


Our Lady of Victory
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**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE
LAST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 25 – 26, 2017**

St. Malachy
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Sunday 9:00 AM	Celebration of the Eucharist	Saturday 7:00 PM
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MASSES

Thursday	Nov. 30 th	OLV @10:00 am	James, Margaret & Tom Dorion by The Estate
Saturday	Dec. 2 nd	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Peter Ellement by Ginny Roos Special Intention by a Parishioner
Sunday	Dec. 3 rd	OLV @ 9:00 am	Mary Doherty by Linda & Bill Cameron Ted Batty by Ken & Monique Simpson Harvey Kelly by Margaret Farnand & Family Betty Martin by Shirley Roussel & Family The Laframboise Family & Mary Elizabeth Laframboise by The Estate

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
November 18 - 19, 2017 – Sunday Collection	\$408.00	\$161.00

Development and Peace

Development and Peace – **Caritas Canada** is responding in Bangladesh at the border area with Myanmar. It is supporting a food distribution program with its partner Caritas Bangladesh. Thanks to \$50,000 that was committed at the beginning of the crisis, *Development and Peace* is providing aid to 25,000 of the most vulnerable people.

Development and Peace is closely following the situation and is currently examining how it can best respond to the most urgent needs of refugees. In a country that is already densely populated and where a large percentage of the population lives in poverty, this crisis is having a severe impact on those welcoming refugees.

The Canadian government announced on October 31st 2017 that it will match admissible donations made between August 25th and November 28th to an eligible Canadian charitable organization, which includes *Development and Peace*. The matched funds will go into the Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund.

Please give generously before November 28th, 2017. **By telephone** – 1-888-664-3387. **By text message** - text PEACE to 45678 to make a donation of \$10. **By mail** - send a cheque made out to Development and Peace and marked **Rohingya Refugee Crisis** to 1425, René-Lévesque Blvd. W., 3rd Floor, Montreal, Québec, H3G 1T7. **By our Website: devp.org**

Fr. Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy Christ the King

It was Pope Pius XI who brought the feast of Christ the King into the Liturgy in 1925. His intention is to bring Christ, His rule and Christian values back into the lives of Christians, into the society and into politics. The feast is also a reminder to all powers and authorities that Jesus is the only Sovereign King. It challenges us to see Christ the King in everyone, especially those whom our society considers the least important, and to treat each other with love, mercy and compassion as Jesus did. In the **first reading**, the Prophet Ezekiel compares Israel to a flock with all the sheep scattered. He therefore presents God as a Shepherd who will Himself lead the flock, gather them once again from all the places they have been scattered and lead them to the grazing grounds of the mountains. In the **second reading**, St. Paul presents Christ as the all-powerful ruler-king who raises the dead and to whom every form of power and authority must submit. All the powers of evil will be destroyed so that the kingdom of the Messiah will be fully attained.

The Gospel describes Christ the King coming in His heavenly glory to judge us, based on how we have shared our love and blessings with others through genuine acts of charity in our lives. Jesus is present to us now, not only as our good shepherd leading, feeding and healing His sheep, but also as dwelling in those for whom we care. In this parable, everyone to whom we give ourselves, whether hungry, thirsty, or a stranger, naked, sick or in prison is revealed as having been the risen Lord. The presence of Jesus is hidden among the poor and the vulnerable. Where their needs are recognized, Jesus is acknowledged. Their vulnerability is His vulnerability. Jesus is present where human need is greatest. A few weeks ago, the Gospel spoke about two commandments: love of God and love of neighbor. Today's Gospel tells us that the two are but one, because what is done to a human person is done to God. For Jesus, what happens in the world of the familiar has an eternity of importance about it. Our little acts of kindness have eternal significance. Human graciousness and charity are ground enough for welcome into the fullness of the kingdom.

Those who are blessed are not conscious of having done any special service to Jesus. We are not always aware of the good we might be doing. We do not know how significant our actions are for others or how much our presence means to them. The blessed in the parable have responded with mercy to those in need, without any great thought beyond that response. Only at the end of their lives did they realize that their ordinary simple acts of kindness and consideration were in fact serving the Lord of glory. In attending to the ordinary, they were also engaging with the eternal. The love we have for our brothers and sisters is the measure of our love for God. Whoever does not cooperate in the construction of the Messiah's Kingdom has no right to be called a Christian. The Gospel therefore challenges us to see the broken body of Christ in the broken and the wounded of those we see around us. Christ still suffers in the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and the imprisoned. To pay attention to them is to pay attention to the broken body of Christ and to be welcomed as blessed of God. Those who are cursed bring the doom upon themselves because they failed to respond to simple human needs. The solemnity of Christ the King is not just the conclusion of the Church year; it is also a summary of our lives as Christians. On this great feast, let us resolve to give Christ the central place in our lives and obey His commandment of Love. **Happy Sunday!**

Christmas Mass Schedule for OLV & St. Malachy

Saturday, December 23rd: Mass at 7pm at St. Malachy
Sunday, December 24th: *Christmas Eve*
No morning mass at OLV
Mass at 7 pm at OLV
Mass at 9 pm at St. Malachy
Monday, December 25th: *Christmas Day:* Mass at 9 am at OLV

Father Bill will be saying Christmas Eve masses at OLV & St. Malachy, as well as Christmas morning mass at OLV

COMMUNITY NEWS

Bazaar – Centre d'Accueil: Sunday, Nov. 26th from 10 am to 2:30 pm. There will be a Turkey Bingo at 1:30 pm. All are welcome.

CLSC Flu Shot Clinics: Will be held at the Community Centre dates and times: **Nov. 30th, 10am to 4pm. Dec. 7th, 10am to 6pm.**

Heart & Soul Christmas Concert: Will be held at OLV on Thursday, December 21st at 7:30 pm. Advance Tickets Prices: \$10.00 per person or 2 for \$15.00. Cost at door - \$10.00.

Christmas in contrast: The **Choeur Classique de l'Outaouais** concert. **When:** Saturday, December 9, 2017, at 7:30 pm and Sunday, December 10, 2017, at 3:30 pm. **Where:** St. François-de-Sales Church, [799 Jacques-Cartier](#) Street, Gatineau.

Tickets: Adults: \$25; students: \$10; children 12 and under: free; reserved section: \$30.

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OLV Christmas Tea: **Date:** Saturday, December 2. **Time:** 1:30 – 3:30 pm. **Cost: \$6.00** **Craft Table:** Ladies will accept your craft donations. **Food & Craft Donations:** Drop off at church on **Friday, Dec 1 from 9am-2pm. Day of Tea from 9am. Please try to have all items in before beginning of tea so pricing can be done.**

St. Malachy – Election of Wardens: Each year two Church wardens are to be elected for a term of three years and can remain in office for two consecutive terms. At the present time we have wardens who have served their two terms and because no one came forward, they agreed to remain as wardens until replacements could be found. If you or someone you know, with his/her approval, would like to become a warden and help the Parish in that capacity, please submit the name to a member of the Fabrique or call the office at **819-986-3763 by December 8th**. If an election is necessary it will be held on **December 16th** after our Eucharistic celebration. Thank you.

Honoring Buddy at OLV: Parishioners will remember that earlier this year it was announced that the late Eric (Buddy) Ryan bequest a donation of \$10,000 to OLV. The Wardens have been looking at possible ways of recognizing Buddy's generous donation. It was decided that a Defibrillator would be purchased and placed in a strategic spot in the church basement. The Defibrillator can save lives and will honor Buddy's memory. Parish volunteers will be encouraged to take training on the equipment. Our strategy will also include encouraging groups renting the hall to identify volunteers for training. The Ryan family support this initiative.

OLV - Mark These Dates on Your Calendar: The Wardens have finalized the dates for the 2018 fund-raising activities. The objective for 2018 is to make our activities affordable and to encourage our parishioners to participate.

A **card party** will be held on April 10th in the church hall. A light lunch will be served. Card playing parishioners are encouraged to sign up and participate.

The **Spring Supper & Balloon Auction** will be held on Friday, May 18th. The menu will include spaghetti and deserts. Tickets for the event will be \$15.

A **Family Gathering and Musical Afternoon** is planned for Saturday, September 15th. In addition, two musical guests, corn on the cob and hot dogs on the BBQ will be served. Tickets to the event will be \$10.

Volunteer Appreciation and 75th Anniversary: This year, the Wardens are looking at a different approach to honor our volunteers. The plan calls for a joint effort between the 75th Anniversary Planning Committee and the Wardens to hold an event on January 21st following mass. The objective is to both close out the church's 75th Anniversary celebration and at the same time honor our volunteers. Both groups will be meeting to finalize the event.