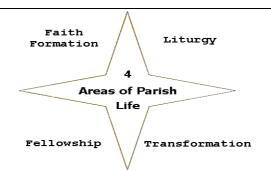


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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER April 23 - 24, 2016



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

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#### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

Reading 1 Responsorial Psalm

Acts 14.21b-27

I will bless your name forever, my King and my God.

Reading II Gospel

Revelation 21.1-5a John 13.1.31-33a, 34-35

"Love one another". This was not an easy, sentimental invitation. Jesus had just seen his friend Judas go out into the night with a view to betraying him. He has loved Judas with an unselfish love, but had lost him.

Lord, you know me; you know that I could act as Judas did. You know that I do not want to go that way, but rather to live in such a way that everyone would know me as your disciple, children.

# **MASSES**

Thursday	April 28 <sup>th</sup>	OLV @ 10:00 am	Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by the Estate
Saturday	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Gladys Miller (2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann) by Jean Madore and Ginny Roos Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by the Estate
Sunday	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	OLV @ 9:00 am	Huguette, Laurenza and Aimé Maynard by Lynn Pearson Mass of Thanksgiving by A Parishioner

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
April 16 - 17, 2016 - Sunday Collection	\$539.00	\$287.00

### 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."

**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 200km 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." 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."

<u>Reflection Sunday, April 24th, 2016</u>: I try to find out if the Marché Mobile de Gatineau will have a distribution centre in my neighbourhood, and how often per week will they be there.

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\_d o

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



On Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 2016, the **Papineau Health and Social Services Network**, in collaboration with the **Centre Action Générations des Aînés** (the local seniors center), will offer a conference at the Community Centre entitled "How to Organize Your Life, and Your Death". This conference will be presented in English by Diane Berthel, Notary.

To register for the session, please call 819-281-4343, ext. 102.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel, Apostolic Exhortation on the Evangelization throughout today's world*, Médiaspaul, Montreal, 2013, n.55 p. 43

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Pontifical Council "Justice and Peace", *Compendium on the Church's social Doctrine*, CCCB Editions, Ottawa 2006, no 180.



**Development and Peace – Caritas Canada** is closely monitoring the situation in Ecuador after a violent earthquake measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale, struck the country on Saturday April 16, 2016 – fresh tremors are still rattling the country. The organization stands in solidarity with the victims of this quake, the worst experienced by Ecuador since 1979.

According to the latest information, the death toll has reached at least 525 people, but is expected to increase as rescue teams continue to search through rubble for survivors. Over 2,000 people were injured and 10,000 more are in need of assistance. A state of emergency has been declared by the government.

**Development and Peace** has allocated \$50,000 to support emergency relief efforts. **Caritas Ecuador**, a **Development and Peace** partner organization, is in constant contact with its field teams and has begun an evaluation in order to identify the needs of survivors and prepare to assist them in the best way possible.

**Development and Peace** has been working in Ecuador since the beginning of the 1970s. The organization supports indigenous groups, particularly women from vulnerable communities, as well as human rights defenders, and peasant farmers.

Donations can be made at <a href="devp.org/ecuador">devp.org/ecuador</a>;
by phone at 1-888-234-8533;
also by sending a cheque made out to <a href="Development and Peace">Development and Peace</a>
(please indicate Earthquake in Ecuador)
1425 René-Lévesque Blvd. W., 3rd Floor, Montreal, QC, H3G 1T7

# **OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS**

OLV Spring Supper and Balloon Auction: Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> in the church hall with music provided by Roger Payette and Gerry Charron. 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. Children under 6 years of age - Free.

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

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 15**<sup>th</sup>.

**Garage Sale at OLV**: A total of \$210.00 was raised from the sale of the tables. Thanks to all who participated in this event.

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

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Heart and Soul Spring Concert: Will be held Thursday, May 12th.