

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



2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**DECEMBER 6-7, 2025** 



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

**Office Hours** 

Wednesday - 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Thursday - 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Monday - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Celebration of the Eucharist Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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**Confessions** By appointment – call office to schedule.

**Baptisms** By appointment. Registration required. Please call or email the office.

**Confirmation** By appointment.

Weddings Couples are asked to call the office for an appointment at least one year prior to their date of marriage to

allow adequate preparation time. A Marriage course is required.

Annointing of

the Sick

Please call the office.

Welcome to New Parishioners

We welcome you to our parish! Please introduce yourself after Mass and call the Rectory to register.





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Our Lady of Victory St. Malachy

MASSES					
Saturday	Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy	5:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of St. Malachy & OLV	
Sunday	Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup>	OLV	9:00 a.m.	Mike Lawlis by Family & Friends Bob Landry by Nancy Pearson Tom Laframboise by The Family Norbert Ricard by Maureen Ricard	
Monday	Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup>	OLV	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy	
Thursday	Dec. 11 <sup>th</sup>	OLV	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy	
Saturday	Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy	5:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of St. Malachy & OLV	
Sunday	Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup>	OLV	9:00 a.m.	Chris Farnand by The Family Austin Martin by Barbara Weir Deceased members of the Rowe Family by Lewis & Val Rowe	
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WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
November 29-30 - Sunday Collection	\$ 315.00	\$ 171.00
November 29-30 - Missionary Bishops Society	20.00	20.00

Thank you for your contributions.

## **READINGS & REFLECTION**

2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT - December 7<sup>th</sup>

First Reading: Isaiah 11.1-10

Responsorial Psalm: In his days may righteousness flourish, And peace abound forever.

Second Reading: Romans 15.4-9
Gospel: Matthew 3.1-12

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

Father John Braganza contact information: OLV - 819-986-3763 St. Aloysius - 819-663-5244

<u>OLV MORNING MASS</u>: Father will be celebrating mass at OLV on Monday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m in the Sacristy. If you would like a mass intention, the cost is \$20.00. Call the office and this intention will be celebrated on the day you have chosen.

Also, Father John will be staying in the office on these days and will be available for phone calls or meetings with you. Call the office at 819-986-3763 to confirm your time and date.

**DAY OFF:** Father John will be taking every Wednesday as his weekly day off.

SUNDAY MISSALS: NOW ON SALE FOR \$8.00. Please try to have exact change. Thanks.

**BIRTHDAY WISHES:** Our good wishes are sent to **Margaret Farnand** on her special day. ENJOY!

<u>PENITENTIAL SERVICE:</u> On <u>December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm</u> there will be an *Advent Penitential Service at OLV.* An Advent Penitential Service prepares you to celebrate the great feast of Christmas worthily and well. Advent is a time to prepare for the four-fold coming of Jesus, in grace into our hearts, at the hour of our death, at Christmas and at his Second Coming. After our common prayer and examination of conscience there will be an opportunity to confess individually. **All are welcome!** 

<u>ADVENT RETREAT:</u> Fr. John will lead us in two Advent Retreats: one at OLV and one at St. Aloysius. There will be some time for discussions and questions as well. **All are welcome!** Themes are:

December 14<sup>th</sup> at OLV - Joy vs. Exhaustion (The Gift and Language of Presence)

December 15<sup>th</sup> at OLV - Incarnation vs. Individualism (God With Us in Our Neighbor and in Creation)

ST. MALACHY - ELECTION OF WARDENS: Every year two Church wardens are to be elected for a term of three years and may remain in office for two consecutive terms. In addition, one warden is required for a one-year term. If you or someone you know would like to serve as a warden and want to know about the duties of a warden, please contact: Joan Teske at 819-281-5962, Cheryl Camer or Peter Cameron at 819-986-7828, Ann Price at 819-986-6397, Mary Jean Somers Achtell at 613-725-6653 or Joann Kearnan at 819-986-7827. A reply by **December 11<sup>th</sup>**, 2025, is requested. A date for a meeting of parishioners will be announced later. Thank you for your consideration to this most important matter.

<u>OLV CHRISTMAS CAFE & BAKE SALE:</u> Saturday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. DROP OFF BAKED GOODS: Friday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m.

<u>Christmas Eve Mass at St. Malachy's in Mayo:</u> Are you interested in singing at the mass on December 24<sup>th</sup>? Please contact Cheryl Cameron at 819-986-7828.

# **FATHER JOHN'S MESSAGE**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

Beloved, now is the acceptable time spoken of by the Spirit, the day of salvation, peace and reconciliation: the great season of Advent....In his infinite love for us, though we were sinners, he sent his only Son to free us from the tyranny of Satan, to summon us to heaven, to welcome us into its innermost recesses, to show us truth itself, to train us in right conduct, to plant within us the seeds of virtue, to enrich us with the treasures of his grace, and to make us children of God and heirs of eternal life

St. Charles Borromeo (1538-1584).

Peace, Fr. John

#### **POTLUCK SUPPER**

As announced at last weekend's masses, parishioners of Our Lady of Victory and St. Malachy are invited to a potluck supper to be held on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the OLV Church Hall.

As we journey together as a parish, we gather every Sunday for the Eucharist. There was a time in the life of the Early Church when each Eucharistic celebration was preceded by a meal together. Human fraternity and fellowship was followed by the deeper spiritual fellowship.

A meal together allows us to experience our bonds as children of God on another level, the level of our humanity. The planning, anticipation, immediate preparation and clean up afterwards are an integral part of living together and not simply "work to be done". It is our mutual service given joyfully and gratuitously that contributes to the taste of the meal!

May our faith and love in action open us to each other in new ways, as we plan a potluck on December 19<sup>th</sup> in the OLV Church Hall. Sign-up sheets at the back of our churches offer each of us an opportunity to make our evening different, something that echoes that spirit of our Early Christian brothers and sisters who shared all in common and were of one heart and soul in everything.

Fr. John Braganza

## **2025 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**



Day	Date	Details	Time	Location
Wednesday	Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Eve	9:00 pm	St. Malachy
Thursday	Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Day	9:00 am	Our Lady of Victory

#### Christmas Eve Mass at St. Malachy's in Mayo

Are you interested in singing at the mass on December 24th? Please contact Cheryl Cameron at 819-986-7828.

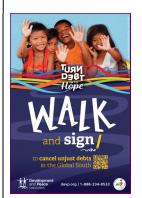
# **Journey Through Advent 2025**

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents <u>Journey through Advent</u> with the Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Auxilliary Bishop of Hamilton. Join us as we reflect on the Scriptures for the Sundays of Advent 2025.

Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Ra06xAiu5U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Ra06xAiu5U</a>



## External debt and ecological debt: Who owes whom?



The insert in last week's bulletin included an article about our partners in Peru, the Episcopal Commission for Social Action (CEAS) and the Bartolomé de Las Casas Institute (IBC).

During the Fellowship gathering at OLV on December 7<sup>th</sup>, there will be a video about the ecological debt in Peru. Everyone is welcome. You can also watch the video at: <u>devp.org/videoPeru</u>.

We will also be looking at how we can **continue** to collect signatures on the global campaign petition which calls for the cancellation of the unjust and unsustainable debts of the Global South.

"Dear parishioners, I would heartily encourage you to support this drive to eliminate the debt that these third world countries, like Peru, carry. All our wealth is given to us to share with others in need." Fr. John Braganza

DATE	LECTORS	GREETERS	
December 7 <sup>th</sup>	Raphael & Michael	Gail & Layall	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Gloria	Bill R. & Bill C.	
21 <sup>st</sup>	Linda C.	Gail & Layall	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Linda R.	Bill R. & Bill C.	
28 <sup>th</sup>	Diane	Gail & Layall	

Looking for more information on church items, please view our website at www.stmalachyolv.com