

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

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 13-14, 2025

St. Malachy
3889 Route 315
Mayo, Québec
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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.***

Anointing of the Sick Please call the office.

Office Hours

Monday - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Wednesday - 9:00 am - 11:00 am
Thursday - 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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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MASSES

Saturday	Dec. 13 th	St. Malachy	5:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of St. Malachy & OLV
Sunday	Dec. 14 th	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
Monday	Dec. 15 th	OLV	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy
Thursday	Dec. 18 th	OLV	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy
Saturday	Dec. 20 th	St. Malachy	5:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Somers & Ryan Families by The Family Ken Pearson by Regine Brochu
Sunday	Dec. 21 st	OLV	9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Simpson and Parker Families by Ken & Monique Simpson

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
December 13-14 - Sunday Collection	\$ 676.00	\$ 170.00
December 13-14 - Support	304.00	60.00
December 6-7 - Donation		1,220.00
Thank you for your contributions.		

READINGS & REFLECTION

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT – December 14th

First Reading: **Isaiah 35.1-6a-10**
 Responsorial Psalm: **Lord, come and save us.**
 Second Reading: **James 5.7-10**
 Gospel: **Matthew 11.2-11**

OUR LADY OF VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

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

OLV MORNING MASS: 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.

BAKE SALE & CAFÉ: Sincere and grateful thanks to all with your presence, donations of baked goods and cash donations to this event a total of \$2,101.00 was raised.

ADVENT RETREAT: 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 14th at OLV - Joy vs. Exhaustion (The Gift and Language of Presence)
 December 15th 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 11th, 2025**, is requested. A date for a meeting of parishioners will be announced later. **Thank you for your consideration to this most important matter.**

FATHER JOHN’S MESSAGE

3rd Sunday of Advent A

When the birth of a child draws near, we are joyful and happy: Gaudete Sunday! This Sunday in Advent marks the shift from the more penitential tone of the last two weeks to the joyful anticipation of the historical birth of Jesus Christ our Lord. We are joyful because our salvation is drawing so near. There is a parallel in Lent, midseason, when we also express our happiness: Laetare Sunday. We are joyful then because salvation will come to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus: the reason for his birth! Rejoice in the Lord always, I say it again, rejoice, says St. Paul!

Blessed Advent! Peace. Fr. John

POTLUCK SUPPER

Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory and St. Malachy are invited to a potluck supper to be held on Friday, December 19th at 6:00 pm in the OLV Church Hall.

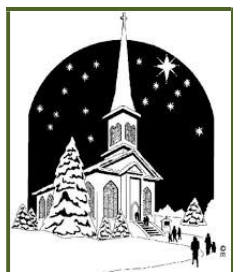
As we journey together as a parish, we gather every Sunday for the Eucharist. There was a time in the life of the Early Church when each Eucharistic celebration was preceded by a meal together. Human fraternity and fellowship was followed by the deeper spiritual fellowship.

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 19th 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 th	Christmas Eve	9:00 pm	St. Malachy
Thursday	Dec. 25 th	Christmas Day	9:00 am	Our Lady of Victory
Thursday	Jan. 1 st	New year's 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.

CLOSING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR



The closing of the Jubilee Year in our diocese will be celebrated at **Saint Joseph Cathedral in Gatineau on Sunday, December 28th**, the feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth, during the solemn Mass at **11:00 am**.

All parishes of the diocese are invited to designate a representative to take part in the Eucharistic celebration presided over by Archbishop Durocher.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

St. Aloysius Parish will soon be starting Confirmation preparation and would like to invite potential candidates from OLV and St. Malachy to join their group. If you or someone you know wishes to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, please complete the registration form, near the bulletin, and email it to St. Al's parish as soon as possible along with a copy of the baptismal certificate. Candidates must be at least 15 years old and a \$25 registration fee may apply for the purchase of materials. Contact Julie McCann at mccannjd@icloud.com or call or text 819-598-2609 if you have any questions.

NOTE: Father John wishes to meet with parents or adult candidates before the start of the program. Contact your parish office at 819-986-3763 to make an appointment.



Together, let's call for the cancellation of unjust debts in the Global South!



Last June, we were present at the G7 in Alberta in response to Pope Francis's call to ***Turn Debt into Hope*** in this Jubilee Year.

Help us reach **our goal of 60,000 signatures** on the global petition for cancelling the unjust debts in the Global South and reforming the global financial system to prevent debt crises from recurring.

Copies of the petition can be found at the back of our churches. Please consider taking a copy home and encourage family members and friends to also sign the petition.

You can also sign the petition at <https://devp.org/en/campaign/turn-debt-into-hope/act-debt-2025/>. Let's ensure that everyone has the right to a future free from unjust and crippling debt.

DATE		LECTORS	GREETERS
December	14 th	Gloria	Bill R. & Bill C.
	21 st	Linda C.	Gail & Layall
	25 th	Linda R.	Bill R. & Bill C.
	28 th	Diane	Gail & Layall
January	1 st	Aggie	Bill R. & Bill C.
	4 th	Raphael & Michael	Gail & Layall
	11 th	Gloria	Bill R. & Bill C.
	18 th	Linda C.	Gail & Layall
	25 th	Linda R.	Bill R. & Bill C.

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