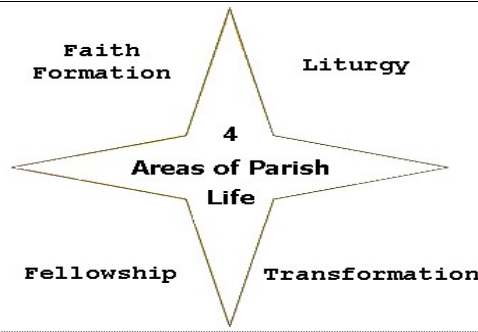





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**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING of the UNIVERSE
34th Sunday in Ordinary Time
NOVEMBER 21-22, 2020**



St. Malachy
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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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| Saturday | Nov. 28 th | St. Malachy @ 7:00 p.m. | Richard, Gerald & Iris Butler by Elaine & Denis Dampheuse |
| Sunday | Nov. 29 th | OLV @ 9:00 a.m. | Jacques Rochon by Nicole & Michèle Rita Parker by Ken, Monique & Family |

| WEEKLY RECEIPTS | OLV | ST. MALACHY |
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| Nov. 14-15, 2020 - Sunday Collection | \$ 305.00 | \$ 184.00 |
| Missionary Bishops | 93.00 | 65.00 |
| <i>Thank you for your contributions</i> | | |

Fr. Albanus' Reflections on the Sunday Liturgy

Christ the King

- First Reading:** Ezekiel 34.11-12, 15-17
Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.20-26,28
Gospel: Matthew 25.31-46

It was Pope Pius XI who brought the feast of Christ the King into the Liturgy in 1925. His intention was to bring Christ, His rule and Christian values back into the lives of Christians, into the society and into politics. The feast is also a reminder to all powers and authorities that Jesus is the only Sovereign King. It challenges us to see Christ the King in everyone, especially those whom our society considers the least important, and to treat each other with love, mercy and compassion as Jesus did. In the **first reading**, the Prophet Ezekiel compares Israel to a flock with all the sheep scattered. He therefore presents God as a Shepherd who will Himself lead the flock, gather them once again from all the places they have been scattered and lead them to the grazing grounds of the mountains. In the **second reading**, St. Paul presents Christ as the all-powerful ruler-king who raises the dead and to whom every form of power and authority must submit. All the powers of evil will be destroyed so that the kingdom of the Messiah will be fully attained.

The **Gospel** describes Christ the King coming in His heavenly glory to judge us, based on how we have shared our love and blessings with others through genuine acts of charity in our lives. Jesus is present to us now, not only as our good shepherd leading, feeding and healing His sheep, but also as dwelling in those for whom we care. In this parable, everyone to whom we give ourselves, whether hungry, thirsty, or a stranger, naked, sick or in prison is seen as the image of the risen Lord. The presence of Jesus is hidden among the poor and the vulnerable. Where their needs are recognized, Jesus is acknowledged. Their vulnerability is His vulnerability. Jesus is present where human need is greatest. A few weeks ago, the Gospel spoke about two commandments: love of God and love of neighbor. Today's Gospel tells us that the two are but one, because what is done to a human person is done to God. For Jesus, what happens in the world of the familiar has an eternity of importance about it. Our little acts of kindness have eternal significance. Human graciousness and charity are ground enough for welcome into the fullness of the kingdom.

Those who are blessed are not conscious of having done any special service to Jesus. We are not always aware of the good we might be doing. We do not know how significant our actions are for others or how much our presence means to them. The blessed in the parable have responded with mercy to those in need, without any great thought beyond that response. Only at the end of their lives did they realize that their ordinary simple acts of kindness and consideration were in fact serving the Lord of glory. In attending to the ordinary, they were also engaging with the eternal. The love we have for our brothers and sisters is the measure of our love for God. Whoever does not cooperate in the construction of the Messiah's kingdom has no right to be called a Christian. The Gospel therefore challenges us to see the broken body of Christ in the brokenness and the wounded of those we see around us. Christ still suffers in the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick, and the imprisoned. To pay attention to them is pay attention to the broken body of Christ and to be welcomed as blessed of God. Those who are cursed bring the doom upon themselves because they failed to respond to simple human needs. The solemnity of Christ the King is not just the conclusion of the Church year; it is also a summary of our lives as Christians. On this great feast, let us resolve to give Christ the central place in our lives and obey His commandment of Love. Happy Sunday!

From the Office of the Archbishop



The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace - which we all know by its simpler name, "**Development and Peace**" - is facing great challenges in the context of new problems caused by Covid-19 in the global South. In addition, this year's Share Lent collection could not be held due to the closure of all places of worship during Lent of 2020.

For this reason, the fall 2020 educational campaign, entitled "**Recovering Together**", will also be a fundraising campaign. I gave my agreement to hold a special fundraising in our diocese. Obviously, our congregations are small, but we invite our parishioners to contribute....

This pandemic is not easy for us, who live in a rich country. Let us stand in solidarity with those who do not have our good fortune and who must face this ordeal in environments marked by poverty. Yes, let's all try to "recover together"!

**To make an online donation, go to: <https://www.devp.org/en/campaign/recoveringtogether>
or you can send your donation to:**

Development and Peace
1425 René-Lévesque Blvd West, 3rd Floor
Montréal, Québec Canada, H3G 1T7

Our Lady of Victory & St. Malachy News

Prayers requested: Recently, a corona virus outbreak occurred at the residence where Archbishop Ébacher lives, Domaine Notre-Dame, as well as nuns from the Sisters of Charity of Ottawa and the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. All residents are currently in quarantine and have been screened. According to the CISSSO website, there are 31 people who have tested positive for Covid-19, **including our Archbishop Emeritus.**

We therefore invite you to pray (With your local parish community) for Archbishop Ébacher and all the residents of the care home, whose management works in collaboration with the Public Health authorities for the safety and recovery of infected people. Thank you for your prayers.

Book of Life: Feel free to add your loved ones name/s to this Book.

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.22nd.**

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> |
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| 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

Partnership with the Food Bank

Parishioners who are unable to attend the OLV mass celebration in person may join the parish's on-line Zoom mass. OLV has access to a licensed Zoom account as a result of a partnership with our local food bank, La Mie de l'Entraide. That is why parishioners who have been following the mass celebrations through Zoom will have noticed the name of the food bank on the connection.

In exchange, OLV has agreed to making our kitchen in the church hall available to the food bank on a weekly basis. La Mie de l'Entraide will be expanding their services in the near future but until construction can be finalized at the food bank's location at 129 Joseph Street, they require a full kitchen to convert the overabundance of certain foods into prepared meals for those in need. A fruitful partnership! A link to the Zoom connection can be found on our website.