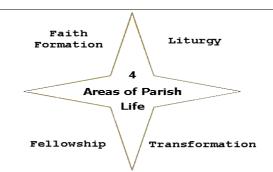


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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 5-6, 2013



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

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FOOD FOR THE WEEK

Reading 1 Isaiah 60.1-6

Responsorial Psalm Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. Hebrews 5.1-6

Reading II Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6 Gospel Matthew 2.1-12

MASSES

Saturday	Jan. 12, 2013	St. Malachy @7:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Balasa family by John Balasa. All parishioners of St. Malachy and OLV	
Sunday	Jan. 13, 2013	OLV. @ 9:00 a.m.	Larry Miller by Greg. Lavell. Gerald O'Neil by Evelyn Robitaille and family. Sarto & Collette Cameron by the Estate of Irene Gendron.	

Epiphany of the Lord

The tradition of giving gifts at Christmas is thought by some to be rooted in the gift giving of the Magi. In many cultures, gifts are not exchanged at Christmas, but rather on the feast of the Epiphany. Whenever you exchange your Christmas gifts, take some time to reflect on this tradition of gift giving at Christmas. Think of the best gift you have received. What was it? What made it special? Was it the gift itself, the thought that went into it, or the person who gave it to you?

In today's Gospel, Matthew 2:1-12, the gifts of the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—have come to be understood as symbols of Christ's royalty, divinity, and eventual suffering and death. They are special because in giving them, the Magi acknowledge who Jesus was to be: our Savior.

We pray that we will acknowledge Jesus as Savior in all that we do and say.

OLV PARISH UPDATE

OLV Upcoming 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 is 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 several months:

OLV Volunteer Appreciation Night

The annual OLV volunteer appreciation night will be held in the church basement on Friday, January 11th at 7:00 PM. This is a very special evening, as it presents an opportunity to say thanks to all those individuals who have *contributed* to the success of our faith community. Co-ordinators are asked to contact their team members and advise Alma by January 7th on the number of people who plan to attend.

Pancake Breakfast – sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion

To be held on Saturday, January 26th 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. Tickets will be on sale at the entrance of the church starting Sunday, January 6th.

Valentine's Dance

To be held on Saturday, February 23rd in the church basement featuring the Phil Casey Band. Ticket price will be \$10 with a light lunch served following the dance. More details will follow.

Thank You

On behalf of all parishioners, a special thanks to Isabel Laframboise and her team of volunteers for the wonderful job of decorating the church during this Christmas season. As usual, what a great job!

THE OLV SOCIETY would like to thank Virginia Sellers and her team for coordinating the 2012 OLV Christmas Tea, and raising \$1,510.72. The joint pie-making venture between the two parishes raised \$178.00. There are still a few pies available. You may contact Monique or Joan.

SUNDAY MISSALS AT OLV - The Sunday missals for both adults and children are still available. A donation of \$6.00 would be appreciated. The Missals and basket for your donations are on a table at the top of the stairs.

<u>SUNDAY ENVELOPES</u> – If you have not picked up your OLV 2013 Sunday envelopes, they are available on the table at the top of the stairs. If you are new to the parish or would like to make your donations using the envelopes, you may call the office at

819-986-3763. This is our only record for Income Tax receipts. If you wish to receive a receipt for your donation please put a self-addressed stamped envelope in the collection basket or at the office, to the attention of the secretary. Receips will be mailed out prior to February 28th.

<u>BUCKINGHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</u> (Also formerly known as Buckingham High School) will be celebrating its 65th Anniversary on January 19th 2013 with a winter carnival starting at 11:00 a.m. There will be lots of fun indoors and outdoor activities for all ages including memory lane, games, contests, baking contests, bingo, sleigh rides, live entertainment and more. Hot dogs and beans will be available for lunch between 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. The day's activities will end with a spaghetti supper at 4:00 p.m.

(\$12/adults and \$6/kids 5 – 12) or a Wine and Cheese followed by a spaghetti supper starting at 5:30 p.m. (\$16/adults and \$8/kids 5-12) children under four are free. Tickets for the Spaghetti suppers are available. Please contact BES at 819-986-3191.

LOCAL FOOD BANK

Our local food bank, *La mie d'entraide*, wishes to thank parishioners of St. Malachy and Our Lady of Victory for their continued donations of non-perishables. The Director of the food bank, Lucie Carrier, has advised us that last November, there was a 17% increase in the number of people coming to the food bank and requesting emergency provisions. She also added that even with all the Christmas food drives, there is always a need for on-going food donations such as ours.

All the donations from both churches are delivered weekly to *La mie d'entraide* by one of our parishioners, Regis Lemieux. **Thank you Regis** for your involvement.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
December 22-23(Sunday Offering)	\$578.00	\$296.00
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December 24-25(Christmas Offering)	\$2,218.00	\$913.00
December 29-30(Sunday Offering)	\$488.00	\$267.00

A BLESSED AND HOLY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS FOR 2013