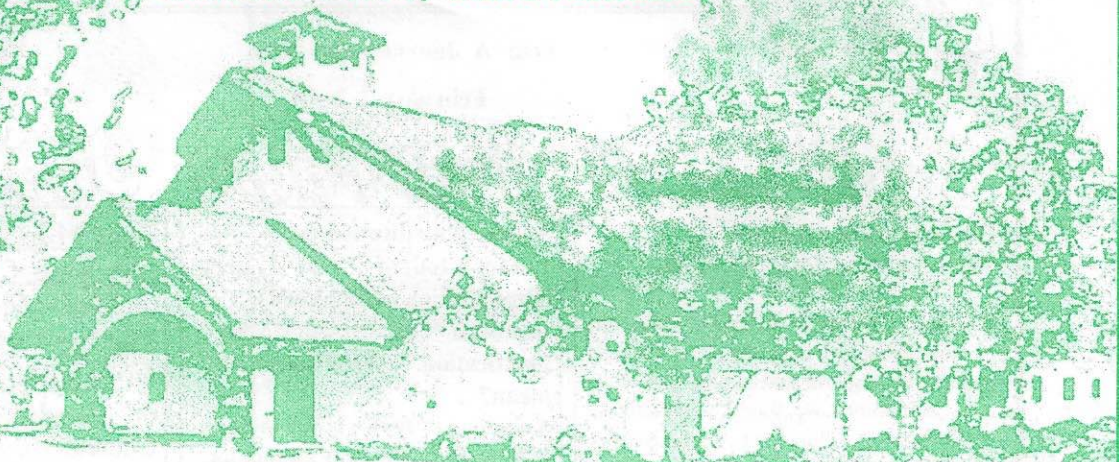


Serving the Communities of the Almanor Basin

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS CATHOLIC PARISH

220 Clifford Drive, Lake Almanor



Our Lady of the Snows Parish is a community that is ever mindful of the presence of God in the Blessed Sacrament, in our church, in each other and in ourselves. We envision all who enter our doors will be welcomed and valued for their gifts. We strive to respond to the needs of all -- to bring about joy and spiritual growth. We open our hearts to the poor and vulnerable. We promote peace and justice for all. We are committed to be active stewards of God's creation to preserve the beauty of nature and our surroundings and be ever grateful for His bountiful blessings.

MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

Baptismal Preparation (call Rectory at least 1 month in advance)	259-3932
Marriage Preparation (call Rectory at least 8 months in advance)	259-3932
Altar Servers - Pat Martin	258-2101
Facilities & Maintenance - Steve DeWitt	258-4222
Finance Council - Laura Hawkins, Chair	259-5379
Hospitality Ministry (Ushers) - Carl Deveny	596-3319
Liturgy Committee - Pat Martin, Chair	258-2101
Sick & Homebound Ministry - Fr. Alfredo	259-3932
Parish Pastoral Council - Fr. Alfredo	259-3932
Religious Education - Carolyn Straight	
RCIA - Debbie & Larry Rives	259-2420
Altar Society - Julie Chavez	596-4951
Music Ministry - Cindy Hawkins	258-0319
Environment Ministry - Luci Burgess	596-4636

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 8:30 a.m.

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:30 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

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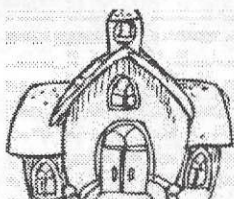
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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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February 23, 2020

Good News

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lv 19:1-2; 17-18. 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48.

Wow, that's a tall order! But what does perfect mean? The Greek word means "full" or "complete." In the first reading, Leviticus call us to be holy, a word with cultic allusions—to be set apart to be used for God. Through not possessing exactly the same sense, there is a connection between perfect and holy, for to be set apart to be used for God will certainly make us perfect, fulfilled, and complete. So what does Jesus mean when he tells us to be perfect, as God is perfect?

Continuing our reflection on the Sermon on the Mount, we find Jesus telling us how we are to be perfect as God is perfect. He offers two examples of extraordinary behavior. The Mesopotamian code of Hammurabi states "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." The punishment may not exceed the crime. This was a step forward in ancient justice.

Jesus said that this is not enough. There is to be no vindictiveness, no revenge, regardless of how equivalent it might appear. The reason for this is that God loves and cares for all, even those who do us injustice. God makes the "sun rise on the bad and the good, and cause rain to fall on the just and the unjust" (Matthew 5:46). In this way, we must be like God; we must love all, no exceptions. This is what it means to be perfect. It is needed a tall order. But it is the way to be fulfilled to be complete.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

May the Mother of Jesus, and our Mother, always smile on you and obtain for you, from her Most Holy Son, every heavenly blessing. Pray to Our Blessed Mother Mary.

Nothing can limit God's power.

dear Padre

A Protestant friend says all the Catholic rituals aren't necessary to get to heaven. What can I say to convince her?

Your Friend is correct about heaven: God wishes salvation of everyone—not just Catholics (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church [Lumen Gentium], 13). Even so, Catholics believe—and Christ taught us—that certain rituals are necessary to enter heaven. Baptism is one example.

But being Catholic isn't just about getting to heaven. Earthly benefits abound! Take the Mass: holy Communion give us Jesus Christ's very Body and Blood. The sacrament of reconciliation absolves our sins, bringing us peace, comfort, and a closer relationship to God. Our saints and the Blessed Mother inspire us and intercede on our behalf. Our Church leaders—ordained and religious—being Christ to our lives. Our Catholic hymns and prayer traditions help us offer praise and thanks in a unique way. Your priest and the Catechism of the Catholic Church can explain in detail the spiritual and temporal benefits of our rituals and rich traditions.

Once we get to heaven, the need for distinctions among those of different Christian faiths dissolves. But until then, we shouldn't follow the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church simply because it's the religion of our parents or spouse; we should follow them because we believe they show us how to deepen our relationship with God by living as Jesus wanted us to. So while "all the Catholic rituals" do prepare us for heaven. I thank God for my Catholicism every day—and you should too.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR
Pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory for their release to praise the Lord, in return these Souls will pray for you.

OLS News

Daily Mass will be in **Christ the King Chapel** at 8:30am on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri. **The Lord's Day Mass** is held on **Saturday** at 5:00pm and on **Sunday** at 9:30am. in Church.

Ash Wednesday Masses Feb. 26th.

Morning Mass 8:30am with ashes and Evening Mass at 5:00pm with ashes.

Each Friday there will be Mass and Stations of the Cross at 5:00pm with soup and bread afterwards. All are welcome to attend Lenten services.

There is a sign up sheet in the hall if you would like to bring a pot of soup for Fridays.

Today we join together through the Annual Catholic Appeal. The appeal is dedicated solely to mission of the Church in Northern Calif. It helped 261,000 people with funded charitable works. Please be generous as you can. Every gift makes a profound difference in someone's life.

Please take a moment and say a prayer for all our sick parishioners.



*Pray for the Sick and Deceased
Loved ones.
Prayer is the best armor we have,
It is the key which opens the heart of
God. St. Padre Pio*

- Ruby Vocke †
- George Hawkins
- Robert Gonzales
- Kerry Phillips
- Jane Hilliard
- Lawrence Oliver
- Marcella Unalles
- Mitchell Padula †
- Cindee Padula †
- Vernon Burgess
- Ron Roderick †
- Matthew Settlemyre †
- George & Frances Angelis †
- Gayle Auge
- Art Tantardino †
- Frances Dennis
- Philip Aquila
- Lou Ann Martin †
- Alexa Rolin
- Debbie Stebbins
- Maynard Crowther
- Kathy O'Donnell
- Miguel Pena †
- Pat Pfeifer
- Karen Klemek †
- Allen & Kathy Hayes
- Margret Mugallis
- Bulah Bozzo †
- Julie Stangler
- Eileen Ruby †
- Francis Ouelette
- Diana Pallari
- Carolyn Willhoit
- John Fehrman †
- Pat Penick †

Weekly Offering's

February 16, 2020

Offertory — \$ 1562.00

Building & Maintenance \$ 1000.00

Poor \$ 120.00

Christmas \$ 100.00

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Feb. 22	Saturday	5:00 pm	Mass for the Parish
Feb. 23	Sunday	9:30 am	Diana Pallari
Feb. 24	Monday	8:30 am	Ray Pallari
Feb. 25	Tuesday	8:30 am	Dina Pallari
Feb. 26	Wednesday	8:30 am	
Feb. 27	Thursday	8:30 am	Priscilla McEfee
Feb. 28	Friday	8:30 am	Allen Hayes

This Weekend's Ministry Schedule

	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
Saturday	Toni Pleau Monique F.	Pat Didier
Sunday	Julie Chavez Laura Hawkins Kitty DeWitt	Fernando Conchas

OLS news cont

Pray the Rosary thirty minutes before Saturday and Sunday Mass in the Chapel. All are welcome.

A couple extra dollars each week in your offertory envelope will help with our General Fund for the church. This helps to pay for the heating of the church and social hall, also to remove the snow from the parking lot (when we get it). God Bless all of you.

Please remember if you are in need of spiritual guidance, need special anointing, or just information please call Fr. Tamayo for an appointment. We are here to help and lessen your burden.

Visit Our Website at: www.ourladyofsnowparish.org