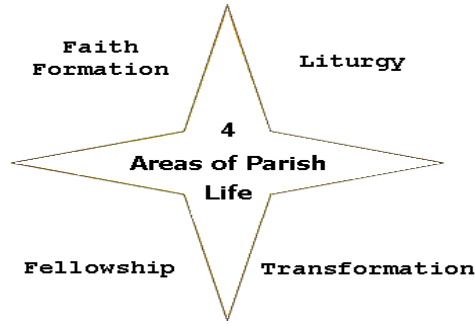




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ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 16-17, 2015

Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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Food for Thought

Reading 1 Acts 1.1-11
Responsorial Psalm God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
Reading II Ephesians 1.17-23
Gospel Mark 16.15-20

The final departure of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit gave new strength and energy to the group of disciples.

The new message seems to transcend boundaries like language among people and illness within people. From heaven the Lord continues his work on earth through his followers.

MASSES

Thursday	May 21st	OLV @ 10:00 am	All Parishioners of OLV and St. Malachy
Saturday	May 23rd	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	All Parishioners of St. Malachy and OLV
Sunday	May 24th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Raymond Peck by Ken and Monique Simpson

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

CHANGE IN WEEKDAY MASS LOCATION

Over the winter months, in an effort to reduce heating costs, the weekly Thursday Mass was celebrated in the Sacristy. Now that spring has come, **the Mass will be celebrated in the Church.**

MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS FROM THE ARCHBISHOP - MAY

"That through the intercession of Mary, Christians living in secularized communities may become available to proclaim Jesus."

Reflection on Social Issues: The western world has known a long period of Christian society. Since the cultural revolution of the 1960's, the faith no longer holds pride of place in western society. It is sometimes difficult for us to present ourselves as believers and announce the important place Jesus Christ has in our lives. How can we learn to live as Christians in Quebec society today? How are we prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks [us] for a reason for the hope that is in [us]? (1 P 3, 15)

Our Faith Response: In the first centuries, the Church lived her life marginalized within society. For the first generation of believers, as for us today, the Faith is a source of comfort. The Gospel of Luke invites us to "read the signs of the times" which exhorts us to love and to understand the world we are a part of. Jesus watches over the faithful, protecting and strengthening us daily. In His priestly prayer in John's Gospel, Jesus sends us out into the world (John 17:18) as sheep among wolves. His intent is for us to be His witnesses. Like Mary, Star of the Gospel, how can I live within this secularized society and witness to my faith with confidence?

Question We Need to Ask Ourselves

Sunday 17 May 2015: How can I bear fruit and affirm my hope in Jesus Christ by ministering to the marginalized of society?

Trip to Medjugorje

On June 24th 1981, six children from a small rural village called Medjugorje located in Bosnia–Herzegovina made the astonishing claim that they had seen an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the side of a hill at approximately six o'clock in the evening. The children claimed that they saw an incredibly beautiful young woman with a little child in her arms. They said that she didn't say anything to them, but indicated with gestures that they should come closer. Surprised and frightened, they were afraid to come near, even though they immediately thought her to be Our Lady.

Over the years the Blessed Virgin has reportedly provided the visionaries with 10 secrets which contain information on future events. Of the 10 secrets, only one, the third has been revealed. It involves a visible and permanent sign that is described as beautiful and indestructible and not of this world which will be left on the apparition hill, the site of the first appearance. It should be noted that apparitions continue to this date.

Medjugorje has become one of the most popular pilgrimage sites for Catholics in the world. It is estimated that 40 million pilgrims of all faiths have come to Medjugorje since 1981.

If anyone is interested, a Pilgrimage is being organized to visit Medjugorje which is being led by Father Gérard Marier. The dates being proposed for the trip to Bosnia–Herzegovina is September 29th to October 9th 2015. More information can be obtained by calling 1-877-271-1230, extension 27, and ask for Mélanie.

ST. MALACHY NEWS

Prayers and Sympathy

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dennis Butler whose funeral was on May 16th. Our sympathy and prayers are with his family and friends during this time of loss.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY NEWS

Wardens' Meeting

There will be a Wardens' meeting on Thursday, May 21st at 7 pm in the Rectory. Following the meeting we will be setting up the hall for the spring supper.

Spring Supper and Balloon Auction - May 22

Tickets are on sale **prior to the Mass**. Roast beef, salad, potatoes, turnips and carrots, followed by a wonderful dessert, will be on the menu. Bob Hodgson, our chef guest, will once again be joining us and Roger Payette and Gerry Charron will be returning to provide live music.

Don't forget to **drop off your items for the balloon auction as early as possible** this week.

Tickets: Adults - **\$25.00**, Children ages 6-12 - **\$10.00**, Children age 6 and under - **Free**.

We Need Your Help

There is a need for more Eucharistic ministers, servers and ushers. It is essential that these three ministries find greater support within the Parish as we continue to rely on a few volunteers to provide the support we all take for granted. It's time for other parishioners to come forward and help out. If you are interested in these ministries, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish secretary at 819 986-3763.

A Date to Remember

On August 9th, 2015, St. Grégoire will be celebrating its 175th anniversary. Given the early history of the Parish and the Irish community's major contribution to its founding, the organizing committee has invited parishioners to take part in the celebrations. There will be an outdoor Mass at 10 am and both the Archbishop and Father Albanus will be participating.

There will also be a public recognition of the role Father Brady played in the establishment of the Parish, as relatives of Father Brady will be presenting a plaque to the Parish honoring him as founding father of the first Catholic Parish in Buckingham.

A full day of celebrations is planned, with further details to follow as they become known.

Please note that there will be NO MASS at OLV on August 9th.

COMMUNITY NEWS

St. Andrew's United Church, 507 Ave. du Buckingham, will be holding a garage and bake sale on May 23rd, from 10 am to 2 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Free Information Session for Seniors - Wednesday, **May 20th at 1:30 PM**, there will be a presentation at the **CLSC** on **Resources and Living Arrangements for Seniors** in the La Lièvre and Petite-Nation area. If you would like to know more about the different types of living arrangements, from living at home, to senior's residences, then this is the information session for you! **See poster at the entrance for more details.**

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
May 9-10, 2015 - Sunday Offering	\$664	\$241.00
May 9-10, 2015 - Papal Charities	140	