pews were stripped and re-finished between 1986-1993. The delicate carving on the aisle ends of the pews is easily damaged. We ask that you resist hanging coats and bags on them despite the obvious convenience. Thank you.



Pope Francis @Pontifex

With God at our side, we can overcome despair and live each moment as an opportune time to start again. In our worst moments, let us not close in on ourselves. May we talk to God about our pain and help each other to bear it.

[7:30 AM · Jan 31, 2025](#)

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

It is important to stay connected to the Parish. One way is to be registered in Saint Patrick's parish database. Remember, we cannot know who you are unless you make yourself known to us. ***Please register with us even if you are not a weekly worshipper.***

<https://stpatricksmtl.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/form.pdf>

HISTORY OF ST. PATRICK'S BASILICA

St. Patrick's Church was opened on March 17th, 1847 to serve the needs of the Irish immigrants who had come to Montreal in great numbers due to the famine and other troubles in Ireland. The church was built in the Gothic Revival style on a promontory overlooking the City of Montreal. Its spire could be seen by all. Over the years the city grew north, east and west with the result that the church is now surrounded by modern-day Montreal. St. Patrick's Church was raised to the status of Minor Basilica by His Holiness, Pope John-Paul II in 1989 because of its historical importance as the mother church of the English-speaking Catholics of greater Montreal. The Basilica has been designated a Historical Monument by the Government of Quebec and as a National Historic Site by the Government of Canada.

If you would like to contribute in maintaining this historical and religious basilica, please consider giving to Saint Patrick's Restoration Foundation where the full amount is put towards restoring our Basilica. All donations will receive a receipt for income tax purposes.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	February 1st ~ the Feast of Saint Bridget ~ Jeanette, Ronald & Elias Baduy & Franklin Rivero <i>requested by</i> Rommel Baduy
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	February 2nd Basilisa Bautista Raymundo <i>requested by</i> Jack & Marion MacDonald <i>Pro Populo</i> Jan Bucholc <i>requested by</i> his daughter
Monday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	February 3rd Mary A. Stanton <i>requested by</i> Anna Elisio Special Intention for the Casey Family <i>requested by</i> Mary Campbell
Tuesday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	February 4th In Thanksgiving (48 th Wedding Anniversary of Fe & Segundo Quinto Special Intention <i>requested by</i> Pierrette Leclerc
Wednesday 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	February 5th All Souls <i>requested by</i> the Parishioners Mrs. Marie-Josée <i>requested by</i> Gabriela Ene
Thursday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	February 6th Gino Elisio <i>requested by</i> Anna Elisio Sherif Shams <i>requested by</i> Bernadette his wife
Friday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	February 7th Jim & Terry Shanahan <i>requested by</i> Larry O'Connell Arthur Bourque <i>requested by</i> Linda Bourque
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	February 8th Francesca Cordeiro <i>requested by</i> her family

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Clergy at your Service

Rev. Msgr. Francis J. Coyle, C.S.S., Pastor
Fr. Nathan, H.G.N., Associate Pastor
Ciaran Pitchford, Deacon
Dr. Gordon Williams, Deacon Emeritus

Parish Office

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Choir and Music

Music Director: John Guzik
Music Director Emeritus: Kevin Savor

Baptism

The parents must be registered members of the parish. Please contact the Parish office for further details.

Marriages

Couples wishing to marry at St. Patrick's are asked to contact the Parish office for further information. The future bride and/or groom must be a registered parishioner for at least 6 months prior to reserving a date for their marriage.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Heard after mass.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

If you or a member of your family wish to have a priest or Eucharistic minister visit, please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Green-Room Coffee

Coffee after the 11 a.m. mass from September to June.

Soup Kitchen

Served in the Green Room every Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to those in need.

Sunday Eucharistic Celebrations

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Eucharistic Celebration

Monday to Friday: 12:10 p.m.

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

Tuesday: 12:10 p.m. mass

Wardens

Lynn Lonergan Doyle, John Galic, Olga Hrycak,
Peter O'Brien, Robert Raizenne, Lorna Telfer

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for anyone considering conversion to Catholicism, or who as an adult wishes to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. The program is offered at St. Patrick's beginning in the Fall. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

Catechism: Registration in September

Religious instruction for children, which also involves sacramental preparation: please contact Adam at 514-866-7379 or adamp@stpatricksmtl.ca

Young Adult Discussion Group

Are you a young adult? The Saint Patrick's Young Adult Group welcomes you to join at our next faith meeting. Join us in the sacristy after the 5pm Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Call the Parish Office for more information.

Catholic Women's League

The Catholic Women's League of Montreal City Council meets monthly on Saturdays. If you would like to attend and learn about our efforts in faith, service, and social justice, please contact : colleencattiny@gmail.com

Legion of Mary

Lisa Dalyop, President
Every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Red Room

Hearing-Impaired Worshippers

St. Patrick's Basilica's sound system is equipped so that it enables hearing-impaired worshippers to listen through a digital device set to 88.1 FM.

For abuse-related complaints, the public is urged to contact diocesan authorities through two confidential means: 514-752-4683 or by plainte@ombudsman-ecm.com

