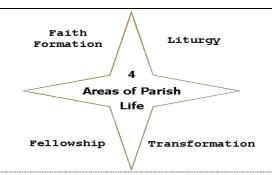


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# PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 14 - 15, 2016



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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 Acts 2.1-11

**Responsorial Psalm** Lord, send forth your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

**Reading II** 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13 **Gospel** John 14.15-16, 23b-26

Sr. Teresa of Avila reflected on Jesus' capacity to bring peace.

"You find yourself in pain, in trouble, and these few words *'Do not be troubled'* calm you, fill you with light, and dissipate all your troubles – troubles from which, a few moments before, you would not have believed the wisest in the world could have delivered you."

Let me think about the wisdom of her words.

#### **MASSES**

Thursday	May 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>OLV</b> @ 10:00 am	All Parishioners of OLV and St. Malachy	
Saturday	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Violet Butler by Lillian Chartrand Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by The Estate	
Sunday	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>OLV</b> @ 9:00 am	Rose Weatherdon by OLV Society Louis Villeneuve by Lucille Allen and Family Harold Farnand by Margaret Farnand and Family	

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
May 7 - May 8, 2016 - Sunday Collection	\$659.00	\$337.00
May 7 - May 8, 2016 - Papal Charities	167.00	61.00

### THE ARCHBISHOP'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS: MAY 2016

"So that the struggling families receive the necessary support so that their children can grow up in a healthy environment, and that the practice of prayer can be learned and spread throughout the families, especially for evangelization and peace."

**Reflection Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>:** This week, I will pay particular attention to the work of the Holy Spirit in my life. I will ask myself what the Spirit has given to me in my life. I will also try to help someone in need.

#### **SUNDAY REFLECTIONS**

## Father Albanus' personal reflection on the Sunday Liturgy

### **Pentecost Sunday**

Pentecost literally means fiftieth. It is a feast celebrated on the fiftieth day after the Passover feast of the Jews and a feast celebrated on the fiftieth day after the feast of the Resurrection of Jesus (the New Passover) by Christians. The Jews celebrated it as the commemoration of the arrival of the Israelites at Mount Sinai and the receiving of the Law by Moses on their behalf. The Israelites celebrated it to thank God for having chosen them and giving them the Law to guide their lives. Despite the Law the old Israel did not always produce good fruits. For us Christians Pentecost marks the end and the goal of the Easter season. It is a memorial of the day the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles described this event. By saying that the Apostles received the Holy Spirit on the Pentecost, St Luke is teaching us that for us Christians, the Spirit has substituted the new Law for that of Moses. That new Law is the Law of the Spirit. It is the new heart, the life of God, which once it enters a person, transforms and changes that person into one capable of producing spontaneously the work of God. When one is filled with the Holy Spirit, something never heard of before begins to take place in one's life; one loves with the same love as God loves. One does not need anyone to teach them (1Jn:3,9). The spirit is now the only Law of Christians.

The Holy Spirit is the Paraclete (Comforter, Helper, Encourager or Enabler). He works quietly in us and through us every day behind the scenes in the basic activities of our lives and the lives of the people around us. He is quietly at work: in our taking on responsibilities that we once thought beyond us; in our refusing to let the greed of society take over our soul; in our giving thanks always even though times have been hard; in our rising above past failures and putting past hurts behind us; in our finding a central core of peace in the midst of turmoil; in an adult patiently teaching a child self-esteem and self-control; in the person sitting quietly beside a hospital bed; in a parent praying for a troubled son or daughter. The Spirit calls us to repentance, to turn our lives around; He calls us to Faith and to take up our cross and follow Jesus. However we look at the Holy Spirit, He is always our Helper, always helping us to be what God made us to be. He helps us to be truly great, namely, to be servants to one another. Likewise the Spirit promotes Jesus in our lives; He gathers us around the cross of Jesus; He changes our lives, helping us to be more patient and forgiving, to seek new beginnings in our relationships with one another and to let the power of God's love have the final say over the conflicts we get into. He is available to us every moment of every day as we face the choices between self-centeredness or being the God-centered people the Spirit has called us to be in Christ. Today is a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of new life and enthusiasm, the fire of God's love. Let us repeat Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman's favorite little prayer, "Come Holy Spirit:"

"Come Holy Spirit
Make our ears to hear
Make our eyes to see
Make our mouths to speak
Make our hearts to seek
Make our hands to reach out
And touch the world with your love. AMEN."

[Cardinal Newman was beatified September 19, 2010 by Pope Benedict XVI.]

## **OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS**

<u>OLV Spring Supper and Balloon Auction</u>: Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> in the church hall with music provided by Roger Payette and Gerry Charron. **Menu is prime rib**. Cocktails: 4:30 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm. **Cost**: \$25.00 **Adults** \$10.00 **children 6 - 12 years old**. **Children under 6 years of age** - Free.

Tickets are still available. Contact any of our Wardens.

St. Malachy: Wardens meeting at 7 pm on Thursday, May 19th in the Sacristy.

<u>Office Hours:</u> Please note the office will be **closed** on **Monday**, May 23th and **opened** on **Tuesday**, May 24 from 9 am to 12 pm. Regular hours on Wednesday and Thursday.

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

70th / 40th ANNIVERSARY FATHER LOMER ROONEY: A Reception will be held on

May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at the Venosta School Hall to celebrate Father Lomer Rooney's 40th year of Priesthood as well as his 70th Birthday. All are welcome to attend. Musicians would be appreciated. **Best wishes only.** 

OTTAWA MARATHON SATURDAY, MAY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2016: Mgr. Paul-André Durocher will be participating and all amounts received will be allocated to the Ministry to university students at UQO. The Archdiocese of Gatineau is proud to announce the launching of a new project in collaboration with the Fabrique of St. Joseph, the community of Notre-Dame-de-Laurette and the Brothers of the Sacred Heart: the establishment of a chaplaincy for students attending the Université du Québec en Outaouais.

The project, which will start in September 2016, will be hosted in Notre-Dame-de-Lorette Church, a few blocks away from the principal campus of UQO. It will be a place to meet and to find support and accompaniment for those young adults who want it. In order to implement this project, the Archdiocese **must ensure** the salary of a lay pastoral associate, about \$35,000 a year. You can help me ensure this service by sponsoring me during my 10 kilometer run on Saturday May 28. Thank you for your generous support. Contributions can be made by logging onto this site: **www.jedonneenligne.org/diocesegatineau**