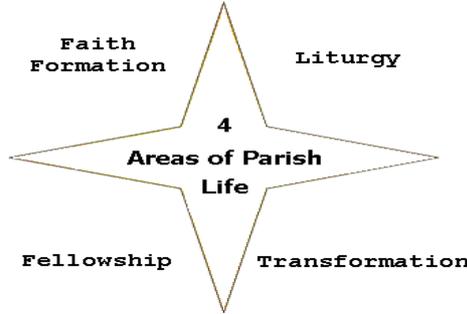




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1st SUNDAY OF LENT

March 9 - 10, 2019

Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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MASSES

Thursday	Mar. 14 th	OLV @ 10:00 am	Paul Jeffrey by Ken Simpson
Saturday	Mar. 16 th	St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm	Agathe Somers by Wilbert & Family
Sunday	Mar. 17 th	OLV @ 9:00 am	Claire Belter by Barbara Weir & Family Tom Laframboise by Bev Belter Denis Roos by Jane McNamara Paul Jeffrey by Nancy & Ethel Pearson Larry Cameron by Family & Friends

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Mar 2-3, 2019 - Sunday Offering	\$530.00	\$255.00
Mar 2-3, 2019 - Support	354.00	191.00

Monthly Prayer Intentions of Our Bishop March 2019

Questions I ask myself: "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart. That is, the word of faith that we proclaim." (2nd reading); "and the devil said to him... Jesus answered him: "it is written..." (Gospel). To listen carefully to that Word, I refer to Living with Christ to read over and meditate on these texts

Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy (from the Synodal Process)

When we speak, we express ourselves, we put ourselves out there, we establish relationships, we launch movements. When we speak, we explain ourselves, we confide, we give advice, encouragement, consolation. When we speak, we rejoice, we exalt, we laugh, we celebrate.

God also speaks – because God wants to express Himself, to enter into a relationship with us and to launch a movement in the world.

God explains Himself, He confides in us, He gives us advice, He encourages us, He consoles us. God rejoices in His Word, He exalts Himself, He laughs, He celebrates.

The wonderful thing about God is that His Word is not only in words but in a person, His Son Jesus, His living Word.

Gathered in Christian community, we come to listen to Jesus, we come to receive the Word of God. Here, Jesus Himself speaks to us. In today's gospel, He reminds us of how He foiled the tempter by remembering the words of God in the Old Testament. He invites us to imitate Him by also drawing on the Bible to find the light and strength necessary to remain faithful on the path of life.

In the second reading, through Saint Paul, He reminds us that He is close to us, in our very heart. He, the living word, inspires our words of faith, hope and love.

We need to listen to the people around us - but that is not enough. We are invited to respond to God's invitation to listen to His Beloved Son, whether we are gathered in community or alone in our homes.

God wants to talk to us. What a gift for us!

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS



Lenten Celebrations: As announced by our Archbishop, the second phase of our synodal process will take place in two stages: A **first phase** during Lent to allow us to be challenged by the Word of God and to answer Him in prayer; a **second phase** between Easter and Pentecost to discuss the issues that arose during the first phase.

During Lent, we will deepen a conviction that emerged during the first phase which can be summarized as follows: **“The Christian Community Helps Us to Grow in Our Relationship with Christ.”**

You will also notice liturgical changes in the Words of Welcome, Penitential Rite and the Rite of Dismissal.

Our Lenten Journey: Lent is meant to get us in shape to celebrate the central mystery of our faith: **The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.** During Lent, the liturgy prepares us for Easter as we recall our baptism and do penance in preparation for the greatest feast of the year. We can mark the journey with the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Prayer	Our Sunday liturgies, with their rich Bible readings, provide the basic orientation for Lent. Also, you can use any of the various reflection booklets left on the table at the back of the church.
Fasting	During Lent, we could refrain from some food, from a drink, from a party, from a video as a gesture of solidarity with those who have no choice in these matters, for the simple reason that they do not have them. This sort of fasting can also be done to show that we can distance ourselves from so much of what our consumer society says we need.
Almsgiving	This flows naturally from the previous two practices. Alms-giving says we care for others, even to the point of depriving ourselves from something. How about making the money we save this way into our contribution to the special Development and Peace Share Lent collection that will be held later on in Lent?

Sacramental Preparation – Confirmation

The sacramental preparation for Confirmation will again be coordinated by St. Aloysius parish.

Anyone wishing to enroll, in this sacramental preparation, please advise the **Secretary at St. Aloysius Parish at 819-663-5244.**

Confirmation will be celebrated at St. Aloysius on Sunday, June 9th 2019 at the 11:00 mass celebration.



Climate change is one of the main drivers of forced migration in the world today. According to some estimates, water scarcity, crop failure and rising sea levels could cause up to 143 million people to be displaced by 2050. Take a few minutes to read the Mini-Magazine inserted with today's bulletin.

Read about poor coastal communities in the city of Tacloban in the Philippines who already know this oncoming reality all too well. In 2013, they experienced the wrath of Super Typhoon Haiyan, whose 300 km/hr. winds created a storm surge that swept away entire communities

Another story about people in Burma: faced with persecution and violence, hundreds of thousands of Rohingya have had no choice but to flee Burma, also known as Myanmar. Across the border, in neighbouring Bangladesh, our partner Caritas Bangladesh is working to preserve the dignity of these people who just want to live in peace.

"It is in solidarity with the 68.5 million displaced children, women, and men throughout the world that we invite you to embark on a journey of faith, love, and hope".

†Lionel Gendron, P.S.S.
Bishop of Saint-Jean-Longueuil
President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops