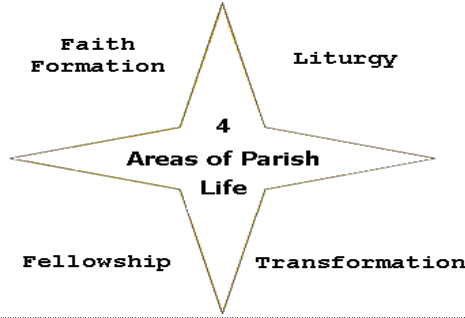




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**32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**NOVEMBER 9-10, 2019**

**Sunday 9:00 AM**

**Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Saturday 7:00 PM**

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**MASSES**

Thursday	Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	OLV @ 10:00 a.m.	<b>All Parishioners of OLV &amp; St. Malachy</b>
Saturday	Nov. 16 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy @ 7:00 p.m.	<b>All Parishioners of St. Malachy &amp; OLV</b>
Sunday	Nov. 17 <sup>th</sup>	OLV @ 9:00 a.m.	<b>Tom Laframboise</b> by Maureen Dunning <b>Paul Jeffrey</b> by Isabel Laframboise & Family <b>Irene Cosgrove (1<sup>st</sup> ann)</b> by Audrey & Family <b>Martin, Kelly &amp; Weir Families</b> by The Family <b>Brulé &amp; Charbonneau Families</b> by Nicole

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Nov. 2-3, 2019 - Sunday Offering	\$614.00	\$295.00
Nov. 2-3, 2019 - Support	310.00	172.00

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

Let us make our own Pope Francis's intention for the month of November: That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where a variety of diverse religious communities share their lives, let us pray the Lord.

**Social Reflection:** Our recent and future laws in Quebec both on secularism and immigration seem to build on an overall agreement that all goes well if we avoid any reference to religion; economic matters more than anything else. All goes well, really? Can we do without religion nowadays? Could money alone make us happy? What about respect? How will our lives and those of our children be affected? What about human rights? What about human dignity? What will be the meaning of our life and the life of our children?

**Questions I ask myself:** Further to the withdrawal of American troops in Syria, major conflicts compel Syrians to leave their home. How should we react regarding these populations, which are displaced, uprooted? How could we support measures taken to condemn these war actions?

## Fr. Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy

### Jesus, the Sadducees and Resurrection

Towards the end of the liturgical year, the readings usually become more eschatological -- having to do with the end times. The main theme of today's readings is the reality of life after death and of the relationship between our lives on earth and the life of glory or punishment that will follow. The readings invite us to consider the true meaning of the Resurrection in our lives. The **first reading**, taken from the second book of Maccabees, tells a story of a Jewish family, consisting of a mother and her seven sons, who refused to give in to the pressure from the Syrian King to eat pork, forbidden as "unclean" by Jewish Law. Because of their Faith in, and obedience to, God, they endured suffering and accepted martyrdom. During their torture, three of the brothers spoke, and each of them found strength in the belief that they will eventually be raised and rewarded by God. The **second reading** dwells on the second coming of Jesus. St. Paul encourages the Thessalonians, waiting for the second coming of Christ, to trust in the fidelity of God who would strengthen their hearts in every good work and word. The Gospel also carries the same theme of the resurrection of the dead. This is the basis of the confrontation described in the **Gospel** between Jesus and the Sadducees. Jesus ingeniously escapes from a doctrinal trap set for him and explains the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead. The resurrection is supported by the Pharisees and denied by the Sadducees.

The Sadducees regard the resurrection of the dead as an unorthodox innovation. Putting the Mosaic Law on Levirate marriage (Deut 25:5) to the fore they try to ridicule the idea of the resurrection of the dead. Jesus speaks of God as the God of the living; He also explains that Heavenly life with God in glory is totally different from earthly life, and that there is no marriage in heaven in the earthly sense. The resurrection from the dead, according to Him belongs to those who "are accounted worthy." As children of God, they cannot die again and so, marriage does not apply to them. With this, Jesus makes the question of the Sadducees irrelevant. As resurrected sons and daughters, their relationship is as members of the same family. Marriage among them therefore does not make sense heavenly wise.

Jesus puts forward the idea that is also appealing to the Sadducees: that God is the God of the living. Moses in the past has described God as the "God of Abraham, Isaac and of Jacob". If He is the God of the living, then He will continue to be so to those who have died. Relationship with God does not end in death: to God all people are alive. Through this argument Jesus reveals His image of God – a God who keeps His promise to His faithful ones even when they die. This is true even so in Jesus' own case. He undergoes death and experiences the glory of the resurrection. God refuses to let death have the last word in his case. The Risen Jesus is the greatest argument against the Sadducees!

Brothers and sisters, we need to live like the people of the Resurrection. This means that we are not to lie buried in the tomb of our sins and evil habits. Instead, we are to live joyful and peaceful lives, constantly experiencing the real Presence of the Risen Lord. In addition, the hope of our resurrection and eternal life with God gives us lasting peace and celestial joy amid the boredom and tensions of our day-to-day lives. The awareness of the all-pervading Presence of the Holy Spirit will help us to control our thoughts, desires, words and behaviors. The salutary thought of our own resurrection and eternal glory, or eternal punishment, should also inspire us to honour our bodies, keeping them holy, pure and free from evil habits, and to respect those with whom we come in contact, rendering them loving and humble service.

We need to offer living worship to a living God. If our God is the God of the living, our worship of this living God also has to be alive. Our participation in prayers and songs during the Holy Mass should be active and our behavior in Church reverent, as we offer our lives and all our activities to our living God on the altar with repentant and grateful hearts.

**Happy Sunday!**

## OUR LADY of VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

**Prayers and Sympathy:** Pray for the repose of the souls of **Carmel Gauthier** whose funeral was held at OLV on Thursday, November 7. Claude Leost, husband to Anna and dear friend to Maureen and Norbert Ricard, whose service was in Ottawa on Friday, November 8. Also for Dan McFaul, husband to Lorraine, a former parishioner and warden of OLV. Our prayers and sympathy are with their families and friends during this time of loss.

**Book of Life:** All are welcome to add names of their loved ones to this book. This will be up front for the month of November.

**Cereal Bar:** Next Sunday a basket will be as the top of the stairs for your donation. **NOTE: This will be the last collection for this year.**

**Christmas Tea:** Volunteers are needed for setting up the hall, serving, food table, dish washing and clean up for Friday, December 6 and the day of the tea. Please let Monique know. **Note the time of the tea is 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Office copier:** We would like to check the efficiency of our photocopier and request that you fill out the log, on top of the copier, when copies are made. Thank you.

**On going collections:** Egg cartons, used postage stamps, used candles and pop tabs. Also the clothing items required by Just Equipping; bed sheets, blankets that are not too bulky and can be easily washed. Also men's washable pants, shirts, hoodies, washable sweaters, elastic waist gym pants).

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**SPECIAL MASS FOR VETERANS on REMEMBRANCE DAY;** The celebration will be presided by Archbishop Paul-André Durocher, Archbishop of Gatineau. Join us to honour our Heroes. **Monday, November 11, 2019, at 10:45 a.m. at the Notre-Dame Cemetery, 75 Blvd. Fournier, Gatineau. (Les Jardins du Souvenir)**

**Remembrance Day:** The Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 54, will be having the Remembrance Day Parade and the Memorial at the Cenotaph on Sunday, November 10 departure from the Legion at 10:45 a.m. with arrival at the Cenotaph at 11:00 a.m.

**Christmas Tea:** Saturday, November 30 St. Andrew's will be hosting their Christmas Tea from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. All are welcome!