



Our Lady of Victory
490 Charles Street
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**SOLEMNITY of THE MOST HOLY BODY and
BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)
June 22-23, 2019**

St. Malachy
3889 Route 315
Mayo, Québec
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Sunday 9:00 AM

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 7:00 PM

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MASSES

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| Thursday | June 27 th | OLV @ 10:00 am | All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy |
| Saturday | June 29 th | St. Malachy @ 7:00 pm | Nora Somers by The Estate |
| Sunday | June 30 th | OLV @ 9:00 am | Bob Dunning by Maureen Dunning Tom Laframboise by Madeleine Robitaille Roberta Farnand by Family & Friends |

| WEEKLY RECEIPTS | OLV | ST. MALACHY |
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| June 15-16, 2019 - Sunday Offering | \$655.00 | \$275.00 |

Diocesan Centre: Opening Hours for Summer: As usual, our office will close at noon on each Friday from June 28 until August 30, 2019. The office of the Diocesan Centre will be opened during the construction vacations, from July 22 to August 2, 2019.

Please note that the Diocesan office WILL BE CLOSED on Monday, June 24, 2019 for the St. Jean Baptiste Day and on Monday, July 1, 2019 for Canada Day

The CHANCELLERIE announces the appointment of priests in June 2019:

Cantin, Bernard, c.j.m., pastor of Saint-Joseph Parish, Gatineau, as of August 15, 2019, for an indefinite period.

Charron, Father Jean-Pierre, priest in solidum and moderator of the parishes of Saint-Alexandre and Saint-Matthieu, Gatineau, from June 6, 2019.

Granger, Father Daniel, parish priest of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île parish, Gatineau, as of September 1, 2019.

Mamvemba, Father Clet-Clay, priest in solidum of the parishes of Saint-Alexandre and Saint-Matthieu, Gatineau, from June 6, 2019.

Martel, Father Lévis, pastor of the parishes of Sainte-Cécile, La Pêche and the Saint-Clément service, Chelsea, as of September 1, 2019.

Pierre-Paul Périard, d.p. Chancelier 12 juin 2019

Monthly Prayer Intentions of the Bishop June 2019

Let us pray the Holy Spirit to remain with us, to advise us and to give us the strength and insights to discern together guiding directions for our Diocesan Church.

Question to Ponder: "Take and eat; this is my body... This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." What does the Eucharist mean to 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. Jesus promised it after miraculously feeding the 5000 men; 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 accidents (like color, shape, taste etc.), remain 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 Melchizedek, 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 Melchizedek" (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 Melchizedek 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 re-enacts 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 5000 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! Fr Al.

OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

St. Malachy Restoration Fund: With declining attendance and an aging population, raising funds to restore and maintain the church has become increasingly difficult. As an urgent priority, the shingles on the church and shrine now need replacing. The estimated cost is approximately \$50,000. We believe that by raising awareness about this need, individuals will be willing to help. We have received a most generous offer from an anonymous donor to match all donations, dollar for dollar, **to a maximum of \$15,000**. With your support, together with the generous anonymous offer, it is our hope that we can raise the total funds needed to have the work completed before this winter. More information can be found at: www.stmalachyolv.com. **Thank you.**

COMMUNITY NEWS

Food Bank Offerings: Is in need of bread bags. Please bring them to our mass celebrations and put them in the food basket or box for food bank.

Our Lady of Light Cultural Centre (OLLCC) 2019 Events: 6458 route 315, Mulgrave and Derry, QC. Tickets are \$5 and available by calling Peter & Cheryl 819 986-7828 or at the door (for more information please visit our web site at ourladyoflightculturalcentre.weebly.com or visit on Facebook:

July 7, 2019 (2:00 – 3:00 p.m.) “Elvis is in the House” with Paul Anthony

Paul (aka Elvis) currently resides in Ottawa but grew up in London, England. He has performed his Elvis tribute internationally for almost 20 years now. Come join the fun. ***For tickets contact Sandra Maloney at 819-986-1185. Only 100 tickets available.***

Pilgrimage to Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac: This will be the 81st annual pilgrimage on Sunday, July 28th with Archbishop Michael Mulhall and Father Brian J.T. Clarke. The theme of the Pilgrimage will be “Ordinary Disciples, Extraordinary Call.” The principal Pilgrimage Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. with Archbishop Michael Mulhall presiding and a Mass of healing will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. **Further information:** www.cormacpilgrimage.com.



July 1 the Canada Day Parade will gather at 9:30 a.m. near the Legion and depart at 10:00 a.m.

All who wish to participate can meet at the Legion.