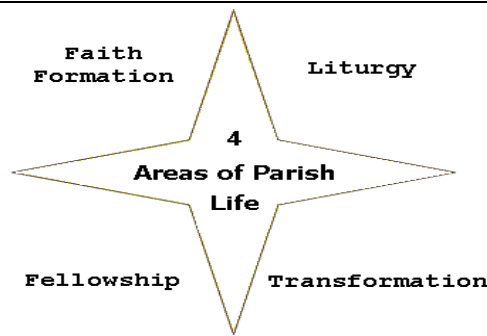




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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF  
 ADVENT  
 DECEMBER 17 - 18, 2011**

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

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**FOOD FOR THE WEEK**

**Reading 1**                      2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16  
**Responsorial Psalm**        Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord.  
**Reading II**                     Romans 16.25-27  
**Gospel**                         Luke 1.26-38

Christmas highlights the belief that God is in all of us. We can ignore that, or we can help God be found in all of us. God is active through each of us for each other.

In the visit of Mary, God came close to Elizabeth in the ordinary and homely moments of every day. These Advent and Christmas days give us the space to allow the huge, eternal mystery become part of the everyday.

**MASSES**

<b>Saturday</b>	December 24, 2011	OLV @ 7:00 p.m.	• All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy
<b>Saturday</b>	December 24, 2011	St. Malachy @ 9:00 p.m.	• All Parishioners of St. Malachy & OLV
<b>Sunday</b>	December 25, 2011	OLV @ 9:00 a.m.	• All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy
<b>Saturday</b>	December 31, 2011	St. Malachy @ 7:00 p.m.	• All Parishioners of St. Malachy & OLV
<b>Sunday</b>	January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2011	OLV @ 9:00 a.m.	• All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy

**A LOOK AT THE ADVENT BANNERS UP FRONT:**

The Advent wreath with the Advent candles is a common feature in most churches. In addition to the advent wreath, we also have two Advent banners in the front. Both of these depict some of the major figures in the Church's Advent season:

- *The one of your left depicts 'Hagia Sophia', Lady Wisdom at the center. She is surrounded by four Old Testament prophets from whom the first Scripture readings at Mass are taken in the season of Advent. Lady Wisdom inspires the prophets to express in striking images what the promised Messiah, the Lord Jesus, is coming for. The Advent season intends to strengthen our hope for the coming of Jesus Christ and especially for what he is coming for: God's gift of peace, justice, reconciliation, renewal of humanity, things that are still far from being realized.*

- *The banner on your right holds an image of Mary: the Holy Spirit hovers over her and thus she conceives the Saviour of the world. If there is one who knows what it is to wait and to live Advent, it is obviously Mary.*



## **ARCHBISHOP'S ADVENT CHRISTMAS RECEPTION**

All are invited to the Notre Dame Cathedral, **Sunday, December 18**. Concert with the Cathedral Choirs and the Cathedral Brass at 3:00 p.m. in the Cathedral. Reception with Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J. at 4:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Hall

Pastoral Services  
Office of the Episcopal Vicar  
Archdiocese of Ottawa (613) 738-5025, ext. 217

### **MEET OUR NEW ARCHBISHOP**

All parishioners of the English Zone of the Gatineau Diocese are invited to meet our new Archbishop Paul-André Durocher. The "Meet and Greet" over wine and cheese will take place on Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30 to 8:00 PM at Our Lady of the Annunciation parish, 189 Archambault Street in the Hull Sector. Everyone is welcome.

### **TRIBUTE TO MGR. EBACHER**

The following is the program schedule of the *tribute* to Mgr. Ebacher prepared by the volunteers of the Archdiocese, Channel VOX and Francois Miville-Deschenes:

Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 and 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

There will also be repeats of this program during the following weeks.

### **CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS**

The basket for the Christmas Flower donations is available at the entrance of the church. If you wish to donate a Christmas plant, please fill out the form on the table.

### **OUR JOINT PIE VENTURE**

Thanks to all who participated in our joint pie venture. This event is becoming a time for us to have fun and share a number of laughs. To all who purchased our pies, **THANK YOU**, and your feedback has encouraged us to continue with this venture.

The profit is \$860.00 giving \$430.00 for each parish to use for the upkeep of their places of worship.

Thanks again,  
Your pie makers



Money keeps arriving with the weekly collections for the annual Lions Club Telethon which was held on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. The total collected so far on behalf of both parishes is **\$832**. The

Lions Club wishes to thank all parishioners of Our Lady of Victory and St. Malachy for their generous donations and wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

### **UPCOMING OLV EVENTS**

As mentioned on several occasions, financial challenges dictate that we, as a Parish, seek other means of financing besides collections and donations. With this in mind, the Wardens have planned several events over the upcoming months. In establishing these events, several factors were taken into consideration. First of all, the event must be affordable; secondly, it must bring our faith community together in fellowship; and, finally, it must be entertaining. The following are the fund-raising events we have planned over the next 6 months.

- **Pancake Breakfast Sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion**  
To be held on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 11:30 AM at the Legion Hall. Tickets will be \$10. All profits from the breakfast will be donated to the parish.
- **Valentines Dance**  
To be held on Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> in the church basement featuring the Phil Casey Band. Ticket price will be \$10 with a light lunch served following the dance.
- **Spring Supper and Balloon Auction**  
To be held on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Ticket price will be \$20. Details to follow.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE**

The Diocese of Gatineau Marriage Preparation Courses will be offered this Spring. The course will be offered on April 20, 21 and 22, 2012. For more information or to register for these courses, please call the office.

Also, Our Lady of Fatima Parish is accepting registration for the Marriage Preparation Course to begin on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> (evening) and Saturday, January 21, 2012 (all day). The registration forms are available through this office.

**50<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

The 50<sup>th</sup> International Eucharistic Congress will be held in Dublin, Ireland in June 2012. You are invited to join us to travel to the “Land of Saints and Scholars” and be part in this important event in the life of the Catholic Church. Two package options are available. For details, please call Marcia at 514 733-4500 ext. 229; 514 489-0468, or e-mail to : [marciadocco@videotron.ca](mailto:marciadocco@videotron.ca)

**ST. MALACHY WARDENS**

As there were no other names submitted for Wardens we wish to thank Shirley Element and Joan Teske for accepting a new term.

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS**

<b>WEEKLY RECEIPTS</b>	<b>OLV</b>	<b>ST. MALACHY</b>
<b>December 10 – 11, 2011</b>	<b>\$ 543.00</b>	<b>\$ 245.00</b>