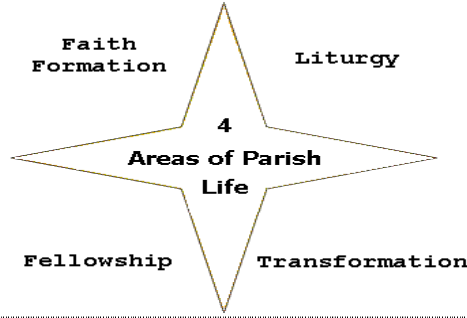





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**3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JANUARY 26 - 27, 2019**

<b>Sunday 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Celebration of the Eucharist</b>	<b>Saturday 7:00 PM</b>
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**MASSES**

Saturday	Feb. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	All Parishioners of St. Malachy & OLV
Sunday	Feb. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	OLV @ 9:00 am	<b>Peter Burke</b> by John Gorman <b>Irene Cosgrove</b> by Barbara Weir & Family <b>Bernadette Teske Woods</b> by Isabel Laframboise

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Jan. 19 - 20 , 2019 - Sunday Offering	\$378.00	\$207.00

**Monthly Prayer Intentions of Our Bishop January, 2019**

“That peace might prevail in our world which faces large-scale migration caused by wars, economic crises and persecutions. Let us pray that these people might be welcomed with kindness and compassion, and thus experience a sign of hope.”

**Social Reflection:** “Political office and political responsibility thus constantly challenge those called to the service of their country to make every effort to protect those who live there and to create the conditions for a worthy and just future. If exercised with basic respect for the life, freedom and dignity of persons; political life can indeed become an outstanding form of charity.” “In this context, let us also remember the observation of Pope John XXIII: “Man’s awareness of his rights must inevitably lead him to the recognition of his duties. The possession of rights involves the duty of implementing those rights, for they are the expression of a man’s personal dignity. And the possession of rights also involves their recognition and respect by others.”

**-Excerpts of the Pope’s message for the World Day of Peace.**

**Question I ask myself:** Saint Francis Assisi was a genuine instrument of peace: “Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon.” I say prayer<sup>3</sup> of Saint Francis and ask myself: how may I be an instrument of peace this week?

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayer.php?p=134>

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

<b>Reading 1</b>	Nehemiah 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	Your words, Lord, are spirit and life
<b>Reading II</b>	1 Corinthians 12.12-30
<b>Gospel</b>	Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21

For those few minutes, history is holding its breath. Jesus, in the synagogue of his home town, stands up to read the majestic prophecy of Isaiah. He hands back the scroll to the attendant and sits down, the posture for solemn teaching. The anointed one, the Messiah, has arrived and declared himself.

I watch the scene unfolding, the tension in Jesus as he makes his claim the breathless attention of the congregation, then the mixture of excitement and rejection. How do I react?

## Background on the Gospel Reading

(from *Celebrate!* 2007)

Luke begins his gospel by explaining to Theophilus, his patron, how he researched and wrote about Jesus so that Theophilus will know the truth about the message he has received. The reading then jumps to the beginning of Jesus' public ministry.

After being baptized by John, Jesus is "filled with the power of the Spirit." He preaches throughout Galilee, then goes home to Nazareth and enters the synagogue, observing the Jewish custom of coming together each Sabbath to pray and read the scriptures.

They ask him to read and comment on a passage from Isaiah, where the prophet announces the Jubilee Year, a time every fifty years when debts were forgiven, slaves set free and land returned to its original owner. It marks God's salvation, when the sick are healed and equality restored in the community. Truly, that is "the year of the Lord's favour"!

Jesus follows this with a model homily. A homily should show how the scriptures continue to be relevant today. Jesus' task was the same: to explain to his neighbours what the words of Isaiah, written 600 years earlier, meant for them. He does this in one sentence. Jesus himself is the means through which the Lord's favour will be made present among them.

## OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

**Sympathy and Prayers:** Let us pray for the repose souls of Ron McDermid, brother-in-law to Lorraine McDermid and to Angus Baker, brother-in-law of Mervin and Anita Berndt. Our thoughts and prayers are with all their families and friends at this time of great loss.

**Farwell and Thanks:** We thank Father Bill for being with us these last few weeks in helping us celebrate our Saturday and Sunday masses. We have appreciated him being among us and know that he has made himself available should the need arise.

**Vacation:** Father Albanus will be returning January 29 and celebrating with us the weekend of February 2 and 3. We welcome him back!

**Happy Birthday:** Our good wishes are sent to Lucille Alan who celebrated her **100<sup>th</sup>** birthday on Wednesday, January 23. May God bless you with continued good health, love, happiness, family and friends on this joyous occasion.

**Coffee and Fellowship' on February 3rd at Our Lady of Victory**

**The 'Coffee and Fellowship' scheduled after mass at OLV on Sunday, February 3rd is cancelled.** The reason for the cancellation is that none of the three remaining coordinators is available. This cancellation highlights a problem we are facing regarding the 'Coffee and Fellowship' sessions. While there are a number of individuals willing to provide food, there is a lack of coordinators to organize the events.

The role of the coordinators is to set-up the hall, make the coffee, purchase milk/cream for the coffee, and ensure food is available for the event. As stated earlier, there are a number of individuals who are committed to preparing food for this event, just not willing to coordinate.

We need more Parishioners to step forward and help out. 'Coffee and Fellowship', following the first Sunday of the month, is very popular - it would be a shame if it were to be cancelled. This request for volunteers is symptomatic of a larger problem which has been highlighted in the past. We continue to rely on a small number of individuals to manage and coordinate Parish activities, both liturgical and social.

***If you are available to help out, please contact the Parish Secretary.***

**Hall Rental:** Bill Cameron is the person to contact for rental of the hall. He can be reached at 819-986-8901.

***Also, the hall is rented during the week and you are asked to contact the office secretary at 819-986-3763 before entering to see about availability.***

**Prayer for a Safe Journey**

Lord, be our guide and our protector  
on the journey we are about to take.

Watch over us.

Protect us from accidents.

Keep us free from harm to body and soul.

Lord, support us with Your grace when we are tired.

Help us be patient in any trouble which may come our way.

Keep us always mindful of Your presence and love.

*Amen.*