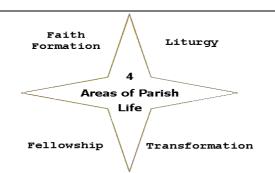


Our Lady of Victory 490 Charles Street Gatineau, Québec J8L 2K5



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER April 2 - 3, 2016



St. Malachy 3889 Route 315 Mayo, Québec J8L 3Z8

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

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Reading 1

Acts. 5.12-16

Responsorial Psalm

Give thanks for the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

Reading II

Revelation 1.9-11a, 12-13,17-19 John 20.19-31.

Gospel Jo

"Unless I see...I will not believe." You can sense some of Thomas' deep feelings of isolation, defiance and even resentment because he missed out on Jesus' visit.

Have I suffered in this way when I isolated myself from the community of faith, when I felt slighted or taken for granted?

MASSES

Thursday	April 7 th	OLV @ 10:00 am	Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by The Estate			
Saturday	April 9 th	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Reg and Anita Cameron by Peter and Cheryl Cameron Royal Baulne (44 th ann) by Richard and Rachelle Baulne Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by The Estate			
Sunday	April 10 th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Rose Weatherdon by Noreen Morin Bob Dunning by Maureen Dunning Julia Martin by The Family			

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
March 26 - 27, 2016 - Easter	\$951.00	\$693.00
March 26 - 27, 2016 - Fuel	262.00	251.00
March 26 - 27, 2016 - Holy Land	172.00	49.00
March 26 - 27, 2016 - D & P Collection		285.00

The Archbishop's Monthly Prayer Intentions: April 2016

"That we take good care of creation, received as a free gift, by cultivating it and protecting it for generations to come. That, small farmers, receive a proper remuneration for their precious work of which we are the beneficiaries."

<u>Social reflection:</u> We live in a world of hyper-consumption, where we always have the impression that a small number of companies control the world food market. This mass agriculture is harmful, due to the noxious chemicals used in its production, the greenhouse gases emitted by transport trucks that pollute the air, and the big landowners who exploit farmers in developing countries and prevent them from living from a diversified agriculture. Is another world possible? As individuals and communities, we are invited to make responsible choices. A book by Laure Waridel declares that "Buying is voting." In our everyday purchases, do we choose to buy local, within a 200km² radius? Do we encourage fair trading? Do we adopt the philosophy of "Slow Food?"

<u>Our faith response:</u> As Christians, we believe that God gave us creation, not to dominate it, but to take good care of it. We have reached a point where Western capitalism is exploiting humans, as well as creation, for the sake of the mighty dollar. It has become the modern "*golden calf*". Pope Francis declares, "The adoration of the Ancient golden calf (cf. Ex 32, 1-35) has found a new and ruthless version in the worship of money, and in the dictatorship of a faceless economy that has no real human goals." As Christians, we are invited to defend social justice and equality for all, especially the most vulnerable. Promoting the work of small farmers is part of that. Let's see what the Church's social doctrine has to say about this: "Equitable land distribution remains crucial, especially in developing countries, or countries that have moved away from collectivist or colonisation systems of government." ²

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

Goodbye: Good luck on your new assignment Sister Malinie. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you.

<u>Prayers and Sympathy</u>: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gary Roos. Our sympathy and prayers are with their families and friends during this time of loss.

<u>OLV Spring Supper and Balloon Auction</u>: Will be held on Friday, May 20th in the church hall. The popular duo of Roger Payette and Gerry Charron will provide background music. Menu is roast beef. Cocktails: 4:30 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm. Cost: \$25.00 Adults. \$10.00 children 6 - 12 years old. Free children under 6 years.

Tickets will go on sale on April 24 before and after mass.

<u>Garage Sale at OLV</u>: Saturday, April 16th from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. **Rent a table for \$20**. Contact: Ann at 819-986-3813 or Monique at 819-986-3166 for more details.

<u>Card Party Fund-Raiser at OLV</u>: Tuesday, April 12th. Light lunch at 12:30 pm and games begin at 1:00 pm. Call Nancy at 819-986-8343 to reserve a table of 4 for \$60.00 per table before April 5th.

ST. MALACHY'S CEMETERY: The St. Malachy's Cemetery Committee is inviting interested parties to tender contract offers to maintain the parish cemetery situated at Mayo, QC for a three year period beginning in the spring of 2016. Any contract offer should specify a fixed price, on a seasonal basis. Maintenance of the cemetery comprises regular grass cutting as well as trimming around grave markers and fence lines.

Sealed bids for this contract must be delivered to Dan Somers at 45 Somers Road, Mayo, QC, J8L 4L9 and be postmarked **no later than midnight, Friday, April 15th**. For additional information, please call 613-295-5498 or email <u>gullyrider2@hotmail.com</u>.

¹ Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel, Apostolic Exhortation on the Evangelization throughout today's world*, Médiaspaul, Montreal, 2013, n.55, p. 43

² Pontifical Council « Justice and Peace », *Compendium on the Church's social Doctrine*, CCCB Editions, Ottawa 2006, no 180.

COMMUNITY NEWS

<u>Heart and Soul Spring Concert</u>: Will be held Thursday, May 12th. Tickets will go on sale before and after mass on April 3, 10 and 17.

SHUT-INS

Parishioners are reminded that Father Albanus is available and more than willing to meet with those individuals who are shut-in for a variety of reasons. In addition to Eucharist, Father is prepared to simply visit, as well as bring a spiritual message to those who are unable to leave their place of residence. *To book a time with Father, please contact the Parish Secretary at 819-986-3763.*

NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT

There is an upcoming international conference called the "New Evangelization Summit" to be held on April 15th & 16th in Ottawa. The conference will include seven world-class Catholic speakers. While the summit is being held in Ottawa, it will be streamed to different locations across North America. St. Mark's in Aylmer has chosen to host one of these locations and has invited us to attend. For more information regarding registration etc., please see the poster and the cards at the entrance of the church.

Day 1 starts at 6:15 pm with Registration. The session begins at 7:00 pm and ends at 9:15 pm. Day 2 starts at 8:30 am with a get together. The session begins at 8:45 am and ends at 4:30 pm.

Call André Sirois (<u>andre.sirois@outlook.com</u>) or Anne Hampel (<u>ahampel@sympatico.ca</u>) 819-685-1478 for more information. You can also register on line at <u>www.newevangelization.ca</u> and cost is \$30.00.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? Welcome to all who want to make their faith home here! We would appreciate it if you could identify yourself to Fr. Albanus at mass. If you would like to become a regular parishioner, feel free to contact the office at 819-986-3763 to obtain a Registration Form. **Note**: the weekly collection envelope is the principal source of revenue for both parishes.