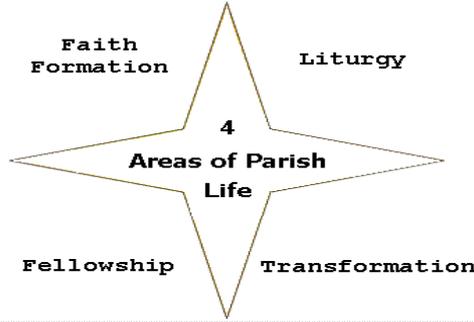




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**THE THIRTY- SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 5 - 6, 2016**

Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Reading I 2 Maccabees 7.1-2, 7, 9-14
Responsorial Psalm I shall be satisfied, Lord, when I awake and behold your likeness.
Reading II 2 Thessalonians 2.16 - 3.5
Gospel Luke 20.27-38

Jesus was being hassled by a trick question from someone who denies the resurrection of the Lord.

How should I deal with this situation?

Do I hear Jesus' strong affirmation of eternal life? How am I moved by it?

MASSES

Thursday	Nov. 10 th	OLV @ 10:00 am	Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by the Estate
Saturday	Nov. 12 th	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Rose Weatherdon by Bill and Ann Price
Sunday	Nov. 13 th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Deceased Members of the Dunlop and Dunning Families by Maureen Kay Lemieux by the Community Francis Cosgrove (16 ann) by Irene and Family Philip Lotz (23rd ann) by Marianne

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Oct 22 -23, 2016 - Sunday	\$620.00	\$507.00

The Archbishop's Monthly Prayer Intentions - November 2016

"For the countries hosting refugees and displaced in large numbers
may they be supported in their solidarity"

Questioning ourselves: Sunday, November 6, 2016: This week I think of and pray for all the people who wanted to emigrate and who died during the process.

Father Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy

Towards the end of the liturgical year, the readings usually become more eschatological -- having to do with the end times. The main theme of today's readings is the reality of life after death and of the relationship between our lives on earth and the life of glory or punishment that will follow. The readings invite us to consider the true meaning of the Resurrection in our lives. The first reading taken from the second book of Maccabees tells a story of a Jewish family, consisting of a mother and her seven sons, who refuses to give in to the pressure from the Syrian King to eat pork, forbidden as "unclean" by Jewish Law. Because of their Faith in, and obedience to, God, they endure suffering and accept martyrdom. During their torture, three of the brothers speak, and each of them finds strength in the belief that he will eventually be raised and rewarded by God. The second reading dwells on the second coming of Jesus. St Paul encourages the Thessalonians, waiting for the second coming of Christ, to trust in the fidelity of God who would strengthen their hearts in every good work and word. The Gospel also carries the same theme of the resurrection of the dead. This is the basis of the confrontation described in Gospel between Jesus and the Sadducees. Jesus ingeniously escapes from a doctrinal trap set for him and explains the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead. The resurrection is supported by the Pharisees and denied by the Sadducees.

The Sadducees regard the resurrection of the dead as an unorthodox innovation. Putting the Mosaic Law on Levirate marriage (Deut 25:5) to the fore they try to ridicule the idea of the resurrection of the dead. Jesus speaks of God as the God of the living; he also explains that Heavenly life with God in glory is totally different from earthly life, and that there is no marriage in heaven in the earthly sense. The resurrection from the dead, according to Him, belongs to those who "are accounted worthy." As children of God, they cannot die again and so, marriage does not apply to them. With this, Jesus makes the question of the Sadducees irrelevant. As resurrected sons and daughters, their relationship is as members of the same family. Marriage among them therefore does not make sense heavenly wise.

Jesus puts forward the idea that is also appealing to the Sadducees: that God is the God of the living. Moses in the past has described God as the God of Abraham, Isaac and of Jacob. If He is the God of the living, then He will continue to be so to those who have died. Relationship with God does not end in death: to God all people are alive. Through this argument Jesus reveals his image of God – a God who keeps his promise to his faithful ones even when they die. This is true even so in Jesus' own case. He undergoes death and experiences the glory of the resurrection. God refuses to let death have the last word in his case. The Risen Jesus is the greatest argument against the Sadducees!

Brothers and sisters, we need to live like the people of the Resurrection. This means that we are not to lie buried in the tomb of our sins and evil habits. Instead, we are to live joyful and peaceful lives, constantly experiencing the real Presence of the Risen Lord. In addition, the hope of our resurrection and eternal life with God gives us lasting peace and celestial joy amid the boredom and tensions of our day-to-day lives. The awareness of the all-pervading Presence of the Holy Spirit will help us to control our thoughts, desires, words and behaviours. The salutary thought of our own resurrection and eternal glory, or eternal punishment, should also inspire us to honour our bodies, keeping them holy, pure and free from evil habits, and to respect those with whom we come in contact, rendering them loving and humble service.

We need to offer living worship to a living God. If our God is the God of the living, our worship of this living God also has to be alive. Our participation in prayers and songs during the Holy Mass should be active and our behaviour in Church reverent, as we offer our lives and all our activities to our living God on the altar with repentant and grateful hearts.



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OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

Our Lady of Victory Tea: Our annual Christmas Tea will be on December 3, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. It is not too early to think about baking for this event. There will also be a Craft Table. All donations of Christmas crafts will be appreciated.

Sunday Missals: Our Sunday Missals for 2016-2017 are now on sale at a cost of \$6.00. Children's Missals - \$8.00. Current missals expire on November 20th.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Remembrance Day Parade: Will take place on **Saturday, Nov. 12th**. Participants are asked to assemble by 1:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall to parade to the cenotaph for the 2:00 p.m. ceremony. The Remembrance Day Church Service will be celebrated at St. Andrew's United Church on **Sunday, Nov. 13th at 10:30 a.m.** All are welcome.

Flu Immunization Clinics: Will be held at the Buckingham Community Centre at 181 Joseph Street on Friday, November 18 from 8:30 am - 11:30 am and 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm. and Friday, December 2 from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm and 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm.

Clothing Requests: The charitable organization who rents space in the OLV Rectory – **Just Equipping** - is looking for clothing for men in African prisons. The following are their requirements: jogging pants, hoodies, long sleeve shirts, socks and underwear. These can be dropped off at OLV during the secretary's office hours. Also they would appreciate any old suitcases in good condition.

Christmas Tea and Bazaar: The Anglican Churches of St. Stephen's, St. John's Glen Almond and St. Thomas invite you to join us at our annual Christmas Tea and Bazaar on **Saturday, November 19th**, from 2 - 4 pm, at St. Stephen's Church Hall, 45 Donaldson Road. **Cost: \$7.00.** Fundraiser also includes the sale of beautiful handmade crafts, baked goods and more.

The Lyon Street Celtic Band Returns: St. Andrews United Church is welcoming back the Lyon Street Celtic Band on Saturday, November 12th at 7 pm. Tickets are \$10, with kids under 12 free. The Celtic band is a group of 5 dynamic musicians whose repertoire includes traditional Irish, Scottish, Celtic and other old time tunes. **For tickets, call Stacey at 819-281-6337 or Donna at 819-986-9359 or through email at st.andrews.buckingham@gmail.com** Money raised from this concert to benefit St. Andrews Roof Renovations.

Heart & Soul Christmas Concert: Will be held on December 1st at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$5.00 advance purchase or \$10.00 at the door. See members for tickets.

La Chanterelle Christmas Concert: Will be held on December 14th. More details to follow.