



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

NATIVITY OF THE LORD
DEC. 24-25, 2022
MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
WORLD DAY OF PEACE
Dec. 31, 2022 & JAN. 1, 2023

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

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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Confessions Available 15 minutes before every weekend mass
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.

MASSES

Day	Date	Church	Time	Participants
Thursday	Dec. 29 th	OLV	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy
Saturday	Dec. 31 st	St. Malachy	5:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of St. Malachy & OLV
Sunday	Jan. 1 st	OLV	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy
Thursday	Jan. 5 th	OLV	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of OLV & St. Malachy
Saturday	Jan. 7 th	St. Malachy	5:00 p.m.	Michael French by Claude & Dorothy Carriere
Sunday	Jan. 8 th	OLV	9:00 a.m.	Philippe Lotz by Marianne Lotz

WEEKLY RECEIPTS

OLV

ST. MALACHY

Dec. 17-18 Sunday Offering	\$ 3,041.00	No mass – No power
Dec. 17-18 Christmas Flowers	20.00	
Dec. 17-18 Missal	6.00	

Thank you for your contributions.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY & ST. MALACHY NEWS

Sympathies & Prayers: We extend our deep sorrow to Cheryl Cameron and family on the death of her sister. Hugs and prayers from all your fellow parishioners.

Office Hours: Will be **closed** Dec. 26th and **opened** Dec. 27th. **Closed** Jan. 2nd and **opened** Jan. 3rd. May you find peace, joy, good health and continued fellowship.

Christmas Mass Schedule				
Day	Date	Details	Time	Location
Saturday	Dec. 24 th	Christmas Eve	9:00 pm	St. Malachy
Sunday	Dec. 25 th	Christmas Day	9:00 am	Our Lady of Victory
Saturday	Dec. 31 st	New Year's Eve	5:00 pm	St. Malachy
Sunday	Jan. 1 st - 2023	New Year's Day	9:00 am	Our Lady of Victory

Fellowship: January 8th, 2023 will be the next date for this event.

OLV Lector's / Greeter's Schedule		
DATE	LECTOR	GREETERS
Dec. 25 th	Diane	Lyall & Gail
Jan. 1 st	Linda C.	Ken
Jan. 8 th	Virginia	Lyall & Gail
Jan. 15 th	Aggie	Ken
Jan. 22 nd	Diane	Lyall & Gail
Jan. 29 th	Linda C.	Ken

NOTE: Please see yourself to communion and exiting church.

2022 CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM MGR PAUL-ANDRÉ DUROCHER

Welcoming visitors to our homes is part of the holiday season. It means having to clean the house, cook the meals and prepare the guest room. But we don't mind, because we long to see our guests. Whether it's a friend we haven't seen in a long time, a brother or sister who has come from afar, or our daughter's new boyfriend, we look forward to seeing them, listening to them, and having a great time in their presence. How good it is to welcome others in such moments!

Sometimes, welcoming is more demanding, like when the visitor is a stranger, a person in need or someone who bothers us. I remember participating in a large Scout jamboree that was interrupted by a tornado. Nearly a thousand of us young people became homeless when the wind blew our tents off their poles. Local residents were quick to respond, and I was greeted by a couple who offered me a bed, meals, a phone to call my parents, and some money for unexpected expenses. They could have refused: who was I to this couple, me, a young stranger? But they welcomed me as I was, in my hour of need. How generous it is to welcome others in such moments!

There are unexpected moments of welcome that transform us. Once, a speaker was on his way to our diocese to lead a training session for our staff. Since I had to pick him up late at night at the airport, I offered to let him stay at my place, which he accepted. I didn't expect that the conversation I would have with him would have such a big impact on me. My welcome turned into a moment of encounter that animated me and rekindled my enthusiasm. How life-giving it is to welcome others in such moments!

And how do we welcome Jesus who comes to us at Christmas? Do we take the trouble to prepare ourselves for the festival day simply to have a pleasant time? Do we allow ourselves to be disturbed by others, in a spirit of generosity? Do we allow ourselves to be transformed by an unexpected word that opens up new possibilities for us?

Christmas will take on the colour of our welcome. I hope that it will be warm and joyful for all of you. But above all, I hope it will be a source of new life. After all, that's why He came!

+ Paul-André Durocher

Message from OLV Wardens

On behalf of the OLV Wardens, I would like to take this opportunity to wish our parishioners a joyful celebration of Christmas with their families, as well as a blessed New Year. A grateful thank you to my fellow Wardens and Volunteers, as well as to our loyal parishioners who, through their efforts, make life in our faith community purposeful.

As we celebrate Christmas, we should take a moment to reflect on our good fortune and many blessings. The world today is in turmoil with wars, famine, violence, and racism raising its ugly head once more. Yet, our nation continues to be a peaceful island among stormy seas. For this we should be grateful.

Let us also take some time during this Christmas season to reflect on the challenges Mary and Joseph had to face. To believe is to trust. Mary and Joseph believed and trusted in God's plan for them. As we should. It was not an easy voyage. They were treated as a marginalized couple in Bethlehem, the birth of a child in a stable, the flight into Egypt, living as immigrants in a strange land. All these events they accepted without question. An example to all families through trusting in God's plan for us.

So as we gather around the dinner table with our families, let us take a moment to reflect on the miracle birth of our saviour on a starry Bethlehem night and say a silent prayer of gratitude for this gift of salvation. God Bless.

Bill Cameron, Chairperson of the Fabrique

Thank You from the Chairperson and Wardens of St. Malachy's Parish

The Chairperson and Wardens of St. Malachy's parish wish to thank all parishioners for their continued support this past year. Not only the financial support, but for assisting in continuing to keep our faith community alive through your weekly attendance. Thank you also to our parish ministers who assist with the readings, Mass serving, musical contributions, and church preparation to be able to come together in prayer. A special thanks to Fr. Greg Murray for leading us in prayer and spiritual guidance. It is greatly appreciated.

We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy Happy New Year. May the spirit of Christmas be extended into our daily lives long past the Christmas Season.

Heart and Soul Choir

The **Heart and Soul Choir** is looking for new members to join our choir. If you love to sing, enjoy meeting new people come and join Heart and Soul Choir, an **all woman's choir**, who sing gospel and spiritual songs. The Choir will be gathering weekly on Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 to 4pm beginning January 11, 2023 at Our Lady of Victory Church Hall. No scary auditions, no pressure on anyone at all. This is a friendly community choir, a Choir full of heart and soul! Come at least 3 times to see if this is something you will enjoy before making a firm commitment.

Contact Sandra at smaloney888@gmail.com or 819-986-1185.

Adoration Thursdays - St. Grégoire Parish

St. Grégoire parish church is open every Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Place of silence

REST HEALING PEACE

Looking for more information on church items, please view our website at:

www.stmalachyolv.com