



Our Lady of Victory
490 Charles Street
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33rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 14-15, 2020

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

Saturday	Nov. 21 st	St. Malachy @ 7:00 p.m.	George & Linda Roos & The Holy Souls by Virginia & Joseph Roos
Sunday	Nov. 22 nd	OLV @ 9:00 a.m.	Raymond, Roy & Rowe Families by Val & Lewis Rowe Margaret & Tom Dorion by Bill & Linda Cameron

WEEKLY RECEIPTS	OLV	ST. MALACHY
Nov. 7-8, 2020 - Sunday Collection	\$ 354.00	\$ 332.00
Donation		1,250.00

Thank you for your contributions

Word Day of the Poor this Sunday, November 15



In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so that “throughout the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ’s charity for the least and those most in need.”

Fr. Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy

Investing our Talents for Eternity



First Reading: Proverbs 31.10,10-13,16-18,20,26,28-31
Psalm: Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6
Gospel: Matthew 25.14-30

As expected, the readings of this Sunday continue to remind us not only of the end of the Liturgical Year, but also of the end of all things. They invite us to live in such a way that we make best use of our God-given talents as we await our last moment. In the **first reading** we have a beautiful praise of woman. A perfect woman, it says, is of incalculable value. She is a good wife who keeps peace and harmony in the home; she is a great worker who is never idle and who does not lose time in useless chatter but occupies herself with making sure nothing is missing in the home and extends her care beyond her immediate family. She is a woman of generous heart moved by needs of the poor and the needy; she is very religious and keeps the commandments of God. The ideal woman does not give importance to appearances but is mostly interested in the essential things of life. Are there many women like that? We are called to be as diligent and industrious as a loyal and faithful wife in the use of our God-given talents with fear of the Lord.

In the **second reading** St. Paul advises us as he did the Thessalonians to keep awake and be sober, encouraging and building each other up as we wait for the "Day of the Lord." Paul challenges the Thessalonians to turn their fears of the Lord into positive, constructive and life-affirming action. The Thessalonians were concerned about the time for the return of the Lord. Paul tells them and us that it is not possible to know the time as the action of God is unforeseeable and takes place when we least expect it. It is not important to know the day or the hour. It is important rather to avoid being overtaken by the darkness of evil. Thanks to our baptism, we Christians have become children of light and of the day; so we ought not to be taken by surprise like those living in darkness and those asleep. The **Gospel** continues the theme of a state of 'red-light' for the coming of the Lord, stressing accountability. In the parable of the talents, the first two servants were rewarded, and the one who had shown no initiative was sternly dealt with. The parable serves to remind us that the 'talents' we have are for the glory of God and the service of the community.

The rich master symbolizes Christ who before going into glory entrusted all his 'goods' to His disciples. Talents symbolize all that Jesus gave us: the Gospel, the sacraments, the power to heal, to console, His love for the poor and the suffering etc. These talents also correspond to the various ministries exercised in our communities. It is up to us now to act in such a way that what He has entrusted to us may produce abundant fruit. God has risked everything in the person of Jesus Christ for the sake of our salvation, and so expects us to do more than cling to safety as the third servant did. The talents are allotted to persons, some more, others less according to abilities. While talents (gifts and charisms) may vary in proportion in their allocation to persons, everyone is expected to act responsibly. Every gift has a deeper purpose and a higher goal. No single treasure of Christ should be allowed to remain unused and un-invested. Thus, Jesus is encouraging us not to be afraid, but trusting in His help, to take chances in using our talents for the glory of God and the service of neighbors. A take-no-chance policy is not Christian. There is no 'safe' position in life. Christian living is strenuous business involving occasional risk-taking. God expects us to use our every talent for personal growth, community service and religious witness. As we wait for the final Day, we are reminded that we will be judged, not by how much each of us possesses but by our readiness to serve and expand ourselves for others. Happy Sunday!

Our Lady of Victory & St. Malachy News

Book of Life: This Book will be at the front of both churches all through the month of November as we remember and pray for our loved ones. Feel free to add your loved ones name/s to this Book.

Office Hours: Please note that Wednesday, **November 18th** the office will be **closed** in the morning and **open** from 1-3 p.m. in the afternoon.

Sunday Missals: Now available at the entrance of the church for **\$6.00** each. **Please have the exact change. Last Sunday for the 2019-2020 is Nov.22..**

PYX: All who bring a PYX to Sunday mass, Father has asked that you place it **opened** on the table at the bottom of the altar. Father to fill and then you can pick up as you come to communion.

Mass Attendance (OLV): Please call the office **IF YOU ARE NOT** going to be attending on Sunday. **(819-986-3763).** **There are people who could take your place. Due to our limited space this kind gesture would be appreciated.**

On-Going Collections: Used postage stamps, egg cartons, pop tabs, new and used candles, cereal bars (2nd Sunday of each month) and donations to Food Bank. Did you know that the **pop tabs** are converted to cash and donated to the **Monarque Palliative care house** in Montebello?

OLV Schedule for Lectors & Ushers

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
Nov. 22	Linda	Lyall & Gail
Nov. 29	Diane D.	Ken & Nancy
Dec. 6	Virginia	Lyall & Gail
Dec. 13	Linda	Ken & Nancy
Dec. 20	Diane D.	Lyall & Gail

PLEASE ADVISE EACH OTHER IF CHANGES ARE TO BE MADE & ADVISE MONIQUE SO SEATING ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE ADJUSTED

COMMUNITY NEWS

FLU SHOT: You can call **819-966-6277** and speak directly to someone who will book your appointment in the area for you. **OR** you can do it on line at **clicsante.ca** and book your location and time and confirmation will be emailed back to you.

Remember in your prayers: Father Wash who celebrated at Our Lady of Knock Shine during the Pilgrimage for a few years.



MONTREAL -- One of Montreal's best-known -- and beloved -- Catholic priests has died. Father John Walsh suffered a heart attack Monday morning, according to an announcement issued by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Montreal. He was 78 years old. Walsh served for decades as a priest, including at St. John Brebeuf Parish in LaSalle, before he retired in 2010.