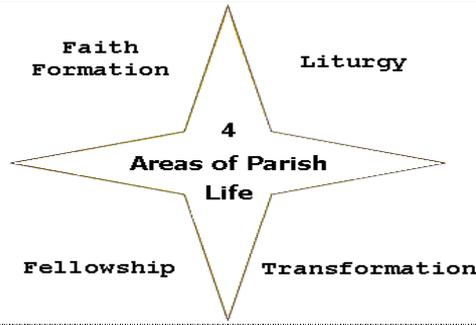




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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT
December 21/22, 2013

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

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FOOD FOR THE WEEK

Reading I Isaiah 7.10-14
Responsorial Psalm May the Lord come in; he is king of glory.
Reading II Romans 1.1-7
Gospel Matthew 1. 18-24

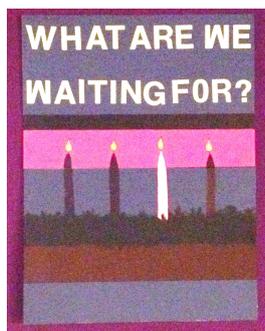
As Paul presents himself to the believers in Rome, he echoes the nativity stories we read in both Luke and Matthew: the child Jesus is “son of God”, through the power of his resurrection. This Jesus brings salvation to the Jews and to Gentiles alike.

What is my Christian ministry? How would I describe myself?

What are the key points in my Christian journey?

MASSES

Tuesday	Dec. 24, 2013	OLV @ 7:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory Parish
Tuesday	Dec. 24, 2013	St. Malachy @ 9:00 pm	All Parishioners of St. Malachy Parish
Wednesday	Dec. 25, 2013	OLV @ 9:00 am	All Parishioners of St. Malachy and Our Lady of Victory Parishes
Saturday	Dec. 28, 2013	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	All Parishioners of St. Malachy and OLV Parishes
Sunday	Dec. 29-2013	OLV @ 9:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Kelly, Martin and Weir families by the family Norah Renwick by the Estate Vincent Butler by his wife Mabel



God's Presence and Christmas

On this, the Fourth Sunday of Advent, we hear a gospel that proclaims "how the birth of Jesus Christ came about." Even before Christmas, Christmas is already here! In other words, we are not looking forward to the coming of Christ, but to his celebration. Our celebration can be full and joyous when we live now the Presence of Christ among us. When we realize that we, too are God-bearers, bringing the Presence of Christ to others.

This reminds us that during the liturgical year, we are not unfolding historical events as such, as if they were happening now, but we are unfolding the mystery of salvation as it unfolds in the here and now. Our celebration is less about a *past* event as it is about a *present* reality that reminds us of our unique privilege in cooperating with the grace of the Holy Spirit to make Christ present in all the circumstances of our daily living.

When the Spirit of God is at work, and we cooperate as did Mary and Joseph, something altogether new happens: mystery abounds, "God is with us."

(Reflection from Living Liturgy 2014)



The **Development and Peace** campaign - **A Voice for Justice** - calls on the Government of Canada to establish an independent ombudsman for the Canadian extractive sector that can investigate complaints brought by communities overseas where companies operate. Literature on the campaign has been distributed to parishioners for the past three weeks. Parishioners are encouraged to sign both the Action Card and a Petition in order that **Development and Peace** can present the cards to the respective MPs. Copies will remain at the entrance until after Christmas.

Feel free to bring home the Action Cards and literature – get your families involved to support the **Development and Peace** fall campaign. More information can also be found on the **Development and Peace** website at: devp.org

OLV NEWS

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Parishioners may not have noticed that Greg is playing a new organ. This organ was donated to OLV by Daniel Lafleur who is the musical director of La Chanterelle and the Heart and Soul Gospel Choirs. Thank you to Daniel.

CANDLES

Effective January 1st 2014, the cost of small votive candles will be increased to \$1.00 and the large candles to \$3.00

2014 Sunday Envelopes

Boxes of Sunday envelopes are now available at the back of the church. If you are new to our parish and you wish to obtain your own envelopes, please get in touch with the Secretary.

OLV SOCIETY

The Society would like to thank all those who donated food and crafts to our Christmas Tea. Without you there would be no Teas.

To all who helped at the food table, front door, kitchen and our servers THANK YOU for your donation of time, energy and humor. We had a blast!!!

Special thanks go out to Marjorie Burke who crocheted a beautiful tablecloth for our raffle and to our winner Val Rowe who has it on her table today. Marjorie your donation helped us raise \$465.00.

A huge hug and kisses to our ladies who donate ALL their materials at our craft table. They continue to help make our Christmas tea a success by giving ALL their profits to the cause.

Finally, even though we are a small community our hearts are full with generosity and once again have helped raise \$1872.15 at this tea.

You have helped us raise through Garage sales, St. Pat's tea and our Christmas Tea a total of \$2,900 which we will be handing over to the Wardens for the upkeep of our place of worship.

Lots of love,
Evelyn, Clare and Monique OLV Society members

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Dec14-15-2013 (Sunday)	\$323.00	\$166.00

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome to all who want to make their faith home here! You may have come from other places. You may have been "away for a while". Be assured that we love to have you among us. We would appreciate it very much if you identified yourself at Mass. It would also help if you would take the time to fill out a registration form. The next time you are with us, you may leave it in the collection basket or give it to one of the ushers or to the priest. Welcome.