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MASSES					
Saturday	July 28 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Nora Somers by Claude, Dorothy Carriere & Family		
Sunday	July 29 <sup>th</sup>	OLV @ 9:00 am	Fred McDonnell by Barbara Weir & Family Neil McGurn by The Girls Evelyn Robitaille by Family & Friends James, Margaret & Tom Dorion by The Estate		
Saturday	Aug 4 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Nora Somers by Patricia Lavell Deceased Members of the Long Lake Association by The Board members		
Sunday	Aug 5 <sup>th</sup>	OLV @ 9:00 am	Cecile Casey by Phil and Dorothy Ann Casey Fred McDonnell by Fraser, Farr & Kearan Families Evelyn Robitaille by Family & Friends James, Margaret & Tom Dorion by The Estate		

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
July 7 - 8 - Sunday Collection	\$663.00	\$274.00
July 7 - 8 - Bishop's Special Collection	219.00	100.00
Candles - OLV	142.00	
July 14 - 15 - Sunday Collection	557.00	420.00

# Monthly Prayer Intentions of Our Bishop July 2018

## **Questions I ask myself:**

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July 22: How do I value working? Am I hyperactive? Am I a workaholic? On the contrary, am I someone who lets himself be carried and guided by the Holy Spirit?

July 29: Does work take up all the space in my life at the expense of time given to God, family, friends and hobbies or taking care of myself?

# FATHER ALBANUS REFLECTIONS on the SUNDAY LITURGY for JULY 21-22

#### Jesus, the Good Shepherd

Today's scriptural readings speak of God who, like a Good Shepherd, redeems His people and provides for them. We are called to imitate God by using our God-given authority in the family, in the church and in the society, with fidelity and responsibility. The **first reading** is from the Prophet Jeremiah who lived during a very difficult period in the history of his people. Here, he strongly speaks against Israel's careless leaders – the kings, some priests and some court prophets - for showing no concern for the poor. He foretells the rise of a good, new shepherd in the family line of David, a wise king, who will be just and upright and will foster justice on the earth. He gives a message of hope to exiled Israelites that God will not abandon them and will lead them back to their original pasture in Israel from whence they were taken by violence. The prophecy is fulfilled in Jesus, the promised "shepherd", who did not reestablished a kingdom of this world or subject people by the force of arms; He transformed their hearts. Today's psalm affirms David's as well as our faith and trust in God, the Good Shepherd.

In the **second reading**, Paul introduces Jesus as the Shepherd for both the Jews and the Gentiles. He was speaking to the baptized Christians who have recently been converted from pagans. The reading also explains how Jesus, the Good Shepherd, reconciled all of us with His Father by offering Himself on the cross. Jesus also reconciled the Jews and the Gentiles by accepting both into the same Christian brotherhood. As Christians, we are called to be witnesses to this unity and peace among the nations. Like Jesus, we ought to break the barriers of nationality, race, tribe, culture and behavior. We must show the world that the love of Christ is capable of breaking down all these walls that separate us. Our baptism cancels all those laws and traditions that, in one way or another, foster hostility, suspension, and prejudice. We have embraced the law of love which makes us see in every person a brother or a sister to love and serve. Today's **Gospel** continues our reading of Mark's Gospel. Mark presents Jesus as the Good Shepherd, fulfilling God's promise given through His Prophet Jeremiah in the first reading. Jesus attends to His weary apostles and expresses His concern for the people, for they are like sheep with a shepherd.

Like the apostles, we ought to first learn from the Master, the Good Shepherd, what we are supposed to do and should go to Him again and ask him to assess the work we have done. We need to be in constant touch with the Lord through prayers and meditation. What we do should be examined in the light of the Gospel. When our community does not stop short to consider with the Master the initiatives we are taking, it will inevitably follow human logic and judges its activity only in terms of prestige, success, statistics, conquests and honours. The crowd comes to Jesus from every side cutting short their rest. Thus, the community that has been comparing itself with its master will immediately find the crowds waiting for it, crowds that are like "sheep without a shepherd" - an expression Moses used too in Number 27:17, while praying for the leader to be sent by God. The evangelist is therefore telling us that Jesus is that leader sent by God in answer to the prayer of Moses. Jesus' attitude to the crowd is a lesson for us all. . How do we feel for others, in the suffering, anxiety and error? We should be moved with compassion rather than get impatient with them or condemn them. Jesus was never aggrieved; He was well disposed to stay with and talk with people and try to understand the problems and anxieties of the people. We should imitate Christ by trying to meet the social and material needs of our brothers and sisters as individuals and as a community. *Happy Sunday!* 

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

Office hours: Only change closed on August 6; opened on August 7 from 9 - noon.

Dressers needed: If you have any to give away, please call Monique at 819-986-3763.

<u>Kitchen Hall Door:</u> Just be advised that the lock had to be replaced on this door. If you need entry please call Monique. *Bring in the old and receive the new!* 

Bulletins: Next printing Aug 4-5 & Aug 18-19. Back to weekly issues Sept 1-2.

<u>Our Lady of Knock Shrine</u> - 64<sup>th</sup> Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock will be on Sunday, **August 12, 2018**. Father Daniel Hawkins, Mission of the Holy Family, will be the celebrant. The program is:

11:00 am 12:30 pm	Celebration of Holy Eucharist Dinner at Food Booths
1:30 pm	Rosary Procession to Cemetery
2:30 pm	Marian Hymns
2:45 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	Blessing of Religious Articles
	Healing Service

Information is posted on the bulletin board and brochures are available at entrance of Church.

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# Our Lady of Light Cultural Centre presents: <u>July 22, 2018 (2:00 – 3:00 p.m.):</u> *Twelfth Day, from Scotland: Orcadian fiddler Catriona Price and Peebles harpist Esther Swift*

In the wordless communication that passes between these two musicians as they perform, the strength of their decadelong musical partnership, friendship and shared humor is evident. It's this depth of connections, and tangible desire to have fun, that gives Twelfth Day its extra edge. In their own words, this is not so much a duo, but a two-person quartet. Their two distinctly different voices, the fiddle, and the pedal harp, build layer upon layer of a complex and everevolving sound, rich with rhythm, harmony and texture. Classically trained, they bring their outstanding technical ability as well as an adventurous mix of folk, jazz and classical influences to their compositions and arrangements blended with the folklore and inspirations of their respective Scottish Highland and Lowland upbringings.



# World Refugee Day: No one should be forced to flee their home

*June 20, 2018 marked World Refugee Day* and the United Nations High Commissioner on Refugees (UNHCR) released the staggering numbers on forced displacement in the world today:

- There are 68.5 million people who have been forcibly displaced
- 44,400 people flee their home every day
- Out of 3 million new refugees in 2017, only 100,000 were resettled

# We are in the midst of a global crisis and it is time to act!

This Fall, **Development and Peace-Caritas Canada** will be joining **Caritas Internationalis**' global campaign **Share the Journey** on forced displacement. You will be invited to learn about the complex causes that force people from their homes and what you can do to make a difference.

For more information, go to: <u>https://www.devp.org/en/articles/world-refugee-day-no-one-should-be-forced-flee-their-home.</u> Listen to Cardinal Tagle, President of Caritas Internationalis, explain the importance of this campaign in our world today. Also listen to Pope Francis' message on **Share the Journey**.