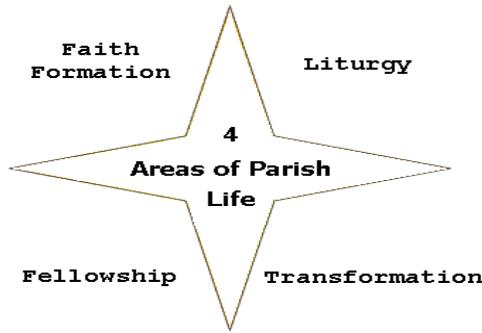




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**SIXTH SUNDAY IN
 ORDINARY TIME
 FEBRUARY 11-12, 2012**

Sunday 9:00 AM Celebration of the Eucharist Saturday 7:00 PM

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FOOD FOR THE WEEK

Reading 1 Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46
Responsorial Psalm You are my refuge, Lord; with deliverance you surround me.
Reading II 1 Corinthians 10.31 – 11.1
Gospel Mark 1:40-45

 To touch a leper was unthinkable in Jesus' time. A physical danger of contagion had become a religious taboo. Yet again Jesus cuts through religious taboo and harsh judgments on people with his own loving healing.

 What can be more personal than touch; Surely the leper was cleansed from more than physical illness by this touch – he was assured of personal human dignity.

MASSES

Saturday	February 18, 2012	St. Malachy @ 7:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harvey Weatherdon (31st anniversary) by Shirley, Roland and Philip Edmay Beaulne by Lillian Chartrand
Sunday	February 19, 2012	OLV @ 9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elmer (6th anniversary) and Kay Delcourt (1st anniversary) and Ricky Laframboise (22nd anniversary) by Elma and Philippe Laframboise Pearl French by Ann & Bruno Charbonneau and Family Allan Goulet by OLV Society

BLESSING OF THE THROATS

Last Sunday, Fr. Dan Kelly offered a "Blessing of the Throats" to all those in attendance at the 9:00 am mass at OLV. Many parishioners commented afterwards that it had been a long time since they had received such a blessing, and many other younger ones could not remember ever receiving this blessing and asked others what this blessing was all about.

Many Catholics remember Saint Blaise's feast day celebrated on February 3rd each year because of the Blessing of the Throats that took place on this day. Two candles are blessed, held slightly open, and pressed against the throat as the blessing is said.

Very few facts are known about Saint Blaise. We believe he was a bishop of Sebastea in Armenia who was martyred under the reign of Licinius in the early fourth century. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him. Blaise is the patron saint of wild animals because of his care for them and of those with throat maladies. Blaise has long been associated with cures for afflictions of the throat, and the blessing of throats may take place on this day in memory of St. Blaise.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

On Ash Wednesday, we start our 40-day trek to Easter. We can mark the journey with the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 22nd. Please note that there will be a service at OLV on **Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00 p.m.** It is a traditional and well founded practice for Catholics to receive the ashes, a sign that we are serious about the upcoming season of renewal and conversion.

ST. PATRICK’S TEA CONVENOR

The OLV Society is looking for a Convenor for the St. Pat’s Tea. If you are interested in helping out with this event, please contact Evelyn of the OLV Society at 819 986-2477 or by contacting the office.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Le Centre Action Génération des Aînés, a community group that assists seniors, is looking for drivers/volunteers to transport/accompany seniors to medical, optometrist, dental, pharmaceutical and other appointments. Drivers are reimbursed 43 cents per kilometer. If you have several hours of your time to donate, please call [819-281-4343](tel:819-281-4343) .

A GENEROUS DONATION

The organizers of last week’s “Souper Gastronomique”, an event in support of St.Grégoire’s roof project, have donated to OLV 8 cases of beer that were left over from the supper for use at our Valentine’s dance. The Wardens, on behalf of our parishioners, would like to thank them for their support.

A SUCCESSFUL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The pancake breakfast sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion and Our Lady of Victory Parish which was held on Saturday, February 4th at the Legion Hall, was a great success. A total of 125 tickets (adults and children) were sold, with 95 meals being actually served. Profits from the event are \$1,235, all of which is being directed to OLV’s heating fund. Special thanks to Legion President Leonard Pelletier and his team of volunteers for, not only cooking the meal free of charge, but also for giving of their free time in support of our Parish. Their generosity is greatly appreciated.

OLV WARDENS MEETING

There will be a meeting of the OLV Wardens in the church rectory on Thursday February 9th at 7PM.

ST. ALOYSIUS MURDER MYSTERY PLAY

On Friday, February 17th and on Saturday, February 18th St. Aloysius parishioners will be performing in a Murder Mystery Play at 7 p.m. in the St. Aloysius Parish Hall, 300 Abbe Murray, Gatineau. They will be serving a light snack, dessert and coffee/tea, BYOB Admission is \$10 each.

Tickets can be purchased on Sundays after Mass or by calling Carol at the office. 819-663-5244. Come out and have a fun evening.

VALENTINE’S DANCE AT OLV

A Valentine’s Dance will be held on Saturday, February 18th at 8:00 PM in the church hall, featuring the Phil Casey Band. Again this year, Maynard Robinson has agreed to call a few square dances.

Tickets are now on sale through the OLV wardens, Alma at the church office as well as at the entrance to the church before Sunday mass. The ticket price is \$10 and will include a light lunch served following the dance.

CAMP ARK

The Creators of Camp Ark are very pleased to introduce *The Buckingham Ecumenical Christian Sunday School*, a new program offered twice a month by both St. Andrew’s United Church and St. Stephen’s Anglican Church.

Kids are invited to join the Sunday School Teachers from St. Andrew’s and St. Stephen’s for one-hour sessions, featuring bible stories, games, crafts, music, snacks and much more. The sessions began on January 15th and will continue until June 17th. The remaining schedule is as follows:

Date/Time	Location	Date/Time	Location
Feb. 19 th at 10:30 am	St. Andrew’s	May 6 th at 11:00 am	St. Stephen’s
March 4 th at 11:00 am	St. Stephen’s	May 20 th at 10:30 am	St. Andrew’s
March 18 th at 10:30 am	St. Andrew’s	June 3 rd at 11:00 am	St. Stephen’s
April 1 st at 11:00 am	St. Stephen’s	June 17 th at 11:00 am	Picnic
April 15 th at 10:30 am	St. Andrew’s		

No registration is required – all are welcome. For more information, please feel free to contact Stacy Smallion of St. Andrew’s United at stacey-andy@vif.com or Marnie Brown of St. Stephen’s at mbrow032@uottawa.ca

SPRING SUPPER & BALLOON AUCTION To be held on Friday, May 11th. Ticket price will be \$20.
Details to follow.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
February 4-5, 2012 (Offering)	\$ 662.00	\$ 265.00
February 4-5, 2012 (Support)	\$ 368.00	\$ 152.00