

**Our Lady of Victory**  
490 Charles Street  
Gatineau, Québec  
J8L 2K5

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**MARCH 12 - 13, 2022**

**St. Malachy**  
3889 Route 315  
Mayo, Québec  
J8L 3Z8

**Sunday 9:00 a.m.**

**Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Saturday 7:00 p.m.**

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                              **Wednesday:** 9:00 am - 11:00 am  
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**Baptisms** By appointment. Registration required. Please call the Rectory.

**Weddings** Couples must call the Rectory for an appointment **at least one year** prior to their date of marriage to allow adequate preparation time.

**Welcome to new Parishioners** We welcome you to our parish! Please introduce yourself after Mass and call the Rectory to register.

**Zoom Link** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3220682713?pwd=Z0l3ZURacXhObmREbi91KzhxaUtuUT09>

**For OLV** Meeting ID: 322 068 2713

**Sunday Mass** Passcode: 046463



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**MASSES**

Thursday	Mar. 17 <sup>th</sup>	OLV	9:00 a.m.	<b>All Parishioners of OLV &amp; St. Malachy</b>
Saturday	Mar. 19 <sup>th</sup>	St. Malachy	7:00 p.m.	<b>Helen Weatherdon (1<sup>st</sup> ann)</b> by Shirley, Rolly & Philip Plouffe <b>Agathe Somers (22<sup>nd</sup> ann)</b> by Wilbert Somers
Sunday	Mar. 20 <sup>th</sup>	OLV	9:00 a.m.	<b>All Parishioners of OLV &amp; St. Malachy</b>

**WEEKLY RECEIPTS**

**OLV**

**ST. MALACHY**

March 6-7, 2022 - Sunday Offering	\$ 200.00	\$ 155.00
March 6-7, 2022 - Support	300.00	130.00

*Thank you for your contributions*

## Second Sunday of Lent – March 13, 2022

First Reading: **Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18**  
Psalm 27: **The Lord is my light and my salvation**  
Second Reading: **Philippians 3.17-4.1**  
Gospel: **Luke 9.28b-36**

### Reflection

Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem. He has the sense that things are coming to a head for him. The conflict between himself and his enemies is at the point of exploding. A number of his disciples have left him. He wonders whether he should go through with the mission the Father had given him.

“He went up on the mountain to pray” – He went into communication with God. Two “giants” of the Old Testament, Moses and Elijah (the Law and the Prophets), appear on the scene. Both of them had faced similarly critical situations. As for Elijah, he is the man who, very much like Jesus, had only one passion: the Kingdom of God. Elijah met a lot of resistance, so much so that he went into the wilderness, sat under a tree saying “God, I have had enough. Let me go to sleep and don’t let me wake up again.” But he wakes up. Something drives him to go to Mount Horeb where he has an overwhelming experience of God, one that energizes him enough to go on again.

As for Moses, he too met all sorts of difficulties with the people he was supposed to lead: resistance, scepticism, rebellion, enough to be tempted to throw in the towel. So Moses pleads with God to show the way. He goes up the Mount of Sinai where he experiences the presence of God so profoundly, that he can get over his crisis. He can hope again, he can move on.

It is precisely these, Moses and Elijah, that appear on the scene when things are getting difficult for Jesus. He has to consult them. Talking things over with them, it becomes clear to Jesus that he is on course. He is encouraged by their story. Above all, he finds strength in God’s presence, like they did.

The Bible captures that with the image of his face changing and his clothes becoming brilliant. And from the cloud that covers them comes the voice: “This is my Son, the Chosen One, Listen to Him.” These same words had sounded at an earlier decisive moment in Jesus’ life, at his baptism in the Jordan when he begins his mission. Here too the voice coming from the cloud confirms Jesus. Now he is equipped and strengthened to go on his way to Jerusalem, where in laying down his life he will become the source of life for us.

God’s presence to Moses, Elijah, and Jesus pulled them through their difficult moments. That same God has also made himself into our God, when we were baptized in Jesus’ name. It is important that we bring that home to us in the season of Lent. Lent is the privileged time in which we are encouraged to check out whether we are still on course as God’s people.

We may not have the serious doubts that Moses, Elijah and Jesus had. In our case it may be a matter of discipleship having become half-hearted, lukewarm, too comfortable. Perhaps our discipleship has lost some of its intensity. So the season of Lent becomes an opportunity to ask ourselves honestly: As disciples of Jesus are we still on course? Do the basic Gospel values that Jesus embodies still turn us on? Or have we possibly lost the taste for them?

*From SHARING THE WORD OF GOD, Insights from William Marvee S.C.J.*

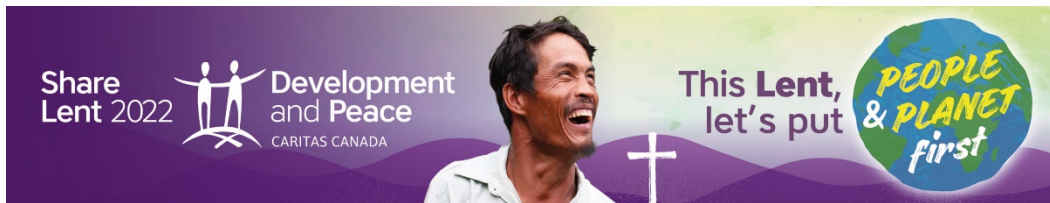
## OLV & ST. MALACHY NEWS

**Father Gregory:** Can be reached at St. Aloysius at 819-663-5244 and Carol (secretary) will take your message or forward you to Father if he is in. Also every Thursday at OLV, after 9:00 a.m. Mass. Call the office at 819-986-3763 and schedule your time with him.

**Holy Water & Plastic Rosaries:** **Holy Water** is already in containers and can be taken from the table at the right of the top of the stairs or during office working hours. **Plastic rosaries** are also available for sale.

**Ongoing collections:** Pop tabs, used postage stamps, used candles, egg cartons and your donations to the Food Bank.

**Mass Intentions:** Did you know you can request that a mass service be celebrated for a particular personal intention such as remembering a deceased loved one, praying for the sick or any other special intention. Now that Thursday masses are being celebrated you can also request your own personal mass intention on this day. Your request can be honored by calling the parish office at 819-986-3763 and reserving your special date, what the intention is and for whom. The Mass stipend is \$20.00!



### Madagascar: An Ecological Village to Cope With Climate Change

Development and Peace's **People and Planet First** campaign celebrates what solidarity can achieve, even against seemingly impossible odds.

In Madagascar, for instance, Development and Peace's partner, the Development Council of Andohatopenaka (CDA), empowers people to manage and transform their neighbourhoods.

In the capital region, which is afflicted by flooding and poor waste management, CDA has helped the residents of one vulnerable area to turn their environs into a thriving ecological village. Today, each of the 50 households involved in the project has a vegetable garden, a stove and solar panels. This transformation reflects a true ecological conversion.

See the [Mini-Magazine](https://www.devp.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/EN_2022_minimag.pdf) - [https://www.devp.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/EN\\_2022\\_minimag.pdf](https://www.devp.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/EN_2022_minimag.pdf) that was inserted with last week's bulletin for more information. You can also watch the video at <https://www.devp.org/lent/act>

