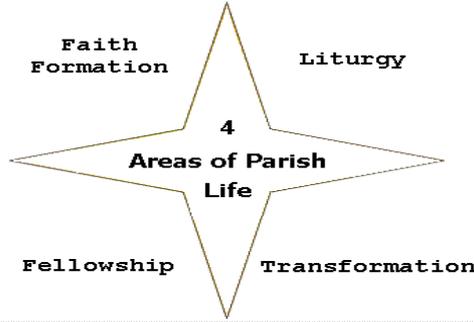




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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 16 - 17, 2016

Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Reading 1 Acts 13.14, 43-52
Responsorial Psalm We are his people; the sheep of his pasture.
Reading II Revelation 7.9, 14b-17
Gospel John 10.27-30

Dare I let myself hope for such a finale, the unity of all mankind, nations, tribes, peoples, languages?

Lord, You longed for the unity of God's children. What can I do to bring it close?

MASSES

Thursday	April 21 st	OLV @ 10:00 am	Leo Giroux by The Community Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of The McCoy Family by The Estate
Saturday	April 23 rd	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of The McCoy Family by The Estate
Sunday	April 24 th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Doris and Edward Lemieux by The Family Apolonius, Louise, Mavis and Kevin Burke by Peter and Marjorie Burke

WEEKLY RECEIPTS		OLV	ST. MALACHY
April	9 - 10, 2016 - Sunday Collection	\$416.00	\$299.00

ARCHBISHOP'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION: 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 farmer's receive a proper remuneration for their precious work of which we are the beneficiaries. »

Social reflection: 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»?

Our faith response: 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.»¹ 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

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.

Reflection Sunday, April 17th, 2016: I inform myself on what is the Marché Mobile de Gatineau. How can I get involved in this new solidarity cooperative, and how can I become a member?

To go further in our reflection: What is «Slow Food»: An international movement... visit http://www.passeportsante.net/fr/Actualites/Dossiers/ArticleComplementaire.aspx?doc=slow_food_def_do

Marché de Solidarité de l'Outaouais : <http://www.marcheoutaouais.com/>

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

OLV Wardens Meeting: Thursday, April 21st at 7 pm in the Rectory.

Great News: There will be a 2016 Christmas Tea and time for us to help our craft ladies load their table with our donations. More to follow as date approaches.

75th Anniversary Meeting: Wednesday, April 20th at 6:30 pm in Rectory.

Cereal Bars: The school has expressed their appreciation for this generosity as it is a greatly needed student food aid. Please continue to give.

Spring Supper and Balloon Auction – May 20th: Tickets for the spring supper will be going on sale starting next Sunday, April 24th prior to and after mass. Be sure to purchase your tickets early, so as to avoid being disappointed, as demand is expected to be very strong. The menu will consist of roast beef, salad, potatoes, turnips and carrots, followed by a wonderful dessert. So again, don't be disappointed.

As in past years, we are asking parishioners to donate items for the auction, preferably gift certificates from local businesses, gift baskets of homemade items, or plant arrangements. Donations should be received no later than May 15th.

Also, by popular demand, Roger Payette and Gerry Charron will be returning to provide live music. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults, \$10.00 for children 6 to 12 years of age, and free for children under the age of 6.

Card Party a Success: Thank you to everyone who supported and /or donated towards the success of the card party that was held on Tuesday April 12, in the church basement. A special thanks to Shirley Hotte, who donated a painting for a very successful raffle. **Total profit for the day was \$1,295.** The Wardens would like to thank Nancy Lanthier for organizing this successful event.

OLV Church Hall Rentals: Contact Mike Legault at 819-281-4870

COMMUNITY NEWS

Heart and Soul Spring Concert: At OLV on Thursday, May 12.

Daffodil Campaign: April is Daffodil month and from April 7th - 9th volunteers were seen in various stores and banks in Buckingham, Masson and Angers selling daffodil flowers, pins and maple sugar candy. They helped raised \$10,000.00 for the cause. Thank you to all.

Relay for Life: Our volunteers will be selling Luminaries for the 2016 Relay For Life 12 hour event in various banks and stores on April 29th & 30th. Purchase price is \$5.00. Thank you for supporting the cause.

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.***

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.