

SAINT PATRICK'S BASILICA

MONTREAL - QUEBEC

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A Welcoming and Reconciling Community



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 12, 2025

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- First Reading:** Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11 – *The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it.*
- Second Reading:** Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7 – *God saved us through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.*
- Gospel:** Luke 3.15-16, 21-22 – *When Jesus had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him.*
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For further reflection on the Readings and Gospel, visit:

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

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: AN END AND A BEGINNING

Today's feast is both an end and a beginning. It is the end of the Christmas season since "ordinary time" begins tomorrow. It is also a beginning because it commemorates the event inaugurating Jesus' earthly ministry. For us, today is a transition. On the one hand, we recall and renew our baptism into Christ, the beginning of our sharing the life of God and the beginning of living what baptism implies – witnessing to Christ in our world. On the other hand, it is an ending of Christmas festivity and of commemorating Christ's incarnation. We now focus on his mission on earth and our mission in him.

Today, we end a season and begin again to live what this season implies. We do this in response to the God who searches for us in Christ and calls us again into his very life. We shared that life first at baptism; we are challenged to share it with each other in "ordinary time".

(p. 323-324, Advent Christmas: A Guide to the Eucharist and Hours, by Kevin W. Irwin)

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, Merylyn 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 assistant priest Fr. Arockianathan Lourdunathan, HGN (Fr. Nathan of the Heralds of the Good News).

CHRISTMAS MAILING

With the Postal strike finally over, our Christmas has been sent out, please be generous! Any donations received marked for Christmas will be included in your 2024 donations.

THANK YOU

I wish to thank all those who offered me the many gifts and good wishes of the Christmas season. May the Lord continue to bless you and yours, and may you always keep room in the inn of your hearts for the Christ child. *Msgr Francis J. Coyle, Pastor*

BOXED SETS OF SUNDAY ENVELOPES FOR THE YEAR 2025

The boxed sets of donation envelopes for 2025 are now 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***

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*

RITE OF WELCOME

At the 11 a.m. Mass next Sunday, the catechumens and candidates who will receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil, will be presented to the community as they continue their journey of faith.

LATIN MASS

Reminder: The Latin Mass will take place next Sunday, (January 19th) at 11:00 a.m.

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp is a constant reminder of the presence of God in our midst. You may sponsor the burning of the Basilica's Sanctuary Lamp for a week to memorialize a departed loved one, or as a special intention. The stipend is \$30.00 and you may make the arrangements through the parish office. The name of the loved one or the special intention will be listed in the bulletin (if so desired). Each request will be honoured in the order that they are received.



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.

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.

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.	January 11th Ella Boudreau <i>requested by</i> brother Ron & Cathy
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	January 12th Michael Dellar <i>requested by</i> the Dellar Family <i>Pro Populo</i> Margaret Barry <i>requested by</i> the Barry Family
Monday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	January 13th Françoise Gagné Leclerc <i>requested by</i> Pierrette Leclerc Special Intention for Mrs. Maria Ciurea <i>requested by</i> Gabriela Ene
Tuesday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	January 14th Liwayway Lee Santiago <i>requested by</i> Napleon Mrs. Margaret Chao <i>requested by</i> her husband Tony
Wednesday 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	January 15th Bernardina Cabusas <i>requested by</i> Mr. & Mrs. C. Tayco Julie Maheral <i>requested by</i> John Maheral
Thursday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	January 16th Liam McAleer <i>requested by</i> his mom Mary, dad Sean & sister Sarah Hector Rangel <i>requested by</i> his daughter & family
Friday, 12:10 p.m. <i>and</i>	January 17th Jim Wilson <i>requested by</i> Florence Wilson Suzanne Turgeon <i>requested by</i> Pierrette Leclerc
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	January 18th Patricia Beacom <i>requested by</i> Ladies' Auxiliary Mtl Council 284 of the K of C

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St. Patrick's Parish: 454 René-Lévesque Blvd. West, Montréal, Québec H2Z 1A7

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

