



Our Lady of Victory
490 Charles Street
Gatineau, Québec
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**FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**
January 31, 2016

St. Malachy
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Sunday 9:00 AM		Celebration of the Eucharist	Saturday 7:00 PM
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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Reading 1	Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19
Responsorial Psalm	My mouth will tell, O Lord, of your deeds of salvation
Reading II	1 Corinthians 12.31 – 13.13
Gospel	Luke 4.21-30

When they heard Jesus speak, their reaction was not to what he said but to what they knew of Jesus' foster father Joseph. What did they know? Only that he was a village carpenter and a quiet man: they judged Jesus by association.

Forgive me, Lord, for the times I have not listened to people with unwelcome messages, and instead have judged them by association, by their families or home town or trade or whatever.

Thursday	Feb. 4th	OLV @ 10:00 am	NO MASS
Saturday	Feb. 6th	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Peter and Marilyn Roos by sister Ginny Pearl French (5th ann) by The Family Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by The Estate
Sunday	Feb. 7th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Bernadette Woods Teske (9th ann) by Tom and Isabel Laframboise

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Jan. 24, 2016 - Sunday Offering	\$671.00	\$407.00
Jan. 24, 2016 - Fuel	266.00	221.00

MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FROM THE ARCHBISHOP – JANUARY 2016

Reflection: Sunday, January 31st, 2016: In today's Gospel, we see Jesus at the periphery of his world. How, as a single Christian or as a community, can I leave my comfort zone, in order to help others, especially those who need it the most?

OUR MOUNTAIN CLIMBING TOWARDS EASTER WILL SOON BEGIN!

Lent will be early this year, which begins on Ash Wednesday February 10th. For the past few years, we have been rotating the Ash Wednesday celebration with St. Aloysius on either the Wednesday, or the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday.

This year, we will celebrate at Our Lady of Victory church on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00 pm.

Please note that there will be two celebrations at St. Aloysius on Ash Wednesday, February 10th at 9:00 am as well as at 7:00 pm.

Blessing of Throats – February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise, the patron of those who suffer from diseases of the throat. Father Albanus will be offering the blessing of throats after our weekend Masses next weekend. The blessing of St. Blaise is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for the sick.

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

Lenten Project: Sister Malinie has offered to lead a series of five sessions during Lent, one each week prior to Holy Week, on "Praying with Scripture". Each session will be a maximum of one hour. Before deciding on the timing of the sessions, i.e. which day of the week and at what time, ***we are asking parishioners to let the Parish Secretary know if they are interested in attending.*** All potential participants will be contacted regarding timing.

Is Our Lady of Victory a Small Church with a Big Heart?

In Father André's homily last week, he referred to compassion and talked about a small church with a big heart. So, how do we stack up in regard to this comment? Well, first of all, let's look at the self-help groups that we support. We provide the church hall at minimum cost to Alcoholics, Narcotics and Overeaters Anonymous. In talking to members of these groups, they often express their gratitude toward OLV and mention that there is no other location available in Buckingham that provides such an affordable location. It is important to note that many individuals in recovery have very little funds, so the groups have very little access to funds to pay rent. That is why OLV's rental policy is based on groups' capacity to pay.

OLV is now partnering with Relay for Life by providing the church basement free of charge for a fund-raising supper as they continue to raise funds in the battle to defeat cancer.

On a weekly basis, parishioners generously donate food for the local food bank and once a month, donate cereal bars in support of our local elementary school. In partnership with St. Malachy, parishioners generously support a special Christmas collection in support of the Lions Club Christmas Basket Campaign. Also in partnership with St. Malachy, parishioners addressed a needs list for our local school's Daily Bread Program by generously donating a wide range of goods. Also, as part of a partnership with the local English-speaking churches, OLV provides its hall once a month to support the activities of the Friday Night Buddies youth group.

Not a bad report card but the challenging question is: ***can we do more?*** For our 75th anniversary, should we undertake a parish project to show our big heart?

Emergency Relief for Syrian Refugees: ***DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE*** welcomes the announcement by the Federal Government to extend the period to match donations for emergency relief for Syrians until February 29th, 2016.

Individual donations made to *DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE* until February 29th are eligible to be matched by the Canadian government for its Syria Emergency Relief Fund. Donations can be made at devp.org; by phone at 1 888 234-8533; or by sending a cheque to *DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE* (please indicate Syria Crisis) to 1425 René-Lévesque Blvd. W., 3rd Floor, Montreal, QC, H3G 1T7

Our Lady of Victory Needs You: For quite a long period of time, OLV has been short one Warden required to ensure a full team of administrators. Being a Warden is an excellent way to support your faith community and really does not take up a lot of personal time. Wardens meet once a month and work as a team to administer the Parish financial and administrative affairs. If you want to join a great team and wish to support your parish, please feel free to contact Bill Cameron at 819-986-8901 for more details.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Teens Hosting Pancake Breakfast with ham, sausages and more delights at St. Elizabeth Parish Hall, on Sunday, February 14, 2016 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm. **Cost:** \$10 per adult and \$5 per child. **Invite your family and friends!**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During Lent, St. Elizabeth's Parish, 47 chemin Ste-Élisabeth, Cantley, QC, is hosting three evenings of prayer, song and reflection on the Stations of the Cross.

PARISH MISSION: The Joy of the Gospel with Archbishop Paul-André Durocher

The Archbishop has invited all parishioners to a 3-evening series of discussion on the Joy of the Gospel at three different churches. Each evening is different, but stands alone. There is no need to attend the three evenings. **See poster at the entrance for more details.**

Mark This on Your Calendar: OLV's annual **Spring Supper** (Roast Beef menu) and Balloon Auction will be held on **Friday, May 20th** in the church hall. Once again, the popular duo of Roger Payette & Gerry Chartrand will provide background music.
Stay tuned for more information.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? Welcome to all who want to make their faith home here! We would appreciate it if you identified yourself to Father at mass. If you would like to become a regular parishioner feel free to contact the office at 819-986-3763 to obtain a Registration Form. **Note:** The principal source of revenue for the church is church envelopes. If used a receipt for income tax purposes is issued at the end of each year.