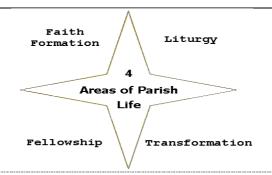


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BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST

JUNE 17 - 18, 2017



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Sunday 9:00 AM Celebration of the Eucharist Saturday 7:00 PM

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MASSES

Thursday	June 22 nd	OLV @ 10:00 am	James, Margaret & Tom Dorion by The Estate	
Saturday	June 24 th	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Jack Roos & The Holy Souls by Ginny & Joe Roos	
Sunday	June 25 th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Jean Paul Robitaille (5th ann) by The Simpson & Carriere Families Jean Brennan by Val & Lewis Rowe Mary Doherty by Regis Lemieux The Laframboise Family & Mary Elizabeth Laframboise by The Estate	

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
June 10 – June 11, 2017 - Sunday Collection	\$822.00	\$391.00

The Archbishop's Monthly Prayer Intentions - June 2017

<u>Questioning ourselves: Sunday, June 18, 2017</u>: Feast of Corpus Christi and Father's Day. If possible, I will volunteer with my parish or to a CHSLD to visit and /or assist in the distribution of Communion. This Father's Day, I will take a moment to write a message to my father expressing my appreciation for what he has done for me.

Fr. Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Corpus Christi

The Holy Eucharist is one of the last precious gifts given to us, His followers, by Jesus. Jesus gave the Eucharist to us on Holy Thursday as our holy food. The other gift is his Mother Mary on Good Friday. The Solemnity of the Body and Blood celebrates the abiding presence of a loving God as Emmanuel (God with us), in order to give collective thanks to our Lord for His living with us in the Eucharist. The Greek word *eucharistia* means thanksgiving. The Eucharist is the source and summit of Christian life; the other sacraments and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it (CCC. 1322). This feast offers us an opportunity to reflect more on the importance and value of the "Real Presence" of Jesus so as to maximize the benefit we get from the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

We Catholics believe in the "Real Presence" in the Holy Eucharist. Initially, Jesus promised it after miraculously feeding the 500 men; secondly, Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist during His Last Supper, thirdly, Jesus commanded His disciples to repeat it in His memory; finally, nothing is impossible for God. The "Real Presence" of Jesus is explained by the Greek Aristotelian term "transubstantiation." This term signifies that the substance of the consecrated bread and wine is changed to the substance of the Risen Jesus' glorified Body and Blood by the action of the Holy Spirit, and its appearance (like color, shape, taste etc), remains the same.

This Sunday's readings make reference to this feast. The first reading sees the Eucharist as blessing and praise of God seen in the action of Melkizedek, the king of Salem. The king and the character of his offering prefigure Jesus who has also been referred to as "a priest according to the order of Melkizedek (Ps. 110,4). Jesus, the Priest and King, is the Eternal Priest and King of kings who offered a sacrifice of bread and wine during His Last Supper. Jesus is infinitely greater than Melkizedek in that He is the sacrifice and the offering, the bread and wine. In the second reading, St. Paul shows that the Eucharist is the memorial of what Jesus did at the Last Supper. To "proclaim the death of the Lord", Paul mentions at the end of the reading, is to confess one's faith in the whole mystery of Christ and all that means for us. Jesus gave us the Eucharist in the context of dying for our sake. Paul believes that since Jesus gave us the Eucharist in this context, we should experience it only in the context of our dying to ourselves for His sake. Thus all Christ's disciples (we) are challenged to promote community, to be united and to hold possession in common.

The gospel presents the Eucharist as food for the multitudes. The never-ending supply of bread with which Jesus fed the multitude prefigured His own consecrated bread that sustains us until He comes again. In the Eucharistic celebration the Church reenacts Christ's sacrificial self-giving. Jesus' sacrifice of His lifeblood on the cross was also prefigured in the animal blood sacrifices offered by the Jews to God in the past. The miraculous feeding of the crowd of 500 men could be understood as a type and prefiguring of Jesus' gift of the Eucharistic Bread that would spiritually nourish those who believe in Him. The taking, breaking and giving of the loaves anticipated the "taking," of Jesus' in the garden (Gethsemane), the "breaking" of His body during His passion and Jesus' "giving" of Himself as a sacrifice for the sins of humankind. Finally, the cooperation of the apostles in the miracle is significant. It suggests that Jesus asks us all to "share what little" we have. No matter how insignificant or small our gift, it could be the very thing Jesus blesses to satisfy the hunger of those around us. To die by becoming one with each other and to die by sharing ourselves are at the heart of the Eucharist. Without these our rubrics and actions are meaningless.

Happy Corpus Christi Sunday!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Father Al

<u>Relay for Life:</u> Another successful event that raised \$75,337.00, Saturday mornings count, for the Canadian Cancer Society. This brings our total, over 10 years, of over 1.2 + million dollars.

What an accomplishment for our area!

The Walking Stars (Robitaille family members & friends) would like to thank all of you who have supported us over these 10 years. We have 3 cancer survivors, on our team, who gave us the inspiration to continue with raising money for this terrible disease.

To our **Cancer Survivors** and **Fighters**, realize that you are never alone, continue to have the courage and hope knowing that **YOU** will beat it. Nothing will erase from our memories of the smiles on your faces as you did your Victory Lap.

To our **Caregivers**, continue to lend that support to all that need your help.

To our **loved ones that we lost** – you are always in our hearts and we know, never far away. May you rest in peace knowing that one day this disease will be beaten!

To our **Family**, **Spouses**, **Friends**, **OLV & St. Malachy Parishes** & all **others** who were there to aid in our fund raising activities we love you and hold you dear.

There are many teams over the years who have raised money so that the Canadian Cancer Society can distribute money for Cancer Research, information & support for our survivors & fighters, home delivery packages to our cancer patients and much more.

Our team would like to say a big **THANK YOU** for your support and encouragement over these 10 years. A lot of steps were taken to help beat this disease and **\$137,000.00** was collected. The Walking Stars have now passed the torch to others to continue with the Relay for Life so that others will not be told "You Have Cancer!"

Hugs & Kisses from The Robitaille Family & Friends. God Bless you all!

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

<u>Our Lady of Knock Shrine:</u> The 63nd Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock will be Sunday, August 13, 2017. Father John Walsh, will be the celebrant. Brochures are available at the entrance to the church.

St. Malachy Warden's Meeting: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 7:00 pm in Sacristy.

Our Lady of Knock Shrine Meeting: Thursday, June 22, 2017 at 1:30 pm in Sacristy.

<u>OLV Wardens Meeting:</u> The monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 21st at 7pm at 585 Laframboise Street (The Cameron residence).

HISTORY OF OLV

After Father Ferguson's death in 1971, our parish was without a Pastor. No replacement could be found immediately as there was a shortage of priests in the Diocese. Father Blase Burneston was appointed as administrator of the parish and was later replaced by Father Maurice Egan as administrator.

In 1972 Father John Berube of the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette was appointed our new pastor. Father Berube continued Father Ferguson's work of promoting the Christian and material well-being of the Parish. Improvements were made to the church, the grounds were landscaped and renovations to the church and rectory were made.

On December 15, 1973 Father Berube was with us as we achieved our long-time dream of burning our mortgage. In just over 30 years, OLV had grown from its very modest beginnings to a parish that had its own church, church hall and rectory! Much appreciation and gratitude is owed to those parishioners who worked so hard and gave so much in order to achieve their dream of a Parish of their own!

A Prayer for Fathers

God our Father,
This weekend we will celebrate Father's Day.
You gave Jesus an earthly father, Joseph,
who cared for Him when He was a child.
We thank you for our fathers and grandfathers
who care for us,
we ask you to bless all fathers
and all who take the place of fathers
in caring for children.
We pray this in Jesus' name.
Amen