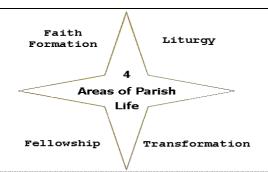


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THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME June 25 - 26, 2016



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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 1 Kings 19.16b,19-21

Responsorial Psalm You are my chosen portion, O Lord

Reading II Galatians 5.1,13-18 **Gospel** Luke 9.51-62

James and John are restless asking "What is the use of having power if you do not use it on those who reject you?" The greater tolerance of Jesus demands greater strength than the spirit of revenge and furious relations.

When Abraham Lincoln was criticized for being too courteous to his enemies, he replied, "Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?"

MASSES

Thursday	June 30 th	OLV @10:00 am	Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by The Estate
Saturday	July 2 nd	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Guy Tauvette by Greg and Patricia Lavell Rupert McCoy and Deceased Members of the McCoy Family by The Estate
Sunday	July 3 rd	OLV @ 9:00 am	Lawrence, Alice and Irene Monaghan by Lynda Ferriter Bob Dunning by Maureen Dunning Jos McGurn by The Family

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
June 18 - June 19, 2016 - Sunday Collection	\$585.00	\$256.00

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."

<u>Reflection Sunday, June 26, 2016</u>: I learn about my area and my city, by walking through it, riding my bicycle or walking into little cafés and boutiques for the first time, and meeting new people in parks and public areas.

Father Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy

Call and Commitment

Today's reading speaks about vocation (God's call) and human commitment in answer to that call. God's call demands total commitment in total freedom with the spirit of patient love; it demands an unconditional "yes" to Jesus and to the Christian life from true disciples of Jesus.

Elisha, the prophet, in the first reading committed himself wholeheartedly to answer God's call, in spite of his initial hesitation when God called him through the prophet Elijah. Elisha left everything behind him and committed himself to his prophetic role. The responsorial Psalm also speaks about commitment: the refrain, "you are my chosen portion, Oh Lord," exemplifies commitment to the ordained ministry or to the religious profession. In the second reading, St. Paul reinforces this message of commitment. He reminds all ministers of the Good News that the criterion by which they are to measure themselves is the very spirit of God. We begin to be free when we begin the process of commitment. That freedom is realized only when we give ourselves away in love; only when we accept a ministry of service that is rooted in loving our neighbours as ourselves. Christian freedom may be defined like this: "I am my commitment to God. I will live my commitment, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, until I die." (Kadavil, T). Living the new life of freedom, Paul emphasizes, means abandoning the old ways of sin. The "desires of the flesh" mentioned in this second reading should be understood not only in a sexual sense, but as referring to all worldly impulses that are opposed to the love of neighbour.

In the gospel Jesus touches on two important things: first, Christian tolerance. Having observed the anger of two of his disciples (James and John) toward the Samaritans, Jesus teaches them that he was not a destroyer but a Saviour with a message of mercy and love. The second part of the gospel describes the call of some of Jesus' potential disciples and their lame excuses. Jesus' response to these would - be follower exemplifies the wholehearted constancy and sacrificial ministry that the Christian mission requires. We, too, are required to follow Jesus, totally and immediately, without any reservation both by giving priority to him and his cause and by surrendering our lives to God in humble and dedicated service to others.

In the Church, the ministry of prophecy is not reserved to a few but is a commission for all those who are reborn into Christ. When at Baptism the priest anoints those to be baptized, he announces: "I anoint you as priest, prophet, and king." This is to remind us that our prophetic mission consists in our becoming God's voice in our community and in our society. We are to be the conscience of the community. Where we see injustice in our community, in our society, in our families and especially in our own selves, we are compelled by our Baptism to change our own conduct, and if necessary, to raise our voice in God's Name, so that God's word may be made present at every moment.

Happy Sunday!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - FIRST EUCHARIST

The Preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist has now come to an end. Our faith community will be graced by the candidates who have come forward requesting First Eucharist.

As a faith community, we are all called to transmit the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world. It is by our very Baptism that we are all called to share our faith with each other, growing and maturing in our life-long journey towards God. Congratulations to:

Kathryn O'Reilly Olivier Fillion Hannah Rivera Jacob Ouellette Lincoln Delcourt

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

<u>Our Lady of Knock Shrine</u> - The 62nd Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock will be held on Sunday, August 14, 2016. Pope Francis has encouraged all to make a Pilgrimage during this Year of Mercy. This Pilgrimage is one such opportunity. Father Eugene (Red) O'Reilly, C.Ss.R, will be the celebrant. Please refer to the brochure included with this bulletin.

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

<u>OLV 75th Anniversary Update:</u> The planning committee is organizing a small **golf get together on July 14, 2016**. The goal is to raise funds to support activities which will take place next year. The following is an outline of the day's events:

Golf course: Royal Papineau (Lac d'Argile)

Shot Gun start: 1:00 pm – play your own ball (**not best ball**)

Cost: \$75.00 per person which includes golf, cart and supper

Meal: All you can eat Mussels, or one rack of ribs, French fries, salad and dessert

Maximum number of foursomes: 10

To register contact: Mike Legault at 819-281-4870

What the committee is planning for 2017

- With the support of the Wardens and Inter-Parish Planning Committee, an opening ceremonial Mass will be held on the 22nd of January 2017 with Archbishop Durocher presiding. Following Mass, a free brunch will be served downstairs for those attending the Mass.
- o A summer picnic with the possibility of Mass prior to the event.
- o Monthly historical facts to be published in the bulletin, starting in December 2016.
- A traditional midnight Mass (with some Latin) scheduled for December 25th 2017 will close out the year's events.
 More information to follow as planning evolves.

<u>OLV Financial Update:</u> Enclosed with the bulletin is a financial report as of June 16th 2016. This is an encouraging report and hopefully we will be able to continue on this positive path. Our investment in natural gas has been a major contributor to our improved financial position, as has sound and prudent administrative practices. Not to be overlooked as well is continued generosity of our parishioners. The Wardens would like to thank our Parishioners for their ongoing support.

COMMUNITY NEWS

<u>Father Bill Marrevee Turns 80 – Come celebrate!!</u> All are welcome to Father Bill's 80th Birthday Celebration on Sunday, July 3rd, 2-5 pm at St. Mark's Church Hall, 160 Principale in Aylmer. Drop in for fun, finger foods, refreshments and fellowship. As Father Bill will be moving back into retirement the beginning of September, this will also be a perfect time to reminisce and wish him well. Gifts of sharing your *'favourite Father Bill memory'* will be most appreciated on special memory/story cards available at the party. For more information contact: Margie Voisin at 613-316-9907 or Dorli McCrank at 819-682-3263.

<u>Pilgrimage to Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac</u>: Will be held on Sunday, July 31. See poster at entrance of church for more information.