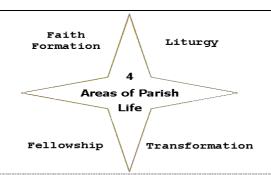


Our Lady of Victory 490 Charles Street Gatineau, Québec J8L 2K5



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 7-8, 2015



St. Malachy 3889 Route 315 Mayo, Québec J8L 3Z8

Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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Food for Thought

Reading 1 Responsorial Psalm

Exodus 20.1-3, 7-8, 12-17

Lord, you have the words of eternal life

Reading II 1 C

1 Corinthians 1.18, 22-25

Gospel John 2.13-25

Lent gives us new insights into how Jesus lived His life, always within the shadow of His death. The glory of God here is Jesus fully alive to the exploitation of the poor, the mistreatment of the house of God and fully alive to the faith that was beginning to grow in His disciples.

Our prayer today might remember all who suffer and are endangered in their commitment to justice and right religion.

MASSES

Thursday	March 12 th	OLV @ 10:00 am	Rupert McCoy by the Community			
Saturday	March 14 th	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Agathe Somers (15 th ann) by Wilbert and family			
Sunday	March 15 th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Bob Dunning (5 th ann) by Maureen Dunning Judy Limmer by the Guy family Raymond Peck by Lorraine Peck Zappa John & Madeleine Laluck by Mary Doherty			

Parishioners are invited to join in praying the Rosary before all Masses

Our thoughts and prayers are with Lee Ouellette's family in their time of sorrow.

WELCOMING - A JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER

We continue our Lenten Journey under the common banner —"**Welcoming**, **A Journey Towards Easter**" as suggested by our Archbishop. Part of this journey includes the singing of the theme composed by the Archbishop, **Teach us, Loving God**. Copies of the hymn can be found at the entrance.

This year's Gospel readings really lend themselves well to an ongoing reflection on the role of welcoming in a Christian life. The following reflection will assist parishioners with their special Lenten prayer intentions.

3rd Sunday: Welcoming, A Way of Grace

Jesus overturns the tables of the money-changers and vendors at the Temple. Through this prophetic act, Jesus wants to show us that our relationship with God cannot be an object of mercantile exchange: it is a reality rooted in grace, where all is free. In a world where everything is commercialized, where everything has a price, the act of welcoming opens a space of freedom and of grace where the other can be received without expectation of reward or return

MARCH MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may continue to be ever more valued.

Reflection on Social Issues: From the very beginning in the « New World » colonial society and the Church have been built up by women of faith. With courage based on their faith, Jeanne Mance, Marguerite Bourgeois, Marie of the Incarnation and many others have cared for the bodies and spirits of the people of this new continent. Women have continued up to today to play an important role within the Church. Since the 1970's women have been demanding that their contributions be recognized and that they be acknowledged as full partners with Christian men. What place is given to women in our lives and our communities?

<u>Our Faith Response:</u> In his letter to the Galatians, Saint Paul reminds us that we are all equals in Christ. "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor freeman, there is neither male nor female, because you are all one in Christ." (Gal. 3:28). Within the Church, do we acknowledge and respect the contribution of women?

Pope Francis calls us to "make room for women in the life of the Church": "there is a need for the presence of the feminine to be more widespread and more in-depth in the community", "in pastoral responsibilities, in our journeying with individuals, families and groups and in our theological reflection." ROME 8 Feb. 2015 (Zenit.org)

The Pope encourages us to "explore new models so that women are not left with the impression that they are not mere residents in the Church but rather full participants in social and ecclesiastical life". This is a "challenge that we can no longer put off" because "Church is woman": it is not for nothing we refer to Her as "She". ROME 8 Feb. 2015 (Zenit.org)

Questions we need to ask ourselves

Sunday 8 March 2015: I will use the opportunity **of International Women's Day** and week to thank the women I see around me and to tell them that I love them and that they are important to me.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY NEWS

St. Patrick's Tea

There will **not** be a St. Patrick's Tea this year.

Cereal Bar Sunday - March 15th

A basket will be at the entrance to the Church for your donation. These bars are delivered to the Buckingham Elementary School to help feed the children who come to school hungry. Your generosity is appreciated.

Garage Sale

Our Lady of Victory is holding a Garage Sale on Saturday, April 11th. This is where **YOU** purchase a table for \$20.00. Please contact Monique or Ann if interested.



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - Responding to the cry of the rural poor with the bishops of Brazil

In all places and circumstances, Christians, with the help of their pastors, are called to hear the cry of the poor. This has been eloquently stated by the bishops of Brazil: "We wish to take up daily the joys and hopes, the difficulties and sorrows of the Brazilian people, especially of those living in the barrios and the countryside – landless, homeless, lacking food and health care – to the detriment of their rights. Seeing their poverty, hearing their cries and knowing their sufferings, we are scandalized because we know that there is enough food for everyone and that hunger is the result of a poor distribution of goods and income. - Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 191.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE has been working with the Brazilian bishops for many years to respond to the cry of the poor. Your generosity helps fund our partnership with their Pastoral Land Commission, which works to support the rural poor through agricultural development and land reform.

You can learn more about our work by reading the mini magazine included with today's bulletin, or by visiting devp.org.

The Share Lent collection for DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE is on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, March 22nd.

COMMUNITY NEWS

<u>Buckingham Elementary Home and School Association</u> will be holding their 1st Annual Tea on Saturday, March 28th from 1:00-3:00 at Buckingham Elementary School. Tea, sandwiches and sweet treats will be served. Parents and supporters will also be selling baked goods and pickling. Please contact Jennifer at 819-986-2503 to confirm your attendance or if you would like to rent a table (\$10.00 anything kitchen related).

<u>The Royal Canadian Legion</u> will be holding a St. Patrick's Party on March 14th from 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm at the Legion Hall. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be obtained at the Legion Hall. Music by Al Visser. Door prizes will be available.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
February 28-March 1, 2015 - Sunday Offering	\$808.00	\$258.00
February 28-March 1, 2015 - Support	\$266.00	\$129.00
Donation		\$125.00