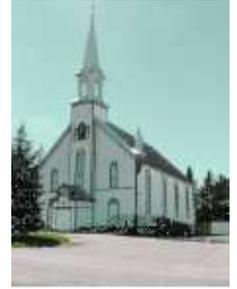
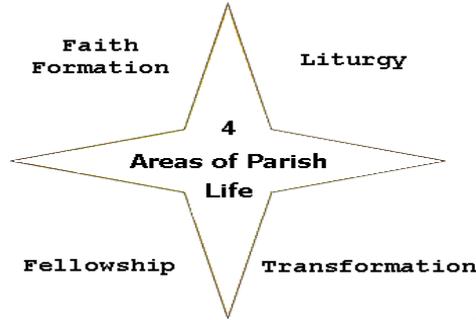




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BAPTISM OF THE LORD
January 11-12, 2014

Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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FOOD FOR THE WEEK

Reading I Isaiah 42. 1-4, 6-7
Responsorial Psalm The Lord will bless his people with peace.
Reading II Acts 10. 34-38
Gospel Matthew 3. 13-17

- At any Baptism there is a prayer and anointing to protect from evil. Baptism was Jesus immersing himself in the call of the Baptist to walk with his people on the way of God through the evil and sinfulness of the world.
- The oil of Baptism gives strength and protects us from evil like suntan oil protects the body from the sun; the water of God gives life like the water of a well or a river gives life to the body.
- Protect me, Lord, from anything that leads me away.

MASSES

Wednesday	Jan. 15, 2014	OLV @ 10:00 a.m.	Hugh McFaul, by OLV Society
Saturday	Jan. 18, 2014	St. Malachy @ 7:00 p.m.	Peter Ellement by Ellen & Alvin Butler
Sunday	Jan. 19, 2014	OLV @ 9:00 a.m.	Christopher Farnand by Dan, Sandra & family Norah Renwick by the Estate.

New Schedule for Fr. Gyan

The Presidents of both parish Fabriques (wardens) have come to an agreement with Fr. Gyan where he will be available every Wednesday to provide support and spiritual guidance to our two parishes. This new arrangement will commence on Wednesday, January 15th.

Every Wednesday will begin with a mass celebration at 10:00 AM. Fr. Gyan's presence will give parish committees and parishioners an opportunity to meet with him on a regular basis.

Following the mass on January 15th, Fr. Gyan will be meeting with the Presidents of the Fabriques to map out how to best utilize his time. More details will be provided in next week's bulletin.

The Most Reverend Paul-André Durocher, Archbishop of Gatineau and President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB), participated in the November 2013 pilgrimage and meeting in Mexico, "Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelization in the American Continent". Archbishop Durocher was part of a panel on the "Continental Mission", giving his personal perspective on the priorities and importance of mission and evangelization for the Church in Canada.

Over the next few weeks, we will be publishing Archbishop Durocher's presentation in the bulletin – Part 1 of 4 can be found this weekend:

THE SPECIAL PRIORITIES AND EMPHASES OF THE 'CONTINENTAL MISSION' FOR THE CHURCH IN CANADA

My dear friends, brothers and sisters in Christ,

Let me start with a blunt statement: the Bishops of Canada are not very aware of the expression "the continental mission". Those who are aware understand it to be an initiative that grows out of Aparacida, an initiative of CELAM, which concerns the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean. We are not aware that it concerns us directly. This being said, there is no doubt that the themes of the 'continental mission' find a vivid echo in the dioceses of Canada, particularly the call to a deep "pastoral conversion" to which Cardinal Marc Ouellet alluded a few days ago. The themes we have been discussing these past days correspond very much to the Canadian reality. Or, should I say, the realities of Canada, since Canada is a large and very diverse country. This morning, I would like to focus on four different Canadian realities, presenting their challenges and the "pastoral conversion" each of them requires.

Our Aboriginal Peoples

The first group I would like to present to you is our Aboriginal population: First Nations, Inuit, and Métis. Some of them live in the Arctic, in the vast territories which make up the North of Canada. Others live on reserves, most of which are located in remote areas of the country. Many have moved to the cities, where they are detached from the land and their traditions. They often experience high levels of poverty, with all the attending problems.

What makes their situation even more complicated is that for over 100 years, a government policy forced Aboriginal children to leave their parents, their homes and their communities to live in residential schools that were often run by various Christian agencies, including Catholic dioceses and religious orders. The aim was to integrate them into the majority culture, so they were not allowed to develop their own language, their own culture, their own traditions. In spite of the good intentions of most of the religious and lay men and women who taught in these schools, they were contributing to a system that slowly tore away at the sense of identity and pride of these people. Some of the children were physically and sexually abused, which only added to the pain of this process. Canadian society in general and the Church in particular, is only now coming to terms with this terrible experiment in reshaping a cultural group according to the purpose of the majority.

Which "pastoral conversion" are we called to in this situation? I believe we are being called to "reconciliation". I believe reconciliation is the key to new evangelization among the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada. The Bishops of the North and the leaders of religious orders have been deeply involved in the work of reconciliation. They are actively participating in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and in the reparations program that was set up by the federal government. They have offered public apologies many times, in many circumstances. An initiative called "Return to the Spirit" has been developed which allows Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people to gather and speak to one another and to grow in their appreciation of each other. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) has held workshops for its members on ministry to Aboriginal Peoples. Efforts are made to inculcate religious traditions and liturgical practices. Formation for lay leaders in the Aboriginal communities remains a priority. New bonds are being forged between Aboriginal leadership groups and the Churches. The great gift the Aboriginal People bring to our country is their natural spirituality and openness to the transcendent. In this gift, we find a wonderful starting place for deep reconciliation. So we listen to the invitation of Saint Paul in the letter to the Ephesians (2.14): Christ "is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us." We hear a call to pastoral conversion centred on reconciliation with our Aboriginal Peoples.

Next week: Part 2 – Our Rural Communities

OLV UPDATE

OLV VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

The annual OLV volunteer appreciation night will be held in the church basement on Friday, January 24th at 7:00 PM. This is a very special evening, as it presents an opportunity to say thanks to all those individuals who contribute to the success of our community. Coordinators are asked to contact their team members and advise the Secretary by January 14th on the number of people who plan to attend.

CANDLES

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

PRAYERS& SYMPATHY: Your prayers are requested for Hugh McFaul, brother of Maureen & Gerald, whose funeral took place on Tuesday, at Our Lady of Victory Church. Our Sympathy is with the McFaul Family.

Grief Session: The next Grief Session will be on January 14 at 1:30 p.m.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Dec.25-2013 (Christmas Day)	\$ 3,660.00	\$ 1,127.00
Dec.29-2013 (Sunday)	603.00	
Jan. 01-2014 (New Year's Day)	350.00	
Jan. 04-05-2014 (Sunday)	446.00	251.00
Jan. 04-05-2014 (Support)	225.00	160:00

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 contact the Secretary for a registration form. The next time you are with us, you may leave this form in the collection basket. Welcome!