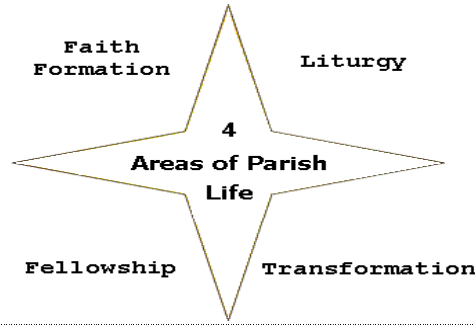




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**THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
June 11 - 12, 2016**

Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Reading 1 2 Samuel 12.7-10, 13.
Responsorial Psalm Lord, forgive the guilt of my sin.
Reading II Galatians 2.16, 19-21.
Gospel Luke 7.36-8.3.

Jesus was being pushed from all sides, but he could distinguish between the anonymous jostling of bodies in a crowd, and the visceral desire for healing in the touch of the ailing woman.

His healing action was never magical or impersonal. It cost high, for it was empowered by prayer, fasting and a personal affection for those he cured.

MASSES

Thursday	June 16 th	OLV @ 10:00 am	NO MASS
Saturday	June 18 th	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Rose Weatherdon by Ellen, Alvin and Family Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by The Estate
Sunday	June 19 th	OLV @ 9:00 am	David Hayes by Tom and Isabel Laframboise Steve Cameron by The Community

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
June 4 - June 5, 2016 - Sunday Collection	\$525.00	\$373.00
June 4 - June 5, 2016 - Support	\$256.00	\$198.00

THE ARCHBISHOP'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS: JUNE 2016

"So that elderly people and people who are lonely or have been marginalized find, even in the big cities, occasions to meet and socialize with other people."

Sunday, June 12, 2016: How can I support others in our cities, especially those less fortunate? Are there organizations in my area or my city who strive to break the solitude and create a truly brotherly and supportive community?

Father Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy

The God Who Forgives

Today's readings give us an invitation to repent, do penance and renew our lives instead of carrying the heavy baggage of our sins. Our God is a God who always tries not to punish, but to rehabilitate sinners, so that we may be made whole and experience inner peace and harmony. Today's liturgy celebrates the fact of God's forgiveness.

The first reading presents the story of David's sincere repentance for his sins of murder, adultery and deceit and how he was met by God's gracious and loving pardon. St. Paul, in the second reading, reminds us that it is by Faith in Jesus that we are saved. He says that it is the realization that Christ died for us and lives in us that should bring us to true repentance, leading to renewed life in Christ. Paul suggests that the experience of forgiveness is made available to all sinners through the saving cross of Jesus.

The gospel presents the conversion and repentance of a public sinner. It invites us to real repentance. In this gospel Jesus challenges us to have a forgiving attitude to our brothers and sisters and a deep awareness of our own personal need for God's forgiveness. The Pharisee Simon, sees sin written boldly across the woman's sexually abused body; he sees sin and a woman consumed by sin. He fails to read the deep regret in her heart and the sincere show of repentance manifested in the meaningful ritual she performs in honour of Jesus in whose merciful eyes she feels forgiven. Jesus could be totally forgiving of her because he could see her wholesome and love-filled sentiments concerning him. In spite of her sullied past, she is now open and genuine. The Pharisee appears upright and wholesome but he does not have the inner qualities to match his exterior comportment.

God, in Jesus, knows us for who and what we truly are. God knows us well. He knows our past as well as our present. God sees our worthy and wholesome motives and treats us accordingly. He is not influenced by the ways we are perceived by others. We might have been righteous or sinful in the past; but we are not who and what we were in the past, but who and what we are now. Again, like Simon the Pharisee, we can fail to see how little we love Jesus and how much more others (like the woman) love the Lord. Jesus reads all thoughts and sees there is a real lack of love in the Pharisee. Brothers and sisters, we need to accept the mercy of God. We are challenged to accept or reject the mercy of God. We often have Simon's mentality, displaying an attitude of lovelessness and harshness. Let us remember that Simon's self-sufficiency prevented him from acknowledging his need for the grace of God. We need to be grateful to our forgiving God. We also need to cultivate a forgiving attitude towards our neighbour. May the grace of God help us.

Happy Sunday!
Fr. Al

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

Faith Formation Celebrations: Last fall, 5 young parishioners began a journey towards receiving the sacrament of First Eucharist (First Communion). Preparations for this special event began last fall and after numerous sessions with both parents and candidates, next weekend will see the five children receive two sacraments; first of all, the sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, June 18th, followed by First Eucharist on Sunday, June 19th at the 9:00 am mass at Our Lady of Victory church.

Lost Keys: In early May a ring of keys, including 1 car key and 3 others, was left in the church. If these are yours please call the office at 819-986-3763.

St. Malachy: Wardens' meeting on Wednesday, June 15th at 7:00 pm in Sacristy.

Heart & Soul Singers: The OLV Wardens, on behalf of our Parishioners, would like to thank the Heart & Soul Singers for the generous donation of \$ 400.00. Their financial support is greatly appreciated.

Our Lady of Light Cultural Centre – The first summer concert is Acacia Lyro, Harp Duo. Janine Dudding and Susan Sweeney Herman blend both contemporary and traditional Celtic harp music. They perform, compose and sing music in several languages from many countries of the world. On June 12th from 2 to 3 pm come and enjoy an afternoon of music at 6458 Route 315, Mulgrave and Derry. Cost - \$5.00 for adults, children under 12 enter free. Tickets are available from the Board of Directors or at the door.

OLV CHURCH HALL RENTALS

Contact Mike Legault at 819-281-4870

SHUT-INS

Parishioners are reminded that Father Albanus is available and more than willing to meet with those individuals who are shut-in for a variety of reasons. In addition to Eucharist, Father is prepared to simply visit, as well as bring a spiritual message to those who are unable to leave their place of residence. ***To book a time with Father, please contact the Parish Secretary at 819-986-3763.***

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? Welcome to all who want to make their faith home here! We would appreciate it if you could identify yourself to Fr. Albanus 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 weekly collection envelope is the principal source of revenue for both parishes.