

Bienvenue chez vous ! avec le Circuit du Paysan

Les églises à visiter sur une base individuelle le 7 juin 2009 De 11 h à 17 h



Une activité organisée
par le Circuit du Paysan.

<u>Églises</u>	<u>Horaire des messes</u>	<u>Adresse</u>	<u>Ville</u>
ÉGLISE ST-CYPRIEN DE NAPIERVILLE	11h00 à 12h00	265. de l'Église	Napierville
ÉGLISE SAINT-ROMAIN	11h15 à 12h15	543 rue Frontière	Hemmingford
ÉGLISE SAINT-LUKE		567 rue Champlain	Hemmingford
ÉGLISE SAINT-JACQUES LE MINEUR Le Reposoir		rue Principale	St-Jacques-le-Mineur
ÉGLISE SAINT-ÉDOUARD	10h30 à 11h30	116 Principale	St-Édouard
ÉGLISE SAINT-PATRICE	09h30 à 10h30	234 St-Patrice	Sherrington
ÉGLISE BEECH RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN BEECHRIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		Grand Rang	
ÉGLISE ST-RÉMI	09h30 à 10h30	840 rue Notre-Dame	St-Rémi
ÉGLISE ST-MICHEL ARCHANGE		1780 Principale	St-Michel
ÉGLISE ST-ISIDORE	11h00	673 St-Régis	St-Isidore
ÉGLISE ST-BERNARD	11h00	116 rang St-Claude	St-Bernard
ÉGLISE ST-VALENTIN	09h30 à 10h30	3 rang St-Georges	St-Valentin
ÉGLISE ST-PAUL	09h30 à 10h30	993 rue Principale	St-Paul-l'île-aux-noix
ÉGLISE ODELLTOWN UNITED ODELLTOWN UNITED CHURCH		243 route 221 Sud	Lacolle
ÉGLISE LACOLLE UNIE (LACOLLE UNITEDCHURCH)	09h00 à 10h00	1 de l'Église nord	Lacolle
NOTRE DAME MONT CARMEL		25 de l'Église nord	Lacolle
ÉGLISE SAINT-JEAN-CHRYSOSTÔME	09h45 à 10h45	620 rang Notre-Dame	St-Chrysostome
ÉGLISE TRÈS-SAINT-SACREMENT		62 rue Lambton	Howick
ÉGLISE GEORGETOWN PRESBYTERIAN GEORGETOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	11h15 à 12h15	920 route 138	Howick
ÉGLISE ST-JAMES ST-JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH	09h30 à 10h30	19 rue de l'Église	Ormstown
ÉGLISE ST-PAUL ST-PAUL UNITED CHURCH	11H00 À 12H00	15 rue Lambton	Ormstown
ÉGLISE ORMSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN ORMSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	11H00 à 12h00	52 rue Lambton	Ormstown
ÉGLISE SAINT-ANDREW	11h00 à 12h00	33 rue Prince	Huntingdon
ÉGLISE HUNTINGDON UNITED HUNTINGDON UNITED CHURCH	11h00 à 12h30	182 'A' rue Châteauguay,	Huntingdon



June 7th

Church Open House Day

From 11 AM to 5 PM

Discover our beautiful region

Stories to tell...

The Jardins de Napierville

A visit to our various churches will allow you to get better acquainted with the rich history of this region of Quebec.

History buffs will admire the beautiful simplicity of Odelltown church in Lacolle and Beechridge in Ste-Clotilde, or the Catholic churches of Napierville or St-Chrysostôme whose inspiring beauty await the visitor. From Lacolle to Huntingdon, St-Isidore to Hemmingford, 24 churches invite you in on this Sunday. Devoted members of the congregations will greet the visitors and answer questions. Each church will display an information board where the major elements of its' history are explained. Bells will ring and music coming from many of the beautiful organs inside the churches will be heard.



A little to the south of Lacolle, you will find the beautiful Odelltown church, listed not only as a historical site but also as an architectural treasure, achieving the highest mention in the Quebec government's inventory of places of worship. It was built in 1823 as a Methodist church and became a united church at the beginning of the 20th century with the large ideological movement that led to the union of the Congregationalist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches. The most decisive battle of the rebellion of 1838 took place here when the Patriots attacked the Loyalists who were barricaded inside. A very rare livery shed still exists out back where hand-made horse tie-rings are still to be found. Back in the 18th century, in order to raise money for the church, it was expected that members of a congregation purchase the benches on which they sat during services. You can see a contract outlining this on the wall of this rare structure.

In the center of the village of Lacolle is the United church. A little further, the visitor will find the catholic Notre-Dame du Mont Carmel church. This is the fourth church to stand on this site since the first construction in 1843.

Near there, the Lacolle River Blockhaus of St-Paul-de-l'Île-aux-Noix is located. At the St-Paul church, a local historian will relate the rich history of the area.

In the center of the small village of St-Valentin, the new church, built after the original one burned down, awaits the visitor. In this village there is also a charming hat museum and the Fraises Louis Hébert shop where you can taste the delicious products of this strawberry producer.

On the way to Napierville, local vineyards '*Le vignoble Morou*' and '*Le vignoble Le Royer St-Pierre*' will introduce you to the story of how grapes were developed in the area. You will also be invited to taste the excellent local wines.

In Napierville, St-Cyprien-de-Napierville church offers a guided visit and a display of beautiful sacred objects, garments, etc.

Even though St-Jacques-le-Mineur church is now closed, awaiting a decision about its fate, you can still visit the Chapelle-reposoir, a listed historical monument located nearby. A volunteer will explain the Corpus Christi celebration proceedings in St-Jacques, the architectural details of this building and the history of the village. Information fliers are also available. Take advantage of your visit in St-Jacques-le-Mineur to stop in at the new vineyard '*Vignoble du Domaine St-Jacques*'.

Nearby, in St-Édouard, the lovely St-Édouard church is also open to visitors.

The St-Rémi Church also offers guided visits. The St-Rémi cemetery contains many remarkable iron crosses, marking over thirty graves. Nowhere else in Quebec are there this many. Don't miss dropping in on the '*Aux 3 Chocolats*' shop located right across the street from the church. From there, it is a simple trip to St-Constant to fish for trout or taste the succulent smoked trout of '*Les Jardins Garand*'.

In the other direction, the St-Michel Archange Church, in the village of St-Michel, is open to visitors. This catholic community was the first in North America to have a woman awarded permission to perform a sacrament, namely baptism.

At the church of St-Bernard-de-Lacolle, visitors can find out more about Curé Labelle, an icon of Quebec history. You can also hear the wonderful sound of the 1820 organ. Lunch is served nearby (\$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children).

The Circuit du paysan has a new member in St-Bernard, '*Le Verger du Sureau*' that produces organic elderberries and offers gourmets and organic health products.

In Hemmingford, visitors can walk in to the beautiful St-Luke's Anglican church, built in 1857, located on Champlain Street, where a remarkable 16th Century bible is on display, as well as visit St-Romain Catholic church, around the corner on Frontière Street. Hemmingford is home to three apple cider producers as well as to a newly established vineyard: '*La Face Cachée de la Pomme*', '*Le Verger du Minot*', '*Les Vergers écologiques Philion*' and the vineyard '*Le domaine des Salamandres*'. Also in Hemmingford, the delightful 'Yesteryear General Store' offers its various homemade products, including bread and preserves.

Heading to Ste-Clotilde you can visit the beautiful Beechridge Presbyterian church on Grand Rang. Listed in the religious building inventory of '*La Fondation du patrimoine religieux du*

Québec' as an **'exceptional'** example of this architecture. Beechridge church was built in 1831 by a Scottish community who spoke almost exclusively Gaelic. It has never been connected to an electrical network.

The Haut St-Laurent

Further west, as you travel south on route 138 towards Howick to see Georgetown Presbyterian church you will notice '*Les Délices du passant*' that serves homemade meals at breakfast, lunch and dinner.

You then come to the Georgetown church. This building, constructed in 1851, is the place of worship of the oldest protestant congregation in the Châteauguay Valley. The first minister to settle here arrived from Scotland in 1823.

The next church on the itinerary is also in Howick, this time in the village: Très-Saint Sacrement church, built in 1909. Howick is also famous for the Battle of the Châteauguay. The scene of this event is a national historic site where you can discover the details about the important military victory that saved Lower Canada from an American invasion on October 26 1813. .

Our church route takes the visitor next to St-Chrysostôme, so named for St-John Chrysostom whose eloquence was at the root of the name Chrysostom (in ancient Greek, literally "Mouth of gold") The magnificent St-Jean-Chrysostôme church, built in 1860 features a rather uncommon element in a Catholic church; the organ is located behind the altar!

Like most of Quebec's Southwest, the St-Chrysostôme area is also rich in agricultural producers. '*Les Serres Jacques et Janine Bigras*' specialize in hydroponic cultivation. As well, '*La Ferme biologique Machabée*' produces organic vegetables, fine herbs, beef, lamb and rabbit meat along with a selection of marinades and preserves.

The area is also known for an unexpected production for Québec: lavender! No more than 45 minutes from Montréal, '*Le Lavandou*' offers a feel of Provence and a selection of lavender products. Mr Librex, owner of '*Le Lavandou*', is also a well-known artist who exhibits his paintings on site.

Close by, in St-Antoine-Abbé, is '*La Brasserie Saint-Antoine-Abbé & Hydromellerie, Miellerie La Ruche d'or*' where you can eat gourmet meals featuring local products and sample the locally made beer and this producer's honey products, including his honey wine.

South of St-Chrysostôme, close to the American border, is the village of Havelock. In this small hamlet is a national symbol listed by the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada in 1987. The Havelock Township Hall was built of stone in 1868 and is located close to a quaint and charming fruit and vegetable stand '*Les Jardins de Marie*'.

A little further west, on route 202, you can discover the vineyard '*Le Vignoble du Marathonien*', whose excellent wines have won many international prizes over the years. *Les vergers Franklin*, located a short way West on route 202, offers up its delicious products and pastries.

Before reaching Huntingdon, you will drive through Rockburn where, during the latter part of the 19th century, Irish and Scottish immigrants shaped a very distinct architectural heritage, as well as created superb orchards.

In the Hamlet of Athelstan, a Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada plaque commemorates the first company to make butter and create specialized dairy schools leading to the development of a dairy industry that, to this day, is of prime importance in the economy of Québec.

Once in Huntingdon, you will easily find Huntingdon United church. This building dates back to 1927 where it replaced a much older structure (1880) destroyed by fire in 1926. The establishment of the congregation dates back to 1839. The next church to visit in Huntingdon is St-Andrew's Presbyterian, another religious building of the area listed as '**exceptional**' by the '*Fondation du patrimoine religieux du Québec*'.

Huntingdon is rich in heritage. It is home to yet another listed building, this time by the Ministry of Culture and Communications. Listed in 1984, the Huntingdon County Building was built in 1859.

En route to Ormstown to visit three more churches, you will drive by the Dewittville Hamlet. You will notice the harmony between the lovely buildings and their rural setting. The historic structures of stone, brick and wood, the many hundred-year-old trees, the farm buildings, the magnificent iron bridge, the mill and the river; all make up the considerable charm of Dewittville.

Like Hemmingford, Ormstown is an excellent example of the rich cultural diversity of the region. There are no less than four churches for a population of approximately 3,700: a Presbyterian, an Anglican, a United and a Catholic.

St-Paul's Presbyterian, built in 1861, became a United church in 1925 when the Methodist, the Congregational and most of the Presbyterian churches of Canada merged to create the United Church of Canada. Located on Lambton Street, it was built on the same site where the first wood church was built in 1830. On Church Street, a little further, is St-James Anglican, circa 1852. A little further down Lambton Street, the members of the Presbyterian congregation who disagreed with the 1925 merger, build the Ormstown Presbyterian church.